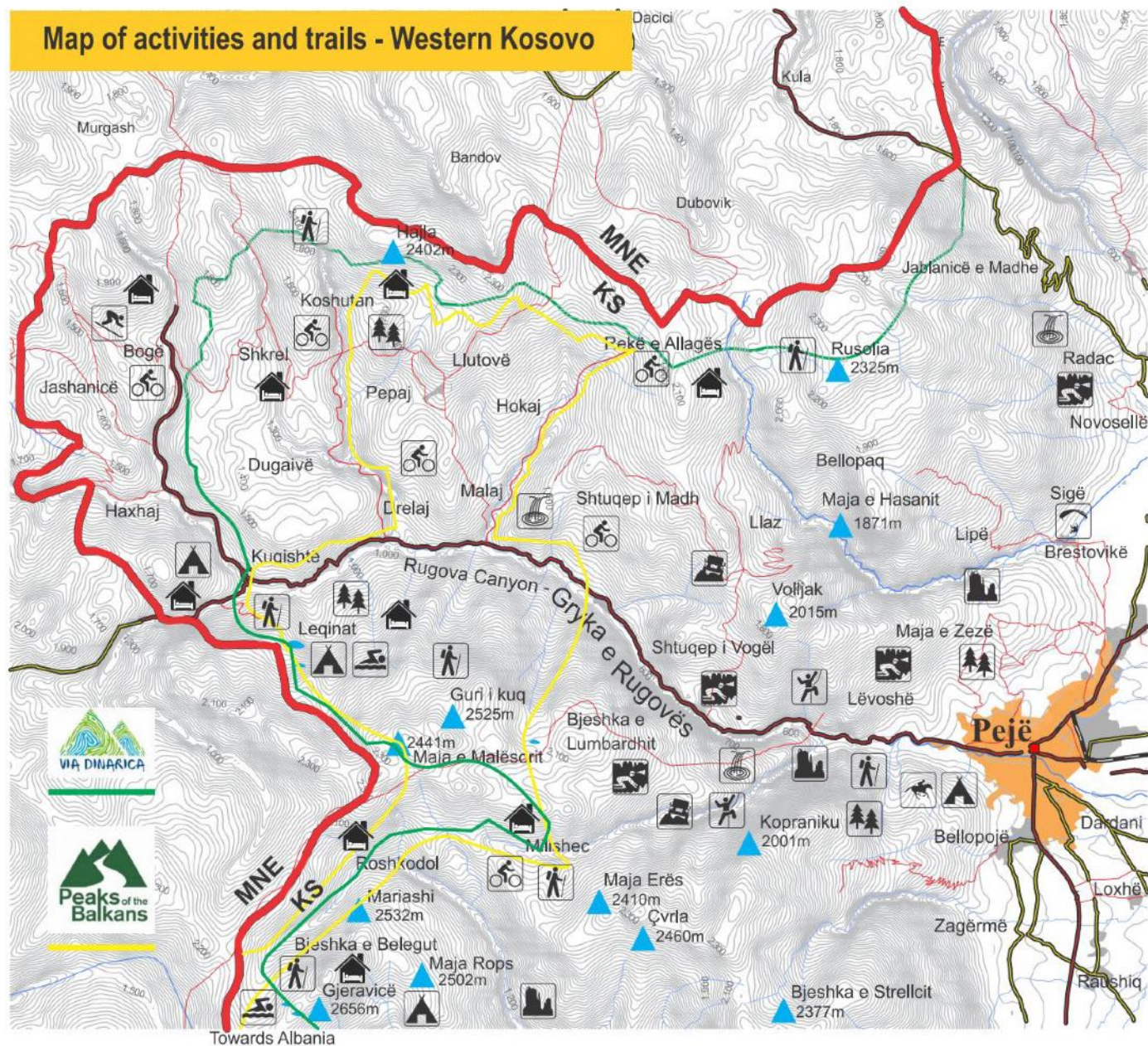


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Your travel partner for the Balkans
Kosovo - Montenegro - Albania



Map of activities and trails - Western Kosovo



About Kosovo



Owing to its strategic position at the centre of the Balkan Peninsula, Kosovo has always been an important through-road and attractive spoil for its conquerors. Packed into a relatively small place, Kosovo has breathtakingly beautiful mountain peaks, waterfalls and wildflower meadows, fascinating cultural treasures, Ottoman-era buildings, traditional stone houses, churches, mosques, tekkes and medieval fresco paintings. There are rivers for fishing, lakes for swimming and fabulous walking and mountain-biking trails. The best thing about Kosovo-you will quickly agree-is the people you meet who make travelling in this country so special. The biggest source of pride for a Kosovar family is to host a guest and to offer a warm welcome. (Bradt Travel Guide).

Discovering Western Kosovo

A pale stone bridge spans a narrow gorge. A snow-capped peak glows in the morning light. Bells ring from within a medieval monastery, and a muezzin's call echoes from an ancient mosque. You're in western Kosovo. Two decades after the end of war in the region, the doors have opened again on one of the most magical places in the world. Whether hiking wild Accursed Mountains, breathing the Ottoman atmosphere of Prizren or wandering the colourful Gjakova and Peja bazaars, visitors can't help but marvel at the richness of culture and the vibrant weave of people, history, and nature in this crossroads of Europe and the Balkans.

