

Part Dance Workshop – Part Folklore Expedition – Part Vacation

This tour is a perfect opportunity to expand your knowledge and repertoire, whether you're a dancer, choreographer or just passionate about Ukrainian dance.

Work with choreographers that have a deep and personal knowledge of the culture behind the dances you have performed since you were a child. Learn where these dances come from so you can understand where they're going!

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:

- **Dance Workshops:** enjoy exclusive workshops with dance ensembles in 4 different cities!
- **Golden domes:** explore the beautiful capital of Ukraine – Kyiv
- **Dance Legends:** train with the world-famous Virsky Ensemble
- **Folk songs:** hear the wonderful Rozhanytsia Ensemble perform
- **Podillyan culture:** discover the rich culture of Vinnytsia
- **Time Travel:** admire the Kamyanyets-Podilskyi fortress
- **Centre of Pokuttia:** sing kolomyiky in Kolomyia!
- **Easter Eggs:** visit the World's Only Pysanka Museum!
- **Quaint streets:** explore the charming and beautiful city of Lviv
- **Cobblestone Exclusives:** attend private concerts, cultural events, and workshops exclusively for Cobblestone freeway travellers.



Day 1 TOUR START DATE | Kyiv (-/-/D)

Welcome to Ukraine! Upon arrival in Lviv, you'll be met at the airport by your Tour Leader and chauffeured to your hotel, located in the heart of the city center.

*Your **Tour Leader** will be with you throughout your entire trip – every step of the way. More than just a guide - they will be your personal travel host, along with your private driver and vehicle. Together, they'll make sure you get where you need to go, and be available to stop when you need along the way. Not to mention, they'll show you the best places to eat, and help you with all the small details, from using the bank machines to showing you where to find the best gifts at the market - and negotiating for the best price! They'll share the best of Ukraine, tell you about its history, and show you the modern Ukraine. And if there are any problems, they will make sure everything gets worked out. You're in good hands!*

After check-in and some free time to freshen up, we will provide you with a **city orientation**, so you will know the closest exchange places, ATMs, and best souvenir and convenience stores.

Later on, we will enjoy a delicious **Welcome Dinner** in one of our favorite restaurants with traditional Ukrainian food!

Day 2 | Kyiv (B/L/-)

Today is a real dream come true for any Ukrainian dancer – a dance workshop with members of **Virsky Ensemble**. Prepare to be amazed by their skills and degree of expertise. Dance hard, and make the most of this unique experience!

We'll have lunch in one of our favourite restaurants. Enjoy the rest of the day at your leisure.

Day 3 | Kyiv (B/-/D)

Today we will get together for our last workshop with the **Virsky Ensemble**.

Of course, we're not letting you end this special day without a proper **Zabava** – and it's going to be one for the books! Featuring a live music performance from a folk band that promotes and preserves authentic Central Ukrainian singing.

HOTEL:

IBIS Hotel or similar

<https://all.accor.com/hotel/7143/index.en.shtml>

3 Nights



The Destination

Day 4 | Kyiv-Vinnytsia (B/L/-)

In the morning, we'll travel to Vinnytsia - home of many famous poets, writers and cultural figures in Ukrainian history. Upon arrival, we'll check in at the hotel, and then head on a city tour to learn about the area.

There's no better place to study the region of Podillia than here. Take a walk around, and soak up the cultural heritage of the town.

After the vibrant and fast-paced Kyiv, Vinnytsia is the perfect place to relax and immerse yourself in the culture.

Day 5 | Vinnytsia (B/L/-)

Today we'll take part in a workshop with the Barvinok Ensemble.

Have fun while learning new skills.

Day 6 | Vinnytsia (B/L/-)

In the morning we will join another lively workshop with the Barvinok Ensemble. After the workshop we will visit an eco village to meet locals and learn about their everyday lives.

Day 7 | Kamianets Podilskyi (B/L/-)

Today we are taking you on a time travel - to the fortresses of Khotyn and **Kamyanets-Podilskyi!**

You will get to see how the local princes and rulers lived hundreds of years ago.

The different types of people that lived in Khotyn and Kamyanets-Podilskyi each brought their own culture and architecture, meaning that this place is steeped in history and culture. Learn the city's history on a tour through the ancient fortress, the cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul, the City Hall Building and numerous other fortifications.

Day 8 | Kamianets Podilskyi (B/L/-)

Experience a workshop with the Kamianchanka Ensemble of Kamianets.

Spend the rest of the day relaxing or exploring on your own.

Vinnytsia – Kamianets-Podilskyi

HOTELS:

Podillya Hotel or similar | Vinnytsia

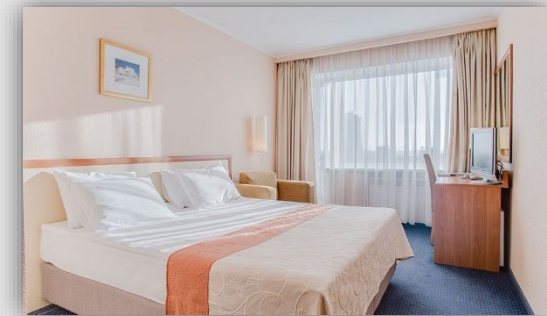
<http://podolye-hotel.org.ua/>

3 nights

'Reikartz' Hotel or similar | Kamianets

<https://reikartz.com/ru/hotels/kamianets-podolsky>

3 nights



The Destination

Kolomyyya - Lviv

Day 9 | Kamianets Podilskyi (B/-/D)

We'll refine our dance skills some more with the talented Kamyanchanka Ensemble. This will be our last day to experience their level of professionalism and expertise.

