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# GHIFARI EXCLUSIVE 9 DAYS BALKAN ISLAMIC TOURS

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Get ready for an unforgettable adventure filled with breathtaking landscapes, rich history, and one-of-a-kind experiences on this incredible tour through Croatia. You'll explore vibrant cities like **Zagreb, Opatija, Zadar, Split, and Dubrovnik**, along with the captivating capital of Bosnia, Sarajevo.

History buffs and **UNESCO World Heritage** enthusiasts will be in awe as you visit Dubrovnik's stunning 15th-century Rector's Palace, a masterpiece blending Gothic, Renaissance, and Baroque styles; Split's incredible 4th-century **Diocletian's Palace**, a perfectly preserved fortress; the magnificent cathedral in Zagreb; the ancient **Amphitheatre** and **Temple of Augustus** in Pula; and the historic charm of Trogir.

For those seeking spectacular natural beauty, this Croatian tour promises to amaze. Enjoy guided walks through the enchanting **Plitvice National Park**, famous for its mesmerizing lakes, waterfalls, and lush forests, as well as in the charming coastal city of Zadar. And don't miss the stunning Dalmatian Coast, where dramatic limestone cliffs rise above the shimmering Adriatic Sea.

These are just a few of the many unforgettable highlights on this incredible Balkan journey. It's the trip of a lifetime you won't want to miss!

#### **Day 1: Arrive in Budapest**

#### Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Welcome to Budapest, the stunning twin cities of Buda and Pest! Upon arrival, we'll kick off our adventure with a relaxing Danube River cruise, offering breathtaking views of this beautiful riverside capital. Next, we'll take a city orientation tour, featuring iconic sights such as Heroes' Square, Fishermen's Bastion, Matthias Church, Gellert Hill, the Parliament House, the Royal and the famous Chain Bridge spanning the Danube River. After the tour, enjoy some free time for shopping at Vaci Street.

We'll end the day with a delicious dinner at a local restaurant before heading to our hotel for an overnight stay in Budapest.

## Day 2: Budapest - Lake Balaton - Zagreb

#### Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

After breakfast, enjoy a scenic drive to **Lake Balaton**, often referred to as the "Hungarian Sea." This stunning lake, one of the largest in Central Europe, is a top resort destination known for its picturesque beauty. The area's scenic landscapes make it a popular spot for relaxation and exploration.

Next, continue your journey to **Zagreb**, the charming capital of Croatia. Despite its turbulent history, Zagreb's buildings remain beautifully preserved, offering a glimpse into the city's rich past. With its stunning Gothic architecture, artistic craftsmanship, Mediterranean cuisine, locally produced wines, and warm hospitality, Zagreb promises a memorable experience.

Explore the city's top attractions, including the magnificent **Zagreb Cathedral**, the lively **Ban Jelačić Square**, and the beautiful **Church of St. Mark**.

After a full day of sightseeing, enjoy a restful overnight stay in Zagreb or a nearby city.

# Day 3: Zagreb - Plitvice Lakes National Park - Zadar

## Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Get ready for an unforgettable day as we embark on a guided tour of the **Plitvice Lakes National Park**, often called the "Jiuzhaigou of Europe." This UNESCO World Heritage site features 16 mesmerizing lakes connected by stunning waterfalls, walkways, and scenic hiking trails. Nestled in the heart of dense mountains, the park's natural travertine barriers create enchanting lakes that look straight out of a fairytale. The crystal-clear, calcium-rich waters shimmer with a unique silver hue, reflecting the surrounding trees and forming delicate crystals on the surface—truly a photographer's paradise.

Immerse yourself in the serene, tranquil atmosphere of this natural wonder, surrounded by lush forests and breathtaking views. After this magical experience, we'll head to **Zadar** for an overnight stay, where the adventure continues!

#### Day 4: Zadar - Split - Dubrovnik Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Start your day with a journey into the ancient city of Zadar, where the air is steeped in history and religious charm. Wander through narrow medieval streets, where time seems to stand still, and soak in the old-world atmosphere. Just steps from the

waterfront, marvel at the Sea Organ, an innovative sound installation, and the Sun Salutation, an extraordinary solar-

installation, and the Sun Salutation, an extraordinary solarlight display. Next, continue to Split, Croatia's second-largest city, where Roman history comes alive through buildings that date back over 1,700 years. The highlight is the stunning Diocletian's Palace, a vast 4th-century Roman complex that still stands in the heart of the city. End your day with an overnight stay in Dubrovnik, where the Adriatic meets history.

