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EXPLORE THE ROMAN EMPERORS AND DANUBE WINE ROUTE

LOCATED IN THE MIDDLE AND LOWER DANUBE REGION, THE ROMAN EMPERORS AND DANUBE WINE ROUTE IS PART OF THE EUROPEAN NETWORK OF CULTURAL ROUTES.

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If you are still not convinced, consider the unbeatable hospitality and friendliness of the people living along the Route. So, pack up, come and enjoy our Route and take home unforgettable memories.

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Travel like the Romans did

Over time, the Roman Empire created a very complex network of roads used daily by traders, travellers and solidiers. New travel habits created new needs for travel maps. Romans had one-dimensional maps, with information on distances and times required for traveling. Along the road lines they used to put markings with travel distances and times the solid (mille passuum, literally "a thousand paces", where each pace was two steps, probably about 1.479 metres). Apart from expressing distances in miles, they would draw red stair-like lines between the towns, where each stair marked one day of travel. This way, travellers knew not only the distances they needed to cover, but also how long it would take them to get where they wanted.



EVENTS ALONG THE ROUTE

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Blue Week - tourism festival celebrating the International Danube Day. Consisted out of several mini events that are taking place in different countries along the Danube, each focusing on specific topic, characterizing key tourism and cultural products of Danube Region.

JANUARY

Zadar www.mas-zadar.hr

Workshops for children (November and January)

Workshops related to the customs of ancient Rome.

llok www.ilockipodrumi.h

Vinko's Fest (Vinkovo) (22 january)

The celebration of Vinko's Feast in the winegrowing hills of Ilok and Srijem is an old custom that takes place every year on 22 January.

FEBRUARY

Narona www.a-m-narona.hr



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Carnival in Metković (February) Traditional manifestation.



St Tryphon Day (14th February)

St Tryphon is traditional manifestation in Negotin Municipality organized do to the fact that this area is one of the most famous wine regions in Serbia. Event is organized in Rajac pimnice, in authentic, traditional atmosphere of the Region.

Kladovo www.tookladovo.rs

St Tryphon Day – Grape and Wine Growers (14th February)

Every year, on February 14th, the Fruit and Wine Growers Association in Kladovo, in the spirit of the Orthodox tradition, celebrates their day – St. Tryphon. The Tourist Organization helps in choosing the best products in the categories of brandies and wines at this celebration, and the competition always ends with a party organized for all the winners.

MARCH

Alba Iulia 44 www.romaniatourism.com/ alba-iulia.html

Alba Iulia City Race (March)

The main goal of Alba lulia City Race is to attract more tourists to the city at the beginning of each year, in March.

Bucharest and Ilfov www.romaniatourism.com/ bucharest.html

Bucharest International Boat Show (March)

Is a 5 day event being held from 4th March to the 8th March at the Romaero Baneasa. This event showcases product from Marine&Boat industry.



Ruse www.ruse-bg.eu

March Music Days International Festival (March)

Will host a vast selection of concerts and performances by a variety of international artists in the biggest Danube city in Bulgaria.

APRIL

Pula and Brijuni www.brijuni.hr www.pulainfo.hr



The educational underwater trail – NP Brijuni (mid April – mid October)

The educational underwater trail in Verige Bay on the southern side of Veli Brijun offers unique experience of visiting natural and archaeological sites of the exceptionally rich and well preserved marine world of Brijuni National Park. The approximately 500 metres long trail is not particularly demanding. In fact, it has been designed to appeal to users of all ages who can swim and use a diving mask and the snorkel. The tour lasts 45 minutes and includes swimming and underwater sightseeing at small depths using an audio guide and educational panels set up at various experiential points. Visitors are introduced to the exceptionally valuable contents that may only be seen by means of diving into the sea such as the well-known hydro-archaeological site - a part of the ancient complex of a sumptuous Roman villa from the first century submerged under the sea due to rising sea levels.

Sremska Mitrovica www.tosmomi.rs



SM Jazz&Blues Festival (first week of April)

SM Jazz / Blues Spring Fest was founded five years ago under the patronage of the town of Sremska Mitrovica. Nowadays it represents a significant music event and one of the major cultural events in Sremska Mitrovica.

MAY

Nin www.nin.hr



The traditional pilgrimage to Our Lady's Island

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The Church Holiday of Our Lady of Zečevo (May)

On 5th May 1516, on the island of Zečevo, Our Lady appeared to the widowed shepherdess Jelena Grubišić. Thus Nin became an important Virgin Mary sanctuary in which many worshippers gather in May every year.

Split www.visitsplit.com



Diocletian's guard - change of guard (May, September)

From 10 am to 9 pm - every day. The guard shift takes place each day at 12 PM (Peristyle) during which the Emperor Diocletian appears with 6 soldiers, and takes the opportunity to greet the mass and holds the appropriate speech, inviting the guests to his Palace.

Osijek Www.osijek.hr

"Dani vina i turizma", the tourism and wine festival (May)

Wine and tourism days take place every first weekend in May. It is the final festival of the previous four smaller wine festivals that take place in the wine regions around the city, Baranja and Erdut on the Danube river and Feričanci and Diakovo on the slopes of the Krndija mountain. It takes place in the old town in the Holy Trinity Square where all the wine producers from the region show their products. A nart of the festival is the Fish-paprikash Festival, the Croatian national championship in preparing one of the region's favourite traditional dishes the spicy and red from minced paprika fish stew.

Sremska Mitrovica www.tosmomi.rs



The Night of the Museums (first week of May)

'The Night of Museums' is a cultural event which is organized by the museums and cultural institutions and the museums are open until late at night (or precisely from 6 p.m. to 2 a.m.). The purpose of the event is introducing cultural institutions to individuals, as well as presenting the museums and galleries in a more interesting and unusual way.

Vršac www.vrsacturizam.r



Jazztronic (May)

Festival of jazz and blues music, which brings together fans of improvised music, marked the Vrsac city on the

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cultural map in the region and our country.

Sremski Karlovci www.karlovci.org.rs

The Night of Museums (middle of May)

Cultural event in which local museums open their doors during the night to the visitors.

Bucharest and Ilfov www.romaniatourism.com/ bucharest.html

Bucharest International Jazz Competitiion&Festival (May)

Is not only a 100% jazz festival, is a festival about competition, concerts, workshops and jam sessions.

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Alba Iulia www.romaniatourism. com/alba-iulia.html

Apulum Roman Festival (May)

Detailed reenactments of gladiator fights, Dacian - Roman wars, ancient rituals, Thracian games, nymph dances as well as medieval dances. During the Apulum Roman Festival visitors can take part of antique themed workshops for archery, blacksmithing, gastronomy, leather working, bone carving or sword skills.

JUNE

Pula and Brijuni www.brijuni.hr www.pulainfo.hr



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The Days of Antiquity – Pula Superiorv (June)

Cultural and culinary event held at three major ancient locations in the city: Forum Square, Portarata Square and Pula Arena.

Nin www.nin.hr

Festival of the Sun and Light in the Church of the Holy Cross (June)

This event -unique, just as this Church called 'the smallest Cathedral in the world' - is based on the evaluation of the astronomic and the architectural importance of the Church of the Holv Cross. a Pre-Romanesque building with a ground plan in the shape of a cross and a dome having special characteristics. Namely each side of the church has an oval opening and its construction and position in relation to the position of the Sun throughout the year -as explained by the scientist Mladen Pejaković – depends on the winter and summer solstice: spring and fall equinox and it was made in order to serve as a sundial and a calendar. For this reason, watching the playing of light and shadow is an extraordinary experience for children and adults, scientists and all visitors.

Nin's školijada (Sokol festival) and Festival of Salt (June and August) Culinary events.

Tours and demostrations of salt gathering – Museum of Salt, Nin (June and August) Educational tours showing the

history of salt and its usage with special attention given to the Flower of Salt, affectionately called the "caviar of salt" due to its unique flavour, composition and manner of harvesting

Varaždinske Toplice www.toplice-vz.hr



Aquafest Varaždinske Toplice (Last weekend in June)

Cultural, culinary and entertainment event held on the archeological site Aquae lasae.

Spring in Andautonia, Šćitarjevo (June)

Cultural manifestation held every year, last year's topic were pets in ancient Rome, includes making of jewelry, ceramics and parfume.

Kladovo www.tookladovo.rs



Danube Day (29th June)

Celebration of the Danube Days is a traditional event for majority of towns on the Danube and, with the help of the Water Directorate and the relevant Ministry, it has been celebrated for several years in



a row in Kladovo. The Danube Days celebration in Kladovo is a special experience since the programme is directed to the youngest ones in a most beautiful manner, in cooperation with the elementary schools in Kladovo Municipality.

Niš www.visitnis.com

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Days of St. Emperor Constantine and Empress Helen (1-5 June)

Every year, the city of Nis organizes numerous athletic, scientific and cultural events to remember its most famous citizens, Emperor Constantine the Great and his mother, Empress Helen.

Belogradchik www.belogradchik.biz



Folklore Festival 'From Timok to Iskar' (June)

'From Timok to Iskar' Folklore Festival promotes folklore traditions of Northwestern Bulgaria, passing them on to the younger generation and inviting all guests to Belogradchik Municipality to experience them.



Eagle on the Danube Festival (June)

www.svishtov.ba

Svishtov

The tenth edition of 'Eagle on the Danube' Festival of Ancient Heritage will host over 300 re-enactors from Italy, Poland, Hungary, Germany, Romania and Bulgaria in the ancient Roman camp Novae near Svishtov.

JULY

Salona www.solininfo.com 3

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Solin's cultural summer (July – Septembar) Cultural and entertainment events (performances, concerts, drama plays)

Narona www.a-m-narona.hr

Roman night in Narona – Archeological museum of Narona (July)

Archeological manifestation with educational programs.

Brudetijada in Opuzen (July) Culinary event including competition in preparing traditional fish specialities.

Belogradchik www.belogradchik.biz

International Festival at Kadaboaz Pass (July)

The International Festival at Kadaboaz Pass is a reproduction of the historic fights of 1876 when Bulgarians, Serbs, Russians and Montenegrins joint forces against the Ottoman rule.

AUGUST





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Split www.visitsplit.com



The Days of Diocletian (August)

In the period from August 16 - 19 Diocletian Days 2014 will take Split back to the time when famous Roman emperor Diocletian walked the city. Romean legions will align on the city streets and squares, the emperor Diocletian in carriage followed by the legions will pass from the Promenade to the Peristyle where Diocletian's co-rulers with their families will greet the gathered crowd. The sounds of fanfare, drums and Roman music will be heard throughout the city.

Salona www.solininfo.com



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Romance in Salona (August)

Manifestation designed with the aim of encouraging visitors to evening walks through Salona, consists of 4 themed nights.

Ancient mosaic workshop (August)

Workshop in cooperation with the Art Academy from Split in the Tusculum garden in Salona

Narona www.a-m-narona.hr



Amateur sporting competition which involves the racing of ladje (vessels native to the



Osijek Www.osijek.hr

"Pannonian Challenge", extreme sports and music festival (August)

Every mid-August for five days the left bank of the Drava river. the beach and the swimming pools of Copacabana recreation centre, hosts the biggest music and extreme sports event in the east of Croatia. the Pannonian Challenge festival. The competitions are held in the categories of skate boarding, BMX cycling and roller blading and the musical programme is a combination of rock and electro sounds. It attracts many tourists, mostly in their 20's and 30's from all around central and south eastern Europe.

