

Bulgaria I The Mystical Rhodope Mountains (cycling Tour)

Nature that captivates for life! History that lasts! Traditions that enchant! Culture that inspires! Breathe the splendour of the magnificent Rhodopes!

Day - 2 Kovachevitsa

SOFIA – RILA MONASTERY – KOVACHEVITSA (B, D)

The first stop in the morning is Rila Monastery – one of the most memorable sites in Bulgaria. Founded in the 10th century by the monk hermit John during the reign of the prominent Bulgarian King Boris I, Rila Monastery has always been a source of revival, faith and hope for Bulgarian souls and minds. It turned into the stronghold of Bulgarian nationality and culture during Byzantine Period. Travel further to the village of Kovachevitsa – a historical and architectural reserve, where the cycling trail starts the next day. The picturesque village with houses almost entirely made of stone, is located along the Kanina river, surrounded by the “Dabrash” high hills in the south western part of the Rhodope Mountain.

Overnight: Kovachevitsa

Inclusions

- 9 nights in your chosen accommodation
- 1 night in a Eco camp and Dospat Dam
- Meal as specified in itinerary
(B = Breakfast, BR = Brunch, L = Lunch, D = Dinner)
- Activities and excursions according to itinerary

FOR EXAMPLE:

- Dinner with folklore show and live music
 - Walking Tour of Sofia
 - Rila monastery & Museum
 - Kovachevitsa village
 - Visit Yagodina cave & Devil's throat cave
 - See the wonder bridges
 - Visit Bachkovo Monastery
 - Visit the Assen's fortress
 - City Tour of Plovdiv
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- Tours and excursions in mini buses/buses
or with public transportation according to itinerary
 - Rent a bike for the entire period
 - English speaking tour guide
 - Admission fees according to itinerary

Exclusions

- International flights
- Meals other than mentioned in itinerary
- Tours and Excursions other than mentioned in itinerary
- Early check-in and late check-out at hotels
- Personal travel insurance
- Personal expenses and tips for driver/guides
- Visa fees