



TripLegend

Balkan Roundtrip



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Roundtrip from/to Belgrade

- ✓ 10 days
- ✓ 9x Breakfast (B), 3x Lunch (L), 2x Dinner (D)
- ✓ Boutique hotel, panorama hotel, traditional house
- ✓ Only guests vaccinated against COVID
- ✓ Incl. bear safari
- ✓ 100% COVID safe
- ✓ Incl. white water rafting tour
- ✓ 100% CO2-compensated & 1 tree planted
- ✓ Local, professional, English speaking guide



Find the current entry requirements here:

<https://apply.joinsherpa.com/>

(Third-party provider, Data without guarantee)



10 days per person

from 1.500€

Overview

Discover Balkan:

Hardly any other destination presents itself as multifaceted as the Balkans. In the coastal regions of the former Yugoslavia you will experience crystal clear water, green pine forests and beautiful rocky landscapes. Join us on a unique journey through Serbia, Montenegro and Northern Macedonia, we are looking forward to seeing you!

Included services

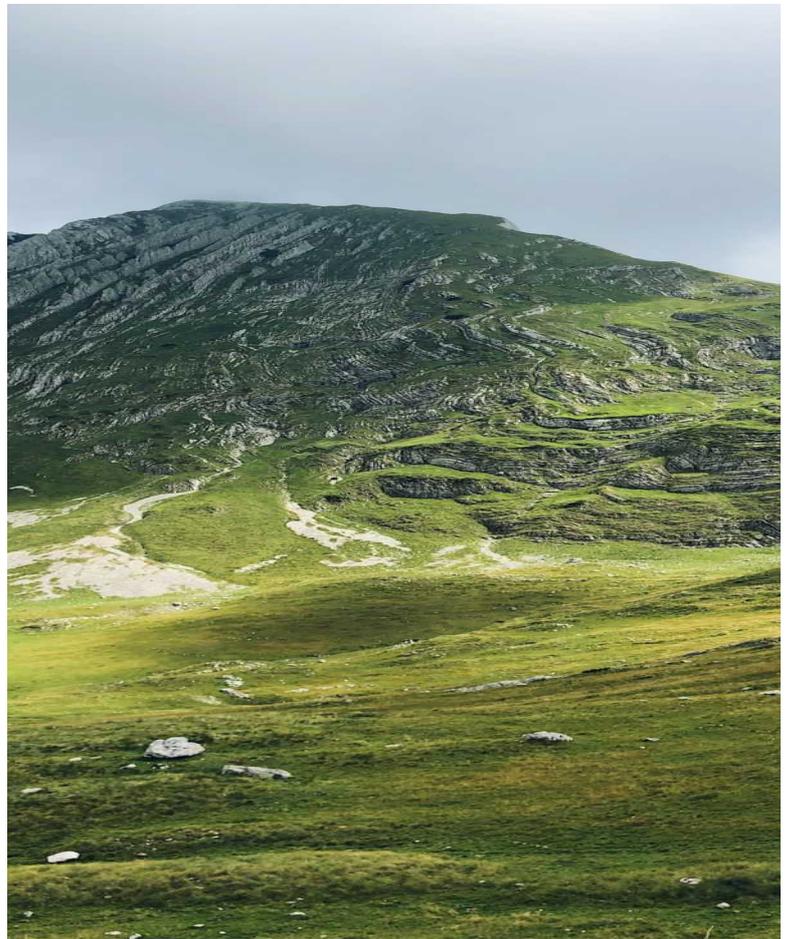
Your travel highlights

- Come with us on bear safari in Tara National Park
- Spend a day in a traditional Serbian village
- Let off steam on a white water rafting tour
- Learn all about traditional wine making
- Discover the underground of Belgrade
- Visit a local honey farm
- Hike through one of the three last remaining primeval forests in Europe

Accommodation

(This or comparable accomodation)

- 2x nights in Hotel Prag
- 1x night in a family homestay
- 1x night in Hotel Tara
- 2x nights in Hotel Holiday
- 1x night in WOW Hotel
- 2x nights in Hotel Boscovich



Transportation

- Transportation during the trip

Additional included services

- English speaking guide
- English detailed vaccination and packing List (PDF)
- 100% CO2 compensation for flight and trip
- 1 tree planted per person
- 24/7 Whatsapp support through TripLegend before and during the trip

Travel itinerary

Arrival

Nikola Tesla Airport (BEG)

Please remember to book your flights separately. It is best to plan your arrival so that you arrive in the afternoon and start our Balkan adventure together in the evening.

