



WALK OF PEACE

Autumn Hikes along the Walk of Peace from the Alps to the Adriatic 2022

A full calendar of guided tours and hikes for those who want to explore the heritage of World War I in the company of experienced guides.

<p>2 September at 8:30 a.m.</p>	<p><u>Escursione storica agli appostamenti del Monte Campeon e del Monte Faeit</u> <u>(Historical Hiking Tour to Monte Campeon in Monte Faeit) >></u></p> <p>Prior registration required at +39 0432 981441 or info@visitgemona.com</p>
<p>3, 10, 17, 24 September at 10:00</p>	<p>Military Narrow-Gauge Railway Feldban</p> <p>The story of feldban begins in World War I. In August 1916, the Italian Army pushed the Austro-Hungarian Army to the left bank of the Soča (Isonzo) river, cutting its supply route via the Bohinj Railway. As the remaining railways failed to provide sufficient supplies, they promoted the construction of new sections of narrow-gauge railway – feldban (Feldbahn). They connected the battlefield with the railway station at Logatec. From here, the feldban ran along the road to Godovič and then towards Črni Vrh and Lokve, the second part branched off towards Idrija. On the guided hike you will get to know the section from Godovič to Idrija in the Strug gorge. You will see the tunnel, embankments, supporting walls, cuttings, remains of the feldban bridge and the levelling with the turning point. There, the feldban turned back in the direction to Idrija.</p> <p>Assembly point: parking area by the football field in Idrija Difficulty: medium Duration of the guided tour: 4 hrs Equipment: trekking clothing and footwear, drinks and food from backpack, hiking poles Price: 15 €/person (surcharge 3 €/person for a snack) Prior registration required by Thursday, 12:00 a.m. at +386 5 37 43 916 or tic@visit-idrija.si</p>



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3 September at
10:00 a.m.

Zvoki miru /I suoni della pace /The Sounds of Peace

A two-day international meeting that includes two unique morning hiking experiences and evening open-air music shows. The event is organized by the Nova Gorica Cultural Centre (Kulturni dom Nova Gorica) in cooperation with the Walk of Peace Foundation (Fundacija Poti miru), PromoTurismo FVG, Miren Kras and Pro Loco Fogliano Redipuglia.

Hike along the Walk of Peace (Slovene side of Kras)

Assembly point: at 10:00–10:30 a.m. at the parking lot next to the turnoff for Cerje, along the local road Miren–Opatje selo

Start: at 10:30 a.m.

Estimated time of arrival at Cerje: at 5:30 p.m.

Guided visit of the Monument of Peace Cerje: at 6:00 p.m.

Difficulty: easy

Length of the hike: 15 km

Duration of the hike: 7 hrs

Equipment: trekking clothing and footwear, trekking poles

Price: 12,00 €/person (The price includes lunch, refreshments at the stops and a guided tour of the underground caves.)

Prior registration required by Wednesday, 31 August at +386 31 310 800 or info@mirenkras.si

Concert: at the Monument of Peace Cerje at 8:00 p.m.

Friuli Venezia Giulia Orchestra

Veronika Breclj, violin

Paolo Paroni, conductor

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4 September at
8:00 a.m.

Hike along the Walk of Peace (Italian side of Kras)

Assembly point: at 8:00–8:30 a.m. at the parking lot next to the turnoff for Cerje, along the local road Miren–Opatje selo

Start: at 8:30 a.m.

Guided visit of the Outdoor Museum Monte San Michele/Debela griža: at 12:00 o'clock (noon)

Estimated time of arrival at Dolina del XV Bersaglieri: at 5:30 p.m.

Difficulty: medium

Length of the hike: 16 km

Duration of the hike: 9 hrs

Equipment: trekking clothing and footwear, trekking poles, food and drinks from backpack

Prior registration required by Friday, 26 August at +39 0432 532330 or info@associazioneprogettomusica.org

Concert: Dolina del XV Bersaglieri at 6:00 p.m.

