

Nature, Culture And Adventure Through The Land Of Eagles

Experience the lively capital of Tirana. Enjoy Kruja - the city of artisans and admire the traditional way of wool processing. Visit the ancient and modern city of Durrës, its Roman amphitheater and the archaeological site of Apollonia. Admire the unique city of a thousand windows - Berat and enjoy a wine tour and tasting of typical wines and other products of the Berat region. Meet the locals and be their guests. Wander through authentic villages to feel life off the beaten path. Enjoy a tour of Gjirokastra - UNESCO World Heritage Site. Feel the Albanian iso-polyphonic folk music - UNESCO World Heritage. Admire the archaeological ruins of Butrinti - a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Hike along the beautiful Ionian coast. Jump aboard a boat to discover the hidden treasures of the Ionian coast and relax on the white pebbled beaches.

Day - 4 Dhërmi

BERAT - DHËRMI (B, L)

The day begins with the transfer to Apollonia. It was 588 BC. Founded as a Corinthian colony, it is named after the god Apollo. Of the 24 cities in the ancient Mediterranean with this name, the Illyrian Apollonia was the most important. It is estimated that the city had about 60,000 inhabitants, a record for ancient times. In the city lived in addition to the Greek settlers numerous Illyrians. Since 229 BC Apollonia stood under Roman protection and in the civil war between Pompey and Caesar stood on Caesar's side. A little later Marcus Antonius fortified the strategically important place. In addition to agriculture in the area, the industries (especially pottery) formed the basis for the wealth of the city. The School of Fine Arts was famous throughout the ancient world. The decline of the commercial center began in the 4th century, when an earthquake changed the course of the river Vjosa and the port of Apollonia silted. The city lost its economic importance and turned into a simple religious center. The archaeological area is very well preserved. Archaeologists call Apollonia the Pompei of Albania, as only 10% of the territory of the former city has been discovered to this day. The journey follows in the direction of Vlora, the city with a very long and beautiful coast, which lies between the Adriatic Sea and the Ionian Sea. The lunch is planned in a beautiful restaurant located in Radhima, directly by the sea. Then we drive to the Llogara National Park, where we will have a short coffee break. It is one of the most beautiful places in Albania and covered with eternal greenery. In the inner part of the forests there are beautiful meadows, countless natural resources and varied animal and bird species. An amazing part of this geo-park is the "balcony" in the Llogara Pass, at the height of 1050m, from where you can see the Ionian Sea. The last destination of the day is Dhermi. It is one of the most



important and important tourist centers in all of Albania and one of the oldest and most characteristic villages of the Ionian coast. In Dhërmi there are many old houses with characteristic architecture, many churches and a monastery with a built in the XIV century church. The beach of Dhërmi is one of the biggest beaches of the Ionian coast. The white sand and the clear water create ideal conditions for sunbathing and a perfect rest. In the afternoon you have some free time to visit the village, or to enjoy the sun and the sea. **Overnight**: Dhërmi

Inclusions

- 8 nights in your chosen accomodation
- Meal as specified in itinerary
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 Activities and excursions according to itinerary
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- FOR EXAMPLE:
 - visit of Kruja
 - Wine tasting in Berat
 - Visit the archaeological site of Apollonia
 - Visit the National Park in Llogara
 - Hike to the Sankt Andre book
 - Boat trip to Grama Bay and Pirate Cave
 - Hike from Kudhës to Qeparo
 - Cultural discovery Butrint
 - Visit to Gjirokasta UNESCO World Heritage Site
- 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