

Back to the roots – Serbian Ethno Experience

8 days/7 nights

Take a deep breath and relax with us. We are taking you to the land where “organic” means everyday food, where nature still remains unspoiled. Serbian countryside is something that takes all of us back to the happy days of childhood, and we are keen to share this feeling with you...

DAY 1 BELGRADE



Welcome to Serbian capital! After we meet at the „Nikola Tesla“ Airport Arrivals terminal, it is time to introduce you to the largest city in the region, and its fantastic history and culture.

We will make a **panoramic sightseeing** to introduce you to city's extraordinary history as we pass St. Sava Temple, National Parliament, Old Royal Court, Republic Square with National Theater and National Museum. Here we will be welcomed by Knez Mihailova pedestrian street, one of Belgrade's hallmarks. See the oldest tavern in Belgrade, the famous „?“ tavern; Residence of princess Ljubica; Patriarch's Court and beautiful Assembly Church. Knez Mihailova street will take us among the most beautiful residences of 19th and early 20th century directly to the cradle of the city – magnificent Belgrade fortress and Kalemegdan park. Prepare to be awed by myths and legends hidden within the walls of 2 millennia old fortress, and enjoy fantastic scenery which spreads over the walls to the confluence and Pannonian plain. Finish at [Zornića Kuća Ethno Complex](#) for free time and rest.

In the evening we shall have an interesting wine tasting at [Trišić winery](#), a well-established and award-winning winery. Return to Zornića kuća after dinner for overnight.

DAY 2 MT. KOSMAJ & MT. AVALA



After the breakfast we will set off to visit the northern part of Šumadija region. Mt. Avala is the northernmost part of Central Serbia, overlooking our capital and giving a magnificent view over the Pannonia Plain. We will climb to the top of [Avala Tower](#) to share with you this outstanding panorama over the Northern Serbia.

Continue to neighbouring Mt. Kosmaj and visit XV century **Pavlovac Monastery**, dedicated to St. Nicolas. This monastery was the last place where Serbian Patriarch Arsenije Čarnojević held the holy liturgy before leaving Serbia with Serbian people during the Great Exodus in 1690.

We will take a break at one of the most prominent breweries in the region – the [“Kabinet” brewery](#). Enjoy the visit with a pint of crafted beer, made by the old recipe with modern touch. Continue to [“Amerić” Ethno Village & Paddock](#) for a traditional lunch typical for Šumadija countryside, with the opportunity of horse riding. Return back to Zornića Kuća for free time at leisure.

DAY 3

MT. KOSMAJ – ZASAVICA – SUNČANA REKA



We will take you to the banks of Sava river, to visit a beautiful [Zasavica Special Natural Reserve](#). Zasavica is one of the rarest places in Europe with such a rich flora and fauna. Besides vast ornithological diversity, one can find here one of the largest beaver settlements in Europe. Not only that, but Zasavica is the largest breeding ground for Podolian Cow – semi-wild ox, semi-wild pig – Mangulica and the largest settlement of Balkan donkey, endemic species. We will take a boat ride through the Reserve, where we will have the opportunity to enjoy the song of many bird species. Afterwards, we will learn about the tradition of making extraordinary products of donkey milk, such as cheese and cosmetic products.

Continue to Salaš Noćajski, an authentic household held by the descendants of Serbian First Uprising general Stojan Čupić, known as the Noćaj Dragon. Hence the name – [Etno Zdanije Zmaj od Noćaja](#). Enjoy traditional specialties of Mačva region for lunch.

Finally we will be heading to the [Drina river](#), one of the largest and purest rivers in Balkans. Arrive at [Sunčana Reka ethno complex](#) for check-in, rest and leisure activities.

DAY 4

SUNČANA REKA – TRŠIĆ – KRUPANJ – SUNČANA REKA



This day is dedicated to the region of Rađevina, home of Serbian language reformer – Vuk Stefanović Karadžić. Visit to his native village Tršić, today [an ethno museum](#) dedicated to XIX century Serbian reformer. Visit to XIV century **Tronoša monastery**, one of the first Serbian monasteries which established firm connections with Russian Orthodox Patriarchy.

