



MTB TOUR

Trans Slovenia 01



Brochure with technical information and extra tips for the ride of your lifetime!



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DEAR MOUNTAIN BIKER!

My name is Jan Klavara. I am a passionate mountain biker and the CEO of Visit GoodPlace.

I have been discovering Slovenian MTB trails from an early age and I can confidently say **Trans Slovenia 01 tour combines some of the best ones** as well as the most attractive destinations Slovenia has to offer.

I also dare to say this is **one of the most diverse biking tours in Europe** and the favourite tour ever ridden for many of our guests.

We made this brochure so you can gather more technical information about daily stages and get some tips about fun activities along the way, which our former guests simply loved.

Enjoy the ride!



A CLASSIC

The classic stage includes cycling from Podklošter (Arnoldstein) along the forest gravel road through the Tromeja (Triple border). It continues with a descent towards Rateče, from where it follows a scenic cycling track past the source of the Sava River (Zelenci) to Kranjska Gora.



Distance: 24,5 km



Elevation gain: 1030 m



Elevation loss: 790 m

Surface:

35% ASPHALT

45% GRAVEL

20% TRAIL

B EASY

The easy stage version runs from Podklošter (Arnoldstein) along the forest gravel road over the saddle just under the top of Tromeja (Triple border) and includes an easier descent to Rateče. It continues along the cycling track past the source of the Sava River (Zelenci) to Kranjska Gora.



Distance: 23,5 km



Elevation gain: 875 m



Elevation loss: 635 m

Surface:

35% ASPHALT

65% GRAVEL



EXTRA TIPS FOR KRANJSKA GORA

With picturesque alpine scenery, abundance of outdoor activities, and easy access to the Triglav National Park, Kranjska Gora offers a million reasons to stick around a while longer. Arriving to this lovely mountain resort a day ahead of your tour also gives you the opportunity to relax and rest your legs before you start cycling.



OUR TOP PICKS FOR ACTIVITIES IN KRANJSKA GORA

1

ZELENCI

Visit the Zelenci springs and admire the reflection of glorious mountain peaks in the crystal-clear waters.

2

ZIPLINE

Feel the thrill of the world ski jumping elite on the steepest zipline in the world.

3

LAKE JASNA

Chill out on an alpine beach by the stunning Lake Jasna.



A CLASSIC

The classic stage from Kranjska Gora over Vršič to Bovec starts with an ascent to Vršič through the Krnica Valley. The route partly follows the old Vršič road (single trail / mule track). It continues with a descent from Vršič on an asphalt road (it is possible to visit the source of the Soča River for additional 2.5 km and 100 m of ascent). The route continues along the banks of the Soča River – partly on an asphalt road, partly on a gravel road, and in the end, partly on the trails to Bovec.

 **Distance:** 52,5 km

 **Elevation gain:** 1205 m

 **Elevation loss:** 1565 m

Surface:

65% ASPHALT

25% GRAVEL

10% TRAIL

B EASY

The easier stage from Kranjska Gora over Vršič to Bovec begins with an ascent to Vršič and continues with a descent to Trenta Valley. From there, it follows the Soča Valley all the way to Bovec entirely on an asphalt road (recommended in case of bad weather).

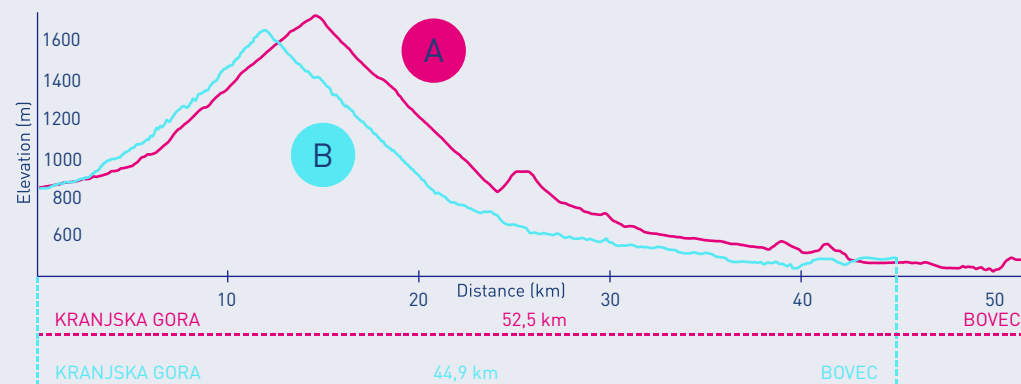
 **Distance:** 44,9 km

 **Elevation gain:** 1090 m

 **Elevation loss:** 1450 m

Surface:

