

TREKKING AND LEISURE TOUR IN ALBANIA

DAY 01: MONTENEGRO – SHKODRA

Arrival from Montenegro late afternoon Accommodation and overnight / hotel. Dinner included local restaurant.

DAY 02: SHKODRA – THETH TREKKING (IN THE HEART OF THE ALBANIAN ALPS)

Early in the morning we will transfer to Theth (3 H). Upon arrival we will start walking and visit the attractions in and around the village as the Church, the Kulla e Ngujimit (the lock-in tower that offered protection for men threatened by blood feud into the history of the “kanun”. It is the perfect place to learn about the highland law code of Leke Dukagjini, its origins, impact and present day relevance). Along the water channels you ascend to the Thethi Waterfall. On a cliff above the river archeologists discovered stoneaged terraces. You can rest there, enjoy and gaze into the adjacent 50m deep Grunas Canyon. Additional Info↑150m ↓400m ↔ 8km ☉ 3:30h walk through the village to waterfall, canyon and blood feud tower. Overnight / guesthouse. Dinner included local guesthouse

DAY 03: THETH - BLUE EYE - SHKODRA

After breakfast transfer in Grunas Canyon and from there we will start the day with a hike to a wonderful karst spring called the “Blue Eye”, a hidden gem to not be missed, located in Kaprrë, one of the most beautiful villages in the Alps. On the way back to Shkoder we will stop at Edith Durham Memorial.

Upon arrival in Shkodra check in hotel and free afternoon to explore the city.

Shkodra- known as the “capital of north Albania” is one of the oldest cities in the country, founded in the 4th century B.C. as the center of the Labeat tribe of Illyrians. We will enjoy a walk to Shkodra’s main tourist attraction Rozafa Castle. Rising majestically upon a rocky hill west of the city, the outcroppings and battlements paint a blazing picture against the setting sun. It is surrounded by the waters of three rivers; the Drini, Buna, and Kiri. Is also a interesting legend about the castle that you are going to hear there...

Additional Info↑275m ↓275m ↔ 9km Return hike along the river to a karst spring (3.5-4h).

Transfer over the Thoria Pass (1645m) to Shkodra (3h)

Accommodation and overnight / hotel.

Dinner included local restaurant or hotel.

DAY 04: SHKODRA – KARAVASTA TREKKING – VLORA

After breakfast in hotel transfer to explore Karavasta lagoon, Divjaka (3 h),

The Karavasta lagoon is the biggest and most important lagoon on the coastal area of the Adriatic Sea. The Karavasta lagoon has a surface of 43.3 km², with a maximal length of 10.6 km, a maximal width of 4.3 km, and a maximal depth of 1.5 m. Karavasta Lagoon) is well known for its colony of globally threatened Dalmatian pelicans. Over 200 other bird species have been observed in the area. The presence of these birds is one of the main reasons that Karavasta lagoon has been designated a Ramsar Site of International Importance.

Upon arrival we start walking through dense forest but with an easily distinguishable path. On the route we will pass through Vahu Canal, which connect the Adriatic Sea with Karavasta Lagoon and a hike through sand dunes and Divjaka beach. Also will be possible to see Pelican Island (Nature Monument), Godulla Lagoon, Godulla e Pishës (Nature Monument), the Big and / or Old Pine (in Albanian: Pisha e Egër në Oazin e Karavastasë) is listed as Nature reservation in Albania.

Additional Info ↑15 m ↓-23 m ↔ 7.5km Return walk along the lagoon (3h).

Afternoon drive to Vlora (2h)

Accommodation and overnight / hotel.

Dinner included local restaurant or hotel.

DAY 05: VLORA – LLOGARA PASS TREKKING DAY – DURRES

After breakfast transfer to Llogara national park (1 m) where a walking around is planned.

The driving route will be through a spectacular winding road, rising up to 1,027m and overlooking the Ionian coast of the Albanian Riviera. The Llogara National Park forms the northwestern edge of the coastal mountains and covers over 1000 hectares, much of it pristine forests of black pine, Bosnian pine, ash trees, Bulgarian firs, and reach fauna with different types of wild animals and birds including deer, wild cats, foxes, etc. From the Llogara Pass the spectacular range of Mt. Çika and Mt. Qorre extends to the southeast along the coast and gives the term “above sea level” a whole new meaning as you look down on the crystal blue waters of the Ionian Sea.

Additional Info ↑300 m ↓300 m (3h).

In the afternoon transfer in Golem Durres, where we will enjoy some leisure days (3.5H)

Accommodation and overnight / hotel.

Dinner included local restaurant or hotel.

DAY 06: Leisure in Durres

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DAY 08: SHKODRA – MONTENEGRO

After breakfast in hotel transfer in Montenegro. If time permit, we suggest a short sightseeing of Tirana. *Earlier departure from Durres is recommended so the group can explore the capital Tiran go to the sightseeing Tirana and make shopping or the break in the very center of the town. Later continuing to the border and transfer to the airport Podgorica for the flight back

SERVICES INCLUDED ON THE TREKKING TOUR IN ALBANIA

Day 1 accommodation in 4* hotel Rosafa or similar in Shkoder service based on BB
Day 2 accommodation in guest house family Viljaj or family Gecaj in village Teth
Day 3 accommodation in 4* hotel Rosafa or similar in Shkoder service based on BB
Day 4 accommodation in 4* hotel Regina City or similar in Vlore service based on BB
Day 5 – 8 accommodation in 5* hotel Prestige resort or similar in Durres service based on BB
Day 1 Dinner in the local restaurant
Day 2 Dinner in the local family house
Day 3 – 8 Dinner in the local restaurant
Day 1 – 5 Services of the licensed tour guide in English
Day 8 – Services of the licensed tour guide in English
Day 1 Transfer by minibus from Montenegro to Albania – town Shkoder
Day 4 Transfer by minibus from Shkoder to Karavasta / Divgjake lagoon to – Vlore
Day 5 Transfer by minibus from Vlore to Durres
Day 8 Transfers by minibus from Albania – town Durres – to Montenegro
Day 2 Transfer By Jeep Shkoder - Tethi
Day 3 Transfer By Jeep Tethi - Shkoder
Day 4 Entrance fee to the National Natural reservation Karavasta
Day 5 Entrance fee to the National Park Llogara
Day 8* Earlier departure from Durres recommended to have time for panorama drive and sightseeing Tirana with the local guide

HOTELS AND OTHER ACCOMMODATION ON TOUR IN ALBANIA

RESORT – TOWN – VILLAGE	HOTEL CATEGORY	HOTEL NAME	WEBSITE
SHKODER	4*	ROZAFI	www.hotelrozafa.al
TETHI	GUEST HOUSE 2*	Family Vuljaj or Gecaj	*
VLORE - VALONA	4*	REGINA CITY	Reginacity.al
DURRES	5*	PRESTIGE	Prestigeresort.al

Reisehöhepunkte

- ☐ Rosafa Festung – Stadt Shkoder
- ☐ Die romantische Fluss Buna- Bojana
- ☐ National Park Teth
- ☐ Ride by jeeps to Teth
- ☐ Stay with the local family in Tethi
- ☐ Bird paradise Karavasta Laguna
- ☐ Town Durres - Roman aphitheatre













