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CROSS-BORDER ROUTES OF AUTHENTIC CULTURE

In districts Vidin and Montana, Bulgaria and Dolj county, Romania

Route No 2: Wallach culture in the villages of Golden horn and Calafat

Day 1

village Antimovo

village Slanotran

village Negovanovtsi

Day 2

Calafat

Maglavit

Birca





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Day 1

What brings the communities from Romania and Bulgaria along the Danube is the Wallach culture that is still alive on both sides of the Danube

The route starts from Vidin to **village Antimovo** - a place where local people can show their traditional dances and songs, accompanied by local cuisine, prepared on live fire and other traditional methods.

Meeting guests with bread and wine is extremely friendly. Further the presentation of 5 different weaving techniques by women, dressed in colorful national costumes is worth seeing and admiring. This cultural product fascinates with its simplicity, the open attitude of the people involved and the typical dishes prepared in front of you. Maybe this is the reason most of the tour-operators put the cultural product of Antimovo at first place

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From Antimovo you should continue to the nearby **village of Slanotran** with performance of folklore group “Vesellie”



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On your way back to Vidin the route will take you to the **village of Negovanovtsi**, where the local dance group “Vlaintite and negovancheta” has some really special local dances to show. They show preserved and modified through the years Wallach dances in colorful traditional costumes and they are always smiling. These people are open and always ready to show you their culture.

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Accommodation can be offered in Vidin or Calafat.

Day 2

The first stop on this route is the town of **Calafat** with performances of **Roses of Calafat** - a dance formation, performing authentic dances from the Dolj region. A group of Calafat children will perform for you their traditional dances, taking you in the end of their performance for a “**horo mare**” - a group dance with performers and visitors.

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The next important nearby stop on the way is **Maglavit**, where you can enjoy the outstanding performances of Altița Folkloric Ensemble Maglavit and the wonderful voice of the singer Patricia Sutu, who is both passionate for music and dances. For contacts: Valentina Sandu +40788.093.519

A quick view on the Danube at sunset can put you in the right mood to fully enjoy the performances of local artists.



Finally you should stop in **Birca** to see the “The Desnățui Reel Ensemble” of Bîrca, performing local authentic dances and songs.

Two solo singers from Birca impress with their voices. These are Delia Purcea, 19 years old, studies folklore singing in Craiova and is the winner of many prizes at festivals and Marius Florescu, a natural talent who sings from his childhood at the scene in Birca and now as grown-up dances together with his wife in the dance group of Birca.



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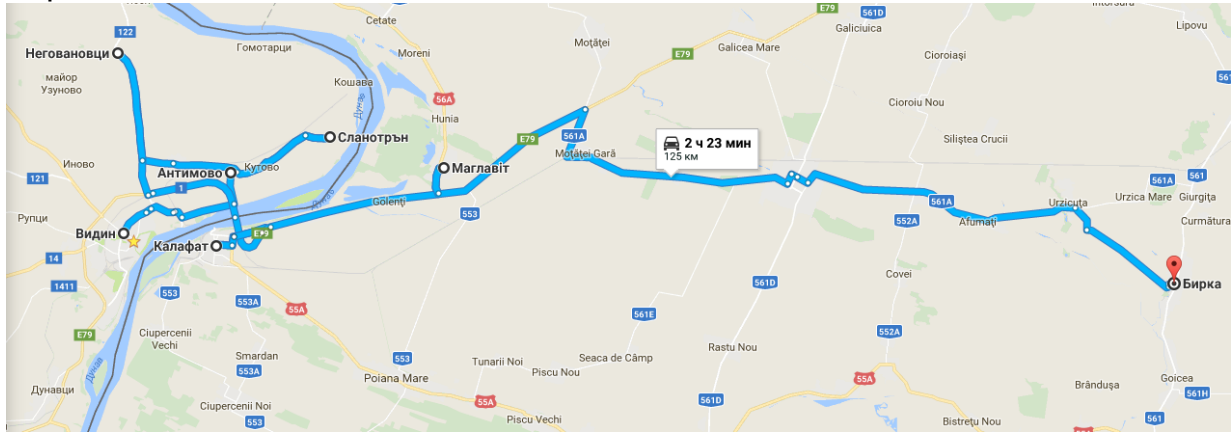


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Map of the route:



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