Etnoploč Trio

Aleksander Ipavec, accordion

Piero Purich, soprano and tenor saxophone

Matej Špacapan, trumpet

After the concert, free transport to the starting point of the hike is organized.

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<p>4 September at 9:30 a.m.</p>	<p>Historical Hiking Tour to Mt. Matajur Following Erwin Rommel's attack route on 26 October 1917</p> <p>Rifugio Pelizzo Hut–Fonte Scrilla–Eastern Part of Mt. Matajur–Mt. Matajur–Mt. Monte della Colonna/Visoka glava–Marsinska planina Mountain Pasture–return</p> <p>Assembly point: parking lot next to the Rifugio Pelizzo Hut Difficulty: medium (altitude difference: 400 metres, length: 8 kilometres) Duration of the guided tour: 5 hrs Equipment: trekking clothing and footwear, drinks and food from backpack, hiking poles Price: 15 €/person</p> <p>Information: Pro Loco Nediške doline – Valli del Natisone APS segreteria@nediskedoline.it +39 339 8403196 - +39 349 3241168</p> <p>Registration</p> <p>Learn more</p>
<p>10 September at 7:00 a.m.</p>	<p>In the Cradle of Pasturing under the Mighty Krn Mountain</p> <p>Hiking Trail <i>Village Krn–Mountain Pasture Pretovč–Outdoor Museum Mrzli vrh–Village Krn</i></p> <p>The pastureland under Mt. Krn is a popular hiking destination as well as an important starting point for hiking to surrounding</p>



	<p>mountain tops. The area is full of natural, cultural and historic sites and many marked paths and trails pass through. There are numerous mountain pastures in the Upper Soča Region. They come to life in summertime. Farmers drive their herds and flocks from the valleys up to the mountains and the old, traditional cheese and curd making starts. Several mountain pastures lie within the borders of Triglav National Park and in the vicinity of Mt. Mrzli vrh. Can you guess which ones and where awaits the tasting of local specialities?</p> <p>Assembly point: Kobarid, parking lot next to the sports field at 7:00 a.m Difficulty: medium Duration of the guided tour: 8–9 hrs Equipment: trekking clothing and footwear, trekking poles, drinks and food from backpack, flashlight Price: 25,00 €/person Prior registration required by Friday, 9 September at 3:00 p.m. at +386 31 586 296 or info@thewalkofpeace.com</p>
<p>11 September at 7.00</p>	<p>Kolovrat – in the Whirlwind of the 20th Century</p> <p>Hiking Trail <i>Livek–Livške Ravne–Kolovrat Ridge–Outdoor Museum Kolovrat–Kuk–Livek</i></p> <p>The Kolovrat ridge rises above the Soča Valley and offers exceptional views over the emerald river, the Julian Alps, Venezia-Giulia, the Friuli lowland and the Adriatic Sea. Today, we can enjoy the peace of unspoiled nature here, while during the 20th century, the Kolovrat ridge had to witness the destructive Isonzo Front and turbulent border events. How did the geopolitical conditions of the past century shape the fate of the surrounding residents on both sides of the border?</p> <p>In the outdoor museum we are going to explore the onetime Italian line of defence with the preserved command posts, shooting positions, a network of trenches and caves with the impressive spiral stairs in one of them. This formerly crucial line of division is nowadays a symbol of the unifying power of remembrance, since we shall walk on both territories, the Italian and the Slovenian, while discovering the history of WW1.</p>



