



*Peaks of the Balkans*

**ESSENTIALS**

**Duration:** 10 days; 9 nights

**Schedule:** 22 June, 13 July, 27 July, 10 August, 07 Sept., 21 Sept., 05 Oct.

**Departure Point:** Tirana City Center / Tirana International Airport

**Level of Difficulty:** Difficult

**Suitable For:** Adults only

**Tour Type:** Active; Adventure; Hiking

**Language:** English; Albanian

**HIGHLIGHTS** □ Travel through time in one of the in one of the most beautiful areas in Europe, still not spoiled by modern civilization

□ Hike through the trails which for centuries served as main routes to connect the villages in this remote area in the Balkans

□ You will not just hike between 3 countries, you will hike through traditions, culture, hospitality and amazing food, grown locally

**MORE INFORMATION** Included: □ Meals □ Licensed guide □ All breakfasts, lunches and dinners & dining □ All accommodation □ All transportation as per itinerary □ Professional english speaking guide □ Mule or horses to carry the luggage where hiking

Excluded: □ Gratuities (optional) □ Travel insurance and other emergencies □ Visa fees and entry clearing fees □ Single room accommodations □ Any drinks or snacks

**Getting around:** Private bus; Walking; Hiking **Passport needed:** Yes **Minimum people required:** 6

**Maximum people allowed:** 12

## *Itinerary*

1-Welcome to Albania Upon arrival, we will have a 2 hour transfer to the city of Prizren, in Kosovo, where we will spend the night. Overnight in a middle class hotel. Traditional dinner.

### 2-Doberdol

We will start hiking towards the Albanian border. We will stop on the way to have our picnic lunch. In the afternoon, In Doberdoll we will sleep in a very rustic location.

### 3-Cerem Village

We will have to make our own breakfast, as well as the lunch pack. After that we will start to hike towards the Cerem Village. Upon arrival you will have time to relax, and have a traditional dinner.

3-The Valbona Valley Off we go to the village of Valbona. On the way we will climb near the Roshi peaks, and will start our descent towards the valley. Traditional food will be our treat of the day.

### 4-Theth

The Village of Theth is one of the most characteristic. We will start an early morning hike, in order to have time in Thethi to explore the village, the Church and the Blood Feud Tower. Traditional dinner in the guesthouse.

### 5-Towards Montenegro

After breakfast, we will head towards the Peja pass. After the steep climb, we will continue a smoother descent towards the town of Plav, in Montenegro. Back to modern days with a hotel that is waiting for us. Traditional dinner at the hotel.

### 6-Back to Albania

Today we are heading back to the untouched lands of the Accursed Mountains. We will head towards the village of Vermosh. First, we will start with a local van transfer that will take us just before the border.

### 7-Shkoder

Today we will travel towards Shkoder, also considered as the cradle of the Albanian culture. But first, we have some hiking to do. Our luggage will be loaded in a local van, and we will walk from Vermosh to the Village of Lepushe, where the van will be waiting for us.

### 8-Tirana

Today, we will travel towards the capital of Albania, Tirana. Tirana has turned in a vibrant city, where old meets new. We will stop for lunch in the city of Kruja, where we can visit the old bazaar. Upon arrival in Tirana, free time to explore the city by night.

9-Airport Transfer, end of Service!