

# 13d10n Best of Ukraine & Moldova

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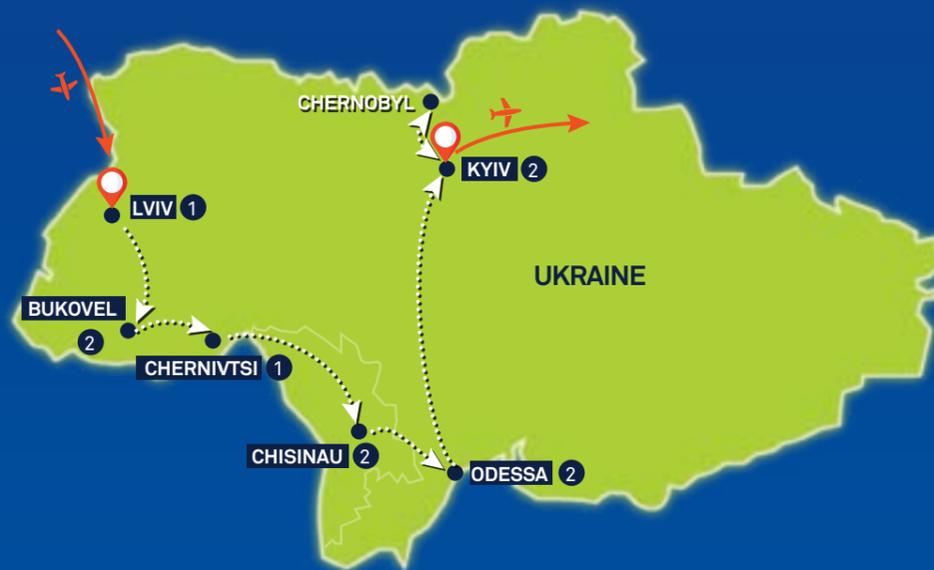
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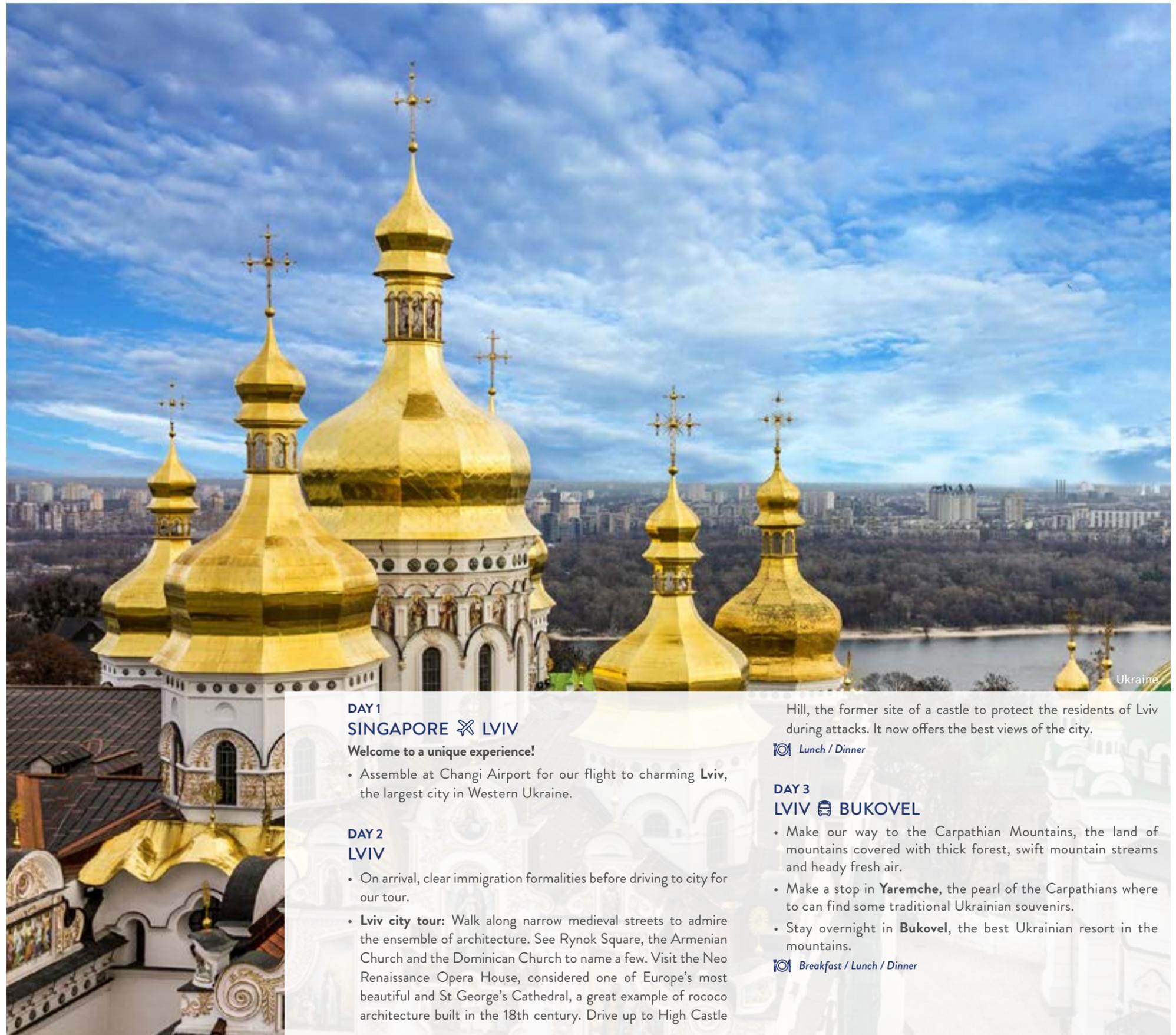
MEAL PLAN

