



PRIVATE SLOVAKIA UNESCO TOUR 2024

NEW ITINERARY. PREMIUM LUXURY EXPERIENCE.





ABOUT THIS TRIP

9 DAYS / 1 COUNTRY / ALL UNESCO SIGHTS / LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY: EASY

Enjoy the Private Slovakia UNESCO Tour – this tour specializes in UNESCO World Heritage Sites in Slovakia. We'll start with a romantic Banska Stiavnica town, and travel around the whole of Slovakia to see jewels, such as medieval Bardejov town, precious wooden churches, unique castles and caves. We'll enjoy the beauty of Slovakia, the arts & crafts, the gastronomical delights in traditional restaurants and excellent Slovak wine. All entrances to the top sights are already included in the package price.

Fall in love with our lovely, peaceful, friendly and yet not crowded Slovakia.



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Our top priority is exclusive customer care. From the very first email, through the entire booking process, during your lovely tour and up to your departure – we will always care about your highest comfort, the attention to detail, your safety, your special requests and, of course, that your tour is enjoyable and memorable.

As it is essential to have a top tour guide while you are enjoying your lovely holiday, our guide-drivers are native Slovaks, highly qualified, licensed experts with vast knowledge of the history of Slovakia with excellent English skills, driving skills, a strong personal touch with sense of humor. They are friendly and always ready to help you and make your stay a lovely and unique experience.

Our vehicles are new, fully equipped luxury vans Mercedes Benz V class, for up to 7 travelers. They offer the highest possible comfort. You will enjoy the luxury suits on the wheels. For larger groups, our partner agency offers Setra 30 seaters and 50 seaters.



Peter & Jane Blazicek / Best Slovakia Tours – Travel Team

YOUR TOUR ITINERARY

Route: Tour starts and ends in Bratislava, the capital of Slovakia
Fly to/from Vienna Schwechat airport / Austria (recommended)

DAY 1

DISCOVER PICTURESQUE BANSKA STIAVNICA TOWN / UNESCO



After 2 hours of scenic drive crossing the rolling Danube plains, we'll enter one of the most beautiful Slovak towns – **Banska Stiavnica**. It is like stepping into past centuries. Get an overview of the rich history of this town connected with the mining of copper, silver and gold. Visit the Old castle – a majestic fortress, 16th century New castle, the heart of the Old town and Holy Trinity square with beautiful sights such as the gothic 15th century St. Catherine's Church, admire renaissance buildings and the baroque Holy Trinity column. Tasty lunch

break at the restaurant Monarchia (home-made specialties) or enjoy lunch and famous beer at the restaurant ERB (microbrewery and fine dining). Welcome drink and dinner (included).

Overnight in Banska Stiavnica at the Boutique Hotel Erb****

DAY 2

HRONSEK WOODEN CHURCH & LEVOCA TOWN / UNESCO



We'll drive to see a hidden jewel, the wooden articular church **Hronsek**. Afterward, we'll drive through the mountain pass Donovaly and enter the mountain village of **Vlkolinec**, a remarkably intact settlement with the traditional features of a central European village. It is the region's most complete group of these kinds of traditional log houses, often found in mountainous areas. Great opportunity to try samples of honey wine (mead), from local winemakers. Go back in time and see how people used to live two centuries ago. Visit a

little square, baroque chapel, wooden belfry and folk museum showing all the instruments of daily life and work. Continue to Levoca and free time to relax.

Overnight in Levoca at the Hotel u Leva***

DAY 3

LEVOCA TOWN and SPISS CASTLE / UNESCO



We'll start a day with a short sightseeing tour in **Levoča**. It is undoubtedly a cultural and historical jewel among Slovak towns. Enter **the Roman-Catholic church of St. James** from the 14th century with its tallest wooden wing gothic altar in the world, a masterpiece by Master Paul of Levoča.

We'll stay in the Spiss region and visit the **Spiss Castle**, one of the largest castle ruins of Central Europe

Stop in **Zehra Church**, famous for its fresco Tree of life. Furthermore, we visit **Spisska Kapitula**, also known as "Slovak Vatikan" and enter into the Cathedral of St. Martin. Free time and relax in Levoča.

Overnight in Levoča at the Hotel u Leva***

DAY 4

OCHTINSKA ARAGONITOVA CAVE and DOBSINSKA ICE CAVE / UNESCO



We'll visit **the Ochtinska Aragonitova cave**, which creates a unique natural phenomenon as there are only 3 such caves in the entire world (Slovakia, Mexico and Argentine).

Admire the variety and abundance of aragonite filling and a rare development of underground space.

Another special cave is **the Dobsinska Ice cave**, which belongs among the most important ice caves in the world. Continue to Kosice.

Overnight in Kosice at the Hotel Double Tree Hilton****

DAY 5

KOSICE



We'll start the day with the **Quality Sightseeing Walking Tour** around the spectacular, historical Old Town of Kosice. It is a city with an eventful and illustrious past.

Visit to **St. Elizabeth's Cathedral**, considered to be one of the most beautiful Gothic structures in the world, **St. Michael's Chapel**, the **State Theatre**, **St. Urbain's Tower**. See the Jesuit and Franciscan churches as well as the lane of arts and crafts, similar to Golden Lane in Prague, but definitely with fewer tourists, more authentic and worth visiting.

