

Serbia Highlights Walking Tour

Enjoy this undiscovered walking destination and ramble through meadows and among gently rolling hills, taking river tow-paths and ancient Roman roads past cultural and historic monuments many of which are UNESCO World Heritage Sites.



Stone Gate where 'nature made wonders' and we take in some of the most beautiful waterfalls in Serbia. There is time for optional lunch in Majdanpek before returning back to Donji Milanovac for some time at leisure. Dinner in local restaurant and overnight.

Day 5: Crnajka - Zaječar

We make our way to the town of Zaječar and nearby Crnajka village, at the foot of Deli Jovan and Stoj mountains. This part of Serbia is well known for magic and superstition, hence plenty of opportunities to hear tales and legends of mighty Miloš tower built during Turkish period. You will be amazed by local houses and handicrafts of local women from the village. We will also be offered a snack before we continue hiking to Deli Jovan summit. We return to Zaječar late afternoon. Dinner and overnight at 3* hotel in the centre of town.

Day 6: Gamzigrad - Kruševac - Kopaonik

After breakfast, we shortly stop at National Museum in Zaječar to view artefacts collections from Felix Romuliana - an ancient Roman 10-acre complex of palaces and temples built by Emperor Galerius. There is a chance to then ramble on the hill above reaching Emperor's tomb right at the top. We rest on transfer to Kruševac, former capital of Serbia from the middle ages with Lazarica church steeped in great Serbian history and tragic 1389 Battle of Kosovo. We suggest optional lunch break barbecue at local traditional grill-house, after which we continue to Mt. Kopaonik, National Park of outstanding beauty and Serbia's best known ski resort. Dinner and overnight at 4* hotel in Kopaonik.

Day 7: Kopaonik - mountain walk

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Day 8: Studenica Monastery - Raška - Novi Pazar

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- Tradition
- Culture
- Nature
- Beauty

Day 1: Belgrade

Fly to Belgrade Airport where you will be met by your walking guide and transferred to the hotel. On the way, there will be a brief sightseeing tour, followed by welcome dinner at Skadarlija, a bohemian district of Belgrade. Overnight at 3* hotel in Belgrade.



Day 2: Viminacium - Lepenski Vir - Kapetan Mišin breg

We commence our tour to the East of the country with a walk to Viminacium, ramparts of an ancient Roman settlement. Continue to Golubac fortress for a brief photo stop, then follow onto Lepenski Vir settlement - known for its significance during prehistoric times. This is in close proximity of Danube's Iron Gate National Park and and Kapetan Miša outdoor art gallery, where we will savour early dinner with traditional Serbian and local specialities while enjoying stunning views of the Danube. Overnight in local cabins or in private pensions.



Day 3: Donji Milanovac - Tekije - Donji Milanovac

Today, we shall make an early start with packed breakfast/lunch in order to transfer a vantage point at Iron Gate from where we ramble along Danube whilst enjoying magnificent views of the river and Kazan. We continue through dense woodlands, rambling gently and listening to whistles of local birds. Your guide will arrange an open-air picnic, after which we transfer to Tekije to take an optional boat ride back to Donji Milanovac. Dinner in local restaurant and overnight.

Day 4: Majdanpek - Rajko's cave - Donji Milanovac

Another early start with a transfer to gold mines area of Majdanpek for a 2.5km hike to Rajko's cave - famed by local Duke who resided here back in the 19th century! There is ample time to admire cave ornaments before we savour brunch prepared with organic ingredients and all-natural juices. Our guide then leads onto a local creek where we are treated to a gold panning display - you will get a chance to master this technique or even strike it lucky! We then carry on walking by

15 days / 14 nights

Price per person in GBP in double room:

Number of persons 10 pax 15 pax 20 pax

Price per person 1059 897 879

Supplement for single room: 85 GBP per person

What is Included:

- Accommodation for 14 nights on BB basis
- Lunches and evening meals as described
- Entrance fees and charges as listed
- Airport and luggage transfers
- Travel on comfortable, modern minibus or coach with air-conditioning
- Services of Magelan guide and local hosts





Day 9: Pester Plateau - River Uvac - Sjenica

On the way from Novi Pazar, we traverse Pešter plateau, place for observing livestock in its natural habitat and home of famed Sjenica feta-style cheese, which we will have a chance to taste. On the accent, narrow and windy mountain road will take us through magnificent scenery while hair-pin bends offer tremendous views below. Upon arrival to local village camp we start walk along the most beautiful stretch of river Uvac where it meanders through mighty mountains above. Bird enthusiasts will have a chance to spot Griffon Vulture, one of the rarest species in the country, thus under strict protection. Return to town late afternoon. Dinner and overnight at 3* hotel in Sjenica.



