



**EUROPEAN LADIES` CLUB
TROPHY
TO BE PLAYED AT
ST. SOFIA GOLF CLUB & SPA
SOFIA, BULGARIA
26th – 28th SEPTEMBER 2013**

The European Golf Association together with the Bulgarian Golf Association and St. Sofia Golf Club & SPA have the great honor to invite you to participate in the European Ladies` Club Trophy 2013

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Golf Club and SPA “St. Sofia”

The golf course was opened in 2005 and it is the foundation for building a golf community in Bulgaria. A major project was started in 2009 to modernize the grounds. In early May, the renewed course was opened, designed especially by renowned Irish golfer Paul McGinley, with which our Capital can definitely be proud with.

For those who have not yet accumulated enough skills to enjoy the charm of course, a **golf academy** is available with a driving range, training simulators, a training course with two holes, and ultra-modern video systems for computer analysis. The Academy is suitable for all - from absolute beginners to experienced golfers and all the lessons are conducted by golf instructors, certified by the Professional Golf Association.

The professional golf shop offers clothing and equipment by top brands like Ian Poulter, Callaway, Cobra, Titleist, Footjoy, Glenmuir, Ralph Lauren and Puma. The Proshop offers the availability to rent strollers trolleys, buggies and clubs, and it is the place to make reservations for lessons and play. Golf is just off a phone call!



The **Club house**, built in a colonial style, is a real jewel in the portfolio of the architect Ivan Alexandrov. The broad terraces reveal a magnificent view over the golf course and a sense of refined luxury, comfort and relaxation. The beautiful panoramic view combined with exquisite drinks, a gourmet cuisine and an excellent service, make the hours spent here truly unforgettable.



www.stsofiagolf.com

Village of Ravno Pole, Elin Pelin Municipality, Bulgaria

CLUB FACILITIES

PRACTICE AREA

There is a driving range, practice putting area and practice chipping and bunker area.

TROLLEYS

Trolleys are available at the Pro Shop.

GOLF BAGS

Golf Bags may be stored at the Golf Club.

LOCKERS

Team lockers will be available. They will be allocated on arrival.

GOLF SHOP

The golf shop supplies popular brands of golf balls and clothing.

CATERING

Meals: The restaurant at the Golf Club will provide a Daily Buffet Lunch at the 19th hole.

PAYMENT

Payment for the expenses at the Golf Club can be made by Credit Card or Cash in Bulgarian Leva or in Euro. Visa and Mastercard is accepted.

INFORMATION

Time schedule

Monday	23 rd September	Arrival of teams
Tuesday	24 th September	Registration at the tournament office
	09:00-16:00	First Practice Day
	09:30-17:00	
Wednesday	25 th September	Registration at the tournament office
	09:00-12:00	Second Practice Day
	09:30-17:00	
	17:00-18:00	Team Meeting
	18:00-18:30	Team Photographs
	18:30-19:30	Opening Ceremony
	19:30-21:00	Welcome Cocktail Party
Thursday	26 th September	09:30-17:00 First Stroke Play Round
Friday	27 th September	09:30-17:00 Second Stroke Play Round
Saturday	28 th September	09:30-17:00 Third Stroke Play Round
		18:00-19:00 Prize Giving Ceremony
		19:00-20:30 Closing Dinner
Sunday	29 th September	Team Departure

Registration

Captains must register their team at the BGA Tournament Office until Wednesday, September 25th no later than 12:00. All details concerning the Championship will be given during the registration.

Official Information. Tee-times.

Information board is located in the clubhouse.

Pigeon Holes

The pigeon holes (one for each team) will be located in the clubhouse. Please check your pigeon hole every day.

Team Expenses

There is a fixed charge of € 750 - per team of 3 players and the captain/advisor, covering tournament costs such as: pull-trolleys, range balls, welcome party and closing dinner/ buffet, transport.

For any additional party member, there will be a cost of € 100.

Total amount for Team Expenses should be paid by bank transfer by 20th September 2013.

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Transportation

Airport collection service from the airport to hotel will be provided free of charge (Travel Arrangement Form attached).

Shuttle service from the hotel to St. Sofia Golf Club & SPA will be provided for both practice rounds and all the tournament days. Transportation schedule will be sent to all participating countries one week prior the tournament.

Practice

The official practice days are Tuesday 24th and Wednesday 25th September. There are practice areas including driving range, area for chipping and putting green. Practice balls for the range are included in the team fee.

Team Photos

A photo session is scheduled for Wednesday 24th September prior to the Opening Ceremony. A timetable will be found in the documents received at registration. Dress code is official Club Team uniform.

Medical Service

Medical service will be provided during the whole Championship.

Changing rooms

The changing rooms are situated in the clubhouse. For any assistance regarding obtaining a locker, please ask at the Info Desk.

