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MACEDONIA - A PARADISE FOR HIKERS

Dear Inez,

To:

We would like to thank you for your request and are pleased to offer you the following:

Trip:MACEDONIA - A PARADISE FOR HIKERSDate:2021

8 Days / Highlights: Mavrovo, Ohrid, Galicica, Bitola, Krusevo, Skopje

Program:

1. Day: Skopje-Mavrovo

Arrival in Skopje. Today according to your flight time we undertake an informative town walk in Skopje (or day 8). We will be enchanted by the charm of the Macedonian capital, if it is new Skopje with his interesting architecture or the old – to Turkish times reminding Skopje. Afterwards journey to our hotel in the region of Mavrovo. Dinner and overnight in Mavrovo.

2. Day: Mavrovo - Ohrid (approx. 3 hrs hike - medium)

Today the massive mountains impress us first all around Mavrovo. An about 3-hour's hike in the national park shows us for the first time the multiple beauties of the Macedonian nature. After the hike we have the optional possibility for a Macedonian lunch in the city of Debar. Afterwards journey over Struga to our hotel in Ohrid. Dinner and overnight in Ohrid.

3. Day: Ohrid – Sveti Naum

We begin our town inspection of Ohrid with a short navigation in the lake where us enchant the first impressions of this unique scenery. Then we continue on foot to the oldtown where we visit the best-known churches and of course also the fortress of the Macedonian king Samuel. In the afternoon we go to Sveti Naum where we undertake first a romantic journey by an oar boat and see the subterranean springs of the Ohrid lake. As a crowning end of the day we visit the monastery of Sveti Naum. Dinner and overnight in Ohrid.

4. Day: Vlestovo – Elshani (approx. 3 hrs hike - easy)

In the morning journey by the coach to Vlestovo. Here starts our hike which leads to us through a picturesque scenery to the village Elshani. The whole area between Prespa and Ohrid lake is named Galicica national park and is an UNESCO-world nature heritage. In the afternoon spare time in Ohrid, dinner and overnight in Ohrid.

5. Day: National park Galicica (approx. 4 hrs hike - middle)

Today there stand two hikes in our program. In the morning, the coach brings us to the national park Galicica where the first and more difficult hike expects. We experience here the unique variety of the nature. About midday we reach our highest point of the today's hike on about 1,400 m over sea level. Here we make a picnic in the Green before we go via a breathtaking mountain road in the direction of Prespa lake. We reach Brajcino where we get to know the wild rivers of the region with a light hike. Dinner and overnight in Ohrid.

6. Day: Bitola – Prilep – Krusevo

Today we leave the Ohrid lake and we go first in the city of Bitola. The town was an important base for diplomats during the Osmanic time and thus we experience with the architecture of the town a motley collection of the cultures. Afterwards visit of the antique city of Heraklea Linkestis and journey to Prilep where we have the possibility for a lunch. As a highlight the "hanging" monastery expects us close Prilep, as a bird's nest built in the rocks. In the evening we reach our hotel in Krusevo, the highest town of Macedonia. Dinner and overnight in Krusevo.

7. Day: Krusevo – Winetasting– Skopje (approx. 1.5 hrs hike - easy)

Strengthened by the breakfast we begin our hike directly from the hotel. A unique panorama expects us with this round footpath around Krusevo. We also visit the national monument of Macedonia before we are on the move by the coach to the most famous wine-growing area of the country. An optional lunch is the ideal base for the following winetasting. Afterwards a small hike, or rather walk to a farm where ecological sheep's milk cheese is produced. In a good mood from the winetasting we reach in the evening our hotel in Skopje. For the end of this wonderful trip there is a Traditional Macedonian evening with music and specialties of the country. Overnight in Skopje.

8. Day: Departure

According to your departure time town inspection (see day 1) or departure dirrectly.

We are looking forward to a great cooperation and greetings from Skopje!

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