



**PRIDE4 staff placement in Bulgaria on  
“Local traditional Crafts and Heritage III”**



**placement dates** 22 – 29 Sept 2022

The PRIDE4 project follows the successful delivery of PRIDE in 2016-17. As before around 15 European countries offer a number of pre-agreed ‘structured training courses’ (STC’s) to adult education staff from Grampus’s UK-based consortium of 15 partners involved in rural sustainability. PRIDE 2+3 embraces “Green Village” (an earlier “Leonardo da Vinci” project) principles of environmental, cultural, social and economic sustainability in the countryside.

**Placement host:** Devetaki Plateau Association / Mrs : Velislava CHILINGIROVA  
Troyan, Bulgaria

**Program:** Day 1 – Thursday 15/22.9.: Arrival at Sofia Airport, meeting by DPA /Velis/, if the group arrives about lunchtime we can have a bus tour around Sofia. Transfer to Gorsko Slivovo village, accommodation in Bilkarska guesthouse for 5 nights – 5 twin rooms, 2 bathrooms shared.

- *15 September is the day when schools in Bulgaria start classes after summer holidays.*
- *22 September is Bulgarian National Holiday – The Independence day.*

Day 2 – Friday 16/23.9.: Visit to Krushuna waterfalls and Letnitsa tourist center, in the afternoon – collecting fruit/vegetable from the garden and cooking local food for dinner with the host Mariela.

Day 3 – Saturday 17/24.9.: Visit to Kramolin village and walking to Grada fortress. Picnic lunch. Bus excursion to Antique ceramic center in Pavlikeni.

Day 4 – Sunday 18/25.9.: Bus excursion to Devetaki cave, Lovech district center and Kakrinsko Hanche museum on Devetaki Plateau.

Day 5 – Monday 19/26.9.: Domestic crafts with the host Misho and classes in folklore songs and dances in local cultural center in Gorsko Slivovo with Deniza and Rumi.

Day 6 – Tuesday 20/27.9.: Travel to Hotalich fortress near Sevlievo and Pumpkin museum in Sevlievo; visit to Ethnographic Open air museum ETARA near Gabrovo, crossing the Balkan mountain through Shipka pass; accommodation in Hissarya for 2 nights .

Day 7 – Wednesday 21/28.9.: Walk around Roman remains of Dioclecianopolis /now Hissarya/, archaeological museum and Starosel Thracian temple.

Day 8 – Thursday 22/29.9.: Transfer to Sofia airport and flight back home.

**FLIGHTS: easyjet from Manchester (London also possible)**

Thu 22nd Sep 2022: Manchester to Sofia / Departure 06:25 - Arrival 11:45

Thu 29th Sep 2022: Sofia to Manchester / Departure 12:30 - Arrival 14:00

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