

the guide



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More than 6500 people from over 85 countries on 6 continents have already joined the free English-language walking tour of Sofia – Free Sofia Tour.

Free Sofia Tour is the number 1 thing to do in Sofia and is undoubtedly a must-see. This is not just a walking tour but an experience that will give you a great introduction of Sofia and Bulgaria.

Free Sofia Tour lasts about 2 hours and includes the main cultural and historical sites in the city centre, as well as information about the local way of life. The experienced guides help all the guests with useful practical information about their stay in Bulgaria even after the end of the tour.

The tour is completely free of charge but if you want – you can leave a donation. Also, you don't have to make a reservation for the tour.

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Museums

ARCHAEOLOGICAL INSTITUTE AND MUSEUM, BULGARIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES — The permanent exhibition in the Archaeological Institute and Museum halls present Antiquity, Early Christianity, Middle ages, Pre- History, Treasures. Center, 2 Saborna Str. T: (+359) 2 988 24 06, naim.bg, www.naim.bg, Open daily: 9am-5pm **Map C3**

CRYPT OF ST. ALEXANDER NEVSKY CATHEDRAL — Built by Russian architects inspired by the glories of ancient Byzantium, this multi-domed ecclesiastical monster has been Sofia's visual trademark ever since its completion in 1924. Center, St. Alexander Nevski Sqr., T: (+359) 2 881 704, (+359) 2 981 57 75,

Open daily: 10am-12.30pm and 2pm-6.30pm, closed on Mon **Map C4**

EARTH AND MAN NATIONAL MUSEUM — A geological history and cross section of the minerals and rocks in Bulgaria, including giant crystal and Precious Stones. Lozenets Distr., 4 Cherni Vrah Blvd., T: (+359) 2 865 66 39, (+359) 2 866 14 57, earth.and.man@gmail.com, www.earthandman.org, Open Tue-Sun: 10am-6pm **Map E2**

NATIONAL ETHNOGRAPHIC MUSEUM — A collection of 10000 exhibits showing the lifestyle and occupation of the Bulgarians in the 19th century. Center, 1 Knyaz Alexander I Batenberg Sqr., T: (+359) 2 805 26 11, (+359) 2 805 26 12, nem@mbbox.contact.bg, www.ethnography.cc.bas.bg, Open Tue-Sun: 10am-5pm **Map C3**

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF HISTORY — The permanent exhibition of the museum spans Bulgaria's history from the 4th century BC to the Third Bulgarian Kingdom, 1946. Boyana Distr., 16 Vitoshko Lale Str., T: (+359) 2 955 42 90; (+359) 2 955 42 80; (+359) 2 955 62 26, nim1973@abv.bg, www.historymuseum.org, Open daily: 9.30am-4.30pm

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF MILITARY HISTORY — A couple of display halls stuffed with uniforms and weaponry, and a hugely enjoyable outdoor section featuring all manner of tanks, jet fighters and Soviet-era long-range missiles. Poduyane Distr., 92 Cherkovna Str., T: (+359) 2 946 18 05-09, m.museum@bol.bg, www.militarymuseum.bg. Open Wed-Sun: 10am-6pm **Map C5**

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