

The lakes of the highlands

Tour description:

Trip in a country of high mountains is not just about the heights, but also about the valleys that hide many beautiful lakes. On this 6-day journey we will take you to experience not only famous bird paradise of Skadar Lake National Park but sights of pristine glacial lakes deep into the mountains to admire the stories and legends shared by locals all together creating an experience to remember.

Tour details:

Group: 2-8 people
Departure dates: All year long
Fitness level required: Good



Full itinerary:

DAY 1 – ARRIVAL AND VISIT TO THE CAPITAL

Arrival to Podgorica airport. Rental car will await as you'll head to your first accommodation in the capital. Evening to stroll around the numerous cafes and restaurants in the city centre.

[Option 1]: If morning flight, we would suggest visit to local winery, host whose land was in the family for generations, and who brought it new shine and today produces variety of red and white wines, internationally recognized and awarded. Degustation followed by some nice local delicatessen.



[Option 2]: Local craft breweries are fighting a heavy battle against famous state brand, but do they make great beer? Yes, sir! Try their varieties and take a peak into their production process followed by some barbecue/snacks of local delicatessen.

Accommodation: 4* hotel in Podgorica (b&b).

Driving time: 30min

Meals included: /

DAY 2 – LEGENDS OF KUČKE MOUNTAINS



Today we head our journey towards the beautiful Kučke Mountains (Kučke Planine). Our destination is a mountain lake located at 1448m above sea level. Legends have been told of the fairies that seduced the shepherds who brought cattle to the lake in the past, but you will hear not just these legends, you will get to climb one beautiful peak at 1876m elevation on an easy circular tour with swimming in the lake as the reward at the end of the hike.



Afternoon drive to Skadar Lake area for accommodation at local hosts with delicious home made dinner to conclude the day.

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

Driving time: 2h30min

Meals included: breakfast, dinner

DAY 3 – CRUISING THROUGH SKADAR LAKE



Lake cruise (3h) coloured with water lilies and water caltrops which will landscape our way through a small jungle like channels on our way to the island monastery. Passing between “Goat and Sheep Islands”, we will reach the only sacred place in the Lake area, which was never destroyed and originates from the 15th century. Beautiful views of the Lake landscape, but also a quick sight of the tombs of the rulers who belonged to the Crnojević dynasty, as well as some cattle kept by the monks of the monastery. Before we return, we will make a stop to enjoy some swimming.

(Option 3): Kayaking in the afternoon or longer cruise with lunch in fishermen village.

Driving time: 30min

Meals included: breakfast

DAY 4 – NIKŠIĆ, VISIT TO OSTROG MONASTERY

From Skadar Lake direction north. First pay a visit to one of the greatest religious wonders in this part of Europe, monastery situated high in the cliffside, speaking of history and long Christian tradition in this region. After the visit on the way to a goat farm above Salt lake of Nikšić stop for some photos of the lake and its numerous islands. At the farm your host will make sure you get to try variety of their products crowned with delicious lunch.



Accommodation: Nikšić questhouse 3* (overnight) – 2 nights



Driving time: 2h20min

Meals included: breakfast, lunch

DAY 5 – EASY HIKE IN NIKŠIĆ REGION

Nikšić region hides some of the most breath-taking landscapes you can imagine, and today we are heading to discover one of those. In the area of brave shepherds and katuns, where summers are mild, but winters snowy and harsh, the hiking tour of another glacial lake will take place. Route



will include mountains pastures, gorgeous nearby peaks but also a Captain's lake, place of peace and serenity at 1678m of elevation, also rich with trout and if warm enough welcoming for swimming. Hike duration 3-5 hours, depending on the pace, but an easy trail.

Driving time: 2h30min

Meals included: /

DAY 6 – DEPARTURE

Suggestion to have a coffee at Krupac lake shore before heading to the airport for a farewell to Montenegrin lake story.





(Option 4): If late flight head to Salt lake. This quiet lake with some of its islands offers perfect spot for off the beaten track day. Let's make a day just a bit adventurous with 3-hour kayaking tour (guided) where you'll get the Salt Lake view from the water and it is pretty spectacular.

Meals included: /



Price details:

Price: From 485€ per person

Details*: 6 pers: 485€ 4 pers: 520€ 2 pers: 699€

INCLUDED

- Rental car for all days (with delivery at the airport)
- Accommodations for all nights as specified in itinerary
- Meals as specified in the itinerary
- Private boat tour on Skadar Lake (+ entrance tickets to national parks)
- Private & certified mountain guide for the two hikes
- Our on-site assistance 24/7
- Insurance for excursions

NOT INCLUDED

- Options as specified in the itinerary
- Alternative for private transfers instead of rental car (on request)
- International flights and airport taxes
- Meals not mentioned in itinerary (lots of options available)
- Your own hiking equipment
- Drinks and personal expenses and tips
- Tourist tax

*price per person, on a base of double rooms



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