

Carpathian Peaks (Radial routes from Mykulychyn village, 9 days)

While traveling by bike around the Carpathians you will plunge into the atmosphere of the picturesque mountains where the breathtaking nature, fresh air of the Carpathians, stunning landscapes, mountainous rivers and woods, the most picturesque places of the West of Ukraine and the hutsulian hospitable culture (one of the most colorful Ukrainian ethnic groups) are waiting for you. Romance and only positive emotions are guaranteed in this biking tour. Enjoy your holidays with us in the biking tour around the Carpathians!!!

Type: Guided

Region: the Carpathian Mountains (Western Ukraine)

Format: comfort

Level: amateur

Duration: 9 days

Distance: 23 miles/day average

Price: from 370 euro/person

Start city: Kyiv

End city: Kyiv

Day 1

Meeting at the airport in Kyiv.

Taking a night train to Ivano-Frankivsk.

**Spending one more day sightseeing in Kyiv before going for a biking trip (optionally).*

Day 2



Arrival to Ivano-Frankivsk by train, meeting with the instructor, journey to Mykulychyn. Accommodation at the comfortable cottage and breakfast. On having tasty breakfast we head to Yaremche and visit Probii waterfall, a farm with deer and wild boars, Divochi sliozy waterfall (“Girls’ tears”), the Monastery, souvenir markets. Then we go up on foot along the path to the rocks of Dovbush. After the trip we come back to Mykulychyn to the cottage and have dinner there.

Sights of the day

The most interesting place in Yaremche is the 8m-high waterfall “Probii” with a footbridge over the river Prut above it. On one side of the bridge there is a souvenir market with the masterpieces of the hutsulian handicraft. From the outskirts of the village it is easy to get to the rocks of Oleksa Dovbush (huge rocks and stones reminding the mysterious creatures) along the path that bears his name.

Day 3



We get up, have breakfast and go on bikes to waterfall Huk along the route “Presidential”. Then go through Vorokhta to Berkut pass admiring the stone viaducts on our way. After this trip we come back

with the best impressions to Mykulychyn where we have dinner and relax in sauna after the interesting and intense day.

Sights of the day

- Huk waterfall. Almost every third waterfall in the Carpathians is called Huk (may be translated as “loud”). So let’s call this particular one situated at the distance of several km from Mykulychyn Huk Zhenetskyi as this turbulent 15m-high waterfall is situated on the Zhenets river.
- Railway arched bridge (viaduct). One of the oldest and the longest stone arched bridges of Europe is situated in Vorokhta (130 m) and the length of one of the arches is 65 m. This famous railway bridge was built in 1894 and operated till 2000. There is also one of the oldest 17th-century wooden churches – the church of St. Virgin’s Nativity preserved in Vorokhta.
- Yablunytskyi pass (Tatarsky pass) – 931 m above the sea. Here you’ll visit the souvenir market known not only in the Carpathians but in the whole Ukraine. In Tatariv we will stop at the monument of the period of World War I.

Day 4

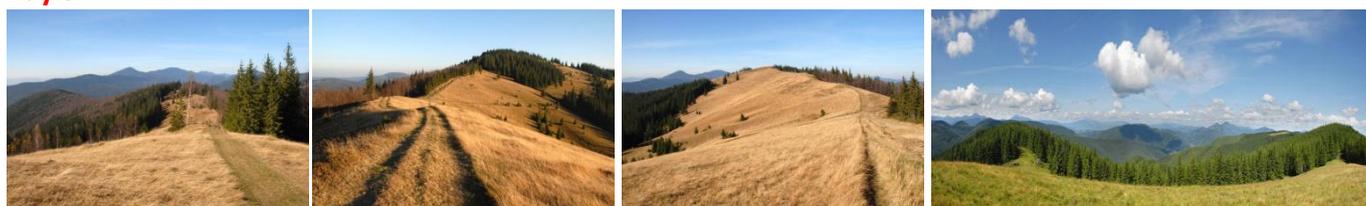


We have breakfast and ride our bikes again of course. The route starts at the bridge of the Prutets river which impresses by its beauty. Along the river canyon we head to Kostel rocks and then go up to Rokyta mountain. On the top we make fabulous pictures and through the mountain meadows head to Makovytsia mountain, then go down to Yamna and come back to the place of our accommodation. Dinner, having rest, playing billiards.

Sights of the day

- Kostel mountain in the form of the huge rock.
- Rokyta mountain. When the weather is good you may see almost half of Hutsulshchyna from the top as well as famous city Ivano-Frankivsk.
- Makovytsia mountain. Here you will see a number of trenches from the times of World War I and World War II.

Day 5



On having breakfast we climb Lisniv mountain. Wood, berries, mushrooms... From Lisniv mountain meadow we ride our bikes along the ridge to Kolyba admiring the breathtaking sceneries of Gorgany and the whole Chornohora ridge. We stay in Kolyba, prepare a dinner from bonfire and sleep there in sleeping bags.

Sights of the day

- Gorgany – one of the most impressive Carpathian mountain ridges.

Day 6



Getting up. Preparing of breakfast from bonfire. Riding on the picturesque ridge through Chorny pohar, Syholka, Horda mountains to Chymyrytsia mountain where the oilfields are situated.

Sights of the day

- Oilfield of Mykulychyn.

Day 7



On having breakfast we head to Kryvopillia and rise to Kryvopilsky pass (1035 m). Then through Verkhovyna we make a journey to Bukovets pass, head to Kopylash mountain and then to the famous Pysany kamin mountain. Having some rest there, returning to Mykulychyn.

Sights of the day

- House-museum of one the most famous Ukrainian films “The shadows of forgotten ancestors” (Verkhovyna village).
- Museum of the outstanding Ukrainian writer Ivan Franko (Kryvorivnia village).
- Museum “House-Hrazhda” (the real hutsulian homestead).
- Pysany kamin mountain in the form of huge stone blocks reminding the mysterious sleeping animal.

Day 8



On having breakfast we continue our journey. This time it goes along the canyon of the Prutets river to the rocks “Bozhe oko” (“God’s eye”) and takes us to Gorgan Burachukivsky mountain. We take nice pictures there and return to the homestead where we’re having lunch before ending a tour. Then after getting the best impressions and positive energy we go to Ivano-Frankivsk and take a night train to Kyiv.

Sights of the day

- Prutets river canyon is a unique stone canyon stretching for many kilometers and impressing by its beauty and diversity of flora. There are the remains of the old narrow-gauge railway in the canyon which was used for transportation of wood.
- Bozhe oko mountain with the majestic rocks hidden in the wood on the top of the mountain.

Day 9

Arrival to Kyiv. Free time. Transfer to the airport.