

FLY OVER ALBANIA

The free flight pack

Everything to know before your first tandem paragliding flight: what to wear, the five takeoffs, when to fly, trip ideas and a certificate to frame.

BEFORE YOU FLY

We've been flying tandem passengers over Albania since 2008, and the same questions come up before almost every flight. This pack answers them, so you can turn up relaxed and spend your flight looking at the view.

Print it, save it to your phone, or send it to whoever is flying with you.

The Paragliding Albania team at Extreme Illyricum

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A tandem flight above the coast at Llogara, filmed on the pilot's camera.

YOUR FLIGHT DAY

Paragliding depends on the wind, so every flight starts with a weather check. Here is how the day goes.

1

MESSAGE US

Send your date, the site you'd like, how many people are flying, and each passenger's age and weight.

2

WE CHECK THE WIND

We look at wind strength and direction for your site and send a clear go or no-go, with your exact meeting time and place.

3

MEET YOUR PILOT

Get to the meeting point a few minutes early. Transport from the meeting point to the takeoff is included.

4

GET YOUR BRIEFING

Your pilot fits your harness and helmet and talks you through the takeoff: a few steps forward, and keep running until you're told to sit.

5

FLY

Sit back and take it in. Your pilot steers and lands. Ask questions, ask for photos, or ask for a calmer flight if you'd prefer.

6

LAND AND SHARE

Landing is a few steps or a gentle slide. Your video of the flight comes with every booking, so you can relive it and share it.

IF THE WIND SAYS NO

Too much wind, wind from the wrong direction, rain or low cloud all mean no-go. That call is always your pilot's and it's made for your safety. If the forecast isn't right we tell you before you travel and move your flight to another slot, so leave a spare day in your plans if you can.

WHAT TO WEAR AND BRING

Tick these off the night before. Mountain takeoffs are cooler and windier than the beach, even in August.

WEAR

- [ ] **Closed shoes with good grip**
  Trainers or hiking shoes. No sandals or flip-flops: you'll take a few running steps on rough ground.
- [ ] **Long trousers or leggings**
  Comfortable and easy to move in.
- [ ] **Layers and a light windproof jacket**
  It's cooler at the takeoff and cooler again in the air.
- [ ] **Sunglasses**
  A strap helps keep them on.
- [ ] **Hair tied back**
  And no loose scarves or hats.

BRING

- [ ] **Your phone, charged**
  For the drive and the photos at landing.
- [ ] **Water**
  Especially on summer afternoons.
- [ ] **Sun cream**
  There's little shade at most takeoffs.
- [ ] **Payment for your flight**
  Ask us when you book how you'd like to pay.
- [ ] **A light snack**
  Eat light before the flight and save the big meal for after.

NOTES FOR THE DAY

TELL US BEFORE YOU BOOK

Any injury, health condition, recent surgery or pregnancy, and each passenger's age and weight. It takes one message and lets your pilot plan the right flight for you. More on page 8.

THE FIVE TAKEOFFS

Every flight is a tandem with your own pilot. Prices are per person and include all equipment, transport to the takeoff and a video of your flight.



LLOGARA

THE VIEW

Launch from Llogara Pass at 1,027 m and glide all the way down to the beach at Palasë, with the Ionian Sea ahead of you.

GETTING THERE

Llogara Pass is on the SH8 coast road, about an hour south of Vlora. Meet us at the pass.

PAIR IT WITH

A walk in the pines of Llogara National Park, then a swim at Palasë or Dhërmi below.



VLORA

THE VIEW

Take off from Shashica above Kaninë and Kanina Castle, with Vlora Bay, Sazan Island and the Karaburun peninsula below.

GETTING THERE

Meet us on the Lungomare, Rruga Murat Tërbaçi. Pickup in Vlora on request.

PAIR IT WITH

Kanina Castle at sunset, a boat trip to Sazan Island and Karaburun, or Zvërnec Monastery on the Narta lagoon.



DAJTI

THE VIEW

Fly from Mount Dajti with the whole of Tirana spread out beneath you.

GETTING THERE

Dajti rises just east of Tirana. We send the exact meeting point when we confirm your flight.

PAIR IT WITH

The Dajti Ekspres cable car (4.7 km, about 15 minutes), then Skanderbeg Square and Bunk'Art in the city.



BERAT

THE VIEW

Soar over Berat, the UNESCO-listed city of a thousand windows.

GETTING THERE

About two hours south of Tirana by road. Exact meeting point sent with your confirmation.

PAIR IT WITH

Berat Castle, the Mangalem quarter by the river, and a day trip to the Osumi Canyon.



KORÇË

THE VIEW

Fly over Korçë and the mountains of southeast Albania.

GETTING THERE

About three and a half hours from Tirana. Exact meeting point sent with your confirmation.

PAIR IT WITH

The Old Bazaar, the Cathedral of the Resurrection, and the stone village of Voskopojë above the town.

360°

ADD THE 360° VIDEO, +€30

Your whole flight filmed on an Insta360, so you can reframe it and share it afterwards. Available at every site. Ask for it when you book.