Day 1

Welcome to Serbia! (Belgrade)

After your arrival you can either organize a transfer yourself or through us, which will take you to your first accommodation. There you will be welcomed together with your fellow travelers by your guide, who will be happy to give you tips for a nice restaurant to start the first evening of your Balkan adventure. (-/-/-)

Day 2

Rural Serbia is waiting for you (Kablar)

Private transfer: about 160km and 2.5h

After the first breakfast together, our trip will start with a tour of the capital of Serbia. Here we will visit some exciting places, such as the underground of Kalemegdan Fortress. Be excited to hear numerous mystical stories about the city and the underground tunnel system. We will end our Belgrade tour with refreshment in the wine lagoon. After that, our journey continues towards Topola, stopping on the way for an optional lunch and enjoying the view from Ljublic panoramic hill. We check into a rural household at 700 meters in Kablar, just a short walk from one of the most beautiful viewpoints in the country. We will end the evening with a cozy dinner in the village. (B/-/D)

Day 3

A traditional Serbian day and a bear safari (Tara)

Private transfer: about 100km and 2h

Hike: about 4km and 1h

Jeep: about 3-4h

Good morning Kablar! Today we will start our day with a traditional Serbian breakfast, which we will prepare together with our hostess. Then we will walk the short way to the viewpoint and enjoy a few minutes of silence before we will go for a short hike (about 4 km) in the surroundings, descending into the Ovcarko-Kablarska gorge and visiting Nikolja Monastery. After a small refreshment in the monastery, we make our way back to our village to support the residents in their work.



Depending on the season, our tasks consist of milking cows, picking various fruits and vegetables, and preparing lunch together. Afterwards, our journey continues towards Tara National Park. Here we will have our next adventure - bear watching. There are about 60 bears in the national park and Tara is one of the most important habitats for brown bears in Europe. The bears here are protected species and there are only 2 shelters from which you can watch them feeding. During this experience we will be accompanied by a ranger who will drive us to the shelters in a jeep. (B/L/-)

Day 4

Cultural Highlights of Serbia (Sarajevo)

Private transfer: about 150km and 3h

Jeep: about 3-4h

After the first part of the bear safari, the second part follows today early in the morning. Do you recognize some of the brown bears? After that we will have breakfast together and then drive towards Bosnia. In the town of Visegrad on the Drina River, we will visit the Mehmed Paša Sokolović Bridge, which is part of the UNESCO World Heritage Site, and the Andrićgrad district. After an optional lunch, we will continue towards Bosnia's capital Sarajevo, where we will check into our accommodation, have some free time and end the day with dinner together at the hotel. (B/-/D)

Day 5

Trip to the past of Serbia (Sarajevo)

Private transfer: about 35km and 1h

After breakfast, we will take a short drive to the Vrelo Bosne nature reserve, where the springs of the Bosna River are located at the foot of Igman Mountain. During our subsequent visit to the "Tunnel of Hope" we will briefly review the war in Bosnia and Herzegovina in the 1990s. This tunnel was built between March and June 1993 during the siege of Sarajevo in the midst of the Bosnian war to connect the cut-off city with the airport. We will then visit the center of the city, Bascarsija, where we can feel the Ottoman spirit at every turn. Here we can try the world famous "Sarajevski cevap", a traditional Bosnian dish in one of the best cevap places in the world. Strengthened we drive back to our hotel to review the day in peace. (B/-/-)

Day 6

Today it gets wild (Budva)

Private transfer: about 300km and 5h

Watrerrafting: about 2h

After checking out we start a beautiful panoramic drive through the heart of Durmitor National Park. After some stops during the trip we start the highlight of our day: a rafting tour on the Tara River. Starting point of the adventure is in Scepan Polje, from there a transfer will take us to the starting point of the tour. After 22 rapids and cooling down in the cold water of the Tara and admiring small waterfalls, our rafting tour ends back in Scepan Polje. On our way to the Adriatic coast of Montenegro we will make a stop in the village of Trubjela. Here we will visit a beekeeper who will tell us a lot about bees and traditions of his family. After some drinks and homemade food we will continue our trip to Budva, where we will spend the night. If you feel like it, you can spend the evening on a pub crawl in the lively city center. (B/-/-)

Day 7

A hike with a visit to the honey farm (Podgorica)

Private transfer: about 110km and 2h

Hike: about 9.5km and 4h

After breakfast we check out and head towards Lovcen Mountains. Our hike today will start from Ivanova Korita plain at 1240 meters above sea level.

