

LEGEND OF BUCURESTI



THE BEGINNINGS OF BUCHAREST

The legend of Bucharest is linked to the name of a rich shepherd called Bucur. He had a large flock of all kinds of sheep, strong and fearless dogs and beautiful horses.

The most dangerous enemies were the Tartars, who plundered, burned and took hostages the apprentices in the sheepfold. One winter they kidnapped the daughter of Baci Bucur, Anca, a beautiful and industrious girl. Bucur was furious and, together with two friends, he ran for days and nights to rescue his daughter. They reached the kidnappers by the frozen waters of the Dniester. They tried to

cross the river, but the ice broke and the kidnappers drowned. Some escaped, including Bucur's daughter Anca.

They all returned to the sheepfold. Here, on a hill, they built a big house and surrounded it with a high fence of thick logs, like a real fortress wall. When Anca got married and had children, they also built a small church, which has been preserved to this day - "Bucur's Church".



BUCUR'S CHURCH - THEN AND NOW

Over the years, more and more people settled here. And so, after hundreds and hundreds of years, a large settlement grew up around Bucur's house and people called it Bucharest, which became the capital of the country.



