

Dracula's Halloween Party in Transylvania - EQHH

3 days: Bucharest to Bucharest

What's Included

- Self-guided tour of Bran Castle
- Exclusive access to the G Adventures Halloween tent party on the Bran's Castle grounds • Visit to the medieval town of Brasov
- All transport between destinations and to/from included activities

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VERY IMPORTANT: Please ensure that you print a final copy of your Trip Details to review a couple of days prior to travel, in case there have been changes that affect your plans.

VALIDITY: Valid for all trips departing January 19th, 2018 and onwards **Itinerary Notes**

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Itinerary

Day 1 Bucharest/Bran

Meet your CEO and transfer to the heart of Transylvania and explore Dracula's castle, the infamous Bran Castle. Afterwards, grab your Halloween costume and dance well into the night in the spooktacular G Adventures party tent, set in the shadow of Bran Castle. Enjoy drinks, food trucks, and more with hundreds of other partygoers on a night you won't forget!

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Arrival Day and Welcome Brief

Bucharest

Welcome to Romania! After introductions, your CEO will review the details of your tour before hopping on the shuttle to Transylvania.

Private Vehicle

Bucharest - Bran 3h Morning 183km

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

Bran Castle Self-Guided Visit

Bran

Visit the picturesque Bran Castle, impressively situated on a rock outcrop and dominating the valley. This 14th century castle is steeped in history and folklore and is an unmissable highlight. Sometimes called "Dracula's Castle", it served as a defence point to protect the border between Transylvania and Walachia. Rumours abound regarding Dracula's interaction with the castle. You'll find

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historians on every floor ready to answer all your questions as you explore the castle on your own... if you dare!

G Adventures Halloween Tented Party

Bran

Get your costume on and come ready to celebrate Halloween on Dracula's turf! The mysterious stories and legends take life as you join fellow vampires and ghouls and party the night away in our exclusive G Halloween Party tent set on the grounds of Bran Castle. Dracula may even make an appearance, so beware!

Day 2 Bran/Brasov

Enjoy a free day to explore nearby Brasov. Opt to visit the Black Church, explore the Brasov History museum, or take a hike in one of the areas national parks. The day is yours to discover this charming town in the heart of the Carpathian mountains.

Free Time

Brasov

Opt to stroll around this quaint town, or take advantage of the incredible mountain terrain on a hike.

Optional Activities - Day 2 Bran Village Museum Bran

8RON per person

Don't miss this stop if you are interested in learning more about the artifacts originally discovered in Bran Castle.

Brasov History Museum

Brasov 1h-1h30m 7RON per person

Explore the rare exhibits that showcase Brasov's history, including stone tools from the Paleolithic age and painted ceramics from the Neolithic age, at this impressive museum.

Black Church (Biserica Neagra) Visit

Brasov
8RON per person

The Black Church is the biggest church between Vienna and Istanbul. It's a famous landmark of the town of Brasov, is Romania's leading Gothic church, and has the largest church bell in the country, weighing a hefty 7 tons (6,350 kg)! Explore its beautiful interior, including stained glass windows and its collection of 119 Turkish carpets, the largest in Europe.

Tampa Mountain Visit

Brasov3h-6h Free-16RON per person

Tampa Mountain towers over the city of Brasov at 914.4m (3,000ft). Choose to hike to the top of the mountain, or take a cable car if you prefer, but the views from the top of the old town are not to be missed.

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 3 Bran/Bucharest

Jump on a shuttle and head back to Bucharest. Tour ends on arrival.

Travellers should plan all onward travel after 4pm on this day.

Private Vehicle

Bran - Bucharest2h45m Morning
Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

Departure Day

Not ready to leave? Your CEO can help with travel arrangements to extend your adventure.

Optional Activities - Day 3

Palace of the Parliament Visit

Bucharest

Enjoy a visit to the Palace of the Parliament, which contains both chambers of the Romanian parliament as well as the National Museum of Contemporary ART (MNAC). It's the world's largest civilian building with an administrative function, according to the World Records Academy; it's also the most expensive administrative building.

Dimitrie Gusti National Village Museum

Bucharest1h-2h
6-10RON per person
Wander around this outdoor museum exhibiting 60+ houses, farmsteads, watermills, and churches from Romania's historic regions.

Museum of the Romanian Peasant

Bucharest

Visit the Museum of the Romanian Peasant for a interesting look inside the rural culture of Romania. The museum displays a collection of costumes, artifacts of Romanian peasant life, and religious icons.

Meals included: Breakfast

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Highlights

Self-Guided tour of Dracula's castle, Bran Castle. Exclusive access to the G Adventures After Party on Bran's Castle grounds. Free time to explore medieval town of Brasov.

