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Albania and Macedonia

Five UNESCO sites among Kruja, Berat, Gjirokastër, Ohrid and Butrint

TAILOR-MADE JOURNEYS

LENGTH	CITIES	WHEN	PER PERSON
9 days, 8 nights	9 cities	11 departures from Jan 16 to Nov 6, 2027	R$ 18,554 For the Jan 16, 2027 departure

About the trip

Nine days through Albania and North Macedonia, with five UNESCO World Heritage sites. The route passes through Kruja, Butrint, Gjirokastër, Berat and Ohrid, by coach with a tour leader.

What you will experience

- Kruja with the bazaar, the fortress and the Skanderbeg Museum, and Ardenica Monastery
- Albanian Riviera to Porto Palermo and the Greco-Roman city of Butrint, on the UNESCO list
- Gjirokastër and Skenduli House, with the owners telling of life during the communist period
- Apollonia site and Berat, the City of a Thousand Windows, with the fortress and the Onufri Museum
- Ohrid with the Church of St. Sophia and a boat ride on the lake to the Monastery of St. Naum
- Širok Sokak street, in Bitola, and the mosaics of the Heracleia Lincestis site

Day by day

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DAY 1

TIRANA

Arrival at Tirana "Mother Teresa" International Airport. Transfer to the hotel. Accommodation.

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DAY 2

TIRANA-KRUJA-ARDENICA MONASTERY-VLORË (203 KM)

Breakfast. Departure for Kruja, a medieval town at the foot of the mountain, marked by Ottoman influence. Visit to the old bazaar, the fortress and the Skanderbeg National Museum, dedicated to the 15th-century Albanian national hero, famous for his resistance to the Ottoman Empire. We continue to the Ardenica Monastery, built in the 13th century on the ruins of an ancient pagan temple dedicated to Artemis, the Greek goddess of the hunt. Arrival in Vlorë, one of the country's main tourist destinations and Albania's second most important port. Accommodation.

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DAY 3

VLORË-BUTRINT-GJIROKASTËR (214 KM)

Breakfast. Departure along the spectacular Albanian Riviera, with striking views of the Ionian Sea coast. Stop at Porto Palermo to visit the fortress built by Ali Pasha in the early 19th century. We continue to Butrint to visit the ancient Greco-Roman city, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Founded more than 2,400 years ago, it was one of the most important cities of the Roman Empire. Much of the city was destroyed by an earthquake in the 3rd century AD, and an extraordinary archaeological site remains today. We continue to Gjirokastër, a UNESCO World Heritage city, famous for its exceptional Ottoman architecture. Arrival and accommodation.

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DAY 4

GJIROKASTËR-APOLLONIA-BERAT (190 KM)

Breakfast. Visit to Gjirokastër, known as the "Stone City". We will see the Skenduli House, a magnificent 18th-century Ottoman residence, considered one of the most beautiful in the Balkans. The owners tell the story of the house and what life was like during the communist period. Walk through the historic center, whose stone streets do not allow vehicles. Gjirokastër is also the birthplace of the writer Ismail Kadare, one of the best-known authors of Balkan literature. Departure for Berat, with a stop in Apollonia, an ancient Greco-Roman colony founded in the 6th century BC, where the future Roman emperor Octavian Augustus studied. Visit to the Monument of the Agonothetes, the Odeon, the portico and the Archaeological Museum, housed in a 14th-century medieval monastery. We continue to Berat, known as the "City of a Thousand Windows" and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Arrival and accommodation.

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DAY 5

BERAT-STRUGA-OHRID (MACEDONIA) (160 KM)

Breakfast. Visit to Berat, with its impressive fortress, still inhabited, the Onufri Museum, with its extraordinary collection of 16th-century icons, and the historic districts of Mangalem and Gorica, separated by the Osum River. Departure for North Macedonia. After crossing the border, arrival in Struga, where Lake Ohrid gives rise to the Black Drin River, which later flows into the Adriatic Sea. Short stop to see the source of the river. We continue to Ohrid, one of the most beautiful cities in the Balkans and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Arrival and accommodation.

