



Genealogy Exploration 2020

Hosted by The Slovenian Genealogy Society International, Inc.

INCLUDED FEATURES:

- ✓ Accommodation in listed hotels, taxes included
- ✓ Archive visits in Ljubljana arranged by SGSI
- ✓ Optional visits to the Archives in Koper & Maribor available through arrangements with SGSI
- ✓ Meeting with Dr. Noah Charney, author of the book "Slovenology"
- ✓ Breakfast daily
- ✓ 1 meeting room in Ptuj with a coffee break & lunch
- ✓ 1 welcome dinner at hotel or local restaurant incl. 1 glass of wine + coffee/tea
- ✓ 1 lunch at local restaurant + coffee/tea
- ✓ 1 farewell dinner at the local restaurant with 1 glass of wine + coffee/tea
- ✓ 2 wine tastings
- ✓ Entrances and inclusions indicated with bold letters
- ✓ Rafting excursion with light lunch & drinks
- ✓ Professional English speaking tour director
- ✓ Roundtrip airport transfers (1 ride each way)
- ✓ Transportation by modern A/C motor coach per itinerary (Sep 17-20)

HOTELS:

- ✓ Sep 17-20: Ptuj, **Grand Hotel Primus**
- ✓ Sep 20-26: Ljubljana, **Grand Hotel Union**

\$2,099 PER PERSON IN DOUBLE OCCUPANCY, LAND ONLY (Minimum 30 people)
SINGLE ROOM SUPPLEMENT: **\$889**

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The intent of the 2020 “Genealogy Journey” to our homeland is to make a connection with your Slovenian heritage. You will first learn about the unique culture, history, and geography of the Prekmurje and Stajerska regions of Slovenia. Next, we will travel to Ljubljana where you will research your family’s history, either at the Ljubljana, Koper, or Maribor archives. We will be staying at Grand Union Hotel which is just one block from the main square. Our Tour Director will be available to discuss the cost of local transportation, car rental, or private driver/translator services. Volunteer staff from SGSI’s Macek Research Center will contact you prior to your departure to Europe and will assist you in preparing for your research. Please join us on this unforgettable journey of touring, researching, and finding your Slovenian roots.

DAY 1, 16 Sep: Departure from the States

Day 2, 17 Sep: arrival to Ljubljana Airport – Ptuj, Thu

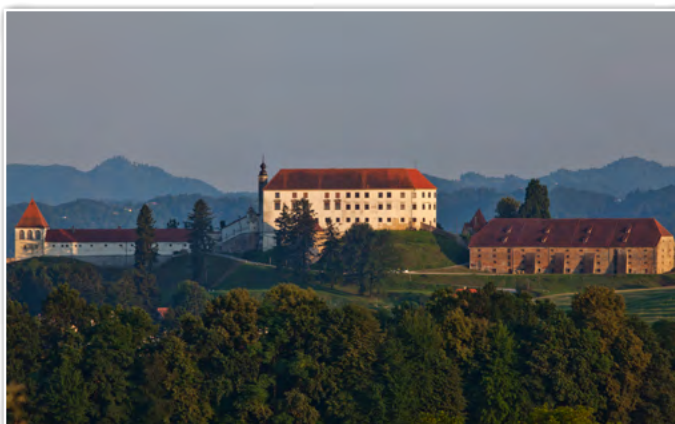
Transfer (1 ride) by bus to Ptuj in Slovenia. Meet and greet at the hotel with welcome drink followed by welcome dinner in the hotel or local restaurant.



Overnight at hotel. (D)

Day 3, 18 Sep: Ptuj, Fri

Morning conference from 08:00-12:00 (included basic equipment and coffee break (coffee, tea and croissant). Lunch included in the hotel. Visit local family who produce the Kurent costume. Family



will present you the history of the costume and the manufacturing. (□) Afterwards, we will continue with a short walking tour of this charming small town including entrance to **Ptuj castle** (□,●) and visit a local wine producer (Ptuj Wine cellar or similar) for wine tasting. Enjoy evening at leisure and overnight in Ptuj. (B,L)