100% ASPHALT



A CLASSIC

The classic stage from Bovec over the ridge of Kobarid Stol to Kobarid includes an ascent over the mountain pasture Božca to the paragliders' take-off spot. Cycling across the ridge is followed by a medium-difficult trail descent to Srpenica. There are two route options in the lower part (the one running right through the gorge of the Sušec stream is technically more demanding). The stage includes crossing the Soča River at Srpenica and continues up and down along the left bank of the river to Trnovo and Kobarid.

**Distance:** 41,5 km**Elevation gain:** 1370 m**Elevation loss:** 1590 m**Surface:**

35% ASPHALT

40% GRAVEL

25% TRAIL

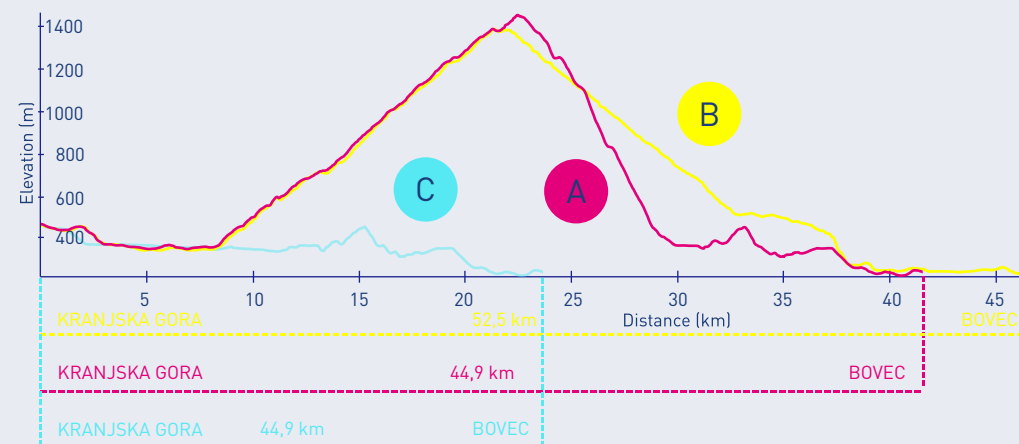
B MEDIUM

The slightly easier version of the stage from Bovec over the ridge of Kobarid Stol to Kobarid also starts with an ascent over the mountain pasture Božca to the paragliders' take-off spot, but continues with an easier gravel descent along the southern slope of the hill to the village of Sedlo. Cycling on an asphalt road to Borjana is followed by some gravel roads, cart tracks and trails along the Nadiža River, through Sužid to Kobarid.

**Distance:** 47 km**Elevation gain:** 1200 m**Elevation loss:** 1420 m**Surface:**

45% ASPHALT

55% GRAVEL



C EASY

The easiest version of the stage from Bovec to Kobarid starts with some flat trails and roads on the left bank of the Soča River. The route leads past the village of Čezsoča to the crossroads at the Hotel Boka. It then continues along the main road to Žaga, where it turns left immediately after the bridge over the Učja River (narrow passage down the stairs) and then follows flat, picturesque trails on the right bank of the Soča to Srpenica. After crossing the Soča River in Srpenica, the route continues as in the classic stage.

 **Distance:** 23,6 km

 **Elevation gain:** 290 m

 **Elevation loss:** 510 m

Surface:

40% ASPHALT

45% GRAVEL

15% TRAIL

EXTRA TIPS FOR KOBARID

The amazing Soča Valley is known as a paradise for active holidays in nature. Whether you choose a panoramic hiking trail, a refreshing ride on the emerald green Soča river, or an insightful journey through the history of WW1, Kobarid gives you plenty of motives to extend your stay. Local outdoor agencies will take you to the best spots!

1

OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

Experience the gorgeous Soča river to the fullest on a scenic rafting or kayak ride.



2

HISTORY

Discover the rich WW1 heritage on a guided tour along the **Walk of Peace** hiking path or visit the award-winning Kobarid museum.



3

CUISINE

Taste the local culinary delights prepared by the best female chef in the world in the two-star Michelin restaurant Hiša Franko or visit its trendy sister Hiša Polonka.