Sremska Mitrovica www.tosmomi.rs



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Wine Manifestation – Honoring the Probus (19th August)

Festival organized in order to celebrate birth of Marcus Aurelius Probus and moment in which he planted first vine on slopes of Fruška Gora.

Niš www.visitnis.com

Nišville, International Jazz Festival (August)

Nišville has become the leading and most visited jazz festival

in SouthEastern Europe with a total visit of 100,000 people for 4-days festival. Nišville concept from the beginning, except the "traditional" forms of jazz, was based on the fusion of this stream with the ethnic traditions of various parts of the world, particulary the Balkans.

Bucharest and Ilfov www.romaniatourism.com/ bucharest.html

George Enescu Festival (August)

Is a well-known music festival which had the official opening on 4th September 1958, merely three years after George Enescu's passing.

The 5th Summer Well Festival (August)

Will take place on August 8 to 9 on the Field Stirbey. Summer Well format consisting of five bands each day. Amongs the bands that will perform there are John Newman, The 1975, Placebo, Miles Kane, Tom Odell.

Tulcea

www.romaniatourism.com/ tulcea.html www.rowmania.ro

Rowmania (August)

Rowmania is a festival of boats and canoes held in Tulcea. This festival is a initiative by Ivan Patzaichin, gold medalist in 5 Olympic games, and the main goal is to promote ecotourism in Romania, to enjoy and protect nature.



Vidin www.vidin.ba



Medieval Festival Budin (August)

This year for the third time around the Baha Vida Fortress will host the Bdin Medieval Festival, presenting the culture, armament, clothing and wine of the Middle Ages.

SEPTEMBER

llnk www.turizamilok.hr



Ilok Grape Harvest" has been traditionally held since 1962. in first week of september. The event ensues from an old Syrmia custom known as "Pudarina", where commoners gathered before the beginning of the harvest to quard the vinevards, prepare the work and celebrate a good year and yield, and of course. to socialise. Visitors enjoy the daytime and evening cultural entertainment and wine-gastro programmes, ranging from preserving customs in the wineyards, professional and fun workshops and promotions, to exhibitions, sports events, folklore and concert events and of course. the accompanying eno-gastronomic offer, mostly found in the old town core – the fortress and partly wineyards.



www.visitsplit.com

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Salona www.solininfo.com

From the Solin's pot (First Week of September)

Culinary event including competition in preparing dishes in old mill Gašpina Mlinica.

Osiiek Www.osiiek.hr

"Dani piva", beer festival (September)

Full name of the festival is "The Davs of the First Croatian Beer" or short "Beer days". The reson for this is the proud tradition of beer producing that dates back to 1697. The beer festival takes place in mid-September in the so-called Crown Fortress on the left bank of the Drava river. It is the biggest traditional music and beer festival in eastern Croatia that in seven days attracts some 20.000 visitors. Because of the lively music and good food people call it the "biggest wedding party" in the region.



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Vršac www.vrsacturizam.rs

The Grapes Ball (third weekend in September)

The manifestation which is known among the people as "The Grapes Ball", has a long tradition, and it is held in every vear on the third weekend in September.

Sremski Karlovci www.karlovci.org.rs



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Grape Harvest (end of September)

Cultural event that lasts several davs. during which various activities are organized: workshops, concerts and exhibition. All in order to celebrate wine culture

Neaotin www.toon.org.rs



Mokranjac Days (September)

Starting from 1966, every September music holiday dedicated to greatest Serbian composer Stevan Stevanović Mokranjac takes place in his birth city Negotin.

NOVEMBAR

Zadar www.mas-zadar.hr



Workshops for children (November and January)

Workshops related to the customs of ancient Rome



DECEMBER

Osijek Www.osijek.hr



"Advent u Osijeku", Christmas festival and fair (December)

During December don't miss the festivities of Advent in Osiiek. Enjoy the Christmas themed exhibitions and concerts in the galleries, museums and churches, go for a drive in the cheerful Christmas Tram and do not miss the special offer in restaurants and hotel packages. The main events of the holiday season are the Christmas fairs. The one that will last longest is the biggest – Advent in Tvrđa (the old town) located in the magically decorated baroque Holy Trinity Square.

Alba Iulia www.romaniatourism. com/alba-iulia.html

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National Day (December)

The most notable event that took place in Alba Iulia was undoubtedly the Great Union of all the Romanian provinces on 1st of December 1918, resulting in the state of Romania. Every year on December 1st there are interesting events in which tourist can take part: laying funeral wreaths on different objectives or observing the change of guards.

REGULAR

Pula and Brijuni www.brijuni.hr www.pulainfo.hr

Exhibition "Viticulture and Olive Oil Production in Istria During the Roman Period" (Regular)

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The exhibition "Viticulture and Olive Oil Production in Istria During the Roman Period" in the subterranean section of the amphitheater, is dedicated to the production of high-quality olive oil and wine, products that were from Roman times amongst the most important factors in the Istrian economy. The procedures for obtaining oil from olives are shown through the reconstructed Roman facilities used for such purposes, olive mills and presses.

Zadar www.mas-zadar.hr

Glassbowling workshops – Museum of Ancient Glass (regular)

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Glassforming technique demo workshops - attendants are instructed how to make ancient glass replicas. (no. of attendants - 50 to 60)

Lampworking (beadmaking) workshops - Museum of Ancient Glass (regular) Attendants are instructed how to make glass jewelry with the

usage of gas burners. (no. of attendants - 5 to 10)

Požarevac www.topozarevac.rs

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Ljubičevo Equestrian Games (various Dates)

This event is an equestrian tournament held annually in Požarevac. For all those who love horse riding sports and equestrian skills this event will be quite a spectacle. Day before competition, all the participants of the Games parade through the central streets in Požarevac.

UPON REQUEST

Varaždinske Toplice www.toplice-vz.hr



Roman Pottery Workshops (upon request) Pottery workshop for children. Introduction

1. LIFE AND LIFESTYLE OF THE ROMAN EMPERORS:

SITES WITH DIRECT AND DOCUMENTED ASSOCIATIONS WITH ROMAN EMPERORS

The normal, everyday life of a Roman emperor resembled the daily routine of a modern president. The emperor was concerned with command of the military, hearing law cases, officiating at religious ceremonies and organizing construction projects. The imperial palaces, like the complex at Sirmium near the Danube frontier, were the locations of these activities. The destinations on the Route bring back to life the dynamic events and accomplishments of the Roman emperors who lived and worked here. From Diocletian's retirement villa at Split, an outstandingly well preserved imperial palace, to the evocative remains of the emperor Galerius' massively fortified villa at Felix Romuliana, the monumental remains of Roman architecture are a vibrant reminder of the limitless resources the emperors had at their disposal for shaping the destiny of the empire. Traian's bridge at Drobeta and Kladovo, the first permanent crossing of the Danube, guaranteed access for the Roman armies to the newly acquired province of Dacia. The bridge connected with another engineering masterpiece, the Roman military road along the south bank of the Danube which is commemorated in the inscription on Traian's Tablet. Likewise connected with Roman military might, the carved panels of Roman battle scenes from Tropaeum Traiani illustrate rare scenes of the emperor himself directing his troops on and off the battlefield. Today, 48 (out of the original 54), metopes - sculpted bas-reliefs depicting major events of Traian's military campaign - are exhibited in the Archaeological Museum at Adamclisi.

DISCOVER

VISIT:



Diocletian's Palace and Salona, Split, (293-305 AD); The Emperor's Palace is a World Heritage Site which forms the urban core of modern Split.



Felix Romuliana, Gamzigrad and Zaječar, (297 - 441 AD); Massive fortifications, imperial villas, temples and a granary, built by Emperor Galerius. UNESCO World Heritage S



Sirmium, Sremska Mitrovica, (1st century BC – 582 AD); One of the major imperial capitals, with a palace used by the Emperors Diocletian and Constantine in the Late Roman Empire.

DON'T MISS:

While in Split and Salona:

Archeological Museum,

Zrinsko-Frankopanska 25, 21000 Split, **C** +385 21 329340, www.armus.hr, www.mdc.hr/ split-arheoloski/eng/index.html **Opening hours:** June – Sep Mon – Sat 9.00 – 14.00, 16.00 – 20.00, Sun closed; Oct – May Mon – Fri 9.00 – 14.00, 16.00 – 20.00, Sat 9.00 – 14.00, Sun closed

Archeological Complex of Sa-

lona and Tusculum, Put starina
bb, Manastirine, 21210 Solin,
\$ +385 21 211538,
www.mdc.hr/split-arheoloski/
eng/FS-dislocirani.html

Opening hours: May – Oct Mon – Fri 7.00 – 19.00, Sat 9.00 – 19.00, Sun 9.00 – 13.00; Nov – Apr Mon – Fri 9.00 – 15.30, Sat 9.00 – 14.00, Sun closed

While in Zajecar:

National Museum, Moše Pijade 2, 19000 Zaječar, **C** +381 19 422930, www.muzejzajecar.org **Opening hours:** Mon, Sat 8.00 – 16.00, Tue – Fri 8.00 – 18.00, Sun

closed, Sat. Nov. – Mar. closed Archeological Site Felix Romuliana, Gamzigrad, 19000 Zaječar, C +381 19 450019, Guided tours C+381 64 2809485 (Dir. Bora Dimitriiević).

www.muzejzajecar.org

Opening hours: daily Apr. – Oct. 8.00 – 20.00, Nov. – Mar. 8.00 – 16.00

While in Sremska Mitrovica:

Archeological Museum Srem (with Lapidarium), Trg Svetog Stefana 15, 22000 Sremska Mitrovica, **C** +381 22 623245, http://tosmomi.rs/en/turisticka-ponuda/kultura/muzej-srema **Opening hours:** Sat – Mon 7.00 – 15.00, Tue – Fri 7.00 –

Did you know?

That the native Dalmatian emperor Diocletian in retirement responded to an offer to return to power with the comment, "If you could only see the cabbages raised by my own hands at Salona, you would not think that the offer tempted me." (Aurelius Victor Liber de Caes. 39,6)

That the Emperor Constantine the Great was going to make Sirmium (Sremska Mitrovica, Serbia) the capital of the Eastern Roman Empire until he changed his mind in A.D. 325 and founded Constantinopolis (modern Istanbul, Turkey).