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Group Leader Description

This G Adventures group trip will have up to 40 Chief Experience Officers (CEO) throughout. One CEO will be assigned for every group of 40 people.

The aim of the group leader is to take the hassle out of your travels and to help you have the best trip possible. They will provide information on the places you are travelling through, offer suggestions for things to do and see, recommend great local eating venues and introduce you to our local friends. While not being guides in the traditional sense you can expect them to have a broad general knowledge of the countries visited on the trip, including historical, cultural, religious and social aspects.

It is important to note that in Europe, all guiding is based around local guides all of whom are licensed to work only in a particular city. As such, our leaders are able to provide orientation walks which will show you the layout of each town and city as well as the location of local services such as post offices and laundromats, but are unable to legally share historical facts and figures in public places. If you wish to take a guided city tour in any location our CEO will do their best to help you arrange this and pay locally.

Group Size Notes

G party with up to 1000 like minded G travellers.

Meals Included

2 breakfasts

Transport

Private bus.

About our Transportation

Distances from your hotel accommodation to Bran Castle may vary depending on the property you are booked in. Approximate transfer times will vary from 10 to 30 minutes.

Accommodation

Hostels/Hotels (2nts).

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It is important to note that accommodation in Europe tend to be quite different to other areas of the world you may have travelled in. Buildings and rooms are generally old and may not have been renovated or maintained to the highest standard. Downtown hotels in Europe were not build to be hotels but rich owners houses, which have been changed into hotels. Therefore unusual room sizes are common as large rooms have been partitioned in the past, resulting in rather "thin" walls. Reception areas, rooms and bathrooms tend to be very small as they were often added into an existing room, and may have a hand nozzle rather than a conventional shower head.

On this trip you can expect to stay in small family-run hotels or pensions which will vary a little in standard and facilities: some may not have elevators, air-conditioning or English-speaking staff, but most importantly all are locally-run, with some traditional character, and in excellent central locations to give you maximum time for exploring the sights. You can expect to find clean, safe, simple accommodation in convenient locations.

Accommodations offered on this tour are on a twin/double share basis and multi-share dormitory basis (on a single-sex basis).

Multi-share accommodations may involve 3-8 group members sharing dormitory-style room. The majority of accommodation will have shared bathroom facilities.

There will be several hotels used on this tour. Below are some examples of the properties used:

If booking in a twin/double share basis: Belfort Hotel
Strada Constantin Dobrogeanu-Gherea 4 Brasov 500003,

Romania

If booking in a multi share hostel basis: Centrum House Hostel
Strada Republicii 58
Brasov 500030

Romania

Joining Instructions

Meeting times and joining hotel details will vary. Please refer to personal vouchers for exact details.

Please arrive at the joining hotel no later than 9 am. Consider arriving a day earlier and booking a pre-night to explore Bucharest. Contact us or your travel agent for more information.

A taxi from the airport to the hotel will cost approximately EUR 20. The prices are based on current prices and most taxis in Romania drive by taximeter, so the prices may increase/decrease according to traffic and time of day. Upon arrival to the city on day 1 (or earlier if you have booked pre-accommodation), please make your way to the joining hotel.

Public transport

The 780 Express line connects Bucharest Henri Coanda International Airport with the Gara de Nord (main railway station).

The 783 Express line connects Bucharest Henri Coanda International Airport with the city center. This line runs day and night. At

night, the bus leaves every 40 minutes.

Airport stops

In front of the Arrivals Terminal and Departures Terminal Price for one trip is 3,5 lei.

The magnetic card valid for two travels costs 7 lei.

Arrival Complications

We don't expect any problems, and nor should you, but if for any reason you are unable to commence your trip as scheduled, please refer to the emergency contact details provided in this dossier and contact us as soon as possible. If you have a pre-booked transfer, and you have not made contact with our representative within 30 minutes of clearing customs and immigration, we recommend that you make your own way to the Starting Point hotel, following the Joining Instructions. Please apply to your travel agent on your return for a refund of the transfer cost if this occurs.

Emergency Contact

Should you need to contact us during a situation of dire need, it is best to first call our G Adventures Local Office. If for any reason you do not receive an immediate answer, please leave a detailed message and contact information, so they may return your call and assist you as soon as possible.

EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBERS

G Adventures Berlin office: +4915203076785

If you are unable for any reason to contact our local office, please call the numbers listed below, which will connect you directly with our 24 hour Sales team, who will happily assist you.

