

# Walk and Cycle Slovenia

Experience the country's diversity on this unforgettable eight-day walk & cycle Slovenia holiday, where every day is an adventure, and no two days are alike.

Some say that the best way to discover Slovenia is on a bike. Others say that you can only get the true experience by going walking. We say, why not both?

Slovenia is **one of the most diverse countries in the worl**d and a big part of it is covered by forests and sits on rocky mountainous terrain. That means it is inaccessible with everyday transportation and the only way to discover the country's true beauty and find its hidden gems is by strapping on a backpack or travelling on two wheels. On this eight-day **hike & bike** Slovenia holiday, you will discover Slovenian beauty with the wind in your hair and a constant smile on your face.

Our experienced guides will take you from the capital **Ljubljana**, up to the heart of **Kamnik Savinja alps**, through the **Karst region** to the dreamy Adriatic coast and towards the scenic mountain valleys of Triglav National Park. In all of the regions, we have carefully selected **the best roads and trails** that will offer breathtaking views every step, or pedal turn, of the way.

During our journey, we will discover some of the best-known attractions like the scenic island on **Lake Bled** and **the Kozjak Waterfall** in Soča Valley. We will also find hidden treasures along the way and have some unique experiences like riding on an **abandoned railway track**. We offer the chance of tackling the terrain on **electric-assist bikes**, which guarantees everyone will get the most out of the experience and adapt to an optimal riding pace.

So whether you are a cycling enthusiast, an avid walker or just looking to actively spend your vacation, this walk & cycle Slovenia holiday is the one for you.

#### Day 1: Ljubljana on bike

Let the adventure begin! After we make our introductions we will take a guided bike tour to discover the city's unique highlights and introduce you to the story behind the city. To get a real feel of the city, you can opt for a leisurely boat ride on the Ljubljanica River, or visit the mighty Ljubljana Castle with one of the best views of the entire city. Ljubljana is also known as a mecca for foodies, so we recommend trying some traditional cuisine in your free time.

#### Included

Ljubljana bike tour Walk & Cycle Slovenia Tour

#### **Extras**

Airport transfer Boat ride on Ljubljanica River Ljubljana Castle entrance fee



## **Highlights**

Ljubljana Old Town Tivoli Park Ljubljanica River

#### **Accommodations**

Overnight stay in Ljubljana

## Day 2: Hike to the traditional pastures of Velika Planina

You won't just stare at the mountains that adorn Ljubljana's cityscape, instead, we will take you to the high pastures of Velika Planina, where you can really admire the views from the heart of the Kamnik-Savinja Alps. A unique shepherd's village located at the top of the plateau will uncover the authentic traditions of cheese making and cow herding in this incredible Alpine setting. You can reach the plateau by foot on a short scenic trail or opt for a cable car. After we take in the beautiful views, we will return back to Ljubljana, where you can enjoy some free time or go wine tasting authentic Slovenian wines.

#### Included

Hike on Velika Planina Walk & Cycle Slovenia Tour

#### Meals

Breakfast

#### **Extras**

Velika Planina cable car Wine tasting in Ljubljana

#### **Highlights**

Traditional shepherding village Kamnik-Savinja Alps

### Accommodations

Overnight stay in Ljubljana

#### Day 3: Cycling on the Slovenian Coast

After a hearty breakfast, we will drive to the Slovenian Coast. There we will begin the cycling tour that will take us through the beautiful Portorož and the narrow streets of Piran where we will explore the city's medieval history. The route will follow the epic Adriatic scenery and even take us on an old abandoned railway track. We also offer E bikes that make the tour suitable for everyone.

#### Included

Bike rental



## Walk & Cycle Slovenia Tour

#### Meals

**Breakfast** 

#### **Extras**

F-bike rental

# Highlights

Sečovlje salt pans Portorož Piran

#### **Accommodations**

Overnight stay on Slovenian Coast

# Day 4: Underground hike through Škocjan Caves & Vipava Valley cycling

In the morning we will depart from the Coast and visit one of the most remarkable regions of Slovenia. We will dive deep into the astonishing Škocjan caves, listed on UNESCO's list of World Heritage sites, where we will explore the biggest underground canyon in the world.

