



## **5 DAYS HIKING TOUR TO THE NORTH**

*Welcome to Albania and enjoy the grand adventure Albanian tour from North to South including Hiking, Kayaking, Boat Trip, and History.*

This tour will start from the Capital of Albania and will be concentrated mostly in: walking and hiking in the mountains of the northern Albanian Alps. You will have the chance of discovering stunning northern Albanian history and legends, History of Kruja, the magical Thethi village, and Shkodra, which used to be the old Capital of the Ancient Illyrian Empire.

You will have a stunning Panoramic view during your hike, tasting of traditional Albanian food and a lot of fresh air, also having an experience of ferry ride back to Shkodra. Have a traditional lunch in a famous restaurant near Shkodra and then go back to Tirana.

### **Your Itinerary**

#### **Day 1**

#### **Discover Kruja history and visit Shkodra city**

Meet and assist the guide at Tirana airport. The guide will give you general information about the tour that you will have.

You will depart to Kruja city and there you will visit: *The old Market, Bazaar and the Skanderbeg Museum and the Ethnographic Museum.*

You will Spend time in Kruja for shopping and pictures and Enjoy this stunning ottoman old town. After lunch in a traditional restaurant drive to Shkodra. Start sightseeing the city.

Visit: *Rozafa Castle, Pedestrian Area, Buna River, Marubi Photographic Museum and the Kings Mosque.*

Shkodra is the most important town of north Albania and the Illyrian capital, in the 3rd century BC. Check –in the hotel and have free time in Shkodra.

Dinner and overnight in Shkodra.



## Day 2

### Start the Adventure to Thethi Village

Have breakfast in the hotel (or take small breakfast packets). Start your trip to the mountains with Off-road car driven by a very professional Driver. Enjoy the driving while having photo stops or coffee breaks on the way

Arrival in Thethi village and have lunch in the guesthouse. After having some free time in the Village start visiting the village with the guide.

Several well-known writers that were impressed by its stunning and rather inaccessible location in the middle of vertical mountains have described the small village. Still today, most of the houses or 'kulla' are built in grey stone and roofed with wooden planks. Traditions remain strong and authentic.

You will walk down from the house (850m) and visit the attractions of the village, including *the Church, Kulla e Ngujimit* (a tower house used in the past by men as a shelter against ongoing vendettas).

During the walk you will have many breaks for water or coffee. This part the walk will be mostly climbing. You will end up at the *Thethi waterfall and peer at the rocky narrows of the Grunasi Canyon from the wooden bridge of Grela*. Near the canyon are found stonewalled terraces dating from the late bronze era, revealed only in 2007.

Back to the guesthouse and have free time.

Dinner and overnight Theth.



## Day 3

### **Enjoy Hiking Day to the “Blue Eye” of Thethi**

After breakfast meet the Guide, take the picnic lunches and start the walking to Blue eye  
After 8 km of nice walking near the Thethi river arrival to “Nderlysa” to discover the most interesting kind of Landscapes.

Have a break at this stunning place and after that, continue to the famous “Blue Eye”  
After 2 km of walking arrival at the blue eye and have to picnic lunch. Enjoy the exceptional source of water that it’s called Blue Eye. After the visit transfer back to the guesthouse. Have traditional dinner in the guesthouse and taste Rakia an amazing alcohol beverage.

Overnight in Theth.



## Day 4

### Hiking Trip to the Top of Valbona Mountain

After breakfast meet the guide and depart to Valbona valley. You will leave your main belongings at the horses and you will keep for yourself a backpack including a bottle of water and food packages for lunch.

During the walk you will have many breaks for water or coffee. The walk will be mostly climbing. After 3 hours hiking & climbing you will arrive at Valbona Neck, which lays 1820 m above the sea level. Have your picnic lunch at the famous Valbone Neck. Continue your walk. Arrive in Valbona Village. Check –in at the guesthouse and have some free time for relaxation in the village. Have traditional dinner in the guest House.

Overnight in Valbona.



## **Day 5**

### **Going Back to Tirana**

After breakfast depart to Port of Fierza to take the ferryboat.

Arrival at the port and take the ferry. Have free time to take pictures around the area that is very interesting and amazing. We depart to Tirana city. In Tirana we visit the main Boulevard, Skanderbeg Square, the Mosque, the Bunker, the Pyramid, Mother Theresa Square, Administrative Buildings and Blloku. In the afternoon we visit Castle of Petrela. Lunch in Petrela.

Dinner and overnight in Tirana.



Transfer to the airport for homebound flight.

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**Note:** This program is for you to have an idea of what we offer and what are the best attractions based on the priority HIKING TOURS

