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Olf holidays in Bulgaria are definitely booming, with the country becoming known for its outstanding courses and landscapes that bring renowned designers from far and wide to Bulgaria to make use of its outstanding natural beauty. The pleasant Bulgaria climate and scenery make it a truly special location for golf and its growing list of fantastic courses. There are many excellent Golf and Spa hotels that offer to their guests amazing experiences.

IU Pravets Golf & Spa Resort is located near Sofia and is one of the most preferred Bulgarian hotels. To its guests the hotel offers a 18-hole, par 72, and a Championship golf course. Another golf resort is St. Sofia Golf Club, located near the village of Ravno Pole, about 20 minutes away from the center of the Bulgarian capital. The golf course was designed by the famous Irish player Paul McGinley. It has 18 holes. Pirin Golf & Country Club is located in close proximity to the ski resort of Bansko. There are two golf courses. The bigger one was designed by Ian Woosnam and contains 18 holes. The second course – Pirin Pine – has five holes.

In the Black Sea coast, near Kavarna and Balchik there are three very popular golf courses. They are called Light House, BlackSeaRama and Thracian Cliffs. All of them offer amazing views of the Black Sea and great design. The Signature Course at Thracian Cliffs is an outstanding Gary Player designed course notable for its beautiful views and as the host of the 2013 Volvo Match Play tournament. The Signature Course at Lighthouse Golf and Spa Resort is challenging golfers in a beautiful parkland setting. The course at BlackSeaRama is another Gary Player design and the first championship standard course in Bulgaria known for its many lakes and hillocks, which protect the fairways and greens.

Ithough golf is still young in Bulgaria, there are already a number of brilliant courses for you to choose from and enjoy.

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BlackSeaRama Golf & Villas





ndless sea view from the height of 200 meters towards the magnificent and extremely diverse bay from Cape Kaliakra to Cape Galata of the Black Sea – this is BlackSeaRama, the first championship signature golf course in Bulgaria – 18 holes, par 72, length of 6648 meters – and the first completed project of Gary Player in Eastern Europe. The personal participation of Gary Player in both the design and marketing process, together with the reputation and visibility of the Gary Player brand bring significant value to all facets of the projects.

From a flat terrain, a magnificent classical cliff-top links golf course is created, with intimacy at very each of the fairways and with greens, often exceeding the regular sizes. The whole design is fulfilled with respect towards the player, as it gives him/her a maximum of the chance for a good round at a high-class golf course, where the wind – as it is usual when close to the sea – is often a significant factor.

This award-winning course – Best new golf course in the world for 2009 (in the international category of the Golf Inc. magazine contest) is destined to be explored and to reveal the wonders of the game.

BlackSeaRama Clubhouse

Named "Building of the Year 2008", the Clubhouse is a boutique and elegant architecture building in Tuscan style. The wood and stone, together with the soft jazzy music create a uniquely warm and cosy atmosphere.

In the Clubhouse, heart of BlackSeaRama Golf & Villas resort, one can find the Pro Shop, Wine cellar, relaxation centre with an indoor swimming pool, finish sauna and jacuzzi, a bar with terrace overlooking the sea, a Steak House restaurant and a Bistro, dedicated to the golfer's taste.





Golf Academy

The Golf Academy at BlackSeaRama Golf & Villas is devoted to providing you with a unique learning experience. It covers all aspects of the game – from the basic rules and etiquette, terminology, the full-swing, putting, course management, practice techniques, to mental training, fitness for golfers, and the appropriate equipment.





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Accommodation

BlackSeaRama Golf & Villas offers its guests various types of accommodation to suit every taste and personal requirements. The complex easily avoids one of the most annoying trends in golf resorts – overbuilding. Its residential area consists only of one- or two-storey villas, small villages like the one called Bell Tower and the Club Residence. This creates a cosy atmosphere with breath-taking views to the Cape Kaliakra and the golf course. All hundred luxurious villas and suites have five-star hotel services, and the infinity swimming pools bring a delighted sense of timeless relaxation.











Club Residence

Situated next to the Clubhouse, the Club Residence studios and suites offer its guests stunning sea views on the south and relaxing golf views, overlooking 9th green and the BlackSeaRama Clubhouse on the north. All studios and suites are fully furnished and equipped.

Wellness

Welcome to the upscale Wellness Center located next to Bell Tower Complex. Representing unique space for anybody who revels in luxury, relaxation and harmony.

