

## **KIEV TOUR FOR 5 DAYS**

### **DAY ONE**

11.00am

We start introducing Kiev to you in a gentle manner, take a stroll along the central part of the city and enjoy the wonderful sights and historical places such as St. Vladimir Cathedral, Golden Gates, St. Sophia and St. Michael Squares, Independence Square and Khreshchatyk.

Lunch will be taken at a local hostelry.

3.00pm Return to your accommodation and then the rest of the day is free.

Have your camera ready to capture those precious memories!!

### **DAY TWO**

10.00am

We take the excursion to Kiev-Pechersk Lavra Monastery. It's a unique array of gold domed churches, underground labyrinths lined with mummified monks by candle-light, elegant monastic buildings turned into museums.

Also, we will visit the Historical Treasures Museum, the Exhibition of Micro-miniatures and the Bell Tower.

Lunch at a local hostelry, sample great local food.

We will also visit the Park of Glory where you will see the memorial to the founders of Kiev and the Statue of the Motherland

5.00pm Return to your accommodation

The rest of the day will be free time at your leisure, be sure to ask our guides for assistance.

### **DAY THREE**

10.00am

After breakfast you have a visit to St. Sophia Cathedral and Monastery\_Complex. You will be dazzled by it's sparkling domes and Byzantine decorations, which date partly from the 11<sup>th</sup> century, and partly from the 17<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> cent.

Lunch at a local hostelry

After lunch, enjoy an excursion tour through the "Old Town". Walking trip to Andriyivsky Descent – one of the oldest and most charming Kiev streets, the so-called "Kiev's Montmartre" with a variety of art galleries, gift shops, restaurants and cafes. Explore bohemian Podil, the artist's headquarters and traditional place for outdoor festivals and concerts, and we will make sure you don't miss the art market, St. Andrew's church and Chernobyl Museum.

7.00pm

We will take an evening meal at one of the local restaurants and then the rest is free time

## **DAY FOUR**

9.30am

After breakfast enjoy a trip to the Open-air Museum of Folk Architecture and Everyday Life, Pirogovo, which is spread-out over scenic rolling hills and dotted with a large number of quaint 17<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> century wooden cottages, churches, farmsteads and windmills with interiors furnished with fascinating old textiles, traditional furniture and tools. The museum is divided into seven villages representing different regional areas of Ukraine. Transfer will be by minibus and takes about ¾ hour.

Lunch in one of the restaurants in Pirogovo.

Feast on barbecued shashlyk or traditional Ukrainian delights!!

6.00pm Return to your accommodation and the rest of the day is free time

## **DAY FIVE**

10.00am

After breakfast, we visit St. Cyril's Church and Babyn Yar. St. Cyril's Church dates back to 12<sup>th</sup> century and has five pea-green cupolas of varying sizes and striking interior, which bears numerous murals covering over 800 sq. metres. Babyn Yar – the site of Nazi WWII killing fields. The Nazis used Babyn Yar as a concentration camp.

OR

Visit to spacious Fomin Botanical Gardens, laid out in 1841 and is named after the prominent botanist Alexander Fomin.

Lunch will be at around 2.00pm with a picnic or local restaurant

Then the rest of the day is your own free time

Accommodation (3 or 4 star), breakfast, lunch, entrance fees and transfers are included in the price of your tour. You only need to allow for 4 evening meals and extra drinks. The tour price is approximately \$935 and includes 5 nights accommodation. Interpreter and guide services are also included. This price is for a single person, we have discounts available for groups.

There is so much to do in the evenings in Kiev, theatres, clubs, restaurants etc. Please ask the guides for recommendations.