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	<p>Assembly point: Kobarid, parking lot next to the sports field at 7:00 a.m</p> <p>Difficulty: medium</p> <p>Duration of the guided tour: 8–9 hrs</p> <p>Equipment: trekking clothing and footwear, trekking poles, drinks from backpack, flashlight</p> <p>Price: 30,00 €/person (lunch is included in the price)</p> <p>Prior registration required by Saturday, 10 September at 1:00 p.m. at +386 31 586 296 or info@thewalkofpeace.com</p>
<p>18 September at 7:00</p>	<p>Outdoor Museum Zaprikraj</p> <p>Enjoy the magnificent views, breathe fresh mountain air and admire the beauties of nature, learn about the heritage of the Isonzo Front, visit the picturesque village Drežnica</p> <p>The well fortified Italian line in the Krn range offers an insight into the organization of Italian defence. Take a walk along the well preserved and partly restored trenches, explore the caves and have a brief look at the life of soldiers on the Isonzo Front. The outdoor museum Zaprikraj (1,259 m) is located within the Triglav National Park area and in the vicinity of still living mountain pastures. In addition to the history of World War I it also offers many trekking pleasures in the beautiful, unspoiled nature. On the way back follows a visit of the picturesque village under Mt. Krn which has been twice declared the most beautiful mountain place in Slovenia. Drežnica is typical for its carnival with wooden masks, a custom which in a genuine way continues a very ancient tradition. An insight into this topic and the topic of World War I offers the museum collection Botognice.</p> <p>Assembly point: Kobarid, parking lot next to the sports field at 7:00 a.m</p> <p>Difficulty: medium</p> <p>Duration of the guided tour: 9 hrs</p> <p>Equipment: trekking clothing and footwear, trekking poles, drinks and food from backpack, flashlight</p> <p>Price: 20,00 €/person</p> <p>Prior registration required by Saturday, 17 September at 3:00 p.m. at +386 31 586 296 or info@thewalkofpeace.com</p>



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<p>24 September at 9:00 a.m.</p>	<p>Polog – an Exciting Vale of Peace</p> <p>Hiking Trail <i>Polog–Source of the River Tolminka–Church of the Holy Spirit in Javorca</i></p> <p>The impressive trail above the Tolminka gorge will lead us to the Polog alpine pasture where Austro-Hungarian rear positions were organized for the supply of the nearby mountain battlefields during World War I. The trail continues to the source of the river Tolminka.</p> <p>As a reminder of the war and also as a timeless symbol of peace, the Memorial Church of the Holy Spirit in Javorca rises above the pasture. Exactly for the reason of its deeper meaning it was awarded the European Heritage Label. The charming nature has almost blocked the view of the Italian pillbox on the Tolminka bank from the time between the two wars, but we shall nevertheless investigate its dark secrets.</p> <p>Assembly point: parking area in front of the Brajda sports park in Tolmin at 9:00 a.m</p> <p>Difficulty: easy</p> <p>Duration of the guided tour: 4.5–5 hrs</p> <p>Equipment: trekking clothing and footwear, trekking poles, drinks and food from backpack, flashlight</p> <p>Price: 10,00 €/person</p> <p>Extra payment: entry fee for Javorca</p> <p>Prior registration required by Friday, 23 September at 3:00 p.m. at +386 31 586 296 or info@thewalkofpeace.com</p>
<p>30 September–2 October</p>	<p>Trekking Grande Guerra: Natisone e Torre con Marco Pascoli (World War I, 3-Day Hiking Tour around the Natisone and Torre Valleys with Marco Pascoli)</p> <p>Information: Pro Loco Nediške doline – Valli del Natisone APS</p>



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2 October at 10:00 a.m.	<p>Hike Along the Old Military Supply Route</p> <p>The guided hike starts in the village of Reka, following the old military supply route, generally known as <i>mulatjera</i> (mule track) towards the church of St. John the Baptist in Šebrelje. Near the church you will have the chance to see up close the defensive ditches in a shape of an open horseshoe located on the edge of the Šebrelje Plateau, trenches along the scenic trail behind the church and the remains of a cavern.</p> <p>The path will take us past the village cemetery in Šebrelje, where we will visit the monument to the 46 locals fallen in World War I. The guided tour will conclude with a visit of the Archaeological Park Divje babe.</p> <p>Assembly point: Bus station in Cerkno (organized transportation to the starting point)</p> <p>Difficulty: easy</p> <p>Duration of the guided tour: 5 hrs</p> <p>Equipment: trekking clothing and footwear, trekking poles, drinks and food from backpack</p> <p>Price: 15,00 €/person</p> <p>Prior registration required by Thursday, 29 September at +386 (0)5 373 46 45 or info@visitcerkno.si</p>
2 October at 9:00 a.m.	<p>Mengore and Bučenica – The Guards of the Tolmin Bridgehead</p> <p>Hiking Trail Poljance Pass–Outdoor Museum Mengore–Mt. Bučenica–Pass Poljance</p> <p>Between Tolmin and Most na Soči the ridges of Mengore and Bučenica rise above the right bank of the River Soča. What was the role of these two elevations during the World War I and what is the story the numerous remains here can tell us today? Two paths lead up to the top of Mengore, the historical trail and the pilgrimage route, which meet at the church dedicated to the Holy Virgin's Name. The pilgrimage church was decorated with frescoes by Tone Kralj, the painter who fought against the fascist</p>