30 PLANNED MEALS

10 BREAKFASTS  
10 LUNCHESES  
10 DINNERS



- START/END
- NIGHT STAY
- BY FLIGHT
- BY COACH



## DAY 1 SINGAPORE ✈️ LVIV

Welcome to a unique experience!

- Assemble at Changi Airport for our flight to charming **Lviv**, the largest city in Western Ukraine.

## DAY 2 LVIV

- On arrival, clear immigration formalities before driving to city for our tour.
- **Lviv city tour:** Walk along narrow medieval streets to admire the ensemble of architecture. See Rynok Square, the Armenian Church and the Dominican Church to name a few. Visit the Neo Renaissance Opera House, considered one of Europe's most beautiful and St George's Cathedral, a great example of rococo architecture built in the 18th century. Drive up to High Castle

Hill, the former site of a castle to protect the residents of Lviv during attacks. It now offers the best views of the city.

Lunch / Dinner

## DAY 3 LVIV 🚗 BUKOVEL

- Make our way to the Carpathian Mountains, the land of mountains covered with thick forest, swift mountain streams and heady fresh air.
- Make a stop in **Yaremche**, the pearl of the Carpathians where to can find some traditional Ukrainian souvenirs.
- Stay overnight in **Bukovel**, the best Ukrainian resort in the mountains.

Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner



Carpathian Mountains



Chernivtsi

#### DAY 4 BUKOVEL: VERHOVYNA

- This morning, we learn about the Hutsuls, the inhabitants of the Carpathian Mountains with centuries old culture, as we make our way to **Verhovyna**.
- Visit the Museum of Folk Musical Instrument located on a hill (hiking required or transfer by soviet jeep shuttle). Learn about their embroidery and hidden meaning of the various designs.
- Enjoy lunch in a museum cum restaurant to experience the Galician way of life.

 Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

#### DAY 5 BUKOVEL CHERNIVTSI

- Continue to **Chernivtsi**, a city in western Ukraine known for its Romanesque and Byzantine architecture.
- Visit the National University, one of Europe's most beautiful buildings and former residence of the metropolitans. Walk in the historic city center which impresses with its beauty and interesting history.
- Drive to Khotyn Fortress founded in the 13<sup>th</sup> century and considered Ukraine's finest castle by Ukrainians. With walls up to 40 meters high and 6 meters thick, the fortress safeguarded river trade routes making it a sought-after prize.

 Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

#### DAY 6 CHERNIVTSI CHISINAU (MOLDOVA)

- Today, we cross the border into Moldova, one of Europe's least visited countries. Formerly known as the 'Tsars' vineyard', Moldova boasts several world class wineries.
- Head for the capital **Chisinau**.
- **Chisinau evening walking tour:** See the Arc de Triomphe and the 1841 Holy Gates at the city center. Stroll through the city park and learn about Prince Stefan, a noble symbol of Moldova's medieval past.

 Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

#### DAY 7 CHISINAU

- Discover Moldova's winemaking heritage in Cricova, home to the world's largest underground wine cellars at the depth of 50-80 meters.

- Continue to Orheiul Vechi, an interesting archaeological site housing the ruins of two cities. Visit the Orthodox Cave Monastery which was expanded and modified inside the cliffs by monks over the centuries.

 Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

#### DAY 8 CHISINAU ODESSA

- Head for the city of Odessa, one of the most beautiful and fascinating cities on the Black Sea shore. Enjoy some free time to explore this enchanting city.

 Breakfast / Dinner

#### DAY 9 ODESSA

- **Odessa city tour:** Stroll along café-lined Deribasovskaya Street to the neoclassical City Hall where the monument to writer Alexander Pushkin stands. Beneath the street is the tunnel network of the Odessa Catacombs which played an important part during WWII. The monumental Potemkin Stairs, immortalized in 'The Battleship Potemkin, lead down to the waterfront with its Vorontsov Lighthouse. The grand Primorsky Boulevard is lined with mansions and monuments. Enjoy some moments at the beach to relax.

 Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

#### DAY 10 ODESSA KYIV

- Make our way to the capital of Ukraine – **Kyiv** or more commonly known as Kiev. Since the Middle Ages, Kyiv earned the fame of Eastern European Jerusalem. Pilgrims from far away flocked, often on foot, to worship in its sacred places.
- Enroute, visit the Strategic Missile Forces Museum built around the remains of a former underground Unified Command Post, a visit that offers an insightful trip twelve floors underground in a Brezhneva elevator to the control room. Four large decommissioned intercontinental ballistic missiles remain on the grounds of the museum.

 Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

#### DAY 11 KYIV: CHERNOBYL

- Today we visit the most famous Ukrainian phenomenon, **Chernobyl**.
- Enter the exclusion zone to see the secret military station. Pass abandoned villages and the decontaminated Red Forest, the first victim of the radioactive fallout. Visit the derelict town of Pripyat with the hospital which received the firefighters and workers affected by the explosion, the town hall, fire station and the amusement park with never-opened. Take a guided tour of the plant to see the Sarcophagus and New Safe Confinement arch form the observation points. Visit Chernobyl town before returning to Kiev (tour includes use of a personal dosimeter).

 Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

#### DAY 12 KYIV SINGAPORE

- Visit Kyiv's premier attraction and holiest ground, the Kyevo Pecherska Lavra or simply the monastery caves. The monastery's cluster of gold-domed churches is a feast for the eyes. The underground labyrinths lined with mummified monks are intriguing.
- **Kyiv city tour:** Explore the historic city and all its treasures including the Golden Gates built at the same time as St Sophia Cathedral which is filled with frescoes and mosaics, Walk along Khrehchatyk Street, the world's shortest yet widest Main Street, to Maidan Square and European Square.
- Bid farewell to Ukraine as we transfer to the airport for our flight back to Singapore.

 Breakfast / Lunch

#### DAY 13 ARRIVE SINGAPORE

We hope that you have had an enjoyable vacation with Dynasty Travel and look forward to bring you to your next holiday destination.

Note: The sequence of the itinerary is subject to change without prior notice. During major conferences, fairs and festivals accommodation may be located outside the city or in an alternate city without prior notice. Please refer to the main Europe brochure for booking terms & conditions.



Chernobyl



Kyiv