Day 10: Mileševa Monastery - Zlatibor - Šargan 8 Train - Tara National Park

We start the day in another monastery of south west Serbia - Mileševa, founded by King Vladislav between in 1234. Interior frescoes were completed by the most skilful artists of that time, including the most famous in Serbian culture - the "White Angel" depicted on Christ's grave. We continue to Zlatibor, one of Serbia's most picturesque mountains, where we stop briefly to explore local the area and famous handicrafts market. Journey then continues to Šargan to experience stunning landscape of Tara and Zlatibor Mountains from a narrow-gauge train. A 2.5-hour ride on the vintage train is quite unusual in another way - in order to make rapid accent, train has to do a "figure-eight", hence its name! (duration 2.5 hours). We end in Mečavnik, a wooden hamlet conceived by world-famed film director Emir Kusturica. We enjoy late lunch on the "Serbian Aspen" site before we reach final destination within Tara National Park. Dinner and overnight in private apartments.

Day 11: Tara National Park - Mountain Walk

Our accommodation is right by the walk starting point, we commence by traversing the forest and moss land terrain that leads onto concealed Lake Jarinje. After a gentle hike there is a breathtaking viewpoint at the edge of forest as award, overlooking weaving Drina River and valley with cows grazing beneath. We transfer to Lake Perućac lake in the early afternoon, where you can take a 25km optional boat picnic-ride on the lake and through the gorge, or simply chill-out amidst magnificent scenery. Return to resort, followed by dinner in famous local restaurant. Overnight.



Day 12: Tršić - Novi Sad

Our day starts with journey in the shadow of the Tronoša mountain, where a Serbian king and his spouse have built the monastery in 1317. A gentle 10-km hike is upon us to Tršić ethnic-complex celebrating birth-place and work of a great Serbian language reformer, Vuk Karadžić. This 19th century open-air museum comprises of 35 log cabins representing typical buildings from period when Serbian state was established. Here, local women preserve tradition by taking great pride in their handicraft work, which is permanently displayed in village exhibition halls and shops. There is time for optional lunch on-site, followed by final leg of our journey to Novi Sad - capital of Vojvodina province, arriving in the evening hours. Dinner and overnight at 3* hotel in Novi Sad.



Day 13: Sremski Karlovci - Monastery Grgeteg - Belgrade

We commence the day with sightseeing tour of Novi Sad, where Austria-Hungarian empire established its outpost, some 300 years ago. There is leisurely stroll through pedestrianised centre, visiting main cathedral, orthodox church and court houses. Continuing to Petrovaradin fortress to commence our walk at the foot of the fortification to reach the top in just 20 minutes and take in great views of the city and river Danube. We move on to Sremski Karlovci, a picturesque baroque riverside town, where a short sightseeing tour of the centre and "Chapel of Peace" awaits. There is wine tasting at one of town's well-know cellars before heading onto Mt. Fruška Gora, the oldest National Park Serbia and home of the Imperial Eagle! We descent from Stražilovo picnic spot to Monastery Grgeteg, where an optional ride in an authentic WW2 "Jeep" is



available to Krčedin village farm. Depart to Belgrade afterwards. Dinner and overnight.

Day 14: Belgrade (BD) (approx. 15 km)

Last leg of our tour is in Serbia's cosmopolitan capital. We start by relaxed sightseeing of city centre: Kalemegdan fortress, built by Celts in 3rd century BC offering beautiful vistas of Sava and Danube River confluence; strolling on smart Republic Square or pedestrianized Knez Mihajlova Street, Terazije and Parliament Square; then finally St. Mark's church. We then move on to St. Sava Temple, currently the largest Orthodox Church in the Balkans! There is an optional visit to "House of Flowers" and resting place of long standing president of former Yugoslavia - Marshall Tito, with Royal complex in Dedinje district. Return to accommodation and time at leisure to prepare for farewell dinner on board evening Danube River Cruise boat. For those willing to 'let loose' until early ours we recommend famed 'floating clubs' of river Sava's bank side. Dinner and overnight at 3* hotel in Belgrade.



Day 15: Belgrade (B) (approx. 20 km)

Transfer the airport for your homeward journey.