Most of the visitors say that western Kosovo is a "true" Kosovo. Many of Kosovo's best highlights are to be found here, including the Visoki Deqani monastery-Unesco World heritage site, founded 1327, Hadum Mosque-built 1594 by the architect Mimar Sinan (who also built at the same time Suleymaniye Mosque, the largest one in Istanbul), Orthodox Patriarchate in Peja and Bajrakli Mosque, is the magnificent example of Ottoman architecture, and the traditional 18-th century stone kulla's in Dranoc, Isniq and Junik. This region has always been a multi-cultural mosaic.

For passionate mountain lovers the region offers endless adventures from the "Bjeshket e Namuna" – "Accursed Mountains" (declared national park in 2012), at 2656m altitude, which are the southern part of Dinaric mountain range, with many peaks rising above 2000m, many glacial lakes, mountain rivers and springs, beautiful waterfalls, unexplored caves and attractive canyons. The best time to visit is from May to October, but for the snow lovers, Rugova mountain region, offers a great off-piste skiing & snow boarding, snowshoeing & hut to hut ski touring, and full Snow-Cat activities.

Fantastic Kosovo experience



We did the Best of Peja, which included a hike up above the Rugova gorge via the Mule trail, with stunning views up and down the valley towards Peja. Fatos was extremely knowledgeable and helpful, taking the time to show us local flora and animal tracks. A quick and exhilarating zip-line at the end took us partially back to the carpark, where we then drove to the White Drinn falls. Again, Fatos proudly showed us his back yard which included a tour of the beautiful cave system which is artfully lit and has a well made path. Oh, I should also mention he both owns Outdoor Kosovo but also built the Mule Trail, has helped explore the cave and drove the development of it? In short, if you've got a day in Peja and want to see some nature, learn a bit about the local area and be entertained - then I highly recommend this tour.

jmontagu, Melbourne, Australia



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Apollo Butterfly

Edelweiss - Alpine Star



Bats at Radaci Cave System

Fire Salamander

View of Peja and part of Dukagjini plain

More Facts About Peja

PEJE- or SIPARANTUM the old Iliric name has about 125000 inhabitants, a day trip to this city is a must for anyone visiting Kosovo. Despite the almost total destruction during the 1999 war from the Serbian forces, you can still get the flavour of the Ottoman market town, with some old traditional stone houses, typical to 18-th century, main market road called Qarshija e Gjate, and this is best described by Karl May-well known and very popular German writer, noted mainly for adventure novels, in his books "In the Balkan mountain gorges", "Through the land of Scipetars" in the movie "Der Schut" with Lex Barker (Winnetou) from 1964 recorded mainly in the city of Peja and surrounding mountains and cultural sites.

The location of Peja is perhaps its real asset, the mountains that rise up behind and gives the city its appeal to tourists. It is known as a capital and heaven of great outdoors, the two biggest international hiking trails starts from Peja, The Peaks of the Balkans trail & Via Dinarica trail.

Peja has a pretty interesting nature. It is situated between the very old mountain range of Rodopes and the newest mountain range of Dinarics, because of this we can find here all types of geologic rocks, volcanic, tectonic, from the oldest to the newest, underground water-flows, glacial lakes, and rivers. As a result of these natural conditions we can find in this very small region many natural rarities and very interesting natural phenomenons, like thermal and mineral hot-springs near the city, in a small place called Banja e Pejës (Peja Baths). Not so far away from here, there are at least three karstic rivers appearing at different places, like one at the village Radac, were you can find the most powerfull waterfall-called Burimi i Drinit te Bardhe, (White Drini Spring)-around 30m high, and the cave system nearby with the same name, then spring at the village of Vrelle, and one near the small town of Burim.



Iconic bridge at Rugova Canyon



Traditional food tasting



View of old Bazaar



Ethnological Museum

Peja Region



In the far western corner of Kosovo, beyond the town of Peja, a narrow road enters one of the most spectacular areas in the Balkans. Welcome to magnificent Rugova Gorge, where limestone walls vault 609 meters above Lumbardhi mountain river. The road takes startling hairpin turns and plunges into tunnels to re-emerge beneath vistas of soaring peaks and alluring caves. Rock climbers and cavers will be thrilled at the challenge of these immense rock faces, and hundreds of unexplored caves, and for the less technical, adventures continue up the road to the mountain villages of Rugova valley, the best launching points for great hikes in these mountains. Visitor's see the western Kosovo, endowed with fantastic mountain scenery and traditional villages as the country's cultural heartland.



Traditional Albanian Hat (Plis)



Cheese Market

"Peaks of the Balkans" - Hiking Trail



peaks of the Balkans



We spent 7 days to trek in the balkans , then 5 days to visit Peja, Gjakova and Prizren All was well organised: During the trek, our guide gave us good information and was a good leader.