20.00, branch Vuka Karadžića 3 (thematic exhibitions): Mon – Fri 7.00 – 15.00

Sirmium Imperial Palace (Carska palata Sirmijuma), Pivarska 2, 22000 Sremska Mitrovica, C +381 22 618817, www.carskapalata.rs/imperialpalace.html Opening hours: daily 9.00 – 17.00

INFORMATION:

Tourist Information Center

"Peristil", Peristil bb, 21 000 Split, **C** +385 21 345606, www.visitsplit.com

Tourist office Zaječar,

Svetozara Markovića 2, 19000 Zaječar, Serbia, **C** 19 421521, www.zajecar.info

Tourist Organization of the City of Sremska Mitrovica,

Svetog Dimitrija 10, 22000 Sremska Mitrovica, C +381 22 618275, www.tosmomi.rs

Introduction

2. ARCHITECTURE

SITES WITH WELL PRESERVED AND PRESENTED MONUMENTS OF ROMAN ARCHITECTURE

In the process of creating their vast Empire the Romans left behind an extensive corpus of buildings which have been admired for centuries for their magnificence and functional efficiency. The most significant imperial building types, like entertainment centers, palaces and bridges, are presented in the Route. Some of the largest exterior spaces were incorporated in the sports arenas the Romans called amphitheaters like the well preserved example in Pula. The Pula amphitheater, known today as the Arena, sat 20,000 spectators and is still in use today. Further down the Adriatic coast Salona, the capital city of Roman Dalmatia, also boasts the preserved remains of public entertainment facilities in an amphitheater and theater. The Romans also built more private structures, like the luxurious and richly decorated villa on the island of Veli Brijun (near Pula), which prospered from the olive oil trade. In the Danube corridor, at Mediana just outside of the emperor Constantine's birthplace in Niš, another elaborately decorated villa was in use during the reigns of Constantine's sons, just after his death.

VISIT:



Mediana, Niš, (306 - 442 AD); Birthplace of Emperor Constantine the Great, who issued the milestone Edict of Milan



Amphitheatre and Villa Rustica, Pula and Brijuni, (50 BC - 400 AD); Major Roman port for trade with Italy and villa estates producing olive oil and wine for export.



Tropaeum Traianim, Adamclisi, (109 – 587 AD); A victory monument, depicting the highlights of one of the Emperor Traian's campaigns against the Dacians.

DON'T MISS:

While in Niš:

National Museum Niš, Generala Milojka Lešjanina 14, 18000 Niš, +381 18 248189, +381 18 246622, http://narodnimuzejnis.rs

Opening hours: Tue – Fri 10.00 – 17.00, Sat., Sun 10.00 – 15.00, Mon closed;

Archeological site Mediana,

Bulevar Cara Constantina bb, 18000 Niš, **C** +381 18 550433,

http://narodnimuzejnis.rs

Opening hours: see National Museum

While in Pula:

Pula Arena, Scalierova ul. 30, 52100 Pula, C +385 52 219028, www.ami-pula.hr/en/collections-on-other-locations/amphitheater/amphitheater/

Opening hours: daily 25th of Act – 31st of March 9.00 – 17.00, Apr 8.00 – 20.00, May, Sep 8.00 – 21.00, June 8.00 – 21.30, July/ Aug 8.00 – 24.00, 1st of Oct – 24th of Oct 9.00 – 19.00

National Park Brijuni, Brionska 10, 52212 Fažana, Croatia, < +385 52 525882, 525888, ■ +385 52 521124, 521367, www.brijuni.hr/en/

While in Adamclisi:

Tropaeum Traiani/Archeological Museum Complex of Adamclisi, 907010 Adamclisi, \$\$\u00e941 614562, www.cimec.ro/arheologie/tropaeum/cetateaen/index.html, www.cjc.ro/engleza/adamen~1.html Opening hours: daily 8.00 – 20.00 (peak season); Wed – Sun 9.00 – 17.00, Mon, Tue closed (low season)

INFORMATION:

Tourist Information Center Niš, Vožda Karađorđa 5, 18000 Niš, C+381 18 521321, www.visitnis.com, www.ni.rs/tourism.html

Info branch "Fortress": Tvrdjava, 18000 Nis, **€** +381 18 250222

Pula Tourist Board (Info Point), Forum 3, 52100 Pula, \$\$\\$4385 52 219197, www.pulainfo.hr

Did you know?

That he Pula amphitheater (Croatia) is one of the six largest roman amphitheaters in existence today and one of the best preserved. The Pula amphitheater is unusual because access to the seating area (cavea) was accomplished through stairways in the distinctive side towers. It was enlarged for the gladiator fights in 79. AD for 23,000 spectators and had 20 entrances. Today it is used for the Pula film festival and musical events and can seat 5,000 people.

That the Venetians "mined" the building stone from the Salona amphitheater to build the Church of Santa Maria delle Salute in Venice.

Opening hours: daily 8.00 – 22.00 (summer), 9.00 – 16.00 (winter)

Travel in Constanta, B-dul Tomis 124, 12388 Constanta, **℄** +40 244 944194,

www.travelinconstanta.com/en/ Adamclisi Municipality, Strada Traian 39, 907010 Adamclisi, www.adamclisi.judetul-constanta. ro, www.primaria-adamclisi.go.ro

Tabula Traiana, Kladovo, (105 AD); A Roman memorial plaque commemorating the completion of Traian's military road, built by the famous Appolodorus of Damascus.

While in Kladovo:

National Archeological Museum Derdap, Trg Kralja Petra bb, 19320 Kladovo, C+381 19803900, www.narodnimuzej.rs

Opening hours: Tue – Sun 10.00 – 17.00, Mon closed

Tourist Organization of Kladovo, Dunavska 16a, 19320 Kladovo, **\$** +381 19 801690, http://tookladovo.rs, www.kladovo.rs Introduction

3. EVERYDAY LIFE, ART AND CULTURE

INCLUDING CIVIC LIFE/POLITICAL AND SOCIAL ASPECTS OF ROMAN CULTURE, ECONOMIC LIFE/COMMERCE UNDER THE RULE OF THE EMPERORS

Roman everyday life was not just a matter of subsistence and survival, it was also all about local self government and comfort in the form of recreational facilities. Central to public life in a Roman town were recreation the public baths (thermae) for socializing, leisure and exercise. Government functions, including the administration of uniform Roman law took place in the forum areas, with adiacent law courts (basilicas) and commercial shops (tabernae). The Forum- Capitolium complex at Zadar provide all the basic facilities for a semi-automous Roman colony. Baths are featured at Andautonia, while at Ulpia Sarmizegethusa the whole range of urban structures, from forum to baths and residential insulae have been identified . Histria, on the Black Sea, not only shows its beginning in Hellenistic Greek urbanism in the region but also had public baths and upper class residences. Urban villas were also part of other Danubian city landscapes, like in the late Roman residence at Oescus with its exceptional mosaic (now in the Regional Museum at Pleven) which illustrates a lost play of the Greek playwright Menander. In the economic life of the Empire the spoils of war from Dacian Sarmizegethusa and gold from the mines at Albumus Major helped to finance the Emperor Traian's new forum and markets in Rome. Today at Alburnus Major the local mining museum, Muzeul Mineritului, shows mining tools and technologies from antique to modern times. Along the Danube the flourishing commerce in wine and olive oil along the Danube was controlled by elements of the Roman fleet based at Sexaginta Prisca. Where the Roman army went, so too went the habit of wine consumption.

The archaeological museums along the Route hold unexpected and sometimes unique examples of Roman art like the fine bust of the emperor Caracalla's wife Plautilla from Salona (now in the Zagreb Archaeological Museum); the porphyry head of the emperor Galerius from Felix Romuliana in the Zaječar museum is one of few known for the whole Roman Empire.

DISCOVER

VISIT:



Ulpia Oescus, Gigen, (70 – 378 AD); Imposing Roman public buildings, a rare mosaic with a scene from previously unknown comedy of Menander where the Emperor Constantine built a bridge across the Danube.



Colonia Ulpia Traiana Augusta Dacica, Sarmizegetusa (160 – 270 AD); A Roman provincial capital with impressive temples, an amphitheater, and glassblowing workshops.



Alburnus Maior, Roșia Montană, (106 – 271 AD); Experienced miners from Dalmatia were brought in to dig the gold in the Emperor Traian's mines.



Histria, Istria, (657 BC – 600 AD); Founded by Greek settlers it was one of their most important colonies on the Black sea coast.

DON'T MISS:

While in Gigen: Regional Historical Museum,

ul. Stoyan Zaimov 3; 5800 Pleven, **L** +359 64 822692 (Secretary), www.plevenmuseum.dir.bg

Opening hours (museum/site): 1st of Apr. – 31st of Oct. Mon – Sat. 9.30 – 12.00, 12.30 – 18.00, Sun closed

While in Sarmizegetusa: Archeological Site Ulpia Traiana Sarmizegetusa, Main

road (DN 68), 337415 Sarmizegetusa village, Hunedoara County, C+40 254 776418, www.mcdr.ro Opening hours: daily 8.00 – 20.00

Archeological Museum, Main road (DN 68), 337415 Sarmizegetusa village, Hunedoara County, 440 254 776418, www.mcdr.ro Opening hours: Tue – Sun 9.00 – 17.00, Mon closed

While in Rosia Montană:

Muzeul Mineritului Aurifer Roșia Montană, Str. Principală, 178, 517615 Roșia Montană, C +40 258 783165, www.alba.djc.ro/ObiectiveDetalii. aspx?ID=2184

Opening hours: Mon – Fri 8.00 – 14.00; guided tours (duration: 90 min.)

While in Istria:

Histria Museum, Loc. Histria, 907155 Istria, Constanta County, C +40 241 614562, www.cimec.ro/web-histria/ index_eng.htm

Opening hours: May – Sep daily 9.00 – 20.00, Oct – Apr Wed – Sun 9.00 – 17.00, Mon, Tue closed.

Did you know?

Roman miners, colonists from the Illyrian South Dalmatia, who worked at Alburnus Maior, dug out ca. 110 tons of gold and an unknown amount of silver. Until 271 AD, these treasures were shipped from Alburnus Maior via the Mureş to the Danube and then to Rome.

The Roman emperors were also fond of Egyptian antiquities. Diocletian, like the first emperor Augustus, imported Egyptian funerary art into his palace where two sphinxes are still on display next to his Mausoleum and by the Jupiter temple.

Museum of National History and Archaeology,

Piata Ovidiu 12, Constanta, **C** +40 241 618763, www.minac.ro **Opening hours:** May – Sep daily 9.00 – 20.00, Oct – Apr Wed – Sun 9.00 – 17.00, Mon, Tue closed.

INFORMATION:

Roșia Montană Commune,

Principală 184, 517615 Roșia Montană, **C**+40 258 783101, www.primariarosiamontana.ro

Travel in Constanta, B-dul Tomis 124, 12388 Constanta, C +40 244 944194, www.travelinconstanta.com/en/

(Locations with displays of Roman art and culture-overlaps with artifacts relating to Everyday Life): lader, Archaeological Museum; Split, Archaeological Museum; Kladovo/ Iron Gate, Archaeological Museum; Sexaginta Prisca, Regional Historic Museum; the National Museum, Zaječar. The Roman tombs at Silistra

and Viminacium feature well preserved and restored fresco painting.

Introduction

4. RELIGION IN ROMAN CULTURE:

Roman religion represents a complex body of diverse beliefs in both the private and public spheres. Of primary importance to Roman maintenance of law and order in the provinces of the Empire was the export of two major cults, that of Jupiter as the primary divinity in the Roman state hierarchy and the worship of Roma and Augustus, the so called imperial cult. Altars dedicated to Jupiter by Roman and non-Romans populate the museums from Dalmatia and throughout the Danube corridor. Loyalty to the emperor among the conquered provincials was fostered through the temples of the imperial cult, notably in the well preserved examples of the Augusteum in Narona (Vid, Croatia) with 20 huge marble statues of imperial deities, or at Pula and Aenona. Jupiter and his companion deities, forming the Capitoline triad, were worshipped in the monumental temple which formed the architectural climax to the forum at Zadar. The conflict between the imperial cult and early Christianity produced many of the first Christian martyrs. That was one of the reasons why the new religion of Christianity is well represented in the Roman Emperors Route. Additionally the Illyrian and first Christian emperor Constantine gave great impetus in the Danube region and along the Adriatic to the rapid growth of congregations and the building of churches with the issuance of the circular letter known as the "Edict of Milan". Salona and Sirmium rank as some of the most influential centers of Early Christianity. Healing and religion were combined at the thermal spring at Aquae lasae. Among the oriental cults introduced into the Empire. the worship of Mithra at first was a strong competitor to Christianity, and altars and shrines to this eastern divinity were common in the military bases along the Danube.

