

Romania - Round trip: 12 days (M-ID: 4631)

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from €1,740.00

Dates and duration (days)

On request

12 days

08/25/2024 - 09/05/2024 12 days

Experience authentic Romania with us - a wonderful country, with a fantastic natural landscape, rich history, a delightful continental climate, and hospitable people. On this 12-day round trip, you will get to know Romania as it really is.

We start from our APUSENI LODGE in Avram Iancu (Vârfulile) at the foot of the Apuseni Mountains and ride via Hunedoara to Petroșani. Already on the first stage we can anticipate what awaits us the next days. The Danube at Moldova Nouă is our destination. We ride along the Danube to the Iron Gate and honor the statue of Decibala with our visit. We continue via Târgu Jiu in the historic region of Little Wallachia to the foothills of the Southern Carpathians. The Peștera Muierilor (Women's Cave) is on our way to Transalpină. This cave system, about 7 kilometers long, which houses remains of numerous bears, lions and wolves but also three Paleolithic humans, was often used as a shelter for local women and children during wars and other threats. The Peștera Muierilor is the first electrified cave in Romania.

We have arrived in Transylvania, Romania's most scenic and historic region, and as we continue our journey we touch on Râmnicu Vâlcea, stopping soon after at an Orthodox monastery. The Transfăgărășan is one of the highlights of our trip and, of course, we have planned plenty of time for photo stops and hopefully bear pictures here in particular.

We will spend the well-deserved rest day in a nice hotel. You can visit the Mini Transylvania Park or the bear reserve with us. Depending on your mood, you can also use the day to relax, visit the Black Church in Brașov, the peasant castle in Râșnov or a trip to the nearby Dracula Castle Bran. The fortress church in Prejmer is also within easy reach. Rested and full of energy, we start the engines again and continue through the Cheile Bicazului (Bicaz Gorge) to Lacul Izvorul Muntelui before reaching Sighișoara. Particularly worth seeing is the historical center of the city and the castle. In hardly any other place in Transylvania, which is rich in historical sites, can one trace the past as

excellently as in the upper town of Sighisoara, which is characterized by colorful authenticity. No less charming is Sibiu (Hermannstadt), ideally suited for strolling on the beautiful market square and shopping in the numerous stores. Soon after, we head back into the Apuseni Mountains and finally on the usual winding roads back to our starting point Avram Iancu.

So that you can really enjoy your tour and travel light, a transport vehicle accompanies us on the entire trip.

By the way, we don't charge for any arrival/departure days, but guarantee you a full 12 days of pure Romania!

You will receive detailed information about motorcycling in Romania with the booking confirmation.

Program, hotel and route changes are reserved.

Day 1: The adventure begins! We start at 09:30 from APUSENI LODGE Romania® and ride towards Hunedoara, where we pay a visit to Castelul Corvinilor. Due to its imposing beauty, today the castle is often used as a film set for national and international productions. Some scenes of Ghost Rider 2 with Nicolas Cage were shot here, for example. Our first destination, Petroșani, is the center of a mining district and known as the "City of Coal," but it is also a university town.

Day 2: Due to the winding route, today's stage takes a little longer, so we set off early. On a beautiful road we pass Târgu Jiu, over the 1466 meter high Vârful lui Stan of the Munții Mehedinți mountain range to the Sasca Montană region near the border with Serbia.

Day 3: We are going to the Danube. It is the second largest river in Europe after the Volga and the only one that flows from west to east. Its origin is in the German Black Forest and it flows into the Black Sea at Sulina. Traveling along the Danube, we pass the Baba Caia rock and pay a courtesy visit to the statue of Decibala in Serbia before arriving in Drobeta Turnu Severin, our stage destination today.

Day 4: We plan to ride the Transalpina tomorrow, so we head back towards the Southern Carpathians.

Day 5: The Transalpina, also called the Drum național 67C, is the highest pass road in Romania. It crosses the Transylvanian Alps, connecting Gorj County in Lesser Wallachia with Alba County in Transylvania, and reaches an altitude of just over 2100 meters. We are riding this magnificent panoramic road today! It can stay cool up here even in summer, so don't dress warmly just for the fantastic experience. As today's stage continues, it's bend after bend until we reach the Curtea de Argeș Orthodox Monastery, near which we'll spend the night today.

Day 6: It lies ahead of us, the Transfăgărășan! In total, the road measures 148 km and is the second highest road in Romania. Hopefully, the bears are also up early enough and are waiting for us at the roadside. Anyway, we keep our eyes well open and when we see a vehicle with its hazard lights on, we can be almost sure to get a glimpse of a Carpathian bear shortly after. On the Transfăgărășan we have to pay attention, stay behind the tour guide and strictly follow his instructions! Because even if the bears are only sitting here to be fed from passing vehicles, they remain wild, unpredictable, fast and extremely strong original inhabitants of the Romanian forests.

