

Tour Code: BNEE19



# Eastern Europe

SCHEDULED DEPARTURE

Oct. 6 - 17, 2019

*Spiš castle in Slovakia*



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Cesky Krumlov

**Day 1: Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019 • Depart US**

Our adventure begins on a transatlantic flight over to Prague, the capital of the Czech Republic.

**Day 2: Monday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019 • Prague, Czech Republic**

Upon arrival at Václav Havel Airport, we meet our tour manager and driver and transfer to Prague's city center. We check into our hotel and enjoy lunch together before our orientation tour begins. We see sites such as Wenceslaus Square, Charles Bridge and the famous Astronomical Clock. The remainder of the day is to rest after our flight. **L**

**Day 3: Tuesday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019 • Prague**

This morning we enjoy a city tour with a local guide including Hradcany Castle with St. Vitus Cathedral and the Golden Lane, a collection of small cottages from the 16<sup>th</sup> century. In the afternoon we tour the Old Jewish Quarter, which houses Europe's oldest synagogue and cemetery. This evening, we enjoy a traditional Czech dinner with wine and beer and folk music entertainment. **B, D**

**Day 4: Wednesday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019 •**

**Prague – Cesky Krumlov – Ceske Budejovice - Prague**

We drive to Cesky Krumlov where a local guide joins us as we explore the medieval town in South Bohemia. We visit the grounds surrounding Cesky Krumlov Castle and see the Town Hall famed for its Gothic arcades. In the afternoon we continue to Ceske Budejovice, a city named Budweis in German. We tour the brewery which was once the imperial brewery of the Holy Roman Empire, and there we taste the original Budweiser after which Anheuser-Busch imitated its beer. We then return to Prague. **B**

**Day 5: Thursday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019 •**

**Prague – Kutna Hora – Valtice - Bratislava, Slovakia**

This morning we travel to Kutna Hora also known as the city of silver. We see the Church of St. Barbara, a jewel of the late gothic period and also visit Sedlec Ossuary, a chapel that contains human bones that are artistically arranged to form decorations and furnishings. After lunch on our own we continue to Valtice in South Moravia, a vintners' center since Roman times. We enjoy a wine tasting tour at the National Wine Salon located in a cellar of the Valtice chateau and then depart to Bratislava, the



Chain Bridge, Budapest

capital of Slovakia. **B**

**Day 6: Friday, October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019 • Bratislava**

Today we begin to learn about Slovak history, culture and traditions as we walk through town and admire the National Theatre, St. Martin's Cathedral and Bratislava Castle among others. We have the afternoon free to seek individual interests. Tonight, we get to enjoy Slovak specialties at a local restaurant. **B, D**

**Day 7: Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019 • Bratislava – Low Tatras – Liptovsky Mikulas – High Tatras - Kosice**

Today, we travel through mountainous regions of Low Tatras and High Tatras known for rich cultural life and sheep cheese! We make a cheese tasting stop in Low Tatras, lunch break in Liptovsky Mikulas and we also see Strbske Pleaso, a glacial lake in High Tatras. Our final destination today is Kosice, a city in eastern Slovakia designated as European Capital of Culture in 2013. **B, L**

**Day 8: Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019 • Bratislava – Kosice**

After leisure morning, we take an excursion to Spis Castle, a UNESCO World Heritage site dating back to the 12<sup>th</sup> century. We return to Kosice and there continue with a locally guided tour. We see sights such as the Plague Pillar, Hrnčiarska Street and St. Elisabeth Cathedral and many more. **B**

**Day 9: Monday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019 •**

**Kosice – Szentendre - Budapest, Hungary**

We check out from our hotel and drive across the border into Hungary, headed for its capital, Budapest. En route we stop at Szentendre, a city of artists with a lively Mediterranean atmosphere. We take a scenic sightseeing cruise on the river Danube from Szentendre to the heart of the city of Budapest. **B**

**Day 10: Tuesday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019 •**

**Budapest – Keckskemet area – Budapest**

Today we travel to Hungarian Plain, a region known for *gulyás*, herdsmen whose stew eventually became our word *goulash*. We experience a fascinating outdoor show featuring trick horseback riders and beautiful steeds. Afterwards, we are treated to a traditional Hungarian meal and entertainment. Our final destination today is



*Kosice main street*

Kecskemét, a small town surrounded by vineyards and fruit trees, and famous for its art nouveau architecture and apricot brandy that we get to taste! We then return back to Budapest. **B, L**

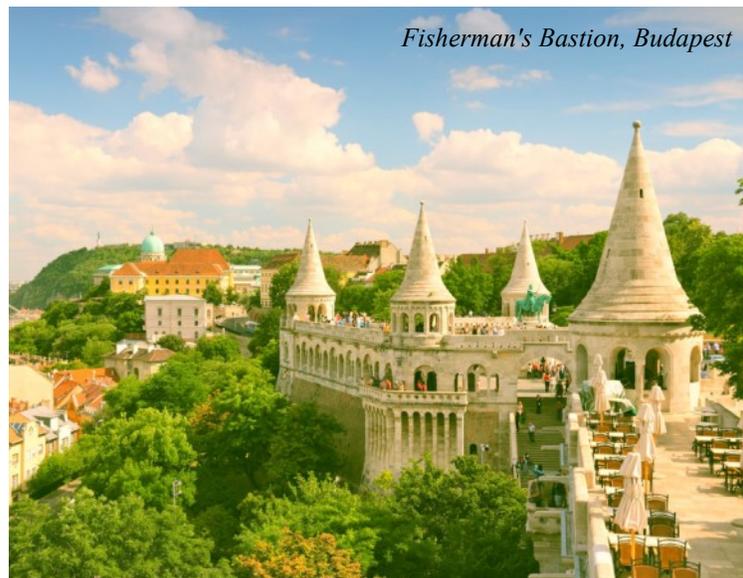
**Day 11: Wednesday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019 • Budapest**

