



**code:**

**Price:** from 77€/ pp

**Trip duration:** 8 hours

**Departure dates 2017/2018 :** every day at 09.00 AM

### **Itinerary:** Cluj day trip and surroundings

Your trip starts in the morning when you will meet with your guide and head to Alba Iulia on the way to discover the city which was the largest Roman castrum and its star-shaped fortification, Alba Carolina. Situated in the heart of Transylvania, over the time, this settlement was marked by the German and Hungarian populations which made this town culturally diverse. Because of the influences imprinted over centuries, you will be able to observe that the buildings and churches have different architectural styles: Baroque, Romanesque and even Babylonian.

You will have the opportunity to visit an 18th-century fortress, Alba Carolina. The citadel surrounded by 12 km of walls in order to protect the center of the city won't cease to amaze you. At its beginnings, the fortification was first a Roman fort, afterward a fortress during the Middle Ages and later a Vauban type citadel provided with 7 bastions. Regardless of which entrance we'll use you will be pleasantly surprised by all the Baroque decorative elements considered unique in European military architecture. The sensation of the past centuries will be sustained by the Austrian guards in their vintage clothes who protect the citadel even nowadays.

The road takes us to Rimetea, a small village filled with white houses with their lovely green

windows, loved by time and cherished by its inhabitants. We will have lunch in this beautiful place and you will remain with an image to treasure all your life.

We will continue our journey and we will descend into the world's largest salt mining history museum situated in Turda. The exploitation of the rich deposit was started by the Romans 2000 years ago during their occupation in Dacia. The museum includes three mines: Terezia reaches the deepest at 90 meters followed by Anton and Rudolf, each of them offering spectacular views. After admiring the huge room carved in salt we will go down to the bottom of the mine and reach the salty lake where you can enjoy a boat ride at the lowest point of the museum. A one of a kind overview of the mine can be savored while ascending or descending with the glass elevator. A constant temperature between 10 and 12 degrees is maintained naturally all year round with a humidity of around 80%.

After our tour in the salt mine, you will be transferred back to Cluj-Napoca.

### Highlights

- ✓ Turda Salt Mine
  
- ✓ Alba Carolina Fortress
  
- ✓ Rimetea Village

**What is included in this tour?** Items that are included in the cost of tour price.

- ✓ Transport with a modern, well-equipped car, minibus or coach

- ✓ Travel guide
- ✓ Hotel pickup and drop-off
- ✓ Entrance fees

**What is included in this tour:** Items that are not included in the cost of tour price.  
\* For groups larger than 9 people, please contact us 93 € /pp AX 93 € /pp AX