George Enescu Festival small group tour of Romania

Sep 01 2021 to Sep 21 2021

Small group tours George Enescu Festival | Bucharest, Romania

The biennial George Enescu International Festival (September 2021) brings to Bucharest and a further seven cities more than 3,000 performers to some 80 events.

For Odyssey Travellers, we are pleased to be able to offer an escorted program that allows you to attend the 2021 George Enescu International Festival, which has been held in Bucharest since 1950. As a biennial (every two years) festival, the next festival will be held in
This small group tour is limited to 14 people. The tour includes five days touring Romania before the festival starts, and then 16 days in Bucharest (Romanian: București), the capital and largest city of Romania.

About George Enescu

The Romanian composer George Enescu (1881-1955) is considered by many critics as one of the neglected giants of the twentieth century. Prodigiously gifted, composing pieces from the age of seven as he studied the violin and the piano, Enescu’s abilities enabled him to study at the Vienna Conservatory from age seven, graduating just before his 13th birthday.

Enescu was best known in America as a conductor (where he was considered as a successor to Toscanini in New York) and in Europe as one of the greatest violinists of the century. But he was first and foremost a composer. Tragically, his mature works – works of extraordinary emotional depth and intricate beauty – remain almost unknown outside his native Romania.

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The 2021 program concert series offers almost 40 pieces by George Enescu, played by some of the world’s best orchestras. The 2019 program featured the Berlin Philharmonic and the London Symphony Orchestra. For Odyssey Travellers joining this tour, we anticipate being able to offer tickets to the majority of these concerts.

On this 2021 George Enescu Festival small group tour you spend the first five days on a short tour exploring and learning about Romania, before returning to Bucharest for a city tour and for the performances. Typically the program proposed for you would offer some 30 plus
concerts, typically attending two performances per day.

Odyssey is finalising the George Enescu Festival small group tour program that should provide you with absolute delight for some 21 days in Romania. Early booking is essential for those who would like to join this tour. The next festival will be in 2023.

**Travel Tips and Articles of Interest**

For Odyssey Travellers, articles that may be of interest are often published on this website to assist you with your tour planning.

For this small group tour to Romania, see these articles:

- [History of Transylvania](#)
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- [Small group tours](#)

We also have several articles you can read to prepare:

- [Practising Responsible Travel](#)
- [EU Introduces New Authorisation System for Visa-Free Travellers](#)
- [Problem of “Overtourism”](#)
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**Top 5**

1. Attend the Bi-yearly George Enescu Festival for 2019
2. Listen to more than 30 concerts and recitals in Bucharest.
3. Enjoy 5 days exploring and learning about Romania before the Festival
4. Tickets to the festival are category 1 or 2.
5. Enjoy the company of a Tour leader with a passion for Music

**Itinerary**

**Day 1**

**Locations:** Bucharest

**Overview:** After flying in to Bucharest, we make our own way to the hotel, where we enjoy an introductory dinner and program orientation.

**Accommodation:** Athenée Palace Hilton hotel or similar

**Day 2**

**Locations:** Brasov

**Overview:** After breakfast in the hotel, we head off for a sightseeing coach tour. Our first stop is Peles Castle, where we enjoy a guided tour of this majestic structure. The Castle is a Neo-Renaissance masterwork nestled in the Carpathian Mountains, near Sinaia, in Prahova County, Romania, on an existing medieval route linking Transylvania and Wallachia, built between 1873 and 1914. Its inauguration was held in 1883. It was constructed for King Carol I. We then take a guided tour of the famous Dracula Castle, before travelling to Brasov for an evening walking tour of the city, in which we visit the Black Church, among other attractions. Later on, we enjoy a group dinner in the hotel.

