

detailed program - 10 day' s hiking trip in Macedonia

Day 1 - Skopje

We will meet at the Skopje airport. Meeting time depends on the arrival flight to Skopje airport. Optional city tour in Skopje depends from the flight schedule. After city tour we will have to transfer to the mountain resort of Popova Sapka on Shar Mountain, situated at altitude of 1700 m. Welcoming dinner will be served in a hotel. Overnight in Popova Sapka.

Day 2 - Shar Mountain

After breakfast we will start hike to Tito's Peak (2747 m). We will climb it by the summer trail passing through areas with endemic flora and one of the best panoramas and landscapes in Macedonia. Short picnic on the altitude of 2747 meters. From Tito's Peak we will hike down to Leshnica Valley, one of the most beautiful mountain areas in Macedonia, where we will have lunch. We will participate in preparing lamb prepared according to a shepherd's recipe on a meadow at Dolna Leshnica Valley at altitude of 1450 meters. After lunch we will have transfer to Popova Sapka resort. Overnight in Popova Sapka.

Hiking tour data - Day 2

Difficulty of the tour	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊
Duration of the tour:	7 to 9 hours
Length of the tour:	24 km
Starting point:	1700 meters
Uphill climbing:	1100 meters
Finish:	1450 meters
Required fitness:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊
Panoramas and landscapes:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊
Biodiversity:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊

Day 3 - Shar Mountain

Short morning transfer from Popova Sapka to the village of Bozovce (1350 m), our starting point for the hike to Sheremetnica Peak (2310 m) and Karanikola Lake (2210 m). We will visit one of the most beautiful glacial lakes on Shar Mountain. Hiking down is by the trail on the other side of the mountain finishing in the village of Veshalla (1245 m). At the end of the hiking we will have tea at local tea house. Transfer to the village of Stare Selo by bus and after that by jeeps to the mountain hut Villa Ljuboten (1650 m). Dinner with traditional food in Mountain Hut Villa Ljuboten. Overnight in mountain hut.

Hiking tour data - Day 3

Difficulty of the tour:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊
Duration of the tour:	6 to 8 hours
Length of the tour:	14 km
Starting point:	1325 meters
Uphill climbing:	1000 meters
Finish:	1245 meters
Required fitness:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊
Panoramas and landscapes:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊
Biodiversity:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊

Day 4 - Shar Mountain

After breakfast we will have to hike up to Ljuboten Peak (2499 m), the most dominant peak on the north-east part of Shar Mountain, providing memorable landscapes and panoramas on the mountains and valleys in Macedonia and Kosovo. For hike down we can choose between the north east ridge or make traverse through south west ridge and rock field below Ljuboten. We will have lunch at the old mountain hut Ljuboten (1650 m), oldest mountain hut in Macedonia, where will have traditional lunch with tasting local sheep cheese. After lunch we will hike down to village of Stare Selo (900 m) where the bus will wait for us. Transfer to National Park Mavrovo. Overnight in hotel in Mavrovo

Hiking tour data - Day 4

Difficulty of the tour:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊
Duration of the tour:	6 to 8 hours
Length of the tour:	14 km
Starting point:	1650 meters
Uphill climbing:	900 meters
Finish:	900 meters
Required fitness:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊
Panoramas and landscapes:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊
Biodiversity:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊

Day 5 - National Park Mavrovo

Morning transfer to the high plateau of Mount Bistra to the starting point of the hike to Medenica Peak (2163 m). We will climb the peak from the east side. Once reaching the top we will hike down by the different trail on a south to the village of Galichnik (1450 m). We will have light lunch at the local villager's house. Walking tour in the village after lunch. Transfer back to Mavrovo. Traditional dinner with Mavrovo plate. Overnight in Mavrovo.

