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A cultural mountain bike ride

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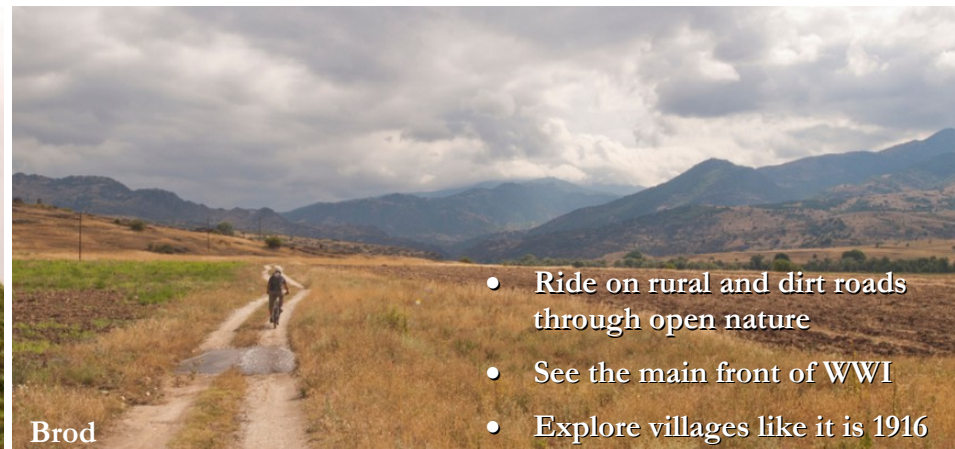
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Brod



Skocivir



Brod

- Ride on rural and dirt roads through open nature
- See the main front of WWI
- Explore villages like it is 1916



Duration

4 h



Distance

26 km

16 mi



Ascent

187 m

613 ft



Mountain Bike



Difficulty: light to medium



4 – 10 people

Start: 9:00 am, pick-up in front of the hotel.

End: 4:00 pm, drop-off in front of the hotel.

Package included: guides, bicycle, helmet, transfer to and from the location, snacks, lunch, isotonic drink, water, and vehicle support.

Price per person: 79 Euros

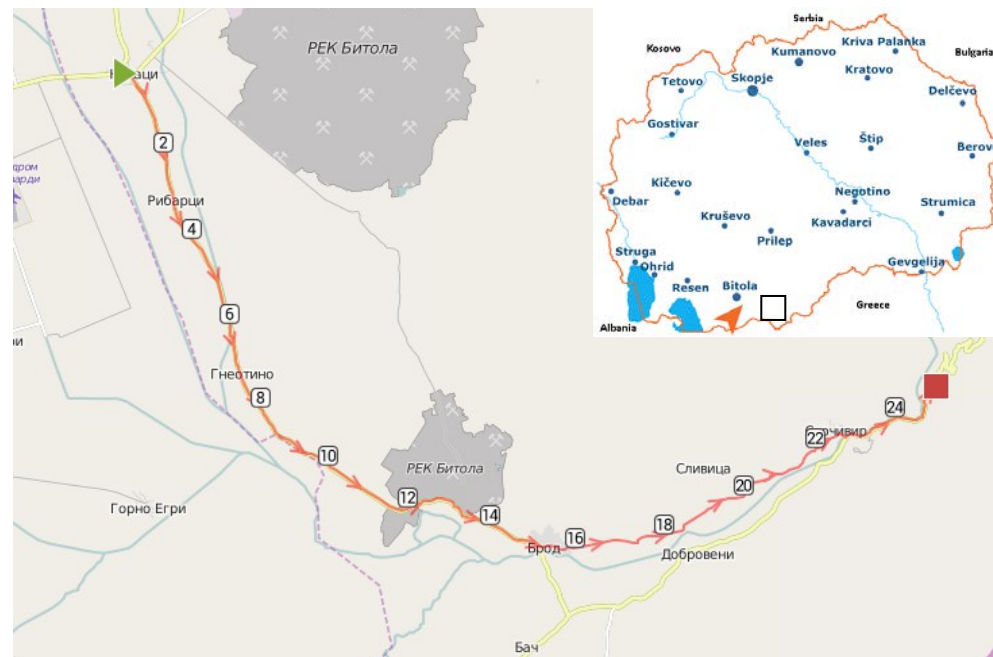
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Itinerary

Time	Distance from start	Place	Activity
9:00 am			Transfer to Novaci
10:30 am	0 km 0 mi	Novaci village	Visit to the graveyard of French soldiers fallen in WW1.
	3 km 2 mi	Ribarci village	Water point available
	7 km 4 mi	Gneotino village	Water point available
	15 km 10 mi	Brod village	Overlooking at where used to be a German Airfield
	23 km 14 mi	Skocivir village	Visit to the graveyard of Serbian soldiers fallen in WW1.
1:30 pm	26 km 16 mi	River Konjarska	Lunch
2:30 pm			Transfer to Ohrid

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Description

Welcome to the place where once the world waged a war from 1914 until 1918. Travel through a forgotten rural area of Macedonia passing deserted villages, and enter the Canyon of Mariovo. Enjoy a trip through nature marked with the scars of human history.

We start in the village of Novaci where we pay respect to the fallen French allied soldiers. From there we take the village road through agriculture landscape and fields that spread far into the horizon. As we come close to River Crna (Erigon) we can see the place where there once used to be the German avian base. In the village Brod we ride off road, on a twin track connecting to our next destination. The open landscape slowly narrows as we enter the Mariovo Canyon. We come to Skocivir and take look around the village, the church with graves from a couple of centuries ago, the monastery up on top of the hill; it all looks like it is 1916. We greet the few locals and we continue on our way to a picnic area on the cold and clear waters of River Konjarka where lunch awaits.

The route follows rural roads with no traffic, though by chance a vehicle may pass by. The road at the beginning is asphalt surfaced, but after 4 km it turns to a dirt track. The ruggedness of the route is such that it can be considered like flat.

Bicycles

In this tour the bicycles are included, though you are welcome to bring your own. We have two types of mountain bicycles available for you, which are subject to availability and size:

- Polar Mirage Pro 2014: 100mm shock; 26" wheels; V brake; Alivio derailleur
- Polar Mirage Pro 2015: 100mm shock; 650B wheels; Hydraulic Discs; Acera derailleur

Please communicate well in advance if you plan to bring your own pedals or other equipment.

Insurance

Please take an insurance against medical and personal accident risks.

Registration:

Upon registration, please indicate:

1. name;
2. height (for appropriate bicycle size);
3. dietary requirements;
4. allergies or medical conditions.

Please bring:

- sunglasses
- comfortable shoes
- comfortable clothes, padded pants recommended (layered clothes for sunny weather and back up clothes for rainy weather)
- backpack
- sunscreen
- camera
- personal medical supplies for allergies or other conditions