



## Bucharest bike tour

1 day

This trip will show you the best gems of « the city of the joy » or Bucharest ("bucur" meaning joy in Romanian). Its story began about 5 centuries ago when Bucharest was a just a little village located straight on a commercial road by Dambovitza river. Not too long after, Prince Vlad Tepes (the Wallachian prince, native from Transylvania, who inspired the Dracula character) transformed it into the capital. At the beginning of the 1800, Bucharest had around 60.000 inhabitants, but by the end of the century, it managed to develop so much that it reached the 1 million markers just before the beginning of the Second World War. It was around that time that Bucharest earned its nickname as the "Little Paris" thanks to its beautiful, French-inspired architecture. Nowadays, Bucharest is a wonderful mixture of medieval (influenced by the Ottoman Empire), neo-classic, the communist and modern architecture.

### YOUR PROGRAM

#### Day 1 - Bucharest by bike

We will meet our guide at our garage on 97 Icoanei. We will then begin our tour, first by going to be impressed by the Parliament Palace ("Palatul Parlamentului") which is the second biggest administrative building in the world after the Pentagon. Here we will hear more about Bucharest's communist history. Next, we'll see the best hidden parts of old Bucharest. We will go back to its roots and learn more about how surprisingly cosmopolitan this city used to be before its industrialisation. On our checklist, we have the Mihai Voda Monastery, "Curtea Veche", Hanul Lui Manuc (Manuc`Inn) and more. We shall visit historic monasteries and old inns along the Dambovitza river which served as commercials meeting grounds for traders, writers, politicians and other important personalities. We shall also visit spectacular monuments such as the History Museum and the Art Museum (which gave Bucharest its nickname of the "Little Paris") before we continue to the Cismigiu, Bucharest's charming central park. There, we will have our picnic in this relaxing atmosphere. End of the trip at our garage.

### Additional information

#### TARIFFS

95 euros per person.

#### INCLUDED

English speaking guide

Bike rental (hybrid bikes, back rack, 21 gears, helmet, lock)

Packed lunch

#### NOT INCLUDED



Drinks, tips, items of personal nature, admission tickets to museums.

**LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY**

1 day of cycling.

**ACCOMMODATION**

Please contact us if you also need accommodation.

**SIZE OF GROUP**

Minimum of 4 persons.

**DEPARTURES**

Any Sunday from May to September.

**STARTING POINT**

Bucharest center, our bike garage in 97 Icoanei street.

**END OF THE TRIP**

Bucharest center, our bike garage in 97 Icoanei street.