



Presents its 8th Beekeeping Tour to Slovenia

10-20 Oct, 2019

Slovenia is just one of those gems that has been a secret for a long time. It is also known as the Beekeepers of Europe as they have more beekeepers per capita than another other country! Between its Alps, coastline and plains, there is beauty every where you go. These tours are a perfect combination between learning how to manage the wonderful AŽ hives and enjoying the beauty Slovenia has to offer. On this tour, we are visiting parts of Slovenia that even I have not been to plus some our old favorites.

Day 1, 10 Oct Thurs *Arrival Day to Ljubliana Airport, Slovenia. I will arrange a taxi to bring you as you arrive, the taxi price is not included but I will let you know in advance what it is. The airport is about 40 min from the farmhouse. Dinner and overnight at Mulej Farmhouse. You are walking distance from the beautiful Lake Bled and the town of Bled.*



Blaž & Danijela



Lake Bled

Day 2, 11 Oct, Fri

Breakfast. Our first visit it to the Noč beekeeper, this you will find very interesting, enjoying a beer or a glass of wine will be a whole new experience! In the afternoon we visit another wonderful beekeeper, Blaž, who has two bee houses, one used for apitherapy and is walking distance from where we are staying. Dinner and overnight at Mulej Farmhouse.

Day 3, 12 Oct, Sat

Breakfast. We visit the Slovenian Beekeepers Association Center. This amazing center has it all from a restaurant to conference rooms, a bee library, a lab and extracting room and much more. We will have a tour of the center than have a hands-on training session with Franc Sivic, a very knowledgeable and longtime AŽ beekeeper. Then an apitherapy class with Nika Pengal. She gave a class on the May tour and everyone loved it, you will learn how to use your hive products for your health. Dinner and overnight at the Lesnik Hartman Farmhouse where they also have a nice bee house.



Day 4, 13 Oct, Sun

Breakfast. Visit to a new beekeeper TBD. Then to The Perger House where the family have been master makers of a broad range of honey and honeycomb products since 1757! In the afternoon we go underground to the Pica Mine, an old lead and zinc mine that we see it by train. Dinner and overnight at Lesnik Hartman Farmhouse.

Day 5, 14 Oct, Mon

Breakfast. A stop at a very interesting place called Beeland Stok then to Beekeeper Ivan Čopar. In the afternoon, we will have a nice walk in the Logarska Valley and walk to the Rinka Waterfall. Dinner and overnight at Eco Tourism Stari Mlin.



Logarska Valley and a waterfall

Day 6, 15 Oct, Tue

Breakfast. A visit the Kozjanska Homestead where we will enjoy local products and cold cuts. Then to visit a beekeeper, Peter Kozmus, he is the Vice President to Apimondia, the world beekeeping organization and a leader in the breeding program for Carniolan bees. Dinner and overnight at Stari Mlin.

Day 7, 16 Oct, Wed

Breakfast. Visit to beekeeper Pavlovič. Then a visit to the Mramor farmhouse with wine tasting and homemade local treats. Next we visit the Olimje Monastery and to end the day with a visit to the chocolate house. Dinner and overnight at the Ravbar apartments.

Olimje Monastery





Day 8, 17 Oct, Thurs

Breakfast. Visit to the Kapš Apiary where they have 3 bee houses. They have a long history of beekeeping and we will be tasting their honey products. They also have a small beekeeping museum. Next is the Črnomelj Center for adults with mental disabilities. They are taught to make crafts and some are also beekeepers, we love visiting this center! After we will enjoy a nice walk in the nearby Zunice educational bee path. Dinner and overnight at the Ravbar.

Day 9, 18 Oct, Fri

Breakfast. Today's adventures start in the town of Kočevje. Our guide will take us into the Rajhnevski Rog Forest, a virgin forest. In 1892, it became the first natural forest to receive protection. It is known for its beech and fir trees, there is one special tree that dates from around 1500! We will meet the family Brdnik who will make us a traditional lunch. Then to visit a beekeeper and if time permits to visit the mysterious Bunker Škrilj, after a decade, now open to visitors. Wine tasting at Ravbar. Dinner and overnight nearby TBD.

Day 10, 19 Oct, Sat

Breakfast. Visit to the beekeeper Gorenc. Then a wonderful visit to one of our favorite beekeepers, Andreja with an incredible picnic in her field. Dinner and overnight at Pr Ambružarju.

Day 11, 20 Oct. Sun

Breakfast and off to the airport! There will be a morning transfer to the airport, if your flight leaves later then a taxi will be organized for you at your expense.

Price is \$2700 (based on a minimum of 10), single room supplement \$250

Price includes

Accommodations and half board (breakfast & dinner)

Lunches mentioned

Transportation and guide

All visits mentioned in the itinerary

Price Does Not Include

Taxi service to and from airport

Lunches not mentioned

Drinks at meals (it is not expensive)

Health and Travel Insurance

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