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DAY 6

OHRID-ST. NAUM-OHRID (35 KM)

Breakfast. A full day to visit Ohrid, considered the cultural and spiritual capital of North Macedonia and known as the "Jerusalem of the Balkans" for its many churches. Walk through the old town to visit the 11th-century Church of St. Sophia, the ancient Hellenistic theater, the ruins of the University of St. Clement and other historic monuments. Then a boat trip across Lake Ohrid to the Monastery of St. Naum, one of the most emblematic places in the country. Visit to the 10th-century monastery and a ride in small boats over the crystal-clear springs that feed the lake. Accommodation.

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DAY 7

OHRID-BITOLA-HERACLEA LYNCESTIS-KORÇA (ALBANIA) (175 KM)

Breakfast. Departure for Bitola, known as the "City of Consuls". Walk along the elegant pedestrian street Širok Sokak, with its historic buildings, the Clock Tower, the mosques and the old Ottoman bazaar. We continue to the archaeological site of Heraclea Lyncestis, founded by Philip II of Macedon, father of Alexander the Great. During the visit, we will see the Roman theater, the baths and the early Christian basilicas with their magnificent mosaics. Return to Albania. Arrival in Korça, an important cultural center in the southeast of the country, and a panoramic tour of the historic center, the Orthodox Cathedral and the old Ottoman bazaar. Accommodation.

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DAY 8

KORÇA-TIRANA (166 KM)

Breakfast. Departure for Tirana. Visit to the Bektashi World Center, seat of Albania's main Sufi order. Then a panoramic tour of the capital, starting at Skanderbeg Square. We will see the National History Museum, the Et'hem Bey Mosque, the Clock Tower, the main boulevard and the government buildings of Italian influence, as well as the University of Tirana and the Academy of Fine Arts. Accommodation.

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DAY 9

TIRANA

Breakfast and transfer to the airport. End of services.

Prices

Trip price by period

PERIOD	PER PERSON
from Jan 16 to Nov 6, 2027, 8 departures	R$ 18,554 US$ 3,150
Jun 12, Jul 10 and Aug 14, 2027	R$ 19,349 US$ 3,285

per person, sharing a double room

Fees, supplements and optional extras follow the tables below.

Single room

	IN REAIS	REFERENCE
Single room	R$ 5,566	US$ 945

Optional extras

	PER PERSON	REFERENCE
Half board	R$ 1,767	US$ 300

Payment options

Paid in full by Pix or bank transfer: R$ 17,626 (5% off the trip price)

Down payment of 30% R$ 5,566

9 interest-free installments of R$ 1,443

Based on the price of the Jan 16, 2027 departure.

Prices in reais at today's exchange rate, travel exchange rate based on the Travelex average for October 2026 (Central Bank of Brazil), over the PTAX selling rate of 11/27/2026.

You pay TWTS in Brazilian reais, by Pix, bank transfer or credit card. The price in foreign currency is the market reference, converted at the exchange rate on the day you pay.

- *** MINIMUM 2 PEOPLE: PRICES FOR A SINGLE PASSENGER, ASK ***
- For groups of 4 people or more, a discount applies to the double room rate.
- Half board supplement (8 dinners)

The program includes

- ✓ Arrival and departure transfers
- ✓ Accommodation and daily breakfast
- ✓ Coach with tour leader
- ✓ Tickets for the sites indicated in the program

Not included

- – International airfare
- – Travel insurance
- – Tips for guides and drivers
- – Meals and drinks not mentioned in the itinerary
- – Visas and entry fees
- – Personal expenses

Planned hotels

CITY	HOTEL
Tirana	La Boheme Rruga Abdyl Frashëri
Vlore	Partner Rr. Pelivan Leskaj
Gjirokastër	Hotel Argjiro Gjin Zenebisi" St, 6001 Gjirokastër 6001
Berat	Hotel Onufri
Ohrid	Su Hotel KEJ MARSAL TITO 91 A
Korça	Hotel Hani I Pazarot 40°37'05.4+20°46'30.7 Korçë, 7001

Planned hotels or similar, in the same category.

Documents and notes

Travel documents required:

Please confirm the visa and vaccination requirements with your TWTS consultant at the time of booking.

Passengers of other nationalities must check with the destination's consulate.

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