Club and Golf Bag Storage

Golf bags can be stored at the golf club storage facility.

Massage

Massage can be booked in advance or upon arrival.

Trolleys

Pull-trolleys are available. Price is included in the team fee.

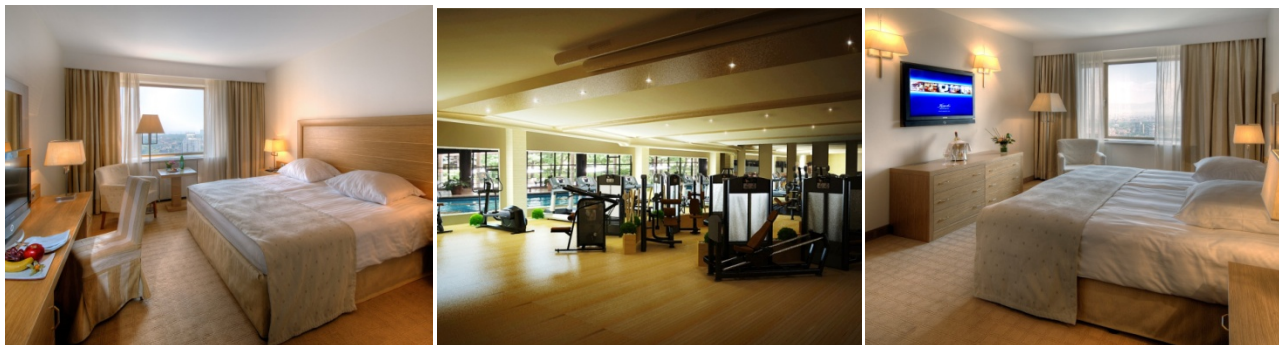
Restaurants

Restaurant facilities are available at the Club House.

Credit Cards

Payment of expenses at the hotel and golf club can be made by credit card.

ACCOMMODATION



Kempinski Hotel Sofia

Located on a hill, at the highest point of Sofia, at a walking distance from the city center and its numerous attractions, Kempinski Hotel Zografski offers comfort and cozy quiet for a stay of unsurpassed luxury and desire to find more.

Dining

The 6 restaurants and 2 bars at the Kempinski Hotel Zografski demonstrate the culinary creations and century-long traditions of the whole world under the same roof.

Treat yourself to the classic Italian dishes at the Ristorante Colline Toscane Restaurant!

Enjoy the traditional Bulgarian cuisine at the Lozenets Restaurant or dining with a breath-taking view at the roof top Panorama Restaurant under the very sky!

Health, Wellness, Spirit... Enjoy Harmony and Balance!

Enhance your health and beauty with various massages and treatments, physical exercises or swimming in the biggest hotel swimming pool in Sofia.

Feel in excellent shape after visiting the spa of Kempinski Hotel Zografski. The Beauty Salon and Massage Services offer a wide variety of treatments, massages and aroma therapy.

Should you require massage service, kindly contact our Front Desk Attendants minimum two hours in advance.

Kempinski Hotel Zografski Sofia
James Bourchier Boulevard 100
1407, Sofia
Bulgaria

HOW TO GET THERE

Shuttle service will be provided between Kempinski hotel and St.Sofia Golf Club & SPA

Coming By Car

Starting from Tzarigradsko Shausse Boulevard the road passes through to Plovdiv Highway. You will pass by a traffic police booth on the right side of the road. After 2km. on the right side of the road you will see road signs “Ravno Pole 6 km” and “Lozen”. After the road signs you turn to the right for Lozen and Ravno Pole villages and then you turn to the left on the first block heading for Ravno Pole village. You will pass under the Plovdiv highway . You will pass over a railway line, On your right hand side you will pass by the “Verila” factory. Continue on to “Ravno Pole “ village. You will reach the centre of the village where you should turn right and then left. Continue on and your next step will be the golf course.



HISTORY & POINTS OF INTEREST

Sofia is one of the most visited tourist destinations in Bulgaria alongside coastal and mountain resorts. Among its highlights is the Alexander Nevsky Cathedral, one of the symbols of Bulgaria, constructed in the late 19th century. It occupies an area of 3,170 square metres (34,100 sq ft) and can hold 10,000 people. The city is also known for the Boyana Church, a UNESCO World Heritage site. The SS. Cyril and Methodius National Library houses the largest national collection of books and documents (1,714,211 books and some 6 million other documents^[22]) and is Bulgaria's oldest cultural institute.