A separate section of the wellness centre is situated at the Clubhouse to provide the golfer with the desired massages and therapies.

BlackSeaRama Golf & Villas ensures quality spa treatments to help you perfecting your body and soul.



Dining

The aim is to cater for everyone's taste and to offer diverse culinary experience has led to the creation of different dining locations within BlackSeaRama Golf & Villas. Each of the four restaurants with its own identity and style invites you to become part of a tasty trip around the world cuisine.





Lighthouse Golf & Spa Resort





t cape Kaliakra, Bulgaria you have the chance to play golf on three of the finest signature golf courses in Europe!

The three courses Lighthouse Golf Resort, BlackSeaRama and Thracian Cliffs are located in a 6 km radius from each other and all three off them offer amazing views of the Black Sea and great design.

Lighthouse Golf Course part of European Tour Properties since 2016 is designed by the famous ex-Ryder Cup Captain – Ian Woosnam. The championship golf course is of a "links" design. Contributing to the stunning scenery are the outstanding natural landscapes around which Ian Woosnam has created a brilliant selection of holes.

The golf course offers an exciting challenge to both professional players and amateurs alike.

As of 2016, Lighthouse Golf & SPA Resort is a proud member of PGA European Tour Destinations, a collection of the finest Golf venues in the world.

Lighthouse Golf & Spa Resort, Bulgaria is ranked 64th in 2017 and 52nd in 2018 in the European Golf Resorts Top 100 List.







Situated at the heart of Cape Kaliakra's signature Golf Coast, you will find a green land and spectacular coast that is bold as it is beautiful. Just 5km from the historical town of Balchik and surrounded by 3 championship golf courses, the resort is nested on top of the towering cliffs, overlooking the Black Sea.

A historical place with vast natural treasures and diverse wildlife, just an hour's drive from Varna and its airport.





The Lighthouse golf academy

The Lighthouse Golf Academy offers everybody a tremendous opportunity to enjoy their golfing experience in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere.

Spa & Wellness Center

The Spa at Lighthouse offers a variety of unparalleled spa services designed to reduce stress and enhance balance, including signature massages, body scrubs and wraps,

water treatments and esthetics, as well as nail care and hair styling.

For those who seek relaxation under the sun, Lighthouse Golf & Spa Resort offers a beautiful outdoor pool with sun beds & parasols, a warm sandy beach and indoor infinity pool.





Dining

For the food lovers, the resort offers a wide variety of restaurants and bars. Each restaurant is with its own style. The daily specials use the finest local ingredients, from the Black Sea fish and Kobe beef steaks to fresh bio vegies and own herbal garden. The settings of the restaurants have been carefully selected to suit all tastes and moods. You can satisfy all of your culinary desires without setting foot outside the Resort. Alexandra Main Restaurant offers lavish buffet style breakfast, lunch and dinner with international and traditional cuisine. The exquisite restaurant "Le Passage" is the perfect place for elegant or romantic dinner with fresh seafood, French cusine and premium Black Angus steaks. The symbolic Clubhouse of the resort offers the 19th Hole Bar, perfect for







light lunch accompanied by a cold beer after a game of golf and the classical restaurant "Prestige, recommended for private events or weddings. The newly added Greek Tavern and the Private dining at Shiv's Sky Bar are also at disposal to the guests with prior reservation. Also in the resort guest can enjoy a refreshing cocktail at the Pool bar, or fresh Black Sea mussels served on the Heros beach bar.



For night entertainment, charge yourself with good mood at whiskey lounge "Social Club", which offers live music and selection of high quality spirits. Each venue has individuality within the resort and promises to create a memorable experience for the guests, whatever the occasion.







Thracian Cliffs Golf & Beach Resort





hracian Cliffs Golf & Beach Resort comprises amazing sea view properties, preserved wild beauty of Kaliakra National Park ecosystem, 2 white beaches, Thracian Spa, water and ground sports facilities, 6 panoramic dining venues, game bar, fancy piano bar – all presented against a backdrop of breathtaking scenery and complemented by exceptional service. The 18-hole Gary Player designed Signature Golf Course dominates the Resort, hugging the cliff tops for 4.5 km of rugged terrain above the sea.

The guests are accommodated in two charming villages conveniently located within walking distance of each other. The Marina Village offers spectacular views of the Black Sea. The Hillside Village has incredible views of the golf course, the lake and the Black Sea.

