

Smaragdne kolesarske poti



Stol

Location: Kobarid Duration : 4,0 - 6,0 h Distance: 45 km Level: 7 Start altitude: 235 m Max altitude: 1390 m Sum altitude: 1450 m Surface: 48% asphalt, 44% gravel, 8% road

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The ride along the ridge of Mt. Stol is one of the best cycling experiences in the valley which offers plenty of ascents and descents. From the town of Kobarid, the fastest way for you to reach the ascent leading from the village of Žaga along the northern side of the hill is to cycle along the main road. Alternatively you can avoid the main road and cycle along the road connection routed on the left bank of the river Soča. In Žaga, you have to turn on the low-traffic road above the Učja Gorge which will lead you to the former border crossing where you will have to turn left on the cyclist friendly forest road with a constant incline and plenty of shade. The ascend alone offers splendid views over the Bovec basin and of the Kanin mountain range, whilst the arrival to the ridge of Mt. Stol past the Božca mountain pasture represents a truly unforgettable experience. You will share this beautiful spot with numerous paragliding pilots who also use the same access road. At this point you will have to turn left towards the town of Kobarid where you will reach the road leading to the top of Mt. Stol along the southern slope. During the summer, this road is over exposed to the sun, but nevertheless offers splendid views. The leisure ride along the long and distinctive grassy ridge with views of the neighbouring Mt. Matajur and over the river Nadiža deep below ends at the junction in front of the peak Starijski vrh on Mt. Stol. From here you will continue along the somewhat more demanding trail along the ridge. You will re-join the forest road towards the village of Trnovo after you will pass the sightseeing Hum and



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turn left on the gravel road before you will reach Predel and peak Baba. From there you will slowly descend to a junction with a footpath above the village of Trnovo. Just after the right concrete bend you will have to turn left from the road and then immediately right to the nearby clearing. On the attractive descend directly to Trnovo you will have to keep to the right side. For the return to the town of Kobarid you can choose the old Napoleon trail which you can reach after turning from the main road at the bend above the Otona pool.