## Day 5: Dubrovnik - Mostar

## Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Prepare to be amazed by Dubrovnik, a city so beautiful that Nobel Prize-winning writer Bernard Shaw called it "heaven on earth." Once you experience its breathtaking views, you'll understand why. Known as the setting for King's Landing in *Game of Thrones* and inspiring Miyazaki's *The Witch's Delivery Service*, Dubrovnik is a must-see destination. Wander through the ancient Old Town, walk along the iconic city walls, and visit historic sites like the Rector's Palace and Franciscan Monastery. For an even more spectacular view, take a cable car ride up the mountain to see the city from above. After a day in this paradise, enjoy an overnight stay in Dubrovnik or a nearby city before heading to Mostar for the next leg of your journey.

# Day 6: Blagaj - Mostar - Sarajevo

## Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Today, we dive into the heart of Bosnia and Herzegovina, a country with a rich history as one of the six former socialist republics of Yugoslavia. Our first stop is Blagaj, where the stunning Dervish Monastery sits gracefully against a 200-meter-high cliff, surrounded by crystal-clear streams—an idyllic spot that feels almost otherworldly. Next, we head to the historic city of Mostar, famous for its breathtaking Stari Most (Old Bridge). Cross this iconic arch bridge and capture the picturesque views of the river and the surrounding landscapes, a perfect blend of nature and history. After exploring the poetic beauty of Mostar, we continue our journey to Sarajevo or a nearby city for an overnight stay. Please note, due to regulations in Bosnia and Herzegovina, group entry and exit must remain consistent, so individual departures are not allowed on the same day.

# Day 7: Sarajevo - Vinkovci

# Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Start your day in Sarajevo, once a key gateway to the East, a city that beautifully blends diverse religions and cultures with a distinct European flair. Known for its rich history, Sarajevo was recently named by Lonely Planet as one of the world's top ten travel destinations. The city's past is vividly present in sites like the Latin Bridge, where the assassination that triggered World War I occurred, and the "Sarajevo Meeting of Cultures Line" in the Old Town. As you explore, you'll witness how Sarajevo has reborn and transformed, with modern architecture symbolizing its resurgence. After your visit, we'll cross the border into Croatia for an overnight stay in Vinkovci or a nearby city.

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# Day 8: Vinkovci - Pecs - Budapest

# Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

This morning, we head back to Hungary with a stop in Pecs, one of the country's most charming cities. Nestled between the Danube and Drava rivers, Pecs boasts a long history, a mild climate, and is famous for its rich cultural scene. Explore its fascinating museum and the best-preserved Turkish ruins in Hungary, and don't miss the stunning Pécs Cathedral, which towers over Szent István Square. After your visit, we'll continue on to Budapest in the afternoon. Once we arrive, enjoy some free time to explore the vibrant city at your leisure.

# Day 9: Budapest

# Meal: Breakfast

Your unforgettable journey ends with breakfast this morning. Enjoy some free time to relax or do last-minute shopping before your transfer to the airport for your departure. Safe travels and unforgettable memories from your amazing adventure!

# ACCOMMODATIONS 4\*\*\*\*

Budapest – Hungary (1N) : Marmara Hotel or similar Zagreb – Croatia (1N) : Hotel Aristos or similar Zadar – Croatia (1N) : Hotel Kolovare or similar Dubrovnik – Croatia (1N) : Hotel Adria or similar Mostar – Bosnia and Herzegovina (1N) : Hotel Bristol or similar Sarajevo – Bosnia and Herzegovina (1N) : Hotel Ibis or similar Vinkovci – Croatia (1N) : Hotel Admiral or similar Budapest – Hungary (1N) : Marmara Hotel or similar

#### WHAT'S INCLUDED IN THE PRICE

# 8 nights' accommodation at choice of hotel with daily breakfast

# PVP transfer airport - hotel – airport A/C minibus or coach 2019-2022

# Admission and/or sightseeing as stated in itinerary

# All sightseeing places according to itinerary with all entrance fees (Entrance Fees for the mentioned places in the itinerary (Plitvice National Park, Mostar Blagaj Tekija)

# Arabic and Turkish cuisine Halal meals / 07X Lunch - 08X Dinner

**# Muslim tour leader** 

# Allocated time for prayer

## WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED IN THE PRICE

# International Airline from Singapore & return

- # Travel Insurance
- # Porterage
- # Tipping
- # Any Cable Cars fee
- # Personal Expenses
- # Peak Period / Festive Season Surcharge
- # Any extra meals & drinks not mentioned in program
- # Other items not mentioned in the program

Exclusive Land Package: (Twin Sharing) Min 10 pax: \$2,200 per person

Package Valid till Nov 2025 & no booking is being made unless package payment is made.