Sofia holds Bulgaria's largest museum collections, which attract tourists and students for practical studies. The National Historical Museum in Boyana district has a vast collection of more than 650,000 historical items dating from Prehistory to the modern era, although only 10,000 of them are permanently displayed due to the lack of space.^[23] Smaller collections of items related mostly to the history of Sofia are in the National Archaeological Museum, a former mosque located between the edifices of the National Bank and the Presidency. Two natural sciences museums — the Natural History Museum and the Earth and Man — display minerals, animal species (alive and taxidermic) and rare materials. The Ethnographic Museum and the National Museum of Military History are other places of interest, holding large collections of Bulgarian folk costumes and armaments, respectively.

Vitosha Boulevard, also called *Vitoshka*, has numerous fashion boutiques and luxury goods stores. Sofia's geographic location, in the foothills of the weekend retreat Vitosha mountain, further adds to the city's specific atmosphere.

Sofia concentrates the majority of Bulgaria's leading performing arts troupes. Theatre is by far the most popular form of performing art, and theatrical venues are among the most visited, second only to cinemas. The oldest such institution is the Ivan Vazov National Theatre, which performs mainly classical plays and is situated in the very centre of the city. A large number of smaller theatres, such as the Sfumato Theatrical Workshop, show both classical and modern plays.

The National Opera and Ballet is a combined opera and ballet collective, established in 1891. However, it did not begin performances on a regular basis until 1909. Some of Bulgaria's most famous operatic singers, such as Nicolai Ghiaurov and Ghena Dimitrova, have made their first appearances on the stage of the National Opera and Ballet. Bulgaria Hall and Hall 1 of the National Palace of Culture regularly hold classical concerts, performed both by foreign orchestras and the Sofia Philharmonic. The city has played host to many world-famous musical acts including Sting, Elton John, Madonna, George Michael, Tiesto, Kylie Minogue, Depeche Mode, Rammstein, Rihanna and Roxette.



Visual arts expositions are also of interest. The National Art Gallery holds a collection of works mostly by Bulgarian authors, while the National Gallery for Foreign Art displays exclusively foreign art, mostly from India, Africa, China and Europe. Its collections encompass diverse cultural items such as Ashanti Empire

sculptures, Buddhist art, Dutch Golden Age painting, works by Albrecht Dürer, Jean-Baptiste Greuze and Auguste Rodin, among others. The crypt of the Alexander Nevsky cathedral holds a collection of Eastern Orthodox icons from the 9th to the 19th century.



Cinema is the most popular form of entertainment. In recent years, cinematic venues have been concentrating in trade centres and malls, and independent halls have been closed. Mall of Sofia holds one of the largest IMAX cinemas in Europe. Most films are American productions, although European and domestic films are increasingly shown. Odeon (not part of the Odeon Cinemas chain) shows exclusively European and independent American films, as well as 20th century classics. Bulgaria's once thriving film industry, concentrated in the Boyana Film studios, has suffered a period of decay after 1990. A relative revival of the industry began after 2001. After the acquisition of Boyana Film by Nu Image, several moderately successful productions have been shot in and around Sofia, such as The Contract, The Black Dahlia, Hitman and Conan the Barbarian. The Nu Boyana Film studios have also hosted some of the scenes for The Expendables 2.

The city houses many cultural institutes such as the Russian Cultural Institute, the Polish Cultural Institute, the Hungarian Institute, the Czech and the Slovak Cultural Institutes, the Italian Cultural Institute, the French Cultural Institute, Goethe Institut, British Council, Instituto Cervantes, and the Open Society Institute, which regularly organise temporary expositions of visual, sound and literary works by artists from their respective countries.



CLIMATE

Sofia has a typical European [oceanic climate](#). It is one of the coldest cities in [Bulgaria](#) with an annual temperature of 10.0 °C (50.0 °F) due to its high altitude. Annual clear days vary from 39 to 68, while annual rainy or stormy days vary from 141 to 185.^[12]

Winters are cold, but not especially snowy. The coldest months are January and February, when the temperature usually drops down to −10 °C (14 °F) - −15 °C (5 °F) through nights and sometimes it doesn't exceed 0 °C (32 °F) even during the day. The lowest temperature - −31.2 °C (−24.2 °F) was recorded during the winter of 1893. Summers are warm, at times hot. The warmest months are July and August, when temperatures vary from 10 °C (50 °F) to 15 °C (59 °F) during the night and rise to 25 °C (77 °F) - 30 °C (86 °F) through the day. Sofia generally remains cooler than other parts of [Bulgaria](#), due to the high altitude of the valley in which it is situated. [Thunderstorms](#) often occur during the summer season. The city receives around 570 millimetres (22 in) annual precipitation with summer maximum and winter minimum.

