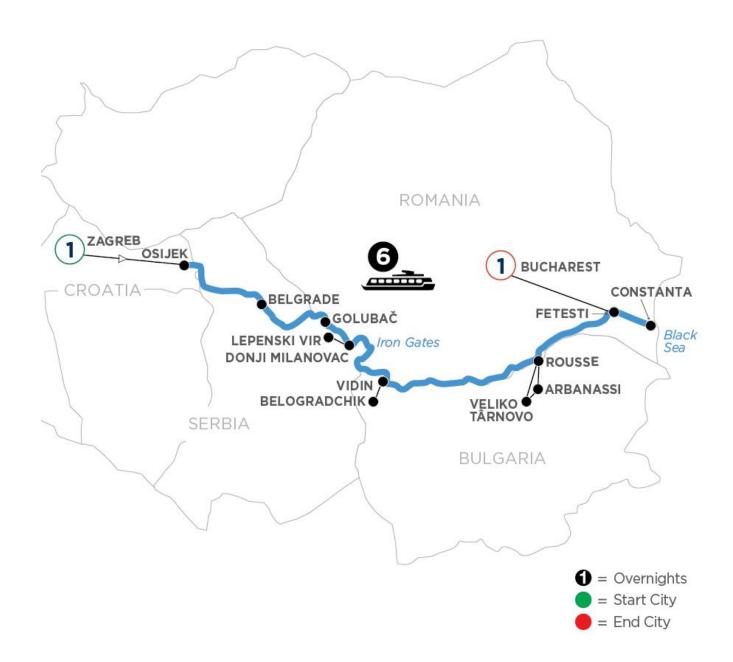
Active & Discovery on the Danube from Croatia to the Black Sea Avalon Waterways

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Map from Avalon Waterways



Cruise Overview

- Begin your Active & Discovery river cruise vacation with one night in Zagreb to explore the city with a guided tour.
- Board your Avalon Suite Ship[®] bound for Belgrade, Serbia.
- Here, explore the city where the Danube and Sava Rivers meet with a guided bike tour.
- Cruise through the Iron Gates Gorge after visiting the fascinating Fortress of Golubač
- or hike in the Djerdap National park.
- Visit the amazing archaeological site of Lepenski Vir.
- Sail to Vidin, Bulgaria, explore the city and visit the medieval Baba Vida Fortress.
- You might prefer to join a panoramic trek in Belogradchik.

Overview (cont)

- See the incredible ancient architecture in Veliko Târnovo and Arbanassi,
- or join your local guide for a hike to Ivanovo Rock Church.
- Take a guided tour of Constanta on Romania's Black Sea—with a wealth of Roman history
- or join a delicious food tour.
- Disembark your Suite Ship[®] and spend the night in Bucharest—the "Paris of the East." See the WWI Arc de Triomphe and the Royal Palace Square and spend free time browsing the shops and cafes of Victory Boulevard.
- A fascinating Danube River cruise through the beautiful Balkans.

Day 1 Zagreb:

• Welcome to Zagreb

Day 2

- Guided sightseeing in Zagreb;
- onboard welcome reception

Day 3 Belgrade:

- Choice of guided tour or bike tour
- or meet the locals; on board lecture

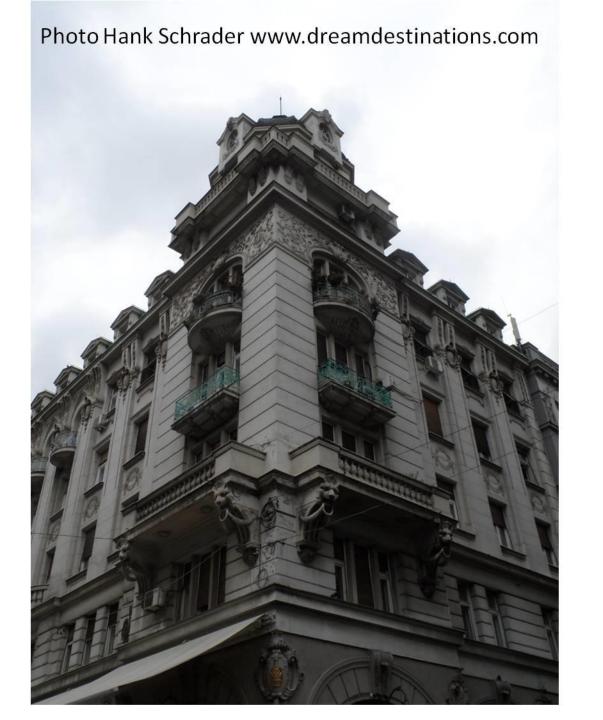


St Sava Cathedral

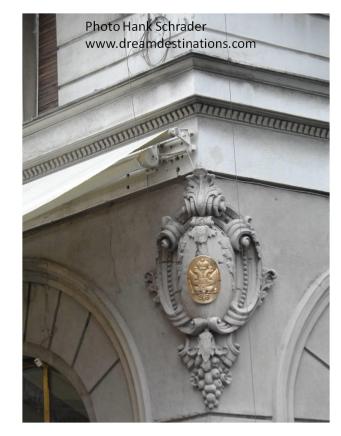
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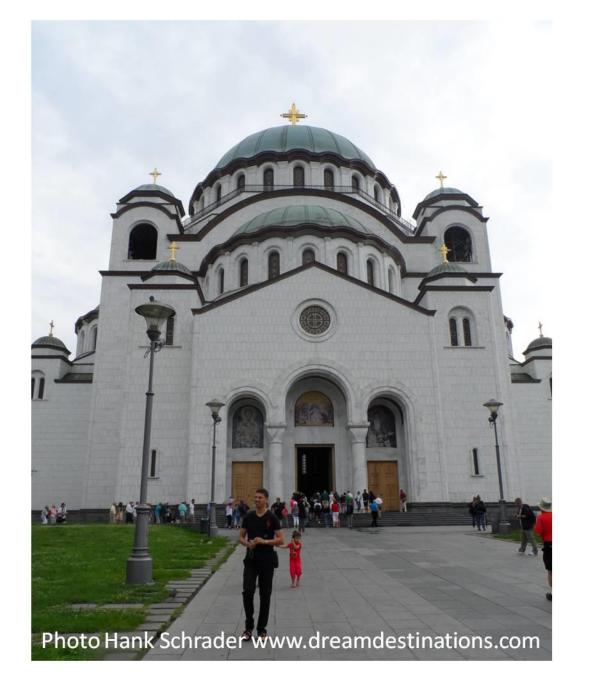
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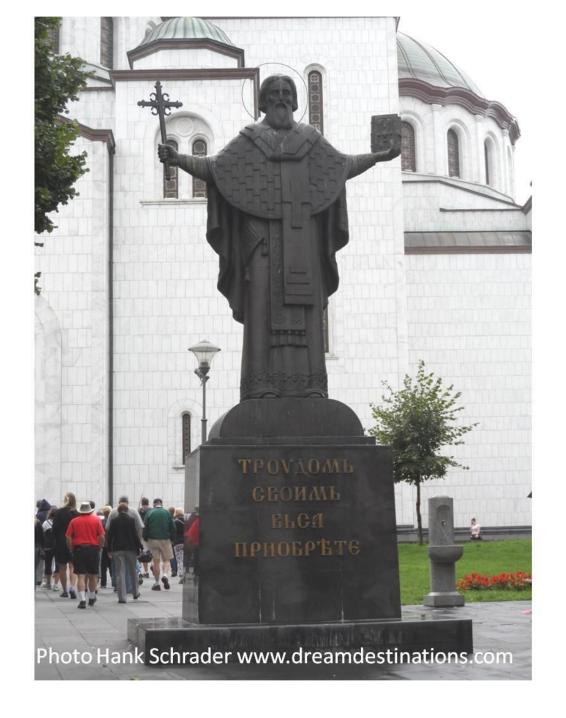


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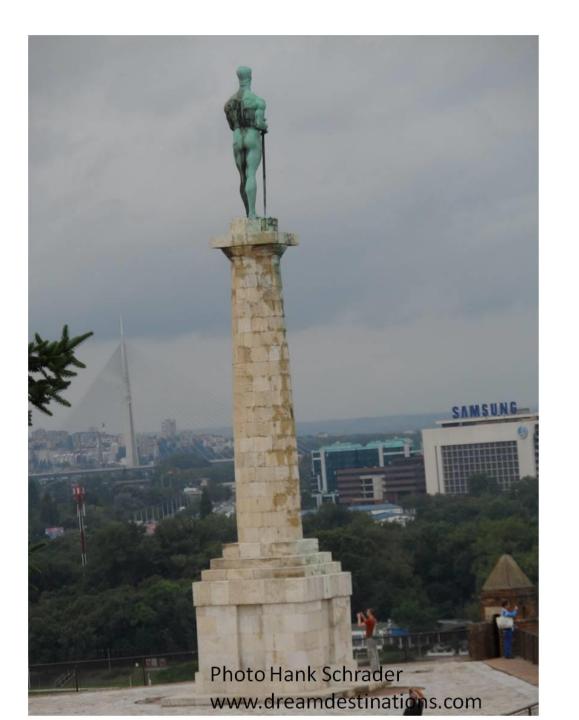
St, Sava Cathedral Belgrade, Serbia