Overnight in Kosice at the Hotel Double Tree Hilton****

DAY 6

WOODEN CHURCH - MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL and ST. NICOLAS



Drive to Snina - a gate to the originally volcanic Vihorlat protected landscape area and the National Park of Poloniny.

The north-eastern part of Slovakia is a land of wooden churches. Let's discover them – **the Greek Catholic wooden church of St. Nicolas in Bodruzal**, built in 1658. The log building consists of three parts with three little towers and **the Greek Catholic**

wooden church of St. Michael the Archangel in small village of Ladomirova, built in 1742 without a single metal nail.

Overnight in Bardejov at the Hotel pod Branou****

DAY 7

HERVARTOV WOODEN CHURCH & BARDEJOV



Quality sightseeing tour in the heart of Bardejov town to see the highlights - Town Hall's square, **gothic St. Egidius's Church**, climb the church tower with its fantastic view of the former fortification walls around the city.

Time to discover the fabulous Saris region. We'll drive to the village of **Hervartov** to see the unique wooden Roman-Catholic church of St. Francis of Assisi from the 15th century.

Our exploration we start with **Bardejov Spa** - trying the healing water. It was a place where prominent European rulers and personalities spent some time. Among the most famous belongs the empress Elisabeth, known as Sissi. Try the healing water from eight springs. Next to the Spa resort there is one of **the oldest open-air museums in Slovakia**. Let's go back to the life of the 19th-20th century of the Slovaks and Rusyns. Walk into the houses of peasants, middle class, the mayor's house.

Optional visits: Museum of History of Bardejov, Museum of Icons, Jewish Suburbia visit

Overnight in Bardejov at the Hotel pod Branou****

DAY 8

BRATISLAVA QUALITY SIGHTSEEING TOUR



Earlier start (8am) and drive to Bratislava. Lunch break on the way and we'll start in Bratislava with a Quality Walking Tour to see the highlights of the Old Town. The **Hviezdoslav Square**, a prominent 18th century square surrounded by stunning palaces, **the Slovak National Theatre** and **the Slovak Philharmonic Orchestra**, visit **the St. Martin's Cathedral** - the coronation place of 18 rulers, including famous Austro-Hungarian empress Maria

Theresa; we stroll on medieval streets such as Panska and Venturska where famous music composers studied or gave concerts, such as W. A. Mozart, F. Liszt, L. Beethoven, and admire the only preserved town entrance – **St. Michael's Gate**. Walking through the main square, admire the beautiful former Old Town Hall and Maximilian Fountain, **the Primate's Palace** (outside) - the largest in Bratislava. Enough free time for taking pictures and enjoying the atmosphere.

Overnight in Bratislava at the Boutique Hotel Arcadia****

DAY 9

FAREWELL and DEPARTURE

Dovidenia, priatelia. Good bye, friends!

Your memorable holiday comes to an end today. We are ready to arrange for you an airport transfer, a comfortable door-to-door service for discounted rates (to Bratislava airport, Vienna airport, Budapest airport or Prague airport).



HIGHLIGHTS OF THIS TOUR

ALL UNESCO World Heritage sights

- ✓ Banska Stiavnica town
- ✓ Hronsek wooden church
- ✓ Levoca town
- ✓ Spiss castle, Spiss chapter and Zehra church
- ✓ Bardejov town
- ✓ Poloniny national park
- ✓ Wooden churches
- ✓ Ochtinska Aragonitova cave and Dobsinska Ice cave
- ✓ Taste all gastronomical delights in traditional Slovak Koliba restaurants
- ✓ Enjoy first class Guide-driver services

WHAT IS ALWAYS INCLUDED

Meals: 8x Breakfast, 1x welcome drink and dinner

Accommodation: first class 4star carefully selected hotels (Banska Stiavnica, Bardejov, Kosice, Bratislava) and 3star cosy hotel in Levoa (no 4 star category), VAT tax (value added tax), local city tax

Tour guides: Top Guide-driver

Transportation: luxury van Mercedes Benz Vclass (1-7 travelers), Mercedes Benz Sprinter (8-18 travelers), Setra 30 or 50 seaters (from our partner bus agency)

Entrances to the top sights:

Banska Stiavnica – Old and New castle

Hronsek wooden church

Levoca – St. James church and Museum of Master Paul

Spiss castle, Spiss chapter and Zehra church entrances

Bardejov – St. Egidius church

Wooden churches – entrances and/or contributions

Ochtinska Aragonitova cave and Dobsinska Ice cave

Refreshment on board (sparkling and still mineral water)

information material, brochures

WHAT IS EXCLUDED

Flights to/from Slovakia

Return airport transfers (ask and get the special rate), Meals and drinks

Travel insurance, personal expenses, cable car tickets, souvenirs

Gratuities to Guide-driver (optional), any services not listed above as "Included"

AVAILABILITY AND PRICES - TRAVEL SEASON 2024

All season. Our price policy is to offer fair and attractive prices for high quality tours.

Group of 2 travelers:	€ 2950.00 per person
Group of 4 travelers:	€ 2250.00 per person
Group of 6 travelers:	€ 1950.00 per person

Price is per person with minimum of 2 travelers

IMPORTANT ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- * During the low season, some tourist attractions might be temporarily closed due to reconstructions or due to bad weather (cable cars), alternative program will be offered
- * All prices are per person sharing twin/double room
- * Extra bed possible for a surcharge, single supplement for a surcharge of €550.00
- * Generally, this tour is available for travelers on wheelchair (and with other physical limitations), however, some sights might not be accessible (castles)

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