



Tour Name

Private Bucharest: Christmas Pop-up Tour

Tour City

Bucharest

Tour Snapshot

Ready to feel festive? Join an expert local guide and get the lowdown on winter traditions in Bucharest with stops at three Christmas markets sure to get you in the holiday spirit. Sip mulled wine as you browse stalls selling authentic handmade products and traditional holiday foods, and learn all about local winter celebrations in the city.

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Highlights

- Get an introduction to Bucharest's history focusing on local Christmas traditions and customs with a local guide leading the way
- Visit some of the best Christmas markets in Romania, soak up the festive vibes, and pick up some local souvenirs
- Discover Romanian winter traditions for Christmas and New Year's Eve

- Find out how winter celebrations have changed over the years and how they were affected during communist times
- Sample Romanian food and drinks popular during the winter holiday season (hot wine, hot apple juice, biscuit salami or homemade chocolate)

Inclusions: Local English-speaking guide, traditional homemade chocolate bar, two hot wines or two hot apple juice or tea, biscuit salami, one souvenir.

Exclusions: Additional food and drinks, souvenirs and personal shopping, tips/gratuities for your guide.

Schedule details

- Duration:3.5 hours
- Pickup location:
Pick-up at centrally located hotel in Bucharest.
- {label-what3words-location}
- Pickup time: Various
- Drop off location:
Drop-off at centrally located hotel in Bucharest.

Full Itinerary

Your Bucharest Christmas markets tour will start with a short introduction to our history and the city, but also with some stories about local winter celebrations.

We'll then head to our first Christmas market to start the festive exploring. Here you'll learn about how the Christmas tree was brought to our country by the royal family (with time to take photos in front of the tree). We'll also drink our first hot drink of the day, either mulled wine or hot apple juice, and accompany it with a homemade chocolate bar.

We will continue with a walk through the Old Town where we will discover a very nice Christmas flea market inside the former Stock Exchange Palace. We will then walk along Lipsicani street, one of the most famous streets during the medieval period, with a stop at Carturesti Carusel, one of the most beautiful bookshops the world!

Our tour will continue with visits to three amazing inns from the 19th century. In the past, it was here that goods and gifts for Christmas were sold by merchants coming from Western Europe.

Next, we will take the most famous communist boulevard toward the second Christmas Market to admire the flamboyant light displays, but also to discover how Christmas was celebrated during communism when Santa Claus was abolished and "Old Man Frostie" (a communist invention) was put in his place.

Antim Monastery is next, one of the most beautiful and quiet places in town, a place with a history going back more 300 years. Here we will discover the connection Romanians still have to religion and what the birth of Jesus means to them.

The last stop will be the biggest Christmas market in Romania. Local craft shops will tempt you with their authentic handmade products, clothes, ceramics, wooden spoons, and jewellery. This is also where you'll find vendors selling traditional food and drinks. As we explore the last market, we will grab a traditional Christmas sweet and another hot wine or hot tea to keep warm.

The tour will end in the here but there will time to shop if you want to pick up any gifts or souvenirs. This is where you will also receive a small souvenir as a Christmas gift from us.

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Child Policy: This is a child-friendly tour. Children between the ages of 6 and 11 inclusively are permitted on this tour at the rate listed above. Please select 'child' above when booking. Children under the age of 6 are permitted to join this tour free of charge. Please inform us at the time of booking if you'll be bringing a child under the age of 6. You can do so in the special request box on the checkout page.

Dietary Notes

We can accommodate vegetarians and other dietary restrictions. Please notify us in advance if you have any dietary requests. You can do so in the 'Additional information' box at checkout, or by emailing us at info@bucharesturbanadventures.com

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