

Romanian Vineyards not to Be Missed



Day 1: Bucharest – Ștefănești Vineyards – Curtea de Argeș – Măldărești

Departure by bus from Bucharest to Măldărești. First stop at Ștefănești vineyards, for the first wine tasting experience. Visit to Curtea de Argeș Monastery (see http://www.welcometoromania.ro/Curtea_de_Argeș/Curtea_de_Argeș_Lista_Objective_e.htm), followed by lunch. Further stop at Horezu, for a special pottery experience. End of the day in Măldărești village, with accomodation and dinner at Conacul lui Maldăr.

Day 2: Sibiu – Alba Iulia – Aiud

Morning start with a visit at Măldărești Museum Complex, followed by a road-trip to Sibiu, a dream-city and a former 2007 European Capital of Culture (<http://romaniatourism.com/sibiu.html>). A light walk in the Main Square and lunch. On our way to Alba-Iulia, there shall be a short break in Sibiel, a charming village famous for its glass-painted icons. Night stay and a wine-accompanied dinner at Casa Domeniile Vinului Aiud.

Day 3: Aiud - Alba Iulia – Jidvei - Sighișoara

A new day stars in Alba Iulia, the city hosting one of the best preserved Habsburg fortresses in Europe and the first capital of the three Romanian provinces early in the 17th century (<http://romaniatourism.com/alba-iulia.html>). Lunch at a local restaurant. Departure from Alba Iulia to Cetatea de Baltă for a walk and a nice afternoon chat with Jidvei wines. Our next stop is Sighișoara (<http://romaniatourism.com/sighisoara.html>), the best preserved medieval city in Europe and a UNESCO World Heritage site. Medieval dinner and accommodation at Hotel Cavaler in Sighișoara.

Day 4: Sighișoara – Brașov - Azuga

Depart from Sighișoara. Stop at Viscri, a nice little German village, summer destination of Prince Charles, in the heart of Transylvania. Brașov is next on the map, a fine jewel of architecture in the Carpathians (<http://romaniatourism.com/brasov.html>). Lunch in Brașov. The day also includes a visit to the Bran castle and a wine tasting at Rhein Wine Cellars. Bran Castle, for what it takes, became famous after the Irish writer Bram



Stoker called it Dracula's Castle. Special encounters might happen in the Castle's Dungeons. Accommodation at Pensiunea Rhein Azuga.

Day 5: Sinaia - Valea Călugărească - Urлаți

Sinaia emerged when Hohenzollern-Sigmaringen King Carol I built his summer palace here. Peleş Castle is open for visits and stands as one of the finest palaces in Europe. Lunch in Sinaia. Wine-trip on to Dealul Mare Vineyards, one of the most famous Romanian wine regions. The stop includes a wine tour & tasting in Valea Călugărească. Dinner and accommodation at Conacul dintre Vii or Casa Seciu.

Day 6: Urлаți – Odobești - Panciu - Bucharest

Time for a visit to Panciu-Odobești Vineyards, one of the largest and oldest in Romania. Wine tasting and lunch at Panciu/Odobești. Return to Bucharest. Accommodation at Hotel Moxa and free time for your dinner plans.

Day 7: Departure from Bucharest. Breakfast and transfer from hotel to the Otopeni Airport.

PRICES : 785 euros/ person, group of 15-18 persons; 870 euros/ person, group of 8-14 persons; 975 euros/ person, group of 4-7 persons

INCLUDED SERVICES: 6 bed & breakfast based on double occupancy; 5 dinners (local dishes); one lunch at Odobești/Panciu Vineyards; English speaking local guide for 6 days; private transportation by minibus; 3 wines tasting on mentioned occasions; paid entrance fees for the major touristic attractions mentioned.

NOT INCLUDED: Plane tickets; medical insurance; lunches days 1 to 5.

