



Celebrate New Year in Albania

29th December – 3rd January 2027

Itinerary Overview: Day 1 – Arrival in Tirana

We will meet at the airport at 19:00 hrs to complete the check-in procedures for our flight to Tirana, which is scheduled to depart at 20:55 hrs. Upon arrival in Tirana, we will be transferred to the airport hotel, Hotel Airport, for our overnight stay.

Itinerary Overview: Day 2 – Krujë

After breakfast, we will depart from Tirana for Krujë, the historic stronghold of Albanian resistance against the Ottoman Empire and a city closely associated with Albania's national hero, Gjergj Kastrioti Skanderbeg.

Upon arrival, we will visit the Skanderbeg Museum, which provides a fascinating insight into the life and legacy of Albania's national hero. This will be followed by a visit to the Ethnographic Museum, showcasing the country's rich cultural heritage and traditional way of life. We will then enjoy a stroll through the charming Old Bazaar, renowned for its cobblestone streets and artisan shops offering handmade souvenirs and local crafts.

In the afternoon, we will return to Tirana, where the remainder of the day will be at leisure.

In the evening, we will attend the traditional Albanian Night show, featuring music, dance, and cultural performances that celebrate the country's folklore, customs, and traditions.

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Itinerary Overview: Day 3 – Berat – New Year’s Eve

After breakfast, we will depart for Berat, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and one of the oldest continuously inhabited cities in Albania, with a history spanning more than 2,500 years. Often referred to as the “City of a Thousand Windows,” Berat is renowned for its distinctive Ottoman-era architecture and its remarkable blend of cultural and historical influences.

Upon arrival, we will visit the impressive Berat Castle, a unique fortress where residents continue to live within its ancient walls, preserving traditions that have been passed down through generations. Within the castle complex, we will also discover its rich religious heritage; once home to more than 40 churches, several of these historic places of worship still remain today.

Our tour will continue with a visit to the Onufri Museum, housed within one of the castle’s churches. The museum is dedicated to Onufri, the renowned 16th-century Albanian icon painter, celebrated for his exceptional religious artworks and his distinctive “Onufri Red” pigment, which left a lasting influence on Orthodox art throughout Albania and Greece.

Following our visit, we will return to Tirana.

In the evening, we will gather for a festive New Year’s Eve Gala Dinner at the hotel.

Itinerary Overview: Day 4 – Durrës

After a late breakfast, we will enjoy some free time at leisure.

In the early afternoon, we will depart for Durrës, one of the oldest cities in Albania and among the earliest and most important Greek colonies in the region. Founded in 627 BC as Epidamnus by settlers from Corcyra (modern-day Corfu) and Corinth, the city was celebrated by ancient Greek and Roman authors as the “Admirable City,” renowned for its magnificent temples, statues, and impressive monuments.

Today, only remnants of its glorious past remain, which we will discover during our visit. Highlights include the impressive Roman Amphitheatre, one of the largest in the Balkans, and the Archaeological Museum, which houses a rich collection of artefacts reflecting the city’s long and diverse history.

Following our visit, we will return to Tirana.

Itinerary Overview: Day 5 – Shkodër

After breakfast, we will depart for Shkodër, one of the oldest and most culturally significant cities in Albania. Situated near Lake Shkodër and surrounded by spectacular mountain scenery, the city offers a unique blend of history, tradition, and natural beauty.

Upon arrival, we will enjoy an exterior visit to the magnificent Rozafa Castle, dramatically perched on a hill overlooking the confluence of three rivers. According to local legend, the castle is associated with a powerful story of sacrifice and resilience, while its elevated position provides breathtaking panoramic views of the surrounding landscape.

We will then continue with a stroll through Shkodër’s charming pedestrian centre, renowned for its vibrant atmosphere, elegant architecture, and historical influences from both the Italian and Austrian periods. The

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city is also home to the renowned Marubi National Museum of Photography, which houses one of the most important photographic archives in the Balkans. Those interested may choose to visit the museum independently (entrance fee not included).

Free time will be provided to explore the city at your own pace. In the afternoon, we will return to Tirana.

Itinerary Overview: Day 6 – Tirana city tour - Departure

After breakfast, we will visit the Dajti Mountain cable car and enjoy a scenic ride offering spectacular panoramic views over Tirana and the surrounding countryside.

We will then continue with a guided walking tour of Tirana, exploring the city's main landmarks and cultural highlights. Among the sites to visit are the Et'hem Bey Mosque, the National Opera and Ballet Theatre, and Skanderbeg Square, the vibrant heart of the Albanian capital. The tour will also include a visit to the iconic Pyramid of Tirana, a landmark that reflects the city's remarkable transformation and evolving modern identity.

Later, we will transfer to Tirana International Airport for our return flight, which is scheduled to depart at 18:45 hrs.

Tour Pricing and Inclusions

Adult in a single room	€1100
Adult in a twin/double room	€990
Adult in a triple room	€940

Price includes:

- Direct WIZZ Air flights – Malta – Tirana – Malta
- 20kgs checked in luggage and small bag
- 5 nights' accommodation in a 4* hotel located in Tirana - Doro City Hotel or similar
- Daily breakfast
- All transfers mentioned in the itinerary
- All excursions mentioned in the itinerary
- Experienced English-speaking tour guide through the whole tour
- Albanian Night Show

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- New Year's Eve dinner
- Entrances fees
 - Et'hem Bey Mosque
 - Onufri Museum Berat
 - Dajti Cable Car
- Service of a Maltese speaking Kercem A' Tours tour leader
- Insolvency Fund Certificate

NB. The itinerary may be subject to slight adjustments due to unforeseen circumstances that may occur.

The booking is confirmed upon payment of €450 deposit.

Payments can be made with a cheque made payable to Kercem A' Tours, via bank transfer or by cash. Card payments are also accepted over the phone.

For bank transfers kindly issue the payments to the following Bank Account details:

Bank of Valletta

Account Number: 50023350130

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