

detailed program – Weekend in National Park Mavrovo

CLIMBING SANDAKTASH AND PLOCHA PEAKS

Day 1 - National Park Mavrovo

Meeting in Skopje at 7:30 am. Following transfer to Nikiforovo village in Mavrovo National Park where the starting point of the hiking to Sandaktash Peak is. The first part of the trail is in an old beech forest. On the exit of the forest the trail pass by the spring "The fifth bread" with which is associated an interesting legend of the local population. The second part of the hiking is in the area with pastures and unique landscapes. The peak is usually reached after three to four hours of hiking. From the top we continue along the crest of the neighboring peaks and making circle slowly go down to the spring "The fifth bread". We hike down to the village Nikiforovo. Short transfer to village Mavrovo where we will have lunch. From Mavrovo we drive through the scenic landscapes of Mount Bistra towards the village of Galicnik, probably the most famous village in the country. Walking tour through the village with visiting the museum and unique church. After a coffee break in the village we drive to Mavrovo where we check in the hotel. Dinner will be served at the hotel.

Hiking tour data - Day 1

Difficulty of the tour:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊
Duration of the tour:	6 to 8 hours
Length of the tour:	16 km
Starting point:	1260 meters
Uphill climbing:	720 meters
Finish:	1260 meters
Required fitness:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊
Panoramas and landscapes:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊
Biodiversity:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊

Day 2 - National Park Mavrovo

We begin the day with a morning transfer to the village Zirovnica where is the starting point of the hiking. The initial part of the trail passes through the upper end of the village, and then through rural meadows which are crossed by rushing mountain streams. After half an hour the trail enters a dense forest following a Tairovska River. At the exit of the woods close to a sheepfold we will make a short stop. From here the trail continues through the area with pastures and beautiful landscape hiking up to the saddle southeast of the peak, and from there to the top. We will reach the top after four hours of hiking. From the top of the Plocha Peak we enjoy one of the most beautiful sights in the country. Hike down to the mountain house Govedarica located a few hundred meters above the village Zirovnica. In mountain hut will be served traditional food prepared by the hosts. After lunch we will walk through the village Zirovnica, and then went to the St. John Baptist monastery where the largest iconostasis in the region is. After visiting the monastery we leave to Skopje, where we will arrive around 20.00.

Hiking tour data - Day 2

Difficulty of the tour:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊
Duration of the tour:	5 to 6 hours
Length of the tour:	14 km
Starting point:	1000 meters
Uphill climbing:	1250 meters
Finish:	1200 meters
Required fitness:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊
Panoramas and landscapes:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊
Biodiversity:	😊 😊 😊 😊 😊

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