

# **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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# Border Triangle: Italy, Austria & Slovenia - Austria, Europe

Tour Code: ZZ-HKASFA02 8 days / 7 nights ~\$980.00 Dates: June to September

Trip Rating : •••••
Difficulty : ••••
Lodging: ••••

Tack: -Horses: -Pace: -

#### Airport: Klagenfurt





# Introduction

Central Austria, Austria

This hiking trip offers the unique experience of discovering three countries in one week: Austria, Italy and Slovenia

Experience an exciting and easy hiking trip in impressive mountain and natural landscapes characterised by the three cultures of the countries. The start is in Villach, Austria. In Italy you walk through a small part of the Friuli-Venezia Giulia region. This is characterised by the Carnic mountain group of over 100 km in length, between the catchment areas of Drau, Gail and Tagliamento, and the Julian Alps, which are the border between Slovenian and Friulan language area. A highlight of the tour is certainly the Italian pilgrimage town of Monte Lussari. No less impressive is the Slovenian part of the hiking tour, as it leads to the Triglav National Park and the fashionable ski resort of Kranjska Gora - also known as the Kitzbühel of Slovenia.

The hike runs along marked mountain and hiking trails. The tour is suitable for anyone with a good basic condition.

# Accomodation

#### Accommodations

During this trip, nights are spent in different locations.

#### Description

Accommodations consist of a mixture of guesthouses and 3 star hotels offering private bedrooms with ensuite facilities.

#### Local tax

Some cities charge a tourist tax. These taxes are not included in the sale price of the tour and must be paid directly by you at check-in or check-out at the hotels.

This fee varies depending on the hotel category, the season and the number of days of stay. It is usually between 1 and 5 € per person per night.

## Meals

All breakfasts are included.

# **Itinerary**

Sample Itinerary - subject to changes

# Day 1: Arrival in Villach

Individual arrival at the hotel in Villach.

Meals included: none

Overnight in Villach

# Day 2: Loop to Feistritz an der Gail

You start the trip in the lively city center of Villach but a short bus ride takes you in the middle of nature in Rosstratte. You then walk to the Dobratsch, Villach's landmark mountain beloved and treasured as a local recreational area by the city's inhabitants. Enjoy the magnificent panorama! The Dobratsch Nature Park - covering 7250 hectares and lying in the middle of Carinthia's idyllic lake landscape - is made of forests, mountain pastures, rivers and the high mountains create a habitat for a vast number of plants and animals.

Ascent: approx. 210 m / descent: approx. 110 m / approx. 5-6 hours

Meals included: Breakfast

Overnight in Villach

## Day 3: Villach to Camporosso

A transfer takes you to the starting point of your trip at the Feistritzer Untere Alm. Today your tour leads across the border to Italy, mostly through untouched natural landscape with beautiful views of the Dobratsch and the idyllic Gailtal valley. This mountain range is characterised by a beautiful alpine landscapes. On the descent you will soon see the church of Camporosso, today's stage destination.

Ascent: approx. 380 m / descent: approx. 1080 m / approx. 4-5 hours

Meals included: Breakfast

Overnight in Camporosso

# Day 4: Monte Lussari Loop

Today's round trip takes you to the famous Monte Lussari, which has always been the destination of many pilgrimages by Italian, Slavic and German believers. The experience is rounded off with a breathtaking view of the entire mountain range of the Julian Alps, skilfully staged in front of the terraces of the inns.

Alternatively, you can take the cable car from Camporosso to Monte Lussari (ticket not included) and then easily return to the starting point.

Ascent: approx. 960 m / descent: approx. 960 m / approx. 4-5 hours

Alternative with cable car: ascent approx. 0 m / descent approx. 975 m / approx. 2.5 hours

Meals included: Breakfast

Overnight in Camporosso

# Day 5: Camporosso to Kranjska Gora

Transfer in the morning to the starting point of the tour. At the foot of the mighty Mangart Group, you will hike to the White Lakes (Laghi di Fusine), small and fascinating lakes formed by glaciers embedded in a dense spruce forest at the foot of the mountain Mangart. Depending on the season, enjoy the fascinating reflection of the surrounding mountains. Through wide plateaus, wet meadows, peat bogs and pine forests, you walk over the Italian Slovenian border to the famous ski resort Kranjska Gora.

Ascent: approx. 300 m / descent: approx. 230 m / approx. 5 hours

Meals included: Breakfast Overnight in Kranjska Gora

### Day 6: Rest day or roundtrip around Kranjska Gora

Today you are free to explore the surroundings of Kranjska Gora - also called the Kitzbühel of Slovenia - or to enjoy a rest day. There are plenty of opportunities for smaller and larger hiking tours around this chic place. It is the gateway to the famous Triglav National Park, around Slovenia's highest mountain.

