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Ski touring in Bulgaria - Rila and Pirin ranges, 7 days

Day 1: Arrival

Arrival at Sofia airport. Meet your guide. 2.45h transfer to the town of Bansko in the Pirin Mountains. Accommodation at a hotel in Bansko for 4 nights, welcome dinner.

Day 2: Bezbog - Polezan

Morning 30 min. transfer takes us to the bottom station of Bezbog chair lift. We take it up to Bezbog Hut at 2240 m. We take it up to Bezbog Hut at 2240 m. From here we ascend to one of the highest peaks of Pirin Mountains - Mount Polezan (2851 m). A few options for the descent, according to the weather conditions.

Total touring for the day: 6 hours, +610/-1900 m.

Day 3: Mount Hvoynati

We'll spend the day in the area of the highest peak of Pirin Mountains (Mount Vihren). Drive from Bansko to the ski zone above the town – 20 min. We skin up to Vihren Hut at 1950 m starting from 1650 m for about an hour. Our route goes further up along the valley near Muratovo Lake and finally to the top of Hvoynati

Peak (2635 m) that offers a great view towards the giant Vihren Peak. We've got a few options to descend according to the snow conditions. We ski back down all the way to Bansko.

Total touring for the day: 7 hours, +1000/-1800 m.

Day 4: Mount Todorka

Today we use the lift network of the resort in order to get quick access to the highest parts of the mountain. A 1h ridge walk (boot crampons required) starts from the top lift station at 2550.

We ski down the peak of Todorka, put the skins on and do a second ascend/descend in the area. Final run down to Bansko. The ascend of Todorka is a ridge hike – no technical difficulty, but fairly exposed, so boot crampons required.

Total touring for the day: 4-6 hours, +400 or +800/-1800 or -2600 m.

Day 5: Rila - Malyovitsa peak

A 2-hour morning transfer takes us to the Rila Mountain range. We skin up from 1760 m into the beautiful Malyovitsa valley. Numerous options for ascents/descents, according to the weather conditions.

A 20 min transfer to the village of Govedartsi, accommodation at a mountain hotel for 2 nights.

Total touring for the day: about 7 hours +1000/-1000 m.

Day 6: Mount Musala

We hit the highest point in the Balkans today. Transfer to the Borovets ski resort (30 min) where we take the Yastrebets gondola that takes us up to 2360 m.

We are at the foot of Mount Musala (2925 m). About 3.5 hours of climb up to the top, then we ski back down to Borovets, located at 1300 m.

Total touring for the day: 6 hours, +850/-1800 m.

Day 7: Departure

Transfer to Sofia – 1,5h. If time permits, we can go on a sightseeing walk around the city center. Departure.