VISIT:



Aquae lasae, Varaždinske toplice, (1st – 4th Century); Croatia's oldest healing spa, named after the Illyrian tribe of the lasi.



Narona, Vid, (200 BC – 620 AD / Augusteum: 10 BC – 400 AD); Croatia's first "in-situ" archaeological museum in the remains of a shrine of the Imperial Cult.



Colonia Iulia Iader and Aenona, Zadar and Nin,

(250 BC - 400 AD); The Roman grid plan survives throughout Zadar's old town and Nin housed a temple of the Imperial Cult.



Roman Tomb Painting, Silistra, (29 – 600 AD); A late Roman tomb with well-preserved frescoes was found in the necropolis of Durostorum.

DON'T MISS:

While in Varaždin:

Andautonia Archaeological Park, Parish courtyard, Ščitarjevo, 10410 Velika Gorica, www.andautonia.com/eng/ english.html

Opening hours: 1st of May – 1st of Nov Sat, Sun 12.00 – 18.00, Mon – Fri by appointment. Muzej Turopolja Trg kralja Tomislava 1, Ščitarjevo, 10410 Velika Gorica, \$\$4385 16221325,

www.muzej-turopolja.hr

Archeological Museum in Zagreb, 19 Nikola Subic Zrinski Square, 1000 Zagreb, \$\$4385 1 4873101, www.amz.br

Opening hours: Tue, Wed, Fri, Sat 10.00 – 18.00, Thu 10.00 – 20.00, Sun 10.00 – 13.00, Mon closed; complimentary museum tour: Sat 15.00

While in Vid:

Archeological Museum of Narona, 20352 Vid,

Did you know

That Pope John IV (640-642), probably born in Salona, in honor of the Christians from Dalmatia and Istria who were martyred in the Great Persecution of 304 AD, built the chapel of St. Venantius in the Lateran Basilica in Rome. The apse and the walls of the chapel are decorated with mosaics showing the nine martyrs from Salona.

C +385 20 687149, www.a-m-narona.hr/en/ **Opening hours:**

15th of June – 15th of Sep Tue – Sun 9.00 – 19.00, Mon closed; 1st of Oct – 31th of May – Tue – Fri 9.00 – 16.00, Sat 9.00 – 17.00, Sun 9.00 – 13.00, Mon closed

While in Zadar:

Archeological Museum,

Trg opatice Čike 1, 23000 Zadar, +385 23 250516, http:// www.zadar.travel

Opening hours:

July – Aug daily 9.00 – 22.00, June, Sep daily 9.00 – 21.00, May Mon – Sat 9.00 – 19.00, Apr Mon – Sat 9.00 – 17.00, Oct Mon – Sat 9.00 – 15.00, Nov – Mar Mon – Fri 9.00 – 14.00, Sat 9.00 – 13.00, Sun closed

Museum of ancient glass,

Poljana Zemaljskog odbora 1, 23000 Zadar, **C** +385 23 363833, www.mas-zadar.br

Did you know

That the so-called "Edict of Milan" was issued jointly by the Illyrian emperor Constantine the Great and his co-ruler Licinius. At that time, in January of 313 AD, the emperor Licinius was resident with his family in the Imperial Palace in Sirmium and had to be summoned to Milan to meet with Constantine.

> **Opening hours:** 16th of June – Sep daily 9.00 – 21.00, Oct – Apr Mon – Sat 9.00 – 16.00, Sun closed, May – 15th of June Mon – Sat 9.00 – 19.00.

Museum of Nin Antiquities,

Trg Kraljevac 8, 23232 Nin, +385 23 264726, http://amzd.hr

Opening hours:

Sun closed

July – Aug daily 9.00 – 22.00, June, Sep daily 9.00 – 21.00, May Mon – Sat 9.00 – 19.00, Apr Mon – Sat 9.00 – 17.00, Oct Mon – Sat 9.00 – 15.00, Nov – Mar Mon – Fri 9.00 – 14.00, Sat 9.00 – 13.00, Sun closed

While in Silistra:

Regional Historical Museum,

ul. G. S. Rakovski 24, 7500 Silistra, **L** +359 86 820386, museumsilistra@abv.bg, http://bulgariatravel.org/en/ object/195/Arheologicheski_muzej_Silistra **Opening hours:** May – Sep Tue – Sat 9.30 – 17.00, Sun, Mon closed; Oct – Apr Mon – Fri 9.30 – 17.00, Sat, Sun closed

INFORMATION:

Aquae lasae Tourist office,

Trg slobode 16, Stari grad, 42223 Varaždinske Toplice, **C** +385 42 633133, http://toplice-vz.hr, www.varazdinske-toplice.hr/

Dubrovnik and Neretva County

Tourist Board, c/o Dubrovnik Tourist Board, • + 385 20 324999, http://visitdubrovnik.hr/en-GB/ Attractions

Dubrovnik Tourist Board, Brsalje 5, 20000 Dubrovnik, \$\$\$ +385 20 323887, www.tzdubrovnik.hr/eng/

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Tourist Information Centre,

Mihovila Klaića 1, 23000 Zadar, **L** +385 23 316166, www.tzzadar.hr

Tourist office, Trg braće Radić 3, 23232 Nin, \$\$+385 23 265247, www.pip.br/ep/

Tourist Information Center, ul.

N. Y. Vaptsarov 55, 7500 Silistra, ✔ /■ +359 86 820487, ☞ wfo@abv.bg, www.silistra.bg/news.php, www.ss.government.bg/

Dircover the Danuse





Introduction

5. MILITARY ACHIEVEMENTS

SITES ASSOCIATED WITH THE ROMAN MILITARY "Presence-defense of the frontier on the danube" or significant events in roman military history

Because the strategic importance of the Danube Corridor in connecting the western and eastern parts of the Roman Empire coupled with the added need to protect the territorial integrity of the Empire in the corridor against destructive invasions required the construction of facilities to house the soldiers and the emperors who commanded them, a network of roads, and forts. The culmination of the first and defining phase of Roman occupation of the Sava-Danube corridor took place under the generalship of Tiberius (who would eventually be the second emperor) during the reign of Augustus. Later when Tiberius was emperor the first military bases like Diana near Kladovo were established along the Danube and also segments of the Danube military road in the Iron Gate were constructed. In the second half of the first century AD the emperor Domitian campaigned along the Danube and probably made his base at Sirmium. This is when the great legionary bases on the river probably were started, like at Novae and Viminacium. The Danube fleet was also strengthened un Domitian, which probably can be connected with Sexaginta Prisca as a naval base. Final consolidation of the northern frontier of the Empire along the Danube was directed by the first non-Italian emperor Traian in the early second century. Traian himself was on the Danube on several occasions, including the management of campaigns in two successful Dacian wars against Decebalus. His base was probably at the legionary base at Viminacium, but he certainly was responsible for road construction and repair (commemorated on the Tabula Traiana) in the Iron Gate gorge and the construction of both a ship canal and the great bridge across the Danube near Kladovo in 105. The final result of Traian's aggressive military policy was the annexation of Decebalus' kingdom as the new Dacian provinces north of the Danube.

VISIT:



Viminacium, Kostolac and Pozarevac, (20 – 400 AD); One of the earliest legionary camps on the Danube – military base and civilian settlement, amphitheater and city baths (thermae).



Diana, Iron Gate – Kladovo, (100 – 600 AD); Military fortress to guard the Limes and the entrance to first Danube canal.



Twin Cities of Apulum, Alba Iulia, (106 – 275 AD), The largest urban center in Roman Dacia, with two cities and a legionary base.



Sexaginta Prista, Ruse, (70 – 600 AD); A Danube fleet base of" 60 ships" and major Roman army base controlling traffic between the Black Sea and the Iron Gate.



Roman Legion Camp Novae, Svishtov, (45 – 613 AD); A legionary base, one of the cornerstones of the Danube frontier defenses, spreading over almost 30 hectares.



Kaleto Fortress, Belogradchik, (1st – 19th Century); The Roman and medieval fortress built in the imposing Belogradchik Cliffs is a candidate for UNESCO World Heritage status.

DON'T MISS:

While in Požarevac:

National Museum Požarevac, Dr. Voje Dulića 10-12, 12000 Požarevac, **\$** +381 12 223597, www.pozarevac.rs/narodni-muzej-pozarevac Opening hours: Mon – Sat 8.00 – 17.00. Sun 8.00 – 14.00

Archeological Park Viminacium,

12208 Stari Kostolac BB, **C** +381 62 669013 (tourist service), www.viminacium.org.rs **Opening hours:** daily May – Sep 9.00 – 19.00, Oct – Apr 9.00 – 17.00

Did you know?

That the Danube at times froze over in antiquity and allowed invading barbarian tribes to cross with ease into Roman territory.

While in Kladovo:

National Archeological Museum Derdap, Trg Kralja Petra bb, 19320 Kladovo, C +381 19 803900, www.narodnimuzej.rs Opening hours: Tue – Sun

10.00 – 17.00, Mon closed

Derdap National Park,

Visitor Center, Kralja Petra I 14a, 19220 Donji Milanovac, \$ +381 30 590788, www.npdjerdap.org/en/ Opening hours: Mon – Sat 7.00

– 15.00, Sun closed

While in Alba Iulia:

National Museum of Unification, Strada Mihai Viteazul 12 – 14, 510010 Alba Iulia, C +40 258 813300, http://mnuai.ro/muzeu/, https://apulumarchaeology.wordpress.com/ Opening hours: Tue – Sun Jun – Sep 10.00 – 19.00, Oct – May 10.00 – 17.00, Mon closed

While in Ruse:

Roman Fortress Sexaginta Prista, ul. Tsár Kalolan 2, 7000 Ruse, \$\$\colored{c}\$\$+359 82 825004,

wwwmuseumruse.com

Opening hours: Tue – Sat 9.00 – 12.00, 12.30 – 17.30; Sun, Mon closed

Did you know?

That the soldiers in the Roman army were paid with silver denarii, the silver for much of which was mined in the Danube provinces.

Regional Museum of History,

Ul. Alexander Battenberg 3, 7000 Ruse, **C** +359 82 825006, www.museumruse.com

www.iiiuseuiiiiuse.coii

Opening hours: daily 9.00 - 18.00

While in Svishtov:

Archeological exposition Novae,

ul. Dimitar Shishmanov, 5250 Svishtov, C +359 631 60467, movae@abv.bg, www.visitsvishtov.com/new/ landmarks.php?id=3&info=28 Opening hours:

Apr – Oct daily 11.00 – 21.00, Nov – Mar closed; guided tours (Bulgarian, English, German)

While in Belogradchik:

Opening hours fortress/ visitor center: daily Jun – Sep 8.00 – 21.00, 0ct – May 9.00 – 17.00

INFORMATION:

Tourism organization of Požarevac (Viminacium):

Veljka Dugoševića 25, 12000 Požarevac, **L** +381 12 542277, www.topozarevac.rs

Tourist Information Center

(Turistički informativni centar) in Moše Pijade Str.

