



## **THE NOVRUZ**

(the feast of spring) with a history spanning more than three thousand years, has become an integral part of the culture of many peoples of the East, including Azerbaijan. The origin of this festival has its roots in pre-literate era of human history. The official status he had acquired in the Achaemenid Empire, the religious holiday of Zoroastrianism. This holiday is celebrated in the days, which accounts for the vernal equinox. September 30, 2009 the Novruz was included in the UNESCO Representative List of Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity together with the other 76 elements of intangible heritage from around the world. The holiday lasts for 6 days.

## **DAY 1**

Meeting at the airport and transfer to hotel. Gala dinner with live music in the evening on arrival.

## **DAY 2**

Breakfast at the hotel. Sightseeing tour of Baku with a visit and inspection of monumental, historical and architectural monuments. Attend the event in "Iceri sheher" (Old City) on Novruz. During the celebrations, you will have the opportunity to become acquainted with the ancient customs and rituals of this festival to listen to folk singing group, see the national sports competition. Free time to rest at the hotel. Gala Dinner in national restaurant.



### **DAY 3**

Breakfast in the national restaurant, where you can see bread preparation in “tendir”-national clay oven and the table will be decorated with sweets, which are prepared in a special way on Novruz: shakarbura, pakhlava, painted eggs, etc. Visit to the Museum of Modern Art. The museum has over 800 works of Azerbaijani artists and sculptors, mostly working in the avant-garde style. Walk on a yacht in Baku on the Caspian Sea - a view of Baku port. Gala dinner at the restaurant "YAXT CLUB".

### **DAY 4**

Breakfast at the hotel. Visiting Azerbaijan bath. Free time for shopping in one of the most modern shopping centers in Baku. The last joint Gala dinner at the "JAZZ CENTR", where you can immerse yourself in the excitement of jazz improvisation. You can listen to famous jazz musicians and get acquainted with the young performers.

### **DAY 5**

Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer to the airport.

