



## Agenda of cultural tourist and traditional events in **Bucovina**

In Bukovine, the **1<sup>st</sup> of January** is, without doubt, a reason for joy and celebration. It is said that **Saint Vasile** once asked God for a day, and God gave him the first day of the year.

He was so happy that he tied a bell to a string of basil and climbed up to the Kingdom of Heaven to spread cheers and joy.

After only a few days, on the 6<sup>th</sup> of January, **Boboteaza** is celebrated; this holiday is meant to bring back the memory of the Holy Baptism.

On the 7<sup>th</sup> **Saint John`s Day** is thought to be the last of winter`s religious celebrations. The elderly say that one must be happy on Saint John`s Day, otherwise he will be sad for the rest of the year.

In the meantime, the locals of **Breaza** and **Brosteni** celebrate their customs and traditions, throughout the village, with parades and folklore performances.

Once the religious events are over, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of January Rasca hosts another festival dedicated to **traditional songs** and **winter customs**.

Later on, on the 15<sup>th</sup>, **Mihai Eminescu`s birthday** is celebrated. Poetry recitals, contests, shows, exhibitions and book launchings are all dedicated to Romania`s greatest poet.

Towards the end of the month, on the 24<sup>th</sup>, contests and shows are organized all over again, but this time they`re meant to bring back memories from 1859, when Alexandru Ioan Cuza unified the three parts in which Romania was divided.

### AGENDA

1<sup>st</sup> of January: **Saint Vasile`s Day**

6<sup>th</sup> of January: **Boboteaza**

7<sup>th</sup> of January: **Saint John`s Day**

6<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> of January: "**Winter Customs and Traditions**" - Brosteni, Breaza

8<sup>th</sup> of January: "**Winter Customs Festival**" - Rasca

15<sup>th</sup> of January: **Birthday of Mihai Eminescu** - national poet

24<sup>th</sup> of January: National Unification Day

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