Hiking tour data - Day 5

Difficulty of the tour:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊
Duration of the tour:	4 to 5 hours
Length of the tour:	12 km
Starting point:	1700 meters
Uphill climbing:	500 meters
Finish:	1400 meters
Required fitness:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊
Panoramas and landscapes:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊
Biodiversity:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊

Day 6 - National Park Mavrovo

We will start the day with morning transfer to the footstep of Mount Korab (1470 m) to reach the starting point of our hike. We will hike up to the top of Golem Korab (2754 m) through Alpine scenes passing by one sheepfold. Around noon we will reach the peak which lies on the border between Macedonia and Albania. After the beer brake at the end of the hike we will have transfer back to Mavrovo (1260 m). Overnight in hotel in Mavrovo.

Hiking tour data - Day 6

Difficulty of the tour:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊
Duration of the tour:	7 to 9 hours
Length of the tour:	22 km
Starting point:	1470 meters
Uphill climbing:	1400 meters
Finish:	1470 meters
Required fitness:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊
Panoramas and landscapes:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊
Biodiversity:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊

Day 7 - Mount Deshat

Early morning transfer to the village of Zirovnica (1000 m), starting point for our hike to Ploca Peak (2245 m) on Mount Deshat. We will climb the peak through the valley of Tairovska River and pastures area call Mala Planina (Small Mountain). From the top we can enjoy one the most beautiful landscapes of the National Park. Lunch at local villager's mountain house with food preparing on a traditional way only known for this mountain village. After the lunch we will continue our tour with driving through Canyon of Radika River to visit the Monastery of St. John the Baptist, where we will see one of the largest iconostasis in Europe and have a conversation with the monks. Transfer to Ohrid and accommodation in the hotel. After the accommodation we will have a city tour in the old part of Ohrid with dinner in a fish restaurant. Overnight in Ohrid.

Hiking tour data - Day 7	
Difficulty of the tour:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊
Duration of the tour:	5 to 7 hours
Length of the tour:	16 km
Starting point:	1000 meters
Uphill climbing:	1240 meters
Finish:	1000 meters
Required fitness:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊
Panoramas and landscapes:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊
Biodiversity:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊

Day 8 - National Park Galichica

In the morning we will have forty minutes' drive to the starting point of the hike - Lipova Meadow situated at altitude of 1600 meters on Mount Galichica pass. During the hiking we will enjoy unforgettable views over the two largest lakes in Macedonia - the Ohrid Lake on the west and Prespa Lake to the east. The tour to the peak Magaro (2255 m) and back is on a circular trail that passes through the strictly protected zone of the national park where local endemics can be seen. After downloading to the starting point we will go to the other side of the mountain on the Prespa Lake coast where lunch in the village of Konjsko will be served for us. After lunch we will have transfer to city of Bitola to grab a cup of coffee on one of the most famous street Sirok Sokak. After coffee and short city tour in Bitola we will have transfer to the National Park Pelister. Accommodation and dinner in hotel. Overnight in Pelister.

Hiking tour data - Day 8	
Difficulty of the tour:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊
Duration of the tour:	4 to 5 hours
Length of the tour:	12 km
Starting point:	1600 meters
Uphill climbing:	700 meters
Finish:	1600 meters
Required fitness:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊
Panoramas and landscapes:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊
Biodiversity:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊

Day 9 - National Park Pelister

After breakfast we will start the hike to highest peak on Pelister - Anteni 2601 m. First part of the hike is through very density Molika pine forest, which is local endemic. During the hike it is very usual to see the wild life, foxes, rabbits, bears or their traces. We will be at the top around noon, enjoying unforgettable landscape and panoramas over Prespa Lake. Last part of the hike down will be on a historical trail with monuments from World War One. Transfer to Skopje, accommodation in the hotel and dinner in a National restaurant. Overnight in Skopje.

Hiking tour data - Day 9	
Difficulty of the tour:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊
Duration of the tour:	8 to 9 hours
Length of the tour:	24 km
Starting point:	1350 meters
Uphill climbing:	1300 meters
Finish:	1300 meters
Required fitness:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊
Panoramas and landscapes:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊
Biodiversity:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊

Day 10 - Skopje

Transfer to Skopje airport and fly back. Depends of the departure time additional activities can be added.

*The program can be changed depends on the customer's wishes, the flight organization and weather conditions.
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