The guesthouses were clean, the meals were local and plentiful. We hiked through a varous landscape. local people are kind. The visits were attractive and informative.

famillebessonj2
Sainte-foy-les-Lyon, France



“PEAKS OF THE BALKANS”

7-12 days



The transnational “Peaks of the Balkans” trail leads through one of the most remote and wild mountainous regions of Western Balkans. On this 192 km trail you will use shepherd paths and footways, and the trail winds through alpine mountains up to 2300 m altitude. Wild mountain scenery with a diversity of breathtaking landscapes, varying from green valleys to crystal clear mountain lakes, waterfalls, rivers and remote picturesque mountain villages, in which time seems to have stopped. All in all a hidden treasure for nature lovers and hikers.

The region of the Dinaric Alps spreading across North Albania, southwest Kosovo and east of Montenegro, better known as Accursed Mountains is one of the last jewels in Europe, and until now has virtually remained untouched and is only sparsely inhabited. Thus it has preserved its fascination and authentic character.

This region is also known for the hospitality of its inhabitants, which visitors can enjoy while staying in one of the traditional stone or wooden houses that can be found along the trail in all three countries, where local and house made dishes are served by the local hosts.

The hike can be started at any country, Peja - Kosovo, Theth - Albania, and Plav - Montenegro, and we can pick you up from following airports: Prishtina (PRN), Tirana (TIA) or Podgorica (TGD).

The hike can last from 7 to 12 days, depending of the motivation and condition of the hiker.

The level of difficulty ranges from easy to moderate, but requires good physical condition and mountain equipment. Even though the whole trail is marked and signposted, it partly leads through uninhabited mountain region, and because of this it is recommended to hike in a group or accompanied by a hiking guide.

Many unpaved forestry roads were incorporated as a compromise solution when the countries demanded same shares of the route, those can be replaced with more scenic hiking routes and skipped or shortened with short transfers.

The best time to hike this route is from mid June to October.

Average walking time per day is 6-7 hours accordingly.

Outdoor Kosovo offers guided and self guided tours in English and some other languages on the Peaks of the Balkans trail.

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Three Border Peak



Alpine Flowers



Edith Durham monument in Thethi

"Via Dinarica" - Hiking Trail



Excellent experience



We did amazing 5 days Via Dinarica hiking trail with Fatos and Nol. We would not be happier with Outdoor Kosovo. Communication with Fatos was easy and quick from the beginning. He is so friendly and hosted us with good sense of humor. He knows so much about the nature. He is also very flexible since we needed to change some plans. Special thanks to Nol who helped us so much during the hike. We would recommend Outdoor Kosovo to anyone travelling to Kosovo! Thank you so much, looking forward to Geravica!

Anna P
Helsinki, Finland



“VIA DINARICA” 5 - 10 days



The Via Dinarica trail promotes responsible tourism across the Western Balkans. The trail, which spans nearly 2000 km, is a cultural corridor and connects countries and communities along the Dinaric Alps, by spotlighting the region's landscape and its diverse traditions. The final goal of Via Dinarica was, and is, to make connections between cities and rural communities in the region, raise awareness about good business practices and environmental protection, promote responsible tourism across western Balkans and to assist a blossoming tourism offer across the Peninsula, which relies on nature, traditional products, and its unique cultural heritage.

The Dinaric Alps-one of the Europe's least explored mountain ranges, runs through the heart of the Western Balkans.

Kosovo part of Via Dinarica trail is a combination of outdoor paradise and living museum dedicated to a culture which has long since passed from the rest of the continent.

Activities here include world class hiking, mountain biking, cave trekking and exploration, via feratta, zip line, snowshoeing and ski-touring, and Snow-Cat skiing - exclusive to Outdoor Kosovo.

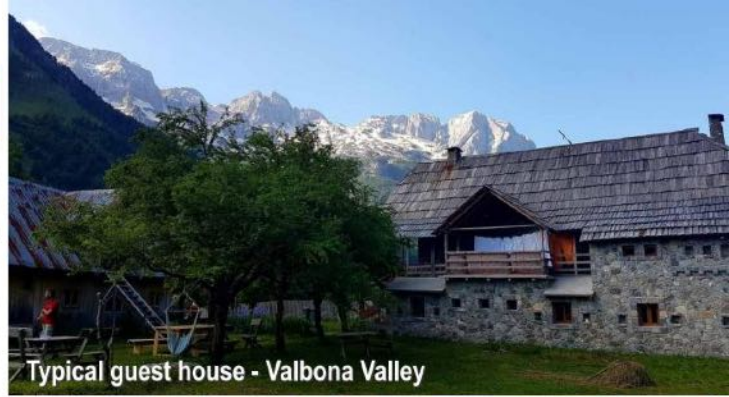
And when the day is done and the equipment put away, few spots on the planet rival this region for rural tourism, which highlight the traditional lifestyles and cuisine of the highlands. Flija (made of pancake layers cooked over open fire covered with large pan), mantija (meat filled pastry), tava (oven pot dishes with meat or vegetarian), peppers in cream, cheese from Sharr region, are only few dishes to try and enjoy. B & B-s and mountain huts, connect this region from one end to the other. The Kosovo part of the trail can last from 5 to 10 - days and it starts in town of Peja, hiking across Rusolija mountain, Hajla mountain, Liqenati mountain Lakes, Three border peak and Gjeravica mountain, from where you will be taking transport up to the town of Prizren close to Sharri mountain, and finish in Prishtina-capital of Kosovo.

We can combine Kosovo part of the trail with Via Dinarica - Albanian part, like Valbona Valley, Thethi village, Komani Lake Ferry Trip, etc.

