

What a summer!!!



Although the photo seems to disclose a bunch of peasants ready to live another agricultural day, the story behind it is so much different...

During our one-week summer holiday stay in the Danube delta we went on boat trips, too, in order to experience the true spirit of this amazing place in Romania. So, on a Friday afternoon, my boyfriend and I, together with other tourists – a professor and his wife, and a family with two kids (all of us having the same touristic objective), embarked on a blue and white high-speed boat and journeyed along Sulina, the shortest arm of the delta, to the Caraorman Forest (whose name signifies in Turkish – the Black Forest, due to the rich vegetation that creates dark shadows). What we didn't know was that the only available means of transport by which we could have proceeded to the heart of the forest was a tractor specially equipped with an open and so "comfortable" trailer. It's said that there is no gain without pain... so, after a half-hour trip by tractor, which seemed endless, in fact, due to the so waded sandy road, the tree limbs that sometimes punched our faces and last, but definitely not least, the tones of dust



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generated all around us (that turned all of us as black as the forest), we had that unique stop in the photo. There we had the once-in-a-lifetime chance to admire and take photos to the oldest (over 400 years old) and biggest (over 4 metres in circumference) oaks in the delta.

This was indeed an unexpected and unforgettable summer experience worth to live it! :-)

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