After breakfast we take a tour of the twin cities of Buda and Pest. In Buda, we see many of the symbols of this city: Castle Palace, Fisherman's Bastion, a monumental structure of columns and arches built on the ruins of an ancient fortress, and the 13th century St. Matthias Church. After crossing the Chain Bridge into Pest, we see the beautiful Romantic style squares, St. Stephen's Basilica and the wonderfully ornate Parliament. We end the day with an evening full of gypsy entertainment and dinner. **B, D**

**Day 12: Thursday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019 • Return to US**

This morning we transfer to Budapest Ferenc Liszt International Airport for our returning flight to the United States. **B**

**Abbreviations for Meals**  
**B**=Breakfast **L**=Lunch **D**=Dinner



*Fisherman's Bastion, Budapest*

**Tour Price: \$2,950**

Prices are *per person, land only, double occupancy* with a minimum of 22 participants

**Single supplement: \$445**

**Cash discount: \$75.00**

**Your Tour Includes:**

- **Land Transportation** via private deluxe air-conditioned motor coach
- **Accommodations** (double occupancy) in moderate first-class hotels
- **Meals** per the itinerary
- **Admission** to all activities indicated in the itinerary except those listed as optional
- Services of **professional tour manager**
- Local **step-on guides** for city tours and major attractions
- **Luggage handling** of one piece per person
- **All taxes and tips** for provided services on land tour, except as noted below

**Your Tour Does Not Include:**

- **Roundtrip Airfare** and related taxes, fees and fuel charges
- Meals other than indicated above
- **Beverages**, except with breakfast
- End of tour gratuity for coach driver and tour guide
- Items of a personal nature such as passport fees. *(Passport must be valid for 6 months beyond return date.)*
- **Optional insurance** for health, baggage and cancellation. *(This insurance is available and recommended.)*

**Payment Schedule:**

A non-refundable deposit of \$500 per person is due with reservation. Final payment is due 100 days prior to departure date. Invoice will be sent out prior to final payment. Passengers may add after this date subject to air and land availability. Generally airlines do not increase the price of a ticket after it has been contracted. However, prior to the issuance of a ticket, airlines may (and regularly do) impose fuel, tax, or security surcharges. In the event a surcharge is imposed after Ed-Ventures has received a final payment, Ed-Ventures will send an additional invoice for the surcharge amount. Early registration is encouraged.

**Currency:**

Currency exchange rates fluctuate constantly. In the event of a significant drop in the value of the dollar, we reserve the right to add a currency surcharge to the price of the tour.

**Refund/Cancellation Policy:**

All cancellations must be in writing. The date of postmark will determine the amount of refund due. Refunds are based on the number of days prior to departure date. From the time of deposit to 99 days before departure a \$100 administrative fee plus any airfare penalties will be assessed. From 99-14 days, a \$300 cancellation penalty plus lost airfare deposits and any unrecoverable deposits to ground suppliers will be assessed. Airline tickets once purchased are nonrefundable. Anyone canceling less than 14 days prior to departure will receive **no refund**.

***Purchase of health, baggage, and trip cancellation/interruption insurance is strongly recommended.***

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- BNEE19: Oct. 6 - 17, 2019 • \$2,950
- Single Supplement • \$445
- Airfare from \_\_\_\_\_

## Passenger Information (1<sup>st</sup> Traveler)

Please record information **exactly as it appears on your passport**. Passport information may be sent later if you have yet to obtain a passport. *Best practice is to include a copy of the photo page of your passport.*

Legal Name: \_\_\_\_\_

(Name for name badge): \_\_\_\_\_

Passport #: \_\_\_\_\_

Passport Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Passport Authority: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender:  Male  Female

Dietary Needs: \_\_\_\_\_

## Passenger Information (2<sup>nd</sup> Traveler)

Please record information **exactly as it appears on your passport**. Passport information may be sent later if you have yet to obtain a passport. *Best practice is to include a copy of the photo page of your passport.*

Legal Name: \_\_\_\_\_

(Name for name badge): \_\_\_\_\_

Passport #: \_\_\_\_\_

Passport Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Passport Authority: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender:  Male  Female

Dietary Needs: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Work phone/cell: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Sleeping Preference (circle one): Double bed (1 bed) Twin Beds (2 beds)

Roommate name: \_\_\_\_\_ OR Single supplement:  Yes  No

## Travel Insurance (please check one)

- I wish to purchase travel protection plan and have included the premium with my deposit.
- I wish to decline the travel protection plan offered.

## Deposit Payment Information (\$75 discount if paying by cash)

- Enclosed is my \$ \_\_\_\_\_ deposit and insurance premium (if applicable). **Make checks payable to Ed-Ventures, Inc.**
- Please charge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ deposit and insurance premium (if applicable) to my Discover/MasterCard/Visa

Credit Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Card ID Code:\* \_\_\_\_\_ *\*last 3 digits in signature box on the back of the card*

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Signature of 1<sup>st</sup> traveler: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of 2<sup>nd</sup> traveler: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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