

## Villages of Bucovina and Maramures

9 Days / 8 Nights

Immersed in the Romanian counties you will discover a rural world which disappeared long ago in western countries. You will be permanently in contact with the rich peasant culture and the protected nature. You will visit two regions, Bucovina and Maramures. In these two regions, so close but so different, the inhabitants will help you to discover the village life and their crafts and to understand the mysteries of the painted monasteries and wooden churches which are now part of the UNESCO Heritage. All this, and many other discoveries, waits for you during this journey.

Bucovina will seduce you with its famous painted monasteries, with its rich culture (hailing from almost all the ethnic groups of Central Europe), with the crafts, with the field works in its hilly landscape and other wonders.

In Maramures, the wood work, result of a secular tradition, will fascinate you. This know-how transmitted from father to son is perfectly mastered by the craftsmen.

A soft and peaceful landscape will surround you during this unforgettable journey.

### YOUR PROGRAM

#### Day 1 - Reception in Bucharest

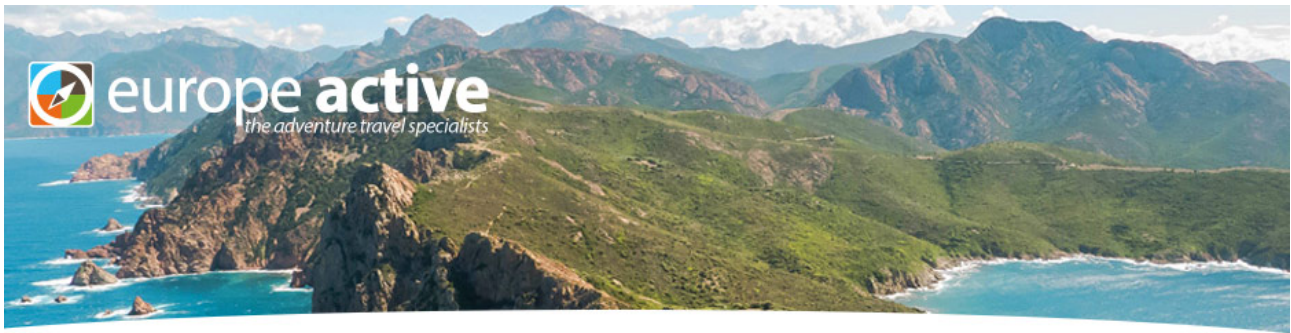
Arrival in Bucharest. Meeting the guide in the evening at the train station 1hr before the train departure. Night train for Bucovina at 9:30 PM (sleeping wagon 2 or 4 beds / cabin, upon availabilities, we can know it only 3 weeks before the departure. Train timetable may change).

#### Day 2 - Bucolic hike

In the morning, short private transfer to our hosts. After breakfast, be ready to discover already the deep Bucovina: we'll take the steam train. The steam train track leads along the River Moldovita. We will get off before the terminus of the track, at the best starting point of our hike. This immersion in a peasant world will enchant you; the beautiful landscape punctuated with sheep herds and horse-carts reveals a great harmony. Night in Moldovita (~5 hours, 14 km, +500m, -550). (BLD)



#### Day 3 - Moldovita and its monastery



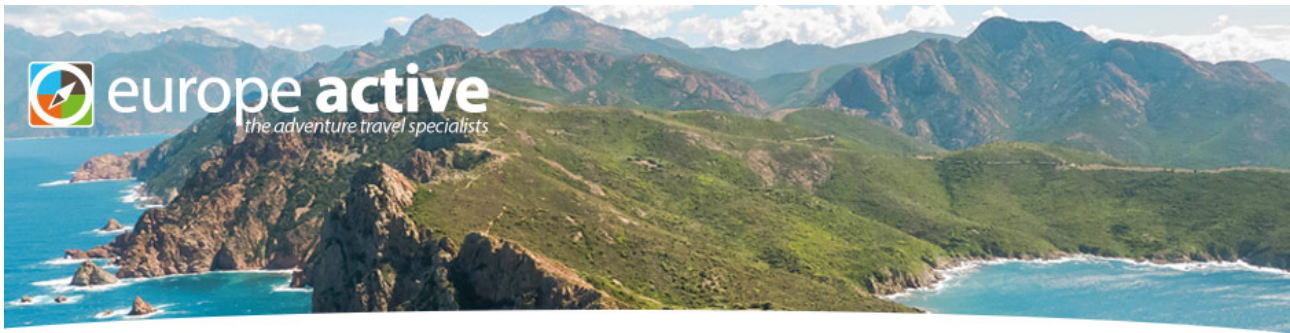
**Day 6 - Traditional way of life**



**Day 7 - Hike in mountains**

**Day 8 - Happy Cemetery**





### **Day 9 - End of journey**

Breakfast. End of the trip.