Day 7: Voluntary social program on the rest day:

- On the rest day, you can join us for a day trip to Băile Seiche. There is the 'Mini Transylvania Park' where you can see more than 90 models of historical monuments and medieval castles in Transylvania. You can also take a tour with the Mini-Szekler steam locomotive and visit the Orbán Balázs Visitor Center. (entrance fee 15,00 EUR/person; entrance ticket to the park 30,00 RON/pers., ca. 6,00 EUR)

- Or we can visit together the world's largest bear sanctuary, located closer to the park, where more than 100 bears rescued from adverse circumstances and captivity have found a new home in a huge free-range enclosure. Separated from them only by an electric fence, you are here on foot in the realm of the bears. Visits to the reserve are only possible with a guide. The fee you pay to us will be donated in full to the bear sanctuary, which is supported exclusively by donations and depends on them. (Fee: 10,00 EUR/person; entrance ticket to the park 65,00 resp. 70,00 RON/pers., ca. 13,00 resp. 14,00 EUR)

Depending on your mood, you can also use the day to relax, visit the Black Church in Brașov, the peasant castle in Râșnov, or take a trip to the nearby Dracula Castle Bran, or try to squeeze through the Fadengasse (Strada Sforii), one of the narrowest alleys in all of Europe. The fortress church of Prejmer, which is well worth seeing, is also within easy reach.

Day 8: Today's stage takes us on a total of 246 kilometers to the northeast of Romania to the Ceahlău National Park in the mountain range of the same name and to the 40 km

long and 2 km wide reservoir Izvorul Muntelui, where we spend the night directly on the edge of the national park.

Day 9: With the southern Carpathian belt on our left, we ride today to the historically important town of Sighișoara (Sighisoara), which is also our stage destination. There is hardly any other place in Transylvania, rich in historical sites, where you can trace the past as excellently as in the upper town of Sighișoara, characterized by colorful authenticity. You will have the opportunity to visit the city's landmark, Sighisoara, one of the best-preserved medieval fortifications in the world and a UNESCO World Heritage Site, or to explore the winding streets of the colorful Upper Town, some of which are still paved with medieval brook stones.

Day 10: We continue through the Carpathian mountain range, past Agnita to charming Sibiu (Hermannstadt), our stage destination today and the geographical center of Romania. Sibiu has become one of the most beautiful cities in Romania in recent years. With its medieval city center, long history and important monuments, Sibiu is one of the most popular tourist attractions in Romania. Numerous stores invite you to stroll and on the beautiful market square you can stroll wonderfully and let the atmosphere take effect on you. Due to today's shorter stage there is enough time to enjoy the special flair of Sibiu.

Day 11: Slowly we turn back towards our starting point Avram Iancu. However, not without having taken another gorge under our wheels. We follow the Arieș River, a right tributary of the Mureș, which accompanies us to our stage destination today.

Day 12: The adventure is not over yet, because today we will ride on a grandiose route into one of our favorite secret gorges. On these last 300 kilometers of your Romania adventure, you will once again get your money's worth.

Back at APUSENI LODGE Romania you can pick up your luggage from the support vehicle and, if you have time and leisure, review the past days at our campfire.

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

Pricing

per rider	€1,740.00
per pillion passenger	€1,380.00

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Special discounts for groups:

If there are 5 or more riders, we will give you a one-time discount of 500 Euros and ride the tour exclusively with your group without any other riders! You will enjoy a private trip exclusively for your group. Register yourself and your friends as a group.

If there are 10 or more riders, we will give you a one-time discount of 1000 Euros and ride the tour exclusively with your group without any other riders! You will enjoy a private trip exclusively for your group. Register yourself and your friends as a group.

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Note:

It makes no difference in price whether you stay in a double or a single room. There is no single room surcharge with us.

The accommodation can be in a double room, where single occupancy is also possible, or in a single room, depending on the availability of the hotels. We need this flexibility in room bookings, which is why the participant cannot choose the type of room. However, participants can/should indicate if they want to stay with someone in a double room (married couples, partners, etc.), then we will definitely book a double room.

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Optional extra nights on request

Included

- 12 days of riding on road trails through different regions
- 11 nights (double or single room)
- 11 x breakfast
- Romanian, English, German and French-speaking local tour guides with first aid skills
- Support vehicle for luggage transport
- Guarantee certificate according to § 651r BGB for package tours

Not included

- All services, meals and beverages not listed in the service description
- Tolls and freeway fees
- Petrol, fuel, applicable parking fees
- Catering during the trip
- Tickets for parks and attractions
- Travel Cancellation/Trip Interruption Insurance
- Optional overnight stay(s) near the meeting point before and after the start of the trip. Price on request.
- Everything that is not specified under features