A CLASSIC

The classic (demanding) stage includes cycling from Kobarid under the Krn mountain, between Mrzli vrh and Rdeči Rob down to the Polog Valley and further on to Tolmin. It begins with a demanding ascent past the Kozjak Waterfall and continues along a demanding road to the village of Magozd. A climb leads towards the villages of Vrsno, Krn, and further on to the saddle opposite the Pretovč pasture. This is followed by a descent along a "rough" trail (old military mule track) with magnificent views of the church of St. Spirit at Javorca and further into Polog Valley. The stage ends with easy gravel cycling towards Zatolmin and Tolmin.

 **Distance:** 36,9 km

 **Elevation gain:** 1390 m

 **Elevation loss:** 1430 m

Surface:

35% ASPHALT

35% GRAVEL

30% TRAIL

B EASY

The easier version of the stage from Kobarid to Tolmin starts on a local asphalt road above the left bank of the Soča River. At the entrance to the village of Gabrje, the route turns right and slightly downhill. The stage continues by the Soča River, following a gravel road towards Tolmin. From there, a short uphill ride on an asphalt road leads to the centre of Tolmin.

 **Distance:** 16,6 km

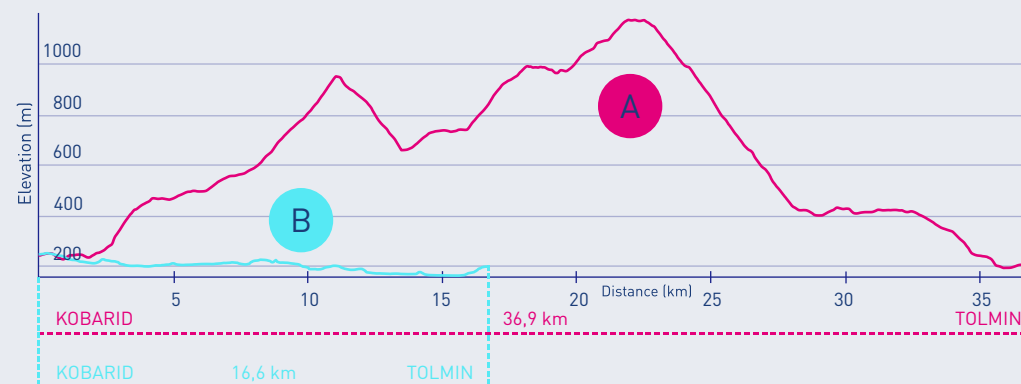
 **Elevation gain:** 140 m

 **Elevation loss:** 180 m

Surface:

80% ASPHALT

20% GRAVEL





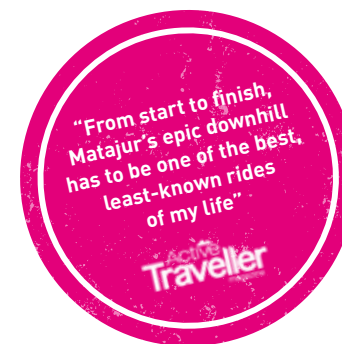
A CLASSIC

The classic (very demanding) stage from Tolmin through Kolovrat and Matajur to Šmartno in Goriška Brda starts with an ascent over the Solarium saddle and Kolovrat ridge and continues with a descent to Livške Ravne and Livek. This is followed by a climb up to the tiny village of Avsa (all asphalt). From there, the ascent continues on a gravel road and the more and more demanding "mule track" along the southern slopes of Matajur (crossing the Slovenia-Italy border) to the mountain hut (it is possible to ascent to the top of Matajur). Next, a 12 km-long and very nice, medium-to-demanding trail leads down towards Špeter (San Pietro al Natisone). The stage continues along the plains and vineyards past Čedad in the direction of Goriška Brda. In Plešivo, the route crosses the border once more before reaching Šmartno.

