

Montenegro - Prokletije Mountain range - 4 days



Prokletije is a mountain range that stretches across the territory of three countries: Montenegro, Albania and Serbia (part of Kosovo and Metohija). They belong to the large Dinaric system, which stretches from Slovenia to Albania in a length of 650 km. The highest peak of Prokletije and at the same time the entire Dinaric system is Maja Jezerce (2694 m). The name "Prokletije" or in Albanian "Bjeshket e Nemuna", which means cursed or forbidden mountains, best describes this wild landscape of the Balkan Peninsula.

General information



Type of adventure: hiking **Departure:** August 18, 2022

Group: 10-12 people max **Duration:** 4 days **Travel mode:** van/car

Technical requirements: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

Physical fitness: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

TOUR PLAN

DAY I: Departure from Niš at 12:00 p.m. Traveling through Serbia and Montenegro with stops along the way for refreshments and border formalities. Arrival at Prokletije National Park in the evening. Accommodation in mountain cabins. Dinner. Overnight stay.

DAY II: *Option 1:* Early breakfast. Transfer to Vusanje (12 from our accommodation in Grbaja). The ascent to the highest peak of Prokletije - Maja Jezerce (2694 m) starts at the former police station in Vusanje, where the trail continues across the abyss of the river Grlja to the Zastan old military watchtower located at 1340 m. One of the most beautiful trails in the entire Prokletije massif, through the Valley of the Lakes leads to a pass located at 2277 meters above sea level. From the pass to the top is a technical, more demanding part of the trail – through rock, scarp and a gravelly couloir. The total length of the track is about 30 km with 2100 m of ascent. The required time to cross the track is 15 hours. *Option 2:* Breakfast. Ridge circular tour across the peaks: Volušnica (1879 m), Popadija (2057 m), Talijanka (2056 m). The total length of the track is about 11 km with an ascent of 1100 m. This tour takes about 6 hours of easy walking. Return to Vusanje. Transfer to accommodation. Dinner. Overnight stay.

DAY III: After breakfast, transfer to Vusanje in the morning. From Vusanje, we take the path through the village of Zarunice to the Ćafa Borit pass, where we continue along the steep terrain to Zla Kolata (2534 m), the highest peak of Montenegro. On the way back, follow the same path to Vusanje and further to the accommodation as on arrival. The trail, with a total length of 20 km and an ascent of about 1400 m, requires an average level of physical fitness. Dinner. Overnight stay.

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DAY IV: Breakfast. Ascent to the top of Očnjak (2185 m), the most attractive peak in the Grbaja valley. The path through the forest and over the scarp leads to the foot of the peak itself. The final part of the ascent involves crossing rocky terrain with occasional protection in the form of iron cables. The total length of the track is about 7 km with a total ascent of around 1000 m and requires high physical dexterity. Return from the top along the same path as in the ascent. Short rest, packing of equipment and departure for Serbia. Arrival in Niš in the late evening hours. End of program.

<u>Price per person</u>: **140 EUR** (paid in RSD equivalent)

Package includes:

- ✓ Transportation by high tourist van/minibus
- ✓ Three nights with breakfast in cottages
- ✓ Ascent to all peaks
- ✓ Necessary technical equipment
- ✓ Mountain guide services
- ✓ Tourist guide services
- ✓ Residence tax
- ✓ Trip organization costs

Package does not include:

- ✓ Other meals
- ✓ Additional camp services
- ✓ Travel health insurance (with extra charge for extreme sports)
- ✓ Individual expenses





NOTE: It is possible to organize an ATV (all-terrain vehicle) on the first and the second day, in order to significantly shorten the hiking distance, thus making the ascent easier. Surcharge, depending on the group, is from 10 to 20 euros per person. For departure from Belgrade, an additional payment of 20 euros per person in dinar equivalent is necessary. Transportation from Belgrade is organized for a group of at least 6 passengers. The organizer reserves the right, in case of unforeseen circumstances, to change the itinerary, no later than two days before the start of the trip.

ACCOMMODATION: Our offer consists of attractive cottages/camps at the foot of the massif. It depends on the availability of capacity at a given time, depending on which camp we are accommodated in. "Bungalows Katun Maja Karanfil" is located in Gusinje and offers free Wi-Fi, a restaurant, a terrace and a bar. Guests at the chalet can enjoy a buffet or a continental breakfast.

DO NOT FORGET TO BRING: Sneakers, a few pairs of socks, T-shirts, a hooded waterproof parka, sweatshirt, back up clothes and shoes, sunglasses, a cap, suntan cream, swimming suit, a towel. It is also recommended to take candy bars, nibbles, refreshing beverages and water. Put everything into a small backpack.

WAYS OF PAYMENT: Cash: cash, up to 7 days before departure, or in instalments - the first instalment is 50% upon registration, the rest of the following month by depositing a check in dinar equivalent at the mid-rate of the National Bank of Serbia on the day of payment. This program was made on the basis of 7 registered passengers. In the event of changes in the monetary market (or the market of goods and services) or an insufficient number of registered passengers, the travel organizer reserves the right to correct prices, change the program or cancel the trip no later than 5 days before the start of the trip.

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