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Folk Experience



Special Bread & Salt welcome at hotel or airport

“Bread and salt” is a traditional ceremony of welcome as a symbol of Ukrainian hospitality. It is a big round black or white bread on the embroidered towel with a little salt shaker on the top. Historians say that when the tsar visited Ukrainian and Russian towns, in the old times merchants and gentry expected him near the opened gates of the town with a bread and salt. The tradition is still practiced, but mostly at the wedding ceremonies. This special welcome can be arranged especially for you at the airport or your hotel. One or several girls in traditional costumes and flower crowns will welcome your guests in a traditional style.



Ukrainian folk party in the art place of a folk master

Duration: 2,5 - 3 hours

Venue: private art-room of a traditional folk handcraft master

Description: participate in the private folklore evening, where you will experience old Ukrainian traditions. Such an evening is called " vechornytsi ", which means festive evenings. You can try cooking traditional Ukrainian dish vareniki , taste them, try on traditional Ukrainian head dresses, listen to historic carols, speak with handcrafts master and participate in some handcraft master class yourself (at additional cost). Immerse into Ukrainian traditions together with the famous folk master!



Make your own Pysanka (traditional Easter Egg) with the famous folk master Oksana Bilous

Oksana Bilous is a Ukrainian master of Easter egg painting, egg decoration, Honored Master of Folk Art of Ukraine, and a member of the Union of Masters of Folk Art of Ukraine since 1994.

Pani Oksana has created the first collection of traditional Easter Eggs of Ukraine. In 2005 2008 she created a personal exhibition "The universe in my hands", which included about 2 000 traditional folk Easter eggs from several collections of the late 19th century. She wrote and published several manuals about Easter Egg Painting. She has completely recreated Kateryna Skarzhynska's Collection of Easter Eggs and continues to research her heritage.

Pani Oksana Bilous is the master, who will teach you how to create your own Pysanka (Easter Eggs).

Example: <https://youtu.be/D291XK5DG7Q>



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Kyiv Rus Experience



Private music event in the GOLDEN GATE

Especially for you, only for 1 evening,
we can arrange a private music event inside the legendary Golden Gate, the symbol of Kyiv .

The Golden Gate is a unique fortification architecture monument that survived since its construction in 1017-1024. It served as a main ceremonial entrance to Kyiv . The great tower with the Annunciation Church delighted contemporaries and terrified enemies, due to its inaccessibility. The name of the Gate in Kyiv reminds of the famous entrance to Constantinople: Kyiv prince Yaroslav the Wise wanted to demonstrate that his country was as powerful as Byzantine Empire.



Private music event in the GOLDEN GATE

Music concert options:

- famous ethno-jazz group Man Sound performing a cappella world and Ukrainian songs.

<http://www.youtube.com/mansoundkiev>

- Modern and Ukrainian music performed by a known musician playing the Ukrainian traditional instrument “bandura” <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xPDHRYGe0sM/>
- other music options can also be discussed

Dinner option:

- Guests will enjoy the concert, buffet dinner, and open bar.
- After private reception, dinner in a restaurant can be arranged

Before



After



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Experience at UNESCO Heritage Site: private dinner and concert



Saint Sophia Cathedral complex dated XI cent and included in UNESCO World Heritage list





Cathedral complex

- Sophia Cathedral
- Bell tower
- House of the Metropolitan
- Refectory Church
- Zaborovsky Gate
- Memorial Stela of Yaroslav's library



Wine and food tasting in the Archbishop House (located at St. Sophia UNESCO Heritage site)

Details:
2 hours

Features:

- Walk around the Sophia of Kyiv National Conservation Area and go down to the cellar of Metropolitan House
- Learn the history of the cellars founded by monks of Sophia monastery in XVII century
- Feel like monks – taste authentic monastery food ("family style") and wines (3 types + 1 vintage)



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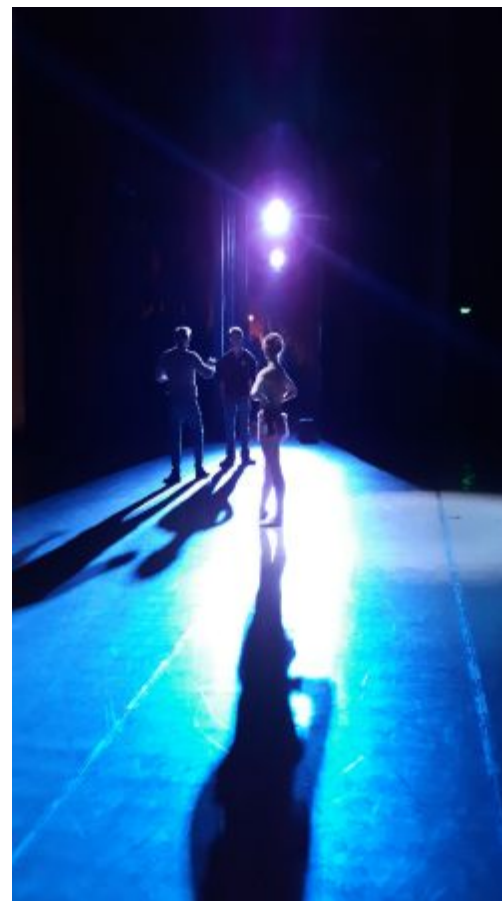


Cultural Kyiv



Opera backstage tour

During your private visit to the National Theater of Opera and Ballet, walk through all the hidden corridors of this historic building, which remained the same from 1901. Discover how the stage works, where they keep decorations, take a glimpse into ballet training rooms and walk through artists' changing rooms. And finish with an amazing performance at this gorgeous theater.