 **Distance:** 80,7 km

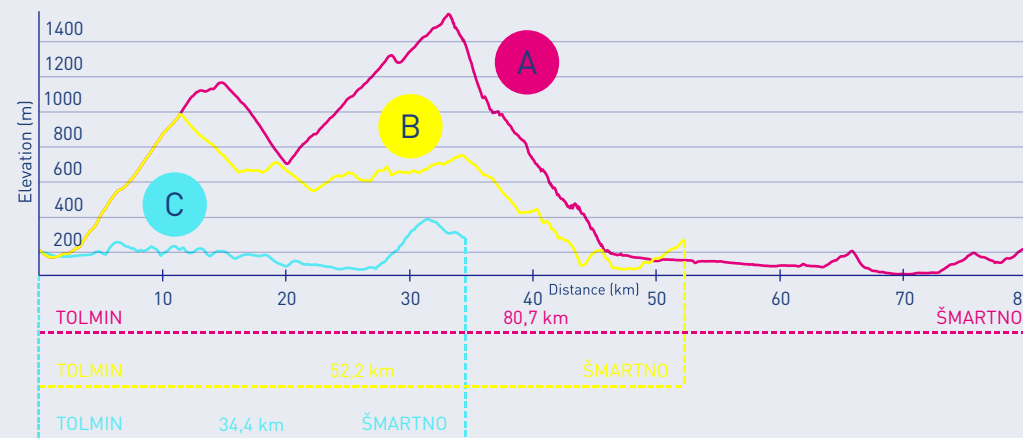
 **Elevation gain:** 2440 m

 **Elevation loss:** 2380 m



Surface:

60% ASPHALT	20% GRAVEL	20% TRAIL
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B MEDIUM

The medium version of the stage includes cycling from Tolmin through Kambreško to Šmartno in Goriška Brda. The initial ascent from Tolmin to Volče and the Solarium saddle is the same as in the classic stage. From there, the trail turns left and follows mostly asphalt and partly gravel roads across the Kambreško, Lig, and Korada to Dobrovo and Šmartno.

 **Distance:** 52,2 km

 **Elevation gain:** 1540 m

 **Elevation loss:** 1480 m

Surface:

5% TRAIL

50% ASPHALT

45% GRAVEL

C EASY

The easiest version of the stage from Tolmin to Goriška Brda mainly runs on local asphalt roads and partly on gravel roads. It takes off on the left bank of the Soča River and continues through Most na Soči (steep climb) and Avče to Kanal. Crossing the bridge to the right bank of the Soča River, the route turns towards Anhovo, passes Deskle and Plave, and comes to an end with a final climb along a local asphalt road to Šmartno.

 **Distance:** 34,4 km

 **Elevation gain:** 600 m

 **Elevation loss:** 540 m

Surface:

75% ASPHALT

25% GRAVEL

GORIŠKA BRDA

Famous for high-quality wine and hospitality.

You absolutely cannot leave **the wine capital of Slovenia** before treating yourself to a degustation of the world-famous Brda wines, fruits, olive oil, or other home-made delicacies. We strongly recommend you to visit one of the numerous **open wine cellars** and discover why the local inhabitants are known as **extremely hospitable**. Imagine sipping on a glass of rebula while admiring the views of the rolling hills covered in vineyards and orchards after a day of cycling. **Pretty inviting, right?**



A CLASSIC

The classic stage from the Goriška Brda to Lokve in the Karst region starts with some road and trail sections between Brda and Solkan. The route then mostly follows a cycling track to Nova Gorica and Mirna. The crossing from Miren over Cerje to Trstelj and Komen (passing Dutovlje and Sežana) is partly difficult due to rocky karst surface. From Sežana, an easier route leads to Lokve, passing Lipica on the way.

 **Distance:** 87,3 km

 **Elevation gain:** 1520 m

 **Elevation loss:** 1340 m

Surface:

40% ASPHALT

45% GRAVEL

15% TRAIL

B EASY

The easy version of the stage from the Goriška Brda to Lokve also starts with some road and trail cycling between Brda and Solkan and then mostly follows a cycling track to Nova Gorica and Mirna. It then continues with easier and more direct connections on gravel roads and cart tracks across Komen and past Dutovlje to Sežana. From Sežana the route leads to Lokve, as in the classic stage.

 **Distance:** 77,2 km

 **Elevation gain:** 1020 m

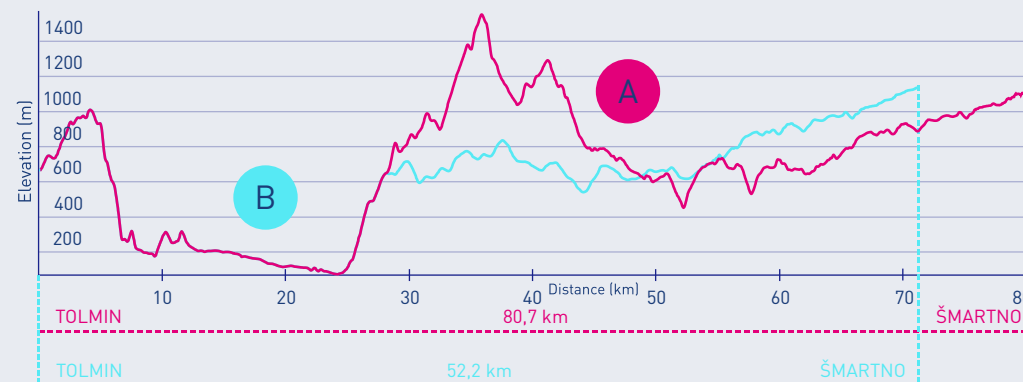
 **Elevation loss:** 840 m

Surface:

55% ASPHALT

40% GRAVEL

5% TRAIL



A CLASSIC

The classic stage from Lokev to Piran on the Slovenian coast runs over the Kokoš mountain and through Ocizla to Socerb (gravel ascents and gravel or trail descents). It includes a trail descent to Osp and a climb along the southern slopes of Tinjan to Dekani. From there, it leads over the hilly hinterland of the Slovenian Istria to Jagodje above Izola, then over steep cliffs between Izola and Strunjan to the Strunjan salt pans and finally through Fiesa along the coast to Piran.

 **Distance:** 66,2 km

 **Elevation gain:** 1500 m

 **Elevation loss:** 1950 m

Surface:

45% ASPHALT

40% GRAVEL

15% TRAIL

B EASY

The easy version of the stage from Lokev to Piran starts with cycling over the Kokoš mountain and through Ocizla to Socerb as well. Like the classic stage, it includes a trail descent to Osp and a climb along the southern slopes of Tinjan to Dekani. From there, it follows the Parenzana route (asphalt cycling route along the former railway). The stage ends with scenic cycling along the coast from Portorož to Piran.

 **Distance:** 62,8 km

 **Elevation gain:** 990 m

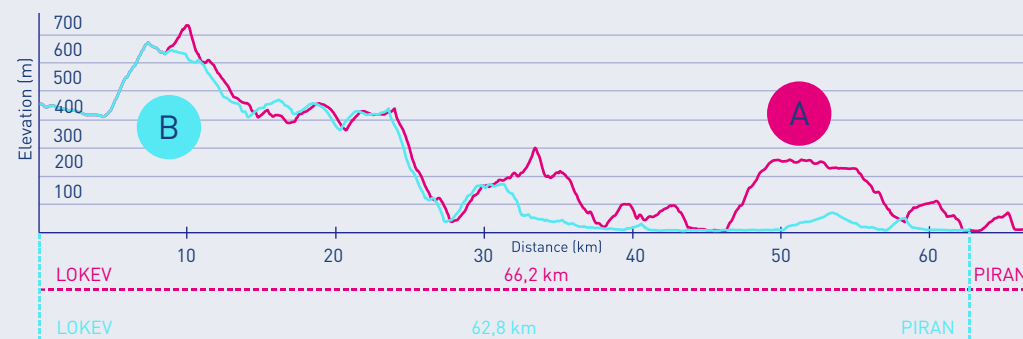
 **Elevation loss:** 1440 m

Surface:

55% ASPHALT

40% GRAVEL

5% TRAIL



OUR TOP PICKS FOR ACTIVITIES IN PIRAN

1

Taste local wines and gaze into the sunset on a romantic walking tour around town.

2

Learn everything about traditional sea salt production at the Sečovlje salt pans.

3

Ride through Istria's olive groves in a legendary classic car on a unique gourmet tour.

EXTRA TIPS FOR PIRAN

The charming coastal town of Piran is an ideal place to finish your cycling tour. Its laidback character invites you to slow down your pace and treat yourself with some delicious Mediterranean food. After a week of cycling it is time for some pampering – you should definitely consider staying an extra day or two.



TRAVEL RESPONSIBLY WITH VISIT GOODPLACE!

Our mission is to create **authentic and unique experiences** for our guests while supporting **responsible trade and nature preservation**. With our sustainability policy, we aim to minimize negative effects on the natural and social environment and maximize benefits to local businesses supporting them towards sustainable management. Therefore, we develop our tours working with nature, being friendly to travelers and locals at the same time. **Active, adventurous, healthy, green and local.** These are the main things that identify us as a cycling and outdoor tourism agency.



All our tours can be **tailored** to fit your needs perfectly!



We are local bike enthusiasts bringing **authentic** bike experiences to you.



We are **5-star rated** on Trip Advisor.



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