St. Sava Statue Belgrade, Serbia

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Monument to the Victor, the protector of Belgrade, Serbia

Kalemegdan Fortress Belgrade, Serbia



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Kalemegdan Fortress, Belgrade Serbia

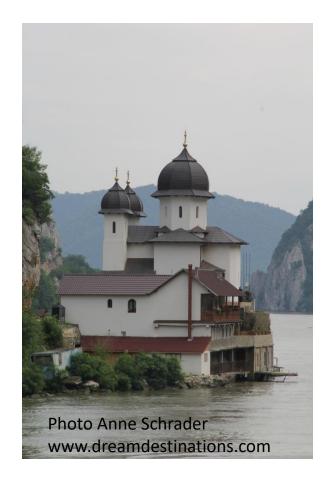
Day 4 Golubač–Donji Milanovac–Iron Gates

- Visit to Golubač fortress;
- choice of visit
- Lepenski Vir archaeological site
- or Donji Milanovac off the beaten path tour
- or Djerdap National park hike;
- scenic cruise through the Iron Gates Gorge





Stunning River Scenes The Iron Gates



Day 5 Vidin Excursion to Belogradchick

Choice of guided tour in Vidin,

- visit Baba Vida Fortress
- or wine tasting
- or hiking in Belogradchik

Baba Vida Castle, Vidin, Bulgaria



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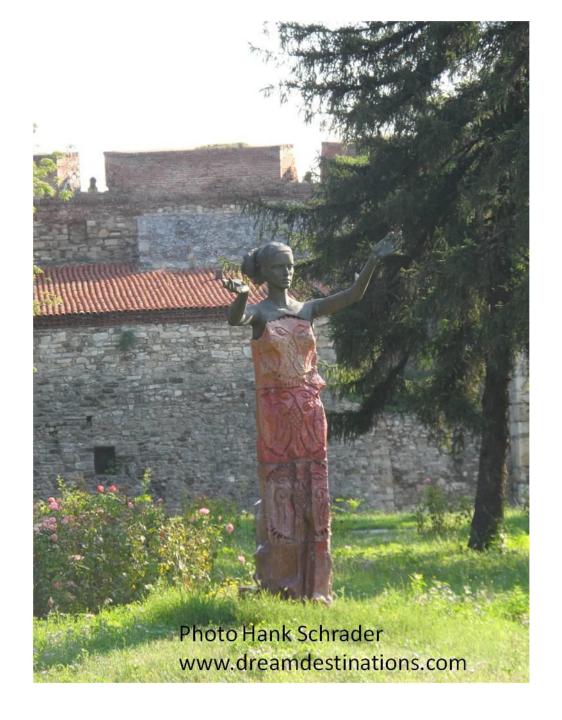
More of Baba Vida Castle



