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VOJVODINA – SERBIA, CYCLING HEAVEN

For all the cycle lovers who enjoy exploring new destinations on two wheels. There are many reasons why you will love exploring Serbia on bike. Serbians like cyclists, drivers are respectful and friendly, they always make sure to give plenty of room on the road. The country is beautiful and charismatic. Their traditional cuisine offers unforgettable tastes that can only be enjoyed in Serbia. This amazing country in southeastern Europe is in the heart of the Balkan Peninsula. Known for their hospitable, emotional and joyful people, who possess a passion for sportsmanship, extraordinary traditions, and a huge cultural heritage that enriches the entire European culture. Serbia is one of those marks on a map of the world you need to discover and experience. Is there any better way than to experience it on two wheels?

1st Day: Individual arrival to Belgrade. In the afternoon you will meet with your guide and get to know this modern European city with population of about 1.7 million people. Belgrade is the administrative, political and cultural center of the country. One of the oldest cities in Europe and the only one built on the confluence of two rivers – the Danube and the Sava. Belgrade is the city that never sleeps. Floating clubs on its rivers have become synonyms for great parties and never-ending fun. Skadarlija, the bohemian street, is a place where music and singing can be heard until dawn. In the evening you will enjoy in traditional Serbian dinner. (Hotel 4*, meals included: dinner).

2nd Day: Belgrade – Palić (approx. 40 km/25 miles, 92 altitude m). After breakfast a short transfer is organized to avoid the busy roads. Then you will test your bikes before continuing on two wheels. Today's path leads you to Lake Palić, a fabulous lake, one of the most popular destinations in Serbia and the host of a film festival. A legend says Palić lake was made of tears of shepherd Pavle who lost his herd and that is why the water is salty. Palić lake is the largest natural lake in Serbia, and the first records of it date from the 15th century where it is mentioned under the name Pali. (Hotel 3*, meals included: breakfast and dinner).

3rd Day: Palić – Subotica (approx. 48 km/30 miles, 72 altitude m). Today's easy cycling route takes you to a major cultural center in Vojvodina and one of the most beautiful cities in Serbia – Subotica. This town was even the capital of a fairy-tale-like empire in the 16th century. Throughout its long and lively history Subotica often changed its rulers, countries and names. Today »little Saturday« (this is what Subotica means in the Serbian language) is host of the European Film Festival and Inter Ethno Festival. You can also find the Wine Harvest Days Festival here. After cycling we have a special treat for you – a guided tour of beautiful Stable Kelebija and its elegant lipizzaner horses. Plus wine tasting which will make the perfect finish of a perfect day. (Hotel 4*, meals included: breakfast and dinner).

4th Day: Subotica - Sombor (approx. 57 km/35 miles, 62 altitude m). After breakfast you will first explore Subotica with a local guide then a short transfer will take you to the start of the cycling part.

Enjoy cycling through idyllic countryside with many farms and ethno houses you will arrive to Sombor. This is a special town, a town that has managed to preserve the charm of past and combine it marvelously with the present and spirit of its people. Sombor used to be a place of frontiersmen and the military but today is a peaceful town, resembling like a “miniature Florence”, with fascinating architecture, tree avenues that are 120 kilometers long and rustic fiacres, which give this city a romantic touch. (Hotel 3*, meals included: breakfast and dinner).

5th Day: Sombor – Bogojevo (approx. 60 km/38 miles, 72 altitude m). From beautiful Sombor the cycle route takes you through characteristic towns and little villages where the life runs slowly. Your accommodation is in the charming village of Bogojevo. The village has an ethnic Hungarian majority and its population is numbering a bit over 2,000 people. Your accommodation is in a locally owned homestay. (Hotel 3*, meals included: breakfast and dinner).