In the evening we will feel the spirit of the city and of the medieval atmosphere, at a Zabava celebration at the castle itself!

Day 10 | Kolomyyya (B/L/-)

Today we will travel to the town of Kolomyyya, home to many of the great landmarks in Western Ukraine, including its giant Pysanka, and the famous kolomyiky!

Day 11 | Kolomyyya (B/L/-)

This day will be dedicated to exploring and enriching our knowledge on life and traditions of the people of Pokuttia. You will experience how the local people live and the customs they cherish. Have some fun singing kolomyiky with the locals!

Day 12 | Kolomyyya (B/-/D)

Today we will have a workshop with the Pokuttia Dance Ensemble. Get ready to be impressed by their skills while learning about the life in this region. You will be mesmerized by the costumes and get a chance to see how the traditions of Pokuttia are reflected in dance. The evening will be at your leisure.

Day 13 | Kolomyyya - Lviv (B/-/D)

There is always something to learn on this tour. In the morning we will join our last workshop with the Pokuttia Ensemble to refine our new skills. Our next stop will be Lviv – the very heart of Ukrainian culture and spirit. Upon arrival, check in at the hotel and city orientation. Spend the rest of this day enjoying this beautiful city.

Day 14 TOUR END DATE | Lviv (B/-/-)

After a free morning to stock up on souvenirs we will transfer you to the airport where, sadly, we will have to say our goodbyes!

HOTELS:

Hotel TBC | Kolomyyya
3 Nights

Hotel 'Lviv' | Lviv

<http://www.hotel-lviv.com.ua/en>

1 Night



Options while in Kyiv

Visit the Chernobyl Exclusion Zone and abandoned town of Prypiat.



Learn more about Ukraine's complicated past at the WW2 Memorial and Museum.



Visit poet Taras Shevchenko's Burial Place in Kaniv.



Marvel at the picturesque Tunnel of Love!



Visit Mezhehiria - the Museum of Corruption.



Take a river cruise down the Dnipro River.



Contact us to arrange your tour add-on today!

*not included in tour price.

Options while in Lviv

Take a tour of Lviv's castles on a day tour!



Climb the High Castle Hill to get scenic panoramic view of the city!



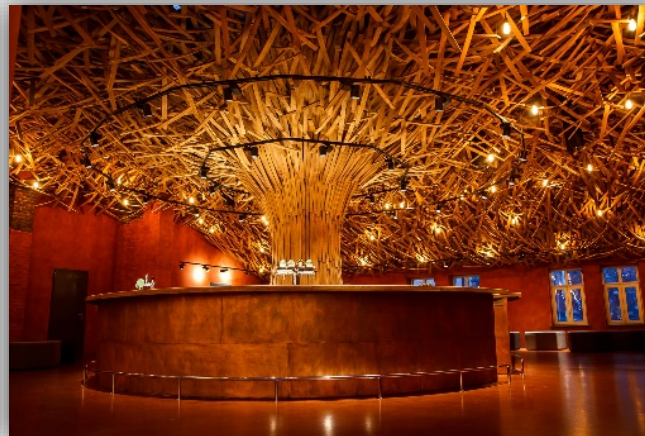
Visit the weapon museum located in the former City Arsenal



Take a Ukrainian Cookery Class!



Taste the best varieties of local beer and learn its long history in Lvivarnya Beer Museum.



Join a mysterious Lviv Night Guard tour to hear the eerie legends of the city!



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Tour Details

WHAT'S INCLUDED:

- Airport Transfers
- All land transportation
- Escorted tour with full time Tour Leader
- Tour in English
- 2 meals a day
- 13 nights in hand-Selected hotels
- All Events and workshops included in the Itinerary
- Internet in hotels when possible
- Interaction with local artists, craftsmen, and performers
- Special events exclusively for Cobblestone travellers
- Cobblestone Freeway t-shirt



NOT INCLUDED:

- Extra days before/after the tour
- Events and Services not included in the itinerary or marked as **Optional**
- Alcoholic beverages
- Meals not listed in Itinerary
- Flights not listed in Itinerary
- Tips for guides / drivers/ maids
- Travel Insurance
- Laundry & Telephone Services

OPTIONAL ADD-ONS:

- Extend your trip
- Upgrade your room / Get a single room
- Do a side trip - visit Family
- Ukrainian Family History researched with our Genealogy service

On our Cobblestone Freeway Tour, enjoy:

Delicious, hand chosen local food, and more inclusions than most other tour operators



Participate in exclusive Ukrainian Dance Workshops



You will be escorted by a full-time Cobblestone Freeway Tour Leader



UKRAINIAN DANCE WORKSHOP TOUR 14 Days / 13 Nights

2022 TOUR DATES & PRICES:

June 7-20, 2022 \$3,348 USD*

*Prices subject to change.

TOUR LAND PRICE:

Per Person, Based on Double Occupancy
Single Supplement \$ 940 USD

Early Bird Discount: Save \$200 USD if you
book at least 6 months prior to tour date.

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