



### General information



**Type of adventure:** hiking

**Departure:** during the season

**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

*The Prokletije (Accursed Mountains) are a mountain range that stretches across three countries: Montenegro, Albania, and Serbia (part of Kosovo and Metohija). They belong to the vast Dinaric system, which extends for 650 km from Slovenia to Albania. The highest peak of the Prokletije, and at the same time of the entire Dinaric system, is Maja Jezerce (2,694 m).*

*Prokletije, or in Albanian Bjeshkët e Nemuna – meaning “cursed” or “forbidden mountains” – perfectly describes this wild landscape of the Balkan Peninsula.*

On this four-day tour, we will explore the diverse scenery of the Prokletije: from idyllic mountain pastures and glacial lakes, across steep ridges and alpine peaks, all the way to the roof of the Dinaric Alps – the imposing Maja Jezerce (2,694 m). Each day brings a new adventure and a unique perspective on the raw power of nature.

This journey is designed for hikers in good physical condition, ready to step into the heart of the wildest mountain massif of the Balkans and experience a blend of physical challenge, pure mountain air, and unforgettable views that will leave you breathless.

# Montenegro - Prokletije Mountain range - 4 days



## TOUR PLAN

### **DAY I: NIŠ - PROKLETIJE NATIONAL PARK - GRBAJA VALLEY**

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: GRBAJA - VUSINJE - ZASTAN - VALLEY OF THE LAKES - MAJA JEZERCE - ZASTAN - VUSANJE - GRBAJA**

**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: GRBAJA - VUSANJE - ZLA KOLATA - VUSANJE - GRBAJA**

After breakfast, transfer to Vusanje in the morning. From Vusanje, we take the path through the village of Zarunice to the Čafa 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.

### **DAY IV: GRBAJA (OČNJAK) - NIŠ**

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 the program.



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**Price per person:** \_\_\_\_\_ 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),
- ✓ Personal 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. The camp "Eko Katun ROSI - Old Tower" is in Gusinje and has a shared lounge, garden, and terrace. It offers a restaurant, room service, free Wi-Fi and a 24-hour front desk. Private parking can be used free of charge. The rooms have a private bathroom, and certain rooms also include a seating area. A continental breakfast is served in the facility "Eko Katun ROSI - Old Tower".

**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:** A 50% advance payment of the total arrangement price is required at the time of booking. The remaining amount must be paid no later than 20 days before the start of the trip (with the option of installment payments). This program is based on a minimum of 7 registered participants. In case of changes in the monetary market (or the market of goods and services) or an insufficient number of registered participants, the tour organizer reserves the right to adjust prices, modify the program, or cancel the trip no later than 5 days before the scheduled departure.

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