Toll-free, from calls within North America only: 1 888 800 4100 Calls from within UK: 0344 272 0000
Calls from within Germany: 0800 365 1000
Calls from within Australia: 1 300 796 618

Calls from within New Zealand: 0800 333 307
Outside North America, Australia, New Zealand, Germany and the UK: +1 416 260 0999

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Checklist

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- * Binoculars (optional)
- * Camera (With extra memory cards and batteries)
- * Cash, credit and debit cards
- * First-aid kit (should contain lip balm with sunscreen, sunscreen, whistle, Aspirin, Ibuprofen, bandaids/plasters, tape, anti-histamines, antibacterial gel/wipes, antiseptic cream, Imodium or similar tablets for mild cases of diarrhea, rehydration powder, water purification tablets or drops, insect repellent, sewing kit, extra prescription drugs you may be taking)
- * Fleece top/sweater
- * Flight info (Printouts of e-tickets may be required at the border)
- * Halloween costume
- * Insurance info (With photocopies)
- * Moneybelt
- * Passport (With photocopies)
- * Personal entertainment (Reading and writing materials, cards, music player, etc.)
- * Required visas or vaccination certificates (With photocopies)
- * Reusable water bottle
- * Small travel towel
- * Sturdy walking shoes
- * Sunblock

- * Sunglasses
- * Sun hat/bandana
- * Toiletries (Preferably biodegradable)
- * Vouchers and pre-departure information * Watch and alarm clock
- * Waterproof backpack cover
- * Windproof rain jacket

Visas and Entry Requirements

Contact your local embassy or consulate for the most up-to-date visa requirements, or see your travel agent. It is your responsibility to have the correct travel documentation. While we provide the following information in good faith, it is vital that you check yourself and understand that you are fully responsible for your own visa requirements.

All visitors to the EU (European Union) and EEC (European Economic Community) countries require a valid passport (with a minimum 6 months validity). USA, Canada, Australia and New Zealand passport holders do not need a visa to visit the Schengen area (see below), however they may not stay longer than three months in any 6-month period.

For other nationalities, travelling in Europe has been simplified with the introduction of the Schengen visa. As a visitor to the Schengen area (Austria, Germany, Netherlands, Belgium, Greece, Norway, Denmark, Iceland, Portugal, Finland, Italy, Spain, France, Luxembourg, Sweden, Czech Republic, Hungary, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and Switzerland) you will enjoy the many advantages of this unified visa system. Generally speaking with a Schengen visa, you may enter one Schengen country and travel freely throughout the Schengen region during the validity of your visa. There are limited border controls at Schengen borders, if any at all.

Please note that the UK and Ireland are NOT part of the Schengen agreement.

A Schengen visa is applied for at the Embassy or Consulate of the Schengen country in which you will be spending the most nights on your trip to the Schengen space. If you are only visiting one country on your trip then you apply for your visa at the Consulate of this Schengen country.

Spending Money

Food trucks will be available on site and food will be available for purchase. Drinks (alcoholic and non-alcoholic) will be available for purchase in the tented party area. It is advised to have cash on hand for these expenses, so please ensure you visit an ATM in Bucharest before departure or in Bran or Brasov prior to attending the Halloween party.

Optional Activities

Bran

- Bran Village Museum (8RON per person)

Brasov

- Brasov History Museum (7RON per person)

- Black Church (Biserica Neagra) Visit (8RON per person) - Tampa Mountain Visit (Free-16RON per person)

Bucharest

- Palace of the Parliament Visit

- Dimitrie Gusti National Village Museum (6-10RON per person) - Museum of the Romanian Peasant

Health

Portable washroom facilities will be available on site at Bran Castle during the Halloween party.

A Couple of Rules

Illegal drugs will not be tolerated on any trips. Possessing or using drugs not only contravenes the laws of the land but also puts the rest of the group at risk. Smoking marijuana and opium is a part of local culture in some parts of the world but is not acceptable for our

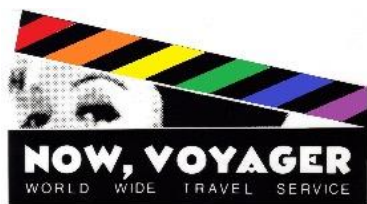
travellers. Our philosophy of travel is one of respect towards everyone we encounter, and in particular the local people who make the world the special place it is. The exploitation of prostitutes is completely contrary to this philosophy. Our group leader has the right to expel any member of the group if drugs are found in their possession or if they use prostitutes.

Minimum Age

Minimum age of 18 years for this trip.

International Flights

Check-in times and baggage allowances/restrictions vary by airline and can change at any time. For the most up-to-date information for your flight, please contact your airline. We recommend checking in online in advance to avoid potential delays at the airport.



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