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Typical guest house - Valbona Valley



Dinner with traditional dishes



Mariashi mountain

Winter Activities



Hajla mountain Snowshoeing

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Amazing time with a great team!!



Had the best few days in Peja hiking in the mountains to the lake, visiting the canyon and sightseeing with Fatos and Mentor! These guys are really eager to make you feel welcome, they know the region by heart and are great at showing you the beauty of Kosovo to make you want more! It was a pleasure to meet the friendly team, I couldn't have asked for a better way to discover this beautiful region. I had a truly amazing time and will definitely be back for more adventures with Outdoor Kosovo!!

Saskia V



Tour details 1-7 days



Snow-Cat skiing & Snow-boarding

Excellent geographical position of “Bjeshket e Nemuna” and “Sharri” national parks offers great and fun skiing. Outdoor Kosovo is the first and the only one to offer cat-skiing, powder skiing and snowboarding, backcountry skiing and snowshoeing. Cat-skiing now comes in two forms: day skiing operations – usually located near mountain villages and remote, multi-day operations based out of a wilderness lodge. Rarely does one ski multiple times on the same run – since a ski day with variety is usually the most interesting. The passenger cab on the snowcat is heated, comfortable and fairly quiet. The ski group consists of cat drivers, and usually 10 ski guests. On clear days you can expect to be up in the alpine, while on snowy and cloudy days you will generally be skiing in the trees and glades.

Snowshoeing - What started thousands of years ago as a mode of transportation has evolved into a popular winter activity for recreation and fitness. Here's why: It's fun: Snowshoeing extends your hiking or running season into winter. It lets you enjoy winter solitude and can be a social activity. All ages and ability levels can enjoy the sport together. It's easy: As the saying goes, "If you can walk, you can snowshoe".

Ski Touring - *There are a variety of excellent options offered from Outdoor Kosovo for backcountry skiing and ski touring in Accursed Mountains and Sharri national parks. From beginner to expert skier we likely have an option that gets you into the incredible backcountry of Rugova Valley.*

Ski touring is a great way to access nature as it was intended to be seen. The Hajla Massif is a vast area of spectacular, snow covered mountains over the most of the winter season. The easy access to the mountain wilderness makes this region special. With the necessary equipment and a bit of hard work, skiers will be able to escape the crowds on the slopes and find some great skiing experience.

Here are some trails for winter activities that Outdoor Kosovo offers exclusively: “Bjeshket e Nemuna” national park: Boge mountain village to Shkreli , Hajla mountain ridge traverse, Pepaj mountain village to Rreka Allages, Peje-Shtupeq mountain village-Peje (circular), Boge circular tour.

Sharri national park: Prevalla circuit, etc.

But there are many more to explore, just be fit and creative!

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Ski touring & back country skiing



Snow - Cat skiing



A group of US visitors on snowshoes

The Best of Peja



Best day in Peja



My mom and I saw the brochure of Outdoor Kosovo at the hostel we stayed. We texted to book a tour and all was settled very quickly even if it was last minute. Our guide, Fatos, picked us up in front of our hostel. We went to the best bakery in Peja to buy our lunch for the day and then we went to the Mula trail. Our guide was there to make us enjoy the hiking. Even if we were a little afraid of heights, he was patient and helped us to stay calm and take some beautiful pictures. He explained to us a lot about the nature, the story of the country and more. This job is made for him ! Fatos, is a really friendly person, very communicative and overall just amazing. He is the kind of person that you would always love to meet, and definitely someone who makes hiking fun. Would recommend to the moon and back!

Mula & panoramic trails, Zipline, Rugova Canyon, White Drin waterfall, Sleeping beauty cave and even a little surprise at the end ... It was "The Best of Peja" tour but i would rename it as "Best day in Peja". Thanks a lot for this amazing day !

Panoramic view from Rugova Canyon Trail

univert7 Brussels, Belgium



Tour Details 1-3 days



Rugova Canyon Trail is newly opened trail for the more adventuresome visitor, looking to create a true lifetime memory along the rim of this spectacular and dramatic canyon. First part named **Mule Trail** (5.2km) starts on the left from the entrance of the canyon, only to continue with just released second part named **Panoramic Trail** (4.5km). Both these trails are signposted, and offer scenic and stunning views before it takes you deep into the Canyon. These trails are primarily used for hiking, moderately rated and are accessible most of the year. For to get the most of this hike it is advisable to engage a guide.

You can combine this hike with other activities in Rugova Canyon like:

Zipp Line - 640m long, and you can reach the speed of up to 60km/h....

The Zip wire has been used as a transportation method in some mountainous countries for many years, served the purposes of bridges across rivers.

Via Ferata-Iron Road, which is more stimulating and memorable, the origins date back to the 19-th century, but they are strongly associated with the first world war, when several were built in the Dolomite mountain region of Italy to aid the movement of the troops. There are two trails moderately difficult B-graded.

The guides will stop along the trail to provide interpretive information about the geologic formations, wildlife of the canyon, human history, and more.

There are always elements of risk due to trail conditions, other users, and sudden appearances of wildlife native to Rugova Canyon, risk is minimized by carefully following the guide's instructions.

