

MONTENEGRO

Canyons and coastlines

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Self-guided distance tour | 8/7 | approx. 235-280 km |

DESCRIPTION

Seventy peaks over two thousand meters, the southernmost fjord in the Mediterranean and the deepest canyon in Europe. Everything is located in Montenegro and in a small area like the size of the Wales. You drive on roads surrounded by mighty mountain peaks or through the deepest canyon in Europe, follow the shoreline of Lake Skadar and finally reach the magically beautiful Bay of Kotor. Montenegro has been sandwiched between East and West since the days of the Roman Empire and has been influenced by different cultures over the past two thousand years. The food offers the best of Balkan cuisine with dishes like Ćevapčici and fresh seafood paired with the powerful local wines. This tour takes you on quiet side roads to the scenic and cultural highlights of Montenegro in the Durmitor National Park, Tara Canyon Skadar Lake National Park and the Bay of Kotor.

HIGHLIGHTS

In the Durmitor National Park in Montenegro, you'll encounter the Black Lake, the tombstones of the Bogomils, and a spectacular mountain landscape. Steep canyons and the Bay of Kotor captivate visitors – see for yourself!

DIFFICULTY LEVEL CHALLENGING

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2027

ARRIVAL / PARKING / DEPARTURE

- Tivat, Podgorica or Dubrovnik airport

ITINERARY

Day 1: Arrival in Zabljak

Welcome to Durmitor National Park.

Day 2: Durmitor National Park

approx. 35 km

After breakfast, hop on your bike and explore the spectacular Durmitor mountain region. You can visit the famous Black Lake, a glacial lake at an altitude of 1,400 m, and then continue cycling to the medieval tombstones of the Bogomils, also called Stećci. These tombstones are part of the UNESCO World Heritage - as is the entire Durmitor National Park. After this approx. 35 km long ride you will return to Zabljak. If you wish and you shape allows you can make a detour to Durmitor sedlo to experience a beautiful mountain scape.

Day 3: Zabljak – Virpazar

approx. 45/65 km + transfer

Today you leave the roof of Montenegro and first you cross the plateau to the edge of the Tara Gorge. Take a look back at Durmitor mountains before descending a serpentine road to the famous Tara bridge. If you wish, you can also cross the deepest gorge in Europe, which in some places drops over 1000m than the surrounding highlands, with a zipline (optional). Follow the Tara upstream, you will pass through the Crna Poda forest reserve with its imposing Snake pines, and you can visit the Dobrilovina Monastery. The tour ends in Mojkovac. From there you will be picked up and taken through the beautiful Moraca Gorge to Lake Skadar National Park. This transfer takes about 2.5 hours. Overnight stay in a bed and breakfast in Virpazar, Skadar Lake National Park

Day 4: Virpazar – Cetinje

approx. 25/45 km + transfer

Today you have plenty of time to take a boat trip on Lake Skadar in the morning in Virpazar or in the afternoon after the bike tour in Rijeka Crnojevica. The boat tour is optional and can be booked directly from various providers in both places. During today's bike tour you will discover the beauty of the largest lake on the Balkan Peninsula. You will experience the vastness of the lake on a panoramic trip through old villages. There are always wonderful views of the lake and the peaks of the Albanian Alps in the background. Your destination is the village of Rijeka Crnojevica. There you can fill up your batteries before we take you from Rijeka Crnojevica to the old capital Cetinje (30min). Explore the historic city center of the former residential city. Overnight in Cetinje

Day 5: Cetinje – Kotor

approx. 45/50 km

Along the old trade route from Cetinje to Kotor. The tour starts directly from Cetinje (650 m). The road climbs adventurously through the karst up into the Lovcen National Park. After this ascent you have made it and enjoy a This descent leads over 24 switchbacks, which always offer breathtaking views of the Bay of Kotor, right in front of the gates of the old town. Move into quarters in Kotor. Dinner in Kotor Old Town.

Day 6: Bay of Kotor

approx. 45 km

Cycle to the highlights of the Bay of Kotor. The route runs directly along the shoreline, partly on the main road. At the Verige Strait, you take the ferry across to take a first look at Perast, the baroque town with its offshore monastery islands. Here we also have a lunch break with a beautiful view of the islands. The last kilometers before the old town you drive back to Kotor along the low-traffic embankment.

Day 7: Excursion Tivat

approx. 40 km

Tivat is currently the trendiest place on Montenegro's coast. Porto Montenegro's super marina has given what used to be a sleepy little town a glamorous atmosphere. A detour to the Solila Bird Sanctuary offers a different perspective of this part of the Bay of Kotor. The bike tour takes first to Trojica Pass between Tivat and Kotor. From there you roll comfortably down to Tivat. The bird sanctuary is right by the airport and is a short detour of about 6km before you reach the center of Tivat. The way back to Kotor leads along the coastal road. Overnight in Kotor.

Day 8: Departure or extension

After breakfast it is time to say goodbye to Montenegro or you extend your stay for a few more days.
Optional transfer to Tivat or Podgorica airport.

ARRIVAL DATES 2027

01.05. - 31.10.

Arrival daily
Season 1: 01.05. - 15.06. | 16.09. - 31.10.
Season 2: 16.06. - 15.09.

PRICES 2027

All prices given in Euros per person in double room.

Booking code	**ME-MERZK-**	**08X**
Season 1		1,279
Season 2		1,429
Surcharge single room		299
Solo traveller surcharge		239
27-gear unisex		145
27-gear men's		145
electric bike		279

EXTRA NIGHTS

All prices given in Euros per person in double room.

Kotor	
Basic price season 1	95
Basic price season 2	99
Surcharge single room	75
Zabljak	
Basic price season 1	75
Basic price season 2	89
Surcharge single room	59

SERVICES

Included

- Accommodation in 3***-hotels, guesthouses and pensions
- Breakfast
- Luggage transfer
- Digital travel documents incl. navigation app, GPS-data, route book
- Transfers according to program
- Service hotline

Optional extras

- Transfer (price per trip, max. 3 persons), reservation required, payable in advance:
- Airport Tivat – Zabljak EUR 239
- Airport Podgorica – Zabljak EUR 219
- Airport Dubrovnik – Zabljak EUR 375
- Kotor – Tivat Airport EUR 55
- Kotor – Airport Podgorica EUR 169
- Kotor – Dubrovnik Airport EUR 219

Things to note

- Please note that a valid passport is required for this trip
- Tourist tax, if due, is not included in the price!

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

For a stress-free start to your travel, arriving at the start point by early evening the day before is recommended. The individual return journey takes place on the last day of travel. For any costs incurred locally (children, local taxes, dogs etc.), as well as excluded transport and services, please refer to the itinerary or the section “Services/Things to note”. If a minimum number of participants is necessary for the trip to take place, this is defined under “Arrival dates”. If the minimum number of participants is not reached, we reserve the right to cancel the tour by the time specified under the heading “Arrival dates” before the planned travel date. We recommend organising your arrival and departure only after this deadline has passed. The distance travelled is approximate and may differ from the actual distance. The language in which the listed services are provided, as far as this is relevant for the provision of services, can be found under the heading “Services”. If special passport or visa requirements are needed for EU citizens, this is indicated under “Arrival/Parking/Departure”. This trip is not suitable for people with reduced mobility. Travel cancellation insurance, including travel interruption insurance is recommended. Information on insurance options to cover the cost of assistance during the journey, including transport in case of accident, illness or death can be found at https://www.eurobike.at/travel-insurance

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