

## Montenegro trip – Kotor and Budva



**DURATION:** Up to 10 hours

(every Wednesday)

**HIGHLIGHTS:** Magnificent viewpoints of the Kotor Bay

Old town of Kotor and Budva

Boat drive to the island "Lady of the Rock"

**INCLUDING:** Pick up from hotel / apartment

English speaking driver / guide Ferry and boat tickets in Montenegro Comfortable, air conditioned vehicle

Road tolls, vat and taxes

**EXCLUDED:** Drinks and meals



A wild land where mountains drop straight into the sea and delightful towns such as Perast, Kotor and Budva, cling to the coastline on the route south from the border with Croatia.

In Montenegro we drive along the main coastal road through few small and nice places directly by the sea. Our first stop will be a **viewpoint**, before the town Perast, to the Kotor bay and the two gorgeous small islands in middle of the bay.

From Perast we will have a short boat drive to the islands "Lady of the Rock". This small island is a man-made islet, with a sailors' votive shrine by the same name. The islet was built by constant heaping up of stones that started in the middle of the  $15^{th}$  century with a museum, and has been going on, to some extent, to this day. The islet covers an area of 3030 m<sup>2</sup>. Here a local guide is waiting for you to explain the history of this island and its church.

After you have admired the beautiful nature and got to know some more info about the islands and their history, you will drive to Kotor where we will make a stop of about 2 hours.

The old town of **Kotor** is a well-obtained centre from the Middle Ages, built between the 12<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> Century, with many Latin and Gothic churches, facades, palaces and museums.

Furtehr on, there is one more town we visit – **Budva** – a 3 500 years old town which makes it one of the oldest settlements on the Adriatic Sea coast. It is the capital of Montenegrin tourism and the administrative centre of Budva municipality. Scholars and historians believe that the old town part of Budva originally was an island, which later joined the shore to form a sand isthmus.

You will have about 45 minutes to explore the old town part of Budva with its interessting narrow streets and old churches before we drive back direction Croatia, this time with a ferry crossing the chanel of Kotor Bay.