

# A Taste of Transylvania

## Independent tour

The rich and tasty Romanian cuisine is a diverse blend of many traditions – Romanian, Hungarian, German, Serbian and Turkish. On this tour you will enjoy the many different flavours as you explore the unexpected sights and delights of Bucharest and the beautiful and evocative region of Transylvania.



through the Olt River valley, stopping to visit the 14th century Cozia Monastery, burial place of Dracula's father. Continue to the 15th century town of Sibiu, built as a stronghold by Saxon merchants. Your sightseeing will include a visit to the Evangelical Cathedral. Overnight Sibiu. **B**

### Day 4: Sibiu to Crit/Viscri region

Today you will experience life in a Saxon village in Transylvania at Malancrav. Visit an organic apple and plum orchard and enjoy a relaxing lunch of traditional dishes with a family of village farmers. Walk around this self-sustaining family farm, before visiting the fascinating UNESCO-listed fortified church at Biertan. Late afternoon arrival at your accommodation for the next two nights – a traditional Saxon guesthouse in the ancient village of Crit or Viscri. Dinner at the guesthouse. Overnight Crit/Viscri. **BLD**

### Day 5: Crit/Viscri

Morning drive to 15th century Sighisoara, one of the best preserved citadels in Europe and the only one inhabited. After a guided sightseeing tour, enjoy some free time. Continue to Viscri to visit its dramatic church with its 700-year-old fortifications. Evening wine tasting and "culinary experience" dinner. Overnight Crit/Viscri **BD**

### Day 6: Brasov

After breakfast, drive to Brasov to see the famous Black Church and the first Romanian school. Enjoy free time before visiting Bran Castle, also known as Dracula's Castle! This evening enjoy dinner in a local restaurant. Overnight Brasov. **BD**

### Day 7: Brasov to Bucharest

After breakfast, travel to the mountain resort of Sinaia to visit Peles Castle, built as a summer residence for the royal family and considered by many to be one of the most beautiful castles in Europe. Continue to the scenic Urleteanu vineyard for lunch and tasting of some excellent local wines, including Pinot Noir, Pinot Grigio and

Cabernet Sauvignon. Late afternoon arrival at your hotel in Bucharest. Tonight you will enjoy a farewell dinner with wine and music at the popular Caru cu Bere restaurant. Overnight Bucharest. **BLD**

### Day 8: Bucharest

After breakfast, transfer by private car to the airport or railway station **B**



## 8 days / 7 nights

### Day 1: Bucharest

Arrive Bucharest. You will be met and transferred by private car to your hotel. Dinner at your hotel. Overnight Bucharest. **D**

### Day 2: Bucharest

Morning sightseeing tour of Bucharest by car, with your own guide. Highlights include Manuc's Inn and the fascinating Palace of the Parliament, the world's second largest building. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant, before visiting a market. Tonight you'll be taken to a new stylish restaurant with a "show kitchen" where you can see your meal being prepared. Overnight Bucharest. **BLD**

### Day 3: Bucharest to Sibiu

Depart Bucharest at 08:30hrs travelling



## Inclusions

- ① 7 nights accommodation with breakfast
- ① All transfers by private car
- ① 3 lunches, 1 wine tasting and 6 dinners
- ① Comprehensive sightseeing as specified
- ① English speaking tour guide/escort from day 1 to day 7
- ① Transportation by air-conditioned car or minibus

## Your hotels

- ★ ★ ★ **① CRIT/VISCRI – Saxon Guesthouse**  
Recently renovated, traditional farmhouse with private facilities.
- ★ ★ ★ **① SIBIU – Imparatul Romanilor Hotel**  
Popular, traditional hotel with character in the very heart of the old town.
- ★ ★ ★ **① BRASOV – Casa Wagner Hotel**  
Highly regarded, traditional hotel right on the old town square.
- ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ **① BUCHAREST – Athenee Palace Hilton**  
Elegant, historic 5-star hotel with all modern facilities in the heart of the city.

## Tour price & departures

Prices shown per person in AUD. Daily departures 1 Apr-31 Oct 2011.  
Higher prices may apply during trade fairs, special events and overlapping seasons.

Season	Twn	Sgl*
1 Apr-31 Oct with driver/guide	2617	3173
1 Apr-31 Oct with driver and guide	2998	3564

\* Single price when travelling with at least one other passenger