

DISCOVER THE WARMTH OF SOUTH MOLDOVA: SLOBOZIA MARE - VULCANESTI







- Slobozia Mare History and Ethnography Museum
- "La Tanti Masa" gastronomic workshop, Slobozia Mare
- "Potcoava Verde" riding center, Slobozia Mare
- "Domeniile Pană" Winery, Slobozia Mare
- Leather workshop "Dumitru Zaporojan"





TIPS AND TRICKS:

We recommend that you arrive at the bike rental points the day before your tour, to have the chance to taste wines and dishes specific to the region, but also to rest before a day on the bike.

The starting and ending points of the routes can be reached either by car or by public transport. Because the routes are marked in both directions, you can choose to go in any direction.

Do not take heavy luggage with you on the route. Just take the most necessary things in a small day pack that is easy and light to carry.

Find out what are the main attractions on the route, before starting your ride or you can download it to



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- your phone by scanning the QR code attached to the route.
- On the way you will find poles that will confirm that you are on the right path, but also signs marked on trees and electricity poles every 350-400 m, as in the legend of the routes.
- Respect the privacy and property of the locals. Take the garbage with you to the nearest bin to preserve the beauty of the place.

These are just some of the tips that are worth following. We guarantee that respecting them will make your experience even more beautiful.







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About this Cycling Route:

This cycling route from Slobozia Mare to Vulcanesti is about unexplored natural landscapes where you will cycle along hills covered with vineyards and orchards. The route is relatively easy as it is quite short (30 km), so you can take your time to take in the surrounding nature, villages and country life. At the end of the cycling route you will have the chance to meet Gagauz people, traditions and cuisine at KaraGani in Vulcanesti.

Vinaria din Vale, Slobozia Mare

Vinaria din Vale is the largest producer and exporter of wines in the Republic of Moldova. Their wines are also adored by the locals and win numerous medals at national and international competitions.

This is the final point of this cycling route segment. You can rent a room for the night and enjoy a hearty meal here so you are well rested before starting the next cycling route segment.

Address: Slobozia Mare village Phone: + 373 68 464 647

The paved road from Vulcanesti

At the entrance to Vulcanesti, you can see the traces of an old cobblestone road. The locals say that this road was once paved by the Roman emperor Trajan and it was later reconstructed. In ancient times, it was used as a trade route for the local population and residents from nearby villages who supplied products along it to the markets of nearby large cities Reni and Galati.

This road is a rare historical monument, which to this day continues to perform its direct function: to transport local people to nearby markets and cities. Dozens of

side is carved the coat of arms of the Rumeantsev family with the words "non solum armis" (not just through weapons), which express the courage of the army in battle.

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Trajan's Wall Monument, Vulcanesti

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Trajan's Wall is the name used for several linear earthen fortifications found across Eastern Europe – in Moldova, Romania, and Ukraine – built by the Roman Empire for protection.

The monument was installed to mark the place where this wall passes. In Moldova, Valul lui Traian is also the name for the southern wine region delimited for the production of wine with a protected geographical indication. The region includes 7 districts: Leova, Cantemir, Cahul, Comrat, Ceadâr-Lunga, Taraclia and Vulcănești. Next time you pick up a wine from the Valul lui Traian geographical indication you will know the story behind the name.







cars pass along this road every day, and by cycling this route you will also follow i the footsteps of the Romans.

Vulcanesti History Museum

The Vulcanesti Museum of History was founded in 1973 and has more than 8000 artifacts today. What makes this museum unique are their artifacts from the period of the Russian-Ottoman wars from the 18th-19th centuries. Here you will find household items specific to Gagauz people, customs and traditions of Gagauz culture.

Address: Vulcanesti, Gagarin str, 39 **Phone:** + 373 69 653 469

"KaraGani" Winery, Vulcanesti

Recommended accommodation icon

KaraGani is a small winery located in the region with protected geographical indication - Valul lui Traian particularly in Vulcănești, Găgăuzia (southern Moldova). In 2016 the founders of "KaraGani", Gheorghii and Larisa Cerven, transformed their house into a small winery, equipped with German-quality grape processing technologies, with a rustic-style tasting room and a small museum with Găgăuz culture specific objects.

Address: Vulcanesti, Krupskaya str, 31 Phone: +373 69 124 996 Email: karagani.md@gmail.com

Cahul Battle Monument, Vulcanesti

The Battle of Cahul is one of the most important battles of the Russo-Turkish War of 1768-1774, which took place on July 21, 1770 on the Cahul River between Vulcanesti and Greceni. Relatively small, the Russian army attacked the Turks and defeated them. This battle led to the fame of the Russian army in the empire and of Marshal Rumeantsev who led the battle.

The column is 25 meters high and has a crescent at the top above which rises a metal cross - this signifies the victory of Christianity over Islam. On the northern