Tourist Organization of Kladovo.

Dunavska 16a, 19320 Kladovo, C +381 19 801690, http://tookladovo.rs, www.kladovo.rs

Branch: Tourist Info Centre, Kralja Aleksandra 15, 19320 Kladovo, € +381 19 801773

Tourism Center, Strada Mihal Viteazul 15, Poarta IV a, 510018 Alba Iulia, C +40 745 081021, www.stiri.turismalba.ro, www.apulum.ro/en/prezentare. html, www.romaniatourism. com/alba-iulia.html

Tourist information center, ul. Aleksandrovska 61, 7000 Ruse, L=+359 82 824704, http://tic.rousse.bg, www. ruse-bg.eu/en/

Council of Tourism, ul. Dimitar Hadjivasilev 2, 5250 Svishtov, \$\$\starsymbol{shift} +359 631 60371, \$\$\Box\$\$\$\starsymbol{shift} +359 631 60768, www.visitsvishtov.com, www.svishtov.bg

Tourist Information Center,

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Introduction WINES FROM THE DANUBE REGION

Even though the viniculture in some parts of the region dates back to the 4th century BC, as artefacts in the Thracian and Dacian graves prove, the wine element of the Route blends in conceptually with the introduction of Roman culture and social mores into the Danube region. For the indigenous people, who lived and worked alongside of the Roman soldiers, one can infer that a way "to act Roman" and in a certain sense "to be Roman" was to acquire a taste for this new beverage from the Mediterranean world.

Specifically relevant is the documented presence of Roman transport amphora on virtually every site on the Route. These ceramic containers for liquids were designed to be stacked in the holds of sea-going vessels and river transports. Three commodities typical of Roman taste were carried in the amphoras: wine, olive oil and the ubiquitous fish sauce called garum. The amphoras were often labeled as to their contents and point of origin, and extensive archaeological research in recent years have allowed the identification of trade patterns which reached into the Danube corridor from both the west and east. For the soldiers in the forts, also for Romans in civilian settlements and later Romanized natives in the Danube region these items, especially the wine, were daily necessities and also highly prized status commodities

Similar climatic and other environmental conditions which encouraged the ancient Greek and Romans to extend viticulture to the Danube region have resulted in a renaissance of wine production in modern times.

CROATIA



BARANJA WINE REGION 2



Situated between the Danube and the Sava, with numerous channels and lazy waterways cutting across it, the Baranja lowland enjoys a moderate continental climate and boasts ideal vine growing terrains. Fields of wheat and rolling hills covered in vineyards, with charming cottages in between – that's Baranja. Many of these cottages have wine cellars, some with 200-year-old barrels.

Location:

Northern Croatia, near Osijek; GPS N 45°33`35" E 18° 1`13.46"

Information:

Tourism Organistion of Osijek Županijska 2, 31000 Osijek www.tzosijek.hr

Wine cellars/vineyards:

Wine cellar (Podrum) Mihalj Gerštmajer,

31 Petöfi Sandora, 31307 Zmajevac, Baranja, **4** +385 31725376, http://knezevi-vinogradi.hr/uk/vinske-ceste-podrumi/wine-cellar-gerstmajer.html

Wine cellar/restaurant Josić, 194 Planina,

31307 Zmajevac, Baranja, **C** +385 31 734410, www. josic.hr

Čokot-čarda Winery, Vl. Vinko Medić, Planine 168, 31307 Zmajevac, Baranja, < +385 31 570215, www.cokot-carda.hr

ILOK WINE REGION 🕘



Ilok's Srijem vineyards are traditionally linked with the Serbian Fruška Gora and are a paradise for white wine aficionados. Wine growing in Ilok dates back to Roman Emperor Probus (3rd century AD). In 1699, Emperor Leopold I gave Ilok and the lands in Srijem to Livio Odescalchi, an Italian nobleman. His family lived here until 1945, inventing new wine-making technologies through the decades.

Location:

Easternmost Croatian town bordering Serbia; GPS N 45° 13' 19.5924", E 19°22'44.796"

Information/Wine history:

Wine & Tourist Center Ilok-Sirmium, Tra Nikole Iločkog 2. 32236 Ilok.

C +385 32 590020, www.turizamilok.hr

Sun group visits, only; Mo closed

Wine cellars/vineyards/wine tasting:

Stari podrum (Old Cellar),

Šetalište o. M. Barbarića 4, 32236 llok, **&** +385 32 590 088, www.ilocki-podrum.hr

SERBIA

FRUŠKA GORA REGION 욓



The Fruška Gora region is most famous for its National Park, 16 Serbian Orthodox monasteries and, of course, a very old winemaking tradition. Roman Emperor Probus was responsible for the start of viniculture in this area in the 3rd century AD. The Fruška Gora vineyards decorate the lower slopes of the mountain and are blessed with a good microclimate. Sixty privately owned wine cellars offer samples for tasting.

Location:

Northwest of Belgrade, between the Sava and the Danube; GPS N 45°12`9" E 19°56`4"

Information:

Fruška Gora National Park, Zmajev trg 1, 21208 Sremska Kamenica, **\$** +381 21 463666, www.npfruskagora.co.rs

Wine cellars/vineyards/wine tastings:

Kiš wine cellar, Karlovačkog mira 46, 21205 Sremski Karlovci, **C** +381 21 882880, www.vinarijakis.com

Kovačevič Winery, Doke Sundukovica 85, 22406 Irig, **C** +381 22 461192

Tomcat `s Wine Cellar, Zanatski centar bb, 22406 Irig, **C** +381 22 462492, www.mackovpodrum.co.rs Živanović wine cellar/Museum of Beekeeping, ul. Mitropolita Stratimirovica 86 b, 21205 Sremski Karlovci, 📞 +381 21 881071, www.muzejzivanovic.com/en/

SOUTH BANAT REGION 🔮



The Vršac vineyards are on the slopes and at the foot of the Vršac Mountains. The soil structure – clay, sandy soil and quartz – is perfect for grape ripening. The grapes that are harvested late often come with 35 % sugar content. The moderate continental climate is another positive factor. The Vršac vineyards were first mentioned in 1494, when a barrel of Vršac wine was bought for 10.5 golden forints by order of the Hungarian King Ladislaus.

Location:

Vršac: 80 km northeast of Belgrade; 14 km from Romanian border; GPS N 45°6`12" E 21°16`28"

Information:

Municipality of Vršac, Trg pobede 1, 26300 Vršac, +381 13 800501, www.vrsac.com/active/en/home.html

Wine cellars/vineyards:

Selecta Wine Cellar Stojšič, Otona Župančiča 26, village of Gudurica, 26300 Vršac,

THE MORAVA REGION 🥥



Smederevo is in the heart of the Morava wine region. Blessed with the good soil and microclimate, the area has got all the ingredients for good winemaking – the level of sugar in wine reaches 26 %. Viniculture was introduced by Emperor Probus in the 3rd century AD, and the tradition is celebrated during the annual wine festival Smederevska jesen (Smederovo Autumn). Serbian medieval rulers also grew grapes here.

Location:

Smederovo: 46 km southeast of Belgrade; GPS N 44°40`11" E 20°55`42"

Wine cellars/vineyards/Wine tastings:

Janko Wine Cellar (Podrum), ul. Šalinačka bb, 11300 Smederevo, € +381 26 613340, www.vinopedia.rs/?p=925&lang=en, www.vinjanko.com

Radovanović Small Wine Cellar (Mali Podrum), ul. Dositeja Obradovića 10, 11319 Krnjevo, \$\$\\$81 26 821085, www.podrumradovanovic.rs

Živković Winery (Podrum), village of Kličevac, 12000 Požarevac, 🕻 +381 12 226426

NEGOTIN WINE REGION 🦻



Negotinska Krajina, a valley surrounded with two mountains and two rivers, enjoys a specific microclimate with hot, sunny summers and cold. Pimnice, a conglomerate of 150 wine cellars (15 still in use), and candidate for the UNESCO World Heritage List, built around 1861, stores the grapes harvested in the nearby vineyards. Discover this unique time capsule, which once sold the best wines to France for gold coins.

Location:

290 km from Belgrade; 150 km from Niš, 13 km from Bulgarian border, 9 km from Romanian border; GPS N 44°4`16" E 22°30`5"

Information/Wine tasting:

Tourist Organization of Negotin,

Vojvode Mišića 25, 19300 Negotin, **C** +381 19 547555, www.toon.org.rs, www.wineserbia.rs/eng/winary/negotinski

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Podrum Dajic, Mihailovac, \$\$\sec{1}\$ +381 19 599163, www.podrumdajic.rs

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BULGARIA



NORTHWEST REGION (VIDIN AREA) (1990)



As part of the Danubian Plain wine region (also known as the Danube River Plains), Vidin area enjoys hot summers with extensive sunny days, excellent microclimate and specific soil (red, sandy limestone). This is where the first wine school opened in 1887. Today, seven winemakers in Vidin area continue the long winemaking tradition. Also visit Vragansky Balkan Nature Park for a hike or biking trip.

Location:

GPS N 32°59`37.3158 E 22°52`35.0148"

Information:

Vragansky Balkan Nature Park Visitor Center "Natura" (in Old Mosque), ul. Pop Sava Katrafikov 17 – 19, 3000 Vratska, C +359 926 60318, www.vr-balkan.net/enwww.vr-balkan.net/en

Opening hours: Apr – 31Sep daily 9.00 – 17.00, 1 Oct – 31 Mar Mon – Fri 9.00 17.00, Sat/Sun closed

Belogradchik Tourist Information Centre,

ul. Poruchik Dvoryanov 1a, 3900 Belogradchik, \$\$\cup\$+359 877 881283

Wine cellars/vineyards, wine tasting:

Magura Cave Bat Gallery, c/o Magura Winery & Cave, 5 Alexandar Pushkin Blvd. (office), 1618 Sofia, \$ +359 2 8570015, www.magurawinery.bgwww.magurawinery.bg

Borovitza Winery, 3955 Borovitza, **C** +359 878 510619, www.winwines.netwww.winwines.net

NORTH-CENTRAL REGION (PLEVEN, VELIKO TARNOVO)



The North-Central region of Bulgaria, part of the Danubian Plain wine region, stretches from Pleven and Veliko Tarnovo, the "City of the Tsars" to Ruse. Many mineral springs add to the authenticity of the local terroir. The city of Pleven is the heart and soul of Bulgarian wine makers. In 1902, the National Institute of Viticulture and Oenology, the fifth of that kind in the world, was established here.

Location:

5 km from Pleven; GPS N 43°24`29.61" E 24°37`13.0224"
Information:

Wine Museum, Kailaka National Park, ul. Totlebenov Val 1, 5800 Pleven, \$\$195 887 731537, www.winemuseum-bg.com

Opening hours: Wed – Sun 11.00 – 18.00, Mon, Tue closed

THE NORTHEAST/BLACK SEA 😲



This region, also known as the Black Sea Coastal, produces nearly one third of all Bulgarian wines. There are three sub-regions: the Black Sea Coastal region, Drobuja, and Ludogorie (known for its wild forests) in the northeast. A mild climate and long, warm autumns favour the cultivation of a great variety of (mainly) white grapes, as they accumulate the perfect amount of sugar.