More details

- Minimum number of participants: 5
- Maximum number of participants: up to 12 motorcycles (max. 12 people) plus guide.
- Required riding experience: Suitable for all levels, beginners with riding experience.
- Start/End: Meeting point APUSENI LODGE Romania®, Avram Iancu (Vârfurile), Arad, Romania, Coordinates: 46°20'52.4 "N 22°28'34.3 "E, Start: 09:00 (UTC +2). No base lodge, we will do a round trip.
- Travel duration: 12 days in Romania
- Total distance: approx. 2,500 km
- Daily distance: 165 - 300 km (average approx. 230 km)
- Sufficient road tires
- Route profile: Paved roads in good to average condition. The route includes mountain roads with many curves and partly narrow sections.
- Difficulty level: Suitable for all riding levels; beginners and returning riders should have at least one year's riding experience or 10,000 km ridden and have a secure cornering technique and a good constitution. Safe control of the motorcycle is required. You must be physically and mentally able to ride up to 300 demanding km per day.
- Travel time per day: approx. 5 hours; the daily stages start in the morning between 09:00 and 10:00. The riding time of the daily stages is approx. 5 hours each, so that one arrives with several shorter and longer breaks spread over the day around 17:00 o'clock at the daily stage goal (depending on the travel speed of the group).
- Travel time per day: approx. 8 hours incl. lunch/coffee breaks and photo stops; since we will be traveling in remote areas to a large extent, breaks will be made situationally. Shorter breaks can be taken at any time.

Luggage: On this tour we are accompanied by a transport vehicle for your luggage. One piece of additional luggage per person will be carried in the escort vehicle (motorcycle bag, travel bag, no plastic bags, no motorcycle cases, no loose items or clothing). The additional luggage can be brought to the start of the respective motorcycle tour and transferred into the support vehicle there.

We ride in all weather conditions.

Optional extension: Additional night(s) at APUSENI LODGE Romania® (subject to availability) or near the meeting point before and after the start of the trip can be arranged at an additional cost.

Good to know:

Individual arrival: The distance to the meeting point in Avram Iancu is very long for you? No problem: we will be happy to help you plan your journey. The way to us: The journey usually takes place via Vienna (Austria). Ride via Győr past Budapest and Szolnok (Hungary) over the border crossing at Borş to Oradea (Romania) and further via Beiuş, Ştei and Vaşcău on the DN76/E76 to Vârfurile. At the traffic circle there, turn onto the DN79A and follow the signs "APUSENI LODGE Romania". If you are coming from the north of Germany, it is best to ride via the Czech Republic and Slovakia to Romania. We will be happy to give you individual travel tips.

Road condition: Romanian roads can be surprising. There are perfectly paved and well-maintained mountain passes, stretches with perfect asphalt, spotlessly clean village crossings, but also main roads with deep holes.

Refueling: There is a Petrom gas station in Vaşcău and a Lukoil gas station in Vârfurile; please fill up your vehicle at one of these gas stations.

Snacks during breaks: Since much of our riding is in remote areas, you should always have some food and plenty of drinks with you. Sufficient hydration is essential when riding a motorcycle for long periods of time.

Passport and visa requirements as well as health and customs regulations: EU citizens may travel to Romania for a period of up to 90 days without a visa. Upon entry, a passport valid for six months, temporary passport, identity card or temporary identity card must be presented. Travel documents must be valid for the entire duration of the stay including the day of departure and three months beyond. It is not possible to leave Romania with an expired travel document.

Road toll: Passenger cars, motor homes and caravans using the Romanian National Road Network must pay a road toll, which requires the purchase of a vignette (Rovinieta). Motorcycles do not need a Rovinieta.

Important traffic regulations: The blood alcohol limit is 0.0. Speed limits for motorcycles: urban 50 km/h, extra-urban 90 km/h, expressways 100 km/h, highways 130 km/h. Motorcyclists must ride with dipped headlights all year round during the day.

Local currency: The Romanian local currency is the Lei or RON. We recommend that you carry some local currency with you.

Changing tires: Touring motorcycling is not yet the order of the day in Romania. It is not easy to find a (motorcycle) workshop for a tire change. Therefore, we recommend all our participants to put on tires with still good tread groove depth before the trip.

Support: Support in case of emergency can only be guaranteed on the planned route. In the case of self-planned route changes or excursions "on your own", the participant himself is responsible.

Protection and insurance: We recommend for all motorcycle tours a motor vehicle protection insurance, such as the ADAC offers. Health insurance: We recommend for all international motorcycle tours the conclusion of a separate foreign health insurance with medical repatriation. We recommend for all our motorcycle tours the conclusion of a travel cancellation / travel interruption insurance.

Motorcycling with dog: You always have your four-legged friend with you and he also rides a motorcycle with you? Wonderful! Unfortunately, this tour is not specifically designed for motorcycling dogs. But since we also like to ride with our biker dogs, contact us and we will find a possibility.