# **Tour # 15**

### **Bucovina, Wooden Painted Monasteries**



Include 9 visits: Suceava Medieval Fortress, the Painted Monasteries - Sucevita, Moldovita, Gura Humorului, Voronet, Putna, Agapia and Varatec, the salt mine Cacica.

# 3 Days Trip. See below the itinerary!

### First Day!



"Bucuresti" - Bucharest (the capital city, first mentioned in documents as early as

"Buzau" - the city's name dates back to 376 AD; an important railway hub "Focsani" - one of the most popular wine-producing regions in Romania (Odobesti) "Bacau" – the earliest known reference to the city dates from 1408, during the rule of Moldavian Prince Alexandru cel Bun

"Piatra Neamt" - the ruins of a large Dacian city, Petrodava, mentioned by Greek geographer Ptolemy in the 2nd century

"Suceava" - was the capital of the Moldavian state and the main residence of the Moldavian princes (between 1388 and 1565)

**ACCOMODATION** (overnight in Sucevita)

#### Second Day!

"Manastirea Sucevita" - Sucevita Monastery (built in 1585; Byzantine and gothic

"Manastirea Moldovita" – Moldovita Monastery (built in 1532; it is the second (after Humor Monastery) and the last church with open porch, hidden place above the burial-vault, with Gothic-style windows and doors)

"Manastirea Gura Humorului" - Gura Humorului Monastery (the city, until 1918, it was in the Austro-Hungarian Empire; Humor was one of the first of Bucovina's painted monasteries to be frescoed and, is probably the best preserved)

"Manastirea Voronet" – Voronet Monastery (one of the famous painted monasteries (known as "Stephen the Great") built the Voronet Monastery (one of the famous painted monasteries (known as "Stephen III of Moldavia (known as "Stephen the Great") built the Voronet Monastery to commemorate the victory at Battle of Vaslui; often known as the "Sistine Chapel of the East", the frescoes at Voronet feature an intense shade of blue known in Romania as "Voronet"

"Salina Cacica" - Cacica Salt Mine (1791 the mine opening, under the command of

ACCOMODATION (overnight in Sucevita)

#### Third Day!



"Falticeni" – the city houses the largest collection of works of art by a single artist,
Muzeul de Arta "lon Irimescu"

"Targu Neamt" - The Neamt Fortress (Cetatea Neamtului) was built in the 14th centúry by Voivode Petru I

"Manastirea Neamt" - Neamt Monastery (jewel of 15th century architecture, the church was built by Stefan cel Mare)

"Manastirea Agapia" - Agapia Monastery (religious community)

"Manastirea Varatec" - Varatec Monastery (Romanian orthodox religious settlement) "Cheile Bicazului" - Bicaz Gorges (one of the most spectacular places in Romania; one of the biggest cement plants in Romania)

"Lacul Rosu" - The Red Lake (the name comes from the reddish alluvia deposited in the lake by the Red Creek)

"Tusnad" (has an absolute Székely Hungarian majority)

"Brasov" (the 8th largest Romanian city, it hosts the Golden Stag (Cerbul de Aur) international music festival)

# Round trip to Bucharest.

Price per person	1 person	2 persons	3 persons	4 persons	5 persons	6 persons	7 persons
	€ 740.00	€ 450.00	€ 330.00	€ 300.00	€ 270.00	€ 240.00	€ 220.00