Location: GPS N 43°50`58 4304" F 25°57`18 7482"

Wine cellars, vineyards, wine tasting:

Khan Krum Wine Cellar, Khan Krum village, 9863 Shumen, **C** +359 53 33374, www.khankrum.bg/wines.php

LVK-Vinprom AD, 8, 29 January Str., 7700 Targovishte, **C** +359 601 69602, www.lvk-vinprom.com

Rousse Wine House, Leventa Complex, ul. General Kutuzov, 7000 Ruse, C +359 82 862880, www.leventa-bg.net



ROMANIA

MUNTENIA AND OLTENIA HILLS 🍭



Located south of the central Carpathians, vineyards cover approximately 104,000 hectares. The vineyards are in the famous sunny wine belt (440–450N), on the final slopes of the mountain towards the plains. An ideal mix of Continental and Mediterranean climates, the local micro-climate and soil create perfect environment for excellent, full-bodied red wines.

Location:

Mehedinti County; Vinju Mare: 25 km northwest of Drobeda; GPS N 44°21`0" E 27°4`59.998"

Wine cellars/vineyards/wine tasting:

Domenille/Crama Vinju Mare, Strada Unirii 2, Vinju Mare, **\$** + 40 252 350547, www.vvm.ro

Crama Oprisor, 227335 Oprisor municipality, \$ +40 252 390907, www.crama-oprisor.ro

Vinarte Crama Starmina, Rogova;

contact: Str. Nicolae Filipescu 43, sector 2, Bucharest, **C** +40 21 3233803, www.vinarte.ro

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THE DANUBE TERRACES 🍳



Some areas really benefit from the perfect microclimate. Viniculture dates back to the 4th century BC, as artefacts in the Thracian and Dacian graves prove. Wine trading on and along the Danube started with the first Greek settlements circa 630 BC. While Dacian King Burebista (1st century BC) destroyed all vineyards to protect his people from constant invasions by the migrating peoples, Romans were committed to the cultivation of vineyards.

Location:

Central Southern Romania; GPS N 44°6`20 49" F 27°22`40 09"

Wine cellars/vineyards/wine tasting:

Intervitt Crama Voievodului, Sos. Alexandriei km 34.200, 145400 Zimnicea, Teleorman county, 440 732 127648, www.intervitt.com; contact

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DOBROGEA/DOBRUDJA/ Dobruja Hills 🥏



According to wine experts, Dobrugea has the best conditions for wine growing in Romania. Its continental climate with warm, droughty summers, moderate winters, early springs and late autumns allow for long vegetation periods. Good soil structure and fertility, plenty of sun and low precipitation do make a difference. Outstanding rich-flavoured noble red and excellent white wines with natural sweetness are typical of this region.

Location:

West and South of the Danube Delta, around Constanta; Murfatlar/Basarabi: 19 km west of Constanta; GPS N44°11`00" E 28°25`00"

Information, day trip bookings:

Travel in Constanta, B-dul Tomis 124, 12388 Constanta, C +40 244 944194, www.travelinconstanta.com/en/

Wine cellars/vineyards/wine tasting:

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Domenille Clos de Colombes, Strada Olimp, Comuna 23 August, 905550 Neptun, Constanta county, **C** +40 374 033033, www.closdescolombes.eu

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Introduction



IMPRESSIVE NATURAL SETTINGS:

In the Fountain of the Four Rivers by Gian Lorenzo Bernini on the Piazza Navona in Rome, a bearded male figure symbolizes the Danube, itself the allegorical symbol for Europe — one of the four continents known to humanity at the time. At almost 2,890 km, the Danube is the second longest river and the longest waterway running East-West on our continent.

In contrast to the upper reaches, the Middle and Lower Danube are mostly unlevelled and unregulated. Thus, all along the river are wide reedbeds and meadows, lakes and marshes and innumerable small, branching tributaries – a refuge for many rare animal and plant species and a paradise for nature lovers.

ILOK



Itok (population: 6,800), once Cuccium, a Roman cavalry fort on the Danube, is connected with the Serbian town of **Bačka Palanka** via the 825-metre long bridge across the Danube. There you will find the legendary Ladanjsko Imanje Principovac, a countryside residence of the Italian family Odescalchi built in 1864. You will find a bar, a restaurant, a hotel, and even a golf school and practice course here and admire the unique panoramic view of Srijem.

IRON GATE



Both the widest and the narrowest and also the deepest sections of the Danube lie in Serbia. At Golubac the river reaches its maximum, lake-like

width of around 7 km, while at the Iron Gate it is forcibly compressed, believe it or not, down to a mere 150 m with a depth of over 80 m. There you can see the tallest stone sculpture in Europe (40 m. high) of the Dacian King Decebalus (inscribed Decabalus Rex-King Decebalus) on the Romanian bank of the Danube

BELOGRADCHIK Fortress



The Belogradchik fortress is the main attraction of this little town (population: ca. 5,300), situated 545 metres above sea level and 50 km south of the Danube. When you get here, enjoy the panoramic views and the breathtaking Belogradchik Rocks, a candidate for the UNESCO World Heritage List.

RUSENSKI LOM Nature Park



Ruse (population: 150,000) is connected with Giurgiu (Romania) via a bridge over

the Danube, built in 1954. Rusenski Lom Nature Park is located 20 km south of Ruse and is named after Rusenski Lom River. There you will find beautiful river terraces and high vertical rocks, the caves and the great biological diversity. Worth seeing is the nearby rock churches of Ivanovo, a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

DANUBE DELTA



In three main arms and countless tributaries the Danube creates a natural habitat unmatched anywhere else in Europe – back in 1991 UNESCO designated the Danube Delta Biosphere Reserve a World Natural Heritage Site. Over 4.000 species of animals and over 1.000 species of plants, many hard to find anywhere else in Europe, have made their home in this, the largest, continuous reedbed on Earth. Orchids. irises water lilies and tamarisk arowing on the water filtered through the hollow-stemmed reeds or on the labyrinthine banks present an endless range of subjects for photographers visiting the Danube delta.



Where to eat

PAMPER YOUR BODY! PAMPER YOUR SOUL!

ENJOY THE DELICIOUS CUISINES ALONG THE ROUTE...

Thanks to its long lasting history, Balkan food offers an outstanding variety of culinary delights with different cultural backgrounds. From the Thracians to the Ottoman and Habsburg Empire, from the Greeks and Romans up to international and stylish 21st century cooking, all have influenced and enriched this treasure of sophisticated recipes and dishes. It is also good to know that Croatia, Serbia, Bulgaria and Romania have a common approach to gastronomy: It is a sign of excellent and perfect hospitality.

When in Croatia, never miss to taste the spicy fish soup, offered in Vukovar or llok and prepared in kettles - on open fire. The Croatian Danube cooking tradition relies on black pepper, paprika and garlic as well as lard, and has - aside its Slavic tradition - lots of Habsburg, Italian and French influences too. Discover white truffles. the commeal dish Žganci (Croatian polenta), wild duck, noble roasted pheasant, or wonderful sweet desserts like famous Palačinke (crepes). Influenced by Turkish, Greek and Austro-Hungarian styles, the Serbian cuisine offers much more to discover than just the national dishes and drinks like Plieskavica (beef/pork patty), Cevapčići (grilled minced meat) or the plum brandy Sliivovica. And, if you are not into grilled meat, try smoked ham (sunka) or sausages and salami from Srem! There are also the famous creamy Kajmak cheese, berries, honey and fruit dishes, a wide range of wonderful fresh and boiled vegetables, soups and salads. Go for wonderful Meze appetizers, spicy potato soup (Ljuta krompir čorba), soda bread, pies and dumplings, Musaka or ratatouille style Diuveč.

Never miss to visit a 'kafana' (кафана) or 'kavana', respectively, here or in Croatia . This type of small bistro/restaurant derives

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from the Turkish kahvehane and Persian qahveh-khaneh (both for `coffeehouse') and offers much more than just coffee and small snacks. It`s a real introduction to the Serbian/Croatian way of life.

Bulgarian cuisine (Balgarska kuhnja) is famous for its lamb dishes and stews, also offered vegetarian or with chicken or pork. But the most favored are Bulgarian sour milk and Bulgarian Yogurt. Ask for traditional cold Tarator soup (yogurt, water, minced cucumber, dill, garlic, sunflower oil and chips), Bulgarian Kebab, or the Christmas dish Sarmi. Enjoy Meze appetizers and wonderful Shopska salad. Order grill dishes (skara) like Shishcheta (chicken, pork, vegetables) or Tatarian meat balls, Fish Zelnik (with sauerkraut and rice) or even Stuffed Carp! And enjoy the sweets like Baklava, halva with pistachios or traditional Pogacha. While Rakia liquor helps you order more, Ayran and Matenitsa (butter milk and Pitie (herb and fruit drinks) are also quite popular.

If you have not tasted Mămăligă (Polenta), you have not visited Romania! Served as a side dish, baked, with sour cream, vegetables or pork, or cheese - it is a must!

Aside the Dacian (vegetables, wine and cheese – look for Brânză) and Roman background (pastries, porridges, polenta, pasta, cheese), there are also Ottoman, Hungarian, Bulgarian, Serbian and even German elements in this outstanding cuisine. The Greeks introduced Musaca, the Turks meatballs and Austrians the şchniţzel (Viennese Schnitzel). Romanian pancakes (clătite) can also be prepared in sweet versions. All dishes may be accompanied not only by wine, but also by the Romanian plum brandy (tuică). But the most impressive are the rich fish dishes that the Danube and Danube Delta offer: Roe salad (Salata de icre), traditional Carp in brine (Saramură), or fish cakes (Chiftele de peşte) are mouthwatering!

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How to travel DISCOVER THE ROUTE BY BIKE



There are many ways to discover the Roman Emperors and Danube Wine Route, but if you are looking for attractions off the beaten track, hidden secrets and hideaways, they can be best reached with a bicycle. Stop along the Route wherever and whenever you want, discover charming small getaways or introduce people and communicate with them even at the fences of their houses. Be open and learn more about the friendly people along the Danube, their behaviors and customs, and keep in mind more than the perfect panoramic views of the river!

There are bicycle tours perfectly designed for families with kids, as well as the opportunity to rent an e-bike — just park your car and decide for a bicycle ride, weather individually organized or on a guided tour!

In Croatia, Danube Bicycle Trail is sign-posted as Ruta Dunav. In Serbia the trail runs along left bank of Danube, until Ram at Serbian-Romanian border is reached. At Ram cross the Danube to its right bank (ferry boat). Follow the Danube, which is also Serbian-Romanian border here. At Iron Gates Power Station I (Serbian: Đerdap I), cross Danube on the dam to Romanian city of Drobeta Turnu Severin. The trail to Bulgaria continues to the city of Negotin. In Bulgaria and Romania, Danube Bicycle Trail runs along both banks of Danube. The Bulgarian part (Bulgarian: Дунавският веломаршрут) follows for almost 500 km the Danube river bed, which here is also border to Romania. Danube runs for almost 1,000 km through Romania.