The 18-hole Gary Player Signature Golf Course forms the core of Thracian Cliffs Golf & Beach Resort. The golf course covers 85 hectares of truly beautiful cliffside and it has been sculptured to fit perfectly into this area creating one of the most wonderful golfing experiences. Sea views are in abundance and from every hole there is a stunning view of the cliffside and the Black Sea coast.









The Gary Player design will really challenge the golfer in difficulty and length but with its modern design and several sets of tees this great experience is made available for all levels of golfers. It is fair to say that every hole is a signature hole but the 6th will surely be the one everyone will remember. This hole sits on top of the cliff with the green set some 40 meters below cut into the hillside and surrounded by the lapping waves of the Black Sea. The game from the back tee definitely is not for the faint hearted as the distance measures over 210 m.

The golf course has been likened to several famous courses and Mr. Player was proud to say: "Thracian Cliffs will become one of the top 3 golf courses on the planet."





Golf Academy At Thracian Cliffs

Thracian Cliffs Golf Academy has a team of qualified professionals and instructors to help you make great progress in a fast and fun way. Thracian Cliffs Golf Academy offers customized and tailored classes to the capabilities of each student (groups or individuals). Thracian Cliffs Academy offers private and group golf lessons for beginners and amateurs of all ages and skill levels, tailored to your individual instruction needs, biomechanics and swing tendencies. Lessons are available in Bulgarian, English, German and Russian language.







Accommodation

Guests are accommodated in luxury suites ranging from 80 sq.m. to 240 sq.m, with a huge living space private furnished terraces with unspoiled sea views. The Marina Village and Hillside Village suites are either colonial or marine style with a local blend of dark wood and white beige limestone materials. A spacious living room with an open kitchen bar and suites with a private bathroom in every bedroom make up the resort.







Restaurant & Bars

The various dining venues on offer will only add to your Thracian Cliffs experience. Choose from the likes of a cinema night & dinner on the Argata Beach, Moroccan Berber dinner at Bendida Beach, fresh fish and mussels menu, Autumn gourmet game menu at Geti Restaurant, after Golf Beer BBQ at the Starter House, Bulgarian Wine & Food Testing at Olivo Restaurant are some of the unique concepts developed by the resort. All the ingredients are locally produced by family owned farms nearby – giving you a true taste of Bulgarian cuisine. And if this wasn't enough, the resort produces its own fruit and vegetables, as well as fresh fish and mussels being harvested right in front of the golf course and Geti restaurant.



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Thracian Cliffs Spa & Wellness

Pure relax and expert treatments in eclectic Moroccan and Thracian surroundings. Enter a sanctuary of award-winning rejuvenation at Thracian Cliffs Spa & Wellness, where ancient treatment philosophies and modern techniques merge together achieving a sense of deep relaxation. Retreat into a collection of personalized spa experiences from signature rituals, body treatments to facials, massages and beyond.





Spa Facilities

Discover Thracian Spa Facilities – Hammam, Hot Steam Bath, Ice Corner, Jacuzzi, Cold Shock Shower, Massage, Facial, Manicure and Pedicure treatment rooms, Panoramic Fitness Zone, Relaxing Indoor Area, Private Sun Deck with Lounges & Fresh Bar.













St. Sofia Golf Club





t. Sofia Golf Club and SPA. Not so many years ago this place was a barren land, without a single tree, fully meeting the name of the nearby village of Ravno Pole (Flat Fields). Thanks to the vision and commitment of the investors and management team, today St. Sofia has become a first-class golf, SPA, hotel and lifestyle retreat where every quest is welcomed.

St. Sofia Golf Club was opened in 2004 and lays the foundations for the construction of the golf community in Bulgaria. The good location allows easy access to Sofia Airport, which can be reached in 20 minutes by car. Only 90 minutes from Plovdiv airport.

Excellent location just 20 minutes from Sofia downtown, incredible views, style combined with comfort and individuality, personal service and genuine Bulgarian hospitality - all this allows St. Sofia Golf Club hotel to exceed your expectations. With four beautifully appointed and stylish double rooms and one suite, the hotel is perfect for the exquisite guest. The hotel offers many additional services - coffee and soft drinks in the rooms, mini-bar, mini-safe, free Wi-Fi, free access to the pool and spa areas, golf lessons and more.

An important decision was made in 2009 to renovate the course, which resulted in its closure for 18 months. In early May 2012, the long-awaited result of the famous Irish golfer Paul McGinley was presented. Now the capital Sofia boasts a golf course similar to those in other European cities.