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	<p>regime in a very special way, thus enabling the people of Primorska to withdraw to an oasis of Slovenianism at least for short spells of time.</p> <p>Assembly point: parking area above the village of Kozaršče at 9:00 a.m</p> <p>Difficulty: easy</p> <p>Duration of the guided tour: 3–4 hrs</p> <p>Equipment: trekking clothing and footwear, trekking poles, drinks and food from backpack, flashlight</p> <p>Price: 10,00 €/person</p> <p>Prior registration required by Saturday, 1 October at 3:00 p.m. at +386 31 586 296 or info@thewalkofpeace.com</p>
<p>9 October at 9:00 a.m.</p>	<p>Mt. Sveta Gora and the Underground Labyrinth on Mt. Vodice</p> <p>After Italy had declared war on Austria-Hungary, the popular pilgrimage basilica on Mt. Sveta Gora (681 m) was in the direct vicinity of the front line that ran across the neighbouring Mt. Sabotin. During the fights on the Isonzo Front the basilica was completely destroyed.</p> <p>The guided tour starts on Sveta Gora, which offers splendid views over the wider surroundings, and the possibility to visit Basilica of St. Mary and the St. Mary's Museum. The Walk of Peace trail then takes us to Mt. Vodice, situated in the southwest part of the Banjška planota plateau. It affords a splendid view over the nearby Mt. Sveta Gora, its neighbour, Mt. Sabotin, and all the way to the Adriatic. Located on the top is the mausoleum of General Maurizio Ferrante Gonzaga and a monument for the three alpini battalions, Monte Levana, Aosta, and Val Toce, who conquered the north-western part of Mt. Vodice on 18 May 1917. Also interesting to see is a multi-storey cave, a real maze consisting of numerous preserved trenches. After visiting the Outdoor Museum Vodice, we shall return to the starting point.</p> <p>Assembly point: parking area under the pilgrimage basilica on Sveta Gora</p> <p>Difficulty: easy</p> <p>Duration of the guided tour: 5 hrs</p>



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	<p>Equipment: trekking clothing and footwear, trekking poles, food and drinks from backpack, flashlight</p> <p>Price: 15 €/person</p> <p>Prior registration required by Saturday, 8 October at 2:00 p.m. at +386 31 586 296 or info@thewalkofpeace.com</p>
<p>15 October at 9:00 a.m.</p>	<p><i>Brda's Circle of Peace Thematic Path</i></p> <p>11,5 kilometres long circular thematic path <i>Brda's Circle of Peace</i> which leads past the remains of World War I and breath-taking views brings you to the Outdoor Museum Sabotin – The Park of Peace.</p> <p>Almost each stone in the Mt. Sabotin Park of Peace could tell a story about the Austro-Hungarian and Italian soldiers, fortifying their battle positions. During World War I the mountain was drilled from all sides and crisscrossed by galleries, trenches and caves. Due to its strategic position over the River Soča it was first an important Austro-Hungarian bridgehead on the right bank, but in the Sixth Isonzo Battle in August 1916 it was conquered, together with Gorizia/Gorica, by the Italian Army. The ascent up Mt. Sabotin is rewarded by a panoramic view of the Vipava Valley and the Brda/Collio Hills, to the Kras, the Friuli Lowland and the Julian Alps. The facilities of the former border guard post at Sabotin host an innovative multimedia visitor centre. The centre comprises a museum, info point and numerous remains, which make it an important stop along the Walk of Peace from the Alps to the Adriatic trail. The nearby snack-bar offering the tasty local jota stew and other delicacies.</p> <p>Assembly point: parking area by the stone blocks at the beginning of the road for Mt. Sabotin (From the road Gonjače–Vrhovlje pri Kojškem turn right for Sabotin. Parking area is on the right by the stone blocks).</p> <p>Difficulty: easy</p> <p>Duration of the guided tour: 7–8 hrs</p> <p>Equipment: trekking clothing and footwear, trekking poles, drinks from backpack, flashlight</p> <p>Price: 20 €/person</p> <p>Prior registration required by Friday, 14 October at 12:00 o'clock (noon) at +386 31 586 296 or info@thewalkofpeace.com</p>



