

CARPATHIAN PEAKS

a mountainer's approach to mountain biking



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We love mountains at least as much as we like biking. In our book mountain biking should be a lot about mountains: majestic forests, alpine pastures, rocky ridges, and the assorted mountain trails. But the pinnacle of any mountain landscape is the peak.

Obviously, not every peak is bikeable. And “bikeable” is like beauty: it’s in the eye (mind, legs, arms) of the beholder. Some peaks can be climbed on a bike practically 100%. Others require some push-bike, or carry-bike. The descents, also. These mtb experiences are not for everyone, but those who are keen on this type of adventure would find them pretty awesome. Are you one of them? You’ve come to the right place, then.

As these mtb rides require advanced to expert technical levels, and a very good physical condition – still talking in “touring” terms, and not racing – we will offer the Carpathian Peaks tour as a custom-only program.

Here is the line-up of peaks in the Carpathian Mountains, South East Transylvania that we have included in the menu. You can go for a light meal, one or two peaks in a weekend escape, or go for the whole two-weeks fiesta.

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Uplift from Sibiu to 1400m., followed by pedalling on forestry roads and alpine pastures. The descent goes all the way down to 850m, with some extra loops available on the way. A good introduction to what's about to come.

ONCEȘTI PEAK, 1700M
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CINDREL PEAK, 2245M CINDREL MOUNTAINS CARPATHIAN PEAKS



Starting from Păltiniș at 1400m, up to 2245m across mountain pastures, grazing sheeps, and some sheperd dogs. Down to Fântânele village, near Sibiel, at 580m. A long day.



SCARA PEAK, 2422M FĂGĂRAȘ MOUNTAINS CARPATHIAN PEAKS

A long and steep climb from the valley (750m) to the peak, the most demanding of the lot. It can be divided in two, with a night-stay at Cabana Bârcaciu, 1500m. The descent, oh boy...



The day of the Strunga Pass descent, with a climb from Moieciu de Sus (1000m altitude), followed by the iconic mountain trail down to the village.



STRUNGILE MICI, 2422M
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We skip a good deal of the climb with a transfer up to 1900m, but plenty of work to do afterwards reaching the highest peak in the Bucegi Mountains. Of the several descending options, we go for the gnarliest, mountainest, epic-est :-) trail.

VÂRFUL OMU, 2422M
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POSTĂVARU, 1799M
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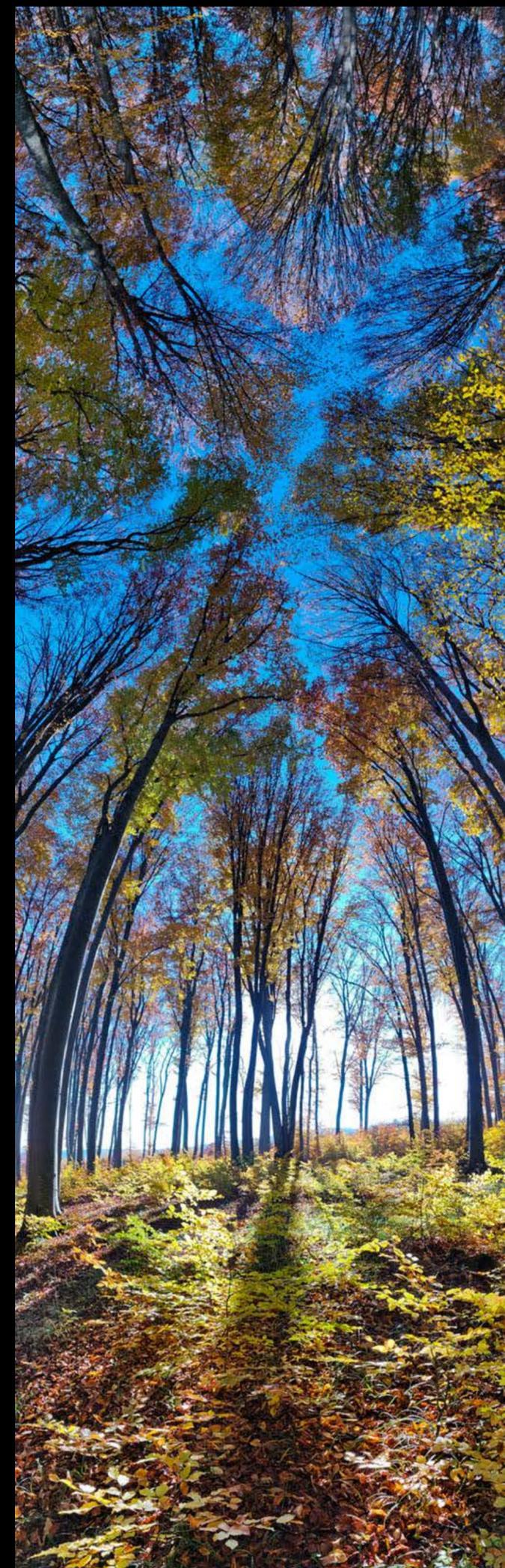


Another day of “cheating” the uphill using the cable car, but only after a 500m climb on a forestry road. The descent goes all the way down to the city of Braşov, but some shorter loops are possible, with or without assisted uplift.

PIATRA MARE, 1843M PIATRA MARE MOUNTAIN CARPATHIAN PEAKS



In the vicinity of Braşov city stays hidden the shy twin brother of the popular Postăvaru mountain: Piatra Mare. A tad bigger, with about 60m, but a lot less busy. You guessed it, no cable cars, so the climb is tough work, all the way to the top. The icing on the cake, the descent to 800m, a treat.





Starting from 1300m, in Bratocea Pass, we have a long and flowy trail on the main ridge of Ciucaș Mountains. A bit of push-bike to get higher than the tree level, and another session of hike-a-bike closer to the peak.

VÂRFUL CIUCAȘ, 1954M

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GROPȘOARELE, 1883M CIUCAȘ MOUNTAINS CARPATHIAN PEAKS



The second highest peak in Ciucaș mountains can be daisy-chained to the main peak for a one-day intensive ride (our preferred option), but it can also be a stand-alone destination.

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- expert tour for highly skilled and physically fit mountain bikers
 - a thorough selection of nine peaks in the Carpathian Mountains, South East Transylvania
 - from 2 to 12 days of guided mountain biking rides
 - full-board accommodation, van transfer and assisted uplift where required
 - airport transfer at the start and at the end of the program
 - main luggage transfer during the trip
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