



*Lake Bled, Slovenia & Venice Carnival
Ski & Carnival Weekend*

The gem of central Europe, Slovenia has a slice of mountainous Switzerland, charming Bavaria, and enchanting (and cheap) Prague all wrapped into one. The resort town of Lake Bled, with its 1000 year old castle perched on a 300 ft. cliff over the lake, is like something from a medieval movie set. It is one of Europe’s hottest up and coming resort towns with its affordable spa centers & treatments, and now its growing reputation as an adventure sports center to rival those in Switzerland and Austria. This is a ski & spa weekend with a day of skiing costing less than 25 Euro (and having slope only a 5 minute walk from the hotel), and saunas, Jacuzzi & spa center in our 3-star hotel.

***On our return Sunday we include a stop at Venice so you can experience Italy’s unique city of canals and during its world famous Carnival – it’s a perfect day trip and you get to see two amazing destinations in one weekend!!**

DEPARTURE TIMES

DEPARTURE CITIES

Thursday

Florence - 7:00 pm
Rome - 5-5:30 pm

Florence
Rome

Sunday Return

Florence - approx. 11:00 pm
Rome - approx. 5:00 am

Arrival times depend on traffic

What's included

- round trip transportation (from Florence/Rome)
- 3 nights accommodations with your friends
- buffet breakfasts
- Euroadventures trip leader
- Euroadventures information packet

What's not included

- Adventure sports/activities
- lunches & dinners
- souvenirs
- entrance to spa near by with water park and 7-different saunas (18 Euro)
- Entrance to castle (7 Euro)
- Venice boat (7Euro)

Offered Activities

- Skiing/Snowboarding – Nearby resorts like Vogel and Kranjska Gora feature some great terrain high in the Julian Alps and for cheap (a full day in Kravec is only 29 Euro! And a 2 day pass to is only 46 Euro!).
- Snowshoeing and dog sledding adventures (w/Huskies) – you'll hike in the Julian Alps with snowshoes and then either drive a dogsled team or ride along (your choice). Takes about 3 hours and is available on Saturday – cost is 64 Euro. **Same as skiing - of course this is a seasonal activity and is always weather dependent*
- Ice climbing in the valley of Mlačka near Bled gives you a very unique opportunity to experience the challenges of ice climbing in a real setting. It includes all the equipment and basic training and is open to beginners. Takes about 3-4 hours and costs 65 Euro (available also on Saturday)
- Paragliding from several different altitudes (weather dependent) puts you high in the air soaring around the Julian Alps. Depending on altitude and length of flight, price is 85-130 Euro.
- Skydiving high above Slovenia's Julian Alps is a high-altitude thrill and one of the most adventurous activities out there. Price is 190 Euro and like all other activities is weather dependent.
- Hiking of Kofce with views of the Triglav national park and traditional Slovenian food (lasts approx. 3 hours) – 48 Euro

Packing tips

- Passport
- Warm jacket
- Shoes for hiking
- Swimsuit
- Money



Day to Day Itinerary

Thursday - Day 1

Depart Florence/Rome via luxury coach w/DVD movies. Stops for dinner/bathroom along the way. Arrival to Lake Bled late Thursday night.

Friday - Day 2

Breakfast included. Free day to enjoy the beautiful lakeside, mountain town of Bled. Go skiing at one of the many nearby resorts (including Kranjska Gora & Vogel), explore the lake and its island church and 1000 year old castle, go paragliding, skydiving and many other exciting activities that this city specializes in. As well, in the hotel there are spa and sauna facilities (3 saunas and a jacuzzi) to relax and pamper yourself with a massage. At night a group dinner will be offered followed by a stop at Lake Bled's most fun nightlife spots!

**There will be husky sledding and night sledding offered on Friday or Saturday*

Saturday - Day 3

Breakfast included. Free day. Euroadventures leader will offer a hike around Lake Bled and up to the 1000 year old Bled Castle (perched on a 300 foot cliff overlooking the lake). Free night to relax & rest, head back out to Lake Bled's nightlife or even try your luck at the casino for some gambling!

Sunday - Day 4

Breakfast included. Shortly after breakfast (at approx. 8:30am) we'll make our transfer to the city of canals, Venice, for the world famous Carnival (travel time is approx. 4 hours). We arrival on the the main island of historic Venice to start the Carnival experience. The Euroadventures leader will head through the winding, maze-like streets eventually ending in the massive St. Mark's Square (Piazza San Marco) for those that want to join. For those wanting an independent day, you can take a water taxi or Vaporetto to destinations like St. Mark's Square, the beach area of Lido, the glass blowing island of Murano, etc... You are free to wander off on your own and explore the city and experience Venice and Carnival how you like. We will depart at approx. 6pm with arrival will back in Florence at approx. 9-10pm, and Rome at approx. midnight-1am.

***Listed itinerary is an example of the typical trip schedule but can be subject to change*

