

Volikas Refuge (hiking)

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Let's have a hiking *adventure* and enjoy "Lefka Ori" in their pure version. Feel the mountains energy close to high mountain peaks.

Expert drivers will take you through olive, orange and lemon groves. The route is beautiful and during that time we will give you a chance for a short stop to rest a bit and enjoy scenery.

Start Hiking Point: Following the path to Volikas shelter we are already close to high peaks. We can feel the mountains energy and the wild nature on those high mountain peaks where there aren't any trees. The landscape is compared to that of the moon. A few minutes hiking Southeast from Volikas Refuge we will taste fresh cold water. A real gift from nature!

Volikas Refuge: It is the oldest one shelter on "Lefka Ori", built in 1958. From that point the view of the Cretan Sea is truly fantastic. During our hiking route, smell of herbs is very intense, sheep and goats are a part of the scenery too.

Meeting point: One and a half hour hiking away from Volikas Refuge - at the end of the hiking route - we will have the chance to visit a "Shepherd's hut" and get some information about its use.

Therisso: Lunch time! Taste Greek cuisine, wine and hospitality in a picturesque village, a turning point in the local history. The Cretan revolution started right here, in 1905!

Venizelos Gorge: The perfect route before our return to urban landscape. It is an amazing gorge. Admire scenery and take plenty of photos of wild nature.

Distance : 145 km

Duration: 8-9 hours

Hiking Duration: 3 hours

Altitude: 1450 m

Difficulty: 2/5

Price : ages 12+ : 110 euro [The prices are for group participation min 4 persons]

Schedule: All year (On Request)

Pick up times: upon request

Price includes: Hotel "door to door" pick up and drop off, liability insurance and local taxes, tour in 4wd 7 seater Mitsubishi Pajero, English speaking guide – driver, English speaking trekking guide, lunch with traditional food and wine.

Items to bring: bottle of water, back bag, sunglasses, hat, sun cream, a jacket (depending on the weather conditions). Hiking shoes recommended.

Remember to inform us if you or another member of your group is vegetarian or if there is a food allergy. If you do, we may arrange a different menu for them.

This adventure is not recommended for people, with mobility problems, suffering from car sickness, don't like being in bumpy roads and for persons with fear of heights.