

HORTOBAGY NATIONAL PARK

Excursion to Hortobagy Park



Duration: 4h30 · Type: Classic

Departure by coach to visit Hortobagy Park. Created in 1973, Hortobagy national park is located on the Great Plain of Hungary: the Puszta. Hortobagy Park is one of Europe's largest expanses of grassland. It is unique and gives all its meaning to the word "Puszta", which means at once desert-like and desolated, as well as a grouping of isolated farms and vast plain. The park covers 70,000 hectares, and has been listed as a World Cultural Heritage site since 1999. It teems with incomparable curiosities and treasures.

Riding aboard a charabanc - a traditional horse-drawn carriage with wooden benches - you'll be amazed by the wonderful landscapes and unusual fauna of the Puszta. In a small part of the Hungarian Steppe, you'll get to observe Racka sheep with their spiral-shaped horns, Mangalica pigs with their curly coats and Hungarian Grey cattle with their long, curved horns, as well as rare species of birds. In the course of your visit, you'll get the chance to attend a traditional equestrian show while tasting* "palinka" (plum eau-de-vie) and some "pogacs" (small savory buns) as well as mineral water, sheltered from the sun under a thatched roof. The csikós, the mounted horse-herdsmen of Hungary dressed in traditional blue attire, will invite you to take part in their "games of skill and ability".

After your visit of the park, you will have some free time near the famous Nine Arch Bridge of Hortobagy before returning on board in Tiszafüred.

PLEASE NOTE

- Good walking shoes, sunglasses and caps are recommended.
- The order of the visits can change.

- Times are approximate.
- *Alcohol can be harmful to your health. Please drink in moderation.