Continue to the town of Krupanj to visit the [church of Holy Mother of God at Dobri Potok](#), a one-of-a-kind Church park. Afterwards, we are heading to the neighbouring Mt. Jagodnja to visit the **memorial complex of Battle for Mačkov Kamen**, one of the most ferocious battles of World War I. Return to Sunčana Reka complex for leisure afternoon.

DAY 5

SUNČANA REKA – GRADAC VALLEY – ZLAKUSA – MT. ZLATIBOR



Today we will take you to the heart of West Serbia – fabulous Mt. Zlatibor. Our tour takes us to the picturesque valley of Gradac river. Visit the **Gradac river valley** before we continue to the village of Zlakusa, world famous for its traditional handmade pottery. Visit [Terzića Avlija ethno complex](#) and try yourself in the arts & crafts while enjoying 100% natural products for refreshment.

Continue towards [Potpeć Cave](#) and visit this wonder of nature as we stroll among the most beautiful cave jewelry in Serbia. We will take a break at the restaurant besides the cave for lunch, and afterwards we will continue to Mt. Zlatibor.

Check-in at [Boškova Voda Ethno Complex](#) for free time at leisure.

DAY 6

MT. ZLATIBOR



This day is dedicated to the beautiful heritage of Western Serbia. Visit [Gostilje Waterfalls](#), one of the most beautiful waterfalls in Southeast Europe. Hidden in a wildwood, this outstanding natural complex comprises of river rapids, fantastic cascades crowned by the waterfall.

Continue towards an open-air museum of [Sirogojno](#) to feel the centuries old tradition of Serbian highlanders. Get to know the authentic architecture and savoir vivre of Alpine Western Serbia as we stroll through the old village.

Our final stop before returning to the ethno complex will be magnificent [Stopića Cave](#). Its beauty assorts this cave amongst the most beautiful ones in the world. It comprises of five parts, with the outstanding waterfall and natural tubs as its hallmark. Return to Boškova Voda ethno complex for free time at leisure.

DAY 7

MT. ZLATIBOR – MT. RUDNIK



Today we are heading to Central Serbia and the region of Šumadija. We will pass through amazing meandric [Ovčar-Kablar gorge](#), also known as “Serbian Mt. Athos”. Dozens of monasteries nested on the hillsides of Mt. Ovčar and Mt. Kablar nurture the secret to Serbian heritage for centuries. We will visit one of the monasteries to hear the stories of miracles and Serbian uprisings against the Ottomans.

The road takes us to the very heart of Serbia, a small town of [Topola](#), which used to be the first Serbian capital during the Liberation Wars of 1804. Visit to [Rebels Town](#) and magnificent [Complex of Karađorđević Royal Dynasty](#). Visit to a unique St. George’s Church and Royal Mausoleum and find out why king Peter I Karađorđević decided to erect this monument at this place. We will have a lunch beneath the Oplenac hill, with the special attention to the specialties of Šumadija region.

Finally we will arrive to [Zdravkovac Country Club](#) for check-in and rest.

DAY 8

MT. RUDNIK – BELGRADE

After the breakfast we will transfer you to “Nikola Tesla” international airport for your departure flight.

End of program

Our program includes:

- ✓ 7 overnights in authentic ethno complexes on BB/HB basis;
- ✓ City and Eco taxes where applicable;
- ✓ Transfers as per itinerary with tourist class vehicles (Mercedes Viano, Mercedes Sprinter...);
- ✓ Professional licensed guide as per itinerary;
- ✓ All entrance fees as per itinerary;
- ✓ 0,5 l of bottled water daily per person;
- ✓ Lunches as per itinerary.

Our program does not include:

- ✗ Drinks during meals;
- ✗ Personal expenses;
- ✗ All other expenses not mentioned above.

About the accommodation:

ZORNIĆA KUĆA ETHNO COMPLEX

<https://www.zornicakuca.rs/en/zornics-story/>

The ethno household, restaurant and apartments of “Zornica kuca” are located in the village of Bacevac, and spread over three acres of idyllic Sumadija landscape, with an unusual view of Kosmaj on the one side and Lipovac forest on the other.

Even this household and all its contents offer you a unique opportunity to relax from everyday stress and remind you of the ease of rural life, either as you remember it from the childhood or how you imagine it.

