

# Devin & Koprivštica 2021

After 12 successful editions, and after the cancelled “Corona” summerseminar in 2020, once again Prof. Nikolaj Cvetkov and his team organise a folkdance summer seminar partly in the “Orpheus” Spa Hotel in Devin (the Rhodopes) and partly in Pirdop with attending the Koprivštica festival. As always, it will be a combination of:

- Bulgarian folk dancing course in a spacious room with wooden floor
  - Meetings with local folklore groups, and attending a folklore festival
  - Excursions that will illustrate the richness of Bulgarian culture and nature
- ...And in addition, the use of the possibilities that the Spa-Hotel offers us (swimming pools, saunas, fitness room ...)

The coordination of the subscriptions is made by “Balkan Brugge”<sup>1</sup> [balkanbrugge@telenet.be](mailto:balkanbrugge@telenet.be).

The number of participants is limited. Registrations will be treated in chronological order.

## Travel to Bulgaria 11 days, from 7/30 to 8/9/2021 890€<sup>2</sup>, (flight to Sofia NOT INCLUDED)

This price includes:

- The bus transfers from and to the Sofia Airport
- 7 nights accommodation in double room (a small number of single rooms are available with a supplement) in Devin, 3 nights in double or triple rooms in Pirdop.
- During the festival a shuttle-bus takes us to Koprivštica, several times a day, till late in the evening.
- Full board ( 3 meals per day, non-alcoholic drinks included) in Devin, half-board during the festival.
- About 25 hours of Bulgarian folk dance course (meant for dancers with some experience in the Balkan dances). This course is led by Nikolaj Cvetkov himself, by his assistant Georgi Garov and professional dancers of the Pirin ensemble. The lessons are accompanied with live music.
- Introduction to the Bulgarian song and music tradition led by professional musicians/singers.
- Visits to museums and meetings with traditional groups.
- Excursions.
- Entrance fees for the museums or chairlift.

The price does not include:

- The flight to Sofia.
- Surcharge for single room.
- Various insurances (cancellation, medical expenses ...): each participant travels on his own responsibility.
- The personal expenses (drinks, gifts, tips ...).

For registration forms: send a mail to [balkanbrugge@telenet.be](mailto:balkanbrugge@telenet.be). An advance of 100€ is required at the time of registration. The registrations will be treated in chronological order according to the date of payment. When the group is complete there will be a waiting list.

Terms of payment:

- first payment (100€) at the time of registration.
- Second payment (200€) before the 1<sup>st</sup> of April 2021, the balance cash on the spot.
- In case of cancellation before April 1<sup>st</sup>, 50 % of the advance will be refunded, if cancellation after April 1<sup>st</sup>, 50% of the advance will be refunded only if a substitute is found.

Subject to changes

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<sup>1</sup> Balkan-Brugge is only “coordinator”, and cannot be held responsible for anything

<sup>2</sup> Important: for those who have already attended a seminar in Bulgaria, organised by Prof. N. Cvetkov the price is **860,00€**