

Bulgaria - The South-West (M-ID: 3540)

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from €1,999.00

Dates and duration (days)

06/07/2024 - 06/16/2024 10 days

06/06/2025 - 06/15/2025 10 days

10 days guided motorcycle tour over some of the most beautiful roads in Bulgaria

Riding through the Eastern European country of Bulgaria on a motorcycle is an experience that makes every motorcyclist's heart beat faster. Because not only the choice of routes is a dream, also the variety of this country surprises and amazes. The scenic diversity reveals itself through a tasty combination of lowlands, hilly landscapes, river valleys, and high mountains. Riding pleasure is guaranteed in this unique natural experience. As varied as the landscape is, as rich in tradition is the thousand-year-old culture and history of Bulgaria. It is not uncommon to encounter the legacy of ancient civilizations, riding through sleepy villages and past magnificent historic monasteries nestled picturesquely in the landscape. And while you still have the rural scent of blooming rose fields in your nose, you encounter a cultural mixture of Orient and Europe in the lively capital Sofia.

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Itinerary:

Day 1: Vienna - Belgrade (SRB), 590 km.

Meeting at the agreed starting point near Vienna. After a first short meeting, we start our journey together. On the motorway, we pass Budapest and reach Serbia, where we stop at a hotel in the center of Belgrade on our way to Bulgaria. After arrival, there will be time for a walk along the Danube.

Overnight stay in Belgrade (SRB).

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Day 2: Belgrade - Belogradchik (BG), 305 km

We leave Belgrade and bridge the densely populated areas in the south by highway. We already enjoy the lunch break

in the Serbian hinterland before we reach the Bulgarian border in the afternoon. Before dinner, we visit the famous fortress of Belogradchik, a miraculously formed rock formation.

Overnight stay in Belogradchik (BG).

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Day 3: Belogradchik - Sofia (BG), 240 km

The capital of Bulgaria awaits us! Before we reach Sofia, however, we will ride an excellent motorcycle route and cross the Balkan Mountains to the south. Upon arrival in Sofia, we will take a German-speaking guided walking tour with a local guide in the center of the city to get a closer look at its extraordinary history and culture.

Overnight in Sofia (BG).

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Day 4: Sofia - Rila (BG), 155 km

We spend the morning again in the center of Sofia. We will have time to stock up on souvenirs for the trip or simply enjoy a coffee and watch the hustle and bustle in the pedestrian zone and enjoy the charm of this impressive city. Around noon we leave the Bulgarian capital and head for the Rila Mountains and the national park of the same name. The next cultural-historical treat awaits us: the over 1,000-year-old monastery of St. Ivan of Rila is the most important and largest in Bulgaria. During a guided tour we will learn about the history of the monastery.

Overnight stay in Rila (BG).

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Day 5: Rila - Bansko (BG), 260 km

The whole day we will be accompanied by the "Vichren", with 2.914 m one of the highest peaks in Bulgaria, and today we will cycle around it almost completely. We will have a lunch break in the smallest town in Bulgaria with 200 inhabitants, a "museum town" since 1968 and also known for its sandstone pyramids and the local red wine, which even Winston Churchill liked to drink. We will spend the night in one of the top ski resorts in the country at the foot of the Pinin Mountains, in Bansko (BG).

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Day 6: Bansko - Plovdiv (BG), 290 km

One of the most beautiful riding days of the tour awaits us. Countless curves, a few reservoirs, and mostly very good roads lead us through the southwest of Bulgaria to the second-largest city in the country. Located at the foot of the Rhodope Mountains, Plovdiv is the European Capital of Culture 2019 and is considered the oldest city in Europe. The first settlements date back as far as 6,000 years. We will get a deeper insight into the history of the city tomorrow morning. Overnight stay in Plovdiv (BG).

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Day 7: Plovdiv - Veliko Tarnovo (BG), 200 km

After breakfast we take a German-speaking guided walking tour of Plovdiv, there is much to see and hear! In the late morning, we leave the Thracian Plain and cross the Balkan Mountains in the afternoon heading north over one of the most beautiful passes in Bulgaria. Our overnight stop, the former capital, is an important tourist destination thanks to its location on the northern slopes of the Balkan Mountains at the gorge of the river Jantra and its architectural monuments. Overnight stay in Veliko Tarnovo (BG).