This is fully guided program, and all essential gear will be provided. Be prepared for all weather conditions. Minimum age 10-years, 1m 30cm minimum height.

Sleeping Beauty Cave - touristic part or adventure part

Beneath Albanian Alps surface lies a wonderful and magic subterranean world abundant with unusual sculptures, decorations and animals.

A part of this world is Sleeping Beauty-Cave a net of tunnels, galleries and corridors, sculptured from a natural force of water over centuries, located at White Drini natyral park.

With the help of the guide you can enjoy about 250 meters of visitor's path, through 4 galleries with discreet lights.

And not far from the cave, above the surface, you can find White Drini spring and admire the biggest waterfall (32 m high and about 35 cubic meters per second) not only in Kosovo but in the region as well.

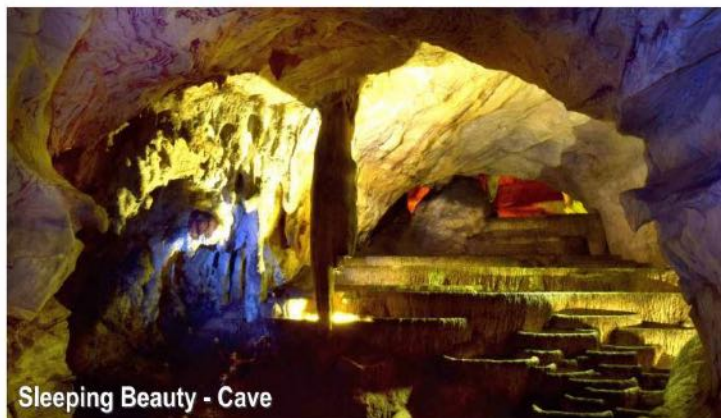
In the village nearby you can visit the oldest water-mill still in working order.

You can spend at least half a day in this region, just 11 km north from Peja.

The adventure part can last about 1h 30m and we provide whitwh equipment.



Zip Line



Sleeping Beauty - Cave



Mule Trail



White Drini - Waterfalls

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Outdoor Kosovo - Specials



The best 4 days trip in Kosovo



We contacted Outdoor Kosovo upon suggestion of friends. I advised we wanted to hike for 4 days in Kosovo and Fatos came back to me with a detail program covering hiking around lakes, mountain picks, pint forests and including all food and accommodation. He has been great with communication all through the time before we meet him. Fatos knows everything about the mountains in kosovo and also knows everyone in Peja! The landscapes were fabulous, the food always were real fest and accommodation perfect. The time spent with Fatos was all about sharing an experience, sharing what he knows about Kosovo and he also is curious to get to know you. If you are not a master into Hiking don't worry he also adapts to your rhythm!

Thanks for everything Outdoor Kosovo, we had the best time !!

Myriam & Mike - France, Australia



Komani Lake - Ferry Tour

Day Tours



Mirusha Waterfalls & Rahoveci Wine Region-Central Kosovo:

There are more than a dozen waterfalls to explore over a short canyon surrounded by rocks on three sides.

...at the first site, especially in autumn Rahovec has a Tuscan feel thanks to the rolling hills and abundant vineyards. You will follow the wine route, for to taste some of the unique wines and rakia. Stone Castle Winery, Old Cellar Winery, Daka Winery, etc.

Valbona Valley & Valbona River Canyon-North Albania:

"The Crown of Albanian Alps". Valbona Valley National park is one of the most beautiful in Albania. The Valbona river is justly famous for its dramatic gorges and plunging waterfalls, as well as the clarity of the beautiful, light blue color of its wild water.

Komani Lake Ferry & Mrizi i Zanave Organic Farm & Restaurant-North Albania:

The journey along Lake Komani deserves to be one of the world's classic boat trips. Narrow and twisting lake, with sheer cliffs right down to the water, complete with spectacular high waterfalls in spring, will leave you without breath. While unique Mrizi i Zanave-organic farm & restaurant will challenge your taste.

Ulpiana Archeological Site & Bear Sanctuary, Prishtina-Kosovo:

Once one of the most important Roman cities in the Balkans and an Episkopal seat of the Byzantine emperors.

-After years of having been kept in inappropriate and appalling conditions, bears were introduced to a spacious area where they are able to rediscover their natural instincts. The sanctuary is open to the public and provides a unique opportunity to explore environmental topics in a real-life setting.

Liqenati Mountain Lakes & Rugova Canyon, Peja-West Kosovo:

Legendary Land Rover Defender 4x4 Tours, Accursed Mountains National Park-West Kosovo:

There is a saying for legendary and iconic Land Rover Defender: You can go fast but I can go everywhere. There are two routes that only Outdoor Kosovo offers, spectacular and panoramic views over top of the mountains and deep river canyons in Bjeshket e Nemuna national park. Rusolia mountain-Edelweiss flower reserve and Maja e Eres-for panoramic views over most of the Kosovo mountain ranges.

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4x4 Tours - Shkëlzen mountain



Wine Tasting



Camping in Milishec mountain

Cultural - Historic Sites & Top Attractions in Kosovo



Capital Prishtina - main boulevard



Hamam Mosque - Prizren



Deçani Monastery



Stone Kulla-Pejë

Tour Details 1-7 days



You can combine any of these and much more cultural and historical sites to visit, just tell us your preferences. But you can also combine any of these sites with your hiking trails.