Day 4, 19 Sep: Ptuj – Maribor, Sat

After breakfast drive to Maribor for city sightseeing tour and at the end you will board a **timber raft** (□). The happy mood onboard will be contributed to by the Splavarski trio (Rafter’s Trio) with their Slovene music and they will also enrich your experience onboard with a Rafter’s Baptism of one of the guests. The program also includes a presentation of river Drava timber rafting in past times, a rafter’s snack, drinks according to the “all you can drink” system and a tasting of traditional rafter’s coffee, which is brewed onboard in the raft’s kitchen just as it was in days of old. During the raft you will have also a light lunch (bowl of traditional goulash). Drive to Ptuj for overnight. (B, light L)



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Day 5, 20 Sep: Ptuj – Ljubljana, Sun

Breakfast at hotel. Morning mass in church in Ptuj (not private). Drive to Ljubljana. We will stop in Kamnik and in local restaurant we will first **meet with Dr. Noah Charney**, perhaps the most famous American living in Slovenia and author of the book *Slovenology*, continue with the lunch. Evening sightseeing of lovely Ljubljana, including the historic city center, a **funicular ride** to the **Ljubljana castle**. We will explore a mighty medieval fortress. **(B,L)**

Day 6, 21 Sep: Ljubljana, Mon

Breakfast at hotel. Archive appointments in Ljubljana. Optional archive appointments in Koper and Maribor available. **(B)**

Day 7, 22 Sep: Ljubljana, Tue

Breakfast at hotel. Archive appointments in Ljubljana. Optional archive appointments in Koper and Maribor available. **(B)**

Day 8, 23 Sep: Ljubljana, Wed

Breakfast at hotel. Archive appointments in Ljubljana. Optional archive appointments in Koper and Maribor available. **(B)**

Day 9, 24 Sep: Ljubljana, Thu

Breakfast at hotel. Archive appointments in Ljubljana. Optional archive appointments in Koper and Maribor available.

In the evening “farewell” dinner at local restaurant in Gostilna Belšak on Slavkov dom or similar. **(B, D)**

Day 10, 25 Sep: Ljubljana, Fri

Breakfast at hotel. Archive appointments in Ljubljana. Optional archive appointments in Koper and Maribor available. **(B)**

Day 11, 26 Sep: depart Ljubljana, Sat

After breakfast drive (1 ride) to Ljubljana airport for flight back home. **(B)**

The Legend

□ - Easy	B - Breakfast
◇ - Moderate	L - Lunch
● - Hard	D - Dinner

Final payment due: **July 15, 2020**

Please Note: A valid passport is required of all tour participants. Your passport must be valid for at least 6 months following your return to the United States.



Terms & Conditions

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Tour Price Excludes: Airfare, customs user fees, passports, all visa fees, optional tours, telephone, and fax charges, excess baggage charges, sundry tips, laundry, beverages and food not specified in the itinerary, portage at U.S./Canada airports, travel insurance, service charges except where indicated and all other items of a personal nature.

Refund and Unused or Amended Tour Arrangements: Unused hotel accommodations, tour features, or services are non-refundable and non-exchangeable. If changes are requested by the traveler(s), any additional expenses will be charged to the traveler(s). If a change of accommodations becomes necessary for any reason, hotel(s) substituted will be the equivalent of those listed in the itinerary. Single rooms may be available at a supplemental charge.

Cancellation Penalties: If you cancel your reservations, your right to receive a refund is limited as set forth in the following schedule. All requests for refunds must be sent to us in writing, and cancellation date will be determined by the date written notification is received.

Charges for cancellations of the tour will be assessed by the participating tour operators, and hotels as follows:

- After deposit – U.S. \$350.00 per person;
- 60-30 days prior to departure – 75% penalty per person
- 29 days or less prior to departure – 100% penalty and no refund.

Once airfare is purchased, it is generally non-refundable and fees apply for any changes. Cancellation charges also apply to all accommodations and other travel arrangements.

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September 16 - 26, 2020

Enclosed is my deposit of \$350.00 per person per trip. I have agreed to the terms and conditions applicable to this tour package.

PASSPORT REQUIRED (Must be valid 6 months or more from return date)

Signature: _____

Your personal and/or bank check welcome. If paying by credit card, please circle: AMEX, VISA, DISCOVER, MASTERCARD

Please send copies of your passports with deposit.

Name as it appears on your passport: _____ Birth Date: _____

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() NO, I decline insurance protection