Our route will lead through beautiful beech forests with breathtaking views of the coast. On the top of the mountain we will have a chance to visit an Austro-Hungarian fortress. We will also walk through the old village of Dolovi, also called the "Sunshine Village". After a total length of 9.5 kilometers and an ascent and descent of 350 meters, we deserve a refreshment in a local restaurant! After that we will take a trip to the second highest peak Lake Peak to visit one of the most important cultural and historical monuments of Montenegro. Afterwards, we will visit one of the most beautiful viewpoints in Montenegro, overlooking the Bay of Kotor, before continuing towards the village of Bajice. At the honey farm in Bajice we will visit an old family house of the local family and have a delicious lunch prepared from traditional products. Besides the delicious food and a great honey liqueur, we will learn a lot about the importance of beekeeping. After that we will continue our journey passing the old royal capital Cetinje until we will reach the capital of Montenegro. (B/L/-)

Day 8

Rare bird species on a sea day (Podgorica)

Private transfer: about 80km and 2h

Boat: about 1.5h

After a leisurely breakfast at the hotel, we start our journey towards Virpazar, where we have the whole day to explore the beauty of the largest lake of the Balkan Peninsula. After a short stop in Virpazar, a medieval fishing village and market place, we will start our approximately one and a half hour boat ride. We will enjoy the beautiful scenery, look out for some rare bird species and, weather permitting, go for a swim. For refreshment, our host will serve us delicious homemade donuts and drinks on the boat. Before continuing the trip to the winery, we will stop at an old fishing lake and an important place in Montenegrin history - Rijeka Crnojevica. Since the whole region is known as a wine region, we will take the opportunity to visit one of the local family wineries in one of the villages around the lake. We will get in touch with a family, get acquainted with the tradition of wine making and learn about the family history. We can taste different types of wine, but also brandies, liqueurs and local products of the region. After our visit we will drive back to our accommodation in Podgorica, where we will finish the evening. (B/L/-)

Day 9

One of the last primeval forests in Europe (Belgrade)

Private transfer: about 500km and 7.5h

Hike: about 5km and 1.5h

After our joint breakfast we will drive towards the Biogradska Gora National Park and visit one of the three remaining primeval forests in Europe. Crowned by the beautiful lake Biogradsko, this short hike (about 1.5 hours) is one of the highlights of northern Montenegro. Look forward to amazing vegetation and ancient trees, some of which are more than 400 years old, before we will continue towards the Serbian border. We will make a short stop for a break and optional lunch in another beautiful natural area called Zlatibor before continuing our drive to the Serbian capital. Once here, we will spend our last evening together with a delicious meal and review all our experiences.(B/-/-)

Day 10

Goodbye Belgrade! (Belgrade)

Today, unfortunately, it is time to say goodbye. After a last breakfast together in the hotel you will start your return or onward journey. We hope that you had an incredible time with us and that we can welcome you soon on one of our other trips! (B/-/-)

Departure

Nikola Tesla Airport (BEG)

You can flexibly plan your return or onward flight on the day of departure. Come home safely and see you hopefully very soon!



Your Guide: Djordje

I am your host, guide and friend during the adventure. I will do my best to share my passion for our cultural heritage, Balkan mentality and humor and I hope that after the trip you can take home thousands of stories and long lasting memories. My passion for welcoming people is always present and I'm already looking forward to meeting you!

Not included services

Flights:

- International flight tickets
(Ex.: roundtrip from FRA - BEG with Lufthansa for 200-300€, 2-3h)
- Airport transfer (Plan about 30€)

Info: We are happy to help you with your flight search and booking and with the organization of an Airport transfer

Before the trip:

- possibly needed Visas (<https://apply.joinsherpa.com/>)
- PCR-tests you may need before and during the trip
- International health insurance (<https://triplelegend.com/reiseversicherung>)
- Travel cancellation insurance (<https://triplelegend.com/reiseversicherung>)
- Travel vaccinations
- COVID-19 vaccination (Please note that we only travel with fully COVID vaccinated individuals)

Upgrades & Optionals:

- Single room supplement per person (450€)

Info: By default, you will share a double room with a person of the same sex traveling with you.

Info: On day 2 (Kablar) single room booking is not possible

On site:

- Other meals not mentioned (Plan about 50-85€)
- Tips
- Personal expenses

Please note that the itinerary, activities and hotels may be subject to change. These changes may occur without notice due to availability, inclement weather, seasonal changes or other circumstances beyond our control. We will always do our best to ensure that this has little or no impact on your experience.



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