



In early April, 2009, a group of 40 European aviation fanatics travelled to Moldova to sample the delights of travel on a vintage 41 year old passenger configured Ilyushin IL-18, operated by Chisinau-based Grixona.



Through contacts of a "secret German" individual, this special aircraft was chartered by the group for a once-in-a-lifetime sight-seeing flight to nearby Balti airfield, some 30 minutes air-time from Chisinau airport.

At Balti, Captain Vladimir Russu took the IL-18 up for a special flying display and high-speed low-level airfield beat up, specially laid on for her guests. In this day and age, passenger flights on IL-18s are extremely rare.

This DVD program takes us along for a passenger view on that special propliner day in Moldova. (NOTE: The video footage presented on this DVD was filmed on board the IL-18, mostly in the passenger cabin. There is very little cockpit footage).



#### DVD PROGRAMS

- Ch 1) Chisinau apron
- Ch 2) starting engines
- Ch 3) Chisinau take-off
- Ch 4) Descent to Balti
- Ch 5) Balti apron
- Ch 6) Balti-Balti take-off
- Ch 7) Balti runway flypast

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All Ages Admitted

#### 16X9 WIDE SCREEN FORMAT

- Ch 8) Balti landing
- Ch 9) Back to Chisinau
- Ch 10) Starting engines
- Ch 11) Balti take-off
- Ch 12) Inflight to Chisinau
- Ch 13) Approach to Chisinau
- Ch 14) Shut down and end credits

Total Running Time: 90 minutes

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# A Day in Moldova Grixona IL-18

Onboard and inflight with Daniel Frohiep

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