- Prizren Museum Town - Prizren Castle, League of Kosovo memorial.
- Peja well known Long Bazaar & Cheese Market.
- Grand Bazaar in Gjakova - Handycrafts & Traditional Clothes.
- Prishtina – Capital of Kosovo, sightseeing.
- Regional Ethnological & Archaeological Museum in Peja.
- Ethnological Museum in Prishtina.
- Novo Brdo Medieval Castle.
- Orthodox Patriarchate of Peja - Unesco world heritage listed.
- Deqani Orthodox Monastery - Unesco world heritage site.
- Hadum Mosque - 15-th century.
- Traditional 18-th century Stone Kulla's in Junik, Dranoc and Isniq.
- Adem Jashari War Memorial.
- Koshare War Memorial.
- Ulpiana- Archaeological site - Ancient Roman city.
- Grand Tekke in Gjakova.
- Great Suffi Tekke - Junik.



Ulpiana - Archaeological park

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Highest Peak in Kosovo, Gjeravica -2656m



Hiking near Pejë



We climbed Hajla and Gjeravica peaks and visited lakes near Rugova canyon. Landscapes was wonderfull with a good guide, professional and fun. Great time !

Florent S - France





Top of Kosovo

Day Tour



For an unforgettable experience and stunning views over top of Accursed Mountain range, you have to spare a full day, for this top attraction and a must do when you visit Kosovo.

It can be a full day hike, or you can combine it with some cultural highlights of the region over few days.

Gjeravica is one of the most beautiful mountain and the second highest of Albanian Alps. If you are lucky enough to have good weather conditions you will have scenic views from the top over most of the Dukagjini Plain and long range of Accursed Mountains-Bjeshket e Nemuna, in the west. Many large and small glacial lakes can be found near and around the summit. The largest of the lakes is big Gjeravica Lake, on the south-west side of the summit at around 2300m altitude, from where the river Erenik has a source. Gjeravica mountain region is mostly known for the growth of chestnuts and blueberries.

Itinerary: Arrival in Peja and meeting with your guide to discuss and prepare for the hiking. Transport to Junik with 4 x 4 car and from here heading up towards Gacaferri mountain huts or so called-Gropat e Erenikut. Hike to the top of Kosovo, passing by the beautiful and magical lakes. Back to Peja. Moderate trek on a mountain, 13 km hike, 7–8 hours, altitude difference +-850 m.

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Gjeravica mountain

3 day trekking in Accursed Mountains



Had a great trip with both Mentor and Fatos. Really recommend Outdoor Kosovo. Really professional to travel with. They are working with the local villages to promote trekking. Excellent guides!

Ralph A



tripadvisor



Ereniku river waterfalls

Outdoor Activities Program



Good and friendly organisatoin



We met with Fatos after we had email contact. He invited us the next day to discuss the possibilities for hiking in the Rugova Mountains. When we met he offered us some drinks and explained what the possibilities were. Even after we had chosen to do the hike on our own (and we don't book anything with his Organisation), he still was very helpful (he even declined our offer to pay for the advice).

We had a wonderful hike in the mountains thanks to Fatos! Fore everyone I can recommend booking with him!



145gijsm, Utrecht, The Netherlands

Top attraction - Rugova Canyon



Adventure Park



Motor Paragliding



Via Ferrata

Day Tours



In spectacular Rugova Canyon and around Peja with Outdoor Kosovo you can do many outdoor activities, like:

Horse Riding - will reward you with experience and scenery to remember. This particular activity is a great way to discover the beautiful mountainside far from the clutter of the urban life. You will visit places with beautiful scenery, mighty mountains, smooth and vast green highlands. In Ranch Zatra, you will have opportunity to enjoy the taste of organic and traditional goats farm products, taking pleasure in the splendors of life and nature.

Adventure Park

You can try your affinities over 3-levels, the low rope course, mid-rope and the high rope course. Each course consists of several poles that are connected by different acrobatic elements. The park incorporates a sophisticated safety system using ropes, belay devices and harnesses with trained personnel supervising every participant.

Paramotor Tandem Paragliding - located short drive from Peja town to Lipa mountain village, you will practice with certified paragliding instructor prior to the initial flight in tandem, over town of Peja (weather permitted).

Hiking & Wild Camping - there are many possibilities, like: Liqenati mountain lakes, Gjeravica mountain lakes, Tropoja lake camping, Valbona valley camping, Thethi national park camping, etc. (We provide with camping equipment).



Horse Riding - Zatra

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Mountain Biking



Must return for a longer hike!



We took a short triangle tour Kosovo, Albania and Montenegro - exquisite views, wonderful experience and amazing people! The hospitality of people is just overwhelming. Our guide knowledgeable, funny and showed us the best of everything. I loved the swim in the hidden rock pool in Montenegro, beautiful beach in Albania and oh the food at the sustainable farm 'Mrizi i zanave' - the melancholic music as we sipped the locally freshly squeezed cranberry juice... I want to go very soon for a much longer experience, and this time will bring more friends. Thank you so much to Outdoor Kosova you rock!