When our eyes readjust to light, we will visit the wine-growing region of Vipava Valley, sometimes called the "Slovenian Tuscany". A cycling tour will take us around thisbeautiful vineyard landscape and again, you can opt for an E-bike for an easier journey. After the ride, you can enjoy the stunning views at our accommodation or go to a wine tasting of the award-winning authentic wines at a local winery.

#### Included

Škocjan Caves entrance fee Bike rental Walk & Cycle Slovenia Tour

#### Meals

**Breakfast** 

### **Extras**

E-bike rental Wine tasting in Vipava Valley

# **Highlights**

Škocjan Caves Vipava Valley Vineyards



#### **Accommodations**

Overnight stay in Vipava Valley

## Day 5: Tolmin Gorges and Kozjak Waterfall

A scenic ride will take us to the mountain town Bovec, surrounded by the mighty peaks of the Julian Alps. In the pristine alpine valley, we will explore the beautiful Tolmin Gorge and hike a magical trail, alongside the Soča river to the scenic Kozjak Waterfall near Kobarid. At the end of the trail there is a small wooden viewing platform where you take some amazing pictures. Another trail that we will explore will take us to Virje Waterfall, a hidden gem and one of the rare karstic springs that never dry up. In the afternoon you can enjoy some free time in Bovec, relax and get ready for the next day.

#### Included

Tolmin Gorges entrance fee Kozjak Waterfall entrance fee

#### Meals

Breakfast

# **Highlights**

Tolmin Gorges Kozjak Waterfall

#### **Accommodations**

Overnight stay in Bovec

# Day 6: Through Soča Valley, over Vršič Pass to Bled

After a good night's sleep, we will hike deep into the pristine nature of Triglav National Park and look into the magic waters of the Šunik water grove. Our journey will continue up the spectacular road leading over the Vršič mountain Pass where we will take numerous photo stops to capture attractions like the stone face of the "Pagan Girl" and the woodenRussian Chapel. New adventures await in the alpine resort Bled from where we will cycle to the entrance of Vintgar Gorge, which we will further discover on foot. When we return back to Bled you can take a scenic ride in the traditional Pletna boat to the famous Bled island or even rent a SUP board if you have some energy left.

#### Included

Vintgar Gorge entrance fee Bike rental Walk & Cycle Slovenia Tour

#### Meals

**Breakfast** 

# **Extras**

Bled Castle entrance fee Traditional boat ride to Bled Island SUP rental at Lake Bled



#### E-bike rental

#### **Highlights**

Soča River Valley Vršič Pass Lake Bled Vintgar Gorge

#### **Accommodations**

Overnight stay in Bled

## Day 7: Lake Bohinj and hiking in the mountains

Full of energy after a tasty breakfast, we will take a short drive to the Bohinj area and take a cable car ride to Vogel, a skiing area in the winter and a hiking paradise the rest of the year. Surrounded by beautiful mountain vistas, the trails of Vogel are the easiest in the Slovenian Alps at such elevation. Enjoy the beautiful view of Lake Bohinj, an absolute pearl of Triglav National Park. If you wish to further explore Bohinj, opt for a hike to Mostnica Gorge, listed among the most beautiful and most visited natural attractions in Bohinj.

#### Included

Cable car to Mount Vogel Walk & Cycle Slovenia Tour

#### Meals

**Breakfast** 

#### **Extras**

Mostnica Gorge entrance fee

# Highlights

Lake Bohinj Mount Vogel Triglav National Park

#### Accommodations

Overnight stay in Bled

#### Day 8: Ojstrica hike and departure

Unfortunately, every good thing must come to an end. But although our time together is almost over, there is still one last amazing adventure ahead of us. In the morning we will hike up a small hill overlooking Bled, called Ojstrica, for possibly the best view of Lake Bled, where you will be able to take some amazing pictures and take in the beauty of the amazing scenery. To make your last day as carefree as possible we can arrange a transfer to Ljubljana Airport from where you will leave Slovenia with memories that will last a lifetime.



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Breakfast

# **Extras**

Airport transfer



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