

Hiking to the Seven Rila Lakes

About

A 1-day guided mountain trek in Bulgaria's Rila Mountain that takes you through breathtaking landscapes to the world-famous Seven Rila Lakes – a UNESCO World Heritage Site. These glacial lakes are known for their unusual shapes that give them their names, as well as the gorgeous scenery around them. Spiritualists believe that they are located in an area charged with mystical energy.

Highlights

- Hike through the picturesque Rila Mountains
- Enjoy the fresh mountain air and beautiful scenery
- See the famous Seven Rila Lakes

Description

We'll get an early start and head towards the base of the Rila Lakes hiking trail.

We'll take a short ride on the chairlift to the start of the trail and continue on foot. From the upper lift station, we'll start down a moderate steep path to the nearest of the Seven Rila Lakes – the Kidney. After that are the Eye and the Tear. We'll spend our entire trek surrounded by beautiful scenery on all sides.

We'll next climb to the Razdela saddle and to the nearby Vazov/Damga peak (2670 m), where we'll enjoy a breathtaking panoramic view of Urdini Lakes and the deep valley in which they are situated. We'll go around the valley via the mountain ridge southward and then eastward. We'll go on a short descent to Zeleni Kamak (Green Rock), from where we'll descend once again to the deep cirque of the Panitsite and along the upper-situated lake (from which springs the longest river in Bulgaria – Iskar). Down the slopes of this cirque, we'll descend to the lower-situated lakes in the group of the Seven Rila Lakes. What follows is a descent through old pine forests where we'll find our car and driver waiting for us.

Price per person

- For a group of 4 or more: 70 €

- For a group of 2-3: 90 €
- For a solo tourist: 150 €

The price includes

- A professional mountain guide
- Car transfers

The price does not include

- Lunch
- The lift (10 € per person), which is open on weekends
- Jeep transfers if the lift is closed (30 € for the whole group)

Notes

This hike is suitable for people in good health, of all experience.

Hikers need standard mountain hiking equipment, comfortable shoes and warm, wind-proof and water-proof clothing.