6th Day: Bogojevo – Ilok. (approx. 60 km/38 miles, 390 altitude m). Today you will change countries and cross the border into Croatia. You are cycling towards Croatian Ilok, but before you will stop in city of Vukovar to see this wounded town. Here the Battle of Vukovar took place, an 87-day siege by the Yugoslav People's Army (JNA) between August and November 1991. The Vukovar area has always been an intersection of roads, the place where different cultures meet, but also a battleground in wars. After a guided tour of beautiful Baroque city of Vukovar, you will cycle to another amazing town, embraced by the Danube River and the Fruška Gora hills. Ilok is one of the most attractive towns in this part of Europe and a popular wine and culinary destination. Even the old Romans called this place »the delight of the world« (delicium mundi). (Hotel 3*, meals included: breakfast and dinner).

7th Day: Ilok – Novi Sad (approx. 50 km/31 miles, 260 altitude m). Today you leave Croatia, heading back to Serbia. You will cycle to Novi Sad, a home of EXIT, one of the best music festivals in Europe that brings together the best musicians from around the world. Novi Sad is the city of young people, music, fun and great nightlife. There are many legends about the foundation of this city and you will have the chance to visit it in the company of a local guide. They say you are always welcome in Novi Sad, where friendly and hospitable locals will try to make each day you spend in their hometown unforgettable. (Hotel 4*, meals included: breakfast and dinner).

8th Day: Novi Sad – Fruška gora – Sremska Mitrovica - Belgrade (approx. 50 km/31 miles, 160 altitude m). Your first cycling goal is Fruška gora National Park, »the jewel of Serbia«. It's an 80 km stretch of rolling hills in the Vojvodinian district of Srem, dotted with vineyards and monasteries. Of the 35 original monasteries, 16 remain, and they are open to visitors. Fruška Gora is also famous for its small but select wineries; grapes were first planted here in 3 AD by the Roman Emperor Probus. From Fruška gora you continue on bikes towards town of Sremska Mitrovica, the center of the Srem region, with about 85,000 inhabitants. It is situated on the banks of the Sava river, near the Fruška Gora mountain. It was once the capital of the Roman Empire, called Sirmium. Ten Roman emperors were born here. The name Mitrovica means "City of Saint Demetrius" (Civitas Sancti Demetrii) and has origins in the Middle Ages. You will explore this incredible place with a local tour guide. Afterwards the transfer will take you back to the starting hotel in Belgrade. (Hotel *, meals included: breakfast and dinner).

9th Day: Departure or extension. Extra nights on request. (Meals included: breakfast).

Price per person:

1.850 € (min and max 8 people) 2.170 € (7 people)

Price includes: 8 overnights with breakfast in Hotels and private guesthouses 3* and 4* with en suite facilities, 8 dinners (sometimes in hotel, sometimes in good restaurant outside the property), *English tour speaking guide / driver who escorts the group in a van with a bike trailer throughout the tour, quality classic trekking bike Sub Cross 30 with one bike (back) pannier, all transfers as described in tour program, 5 city guided tours with local guides (English speaking), Ergela Stud Farm guided tour, two wine tastings, luggage transfer between the hotels, organization and VAT.

*Tour guide is included from Day 1 at 6.30 pm when he meets the group in Hotel in Belgrade until Day 8 after the farewell dinner in Belgrade.

Optional supplements: – single accommodation 290 €.

What's not included; Arrival / departure to / from first / last hotel, flight tickets, travel insurance, tip, lunch's, drinks and all other expenses that are not mentioned in what's included description.

Accommodations; Mixture of 3* and 4* hotels & private guesthouse's with en suite facilities.

Category: Easy cycling holiday, mostly on tarmac roads (approx. 10 km is on gravel roads).

Key information; This tour is designed for a small cycling group (max 8 per), where the tour guide is driver at the same time (he escorts the group in a van). We strongly believe that smaller number of guests creates a good group dynamic; you'll get to know people from different backgrounds with a shared interest in travel. Besides the tour guide who is with you throughout the program, we added the local guides for some cities as well, as this way, you'll get a unique insight into local life. As locals know the stories behind the sights.

Date; 1.6. – 9.6.2019 (8 nights/9 days).

*Extra nights before / after tour on request. Price per person in double room in Belgrade, B&B 75 €, in single room B&B 115 €.