



## CULTURAL TRIP, 8 DAYS, ALBANIA TRAVEL PROGRAM PROPOSAL

This unique cultural trip we have developed after nearly 10 years of experience in Albania. You will visit a number of special locations. You will stay in top hotels. During this trip you will see for yourself what the Albanians have been able realised!

### Price

€ 1.199 per person based on Bed & Breakfast, including return flight from and to European airports. We charge no fee for users of a single room!

### Minimum number of participants

This journey can be realised at a minimum of 4 travelers. Less than 4 travelers: prices on request.

There are NO fixed dates for the cultural travels. If you bring in at least 4 travelers, we fix the dates with you!

You will stay in class hotels. *We do not charge for single rooms!*

## TRAVEL PROGRAM

### DAY 1

Arrival in Tirana. After lunch city tour and guided visit to the National Art Gallery. Stay at Hotel Kotoni.

### DAY 2

After breakfast departure with luggage. Visit of the Historical Museum and the Ethem Bey Mosque.

Around 11.00 departure to Ohrid Lake Along the way a light lunch in Neli Resort on Lake Ohrid where you might taste the local salmon trout, the Koran. Around 14:30 departure from Pogradec to Macedonia with a visit of the Monastery of St. Naum and of Ohrid Castle. Night in Neli Resort.



Tirana

### DAY 3

After breakfast departure to Korça with approx. 10.30 visit to the National Museum with its famous icons and city walk. Around 11:30 departure, via a beautiful route through Erseka and Leskovik, to Permet with a short stop in a special zoo. Traditional lunch at Josif (Shelegie Lakes). Then a brief visit to the town with its typical Permet communist architecture. Coffee and drink in Permet.

Around 17:00 continuation of the journey to Gjirokaštër, arrival around 19:00. Short visit to the old city center, followed by a traditional dinner with organic vegetables, local pastas, seasonal fruit, delicious desserts and local wines, accompanied by a concert by a local traditional polyphony group.

Stay in a historic hotel in Gjirokaštër.

### DAY 4

After breakfast extensive visit to the historical center of Gjirokaštër, the old bazaar, the Ethnographic Museum. Lunch in the city or on Virua Lake. Around 15.00 departure to Saranda with visit of the natural phenomenon Syri i Kalter (Blue Eye), visit to the historic church of Mesopotam and the archaeological site Foinike. In Saranda you will be staying in an excellent hotel. Around 20:30 dinner in the Castle of Likursi on the highest hill of Saranda.

Night in Hotel Brillant.

### DAY 5

After breakfast departure to the archaeological site of Butrint with Illyrian, Greek, Roman and Venetian remains. The visit is guided. Around 12.00 departure from the beautiful coastal road from the Albanian Riviera to Porto Palermo, where we will have lunch; to Dhimos Hotel in Himara. Possibility of swimming and beach. In the evening, traditional dinner in Restaurant Dhimos (goat and local cheeses !), accompanied by a performance by the local traditional singing group.

### DAY 6

After breakfast, a visit to the Castle of Ali Pasha Tepelena, with guide ; also a short visit to the former communist military base at Porto Palermo, where the regime had its submarines lie. Subsequently, if desired, beach visit and lunch, with the best fish of Llamani. Around 14:00 departure towards Llogara with a short stay in the bay of Dhermi. Around 16:00 arrival at the top of the Llogara Pass (height 1100 m) with stunning views of the southern Albanian coast and overlooking Corfu.

Dinner and stay at Hotel Llogara.

### DAY 7

Departure to the historic city of Berat with a stop at the historic site and museum of Apollonia. Afterwards visit of the Monastery Ardenica and lunch at the nearby restaurant. Magnificent view of the Plain of Myzeqe



Ohrid Lake



Korça



Syri i Kaltër (The Blue Eye)



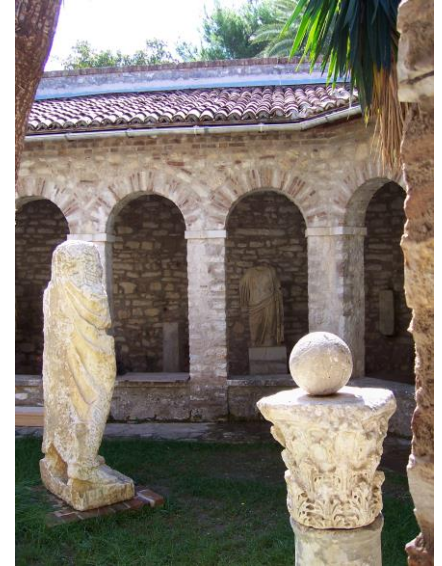
Apollonia

and Lagoon Karavasta. Around 15.00 to the historic city of Berat, where we will stay at at Hotel Mangalemi. Guided tour of the castle and the citadel of Berat, Onufri Museum and various churches. Dinner at Restaurant Castle with the wines from the cellars of Cobo. Stay in Berat.

### DAY 8

After breakfast visit to the mosque, the Teqe (Bektash Temple) and the Ethnographic Museum of Berat. Afterwards departure to the airport. Depending on the departure route lunch at a fine restaurant in Durres to visit the amphitheater or in the restaurant of the castle of Preza overlooking Tirana and Kruja.

Drive to the airport and departure to the home destinations.



Butrint

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