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Kolovrat

Location: Kobarid

Duration : 4,5 - 5,5 h

Distance: 48 km

Level: 7

Start altitude: 235 m

Max altitude: 1147 m

Sum altitude: 1360 m

Surface: 92% asphalt, 8% gravel, 0% road

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From the town of Kobarid the tour follows the Idrsko Historical Trail to the steep road ascending to Livek from where the second ascent of the tour will lead you past the village of Livške Ravne. This second ascent is somewhat kinder, but still offers practically no opportunities to rest. A stop at the World War I Outdoor Museum at the start of the descent to the city of Tolmin is therefore more than welcome. The remnants of the Italian military positions, the splendid views, and the botanical diversity would of course like to keep you here, but some sort of a magical force will just pull you towards the south. From this point, there is still quite a distance left before reaching the Goriška Brda region which you will mainly overcome in a gentle descend with some flat sections, except for the short section under Mt. Korada. In the land of chestnuts, with the river Soča



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on your right and the bordering river Idrija on your left, you will find the pilgrimage Marijino Celje Temple located above the village of Lig from where the other two temples of the Path of the Three Temples can be seen. This is a more than appropriate place for your eventually last stop before reaching the Goriška Brda region. Here, the view towards the Goriška Brda region is still blocked by the top of Mt. Korada, but when you will pass it, you will literally fall among the sunny terraces of the Goriška Brda region and won't stop until you will reach the idyllic village of Šmartno.