



# BULGARIA

**Bulgaria is situated in South Eastern Europe and borders Turkey and Greece to the south, Romania to the north and has the beautiful Black Sea coast to the east.**

It is fast becoming a popular country for anyone wanting to both holiday and invest in property abroad. This is probably because of all it has to offer:

- Beautiful golden sandy beaches
- Skiing and snowboarding
- Golfing
- Fishing
- Mountain walking / climbing
- Spa's

It also boasts:

- Good value houses and apartments
- Low property taxes and running costs
- A low cost of living
- A stable but expanding economy
- Already a member of NATO, it joined the EU in 2007.

All of this coupled with the amazing culture and friendly people make it a country that many visit.

The population is over 7m and while Bulgarian is the official language, English is widely spoken. The currency is Bulgarian Lev (BGN) and it is fixed to the Euro. Time in the country operates at GMT + 2.

Bulgaria is a parliamentary republic and its basic law is the constitution, founded on the principles separation of powers among a legislative, executive & judicial branch of Government.

Bulgaria is most proud of its contribution to the worlds cultural heritage sites. Bulgaria boasts seven cultural momuments and two wonders of nature which are protected by UNESCO.

The major airports are at Sofia, the capital city, Bourgas on the southern Black Sea coast and Varna on the northern coast.