



Hidden Trails

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*Equestrian Vacations
- on & with Hidden Trails*

About Hidden Trails



Hidden Trails is owned and operated by nature enthusiasts who love horses and adventure activities. We have been involved with riding and other outdoor vacations for over 20 years.

With our partners Voyage du Cheval (France), Pegasus (Germany) as well as Equitour (Switzerland and France) we have collected the best riding destinations all over the world in some hidden places we would like to share with you.

These rides are about galloping on endless beaches, forging rivers, cantering through forests, trotting along age-old trails, gazing at beautiful vistas and encountering foreign cultures. But most of all, these trips are about getting away from the cycle of too much work and never enough free time.

Escape from the rituals, which long ago froze our nights and days into little more than routine and away from the worries of our new tense times. It is so satisfying when we take the plunge of adventure - it's unfortunate that we invent so many reasons to put aside living our dreams of adventure. It is sometimes a tangled web that we weave through life. Some of the threads reveal a work-a-day world of commitments, duties and obligations. Other threads are of a quiet fabric of hope, responsibility and refreshment.

On our adventures you see the real country, its back country and meet the locals. The love for horses has no boundaries but possesses a common language we all speak and understand. The majority of the overseas rides are from inn to inn, some from castle to castle and a few are camping rides.

You will experience new countries and their customs and make new friends. The Hidden Trails trips are the best you can find.

They have been tested by our staff or associates and received our stamp of approval. If you are considering a special riding vacation anywhere in the world, call us first and let our experienced consultants match the perfect trip with your dream.

We will listen to you and give you objective advice to help you choose the best destination and adventure.

Your vacation is the most precious time of the year and we are committed to making it the most memorable time of your life. Wherever you go, have a great time and bring back some peace of mind.

Thank you for your continued support.

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Borac Mountains Ride in Serbia - Serbia, Europe

Tour Code: IT-SERB01

8 days / 7 nights ~\$1,410.00

Dates: May - July

Trip Rating: ●●●●●

Difficulty: ●●●●●

Lodging: ●●●

Tack: Multipurpose saddles. Two Western saddles.

Horses: Lipizzan and Lipizzan cross, Balkan cross.

Pace: Moderate with some canters where the terrain allows.

Walk, Trot, Canter,

Airport: Belgrade



Introduction

Central, Serbia

Serbia is still an undiscovered destination in the heart of Europe. Located in central Balkans it is the essence of mixture of cultures and influences that will always be viewed as the east to the west and as the west to the east. The interior of the country (Sumadija), literally Woodland is the destination of our new trip in Serbia. It is here that you will get a glimpse of an archaic world covered in thick forest and mountain massifs isolated from the blessings and the curses of urban Serbia. A place wrapped up in its own magic of "slow living" that hasn't changed for generations.

Rarely in Europe is such a small piece of land home to so many animal species and such beautiful nature. The scenic landscape where the ride takes place has an abundance of rivers and mineral springs, majestic forests and mountain tops. The trail will lead you through small villages populated by simple folk where you will be guests in real people's homes, taste their homemade products from cheese to brandy and be overwhelmed by their hospitality. This trip is a life seeing experience that will take you back in time.

You will ride amongst the mountains that hide the jewels of Serbian 14th Century architecture. Churches and monasteries that are home to small communities of priests and nuns will welcome any visitor that comes their way. Let us be your guide through local heritage.

This is not just a riding holiday, it is your chance to discover one of the best kept secrets of the Balkans, a truly new destination.

Accommodation



Accommodations

This is a progressive ride so nights are spent in various locations.

Description

To make your riding holiday a unique experience we found a variety of accommodations ranging from hotels, to mountain lodges, to private guesthouses. Every accommodation has about 3-5 bathrooms. WIFI is available in most locations. Laundry can be done along the trail for a small fee.

