

Adventure holiday in Montenegro&Albania

Tour description:

Located in a circle of impressive mountains, the two Adriatic countries of Montenegro and Albania offer an unprecedented variety of activities and landscapes. Sail through the water lilies on Lake Skadar, hike in the beautiful Prokletije mountain range and explore the mighty Lake Komani. Thanks to your rental car, you have the freedom to plan your days the way you prefer. It is great to discover the two countries during this unique trip!

By participating in this trip and the excursions you will have the unique opportunity to support small local organizations, these organizations are dedicated to the preservation and protection of Albania's natural treasures and are happy to share them with you.

Tour details:

Group: 3-10 people

Departure dates: May 1 – October 1



Full itinerary:

DAY 1 – SKADAR LAKE – TRUE NATURE

Rental car will await you at the airport as you'll head to your accommodation in Skadar Lake area. Kayaks will be awaiting upon your arrival with some maps and instructions of what to explore, Montenegrin Alcatraz lurking just behind the corner. Don't miss it! Afterwards enjoy the hospitality of your hosts and try some of their delicious wine over traditional dinner.

Accommodation – Skadar Lake area, guesthouse 3* (b&b) – 2 nights

Driving time: 30min

Meals included: dinner

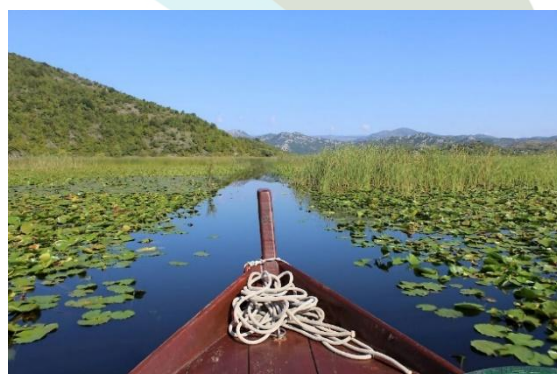


DAY 2 – EXPLORE SKADAR LAKE BY BOAT

Head short drive to Virpazar, where we begin our lake adventure. Today, we'll cruise the lake for 3 hours in a boat modeled on a traditional fishing boat that once traded across the lake. If you want, you can choose the 5-hour-boat tour with lunch in a fishermen village (**option 1**). Our route will take us via small channels, the 'birds' paradise spots and truly breathtaking landscapes.

Driving time: 30min

Meals included: breakfast



DAY 3 – MORAČA CANYON – GATE TO THE NORTH

Head towards the capital Podgorica then follow the Morača canyon into the mountains. First stop at the 13th century Morača monastery, wander through the gardens and view the 13th century frescoes. After the monastery head to the lunch at small cheese farm driving through arguably most beautiful landscapes of the country. The road from here climbs rapidly to the Bjelasica plateau with stunning views along the canyon. Back on the road, enjoy spectacular mountain views, swathes of native forest and small mountain villages as we continue our climb to tonight's accommodation. Walk through the pasture to enjoy a spectacular sunset against the breathtaking Komovi Massif.

Accommodation - 3* chalets Komovi/Bjelasica area (halfboard).

Driving time: 3h30min

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner



DAY 4 – WATER WONDERS OF PROKLETIJE OR GREEN PASTURES OF BJELASICA

Today you can choose between two activities that we offer or visit some waterfalls and turquoise waters in the area.

Option 2: Today you will try your luck at fly fishing! Fly fishing in the lake of Prokletije National Park is a must for the seasoned fisherman or first-time enthusiast alike. You can try your hand at fly fishing with professional tutoring where our local experts will assist you. You will practice "catch and release fishing" to avoid depletion of the population. Our fishing team also manages illegal fishing, helps to control the population and has a real passion for sustainable fishing as well as all the knowledge of the good fishing corners and species of the region. Duration 4 hours.



Option 3: After breakfast, we begin our hike with licensed mountain guide. This trail is one of the most pleasant in the area because you can see couple of beautiful glacial lakes, pass through the forest and pastures, and it is easy and welcoming for people of any fitness. The return trip will give many options for photography.



Accommodation - 3* chalets Prokletije area (halfboard).

