

THE GREAT KOPRIVSHTITSA FOLKLORE FESTIVAL

6 – 11 AUGUST (Tour Code: KF)

Price: £1,490 (Based on a group of 8 or more, a smaller group may incur a supplement)



This summer the beautiful small mountain town of Koprivshtitsa will once again host a veritable feast of folklore – costumes, music, singing and dancing. The colourful performances take place on the hills above the town by day, and in the evening there are often impromptu events in the cobbled streets and squares. It has been described as a cross between a pop festival and a medieval fair, certainly it's an experience not to be missed!

Accommodation in Koprivshtitsa itself during the festival is at a premium, so we have been fortunate to book a wonderful family-run hotel, with an excellent restaurant. Dani Kotseva will be known to many who have travelled with us before, her knowledge of Bulgaria's history, sights and cuisine is unrivalled, we are delighted that she will be our guide.

Bulgaria's beautiful scenery, friendly people and excellent wine and food are additional highlights. The B-BS offers you the benefits of over forty years' experience of organising tours to Bulgaria and excellent value.

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Outline Programme

(which may be subject to minor adjustments)

Wednesday 6 August

Evening flight from Heathrow to Sofia. Overnight stay.

Thursday 7 August

Morning sightseeing walk in Sofia: a city with its own mountain, a yellow brick road, golden domes, extensive remains of Roman Serdica, elegant 19th Century boulevards, parks and gardens.

Afternoon drive to Koprivshtitsa in the Sredna Gora mountains (108 kms. about 1hour 50 minutes). Sightseeing walk in the centre, seeing some picturesque house-museums on cobbled streets, stone bridges, monuments and squares.

Three night stay.

Friday 8 and Saturday 9 August

Participation in the Festival.

Sunday 10 August

Flexible programme depending whether festival events continue.

Otherwise your hotel hosts will offer a cookery demonstration and class to prepare local dishes, possibly taken as a picnic nearby. Or maybe a walk in the hills with the family dogs!

Monday 11 August

Drive to Sofia for your afternoon return flight to Heathrow.

OUR PRICE INCLUDES:

- Return scheduled flights from Heathrow to Sofia.
- Airport departure taxes.
- Accommodation in twin/double bedded rooms on a shared occupancy basis.
- Option of sharing a triple room (1 double, 1 single bed) with a reduction of £40.
- Half board.
- Entrance fees to museums.
- Coach for transfers and excursions.

NOT INCLUDED:

- Lunches (about £4 - £5).
- Travel Insurance (Compulsory)
Balkania Travel can advise.
- Drinks and other personal expenses such as gratuities.
- Single room supplement: £400.



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