One of the keep towers of Baba Vida Castle



Statue of Baba Vida outside the castle

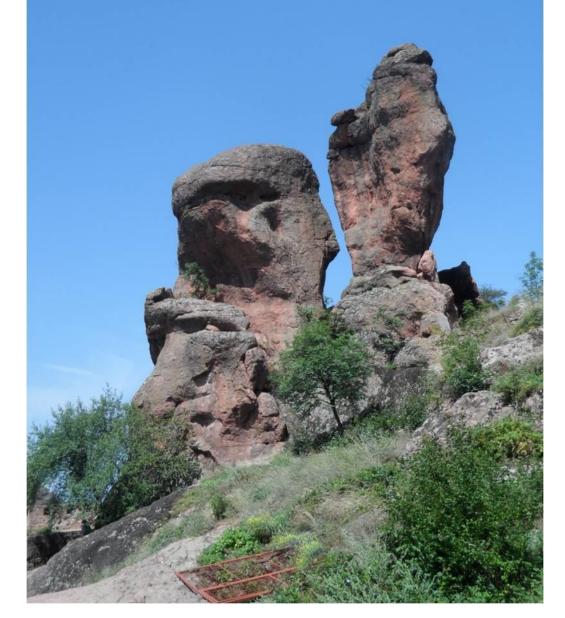


Play about the history of the Baba Vida Castle

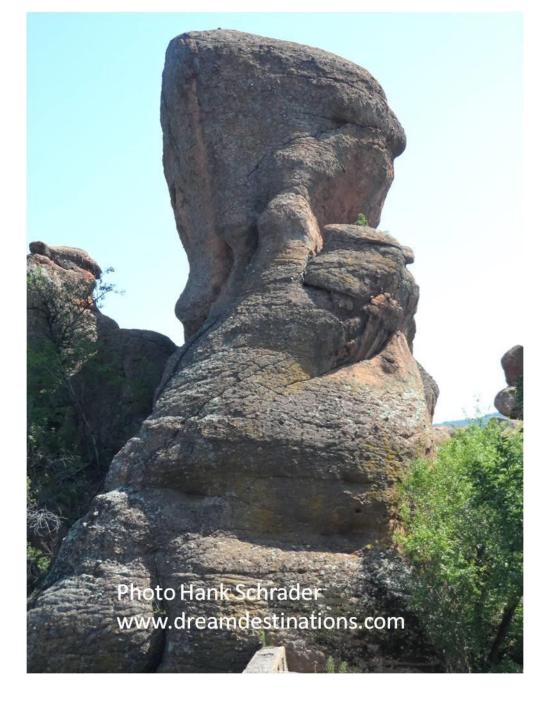


Belogradchik rock formations

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More Belogradchik rocks



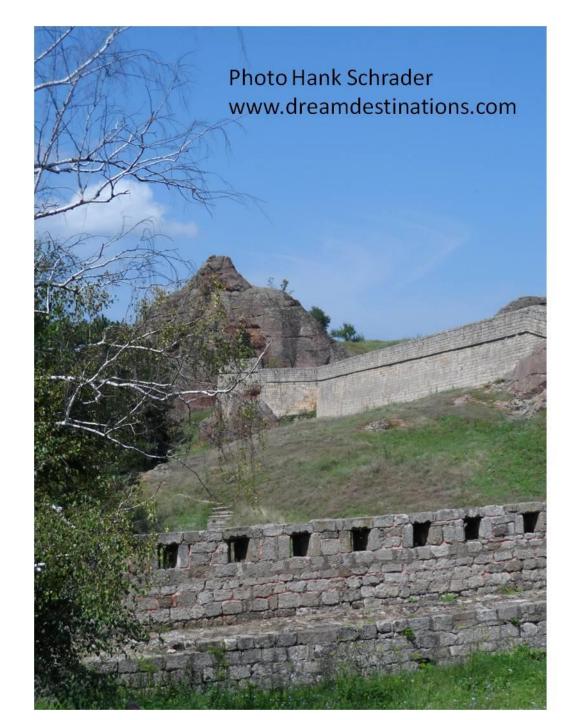
More exposed Belogradchik rocks



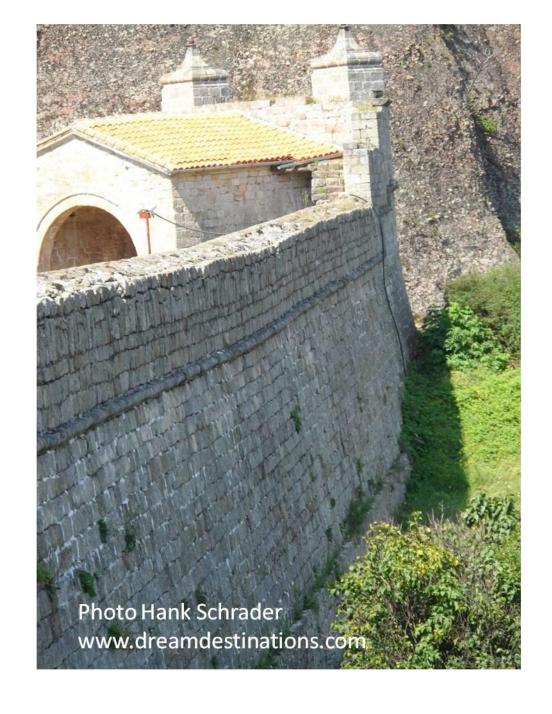
Belogradchik Fortress built among the rocks



More of the Belogradchik fortress



A passage gate of the Belogradchik Fortress



Day 6 Excursion to Veliko Târnovo and Arbanassi:

- Choice of full-day excursion:
- Visit the Tsarevet's Fortress in Veliko Tarnovo and the Ethnographical Museum and the Church of the Nativity in Arbanassi
- Or guided sightseeing in Rousse
- Or Ivanovo Rock Church hike

Day 7 Constanta:

- Choice of guided sightseeing,
- visit the National History and Archaeological Museum
- or wine tasting
- or bike tour

Day 8 Bucharest

- Choice of:
- Guided tour in Bucharest
- Or Walk the Urban Delta
- Or food tour



Bucharest Romania

Open Air Museum—Rustic homes reassembled



Vlad Tepes in the Lipscani district,



Palace of the Parliament

Day 9

• Your vacation ends this morning

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