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## Tour of the Balkans

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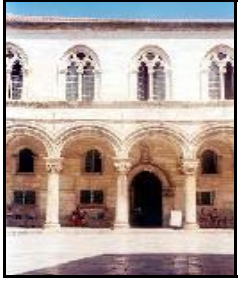
with our *Scholar-In-Residence*

**Professor Stephen Berk**

MARCH 17 – 27, 2009

**\$3,999.00**

Based on double occupancy



Rector's Palace



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### Tour Includes:

- ◆ Roundtrip airfare from New York
- ◆ 9 nights in Deluxe hotel accommodations
- ◆ 2 nights at the Radon Plaza Hotel in Sarajevo
- ◆ 2 nights at the Argentina Hotel in Dubrovnik
- ◆ 2 nights at the Atrium Hotel in Split
- ◆ 1 night at the Grand Hotel Union Executive in Lubljana
- ◆ 2 nights at the Westin Hotel in Zagreb
- ◆ Breakfast daily
- ◆ 5 Dinners
- ◆ All touring with an English speaking guide
- ◆ Sightseeing per itinerary in deluxe air conditioned motorcoach
- ◆ All transfers and entrance fees per itinerary
- ◆ Hotel taxes and service charge
- ◆ Porterage

### Featured Highlights:

- ◆ **The Ayelet Difference: Lectures by Professor Stephen Berk**
- ◆ Bas Carsija
- ◆ Husref Bay's Mosque
- ◆ Sarajevo War Tunnel Museum
- ◆ Jewish Museum
- ◆ Eskenazy Synagogue
- ◆ Dubrovnik: The Pile Gate
- ◆ Rector's Palace
- ◆ Bell Tower Clock
- ◆ Sponza Palace
- ◆ St. Mark's Church
- ◆ St. Catherine's Church
- ◆ AND SO MUCH MORE

**Dr. Stephen M. Berk** is a Professor of History at Union College in Schenectady, New York. He has been named the Henry and Sally Schaeffer Chair of Holocaust and Jewish Studies at Union College. Dr. Berk is considered a superb lecturer and teacher. He is the author of *Year of Crisis, Year of Hope: Russian Jewry and the Pogroms of 1881-1882* and is presently writing a book entitled, *Our People Are Your People: American Jewry and the Struggle for Civil Rights 1854-1965*. Dr. Berk is also the author of many articles on Eastern Europe, Russian Jewish History, anti-Semitism and American policy in the Middle East. He has lectured in numerous cities for UJA and Israel Bonds as well as at many colleges and universities throughout the United States. Dr. Berk has led numerous trips to Russia, Spain, Europe, Israel and Eastern Europe. It is a privilege to have him with us!



The Pile Gate, Dubrovnik

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**Day 1, Tuesday, March 17, 2009:** We depart on our flight to Sarajevo.

**Day 2, Wednesday, March 18, 2009:** Arrive Sarajevo. Meeting and assistance at airport and transfer to hotel. Balance of the day is at leisure. Welcome dinner and overnight in Sarajevo.

**Day 3, Thursday, March 19, 2009:** Breakfast. Tour Sarajevo, the capital city of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina, which has been influenced by a number of cultures and civilizations. Visit the picturesque Turkish bazaar "Bas Carsija", the Husref Bay's Mosque, Olympic Stadium and Sarajevo War Tunnel Museum. Afternoon Jewish interest tour features the Jewish Museum located in the Old Synagogue, Eskenazy Synagogue and the Jewish cemetery. Overnight Sarajevo.

**Day 4, Friday, March 20, 2009:** Breakfast. Today we depart for Dubrovnik. We drive through the marvelous gorge of the River Neretva to Mostar, where we will see the remains of the Turkish quarter and the recently reconstructed 16<sup>th</sup> century single arch stone bridge. Shabbat dinner and overnight in Dubrovnik.

**Day 5, Saturday, March 21, 2009:** Breakfast. Morning is at leisure. Afternoon walking tour of "Old Dubrovnik". Visit the Rector's Palace, Bell Tower clock, Orlando's Column and the Sponza Palace. We will visit the Dominican Monastery and Franciscan Monastery with its Pharmacy, one of the oldest in the world. Overnight in Dubrovnik.

**Day 6, Sunday, March 22, 2009:** Breakfast. This morning we tour all Jewish sites in the Old Town: "Ulica Zudioska" (Jewish Street), just where it was when it was Via del Ghetto. The Jewish Synagogue occupies the upper floor of a building in the street, distinguished from its neighbors by a polished wood door and brass knobs and the odd combination of window shapes. This afternoon, we depart Dubrovnik and travel north along the spectacular Adriatic coast, past old fishing villages and new resorts to Split. Dinner and overnight in Split.

**Day 7, Monday, March 23, 2009:** Breakfast. We enjoy a tour of the historic inner city, built around Roman Emperor Diocletian's Palace, a UNESCO World Cultural Heritage site. We will see remnants of Split's Roman heritage, its Renaissance and Gothic structures, Jupiter's Temple, the Peristyle and the Cathedral. We also see the area in the northwestern portion that was the site of the former ghetto. Its main street is still called Ulica "Usred Geta", or Street in the Middle of the Ghetto. A blind alley called Zidovski Prolaz, or Jewish Passage, leads to the soaring synagogue. With origins in the sixteen century, the synagogue still functions. This afternoon, we head north along the modern highway to Ljubljana. Dinner and overnight in Ljubljana.

**Day 8, Tuesday, March 24, 2009:** Breakfast. Our sightseeing tour of Ljubljana begins with a visit to the open-air market, the City Hall, Robba's Fountain, the Three Bridges and the Parliament. Overnight in Ljubljana.

**Day 9, Wednesday, March 25, 2009:** Breakfast. Today we continue to Zagreb, the capital city of Croatia. Overnight Zagreb.

**Day 10, Thursday, March 26, 2009:** Breakfast. We tour the historic Upper Town today. We see the St. Mark's Church, the St. Catherine's Church, the Cathedral, the Parliament and the Government Palace. We proceed with the Jewish sights tour. We visit the Old Synagogue and the three-story community building which hosts fairly regular concerts and has an art gallery that exhibits works by Jewish artists or on Jewish related themes. Farewell dinner. Overnight Zagreb.

**Day 11, Friday, March 27, 2009:** After breakfast, we drive to the airport for our flight back home.

### The Memories Last Forever!

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**Yes! I want to join Professor Stephen Berk on the tour to the Balkans in March 2009.**

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