We can assist you with train transfer or flight ticket to Bucharest. Also, we designed a special extra-tour for the way back to Bucharest including:

-1st day: train transfer to Sighisoara, visit of the beautiful fortified citadel and overnight Sighisoara.

-2nd day: train transfer to Brasov, visit of the medieval center and overnight Brasov.

-3rd day: train transfer to Bucharest. Check the extra-options below.

We can desing any other tailored tour.

## **Additional information**

### **TARIFFS**

Price from 755 euros per person.

### **OPTIONS**

Single supplement : 90 euros per person.

Private transfer Cluj airport / train station (for 3 people) : 25 euros per person.

Extra-night In Cluj-Napoca, Hotel 3\* in the centre of the town : 58 euros per person.

### **INCLUDED**

1 night in sleeping wagon, 2 or 4 beds /cabin, upon availabilities, we can know it 3 weeks before the departure

6 nights in rural pensions in double occupancy, with private & shared facilities (1 for 2 rooms)

1 night in 3\* hotel in the center of Cluj

Meals: 8 breakfasts, 6 picnics, 7 dinners. Dinner is 3 course menu – entrée/soup, main dish and a dessert

Transfers

Luggage transfer

Steam train ticket

### **NOT INCLUDED**

Transfer to the meeting point (North train station in Bucharest)

The entrance fees into museums, monasteries

The insurance

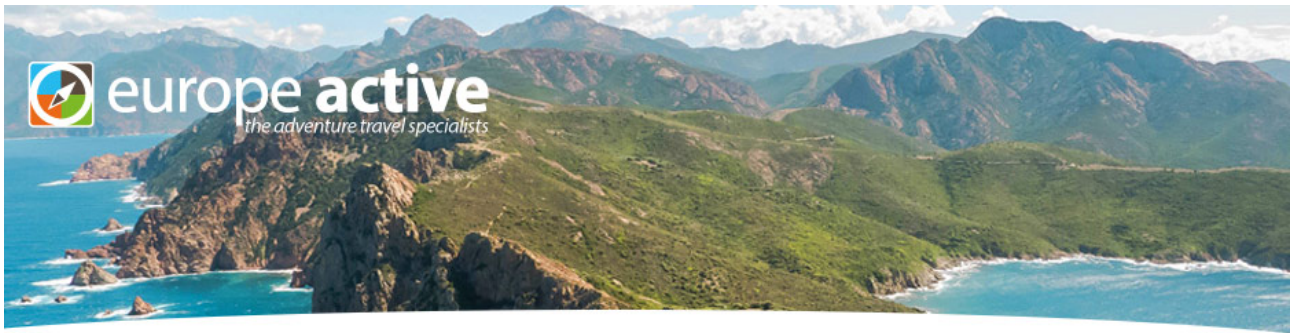
Meals as indicated (dinner Day 1, lunch & dinner Day 8)

Drinks, personal spending & snacks

### **LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY**

9 days / 6 days of walking: easy to medium (accessible to every person who walks regularly in the year), on paths and forest roads. Some walks could change depending on the group level or the weather conditions or be interrupted by small transfers.

### **CARRYING**



The transfers of your luggage is ensured. You only have to carry your things needed for the day (picnic, camera...)

#### **ACCOMMODATION**

Rural pensions in double occupancy, exceptionally triple with private & shared facilities (1 for 2 rooms).  
Depending on the size of the group, the accommodation can be done in several pensions. Meals will be taken together.

#### **SIZE OF GROUP**

6 to 14 people. Smaller groups with supplement, contact us for details.

#### **DEPARTURE**

Bucharest train station.

#### **DISPERSION**

At your hotel in Cluj, after breakfast. Optional transfer to the airport.

#### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

Depending on the majority of the people booking this trip, guide could be French and English speaking.