**Accommodation:** Overnight Hotel Belvedere or similar

**Day 3**

**Locations:** Sighisoara

**Overview:** After breakfast, we depart for Biertan, where we enjoy a tour of the spectacular fortified church. We then head to Sighisoara, where we enjoy a Citadel tour on foot with a local guide. While here, we also take in the main sights of the museum, and head to the History Museum to see the Clock Tower. We also visit the Torture Room Museum, along with the Medieval Weapons Museum. Later on, we enjoy dinner at the hotel.

**Accommodation:** Overnight Double Tree by Hilton Hotel Sighisoara -
Day 4

Locations: Bucharest

Overview: This morning, we depart for Bucharest, stopping for lunch at a local restaurant on the way. Once we reach our destination, we enjoy a guided tour of the Mogoșoaia Palace. The Palace was built between 1698-1702 by Constantin Brâncoveanu in what is called the Romanian Renaissance style or Brâncovenesc style. It bears the name of the widow of the Romanian boyar Mogoș, who owned the land it was built on.

Accommodation: Athenee Palace Hilton hotel or similar

Day 5

Locations: Bucharest

Overview: After breakfast in the hotel, we head out for a half-day tour of the city, taking in the main sights and enjoying a tour of the Palace of Parliament, the seat of the Parliament of Romania. Located on Dealul Arsenalului in central Bucharest (Sector 5), it is the second largest administrative building in the world,[1] after The Pentagon in the United States. With a height of 84 m, an area of 365,000 m² and having a volume of 2,550,000 m³, it is also the fourth biggest building in the world, after the Vehicle Assembly Building at Kennedy Space Center in Florida and the Temple of the Feathered Serpent in Teotihuacan, Mexico (and do not forget the Pentagon). In terms of weight, the Palace of Parliament is the heaviest building in the world. Later on, we visit the Romanian Costume Museum, as well as the Apostles Church. The remainder of the day is free to pursue our own interests at leisure. We regroup for dinner back at the hotel.

Accommodation: Athenee Palace Hilton hotel or similar

Day 6

Locations:

Overview: Today is the first day of the George Enescu Festival, which
we celebrate with several performances.

**Accommodation:** Athenee Palace Hilton hotel or similar

**Day 7**

**Locations:** Bucharest

**Overview:** Today is the second day of the George Enescu Festival.

**Accommodation:** Athenee Palace Hilton hotel or similar

**Day 8**

**Locations:** Bucharest

**Overview:** The third day of the Festival.

**Accommodation:** Athenee Palace Hilton hotel or similar

**Day 9**

**Locations:** Bucharest

**Overview:** The fourth day of the Festival.

**Accommodation:** Athenee Palace Hilton hotel or similar

**Day 10**

**Locations:** Bucharest

**Overview:** The fifth day of the Festival.

**Accommodation:** Athenee Palace Hilton hotel or similar

**Day 11**

**Locations:** Bucharest

**Overview:** The sixth day of the Festival.

**Accommodation:** Athenee Palace Hilton hotel or similar
Day 12

Locations: Bucharest
Overview: The seventh day of the Festival.
Accommodation: Athenee Palace Hilton hotel or similar

Day 13

Locations: Bucharest
Overview: The eighth day of the Festival.
Accommodation: Athenee Palace Hilton hotel or similar

Day 14

Locations: Bucharest
Overview: The ninth day of the Festival.
Accommodation: Athenee Palace Hilton hotel or similar

Day 15

Locations: Bucharest
Overview: The tenth day of the Festival
Accommodation: Athenee Palace Hilton hotel or similar

Day 16

Locations: Bucharest
Overview: The eleventh day of the Festival.
Accommodation: Athenee Palace Hilton hotel or similar

Day 17

Locations: Bucharest
Overview: The twelfth day of the Festival
Accommodation: Athenee Palace Hilton hotel or similar
Day 18

Locations: Bucharest

Overview: The thirteenth day of the Festival. On the final night of the tour, we enjoy a farewell dinner at the hotel.

Accommodation: Athenee Palace Hilton hotel or similar

Day 19

Locations: Bucharest

Overview: After breakfast at the hotel we say our farewells and the tour draws to a close.

Accommodation:

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