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MTB - on Panoramic Route

Indi4713 - London UK

Tour Details 1-3 days



One reason many people pick up biking as a hobby is that it can be a lifelong adventure. There's something for all abilities in Bjeshket e Nemuna National Park, making this easily one of the best places to ride your mountain bike.

Panoramic Route: Transport from Peja with Land Rover-Defender (45min) to Milisheci Mountain at 2100m altitude, from here the ride goes through Zllanopoje mountain huts and Deqani River Canyon, just to finish by Deqani Orthodox Monastery, 13th century built and Unesco World Heritage site. Guide, MTB and safety helmet will be provided, also there will be a driver and the vehicle as a back up, plus a spare mountain bike. Group size: 4-12

Difficulty – Moderate, 70% downhill, total: 32km.

Circular Mountain Route: Transport to Drelaj mountain village. Start the mountain bike ride deep into Rugova valley passing by Koshutan, Shkrel and Boge mountain villages, and back to town passing through magnificent Rugova Canyon. Group size: 4-18, Difficulty – Moderate, total: 44km.

Rent a Bike available.

How it works? You rent a bike and safety helmet from us – we'll give you the detailed information how to get to your desired destination and sites that you can visit during your ride and safety tips. You can choose any of these routes, depending of your level of fitness.

Scenic Rugova Canyon Route:

Known as a top attraction in the region, Rugova Canyon is considered to be one of Europe's longest and deepest canyons, with the length of 25km and a depth up to 1000meters. It was created by the water erosion and the removal of the glacier of Peja, with Lumbardhi river cutting through the canyon. In 1985, Rugova Canyon was declared as a protected monument of natural heritage due to its geological, hydrological, landscape, speleological and botanic values.

Difficulty – Easy, total: 42km

White Drini Natural Park Route:

Another natural wonder not to be missed is White Drini Natural Park, located just 11km north from Peja town. Biggest waterfall (32m high) and water-spring in the region, the newest attraction Sleeping Beauty Touristic Cave (250m of visitor's path), the oldest water-mill in the nearby village of Radac, which never stopped working, and best restaurants known for serving traditional food and fish specialities. Difficulty – Easy, total: 25km.

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Start of MTB tour



MTB - With US group



MTB in North Albania

Cave Trekking



Great Canyon Cave System

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Adventure Cave Trekking



Cricket Cave - Pejë



Cave Lake



Rugova Canyon Caves

Day Tours



For all who desire recreation and relaxation in peace and silence, cave trekking is the ideal solution. A special feature of these visits is that they are organized for small groups and lead through those parts of the caves that are not open for mass visits. We provide with helmet and head-light.

Sleeping Beauty Cave: Outdoor Kosovo can organise trekking deep into this cave under the guidance of professional and experienced guide where you can enjoy only a part of it, through 4 galleries on the visitor's path (entrance gallery, block-stone gallery, central or bat gallery and rim-stone pools gallery), and three other galleries which are not open for everyday visitor's (golden gallery, underground river gallery and neolithic room). The trekking will last about 1-1.30h, average temperature is 8-12 degrees Celsius, depending on which gallery you are. For your visit to be pleasant, we recommend that you wear something warm, and appropriate trekking shoes. - **Level easy.**

Great Canyon Cave System: One of the biggest cave system in the region and certainly the biggest one in Kosovo, is one of the must see natural wonders of Kosovo. Located in magnificent Rugova Canyon just 8km west from city centre of Peja. The exploration into this cave system is still on-going and up to now the whole system of corridors is more than 13km in length. Number 12-ve on the world list of highest caves +325m and deepest dive in Kosovo -370m. Adventure cave trekking is fun and unusual, you'll see many beautiful cave formations, you can swim in the underground lakes and visit spectacular waterfalls inside this cave. You can experience a best caving adventure which is unique to Outdoor Kosovo. Suitable for all levels, from easy, moderate and challenging.

Amazing caving with Fatos!



We were a group of 18 travelling around the Balkans in a minibus. We came across the gem of Peja and discovered Fatos. He arranged an amazing experience for us on two occasions. He was very professional and went above and beyond to accommodate us as a group. We needed directions to get there and then Fatos guided us in our vehicle up to the caves. He was very thorough with safety procedures and I would say some of these caves would be suitable for families and young children as well as others for more adventurous types. Our group had an incredible experience and we will be returning to Outdoor Kosovo and Fatos again next summer for more caving! Thank-you! :)

Voyageur7777 - UK

Rugova cave system



Did the easy tour, which is already quite an experience in a completely different world. Outdoor Kosovo was able to arrange a private tour for us last minute, Fatos is a great guide, who knows the cave by heart and is always concerned about your safety. Would highly recommend this cave experience to anyone who does not mind to put hands and feet on wet and slippery stones. Elisabeth K
Quebec City, Canada



Simply contact us with your enquiry or the dates required on:

www.outdoorkosova.com

Who Are We?



Why we founded Outdoor Kosovo? First and foremost-we love adventure, and our country's cultural, historic and natural heritage, and we love sharing this spirit with all the guests and visitors from all over the world. Secondly-all of our life we have been hiking & trekking, guiding, climbing the mountains, skiing & snowshoeing, cave trekking & exploring the caves, mountain biking, rock climbing & via-ferrata, fixing for different TV documentaries, exploring cultural heritage and food tasting, specially over the Balkan Peninsula magic Triangle, Kosovo-Albania-Montenegro. We have also been incredibly lucky to be born and lived in the city of Peja-Western Kosovo, where the mountain tops are rising above the town houses instead of skyscrapers, and where adventure is normal thing.