Accommodation Itinerary - subject to changes based on availability

Night 1: Ecolodge near Taor

Night 2: Zamak in Divcibare

Night 3: Planinarski Dom in Rajac

Night 4: Ethno village in Kostunici

Night 5: Ethno village in Gostoljublje

Night 6: Ecolodge near Taor

Ecolodge near Taor

You will sleep in the lodge or one of the 2 domes. The rooms are simple but comfortable and you can enjoy a great view over the surrounding mountains.

Zamak in Divcibare

This small hotel located just across the slopes offers 8 guestrooms. Each room is furnished with a TV, a phone, ensuite bathroom, internet access and air conditioning.

Planinarski Dom in Rajac

This is one of the largest mountaineering house in Serbia. This historic stone house has 70 beds in double-bedded and multi-bedded rooms. There are bathrooms on each floor, central heating, and a glassed veranda with a television.

Ethno-village in Kostunici



Ethno-village in Kostanje

Accommodation is provided in picturesque wooden houses that come equipped with heating, free Wi-Fi, a TV and a private bathroom. The complex also has a lake where guest can go for a refreshing swim.

Ethno-village in Gostoljublje

Located on the slopes of Mount Maljen this holiday village offers various accommodation styles from bungalows to apartments. Each accommodation features free Wi-Fi access, a TV and private facilities. The complex also offers an outdoor pool.

Room Occupancy

If you are willing to share a room there will be no supplement.



Meals

All meals are included from dinner on Day 1 to breakfast on the last day.

Most food is locally grown and a lot of effort is put in to ensure guests are satisfied and left full. There is a lot of heart and soul that goes into the dishes!

One alcoholic drink is included with every meal.

Dietary Restrictions

We can cater to all restrictions if given prior notice.



Riding



Riding Experience

To participate you should be an intermediate rider, comfortable in the saddle at all paces, and have experience



riding for 5 to 7 riding hours per day. The minimal requirement is that you are in control of a horse at a walk, trot and canter, and are used to riding in the open country over different types of terrain.

Terrain

The area used to be and still is quite wooded. There are still a great many areas with fields, thickets and a striking number of Acacia trees. Predominantly spruce, beech, oak forests. The landscape ranges from gentle hills to rocky canyons and often offer splendid views into the distance. The landscape is very lush and makes a very pristine impression. There are lakes, rivers, streams and increased brooklets.

Pace

The rides are at a moderate pace overall, with routes taking you through forests and up and down mountain tracks, with opportunities for trots and canters in the open fields and where the terrain allows it. In total, we will cover about 170 km.

Horses

Horses that you will ride are Lipizzan horses, horses mixed with Lipizzan and Balkan, mixed Balkan and Bosnian Mountain horses. The breed of speckled horse is unknown. The Balkan breed is characteristic for this area and known for its gentleness.

They are small to medium sized, strong-hearted animals, especially suitable for trail and endurance riding. They are sure-footed on rough ground, which helps the rider cover greater distances with less effort.

Guides

Our guides can speak Serbian, English, and German.



Itinerary



Sample Itinerary: 8-day option - subject to changes

Day 1 (Saturday): Arrival

Arrive to Belgrade Airport where you will be met and transferred to your accommodation. The road goes through the Povlen Mountains, an eastern part of the Dinaric Alps. The drive to the village of Taor - a settlement that has existed since the Bronze Age - takes about 2 ½ hours and upon arrival a warm dinner awaits you.

Afterwards there is plenty of time to familiarize yourself with the surroundings and your four-legged companions.

Meals included: Dinner

Overnight near Taor

Day 2 (Sunday): Taor to Divcibare

After breakfast we ride to Divcibare, a famous ski area in the Ore Mountains (part of the Dinaric mountain system in northwest Serbia). It is characterized by a specific geography that allows favorable climate, as well as a diverse and unique flora and fauna.

