

## Danube Delta

### Bike + cruise | Europe's last natural paradise

#### Characteristics:

Operator: RAD & REISEN GmbH

Participants: from 12

Tourtype: guided

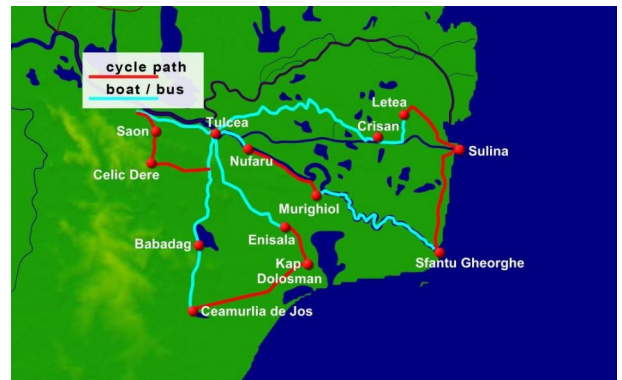
Children: no

Regions:

Countries:

#### Benefits:

- 5 nights on hotelboat, 2 nights in comfortable guesthouse 4\* in Tulcea
- Schedule incl. all transfers according to itinerary from/to Bucharest (day 1 + 8)
- Bike-Guide / Wildlife-Guide
- Support van and support boat
- Full Board: breakfast, lunchbox or picnic, dinner
- Folklore show
- maps and informational material per room



#### Additional costs:

- 1-bed cabin/ room: 01.10.2016 EUR 1339, else EUR 1539
- Rental bike (21-speed): EUR 79
- Extranight Tulcea 4\* guesthouse: Double room EUR 39, Single room EUR 56
- Extranight Bukarest 4\* Berthelot: Double Room EUR 57, Single Room EUR 98
- Extra-Transfer One way Delta-Bucharest(1\*): EUR 220

#### Tour description:

This cycling trip by "hotel boat" meanders through the stunning beauty of Europe's last natural paradise Danube Delta to mile "0", where the mighty Danube River empties into the Black Sea. The tour takes you through Romania's Delta, the second largest and best preserved of Europe's deltas. You will travel along canals with floating reed islands, lagoons and lakes. The landscape alternates between gently rolling hills, swamp and prairie land and amazes one with its diversity and beauty. Life in small fishing villages is tranquil, the solitude and silence of the almost impenetrable thicket many times interrupted only by the calls of Dalmatian Pelicans, Cormorants and Egrets. Under expert guidance you will discover the fauna and flora of this landscape, which is also rich in history. Enjoy Romanian hospitality and cuisine on board of your floating hotel and in the cosy guesthouse.

Highlights:

Biosphere reserve Danube Delta  
The monasteries of Celic Dere and Saon  
The antique colony Argamum  
The medieval fortress of Enisala, a.s.o .

**Tour profile:**

Level 2; amidst the Danube Delta flat, gravel or paved paths, 2 days tarmaced country roads in a gently hilly landscape (less traffic).

**Your ship:**

Comfortable and cosy hotelboat with restaurant (air-conditioned) and spacious sundeck with deckchairs; cabins (approx. 9 qm) with private facilities.

**Guest house 4\* in Tulcea:**

This comfortable hostel, with air-conditioned rooms, is about 5-10 minutes walk from the market square.

**Itinerary:**

**Day 1: Bucharest**

Individual arrival to Bucharest/Airport; 2 p.m bus transfer (approx. 4 h) to the starting point Tulcea in the Danube Delta; Embarkation on the comfortable floating hotel. Dinner and overnight.

**Day 2: Nufaru - Sfantu Gheorge, approx. 31 km**

Along the most southern Danube arm through the nature reserve Bestepe Hills. A wonderful view deep down into the Delta will make you forget some ascents. At the small fishing village Murighiol we enter into a maze of channels, floating islands, dense forests and a pure wilderness experience by boat. Overnight on hotelboat.

**Day 3: The journey to mile "0", approx. 25 km**

A bumpy gravel path - on the right the open range of the Black Sea, on left side the lush green reeds and marsh land. In the loneliness of the Danube Delta Cormorants and Great White Egrets are our permanent companions. Mile "0" at Sulina: the Danube has reached its destination at the lighthouse and starts to merge with the salt of the sea. Overnight on hotelboat.

**Day 4: Gulf of Musura - Crisan, approx. 23 km**

Along the birds-paradise Musura-Bay the way leads you to the picturesque village Letea. It seems as time stands still here. The houses made of reed and loam, lovely painted in blue and all surrounded by contemplative silence. Close to the village, located on a sandbank, a special wonder of nature can be observed - a tropical forest with climbing plants and lianes. We will reach the fishing village Crisan by boat. Overnight on hotelboat

**Day 5: The Fauna & Flora of the Danube Delta (day of rest)**

During the boat ride through a labyrinth of narrow waterways we pass by small fishing villages and again experience the incredible diversity of the Fauna and Flora of the UNESCO World Heritage Danube Delta. In the afternoon we return from a surreal dream world to the vibrant town life of Tulcea. Overnight on hotelboat

**Day 6: Monasteries of the Dobrogea, approx. 26 km**

Round trip through a gently undulating landscape to the Orthodoxe monastery Celic Dere, the biggest convent of the Dobrogea territory. The beautiful monastery of Saon with its distinctive windmill is located amidst vineyards right on the bank of the Danube. From a ridge you have a fantastic view over the extensive and green floodplain directly on the border to the Ukraine. Transfer back to Tulcea. Overnight at Tulcea guesthouse 4\*

**Day 7: Lagoon-tour to the cape Dolosman, approx. 42 km**

By bus to the old town Ceamurlia de Jos. The nature reserve of Cape Dolosman with the Greek-Roman excavations of Argamum seperates the Delta-lakes Golovita and Razim. By bike you reach the medieval fortress of Enisala, which is located high over the Danube. Let us enjoy a breath-taking view over the Lagoon Razim! Overnight Tulcea guesthouse 4\*.

**Day 8: Transfer Tulcea-Bucharest**

After breakfast transfer by bus back to the Romanian Capital Bucharest; arrival at airport approx. 1 p.m.;

possibility of additional nights in Tulcea or Bucharest

**General information:**

With our experienced local wildlife and bike-guides you learn to recognize birds by their noise or in flight, discover rare plants and animals, learn about the life of the Delta residents and the incredible eventful past of this region, which already fascinated the Romans, Greeks and Dacians. You are accommodated on a modern floating Hotel and in a family run, comfortable 4\* guesthouse. The meals are traditional with fish, meat and vegetable, for lunch picnics or lunch packs will be offered. You bike in groups of 12-20 people. Therefore it is necessary to have some experience in bike tours. Sand- and gravel roads require a bit of physical condition, but should be succeed by everybody as the daily stretches are quite short. Some stretches are done by boat or bus. Itinerary is subject to change - in case of high forces (water level, through no fault of one's own engine- or drive-breakdown). Before and after your bike tour you also have the possibility to book extra nights in Tulcea or Bucharest.

**Rental bikes & equipment:**

21-speed-touring bikes including panniers  
Helmets limited availability (EUR 25,- payable locally)

Minimum number of participants: 12 people

Extra-Transfer One way Delta-Bucharest(1\*): price per car (1-3 Pers.); only needed, if there are booked additional nights in the Danube Delta - transfers day 1 und 8 included in the package.

**Please note:**

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