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Day 8: Veliko Tarnovo - Montana, 380 km

A great motorcycle day with lots of curves awaits us: Today we cross the Balkan Mountains twice and ride two passes that are very popular with Bulgarian bikers. We spend our last night in the country that has become so dear to us at the northwest end of the pre-Balkan in the small town of Montana (BG).

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Day 9: Montana - Reschitz (RO), 360 km

In the morning we have to say goodbye to Bulgaria after some very nice days: We cross the Danube northwards and thus the border to Romania. But also in Romania, there are great motorcycle routes, and one of them - on top of it all newly renovated - is still on our program today! The hotel for the night is in the Banat Mountains, in the former K. & K. mining town of Reschitz, or Romanian: Reșița (RO).

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Day 10: Reschitz - Vienna (AT), 600 km.

Unfortunately, it's time to say goodbye today. But before it is time, we will cross the Romanian-Hungarian border together. The guide will also ride with you for a good part of the way through Hungary, until just before Budapest. From there you will ride back home with a lot of nice memories in your luggage, either on your own or with other participants in the group. Your guide will be happy to help you find a great tour home. End of the trip.

Countries	Bulgaria
	Austria
	Romania
	Serbia
Category	Motorcycle Tour
Terrain	Onroad
Vehicle	your own motorcycle
Tourguide / Coach	yes (guided)
Accommodation	Hotel / B&B or similar
Flight to / from	no, not incl.
Ferry	no, not incl.
Support vehicle (luggage/service)	no
Level of difficulty	medium
	difficult
Customer payment protection	yes
* PRICING	Minimal without optional extras, see pricing

Pricing

per rider / per person in shared/double room (Only available for a booking of two persons. Single travelers need to choose the single room surcharge.) €1,999.00

per person single room (surcharge - only available with an additional selection of the basic price "per rider in shared twin/double room") €399.00

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1/2 double room available on request (subject to availability)

Prices for rider and passenger are the same

Included

10-day guided motorcycle tour over some of the most beautiful roads in Bulgaria

German-speaking tour guide with motorbike from Vienna / to Budapest

Local German-speaking tour guide with a motorbike in Bulgaria

9 nights in a double room in a mix of the basic, middle class, and top category hotels and resorts (shower, WC) in Serbia (1), Bulgaria (7), and Romania

Half board with breakfast and dinner

Lunch in Bulgaria (x 6) and 1 x in Serbia - 7 days full board

City tour with local German-speaking guide in Sofia and Plovdiv

Not included

Luggage transport Vienna-Bulgaria-Vienna,

Additional catering (e.g. lunch on arrival and departure),

Petrol, oil,

Tolls,

Expenditure of personal needs,

Entrance fees, tips.

Also not included: Travel insurance with cancellation protection.

Furthermore, all services that are not expressly listed as included.

More details

Minimum number of participants: 10 persons.

If the minimum number of participants is not reached, we reserve the right to cancel the trip up to four weeks before departure.

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Special Notes:

Travel insurance with foreign health insurance incl. return service (ambulance jet, or home transport) and accident insurance is a prerequisite for participation in the tour. In addition, a "motor vehicle return insurance" (e.g.: protection letter) is also required for all motorcycles. The motorcycles must be in technically perfect condition (tires!) before departure. Technical assistance or spare parts service in case of breakdown or damage is only possible to a limited extent on site. In the worst case, a breakdown can result in the participant having to cancel the tour and return home independently.

An honest word among bikers:

On guided motorcycle tours with your own motorcycle, riders and passengers from different countries of origin and with different motorcycles meet for a joint trip. As different as the participants are, as different will usually be the motorcycles, which makes for a fun and interesting trip. As with all group activities, these trips require a certain team spirit and a certain adaptation of the individual to the group, so that everyone can enjoy the trip and their motorcycle holiday.

Tour info:

- From/to: Vienna area

- Total distance: approx. 3,300 km

- Difficulty: medium to high

- Roads: different quality levels, potholes, short unpaved sections or sections without asphalt possible, with mountain passes including serpentines, city trips and highway stages.