

Discover Slovenia**7 days – 6 nights****Ljubljana, Bled, Bohinj, Kranjska Gora, Postojna Caves, Predjama, Ptuj, Jeruzalem, Maribor, Celje
Discovery, Culture, History**

**This program may be operated for individuals or for groups
This is a suggested itinerary**

Coming from the former Yugoslavia, this small Alpine country concentrates a historical diversity where many cultures intertwine such as Slavic, Germanic, Roman and Hungarian culture. With its alpine peaks, unspoiled forests, many captivating caves, Adriatic coast sunsets and magical glacial lakes, Slovenia has earned its reputation as the green and sunny heart of Europe.

Day 1: Ljubljana

After your arrival at Ljubljana airport you'll be met by our representative and transferred to your chosen hotel. Rest of the day at leisure. Dinner at the hotel. [D]

Day 2: Ljubljana

A guided walking tour of Ljubljana is a great way to get to know the city. You will pass by the most popular sites while learning more about history, architecture and culture from your guide. Explore the well-preserved medieval buildings and atmosphere and perfectly safe narrow lanes leading to charming little squares and buildings at the same time learning stories about the history of Ljubljana with your local guide. The tour ends with a visit to the medieval Ljubljana Castle where you can climb to the top of the castle tower for panoramic views of the city. The rest of the day is at leisure for you to continue discovering the city on your own. Dinner and overnight at the hotel. [B/D]

Day 3: Ljubljana (Bled, Bohinj, Kranjska Gora)

The short drive to Bled will offer you beautiful views of the mountains in the Julian Alps. Bled will amaze you with its emerald lake, its small magical island and its imposing castle perched on a rocky cliff. After visiting the castle, you will embark on a traditional "pletna" boat that will take you to the only island in Slovenia. Continue to Bohinj known for its glacial lake, unspoiled nature and exceptional beauty. Lunch in Bohinj and continuation to Kranjska Gora that owes its international fame to an event that takes place every year, the Vitranc Cup (pokal Vitranc in Slovenian). It's actually a world cup alpine skiing event where the best skiers on the planet compete in the disciplines of slalom and giant slalom. This event has been taking place since 1961. Return to Ljubljana for dinner and overnight. [B/L/D]

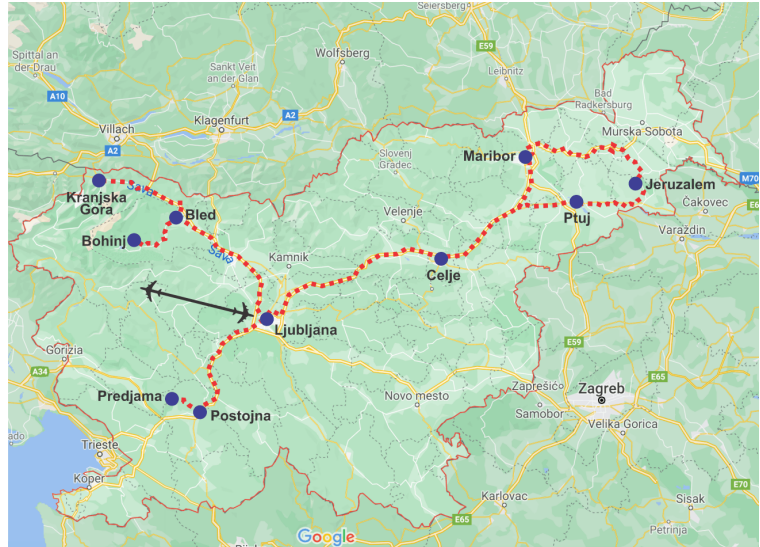
Day 4: Ljubljana (Postojna Caves, Predjama)

This morning we'll drive to Postojna to visit the most captivating cave in the world with magnificent sculptures of concretions and a very varied fauna. Enjoy an unforgettable journey underground with the little train and experience a majestic underground paradise, built by tiny drops for millions of years. Only the Postojna cave allows you to see so closely the most precious column-shaped shine and also discover the real baby dragons. In the Postojna cave, as on the surface, rise mountains, bubble rivers and huge open caves. The cave is a challenge for explorers and the cradle of biospeleology around the world. Continue to Predjama Castle that has the particularity of being built above an abyss but also on underground caves. The castle visit extends over 6 floors. Passing from floor to floor you can admire many pieces dating from one of the following three eras: Gothic, Renaissance or Romanesque. During your visit, you will live an experience that will transport you through history thanks to the staging established in each room. You can admire different period objects and furniture as well as very realistic wax figures. Return to Ljubljana to enjoy a Slovenian evening with typical dinner and folk dances. [B/L/D]

Day 5 Ljubljana, Ptuj, Jeruzalem, Maribor (the wine route)

