

# THE SLOVENE MOUNTAIN TRAIL

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To mountain walkers, Slovenia is best known for the Julian Alps, but it has a lot more than that to offer. This guide describes the Slovene Mountain Trail, a 500km long-distance route from Maribor, close to the Austrian border in the north-east, to Ankaran on the Adriatic coast in the south-west, offering outstanding mountain and upland walking in some of the most beautiful, varied and interesting landscapes to be found anywhere in Europe. Highlights include the forested plateau of Pohorje; the limestone peaks of the Julian and Kamnik-Savinja Alps; the alpine pastures and flower-strewn ridges of the Karavanke.

The route is presented in a series of 3–6 day treks of all levels of difficulty, all featuring start and finish-points that can be accessed by public transport: they can be completed as single sections or linked to create a longer trip. Each day is graded: low-grade walking is mostly on tracks or lanes with no steep ascents, whereas the most difficult stages may involve steep and technical terrain including fixed protection or sections of via ferrata, for which a helmet, self-belaying equipment and the appropriate experience are required. In addition to clear route description and mapping, the guide provides all the practical information you will need to plan your trip, covering transport, accommodation and safety, as well as background notes on geology, plants and wildlife.

## Key marketing points

- The trail covers most of Slovenian mountain areas
- It is one of the oldest hiking routes in Europe
- Direct flights from the UK to Maribor, Klagenfurt and Ljubljana

## About the author

Justi Carey and Roy Clark started visiting the British mountains in their teens, a discovery which has shaped their whole lives. Their passion for the outdoors has since led to travels across the world and a deep commitment to the environment. Since moving to Slovenia in 2002, Justi has worked as an English teacher, while Roy has developed his photography skills. They now run a B&B in the mountainous north-west of Slovenia.

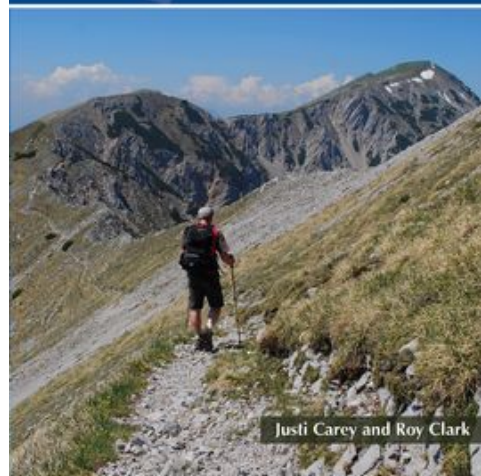
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