

Gjarper Mountain Hiking / Homestay Loop

4 day, 4 nights

Ballpark Cost: around 115€ per person (for 2 people), if you take all the options (meals, nicest rooms, etc) and spend 4 days.

Here's a very nice loop with gorgeous views, taking in one peak, which you could do with sturdy children. Not much to fall off of, except when crossing the "Horrible Hole" on the Çerem Path. The H.Hole is actually a natural drainage channel, which is tidied up by local volunteers with a basic path cut across it every year, as soon as the heavy rains stop and it stabilizes - usually in July. The circuit round the mountain (from Trailhead to Trailhead) can actually be done in one VERY long day, so this plan is designed to give you time to take in views, watch birds (best place for spotting Rock Partridge!), look at flowers (like the incredibly rare *Gentianella albanica*) and experience traditional culture. Still, feel free to modify the plan if you want to use it as a 2-day /camping hike instead. Çerem village is not electrified, and there's no phone signal from Çerem until you pass Gjarper Mountain, so be aware of safety limitations.

We're in the process of trying to put this all online with our new re-design of JourneytoValbona, but in the meantime, if you are interested in taking advantage of this new offer, you can start by printing this, and answering the questions below (you can just circle 'em I suppose or cross out anything you don't want), and email it back to me at: Catherine@JourneytoValbona.com. Feel free to write in anything else you want, that's not mentioned here. I'll get back to you with a firm price and availability, and then you can decide if you like to book. How the heck you pay me, I'm still not sure, but we can worry about that later!

How many people are travelling together?

Any children between ages of 2-12?

Infants? (unlikely, but not impossible!)

When do you want to do this?

Are you interested in spending any extra days anywhere?

Day 1: Dragobi

Do you prefer guesthouse/homestay or camping?

Do you want to leave any luggage, or a car in parking?

Do you want a fixed-price dinner included (even possible with camping)?

Do you want packed lunches?

Day 2: Dragobi to Cerem

Do you prefer guesthouse/homestay or camping?

Do you want a fixed-price dinner included (even possible with camping)?

Do you want packed lunches?

Day 3: Cerem to Livadhet e Gjarperit

Do you prefer guesthouse/homestay or camping?

Do you want a fixed-price dinner included (even possible with camping)?

Do you want packed lunches?

Day 4: Livadhet e Gjarperit back to Valbona

Do you prefer a private room or camping?

Do you want a fixed-price dinner included (even possible with camping)?

Anything else you wanted to do, but I didn't mention? Tell me!

Thanks for taking the time to do this!

All the Best,
Catherine