Driving time: 1h20min

Meals included: breakfast, dinner

DAY 5 – PROKLETIJE, THE ACCURSED MOUNTAINS

Enjoy a breakfast of local produce before starting out for the day. A private mountain guide will be provided to take you to one of the most beautiful spots in the park. You'll see forests of beech, fir and silicate spruce, cushion-sedge and blue grass lawn in the alpine areas near the top. Depending on the season, you will be treated to the most amazing display of wildflowers or native fruits and berries. Enjoy the panorama view of the Karanfil peaks, Albania and on a good day all four corners of Montenegro. This region is known to have remnant population of wild bear, deer, badger and the golden jackal.



Accommodation - 3* Guesthouse in Lepushe (Albania - halfboard) after having crossed the border, in the afternoon, and a short visit of Vermosh. Dinner with traditional dishes of the area, cooked by the lady of the house.

Driving time: 1h

Meals included: breakfast, dinner

DAY 6 – HEIGHTS OF THETH

An early breakfast before visiting the charming village of Lepusha and some easy trekking on the beauties of this Valley. By noon get in the car and start moving toward Theth. Pausing in Leqet e Hotit and Tamare for breathtaking views and photos and testing the handmade bluberry jam and wild pomegranade concentrate beverage. Road to Theth is also a testimony of how one can only be amazed at how often the landscape changes in small distances.



Accommodation in Theth (halfboard) for a dinner accompanied by a small local artistic event. The welcoming guesthouse offers a sweet fresh-air snooze.

Driving time: 2h30min

Meals included: breakfast, dinner

DAY 7 – ALBANIAN ALPS

In Theth start with visits to the church, the tower of isolation (kulla e ngujimit), the straw mill (mulliri i kashtes), the canyon and the shining waterfall. Optional trekking up to Blue Eye (around 5 hours round trip, **option 4**), accompanied by local guide and mule/horse for the backpacks.

Accommodation in Theth (halfboard), where another exceptional traditional dinner will be waiting for us.

Driving time: /

Meals included: breakfast, dinner



DAY 8 – VALBONA MOUNTAIN PASS



Local breakfast before an 8-hour hike (self-guided) towards the pass of Valbona. Welcomed pauses to rest and admire the splendid scenery and a lunch in front of a breathtaking panorama. It's a full and lovely day, about 7-8 hours.

Accommodation in Valbona (b&b).

Driving time: /

Meals included: breakfast



DAY 9 – KOMANI LAKE

After a breakfast of local delights, the valley tour continues by car towards Fierza's small ferry terminal. The 3-hour cruise is an opportunity for continual admiration of the constantly changing scenery of Komani Lake and its fjords. During July and August, Mario's guesthouse offers good eating and better splashes in the invigorating waters.



The arrival in Kruja varies with the season and always includes memorable visits to the castle, the museum, the old bazaar and the wonderfully preserved ethnographic museum.

Accommodation in Panorama hotel (b&b).

Driving time: 4h

Meals included: breakfast

DAY 10 – STORY OF SCANDERBEG

Start traveling to the town of Lezha to visit the Scanderbeg memorial, the grave and the castle. The famed traditional restaurant Mrizi i Zanave offers delicious lunches and refreshing coffee-breaks. Upon arrival in Shkodra, a visit to the Rozafa Castle and Museum, the Lead Mosque, Pedestrian Street, Marubi Studio for a full afternoon of fun and learning.



Dinner at the Tradita restaurant is an event itself before a peaceful sleep in Shkodra (halfboard).

Driving time: 1h30min

Meals included: breakfast, dinner



DAY 11 – DEPARTURE

After breakfast move toward Podgorica or Tivat Airport for the departure.

Driving time: 1h20min (Podgorica airport)

Meals included: breakfast

Price details:	
Price: From 1403€ per person	
Details*: 6 pers: 1403€ 4 pers: 1489€ 2 pers: 1697€	
INCLUDED	NOT INCLUDED
○ Rental car for all days (with delivery at the airport)	○ Options as specified in the itinerary
○ Accommodations for all nights as specified in itinerary	○ Alternative for private transfers instead of rental car (on request)
○ Meals mentioned in the itinerary ○ Transfer of the rental car from Theth to Valbona	○ International flights and airport taxes; ○ Meals not mentioned in itinerary (lots of options available)
○ Entrance fees for Skadar Lake National Park, Rozafa castle and Marubi Fototeka	○ Entrance fees in national parks, museums and churches (these are included in guided tours)
○ Our on-site assistance 24/7	○ Drinks and personal expenses and tips
○ Insurance for excursions	○ Tourist tax
*price per person, on a base of double rooms	