The beds are equipped with a linen mad of good damask. Each room has a modern and nicely decorated bathroom with shower and all necessary cosmetics. The floor heating will contribute the best comfort and each visitor will be satisfied. You can watch all cable programs that can be provided on the LCD TV screen, and also use the free wireless internet.

Three double rooms with single beds, eight double rooms and one apartment are made of natural materials: wood, stone, brick. The colors are natural and the furniture is made of solid wood. The concierge consists of a reception-cafe, a garden, a modern conference room for 25 people.

Within Zornica kuca, for four years, there is a camp with twenty parking spaces. Showers, clean toilets, chemical toilet, fire place, laundry wash are all available to our guests.

Ethno house consists of a restaurant located in a hundred years old building. A few different seating areas in front and behind the house or in the woods, and a covered wooden garden are thematically arranged with an impression on past times. They are best illustrated by the old carpets spread around the meadows and around the restaurants where guests have lunch and drink their drinks. At the same time, our guests can feel the smell of old dishes that are prepared in their vicinity. Old bakeries, crock, SAC and specialties from them simply force you look at it.

The desire of the host is to bring their visitors closer to the way of life in the old Serbian household, so the specialties offered in the restaurant are national and traditional dishes, such as a large selection of cheeses, homemade pies and homemade ajvar, janija, chicken on the Barajevo way, Imperial chicken and a remarkable barbecue with a kebab that is our pride.

Besides the restaurants, within this hospitable Ethno household, there is plenty of content that will allow you to feel just like you are in the countryside. This is, for example, exhibition space for old and rare items, souvenir shop, Eco Wood stage, our cultural scene, studio for painting

You can visit and enjoy the works of this artist on canvases and some of the walls of Zornica kuca. Zornica kuca has been host to many fine art and sculpting artists.

What is especially interesting for families is the fact that Zornića kuca often organizes some activities. Puppet shows, clowns for children, tree planting, concerts, folklore, ethno wall competition, tasting of brandy and wine ...

Get your little ones from the city and let them learn about life in the village just 20 kilometers from Belgrade. Our offer includes outdoor playgrounds, mini-zoo, outdoor games, volleyball, mini-football, riding school ...



SUNČANA REKA ETHNO COMPLEX

<https://suncanareka.rs/>

Offering several sports terrains, a restaurant and a private beach area on River Drina, Sunčana Reka Recreation Centre features air-conditioned accommodation with free Wi-Fi, sauna and wellness facilities. The interiors are decorated in brick or wood-panelled walls. Each accommodation unit comes with air conditioning and cable TV, as well as a private bathroom with shower and hairdryer.

Guests are free to use the badminton, basketball and volleyball courts, as well as the football terrain. Cycling and fishing activities are also possible. Tennis, horseback riding and rafting facilities can be rented at an extra charge.

Free parking is provided on site. Gučevo Mountain is within 3 km from Recreation Centre Sunčana Reka, and the village of Tršić is at a distance of 10 km.



BOŠKOVA VODA ETHNO COMPLEX

<http://www.boskovavoda.co.rs/>

Featuring an outdoor pool with spring water and a la carte restaurant, Ethno Bungallows Boškova Voda is located in Ljubiš, 23 km from Zlatibor. It offers bungalow accommodation and an on-site bar. Ski centre Tornik is 18 km away. Free WiFi provided in all areas.

All bungalows feature a terrace with seating area, an equipped kitchenette, TV and DVD player, as well as a bathroom with shower. You can enjoy a mountain views from all the rooms. There is a children's playground at Ethno Bungallows, ski storage is also provided. There are various hiking trails in the area.



ZDRAVKOVAC COUNTRY CLUB

<https://zdravkovac.rs/welcome-to-zdravkovac-rs/>

Zdravkovac Country Club has a restaurant, seasonal outdoor swimming pool, a fitness centre and bar in Jarmenovci. Boasting family rooms, this property also provides guests with a sun terrace. The air-conditioned rooms provide a garden view and come with a wardrobe and free WiFi. At the resort, the rooms come with a desk, a flat-screen TV and a private bathroom. All guest rooms at Zdravkovac Country Club come with a seating area.

Guests can relax in the wellness area, including a sauna, and a hot tub, or in the garden equipped with a children's playground. You can play table tennis at Zdravkovac Country Club, and the area is popular for hiking.

