

# 11DBEGSPU THE HIGHLIGHTS OF SERBIA, SLOVENIA & CROATIA

11 days in Belgrade, Zagreb, Bled, Plitvice, and Split.



### INCLUDED CITY TOURS

• Belgrade

• Postojna Cave

Zagreb

• Plitvice Lakes

• Bled

• Split

# INCLUDED FEATURES

- First-class hotels
- Arrival transfer from Belgrade airport on Day 1
- Departure transfer to Split airport on Day 11
- Daily breakfast, 1 lunch and 6 dinners
- Professional English-Speaking Tour Director
- Licensed Local Guides
- Touring with modern air-conditioned motor coach
- Whisper technology for enhanced touring
- Luggage handling (1 piece per person)
- Service charges and hotel taxes
- Entrance fees included where indicated in bold

# TRIP ITINERARY

B - Breakfast | L - Lunch | D - Dinner

Entrance fees included where indicated in bold.

#### Day 1 - Thursday: Arrive in Belgrade

You will be met at the airport and transferred to your hotel. There's time to relax before meeting your fellow travelers and Tour Director for a Welcome Dinner. (D)

#### Day 2 - Friday: Belgrade Excursion

After breakfast, embark on a full-day excursion from Belgrade. Our first stop is **Krusedol Monastery**, founded in the early 16th century and considered one of Serbia's most significant monasteries. Continue to the picturesque town of Sremski Karlovci - known for its baroque and neoclassical architecture. After an orientation tour, we will visit one of the famous local wineries for lunch and wine tasting. Afterwards, explore the intriguing **Petrovaradin Fortress**, with its underground trenches and tunnels. Our last stop is the city of Novi Sad, where you'll have a quick orientation tour and some free time before returning to your hotel in Belgrade. (B, L)

#### Day 3 - Saturday: In Belgrade

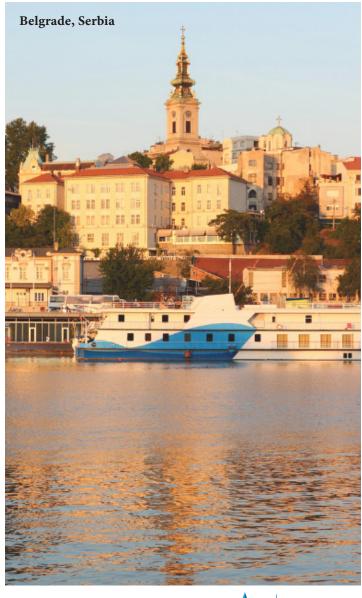
Start your morning with a city sightseeing tour including a visit to the imposing Kalemegdan Fortress, strategically located at the confluence of the Sava and Danube Rivers. Discover Republic Square, Knez Mihailova Street, Saint Sava Temple (the largest Orthodox Church in the city), and Tito's Memorial. Continue to Avala. The rest of the day is free for you to explore at your own pace. In the afternoon, you have the option to join an excursion to Topola, where George Petrovic, also known as Karadjordje, was chosen as the leader of the First Serbian Uprising against the Ottoman Empire in 1804. A short drive away is St. George's Church, also known as Oplenac, the burial place of the Ducal and Royal Family of Serbia and Yugoslavia. After a lunch break (not included), we will return to Belgrade. The evening is yours to enjoy before dinner at a local resturant. (B, D)

#### Day 4 - Sunday: To Dubrovnik

After breakfast, travel to Dubrovnik. The rest of the day is yours to explore. (B, D)

#### Day 5 - Monday: Explore Zagreb

This morning, enjoy a city tour featuring the historic Upper Town, St. Mark's Church, St. Catherine's Church, the **Cathedral**, Parliament, and the Government Palace. The rest of the day is yours to explore the winding streets of the old town or join us for an optional excursion to see the countryside. (B)







#### Day 6 - Tuesday: Ljubljana & Bled

After breakfast, head towards Ljubljana - the capital of Slovenia. Take a walking tour to see the most significant sights of the old city center. Highlights include the picturesque open-air Central Market, the Three Bridges, Baroque Town Hall, and Robba's Fountain. Then, continue to Bled. (B, D)

#### Day 7 - Wednesday: Explore Bled

Bled, an Alpine Lake surrounded by high peaks, was "discovered" by travelers in the middle of the 19th century. Enjoy a sightseeing tour of the lakeshore and charming town, and visit the imposing **Bled Castle** perched on a cliff high above the lake. The rest of the day yours to continue exploring. Browse through the shops and boutiques, or simply relax in the enchanting scenery. Join us for an optional excursion to the small island in the middle of the lake. (B)

#### Day 8 - Thursday: Journey to Plitvice

Continue to Postojna - home to one of the largest caves in Europe. Tour this fantastic subterranean world by miniature electric train. Afterward, continue to the coast and have a stop in Opatija. Enjoy a walking tour of this fashionable resort from the 19th century, dotted with Habsburg-era villas. After some free time, continue towards Plitvice Lakes. (B, D)

#### Day 9 - Friday: Explore Plitvice Lakes

After breakfast, have your camera ready as you take a walking tour around the lower lakes. The breathtaking scenery of this natural wonder includes sixteen terraced lakes surrounded by thickly wooded mountains and lush vegetation. After the tour, head to Split. Overnight in Split. (B, D)

#### Day 10 - Saturday: Discover Split

In the morning, enjoy a sightseeing tour featuring the historic inner city, built around the Roman Emperor **Diocletian's Palace,** a UNESCO World Cultural Heritage site. Then see the remnants of Split's Roman heritage, its Renaissance and Gothic structures, Jupiter's Temple, the Peristyle, and the Cathedral. The rest of the day is yours to stroll through the beautiful streets of Split, enjoy the beach, or join us on an Optional Excursion to the Jet Set spot of the rich and famous – the Island of Hvar. (B)

# Day 11 - Sunday: Depart Split

After breakfast, check out from your hotel and transfer to Split airport for your departure. (B)

**Note:** Because of the narrow and cobbled streets, walking is the primary way of getting around. Please make sure to pack comfortable walking shoes.

## INCLUDED HOTELS

- **Belgrade** Hotel Moskva / Courtyard by Marriott (F) or similar
- **Zagreb** Zonar (F) or similar
- Bled Kompas (F)/ Bled Rose (F) or similar
- Plitvice Jezero (F) or similar
- **Split** Hotel Corner (F) or similar

# DATES & PRICING - 11DBEGSPU

Start:	End:	Per Person in Twin:
March 21	May 31	\$2,589
May 2	May 12	\$2,798
June 13	June 23	\$2,798
July 25	August 4	\$2,998
September 5	September 15	\$2,798
Single Room Supplement		\$850