Climate data for Sofia, Bulgaria(1931-1970)

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year
Record high °C (°F)	16.9 (62.4)	21 (70)	31 (88)	29.6 (85.3)	32.1 (89.8)	34 (93)	36.7 (98.1)	37.4 (99.3)	34.8 (94.6)	31.3 (88.3)	24.2 (75.6)	20.0 (68.0)	37.4 (99.3)
Average high °C (°F)	1.5 (34.7)	4.6 (40.3)	9.3 (48.7)	16.3 (61.3)	20.9 (69.6)	24.3 (75.7)	27.1 (80.8)	27.2 (81.0)	23.2 (73.8)	16.8 (62.2)	10 (50)	3.9 (39.0)	15.4 (59.7)
Daily mean °C (°F)	−1.9 (28.6)	0.6 (33.1)	4.4 (39.9)	10.4 (50.7)	14.9 (58.8)	18.3 (64.9)	20.5 (68.9)	20 (68)	16.1 (61.0)	10.3 (50.5)	5.5 (41.9)	0.7 (33.3)	10 (50)
Average low °C (°F)	−5.2 (22.6)	−4.2 (24.4)	−0.9 (30.4)	4.9 (40.8)	9.1 (48.4)	12.4 (54.3)	13.9 (57.0)	13.5 (56.3)	10 (50)	5.7 (42.3)	2.2 (36.0)	−2.7 (27.1)	5 (41)
Record low °C (°F)	−31.2 (−24.2)	−25.4 (−13.7)	−18.4 (−1.1)	−10.4 (13.3)	−1.6 (29.1)	1.4 (34.5)	4 (39)	3.9 (39.0)	−1 (30)	−6 (21)	−15 (5)	−20 (−4)	−31.2 (−24.2)
Rainfall mm (inches)	28 (1.1)	31 (1.22)	38 (1.5)	51 (2.01)	73 (2.87)	75 (2.95)	63 (2.48)	51 (2.01)	38 (1.5)	35 (1.38)	48 (1.89)	40 (1.57)	571 (22.48)
% humidity	84	78	72	66	68	67	62	61	68	75	83	85	72.41
Avg. snowy days	9	10	7	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	10	44
Mean monthly sunshine hours	62.15	81.92	118.65	166.67	206.22	248.6	285.32	268.37	194.25	135.6	79.1	48.02	1,894.87

NAME OF TEAM MEMBER (by 20th September 2013)

Please return this form containing all necessary information not later than
20th September 2013, Fax: +359 725 68 886, E-mail: office@golfbg.com, k.ikonov@golfbg.com

COUNTRY: _____

CLUB: _____

Team Members	Handicap	Trolley
1.		
2.		
3.		

Name of Officials	
	Captain
	Team Advisor

Contact Person:	

Signature, Date	
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Team Expenses

Bank Details

Bulgarian Golf Association

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Total amount for Team Expenses should be paid by bank transfer by 20th September 2013

Contact person:
(in case of
multiple
reservations)

Phone:

E-mail:

Guest Name:	Arrival	Departure	No. of Nights	No. of Rooms	No of Pax	

ROOM TYPE	ROOM RATE 1 Room Night / BB Basis	
	Single	Double
Deluxe Room Junior Suite	☐ 80 EUR	☐ 90 EUR
	☐ 120 EUR	☐ 140 EUR

Rates

1. All rates include VAT and are exclusive of city tax amounting 0.67 EUR per person, per night

Reservation and Cancellation Policy:

- ☐ **Guaranteed Reservation (credit card and signature are mandatory):**

After receiving the credit card details and the signed booking form the room will be blocked for you for the entire night, regardless of your time of arrival. In case of No-Show, one night will be charged for each room booked.

Bookings must be made latest by 17th of September, 2013. After this date the room block will be cancelled, reservations will be subject to availability.

Changes and cancellations of guaranteed bookings must be made until 4 pm Sofia time on 20th of September 2013. After expiration of this period No-Show amounting of the full stay booked will be charged for each room.

The hotel reserves the right to amend the conditions accordingly after expiration of the quoted deadline.

Credit Card Details to guarantee booking:

I, the undersigned, authorize Kempinski Hotel Zografski Sofia to charge the credit card below in case of No-Show or Cancellation.

Card name: _____

Signature: _____

No. _____ Exp: _____

Confirmed By Kempinski Hotel Zografski Sofia: _____ **Date:** _____ **Confirmation**

N: _____

Please sign and fax back to + 359 2 969 22 34 or scan and email to reservations.zografski@kempinski.com

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS FORM

(by 20th September 2013)

CLUB & COUNTRY.....

TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS ARRIVING.....

ARRIVAL AT SOFIA AIRPORT

DATE.....

TIME OF ARRIVAL.....

CARRIER.....

FLIGHT NUMBER.....

NUMBER OF PERS.....

DEPARTURE FROM SOFIA AIRPORT

DATE.....

TIME OF DEPARTURE.....

CARRIER.....

FLIGHT NUMBER.....

NUMBER OF PERS.....

Transfer is included in the Team Fee

Please return to Konstantin Ikonov by 20th September, 2013.

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