When you combine all these factors, you will have the makings of what we are sure will be the magical and fun vacation for you, your friends and your family.

At Outdoor Kosovo we believe in nothing less than complete customer satisfaction and environmental preservation.

We really pride ourselves at being very knowledgeable about the region and it's hidden beauties, and at the same time we are flexible and willing to work personally with each client for to meet every individual needs, goals, and budget.

That's where we can help to create customised, meaningful, authentic, safe and fun travel. ***Your wish is our pleasure.***

We work with you in order to provide a unique and exciting experience catering for people of all ages and abilities, and we can also make all other arrangements for you, whether guided or self guided like: airport pick up/drop off, 4x4 transport, all kind of accommodation, rent a gear for activities, visa requirements and cross border permits, etc.

All activity programs are subject to a good weather conditions and we reserve the rights to make any changes due to the reasons which are beyond our control, and we strongly recommend that you arrange your health and travel insurance, according to activities that you will be taking.

Outdoor Kosovo has something for everyone and we guarantee all guests a unique, unforgettable and truly memorable outdoor adventure.

Simply contact us with your enquiry or the dates required and thank you for choosing us...

White Drini - Waterfall

Meet the main team



Fatos Katallozi

- President of Speleo-Federation of Kosovo.
- Coordinator and founder of speleo association ARAGONIT from Peja.
- Senior member of mountaneering association Gjeravica from Peja.
- Member of British Mountaineering Council.
- High altitude Guide above 3000m at FBAK-Kosovo Alpine Federation.
- Speleo – climber, and Mountain Leader, certified from Italian Alpine Federation and Slovenian KFOR, in rock climbing, Mountaineering, Rescue and First Aid.
- Fixer for different TV-s like Discovery Channel, Pilot TV, ZDF etc.



Mentor Bojku

- Senior Member of FBAK-Kosovo Alpine Federation.
- President of Speleo Association ARAGONIT from Peja.
- High Altitude Guide Above 3000m at FBAK-Kosovo Alpine Federation
- Mountain Leader and Mountain Guide.
- Licenced from German Alpine Federation, and Slovenian KFOR.
- Senior Member of Mountaneering Association Gjeravica from Peja.
- Member of Mountain Rescue, and First Aid Team PEJA.
- Member of Kosovo Rescue Committee.



Jehona Katallozi

- Certified sightseeing guide.
- Specialist for cultural, historical and day tours.
- Assistant manager of OK office.
- Member of speleo association ARAGONIT from Peja.



Alban Bojku

- Mountain Leader and Mountain Guide, certified from FBAK.
- Senior Member of Mountaneering Association Gjeravica from Peja.
- Senior member of speleo association ARAGONIT from Peja.

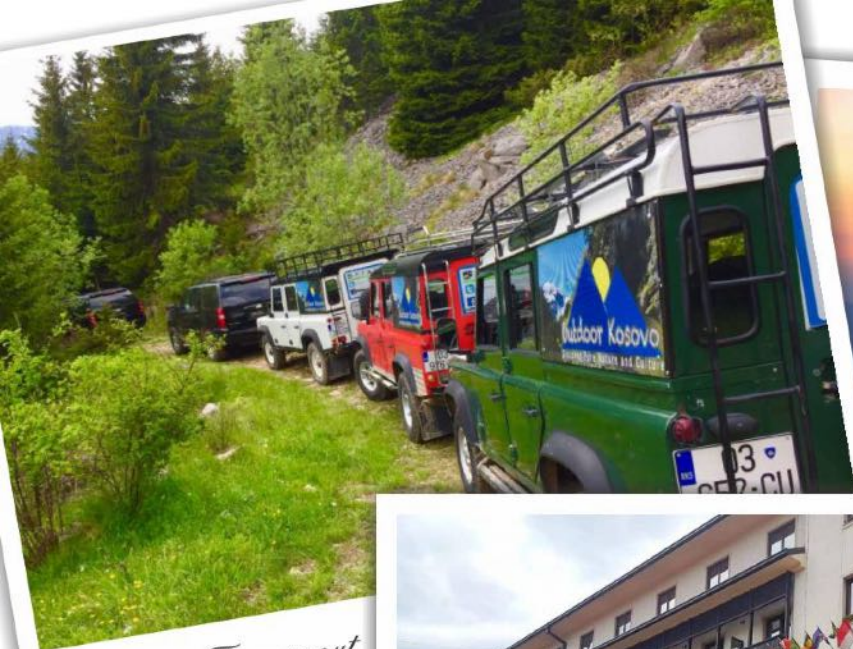


Nol Zeka

- Mountain Leader and Mountain Guide, certified from FBAK.
- Junior member of Mountaneering Association Gjeravica from Peja.
- Member of speleo association ARAGONIT from Peja.



Meeting with US Ambassador at our office



4x4 Transport



Rugova Mountains



*Our mini buses in front of our partner
★★★★★ Hotel Dukagjini*



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