EUROVELO 6 ROUTE Along the Roman Emperors and Danube wine Route



Route (Croatia):

Kopački rit Nature Park – Osijek – Vukovar – Ilok

Route (Serbia):

Ilok (Croatia) – Bačka Palanka – Fruška Gora mountains – Novi Sad – Petrovaradin fortress – Batajnica – Belgrade-Zemun – Belgrade-Kalemegdan fortress – Belgrade-Old town Belgrade – Ram – Golubac fortress – Iron Gates of Danube (Decebalus monument, Tabula Traiana) – Lepenski Vir – border crossing via dam of Iron Gates Power Station I (Đerdap I) – Drobeta Turnu Severin (Romania) – alternative: continue to Negotin and Serbian-Bulgarian border

Route (Bulgaria):

Negotin (Serbia) – Bregovo – Vidin (Danube Bridge 2) – Rabisha (Magura Cave) – Belogradchik – Lom – Oryahovo – Baikal – Gigen – Nikopol – Svishtov – Batin – village Exarch Joseph (Ivanovo rock churches) – Mechka – Ruse (Danube Bridge to Giurgiu) – Tutakran – Kolarovo - Silistra – **Danube crossing to Romania**

Route (Romania):

Stara Palanka – Dubova/Decebal monument) – Orşova – dam of Đerdap Power station (coming from Serbia) – Drobeta Turnu Severin – Cetate – Calafat (Danube Bridge 2) – Zaval – Bechet – Corabia (Sucidava fortress) – Turnu Magurele – Zimnicea – Giurgiu (Danube Bridge to Ruse, Bulgaria) – Oltenita – Calarasi – Cernavoda – (Constanta) – Tulcea – Sulina (kilometer "zero")

DON'T MISS:

Blue Week Festival (www.blueweek.org)

Blue Week Festival traditionally celebrates the International Danube Day (29 June) covering themes of culture, nature and active tourism, and promoting cross-border cooperation and sustainable tourism.

During the Festival, in Drobeta Turnu Severin(Romania) and Kladovo (Serbia), international travelers and bikers along Danube Bike Path – interested



in knowing better the Iron gate region – can join domestic cyclists who ride their bikes for around twenty kilometers across the state border, along a hilly terrain, or enjoy choreographies performed by the youngest inhabitants of two towns, BMX cycling performances, or an attractive raffle. How to travel

MAIN AIRPORTS, BUS AND TRAIN STATIONS ALONG THE ROUTE





CROATIA

Roman Locations

Aquae lasae (Varaždinske Toplice) GPS: GPS N 46°12`29" E 16°25`17" (Varaždinske toplice), N 45°46`18" E 16°7`5" (Šćitarjevo)

How to get there:



Zagreb International Airport - Pleso



Zagreb – Varaždinske Toplice Varaždin – Varaždinske Toplice



Highway A4 from Zagreb or Varaždin

Ancient city Salona and Roman roads GPS N 43°30`24.912" E 16°26`32.82"

How to get there:



Central Dalmatia is connected to European cities with regular and seasonal lines and low budget and charter flights. Passengers have two airports at their disposal.

SPLIT AIRPORT

Address: Cesta dr. Franje Tuđmana 96 21210 Kaštela C +385 (0)21 203 506 S informacije@split-airport.hr

BRAČ AIRPORT

Adress: Terminal bb 21 400 Supetar C +385(0)21 559 711 info@airport-brac.hr



SPLIT BUS STATION is located in the centre of Split and near to the city port and railway station. This position offers quick and simple passenger transport. Obala kneza Domagoja 12 C (central): +385 (0)21 329-180 C (national traffic): (0)60 327-777 (For Croatian networks only) C (international traffic): +385 (0)21 329-199

📾 Car

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By motorway A1 from Zagreb (411 km), Rijeka (366 km) and Dubrovnik (227 km, from Dubrovnik by national coastal road until Vrgorac, where is the entrance to A1 highway). Detailed information about roads and the situation on the roads can be found on the web sites www.hak.hr and www.hac.hr

😫 Train

Croatia is directly connected to Slovenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Hungary, Italy, Austria, Switzerland, Germany, Serbia and Montenegro, and is indirectly connected with almost every other European country. Regular lines from numerous European cities lead to Split across Zagreb. Detailed information about travel lines:

CROATIAN RAILWAYS

Adress: Domagojeva obala 9 21000 Split **C** +385 (0)21 338 525



JADROLINIJA

City of Pula (Brijuni Island)

Istria peninsula, Croatia; GPS N 44°52`26.81" E 13°50`59.72" (Pula); (Brijuni Islands) N 44°54`35.15" E 13°46`27.46'

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How to get there:



Pula airport



Pula bus station



Coming with car from Zagreb to Pula on highways A1 (Zagreb-Split-Dubrovnik) - A6 (Bosiljevo-Rijeka) - A8 (Matulji -Pazin - Kanfanar) - A9 (Kanfanar-Pula). Coming from Trieste (Italy) to Pula on highway A9 (Umag-Kanfanar-Pula).



Pula railway station



Pula port

Vid

(4) 3 kilometres from Metković

(near Dubrovnik). Croatia: GPS N 43°4`52.24" E 17°37`41.24"

How to get there:

The Archeological Museum Narona is situated in Vid. in the direct vicinity (4 km) of the town of Metkovic in Southern Croatia. Vid is positioned half way between Split and Dubrovnik (on the south of Croatia) and on the crossroads to Mediugorie. Mostar i Saraievo (Bosnia and Herzegovina).

Numerous tourist boards in Metkovic. Opuzen and Ploce facilitate the availability of tourist information.

Plane

Nearest airport is CILIPI in Dubrovnik (107 km). **C** +385 (0)20 773 100 Second nearest is KASTELA in Split (157 km) **\$** +385 (0)21 203 555

Bus

There is a central hus station located in Metkovic (3 km) \$\cup\$+385(0)60365365

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The accessibility to Vid is guaranteed with the high quality state freeway as well as the regional and local infrastructure.

🛱 Train

There is a central train station in Metkovic (3 km) with local and international trains +385 (0)60 333 444

2 The Roman Forum in 7adar

Southern Croatia, North Dalmatia: GPS N 44°6`53.7618" E 15°13`44.2266" (Zadar), N 44°14`36.654" E 15°11`2.8602" (Nin)



Zadar airport



The Zadar bus terminal is located at the intersection of Ulica Ante Starčevića and Ulica kralja Tvrtka (lat/long 44.106185.15.241016), right next to the train station.

😫 Train

The train station is located at the intersection of Ulica Ante Starčevića and Ulica Ante Starčevića (lat/long 44.106647.15.241961). right next to the inter-city bus station.

By Boat

Jadrolinija Large ferries run every few days up and down the coast between Dubrovnik and Rijeka, stopping off at ports (including Zadar) and islands on the way. They also run almost daily ferries in summer to and from Ancona in Italy.

Local boats. Zadar is also a hub for local boats and hydrofoils in Northern Dalmatia, Services run to and from Olib, Mali Losini, Uglian, Dugi Otok. Premuda and others. Timetables and prices are available online from Adrialines

🙈 Car

Avax Zadar – Low cost car hire at 7adar Airport / Downtown +385 99 342 3001 Taxi Zadar – Taxi Service Zadar +385 91 472 8801

Wine Regions

Baranja

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More information

Tourist Board of Baranja, Imre Nagva 2, 31300 Beli Manastir. **C** 00385/31/702080: www.tzbaranie.hr e-mail: info@tzbaranie.hr

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More information

Tourist board of Ilok. Tro Nikole Iločkog 2, 32236 Ilok, **\$** +385 32 590020 www.turizamilok.hr

SERBIA

Roman Locations

Diana

(Djerdap Region)

Diana is on the banks of the Danube near Karatas, in the vicinity of Kladovo; Pontes is near Kladovo, 3 kilometres east of Kostol (village), Traian's Bridge is at Kostol; GPS N 44°38`27" E 22°33`25"

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How to get there:



Belgrade Airport Nikola Tesla



Kladovo Central Station C +381 19 808 457



About 100 m from Belgrade-Tekija-Kladovo road, 8 km before Kladovo and about 250 km from Belgrade via M25 regional road



Railway Central Station Kladovo



Kladovo port



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Felix Romuliana, Gamzigrad, Timok valley, 11 kilometres from Zaječar; GPS N 43°53`57.4512" E 22°11`39.1344"





Belgrade Airport Nikola Tesla Niš Airport



Zajecar Central Bus Station C +381 19 421 454



In terms of traffic, the position of the site is very good. Two important international roads pass through Zajecar, only 11 km away from Felix Romuliana: part of Corridor X: Paracín - Zaječar - Vidin (Bulgaria); Niš - Zaječar -Negotin - Kladovo - Romania.



Railway Central Station Zaječar 🕻 +381 19 440 830

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Mediana (Niš)

Southern Serbia; Mediana is 6 kilometres east of Niš, in a suburban village Brzi Brod; GPS N 43°18`37" E 21°56`56"

How to get there:



Belgrade Airport Nikola Tesla Niš Airport Constantine the Great



Niš Central Station **C** +381 18 25 51 77



Mediana is situated 5 km from Niš, leading to Niška banja spa, on the road to Sophia and Istanbul – ancient Via Militaris.

Niš is located on the international E-75 motorway and E-80 road. Distance from Belgrade is approximately 200km.



Railway Central Station Niš +381 18 36 16 722

Sirmium (Sremska Mitrovica)

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Srem/Syrmia District, Autonomous Province of Vojvodina, Serbia; ca. 69 km west of Belgrade and 145 km from Kostolac (Roman site Viminacium); GPS N 44°58°12" E 19°36`37"

How to get there:



Belgrade Airport Nikola Tesla



Bus Central Station Sremska Mitrovica \$\constant\$+381 22 621 143



Sremska Mitrovica is located 76km from Belgrade via international E-70 motorway, and 49km from Novi Sad via regional road



Railway Central Station Sremska Mitrovica \$+381 22 621 444

Viminacium 8 (Kostolac / Požarevac)

82 kilometres from Belgrade, near Požarevac and Kostolac; 35 kilometres from the E 75 junction (exit Požarevac); look for Kostolac B Power Plant, 1 kilometre further on (signposted); Viminacium has its own dock on the Danube (5 kilometres from the site; please call tourist office to organise transport); GPS N 44°46 '9" E 21°15 '30"

How to get there:



Belgrade Airport Nikola Tesla



Požarevac Central Station \$\cong +381 12 210 123



Viminacium is located 95km from Belgrade via the international E-75 motorway, 35km after the Požarevac



Railway Central Station Požarevac \$\$\screws1222 052\$\$



Viminacium has its own dock at Danube river bank, 5 km from the site

🚳 Bicycle

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Wine Regions

Negotin Wine

Vegotin is 290 kilometres east of Belgrade and 150 kilometres north of Niš, 13 kilometres from he Bulgarian border, 9 km from he Romanian border; road M 25 connects it with the North Kladovo); GPS N 44°4`16" E 22°30`5"

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More information:

Tourist Organisation of Negotin, Vojvode Mišića 25, 19300 Negotin, Serbia, \$ +381 19 547555,
www.toon.org.rs, www.wineser-

bia.rs/eng/winary/negotinski

Fruška Gora Wine



Northwest of Belgrade in Srem (Syrmia), Vojvodina, between the Sava and the Danube, Sremska Mitrovica and Novi Sad; 80 km from West to East, 15 km from South to North. Places of interest: Banoštor, Irig, Sremski Karlovici; GPS N 45°12'9° E 19°56'4"

More information:

Fruška Gora National Park, Zmajev trg 1, 21208 Sremska Kamenica, Serbia, \$\$+381 21 463666, www.npfruskagora.co.rs

South Banat Wine

/ršac municipality is about 30 kilometres northeast of 3elgrade, 14 kilometres from he border with Romania; GPS N 15°6^12" F 21°16^28"

More information:

Municipality of Vršac,

Trg pobede 1, 26300 Vršac, Serbia, **C** +381 13 800501, www.vrsac.com/active/en/ home.html

ROMANIA

Roman Locations

Rosia Montana

National road DN 74 A and DJ 742 (7 km); the nearest city is Abrud (10 km), Alba Iulia is 80 km away; GPS N 46°18`13.25" E 23°06`52.30"

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How to get there:



The closest airports are Cluj Napoca (135 km) and Sibiu (140 km).