For beginners who want to take their first steps in the game, as well as for those who have not yet acquired enough skills to enjoy the challenges of the course, there is a Golf Academy with driving range, simulators, chipping area with two holes and video systems for computer analysis. The Academy is suitable for everyone – from absolute beginners to experienced players. The head teacher is a professional golfer, supported by an experienced team.







The professional golf shop

The professional golf shop offers clothing and equipment from top brands such as Titleist, Callaway, Footjoy, Glenmuir, Ralph Lauren and J. Lindeberg.



The Clubhouse

The Clubhouse is built in colonial style and its broad terraces reveal a magnificent view over the golf course and Vitosha Mountain. The beautiful panoramic view over the stunning sunsets is combined with exquisite drinks, international and local cuisine and an excellent service.





Spa and mineral pool

Need a break after a game of golf or just want to pamper your body and soul?

At St. Sofia Spa you will enjoy complete tranquility and relaxation in the compact thermal zone with steam bath, 90 degree Finnish sauna, 60 degree herbal sauna and ice room, as well as a mineral water swimming pool.

And for those who want to continue exercising for a healthy body and fit – the fitness center is at your disposal.

The therapists work with high class French facial and body cosmetics that bring both physical and emotional delight. The exquisite combination of professional expertise and the gifts of nature in the products of YON-KA will make your SPA experience unforgettable. The treatments in the menu are selected to meet the needs and moods of all. Relaxing, refreshing or energizing facial or body treatment or simply massage - the choice is yours. The variety of aromatherapy, hydrotherapy and exfoliation massages along with the SPA rituals or facial treatments promise full recovery and relaxation.



Restaurant & Lobby

No matter if it is a quick snack, a juicy burger, freshly barbequed high quality meat and sausages or original Italian homemade dish, St. Sofia restaurant & Lobby bar is much more than an F&B location, it's about entertainment gastronomy, a stylish venue to meet friends or business partners.



"The World of Golf" Business Center

The Business Center is the preferred location for corporate events - presentations, seminars and business meetings. Here you will be provided with everything you need in terms of technology or any other equipment in order to make your event a success. The stunning golf sceneries on the walls create a serene and inspiring working environment. Conference drinks and coffee are also available on spot.



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St. Sofia Golf Club is a truly unique venue for business meetings, seminars and team buildings, private parties and celebrations.

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which participants can relax and focus on their goals while staying fresh and alert after the end of the event.

A secluded, quiet environment in an attractive and comfortable place with







RIU Pravets Golf & SPA Resort





IU Pravets Resort is located 50 km from Sofia. Easily accessible, just a 45-minute drive from the Hemus Highway and yet away from the hustle and bustle of the big city. The proximity of the well-known Riu Hotel Resort and Spa adds to the value of the golf facility.

Pravets Golf Club is one of the top golf courses in Eastern Europe. Designed by world renowned golf course architect Peter Harradine, the 18 hole course provides a challenge to players of all abilities, whilst the extensive Academy and practice area ensure that anyone can enjoy this fascinating game.

The par 72 Championship course has hosted a number of prestigious events and with the stunning backdrop of the Hotel, lake and surrounding mountains offers fantastic views in every direction.

The Pravets Golf Academy is one of the top learining facilities in Europe with teaching studio, simulator, practice range bays and a dedicated short game area. Floodlights mean that practice can go on well into the evening. The golf clubhouse overlooks the 18th and 9th green with the lake beyond and its terrace is a great place to enjoy a drink or meal after your game. An extensive menu and great service ensure that all occasions are catered for.

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The academy is open 7 days a week and offers a wide-range of tuition options from beginner to professional. The philosophy of the golf academy is for all pupils to learn golf in a fun and relaxed atmosphere.

The pro shop, located in the club house carries an extensive range of golfing equipment and men's and ladies golfing attire with quality brands.











The Club is a great place to enjoy the game, either through playing, practice, learning or just enjoying good food whilst watching others! The clubhouse restaurant serves a varied menu with an excellent opportunity for members to entertain their business associates or guests. If you appreciate fresh air, spa treatments and golf, as well as good food, the place for you is RIU Pravets Golf & SPA Resort with its three restaurants: Lake Restaurant | Hunters Restaurant | Panorama Restaurant.