From this hill, you can see the entire Divcibare, surrounding mountains and the city of Valjevo. Although it is often mentioned that Divcibare is a mountain, it is actually a field on the Maljen mountain.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Overnight in Divcibare

Day 3 (Monday): Divcibare to Rajac

Today our trail leads us through the Serbian steppe, which is reminiscent of Mongolia. The power of this steppe leaves no one indifferent and the 360 degree view gives us a feeling of space and freedom. We will hardly see any houses, and it often happens that we do not see anyone on this leg of our trip.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Day 4 (Tuesday): Rajac to Kostunici

The ethno-village Kostunici is located in one of the most beautiful parts of Serbia, on the southern slope of the Suvor mountain. There are two stories about how the village got its name and no one knows which is correct. Above Kostunici lies Ravna Gora, an historical place that has been preserved in its original beauty. Other beautiful sights await like Vidikovac, Babina Glava and Mokra pecina. There is a lake where people can swim in the ethno village. The lake is surrounded by the Cer Forest and was created by dividing the Cemernica river with a concrete dam just 300 m below. There are also pottery and handicraft shops where passionate ethno collectors can add to their collections or bring "summer memories" to friends. The entire complex was built according to Serbian architecture.
Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner
Overnight in Kostunici

Day 5 (Wednesday): Kostunici to Gostoljublje

Today we are slowly leaving the Serbian steppe and returning to the Dinaric Alps. This transition in landscape is very impressive and shows us how much nature has changed in this area. Tonight, we sleep in the ethno-village Gostoljublje.
Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner
Overnight in Gostoljublje

Day 6 (Thursday): Gostoljublje to Taor

Slowly we are returning to the paths of the ancient Romans, crossing over the Povlen mountain. On the way, we visit the Taor water spring. There are many small water veins that arise from the porous limestone tuff - in winter the water is rather warm and in summer quite cool. On hot summer days a glass of the cold spring water gives you a very satisfying feeling. In earlier centuries there were around 20 active water mills along the water sources, which milled rye, barley and oats at full capacity. Most of them have disappeared, but a small watermill has remained. The freshly prepared food and the miller's good mood underline the atmosphere and lifestyle of the highlands. After visiting the local miller, we go up to the initial farm, where a dinner with local fruit and brandy awaits us.
Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner
Overnight near Taor

Day 7 (Friday): Povlen Mountain Ride

After breakfast, we start at an altitude of 1,100 m above sea level to explore the Povlen mountain, which is about 1400 m high. Since 2023, Povlen has been proclaimed a nature reserve with over 170 species of birds, various wild animals and mountain springs. From this magical mountain, we have a spectacular panoramic view of the whole of Serbia and we can enjoy the peace and quiet. In the Middle Ages, Povlen was a very important road and merchants transported their goods on horses and donkeys. After lunch, we descend into the villages, cross the Skrapez river and visit its source. Then, we head back to the stables.
Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner
Overnight near Taor

Day 8 (Saturday): Departure

After breakfast, we transfer you back to the airport.
Meals included: Breakfast

It is possible to add an extra day to this program. Those who choose the 8-day version will stay another night near Taor and will spend the day riding over the mountain Povlen, which is a protected nature reserve full of wildlife (birds, badgers, rabbits, foxes, roe deer, ferrets and other various mountain wild animals).



Other Info

Meeting: Taor

Airport: Belgrade

Transfer: Belgrade airport

Distance: 120 km

Pick-up/ drop-off is from Belgrade Nikola Tesla Airport (BEG) only. Transfer times are available before 4:00 pm on Day 1. Your trip concludes after breakfast on the last day.

Tack: Multipurpose saddles. Two Western saddles are available on request.