Ptuj is the oldest referenced city in Slovenia. There is evidence that it has been inhabited since the

end of the Stone Age. It has a long and rich history because it is located at a strategic intersection of the Drava River. During the Roman Empire, it was a military town called Poetovium and, later, became part of the Austro-Hungarian Empire. At the top of the city is the Ptuj Castle which protects the 2 monasteries below: Dominican and Minorite. The castle is a fortress first built in the 11th century under the Archdiocese of Salzburg and rebuilt in the 18th and 19th centuries. On the second floor is the castle gallery with paintings from the 16th to the 18th century. They represent portraits of noble families, landscapes and religious or mythological scenes. An entire section of the museum is devoted to musical instruments of all ages. It is the richest collection in Slovenia with around 300 pieces. Departure to the wine route and the village of Jérusalem. Welcome by a winemaker followed by lunch and tasting. In the afternoon, a tour of the vineyards on the hillsides that stretch as far as the eye can see over magnificent Arrival in Maribor, dinner accommodation. [B/L/T/D]



Day 6: Maribor, Celje, Ljubljana

After a leisurely breakfast we take a short drive to Celje. Let yourself be surprised by the famous city of princes. Explore its medieval old town, its museums, its timeless architecture and its impressive buildings such as its castle or the palace of the princes to retrace the prestigious past of the city. Halfway between Ljubljana and Ptuj, Celje is now the third largest city in Slovenia. Its impressive fortified castle sits at the top of the hill, dominating the entire city and its surroundings. This medieval fortress was first built in the 13th century and then renovated in the 14th and 15th centuries during the reign of the Counts of Celje. Stroll in this old castle and climb the Frédéric Tower, which rises to 75 feet. Up there you will enjoy a lovely view of Celje, its countryside and green mountains. Lunch at one of the city's restaurants and continuation to Ljubljana with free time. In the evening enjoy a typical Slovenian dinner with music and entertainment. [B/L/D]

Day 7: Ljubljana, USA

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel. At the appointed time you be met and transferred to the airport to board your flight back home. [B]

[B] = Breakfast | [D] = Dinner | [B/D] = Breakfast and Dinner | [B/T/D] = Breakfast, Tasting and Dinner

Your Tour Includes:

- Round-trip airfare USA-Ljubljana
- Arrival and departure transfers at all airports
- 6 nights' accommodation:
 - Ljubljana 5 nights
 - Maribor 1 night
- Meals
 - Breakfast Daily
 - 4 lunches
 - Dinner daily
- Visit Ljubljana Castle
- Boat ride to Bled Island
- Enjoy Lake Bohinj
- Kranjska Gora Ski resort
- Ride the underground train in Postojna Cave
- Tour Predjama Castle
- Visit Ptuj Castle
- Wine tour in Jeruzalem
- Discover Medieval Celje
- Traditional evening in Ljubljana
- English-speaking local guides
- English-speaking driver-guide
- A/C vehicle adjusted to party size
- Local taxes

Tour does not include:

- Taxes or surcharges related to airline tickets
- Travel insurance
- All alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks
- Other meals not mentioned in itinerary
- Extras and gratuities
- Early check-in, late check-out
- Expenses of personal nature

Hotels in your Tour:

City	Hotel Name	Tripadvisor
First Class		
Ljubljana	Hotel Cubo	5
Maribor	Hotel Bau	4
Deluxe		
Ljubljana	Urban Boutique Hotel	4.5
Maribor	Hotel Bau	4

Hotel will be confirmed at time of booking

Tour Prices:

From: 1,065 including airfare

Add-ons available from all US gateways.

Prices are per person and may change without notice

These programs can be customized for individuals and for groups

Changes to this program may be requested by phone (1855-55-TOURS) or using the web FIT Quote Request

• Airfare

We also be glad to add the necessary airfare from your gateway so you take advantage of our special discounted leisure fares

• Program

You may add or remove;

- Trip days
- Cities and sites
- Meals

• Other options

- The program was designed with private services, however, we may substitute shared sightseeing where available
- If you prefer deluxe services we may operate this program including private driver, private guide and concierge service.

• Quotation

Once we have designed the program the way you want we'll give you a quote within 2 business days.

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Options:

- Lunches and dinners can be arranged for individuals, families and groups at top restaurants or any restaurant requested by you.
- We can revise the itinerary to spend more time and provide more depth in those areas that you are interested on.
- Any other changes to the itinerary will be accommodated depending on the facilities available in the area.

Group Quotations

- If you wish to use these programs for your group or as the basis for a customized journey please either call us (1-855-55-TOURS or use the web Group Quote Request.
- In either case our specialists will work with to refine all the details and they will get you a quote with 2 business days. Quotes may be obtained for the air and land portions of just for the land journey.
- Booking both air and land with us will represent savings for you because of our buying power and longtime relationship with the airlines.
- We will also may have the choice between regular fares and special leisure fares not available to the public.