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Memories of Soviet Kyiv



Soviet Old timer cars for special transfers



Dive deep into the Soviet times by riding vintage Soviet cars.
We have a variety of **Soviet cars** (about 50 cars, availability TBD for your particular date) for Soviet-style transportation during:

- ✓ Transfers within Kyiv
- ✓ City tour
- ✓ Special photo session at the Aviation Museum (location of the annual Old Car fest)

No possibility for test-drive. Each car with a driver only.



Climb the Motherland Statue

www.warmuseum.kiev.ua

Duration of the visit: 45 min

Complex built in 1981 on the Pechersk hills above the Dnipro river. The colossal **62 meter statue of the Motherland** (102 meters or 335 feet with the pedestal) is made of special stainless steel. You will take the elevator to the circular observation deck on the pedestal (37 m), then another elevator to the statue's chest level, and the stairs to the shield (**92 m**) with space only **for 2 people** (45 min to go to the top).

Dress code for climbing: trousers and sporting shoes recommended. Shoes with high heels are not allowed.





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Chernobyl Experience



Unique Chernobyl Experience

Options are:

- ✓ **Visit Chernobyl Exclusion Zone**
- ✓ Immerse into the atmosphere of 1986: reenactment of decontamination of your vehicle and/or use of a retro car of that period.
- ✓ **Fly from Kyiv to Chernobyl by helicopter + flight over Exclusion Zone**
- ✓ **Cross-country driving the Sherp (ATV) in the exclusion zone**
- ✓ **Private kayaking in the Pripyat river**
- ✓ **Following the filming sites of the HBO miniseries**
- ✓ **Private Tour inside the Nuclear Power Plant**
- ✓ **Under the Arch (new Sarcophagus Confinement) tour**
- ✓ **Visit** the graveyard of the vehicles that took part in decontamination process **in Buryakovka**
- ✓ **Lunch** at the typical Soviet **canteen as part of experience** (but we can arrange catering to serve private lunch for guests)
- ✓ **Meet real liquidators** and listen to their real stories
- ✓ **Meet self-settlers and visit their houses** - elderly people, who returned to Exclusion zone soon after the catastrophe and have lived there for many years
- ✓ Private short **concert at Cooling tower** (special permission should be arranged)





Alternative: visit Nuclear Power Plant in Chernobyl

Study trips to the **Chernobyl nuclear power plant** for professionals, nuclear engineering students and specialists.

A tour to the heart of the Chernobyl Exclusion Zone - the building of ChNPP, which is now in the process of decommissioning,,and the "Arch" - new confinement covering the dilapidated original "Shelter".

As part of a study tour to the Chernobyl nuclear power plant, you can visit:

- ❑ **new confinement "Arch".** Construction of a new "Sarcophagus" over the old one significantly reduced the danger of an existing object "Shelter". New Safe Confinement is one of the biggest arch structures in the world. Its height is over 108 meters, its length is 162 meters, and span of the arch is more than 257 meters. Weight of the construction is more than 25 000 tones.
 - ❑ **mockup hall at the Administrative and Service Complex (ASC-1) of the ChNPP.** Here, professional staff of the Chernobyl NPP will introduce visitors to organizational and technical structure of the nuclear power plant.
 - ❑ **"golden corridor" extending through the building of the ChNPP.** The famous and seemingly endless corridor.
 - ❑ **the control panel of the reactor (CP).** If the nuclear reactor is the heart of the ChNPP then the control panel is its brain.
 - ❑ **machine (turbine) hall.** Heavy work area. Nuclear energy is converted into electrical energy here.
- reactor hall.** Heart of the unit. The nuclear reactor is situated here. This is the place where nuclear energy is created. Workers in the nuclear power plant will tell you how it happens



IMMERSE INTO ATMOSPHERE



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Foodie experience



Meadery master-class and tasting

Duration: 2 hours

Location: Dnipro island or any other outdoor venue

Master of meadery will show us, how mead was made in Medieval times in Kyiv Rus, followed by tasting of 3 types of mead. Additionally we can arrange a master-class of making wax candles in a very traditional way from natural wax (which smells fantastic) and taste honey with natural herbs tea.



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**Other experiences available
based on client's interests**





...to return to
Ukraine once again...

Intellectual property




About the offered program

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