

Slovakia

Family Adventure Tour



Enjoy the memorable scenery and stunning panoramic views of majestic mountains, experience tradition filled quaint towns throughout the countryside where you will meet friendly and kind local people known for their hospitality. Visit an open-air museums of historic Slovak villages, see the architecture, take a look inside of a typical traditional log house and learn and imagine the everyday life of our ancestors. Explore the mountains and countryside, visit local attractions, historic castles, step back in time to a place where horse drawn carriages frequent the streets and musicians perform traditional music at the historic Orava castle - built as an "eagle's nest" on top of a cliff above the river. Enjoy a hike to a remote sheep farm where you can see how cheese is made the old fashioned way, sample traditional local food or follow the footsteps of heroic outlaw Juraj Janosik – the Slovak Robin Hood.

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DAY 1, **Welcome to Bratislava**

Welcome at the airport, personal tour guide will explain the details of your trip. Sightseeing tour of the historic city center of Bratislava, ride on the charming and slow moving "Presporacik" train, and visit local attractions such as: Primate's Palace – a marvelous Classicist and the largest palace in Bratislava where the Treaty of Pressburg was signed in 1805. St. Martin's Cathedral – one of the largest Gothic constructions in Bratislava where the coronations of 19 rulers took place between 1563-1830, including Austro-Hungarian empress Maria Theresa. Michael's gate – the only preserved city gate, ranking among the oldest town buildings. Visit to Slovak National Theater and the historic Bratislava castle, historic narrow streets and squares of the old town.

Transfer to and overnight stay in Banska Stiavnica

DAY 2, **UNESCO HERITAGE – Banska Stiavnica**

Visit to the old medieval mining town and UNESCO World Heritage site Banska Stiavnica - an important historical and cultural center of central Slovakia. Visit the remains of Silver ore mine, mining museum, walk through the narrow streets of the old town, sit down, relax and enjoy a cup of tea at one of the artsy tea houses typical for this town.

Transfer to and overnight stay in Donovaly.



DAY 3, Donovaly - The slovak paradise, Habakuky – fairy land, feeding deer-Misko, UNESCO –Vlkolinec



Breakfast and transfer to Donovaly. Every child in Slovakia is familiar with stories and fairy tales written by Slovak author Pavol Dobšinský. Inspired by his work, little story land was created and built in the beautiful and scenic nature of Donovaly. Visit this unique project where everyone can admire the magic of the small houses and structures, in which the Dobšinskýs' fairy tales come to life. Enjoy children playrooms, creative activities, slovak folk crafts and more.

Meet "Misko" - the unique deer, fully adjusted to living among the herd of sheep!

Vlkolinec – UNESCO heritage site - the region's most complete collection of traditional historic log houses, often found in remote mountainous areas. Located in the heart of central Slovakia, surrounded by beautiful natural scenery.

Dinner and overnight stay in Donovaly

DAY 4, Sheep farm, cheese making, horseback riding, camp fire, meet with “Slovak” Robin Hood” and more...

Visit to “Zbojska” sheep farm located in the national park, where you will experience the traditional and old fashion sheep farming and enjoy the typical and authentic life on the farm while learning how cheese and other sheep milk products and byproducts are made from scratch. You will also become a part (and a victim) in the staged robbery show by heroic outlaw Juraj Janosik (Slovak version of Robin Hood) and his “Merry Men” who stole from the rich and gave it to the poor.

Enjoy horseback riding in one of the most beautiful valleys called “Muranska planina”, or jump into one of the horse drawn wagons and enjoy the ride!

At the sunset, it's time to feed all the sheep and other animals on the farm, be part of it! Later you can enjoy the romantic atmosphere by the camp fire while roasting shishkebab or sausages and gaze at the clear, star filled sky.

Spend a night in the log house style “koliba”, simple but comfortable accommodations.

Dinner and overnight stay at “Salas” (sheep farm)in Muranska valley



DAY 5, Demanovska Ice Cave & Orava castle (Slovak Dracula Castle)

Breakfast at ~8 am and transfer to Demanovska dolina.

Slovakia is home to many diverse underground caves worth exploring. Visit the most popular ice cave in Slovakia – Demanovska Ice Cave

Step back in time to a place where horse drawn carriages frequent the streets, musicians perform traditional music at historic Orava castle, where you can also see traditional costume show or experience the ghostly and scary late night tours of castle complete with sound and visual effects. Many scenes from the 1922 black and white movie “Nosferatu”(adaptation of Bram Stoker's Dracula) as well as other movies were filmed here

Dinner & overnight stay in Zuberec – West Tatras



DAY 6, **Museum of Slovak Village, Traditional Pottery Craft, String Chees Making & dinner with Slovak family**

Experience and learn the secrets of making a traditional string cheese or “Bryndza”, the traditional cottage style cheese - a culinary heritage that's trademarked and exported around Europe. String cheese is hand-made per original recipe and is woven into the shape of a small whip, hence the name "Korbacik" (whip) in Slovak. Visit an outdoor village museums where centuries-old churches and pheasant houses have been re-assembled, preserved and furnished with original artifacts, reflecting architectural traditions from region to region. You will step back in time and learn about the simple way of life of our ancestors and learn about the diverse folk and cultural traditions



DURATION: 7 Days / 6 Nights
BEST TIME OF THE YEAR: all year round
PRICE PER PERSON: from 720€ - 1030€ twin share

Enjoy an unforgettable experience of the oldest tradition in Slovakia-pottery. Get behind the potter's wheel and create your own vase. We'll visit a pottery craft shop where you will be shown how to make a ceramic mug out of the clay.

We'll also visit a small family animal farm, a great opportunity to gain exposure to the life and work of an early last-century rural Slovak village

And in the evening let yourself invite for dinner to a typical Slovak family. The table will be full of traditional home made meals and drinks. Overnight stay in Zuberec- West Tatras.

DAY 7 – **Good-bye Slovakia**

After breakfast and check-out, you will have a free time for shopping & spending your last minutes in the beautiful City Centre of Bratislava until your departure and transfer to the airport.

1. What is included:

- ❑ Your professional guide who will also be your driver, translator & advisor
- ❑ 6 nights in a room with double occupancy
- ❑ 6x breakfast
- ❑ 1x welcome lunch
- ❑ 1 x traditional barbecue lunch
- ❑ 1 x dinner with a typical Slovak family
- ❑ All transfers around Slovakia
- ❑ Refreshments
- ❑ Fuel and all parking & highway tolls
- ❑ Map of Bratislava & map of Slovakia, information material (brochures, leaflets)
- ❑ Entrance fees to all museums, spa and other attractions
- ❑ Personal CD-ROM with Photos of your trip

2. What is not included:

- ❑ Flights to/from Slovakia, insurance – can be arranged
- ❑ Return airport transfers (can be arranged)
- ❑ Lunch, dinner
- ❑ Alcoholic & non-alcoholic drinks
- ❑ Souvenirs, tips
- ❑ Any other trips not mentioned in this itinerary



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