Horses: Lipizzan and Lipizzan cross, Balkan cross, Balkan horses and Bosnian Mountain Horse and one shetland pony

Pace: Moderate with some canters where the terrain is suitable. 60% walking and 40% trotting galloping.
5+ hrs in the saddle per riding day

Walk | Trot | Canter |

Level: 🐾🐾🐾 (3 to 3 out of 5) Intermediate

Age: Min 16

Age: 16+
Weight: 210 lbs / 95 kg
Riders: Min 2 riders

Max 8 riders

Rates and Dates 2026 - IT-SERB01

Rates include: Accommodations, All meals with 1 alcoholic drink per meal, Transfers (before 4:00 pm), 5 riding days, Taxes & Entrances tickets

Packages and Options

Season	Description	EUR	~US\$
A 2026	8 day trip	€1280	\$1410

The US Dollar Rate is based on a EUR Exchange Rate of 1.1 and subject to currency fluctuation

Transfer Option

Description

2026	Transfer from/to Belgrade Airport included at specific times (before 16:00)		
2026	Single supplement (30 Euro per night/person where applicable)	€120	\$135

Tour Dates

Season	Tour Dates		
A 2026	05/09/2026 - 05/16/2026	8d / 7n	8 day trip
A 2026	05/23/2026 - 05/30/2026	8d / 7n	8 day trip
A 2026	06/06/2026 - 06/13/2026	8d / 7n	8 day trip
A 2026	06/20/2026 - 06/27/2026	8d / 7n	8 day trip
A 2026	06/26/2026 - 07/03/2026	8d / 7n	8 day trip
A 2026	07/04/2026 - 07/11/2026	8d / 7n	8 day trip
A 2026	09/05/2026 - 09/12/2026	8d / 7n	8 day trip
A 2026	09/19/2026 - 09/26/2026	8d / 7n	8 day trip
A 2026	10/03/2026 - 10/10/2026	8d / 7n	8 day trip
A 2026	10/24/2026 - 10/31/2026	8d / 7n	8 day trip

Min/Max: 2/8

Rates do not include: Gratuities, Travel Insurance & Extra drinks

Reservation Form

Tour : _____ **Code #:** _____ **from:** _____ **to :** _____

The Travelers (Last Name, First Name)	Male Female	Single room / or tent	Birth Date MM/DD/YY	Height	Weight	Special diets									
						Special diets	Beginner	Novice	Intermediate	Strong Intern.	Advanced	ride English	ride Western	mostly arena	mostly hacking
1. _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
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3. _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
4. _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			

Special Diets: _____

Your fitness level: Excellent Moderate Poor How long have you been riding? _____

How often do you ride? _____ Have you been on other riding tours? No Yes last trip when? _____

If Hidden Trails offers a transfer from the local airport/station: I would like the transfer to be included: YES NO

In an emergency, name and phone number of contact: _____

Attention: Please, if there is more than one participant, all have to sign the reservation form - make copies if needed

With my signature I confirm my reservation of the listed program(s) under the Hidden Trails Booking Conditions. I'm aware, and I made all participants aware of the risk involved with these outdoor adventure activities. All participants have read and agree with the Hidden Trails Booking Conditions and the Hidden Trails Recreational Activity Release and Indemnity Agreement in this brochure or as listed on the Internet.

I (we) will sign and forward the Recreational Activity Release and Indemnity Agreement at least 10 weeks before trip starting date.

Last Name and First Name (The Traveler) _____

Street _____ e-mail _____

City _____ State _____ Postal/Zip Code _____

Phone (wk) _____ (hm) _____ Cell _____ Fax _____

Date _____ Signature (mandatory) 1. _____

Please, charge a 25% deposit (minimum \$ 350 per person) now and full payment 10 weeks before the travel date to my credit card.

For payments by VISA or Mastercard (no debit cards)

Cardholder: _____

Card # _____ 3 digit Security # _____

Exp. Date: _____ Signature _____

Billing Address for Credit Card (if different than mailing address):

I have enclosed a check for the deposit

Additional Signatures:

2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Travel Cancellation Insurance Credit Card required

Sign me (us) up initial _____

No, we will provide our own initial _____

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