Ascent: approx. 310 m / descent: approx. 320 m / approx. 4-5 hours

Meals included: Breakfast Overnight in Kranjska Gora

#### Day 7: Ratece to Villach

From Kranjska Gora a short transfer will take you to the stage starting point. You hike past the Techantinger & the Mallestiger Mittagskogel down to Faak am See. The lake is the ideal place to cool off and relax after this scenically breathtaking tour. From Faak am See you will take the train back to Villach.

Ascent: approx. 890 m / descent: approx. 1250 m / approx. 6 hours

Meals included: Breakfast Overnight in Kranjska Gora

# Day 8: Departure

Individual departure or possibility to extend your stay. Meals included: Breakfast

# Other Info

Meeting: Villach Airport: Klagenfurt Train station: Villach Distance: 45 km

This is a self-guided tour, there is not an official meeting. The trip starts on Day 1 when you

check in to your 1st hotel in Villach.

Tack: --Horses: --Pace: --

Level: (3 out of 5) Moderate

Age: Min 14

Riders: Min 2 riders Max 10 riders

# Rates and Dates 2024 - ZZ-HKASFA02

Rates include: Accommodation, All breakfasts, Tour information package (maps, route descriptions...), Video briefing, Navigation app, Luggage transfers & Phone hotline service.

**Packages and Options** 

Season	Description	EUR	~US\$
A 2024	8 day self-guided tour - High	€890	\$980
B 2024	8 day self-guided tour - Low	€840	\$925

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

# **Transfer Option**

### Description

2024	Extra nights - please inquire			
2024	Single supplement	€230	\$255	

Season	Tour Dates		
B 2024	06/11/2024 - 06/18/2024	8d/7n	8 day self-guided tour - Low
B 2024	06/14/2024 - 06/21/2024	8d/7n	8 day self-guided tour - Low
B 2024	06/18/2024 - 06/25/2024	8d/7n	8 day self-guided tour - Low
B 2024	06/21/2024 - 06/28/2024	8d/7n	8 day self-guided tour - Low
B 2024	06/25/2024 - 07/02/2024	8d/7n	8 day self-guided tour - Low
B 2024	06/28/2024 - 07/05/2024	8d/7n	8 day self-guided tour - Low
B 2024	07/02/2024 - 07/09/2024	8d/7n	8 day self-guided tour - Low
B 2024	07/05/2024 - 07/12/2024	8d/7n	8 day self-guided tour - Low
B 2024	07/09/2024 - 07/16/2024	8d/7n	8 day self-guided tour - Low
A 2024	07/12/2024 - 07/19/2024	8d/7n	8 day self-guided tour - High
A 2024	07/16/2024 - 07/23/2024	8d/7n	8 day self-guided tour - High
A 2024	07/23/2024 - 07/30/2024	8d/7n	8 day self-guided tour - High
A 2024	07/26/2024 - 08/02/2024	8d/7n	8 day self-guided tour - High
A 2024	07/29/2024 - 08/05/2024	8d/7n	8 day self-guided tour - High
A 2024	08/09/2024 - 08/16/2024	8d/7n	8 day self-guided tour - High
A 2024	08/13/2024 - 08/20/2024	8d/7n	8 day self-guided tour - High
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A 2024	08/23/2024 - 08/30/2024	8d/7n	8 day self-guided tour - High
A 2024	08/27/2024 - 09/03/2024	8d/7n	8 day self-guided tour - High
A 2024	08/30/2024 - 09/06/2024	8d/7n	8 day self-guided tour - High
A 2024	09/03/2024 - 09/10/2024	8d/7n	8 day self-guided tour - High
A 2024	09/06/2024 - 09/13/2024	8d/7n	8 day self-guided tour - High
B 2024	09/10/2024 - 09/17/2024	8d/7n	8 day self-guided tour - Low
B 2024	09/13/2024 - 09/20/2024	8d/7n	8 day self-guided tour - Low
B 2024	09/17/2024 - 09/24/2024	8d/7n	8 day self-guided tour - Low

Min/Max: 2/10

Custom dates possible for groups of 5+ pax

Rates do not include: Drinks, Lunches and dinners, Transfers & Travel insurance.

Tourist tax (if requested) has to be paid on the spot.

# **Reservation Form**

Tour:	Code #:	from:	to :	
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