The hotel has 108 double rooms with lake view and 104 double rooms with mountain view. The hotel has 10 junior suites overlooking the lake. On the 5th floor of the hotel there are 13 studios, 4 one-bedroom apartments and 2 two-bedroom apartments.





The hotel is a harmonious addition to the surrounding horizons and landscapes. The panorama of the lake and the golf course on the other side, as well as the picturesque slopes of Stara Planina, surround the hotel and so it is in the center of a beautiful picture that calms, captivates and inspires. The cozy atmosphere is a great condition for both a complete vacation and successful business meetings.















Wellness & Beauty

25-meter heated indoor pool (26 °C) With separate children's pool (28 °C). The wellness and spa center is located on an area of 3000 square meters.

It offers a choice of the most modern techniques, which are applied in therapies and massages, with the sole purpose to give a feeling of complete relaxation of the body and soul.

Get ready to meet your peaceful self after a stay in the Wellness and SPA Center. The spa thermal area has a large number of facilities and services: Saunas – Finnish, Russian, herbal; Steam bath, salt steam bath; Ice room, ice fountain; Salt lake for agua meditation; Hammam; Adventure showers; Lauconium; Caldarium; Luxury massage rooms; Relax area with four heated beds.







Pirin Golf & Country Club





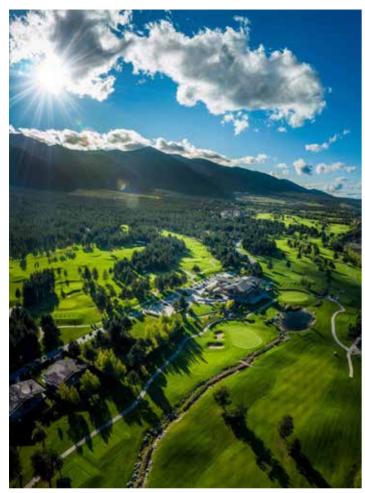
irin Golf & Country Club is an incredible gated resort situated on 150 hectare area. Huddled in a beautiful valley surrounded by three mountains - Pirin, Rila ad Rodopi, and just minutes away from the well-known ski resort Bansko. A complex part of the European Tour Destinations and ranked among the TOP 100 golf courses in continental Europe.

Here you will find a boutique 5-star hotel, a comfortable Apartment Complex and private Luxury Chalets.

Pirin Golf & Country Club is complex with more than 20 themed restaurants, supermarkets, bars, shops, a 5 500 sq. m Wellness Center, sports center, 7 swimming pools, congress center and golf academy.

With two world-class golf courses ranked among the best in continental Europe, Pirin Golf & Country Club has everything the discerning golfer could wish for.

With its well-equipped, hi-tech practice facilities and superb natural setting the resort is the ideal training spot for advanced golfers, children and for your first steps in the game.



Golf Academy

Pirin Golf & Country Club is the perfect place to learn all the secrets of golf. With some of the best practice facilities in Bulgaria and a selection of golf professionals, the academy provides golf lessons to both individual and group players of all ages and levels. Here you will find the most innovative training equipment such as SAM Putt Lab and the video analysis system C-Swing. The practice area can accommodate up to 94 people for a training session. Keen golf players and beginners have the opportunity to improve their swing and short game in one of the most impressive golf academies part of the European Tour Destinations.













The Wellness and Sports center

The Wellness and Sports center are designed to provide balance and improve your well-being and to truly relax. Choose rehabilitation therapy after training, aromatherapy, massage for Him and Her, and why not a visit to the beauty zone. Not only a place to play your favorite sport, Pirin Golf & Country Club provides you with a full range of sports and wellness services.







Fine dining options without leaving the resort

With eight different dining options to choose from, Pirin Golf & Country Club features a unique gastronomic offer. The variety of dining options ensure the perfect dining experience; relaxed or formal, we cater for every moment. Diversify every day of the week with local dishes, Mediterranean or Greek cuisine, Italian delicacies, Asian temptations, game dishes or European menu.



Club House

Club House restaurant is the heart of Pirin Golf & Country Club. The right place for your breakfast, lunch stop, a cocktail and the perfect end to the day with a home-cooked meal. The coziness of the restaurant is complemented by its numerous fireplaces, wooden interior and warm colors.

The menu offers European cuisine combined with a seasonal offer, selected by the professional chefs of Pirin Golf & Country Club. Surrounded by a 360° terrace here you will find extraordinary views of the golf courses and mountain backdrop.

