

FLEXIBLE ESSENTIAL PRIVATE TRIPS

CLASSIC INDEPENDENT JOURNEYS

Essential Ukraine

KIEV, CRIMEA AND ODESSA

Ukraine is the new borderland between Europe and Russia. Explore this resilient region influenced by Polish princes, Cossack hetmen, Turkish khans, Russian communists and Ukrainian poets and nationalists.

Days 1-3: Kiev In the capital, Kiev, visit 11th century St. Sophia and the Caves Monastery, admiring the golden domes and underground tunnels lined with mummified monks. Stroll and shop in one of the city's most charming areas, the cobbled descent down Andreevsky Street.

Days 4-6: Simferopol, Yalta, Sevastopol In the resort city of Yalta, tour Anton Chekhov's house, where he wrote *The Cherry Orchard* and *The Three Sisters*, and the distinguished Livadia Palace, where Churchill, Roosevelt and Stalin met during World War II. Near Sevastopol, explore the ruins of Chersonesus, an ancient Greek fortress, and the vestiges of the Crimean Tatar khan's palace in Bakhchysaray.

Days 7-8: Odessa Hop the overnight train to Odessa, Catherine the Great's naval base and strategic fort. Explore the World War II partisan catacombs and the famous Potemkin steps on the waterfront.



Beeswax tapers illuminate the faces of the faithful

PRIVATE JOURNEY



8 Days

Private Journey - 2 traveler minimum
From \$3,095 per person, double occupancy
Plus internal air \$230 (economy class, subject to change)
Partial single supplement \$625 (see page 103)

Request the descriptive itinerary for detailed inclusions

Your Choice of Dates

Start on a Thursday

Essential trip prices vary by season and are subject to hotel availability for your travel dates. Hotel upgrades, additional nights and solo traveler prices are available on request. Contact us for a descriptive itinerary and booking details.

Ancient Greek ruins of Chersonesus on the Black Sea

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