

Slovenia - Walking Lakes and Valleys Hiking Tour 2023 Self-Guided Tour 8 Days / 7 Nights



The Lakes and Valleys Walking Tour takes you through glorious alpine scenery and panoramic vistas. The highlights of this walk are the famous Lake Bled and Lake Bohinj, along with Mount. Triglav National Park. The perfect mountain tour for lovers of stunning mountain vistas and enchanting valleys. Tour highlights include hiking through lush alpine valleys, wildflower strewn meadows and pastures and deep canyons carved by mountain rivers.



Itinerary Day to Day

Day 1: Arrival in Kranjska Gora

The popular ski resort of Kranjska Gora, most famous for hosting the annual Alpine Ski World Cup Slalom every January, is the starting point for this tour. You will spend your first night here with the beautiful western Julian Alps as your background.



Day 2: Kranjska Gora – Jasna Valley – Kranjska Gora 17 km round walk +/- 460 m

Your warm-up walk will take you out past the first of many beautiful lakes you'll visit on this trip: Lake Jasna. With the jagged peaks of the Julian Alps behind it, Lake Jasna is the perfect spot for relaxing. But save it for the walk back because there's more ahead. Continuing on through the Jasna Valley, you'll be greeted by the glorious mountain arena of the Prisank and Razor Mountains and return via the "Russian Chapel" dedicated to Russian POWs who died during WW1 building the military road over Vršič Pass.

Day 3: Podkoren – Triple Border Point 18 km round trip + 520 m – 730 m

This walk takes you along forest and mountain meadows to the summit of Mt. Peč (1,508 meters) where the borders of Slovenia, Italy and Austria meet. At the top, you can soak up the dramatic views across the Julian Alps and Carnian Alps. The Hohe Tauern alpine range, highest in Austria, will greet you in all its majesty. The trail then descends through the valley to the source of the beautiful Sava River, the longest in Slovenia, back to Kranjska Gora.



Day 4: Radovna Valley – Vintgar Gorge - Lake Bled 14 km + 210 m – 320 m

A member of our team will drive you through the lush green Radovna Valley, amid soaring mountain peaks, to where the Radovna River has carved the 150 meter deep Vintgar Gorge. You can then walk the trail that leads along a wooden walkway through the gorge and onwards to the world-famous Bled Lake, via the lovely Katarina Church viewpoint. Your hotel overlooks the lake.

Day 5: Bled – Bohinjska Bela – Lake Bled – Bled 15 km round trip +/- 520 m

Today you will take a leisurely stroll into **Bled**, a popular town on the shore of a beautiful glacial lake, with its medieval castle standing guard over the distinctive island church from the edge of the lakeside cliff. For the best photos and views of the lake, church and castle and Karavanke mountain range, hike up to Mala Osojnica viewpoint from the western side of the lake. End the day with the local speciality - the cream cake "Kremšnita" - in one of the great little lakeside tea shops.

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Day 6: Pokljuka – Uskovnica Saddle – Lake Bohinj 14 km +30 m – 830 m

You will be driven by car up to the Pokljuka Plateau where you will begin your hike across mountain pastures and rustic farmhouses to a viewing point into the beautiful Bohinj Valley. On the way down you can stop at the little historic village of Studor and take a journey into the past. Your final destination is Lake Bohinj, a true gem in the heart of the Triglav National Park, and the small, fisherman's settlement at the lakeside.

Day 7: Lake Bohinj 21 km +/- 330 m

Spend the day strolling around this wonderful, peaceful alpine lake setting, in the shadows of the immense mountain peaks of the Julian Alps. You can swim in its fresh water. Try the delicious Bohinj trout. At the western end of the lake is a short trail up to Savica Waterfall, the source of the lake and the Sava Bohinjka River. Then you can take the cable car up to the 1,532 meter high Vogel Mountain for a spectacular view of Mount Triglav, the highest peak in the Julian Alps. Spend the evening in one of the cozy village pubs and try the local homemade honey brandy.

Day 8: Departure

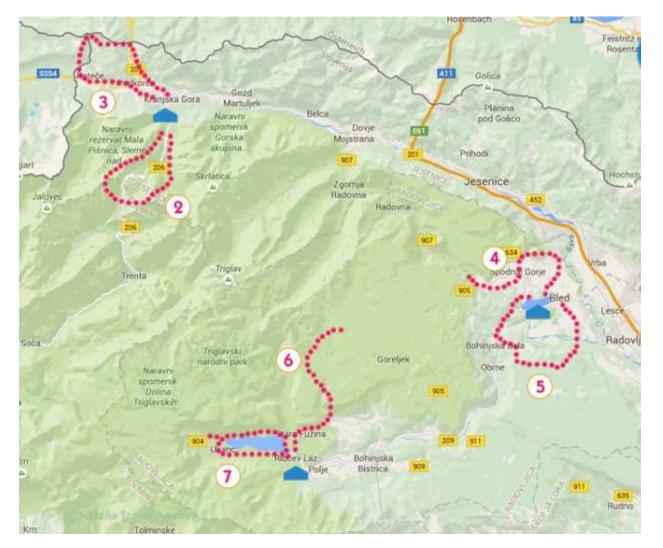
After breakfast your tour ends.







Route



Technical Characteristics:

Tour Profile: Easy. Daily distances increase on some days and the terrain may be rugged underfoot with some hills but not too strenuous. Perfect for those with a relatively good level of fitness. The average sum of all daily ascents is between 100 m and 400 meters.

Distance: 90 km

Travel Season: Departures daily from April 15 to October 14, 2023 Low Season: April 15 – May 12 and September 16 – October 14, 2023 High Season: May 13 – September 15, 2023

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Price per person:

Double Occupancy B&B Low Season	€ 865.00
Double Occupancy B&B High Season	€ 890.00
Single Supplement	€ 290.00
Printed information package in English including route notes and corresponding maps delivered upon arrival	€ 30.00
Extra Nights 4* Hotel in Ribčev Laz/Bohinj Double Occupancy	€ 80.00
Extra Nights 4* Hotel in Ribčev Laz/Bohinj Single Occupancy	€ 125.00
Extra Nights 4* Hotel in Bled Double Occupancy	€ 105.00
Extra Nights 4* Hotel in Bled Single Occupancy	€ 170.00
Extra Nights 3* Hotel in Kranjska Gora Double Occupancy	€ 85.00
Extra Nights 3* Hotel in Kranjska Gora Single Occupancy	€ 135.00
Transfer Ljubljana Airport to Kranjska Gora 1 – 3 persons	€ 110.00
Transfer Ljubljana Airport to Kranjska Gora 4 – 8 persons	€ 140.00
Transfer Ljubljana City to Kranjska Gora 1 – 3 persons	€ 130.00
Transfer Ljubljana City to Kranjska Gora 4 – 8 persons	€ 180.00
Transfer Bohinj to Ljubljana Airport 1 – 3 persons	€ 130.00
Transfer Bohinj to Ljubljana Airport 4 – 8 persons	€ 170.00

Included:

- Accommodation in 3* and 4* hotels and in a two bed room with WC and shower, on a bed & breakfast basis
- Transfer of persons on days 3, 4 & 6
- Luggage transport between hotels (one piece per person, maximum 20 kg). Every additional piece 10 EUR, payable on spot
- Information package including route description and corresponding maps in electronic form.
- GPS data
- Local tourist and other taxes
- Welcome meeting upon arrival
- Backup service (hotline) during the walk

Not Included:

- Entrance fees
- Lunches
- Drinks with meals
- Saunas and massages in hotels