

K105

THREE BALKAN GEMS IN ONE STORY

9 days including Dubrovnik, Mostar, Sarajevo and Belgrade



MOSTAR



DUBROVNIK



BELGRADE

Day 1, Arrive Dubrovnik, Wednesday

Welcome to Dubrovnik! You will be met and transferred to your hotel. Then the day is free to get settled in or begin exploring. Later, gather for a Welcome Dinner. **(D)**

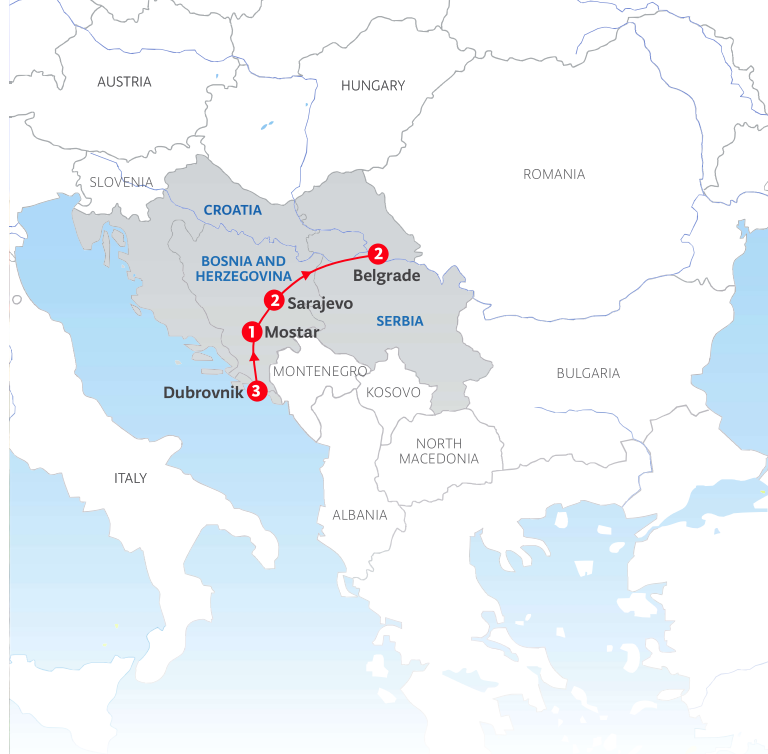
Day 2, in Dubrovnik, Thursday

Today we start our discovery tour of Dubrovnik with a walking tour of "Old Dubrovnik"; the **Rector's Palace**, the Bell Tower Clock, Orlando's Column and the Sponza Palace are all on our itinerary, as are the Dominican- and Franciscan Monasteries. The **Pharmacy of the Franciscan Monastery** is one of the oldest in the world. Later, we meet a **local artisan** to learn about the traditional craftsmanship that still thrives in Dubrovnik today. The remainder of the day is at leisure. **(B)**

Day 3, in Dubrovnik, Friday

Day at leisure or you can join optional tour to Montenegro

Travel to the Republic of Montenegro. Head to the mouth of the beautiful Bay of Kotor, the longest and deepest fjord in Southern



Europe. Enjoy a **boat ride to Our Lady of the Rocks**, one of two islets off the coast of Perast. The Roman Catholic Church is the largest building on the islet, with a museum attached to it. Upon return to the coast, we will stop in Perast, an old charming coastal town. Visit city of **Kotor** before returning to Dubrovnik. Dinner and overnight. **(B, D)**

Day 4, Dubrovnik to Mostar, Saturday

We continue our trip towards Mostar. Mostar is situated on the Neretva River and was named after the bridge keepers (mostari) who guarded the Stari Most (the Old Bridge) over the Neretva in the medieval times. The Old Bridge, built by the Ottomans in the 16th century, is one of Bosnia and Herzegovina's most recognizable landmarks, and is considered one of the most exemplary pieces of Islamic architecture in the Balkans. After the city tour, rest of the day at leisure. **(B)**

Day 5, Mostar to Sarajevo, Sunday

Today we have a late start. Drive along the gorge of the Neretva River and through the mountains we drive to reach Sarajevo. Free afternoon to start exploring the city on your own and taste some local culinary, overnight. **(B)**

Day 6, in Sarajevo, Monday

Sarajevo has been influenced by a number of cultures and civilizations during its long history. On a tour of the city, visit the Turkish bazaar "**Bas Carsija,**" **Husref Bay's Mosque**, the Olympic Stadium, and **Gavrilo Princip Museum**. Rest of the day is free to explore the lively city at your pace. **(B)**

Day 7, Sarajevo to Belgrade, Tuesday

We continue our journey to Visegrad with its Bridge on the Drina River. The bridge was built in oriental style in the 16th century and is a masterpiece of civil engineering. Our next stop is in Drvengrad (translated as "Timber Town"), where famous director Emir Kusturica built the beautiful Ethno Village. Our final stop is in Uzice and we end our journey today in Belgrade. **(B, D)**

Day 8, in Belgrade, Wednesday

With a history dating back more than 7,000 years, Belgrade is a fascinating city to visit. Our morning sightseeing tour includes the city's main attractions: the imposing **Kalemegdan Fortress**, dramatically situated at the joining of the Sava and Danube Rivers; Republic Square and Knez Mihajlova Street; Saint Sava Temple, the largest Orthodox Church in the city; and **Tito's Memorial**. This afternoon is free or you can join optional Cruise on the Danube River. Tonight join your fellow travelers and your tour director for dinner with live music. **(B, D)**

Day 9, depart Belgrade, Thursday

Following breakfast, you will be transferred and dropped off at Belgrade airport for your flight home. **(B)**

2022 TOUR K105		PRICE
START:	END:	PER PERSON IN DBL/TWN
May - 18	May - 26	\$2,273
Jun - 01	Jun - 09	\$2,400
Jun - 15	Jun - 23	\$2,400
Jun - 29	Jul - 07	\$2,400
Jul - 13	Jul - 21	\$2,477
Aug - 10	Aug - 18	\$2,477
Aug - 31	Sep - 08	\$2,477
Sep - 21	Sep - 29	\$2,527
Oct - 05	Oct - 13	\$2,273
Oct - 19	Oct - 27	\$2,146
SINGLE ROOM SUPPLEMENT		\$876

Included vacation highlights:

- Airport transfer from Dubrovnik airport to the hotel
- Centrally located first class hotels
- Breakfast daily
- Welcome dinner in Dubrovnik (glass of wine, beer or soft drink)
- 3 dinners (coffee or tea included)
- Touring by modern air-conditioned motor coach
- Professional English-Speaking Tour Director throughout
- Licensed Local Guides
- Baggage handling at hotels
- Whisper technology enhanced touring
- Admission included where indicated in bold letters
- Hotel taxes and service taxes
- Departure transfer from hotel to Belgrade airport

Tour spotlights:

- Dubrovnik, Croatia's "Pearl of the Adriatic"
- Mostar with its 16th century Ottoman bridge
- Sarajevo which has many stories to tell
- Belgrade Roman, Byzantine, Ottoman and Austrian influence in this vibrant city at the confluence of the Sava and Danube rivers

Hotel list:

- Dubrovnik: Valamar Lacroma / Valamar Argosy or similar
- Mostar: Mepas or similar
- Sarajevo: Europa or similar
- Belgrade: Moskva or similar

