



TRACING THE OTTOMAN EMPIRE

10 days from Skopje

MACEDONIA, KOSOVO, ALBANIA, MONTENEGRO & BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA Tour Code 681

This is a draft program offered for closed groups and tour operators only. Further changes are possible according to the client's wishes and requirements

Day 1 Welcome

Upon arrival, meeting with the local guide and transfer to Skopje - the capital of Macedonia. Depending of time schedule, afternoon Skopje city tour. O/N in Skopje.

Day 2: Skopje and surroundings

Skopje sightseeing tour will be focused on old part of Skopje where a lot of **Ottoman monuments** can be seen and visited. In **Skopje bazaar**, several inns and Turkish hamamms, together with the biggest and oldest mosque in Skopje area. O/N in Skopje.

Day 3 West Macedonia sights

Departure to the city of Tetovo and visit of the unique **Dappled mosque**. Later on, visit of the **Tetovo tekje** and meeting with the Bektashi order. Drive towards Mavrovo national park and passing by many picturesque old villages. Upon arrival in Ohrid, Afternoon Ohrid city tour. O/N in Ohrid.

Day 4 Bitola and Prespa lake

Drive towards Bitola and city tour to pedestrian zone "Shirok sokak", the main square, the Turkish bazaar, the **City museum** with part dedicated to **Mustapha Kemal Atatürk**, who spent part of his life in Bitola. Time at leisure in Bitola. Afternoon, drive towards second largest Macedonian lake Prespa. Crossing the **National park Galichica** and arrival to Ohrid for O/N

Day 5 Welcome to Albania

Crossing Macedonia - Albania border in the morning and arrival to the most picturesque city in Albania - Berat. The city is known also as "the city of 1000 windows". Visit of the **castle and Onufri museum**. Arrival in Durres late afternoon. O/N in Durres

Day 6 Albania - the land of Eagles

Departure to Tirana in the morning and sightseeing tour visit in the **National Museum** in Tirana and the main square with the **Ethem Bey Mosque**, Clock Tower (35 m high), Departure north to Kosovo and the city of Prizren. O/N in Prizren.

Day 7 Ottoman treasure in Kosovo

Morning Prizren sightseeing, visit of the main mosque and the **Old Bridge**, symbol of the city. Afternoon drive towards Pec and Montenegro border. Early in the evening arrival to the mountain resort Kolasin. O/N in Kolasin.

Day 8 Entering Bosnia & Herzegovina

Morning departure towards Podgorica, the montenegro capital and via Niksic to Bosnia & Herzegovina, passing Trebinje. Visit to the magnificent Blagaj with Dervish tekja and sources of river Buna. Arrival in Mostar late afternoon for O/N.

Day 9 Ottoman treasure of Bosnia

Mostar sightseeing in a morning, with visit of the **Turkish house** and the symbol of the city, the old Bridge. Afternoon departure to Sarajevo for O/N.

Day 10 Sarajevo and departure

Morning city tour in Sarajevo. Depending of the flight schedule, time at leisure till departure.



TOUR INFORMATION:

Possible arrival / departure city / APT :

Skopje (Macedonia) or Sarajevo (Bosnia and Herzegovina)

What is included:

- 9 nights accommodation at chosen by you hotels according the itinerary,
- Bed & breakfast base;
- English speaking local professional tour guide for all itinerary;
- All entrance fees according the program, marked in bold;
- "Visit Macedonia" organization and maps

Not included:

- Single room supplement;
- Half board supplement;
- transportation according the itinerary (coach, minibus, van - depending on the number of participants and further requirements);
- visits, meals and excursions described as optional
- Guide on other language than English (Supplement may apply)

Tour price

depends on the number of participants. Confidential prices apply only for tour operators and will be provided upon request.

Tour modifications (extension or reduction of tour duration, upgrade to higher class hotels, additional meals, visits and services) are possible.

For more information about this tour, exact prices for proposed services or tailor made tour according your requirements, please contact us on booking@visitmacedonia.mk