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<p>22 October at 9:00 a.m.</p>	<p>Traditional Hike to Mt. Vodice</p> <p>From the Centre of Culture in Deskle, we will head on towards Paljevo and the Church of St. Quirinus, where a nice cup of tea will wait for us. On our path we will see facilities from World War I. After a short stop at the Vodičar homestead, we will visit the Outdoor Museum Vodice. We will conclude our hike at the Vodičar homestead with a warm meal and roasted chestnut and head back to Deskle on the same path.</p> <p>Assembly point: Centre of Culture Deskle (Kulturni dom Deskle) Difficulty: easy Duration of the guided tour: 5 hrs Equipment: trekking clothing and footwear, trekking poles, drinks from backpack, flashlight Price: 7 €/person</p> <p>Information: Turistično društvo Korada Deskle – Anhovo Association info@td-korada.si or +386 (0)31 610 938 Valter Rešič</p>
<p>23 October</p>	<p>Grande Guerra: fondo valle Kobarid (Caporetto) con Marco Pascoli (World War I: Kobarid Area with Marco Pascoli)</p> <p>Information: Pro Loco Nediške doline – Valli del Natisone APS segreteria@nediskedoline.it</p>
<p>30 October at 9:00 a.m.</p>	<p>25th Hike on the Trail of the Isonzo Front, Brestovica pri Komnu</p> <p>Brestovica pri Komnu–Ceroglie/Cerovlje – Medeazza/Medja vas–Brestovica pri Komnu (15 km)</p>



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	<p>Registration is possible from 8:30 a.m. in front of the village school in Brestovica. A hot meal follows at the end of the hike.</p> <p>Information: Turistično društvo Brest - Brestovica Association Stane Švigelj stane.svigelj@siol.net</p>
<p>17 December at 10:00 a.m.</p>	<p>Winter Hike around the Memorial Park Prižnica with a Mass at the Church of St. Aloysius</p> <p>From Ladišče, where you can park, we will head towards the second road turn (direction Plave–Paljevo). There we will turn onto a walking trail that will bring us to our first stop – Italian water trough. We will continue our hike towards the remains of a great Italian barrack in the vicinity of the Avellino Brigade. We will ascend to the dressing station up a path past a group of small caves and defence positions. We will take a short rest on top of Mt. Prižnica. During our descent towards the Church of St. Quirinus we will visit a group of Austrian caves and connective trenches. After a short stop at the Church of St. Quirinus, we will head towards the Church of St. Aloysius where we will conclude our hike with a memorial mass for all the fallen in wars.</p> <p>Assembly point: Plave, Hut at Ladišče Difficulty: medium Duration of the guided tour: 3–4 hrs Equipment: trekking clothing and footwear, trekking poles, drinks and food from backpack, flashlight Price: 5 €/person</p> <p>Information: Turistično društvo Korada Deskle – Anhovo Association info@td-korada.si or +386 (0)31 610 938 Valter Reščič</p>



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