There are regular buses coming from Abrud.



The site is located in the centre of the Rosia Montana commune (70 km from Alba-Iulia, 40 km from Brad, 15 km from Campeni, 10 km from Abrud, 80 km from Turda and 135 km from Cluj-Napoca).



The harbours which offer basic facilities are in Orşova (287 km), Drobeta Turnu Severin (292 km) and Belgrade (370 km).



There are no cycling paths, but the traffic is fine on the secondary roads.

Histria Fortress

51 kilometres north of Constanta, 5 kilometres east of the modern commune of Istria, Constanta County, southeast Romania; access to Histria Fortress (Cetatea Histria) and Lake Sinoe (Lacul Sinoe) via DN 2A (heading for Tulcea, to the Ovidiu intersection), DN 22 (to Tariverde), local road DJ 22A (via Nuntasi to Histria); GPS N 44°32`49.45" E 28°46`23.10"

How to get there:



The closest airports are Constanta (49 km) and Bucharest (290 km).



There are regular buses coming from Constanta and Tulcea.



National road Constanța - Tulcea, 54 km away from Constanța.



The train stations are situated in Constanta (49 km), Cogealac and Mihai Viteazu (the line Bucharest Tulcea).



The harbours which offer basic facilities are in Constanta (49 km) and Tulcea (87 km).



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There are no cycling paths but the traffic is fine on the secondary roads.

Roman Camp Castrum 🤒 and the city of Apulum

Central Romania, Alba County; 380 kilometres from Bucharest (route E 81), 100 kilometres from Cluj, 241 kilometres from Arad; GPS N 46°04`01.89" E 23°34`20.11"

How to get there:



The closest airports are Cluj Napoca (98 km) and Sibiu (70 km).



There are regular buses coming from Cluj Napoca, Sibiu and Deva.



The site is located in the central part of Alba Iulia, with a local but quality road.



The harbours which offer basic facilities are in Orşova (250 km) and Drobeta Turnu Severin (270 km).



There are no special paths but the traffic is fine on the secondary roads.

11 Colonia Ulpia Traiana

the Iron Gates of Transvlvania. on route DN 68, some 160 kilo-Severin: GPS N 45°30`59 88" F 22°47`08.22"

How to get there:



Plane

The closest airports are Timisoara (150 km). Clui Napoca (200 km), Sibiu (153 km) and Belgrade-SRB (275 km).

Bus

There are regular buses coming from Caransebes and Hateq.



National road Hateg – Caransebes DN 68.17 km from the town of Hateo.



The train stations are situated in Caransebes and Hateq.



The harbours which offers basic facilities are in Orsova (143 km) and Drobeta Turnu Severin (170 km)



There are no cycling paths, but the traffic is fine on the secondary roads.

Adamclisi

On the Bucharest – Calarasi – Ostrov – Constanta road. 70 kilo Constanta County, Dobrogea (Dobrudia) Region, Romania; GPS N 44°06`06.73 E 27°57`18.14"

How to get there:



The closest airports are Constanta (63 km) and Bucharest (227 km).



There are regular buses coming from Constanta and Medgidia



National road Constanta - Ostrov -Călărași- București, before entering Adamclisi village, at km 62, a branch of 1.5 km, leads to a plateau on the hill.



The train stations are situated in Medoidia (51 km), Murfatlar (44 km) and Cernavoda (55 km).



The harbours which offer basic facilities are in Cernavoda (55 km) and Silistra-BG (71 km)



There are no cycling paths. but the traffic is fine on the secondary roads.

Wine Regions

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How to get there:



The closest airports are Constanta (63 km) and Bucharest (227 km)



There are regular buses coming from Constanta and Medgidia



National road Constanta - Ostrov-Călărasi- Bucuresti, before entering Adamclisi village, at km 62. a branch of 1.5 km. leads to a plateau on the hill.



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There are no cycling paths, but the traffic is fine on the secondary roads.

Muntenia and Oltenia Hills

Located south of the central Carpathians, vineyards cover approximately 104,000 hectares. The vineyards are in the famous sunny wine belt (440–450N), on the slopes of the mountains towards the plains, but also in the region of southern Oltenia, or in areas close to the Danube.

More information:

Vie Vin Vinju Mare

Strada Unirii 2, Vinju Mare Mehedinți County C + 40 252 350547 WWW.VVM.ro

Dobrogea Hills

West and South of the Danube Delta, around Constanta; Murfatlar/Basarabi: 19 km west of Constanta; GPS N44°11`00" E 28°25`00"

How to get there:



The closest airports are Constanta (49 km) and Bucharest (290 km).



There are regular buses coming from Constanta and Tulcea.



National road Constanța -Tulcea, 54 km away from Constanța.

😫 Train

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The train stations are situated in Constanta (49 km), Cogealac and Mihai Viteazu (the line Bucharest Tulcea).



The harbours which offer basic facilities are in Constanta (49 km) and Tulcea (87 km).



There are no cycling paths but the traffic is fine on the secondary roads.

BULGARIA

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Roman Locations



55 kilometres northwest of Pleven, near Gigen, signposted Ulpia Eskus; GPS N 43°42`30.6" E 24°27`58.84"

How to get there:



The nearest airports are positioned 100 up to 150 km away from the sites

- Sofia
- Varna

🔂 Bus

• Sofia Central Bus Station

• Vidin Bus station

- Svishtov Bus station
- Ruse Bus Station
- Silistra Bus station
- Pleven Bus Station



International highways are: E79 through city of Vidin, E70 and E85 passing through city of Ruse; Hemus/ A2 and 83; from Sofia to Pleven and Rousse highway Hemus/ A2 and 83.



Further information concerning the Bulgarian State Railway is available at the following internet address: www.bdz.bg

🗿 Boat

Bulgaria's ports are the following:

• Ruse

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- Lom
- Vidin



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Kale Fortress

65 kilometres east of Vidin, Bulgaria. GPS N 43°37`24.1" E 22°40`37.69"

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Magura Lave: 1.5 kilometres north of Rabisha, 45 km east of Vidin, 20 kilometres west of Belogradchik.

How to get there:

🚯 Plane

The nearest airports are positioned 100 up to 150 km away from the sites

- Sofia
- Varna

🕞 Bus

- Sofia Central Bus Station
- Vidin Bus station
- Svishtov Bus station
- Ruse Bus Station
- Silistra Bus station
- Pleven Bus Station

🖨 Car

International highways are: E79 through city of Vidin, E70 and E85 passing through city of Ruse; Hemus/ A2 and 83; from Sofia to Pleven and Rousse highway Hemus/ A2 and 83.

😫 Train

Further information concerning the Bulgarian State Railway is available at the following internet address: www.bdz.bq



Bulgaria's ports are the following:

Ruse Lom Vidin



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the European Biking Federation) follows the Loire and Rheine rivers, and continues to the mouth of the Danube.

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Roman Legion Camp Novae

North-Central Bulgaria, Veliko Turnovo District, 80 kilometres from Pleven, 90 kilometres from Ruse; 251 kilometres west of Varna (the Black Sea), 237 kilometres northeast of Sofia; Svishtov/Novae archeological site: on the Danube, 2 km east of Svishtov, 10 minutes on foot from the town centre; GPS N 43°36`48.85" E 25°23`27.54"

How to get there:



The nearest airports are positioned 100 up to 150 km away from the sites

- Sofia
- Varna

🕞 Bus

- Sofia Central Bus Station
- Vidin Bus station
- Svishtov Bus station
- Ruse Bus Station
- Silistra Bus station
- Pleven Bus Station



International highways are: E79 through city of Vidin, E70 and E85 passing through city of Ruse; Hemus/ A2 and 83; from Sofia to Pleven and Rousse highway Hemus/ A2 and 83.



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Bulgaria's ports are the following:

- Ruse
- Lom
- Vidin



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Sexaginta Prista



On the Danube, 300 kilometres from Sofia, 200 kilometres from the Black Sea, roads: E 79, E 70, E 85 and A 2/E 83 connect it to Sofia and Pleven; GPS N 43°50`77" E 25°57`14.91"

How to get there:



The nearest airports are positioned 100 up to 150 km away from the sites

- Sofia www.sofia-airport.bg
- Varna www.varna-airport.bg

Bus

- Sofia Central Bus Station
- Vidin Bus station
- Svishtov Bus station

- Ruse Bus Station
- Silistra Bus station
- Pleven Bus Station



International highways are: E79 through city of Vidin, E70 and E85 passing through city of Ruse; Hemus/ A2 and 83; from Sofia to Pleven and Rousse highway Hemus/ A2 and 83.



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Bulgaria's ports are the following:

- Ruse
- Lom
- Vidin



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Roman Tomb

Northeast Bulgaria, on the right bank of the Danube; 119 kilometres from Ruse, 141 kilometres from Varna, 431 kilometres from Sofia; GPS N 44°11`47" E 27°26`71"

How to get there:

🚯 Plane

The nearest airports are positioned 100 up to 150 km away from the sites

- Sofia
- Varna

🕞 Bus

- Sofia Central Bus Station
- Vidin Bus station
- Svishtov Bus station
- Ruse Bus Station
- Silistra Bus station
- Pleven Bus Station

📾 Car

International highways are: E79 through city of Vidin, E70 and E85 passing through city of Ruse; Hemus/ A2 and 83; from Sofia to Pleven and Rousse highway Hemus/ A2 and 83.

😫 Train

Further information concerning the Bulgarian State Railway is available at the following internet address: www.bdz.bg

🙆 Boat

Bulgaria's ports are the following:

• Ruse

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- Lom
- Vidin



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the European Biking Federation) follows the Loire and Rheine rivers, and continues to the mouth of the Danube.

Wine Regions

North-Central Region (Pleven, Veliko Tarnovo)

GPS N 43°24`29.61" E 24°37`13.0224"

More Information:

Wine Museum, Kaylaka National Park, ul. Totlebenov Val 1, 5800 Pleven, Bulgaria, \$ +359 887 731537,

North-East Region 🛛 💷 (Russe)

GPS N 43°50`58.4304" E 25°57`18.7482"

More information:

The Union of Enologists in Bulgaria, 9 "VasilLevski" str., Suhindol, Bulgaria, ∞ seb@wineforum-bg.net \$\$4359 88 647 5577

North-West Region 10 (Vidin)

GPS N 32°59`37.3158 E 22°52`35.0148"

More information:

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