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## **8 DAYS MACEDONIA TOUR**

Dear Inez,  
We would like to thank you for your request and are pleased to offer you the following:

**Trip: 8 DAYS MACEDONIA TOUR**  
**Date: 2021**

### **Program:**

#### **1. Day: Skopje – Kokino**

Flight to Skopje. From the airport with our bus we go to the unique stone monuments of Kokino, a megalithic observatory, about 4000 years old. In a list of NASAs about archaeological observatories Kokino is placed as number 4. Afterwards we go for dinner in restaurant and then to our hotel in Skopje.

#### **2. Day: Skopje**

After the breakfast in the hotel, our tour guide will take you on a city tour where you can enjoy in the highlights of Skopje. The guide will take you across the narrow streets at old bazaar, which gives you a chance to capture the past through its unique architecture—inns, hammams and Mosques—and numerous shops. During the visit, we go to the Church of St. Spas with its unique 19th-century iconostasis and cross river Vardar on a historical 15th-century stone bridge to Fortress Kale. We will also visit Mother Teresa memorial house as well landmarks such as Gate Macedonia and the main city square with Alexander the Great Fountain. In the evening we will have typical Macedonian dinner with folklore music. Afterwards overnight in our Hotel.

#### **3. Day: Skopje –Vodno – Matka – Skopje**

After the breakfast in the hotel our journey starts with going up to the mountain Vodno. With the cable car we reach an altitude of around 1.000 meters and we enjoy a unique panoramic view to the mountains of Macedonia. Afterwards we visit the monastery Sv. Pantelemon with the famous byzantic frescos. Then, we continue with a trip to the Matka Canyon. It is one of the most popular outdoor destinations in Macedonia and is home to several medieval monasteries. The Matka Lake within the Matka Canyon is the oldest artificial lake in the country. Matka is home to a wide variety of plants and animals, roughly 20% of the plant life found at Matka is endemic and only found here. There are ten caves at Matka Canyon from which Vrelo is most famous. Here we will take boat or kayak because cave can only be reached by water. The canyon area is home to several historic churches and monasteries

so after our boat trip to Vrelo and exploring its beauty, we will continue our journey on foot, and we will visit some of them. In the restaurant situated in this beautiful nature we will taste Macedonian food and wines for our lunch. In the evening return to our hotel in Skopje. Dinner in a restaurant and overnight in the hotel.

#### **4. Day: Skopje- Tetovo – Ohrid**

Breakfast. Early in the morning we head to the city of Tetovo. We visit the famous coloured mosque. Then we continue to the National Park of Mavrovo. Enjoy in the view of the unique nature and the highest mountains of Macedonia. We visit the monastery of St. Jovan Bigorski where we have opportunity for traditional lunch ( optional ) before we arrive in our hotel in Ohrid. Dinner in restaurant and overnight in our hotel.

#### **5. Day: Ohrid- St.Naum**

In the morning we are starting our day with exploring the old town of Ohrid on a light walking tour with our guide. Because of its religious importance and numerous churches and monasteries, Ohrid is also popularly known as "Macedonian Jerusalem". Since 1979 the city and Lake Ohrid are under the protection of UNESCO. We are having a stroll through the famous Ohrid Bazaar, visiting the shops for pearls and filigree from where we will continue to the fortress of King Samuel, the church of Sv. Peribleptos and the ancient Roman theatre. The tour continues to the church of St. Jovan Kaneo, situated on a high cliff above the lake waters. Boat ride to St. Naum. We visit one of the most important monasteries for the Orthodox world. The fascinating medieval frescoes can only be seen in the monastery of St. Naum. In the monastery are also the remains of St. Naum. Macedonians believe that you can still hear his heartbeat if you put your ear to his grave. Don't doubt it, try it! Return to the city. Traditional Ohrid dinner. Overnight in the hotel.

#### **6. Day: Ohrid – Bitola – Pelister- Bitola**

After the breakfast we continue with our trip to Bitola where we visit first the excavations of Heraklea Lincestis, founded by Filip II. of Macedon, father of Alexander the Great. Afterwards a short city tour before we drive to the Pelister national park. At about 1,400-m over sea-level, surrounded by unique nature we can use our energy to make a walk in this great surrounding! This National Park is ideal opportunity for the hikers. Afterwards we return to city of Bitola, have dinner in restaurant and overnight in our hotel.

#### **7. Day: Bitola – Kavadarci –Skopje**

In the morning, journey from Pelister past Prilep to the best-known wine-growing area of Macedonia in the region of Kavadarci. After a Wine tasting we continue to Skopje. We reach our hotel in Skopje. Dinner and overnight.

#### **8. Day: Departure**

Transfer to the airport or tour to Kokino Observatory, if not on arrival day due to flight time.

**We are looking forward to a great cooperation and greetings from Skopje!**

Best regards,

Emilija Nikolovski,

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