



Natural Croatia

Your Adventure in Nature!

White rocks and Velebit Wilderness in Croatia

Guided Trekking Tour

Engage in this adventure and in one-weekend experience top 3 most beautiful trails in Croatia: Vihoraški trail, Velebit - Zavižan trail and Premužić trail. Be ready to take real adventure, scramble white rocks, hike & trek for 3 days and experience remarkable beauties of Croatian nature!

Starting from Zagreb, this tour takes you into the wild deep mountains and trail leading through restricted reserve area of White and Samarske rocks. Legendary trail "Vihoraški put" by the mountaineers the most beautiful and challenging trail in Croatia! Next day visit bear refugee on our way and hike up National Park Nothern Velebit - hidden beauty of Croatian wilderness.

Hiking starts with an easy trail that gives you magnificent views on Croatian islands at the top. Unforgettable sunsets can be seen just in front of the Zavižan mountain hut where we stay overnight. Next day we go deeper in the mountain following famous Premužić trail to next mountain hut Alan. Full of impressions from our last 3 days we board our transport and head back to Zagreb.

Highlights

- Top hiking trails of Croatia
- 3 days hiking
- From Zagreb
- Vihoraški trail and white rocks!
- NP Nothern Velebit
- Premužić trail

Includes

- 1 National park
- bear refugee visit
- 1 Special wilderness reserve
- Special night in mountain shelter!
- 1 night mountain hut
- Small group
- Local guide

In Short/Days

0. Zagreb
1. Vihoraški trail
2. NP Nothern Velebit
3. Premužić trail - ZG

Day 0 Zagreb meeting

Optional evening meeting in city centre. Meeting the team, and briefing for next 3 days.

Day 1 White rocks and Vihoraški trail

Early start today 6:00, to catch all the sunlight for Vihoraški trail. Breakfast on our way while we transfer (2h) to the starting point of hike to wild strict natural reserve White and Samarske rocks (*hr. Bijele i Samarske stijene*). Leave all the things that you do not need for next day and night in the car, and take only the necessary. Keep in mind to have backpack for carrying day food and water pack (or make a note for us to prepare it). We will carry separately sleeping bags and mats, food and drinks and camping equipment for the night in shelter. Climb to top of white rocks lasts around 1,5h. Scrambling to the top of the rocks and taking in the magnificent view from the

top. After a short break, trekking the Vihoraški trail follows. Depending on the group condition and technical capabilities, level trekking the trail takes from 4 to 6 or 7 hours. Picnic lunch during the trekking, and snacks when we have low energy feeling. Vihoraški trail is the wildest and the most beautiful trail in Croatia. Trail goes between the rocks, through narrow passages in the rocks, and includes a lot of scrambling – climbing short distances on the rocky area.

When not on rocks, trail goes through magic green meadows and valleys with astonishing views on surrounding shining white rocks and blue sky. This is true wilderness, with a high chance to see a snake or some other wild animal, so please take care to where you put your feet, hands and where you sit! Final destination of this magic wild trek is romantic shelter located in the rock, very



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special and unique. Here we will rest and cook our dinner. No bathroom facilities available here, mobile signal is rare, and no electricity. Water is available from a rain collected water tank. Use it sparingly!

(B, L, D)

Day 2 NP Northern Velebit: Oltari - Zavižan

After breakfast, 1-2h trekking back to our car and 2,5h transfer to national park Northern Velebit. Transfer takes us about 2h and on our way we make a short stop in Bear refugee Kuterevo, to observe local bears rescued in the mountains. Half hour more transfer to the starting point of the trail, and again here we leave our things in the car and take only necessary for next 2 days and 1 night in the mountain! We carry all the food and water for one day with us. Hiking around 3-4h, easy to moderate.

Today we trek a trail that takes us to the Zavižan mountain hut. Here famous Ante will greet us. Ante can offer us strong alcoholic brandy, homemade and local beer called the same as the mountain "Velebitsko pivo". We prepare lunch and dinner. Zavižan mountain hut is in the same time weather station and Ante and his family is for generations working there for meteorological and hydrological service. We can observe the weather station and instruments. Optional trail visits around Zavižan to nearby mountaintops, and at the evening unforgettable sunset with sea view on Croatian islands.

An exceptional experience! (B, L, D)

Day 3 Premužić trail: Zavižan - Alan, Zagreb

Early start today again 6:00! Today we hike Premužić trail. Top rated and most beautiful trail in Croatia, built in 1930 using special local drywalls technique without any machines! It is a true natural heritage and represents a local knowledge and architecture incorporated in nature. Interesting fact about Premužić trail is that it is easy trail to walk; even an

unexperienced person can do it! It is wide enough and does not have high elevation changes. Other special thing is that it gives you true wild mountain experience with unique views changing all the way! With all this, we take our trip that lasts between 6 and 8 hours to next mountain hut Alan. Here we have lunch, and rest. After rest transfer back to Zagreb (3h) (B, L)

-- End of services --

INFO

No of persons: Min 2 Max 6

Available departures: Every week

Accommodation is in

- mountain huts: group beds, or rooms with 4-6 persons beds

Included

- 1 night mountain shelter
- 1 night mountain hut
- All transfers noted in program
- All meals noted in program (B-breakfast, L-Lunch, D-dinner)
- Snacks in the mountain
- Professional guide
- Water for tours
- Accident Insurance
- Packaged tour insurance
- National park entrance fee
- All gear noted under "gear provided"

Not included

- Flights
- Meals not stated in program
- Drinks (if not stated in program)
- Transfers not stated in the program
- Gratuities (optional)
- Special dietary requests

ACTIVITY LEVEL: 5 -"Strenous"

Backpacking style trip NOTE

This tour is *backpacking style*. Please be aware that mountain huts and shelter do not have bathroom facilities!

If you will bring your backpack, please note that you need to have enough space to carry sleeping bag, sleeping mat, water and food for 2 days in it.

Pack your reserve clothes in closed plastic bags to keep it safe from the rain.

Notify us in advance, if you need a backpack and walking sticks.



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Gear checklist

- High trekking shoes
- Long hiking pants
- Windproof jacket
- Warm fleece for evening
- Small packed personal hygiene set
- Hat and Sunglasses
- Sunscreen
- Small packable raincoat
- Useful for Vihoraški – camelback water pack for backpack
- Photo camera - for your memories!

NOTE

Please check your visa requirements for Croatia. EU citizens do not require visa, only identification card.

It is possible to organize accommodation and transfer for day earlier /later in the case of earlier arrival or longer stay – please request this in advance.

Gear provided on request – included in tour

- ✓ Headlamp
- ✓ Wet wipes
- ✓ Big Backpack
- ✓ Day Backpack
- ✓ Sleeping bag
- ✓ Sleeping mat
- ✓ Cooking camping equipment

IMPORTANT

All activities outdoor, and are subject to weather conditions. If your guide evaluates that there is too high risk to perform activity, the schedule might change, or activity might be cancelled if impossible to replace.

Please note in advance any special diets (vegetarian, vegan or similar) and possible allergies it is for your own security!

***** VERY IMPORTANT ****

This is a tour activity level 5. All participants require being in good health and good shape to be able to take part in this tour. It is possible that your guide evaluates you are not capable for making this trip and for your own security denies you participation.