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Ski touring in cross-border areas in Western Balkan

Bosnia and Herzegovina – Montenegro – Kosovo*

The best-value skiing and snowboarding opportunities in the whole of Europe!

1. FAM TOUR PROGRAM:

Details of the tour:

Discover the winter magic of some of the most spectacular mountains of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Kosovo*. In this tour we will explore different mountains and go off the beaten track. Get ready to cover a variety of terrain and experience some of the Balkan wilderness. Our adventure week starts in the city of Sarajevo which is surrounded by four Olympic Mountains of Trebević, Jahorina, Igman and Bjelašnica, as well as Treskavica and Romanija. The Mountains of Montenegro are located in a series of epic landscapes so diverse it doesn't seem possible that they are all part of the same country. Snow-capped, jagged peaks morph into gentle, rolling alpine pastures and then plunge earthwards from glacial lakes into twisting, narrow gorges, hiding remote villages in summer and in winter. Prokletije area, and in particular Hajla mountain located between Kosovo* and Montenegro, which we will visit, has several peaks that reach over 2,000 m. Hajla (2403 m) is the highest mountain in the northern part of the Accursed Mountains. Some of the peaks we will ski near are: Prenj 1850 m, Veliki Osobac 2024 m, Hajla 2100 - 2403 m

Clarification on the level of difficulties:

The area between Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Kosovo* is surrounded by high peaks and jagged landscape. It is therefore important to have a good level of fitness since you will be accessing remote areas. This holiday is appropriate for experienced skiers and requires a solid level of fitness. We will cover on average 15km or 8 hours per day. Since this tour is intended for experienced skiers, we trust that you know what it entails.

Group:	Flight:	Transport:
Minimum 4 to 12 participants	Regular	20 Seater Minibus



Your belongings will be transported by minibus

We recommend that you travel as light as possible – airlines might charge you an extra fee and during ground transfers the place might be limited. Ideally, you should bring one piece of luggage weighing no more than 20 kg (to be checked in) and a daily pack (15 – 20 l rucksack) for your everyday essentials. You will be required to bring your skis and all the necessary gear as well to ensure a pleasant and safe experience. ***Most importantly, please bring an avalanche set with you (avalanche transceivers, shovels and probes).**

Accommodation:	Guide and accompaniment:
3 star hotel and guesthouses	English speaking tour guide

* This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244/1999 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo declaration of independence.

Itinerary:

DAY 01	Flight from ... to Sarajevo Airport	
<i>Transport:</i> minibus/van <i>Restaurant:</i> Kibe Mahala Sarajevo <i>Garden City</i> <i>Hotel Konjic</i>	Arrival at Sarajevo airport Welcome lunch in Sarajevo enjoying a selection of the finest Bosnian national dishes. Transfer to Konjic, about 39km from Sarajevo. The drive will take about 50 minutes. Overnight: Konjic	
DAY 02	Toward Konjic – Mount Prenj	
<i>Garden City</i> <i>Hotel Konjic</i> <i>Mount Prenj</i> <i>Length of Tour: 10km 6h</i> <i>Elevation Min 1345 m, highest point 1850 m</i>	After the breakfast we start our Prenj exploration by visiting Sivadije, a massive formation of three peaks, highest of which is 1967 m. Our starting point is Crno Polje. Overnight: Konjic	
		
DAY 03	Toward Konjic – Mount Prenj	
<i>Garden City Hotel Konjic</i> <i>Mount Prenj</i> <i>Length of Tour: 11 km 6.5h</i> <i>Elevation Min 1345 m, highest point 2020 m</i> <i>Ascent 680 m</i>	Early morning start of ski touring to Veliki Osobac 2024 m Overnight: Konjic	
		
DAY 04	Toward Montenegro	
<i>Transfer from Konjic, BiH, to Montenegrin village Bandzov</i> <i>Distance driving 350 km/6.5 h</i>	Morning transfer from BiH to MNE, to village of Bandzov Overnight: Bandzov	
DAY 05	To Kosovo* from Hajla peak	
<i>Hajla peak, MNE</i> <i>Descent to Kosovo* side of Hajla</i> <i>Length of tour 12 km/ 7h</i> <i>Start elevation 1500 m MNE up to 2403 m</i> <i>Ascent 900 m</i>	Early start for ascent to the top of Hajla 2403 m Descent to Kosovo* side of Hajla to mountain hut at 1900 m Overnight: Kosovo* , slopes of Hajla, mountain hut	
		
DAY 06	Exploring Hajla – Accursed Mountains	
<i>Mountain hut at Kosovo* side Hajla Mt 1900</i> <i>Mountain hut at Montenegro side</i> <i>Mt Hajla 1500m</i> <i>Length of Tour 5km/3h</i> <i>Ascent 200 m</i> <i>Max elevation 2100 m</i>	After breakfast Ascent to the Hajla ridge and ski down to the mountain hut at Montenegro village Bandzov Overnight: Bandzov	
DAY 07	Travel back ...	
<i>End of program</i> <i>Distance driving back 350 km</i> <i>Transfer back to Sarajevo Airport</i>	Transfer day, from the village of Bandzov to Sarajevo Airport. The transfer will take about 5 hours in total.	

Commercial prices proposed for selling this package: (not to be used for FAM Tour)

Group of 6+

1450.00 EUR/prs

Price includes:

Transport airport / hotel / airport transfers
Accommodation in 3 * hotel
Accommodation in mountain huts
Meals
On-site transfers and luggage transport
Tour Guide

Price does not include:

*Return flights
*Drinks
*Personal expenses
*Tips options
*Travel insurance (provide details of any insurance or options if any)

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Proposed time/date: End of February 2020 – beginning of March 2020.

2. PROPOSED LIST OF INTERNATIONAL TOUR OPERATORS, SKI SHOWS AND BLOGGERS CATERING TO SKI TOURERS – TO BE INVITED ON FAM TOUR

1. Balkan Rudej – Poland
<https://balkanyrudej.pl/>
2. Iventus International Travel – Sweden
www.iventustravel.se
3. VonTours - Norway
www.vontours.no
<https://www.vadersopreis.nl/>
4. Ryce Travel – Netherlands
www.rycetravel.com
5. Viaggare i Balkani – Italy
www.viaggiarebalkani.it
6. ALPS Adventures – Slovenia
<https://www.alps-adventures.com/>
7. Elan Company
Blaz Pecuh – Product manager
www.elanski.com
8. ComTrade - GoPro and CrossCall
ema.delalic@comtrade.com
9. Sanders Abbes - Blogger
www.vadersopreis.nl
10. Marek Chabros – Balkan Rydej
11. Bine Zalohar Ski Blogger
12. Urška Drofenik – Blogger
www.ursha.si
13. Sidetracked Magazine
<https://www.sidetracked.com/sidetracked-magazine>
14. Ski Magazine
<https://www.skimag.com/gear/best-backcountry-skis>
15. Powder Magazine
<https://www.powder.com/tag/ski-touring/>
16. Fall Line
<http://www.fall-line.co.uk/>
17. Off - Piste
<https://offpistemag.com/>