



STORY WITH A VIEW – ON THE RAPALLO BORDER

Soriška planina, mountain beauty, surrounded with spectacular views, offers all year round activities for all generations.

Rapallo Border

Over the peaks of the Soriška planina highland once ran the old border – the Rapallo border, which marked the lives of the locals and cut nearly a third of Slovenians from their motherland. On the theme tourist trail you can have a look at many remains of the Italian defensive fort system – the Alpine wall, well-preserved barracks, a mule track and an observation dome.

Only a week or so after the end of the Great War and the signing of the cease-fire between the Austro-Hungarian Empire and Italy (4 November 1918), the first Italian soldiers settled in the Upper Bača Valley and the neighbouring Sorica community. Without any resistance whatsoever, they occupied the majority Slovenian territory and stayed there until the capitulation of Italy in 1943. But the border between the Kingdom of Italy and the newly founded Kingdom of SHS (Kingdom of Serbs, Croats and Slovenes) was finalized more than two years later (12 November 1920), when the long awaited peace treaty was signed in the Italian city of Rapallo following lengthy negotiations. The towns on the Primorska side or in the valley of the river Bača thus went to Italy, while Sorica and the surrounding villages were annexed to the Kingdom of SHS.

How does a guided Rapallo border tour look like?

With our experienced guides you will ascent to Soriška planina peaks with chair- lift Lajnar and than walk on mountain tops and see the remains of military barracks, mule tracks and observation domes. After the tour a tasty lunch awaits at guesthouse Brunarica.

The tour includes:

- chair-lift ride to peak Lajnar
- tour guide
- stew at return
- Rapallo border map

Difficulty: easy

Duration: around 2 and a half hours, depending on group size

Equipment needed: hiking shoes and clothes, pocket light



PRICE LIST:

Adults: 25 € na osebo

Children age 5,99 and less free

Children age 6 to 17,99, students, seniors: 17 € per person

GROUP of 10 persons or more: 20 € per person

TOUR DATES:

Meeting point at info point Kozolček on Soriška planina at 10 am

July: 2. 7., 23. 7., 30. 7. 2023

August: 20. 8., 27. 8. 2023

September: 3. 9., 17. 9. 2023

Tour guides are possible also on **optional dates** for groups of 15 persons and more.

Informations and reservations:
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WHERE DO I BEGIN??

Guesthouse Brunarica Soriška planina (you can reach the top of Lajnar by foot, by bike or the double chairlift Lajnar).

WHAT DO I SEE and WHERE?

- 1 Steel observation dome of the fortification atop Lajnar, which was used by the Italians to monitor movement on the no man's land between the Alpine Wall and Sector IV of the Rupnik Line, which ran across the Selška valley and over the ridge from Soriška planina to Ratitovec.
- 2 Living quarters built into the ground of the fortification atop Lajnar. The platform in front of the entrance delivers a view far across the valley of Bača.
- 3 The barracks of the GAF (Italian frontier guard) members on Možic were built as some of the first in the sector, on the very spot, where several haylofts stood before. In the immediate vicinity was a transshipment station of the military cargo cableway.
- 4 Machine gun post of the bunker type 7000, which was typically well-hidden and therefore difficult to spot. The exterior gives no clue of the branched system of hallways and rooms, which are hidden inside.
- 5 Under the observation dome atop Možic, which offers a nice view of the Bohinj Basin, is hidden a series of hallways and carefully constructed rooms for personnel with several combat blocks.
- 6 The fortification Vrh Bače is built into a life rock. From the entrance, which is additionally protected with a gallery and is not easily spotted, one can clearly see the fortification atop Lajnar.