WHEN TO FLY

April to October brings the most flyable days, with July and August the busiest. Outside the main season we fly on good days, so ask us about your dates.



TIME OF DAY

Morning air is usually the smoothest, which suits first-timers and anyone who gets motion sick. Afternoons can be livelier as the sun warms the ground. Late afternoon at the coast often brings softer light for photos. Your pilot picks the slot that suits the site and the forecast.

GO OR NO-GO

Strong or gusty wind, wind from the wrong direction, rain, storms and low cloud all mean no-go. We decide before you travel and move your flight if needed.

PLAN A SPARE DAY

If your dates are tight, fly early in your trip. If the first day is a no-go, you still have time for another try.

IN THE AIR

Even on a hot day it's cooler at the takeoff and cooler again in the air. Bring the jacket.

WHO CAN FLY

Most people can fly tandem. When you message us, tell us each passenger's age and weight and we'll confirm before you book.

TALK TO US FIRST IF YOU

- are pregnant
- have a heart condition or high blood pressure
- have had surgery recently
- have back, neck, knee or ankle problems
- have epilepsy, or take medication that makes you drowsy

If you're not sure, check with your doctor before you book.

FEELING GOOD UP THERE

EAT LIGHT

Have a light meal one or two hours before. Not a big breakfast, and not an empty stomach.

DRINK WATER

Heat and nerves both dry you out.

LOOK AT THE HORIZON

Keep your eyes on the distance rather than straight down if you start to feel queasy.

SPEAK UP EARLY

Tell your pilot the moment you feel unwell. They can fly straighter and smoother, or head in to land.

SKIP THE ALCOHOL

Save it for the celebration after you land.

TRAVEL-SICKNESS TABLETS

If you get car sick, ask a pharmacist about taking something before your flight.

NERVOUS? THAT'S NORMAL

The hardest moment is the first few running steps. After that you're sitting in a harness with an experienced pilot behind you, and many first-timers say it feels calmer than they expected.

PHOTOS AND YOUR 360° VIDEO

Every booking includes a video of your flight. Add the 360° video for +€30: it's filmed on an Insta360, so afterwards you choose the angle and make your own clips.



WEAR COLOUR

Bright tops stand out against blue sea and sky.

SUNGLASSES ON, HAIR BACK

Better photos and better comfort.

HANDS FREE

Leave the filming to us. Only hold your phone if your pilot says it's safe and it's on a strap.

LOOK AT THE CAMERA

Takeoff and landing make the best shots. Smile, wave, point at the view.

REFRAME LATER

With the 360° video, pick the angle after the flight and cut a short clip for your phone.

SHARE IT

Post it, send it home, and tag the place you flew.

LOVED IT? LEAVE US A REVIEW

Scan the code to review us on Google. Add a still from your video. It helps other travellers find a flight they can trust.

PLAN YOUR TRIP

A flight takes a few hours of your day, so build the rest of the day around it. Four ideas we like:

RIVIERA DAY

Fly from Llogara

- Morning flight from Llogara Pass
- Lunch and a swim at Palasë or Dhërmi
- Back over the pass for sunset views

VLORA DAY

Fly from Vlora

- Fly from Shashica above Kaninë
- Kanina Castle and the old village
- Evening walk on the Lungomare

TIRANA AND DAJTI

Fly from Dajti

- Fly from Mount Dajti
- Ride the Dajti Ekspres cable car
- Skanderbeg Square, then dinner in Blloku

BERAT AND KORÇË WEEKEND

Fly from Berat, Korçë

- Berat Castle and Mangalem, then fly
- Next day, drive east to Korçë and fly
- Old Bazaar, then Voskopojë

APPROXIMATE DRIVE TIMES

Tirana to Vlora	about 2 hours (155 km)
Vlora to Llogara Pass	about 1 hour
Tirana to Mount Dajti	under 1 hour by road or cable car
Tirana to Berat	about 2 hours
Tirana to Korçë	about 3½ hours

Allow extra time in July and August, when the coast road gets busy.

BOOK YOUR FLIGHT

Copy this into WhatsApp, fill in the gaps and send it to +355 67 404 6313. We reply with a go or no-go and your meeting point.

Hi! I'd like to book a tandem flight.

Site: Llogara / Vlora / Dajti / Berat / Korçë

Date: _____ Backup date: _____

People flying: _____

Ages and weights: _____

360° video (+€30): yes / no

Where I'm staying: _____

Scan to open WhatsApp

PRICES PER PERSON

Vlora	€100	Llogara	€130
Korçë	€130	Dajti	€150
Berat	€150	360° video, any site	+€30

TALK TO US

WhatsApp or call +355 67 404 6313
info@xtremeillyricum.com

MEETING POINTS

Vlora: Lungomare, Rruga Murat Tërbaçi
Llogara: Llogara Pass, SH8
Dajti, Berat, Korçë: sent with your confirmation

HOURS

Every day, 08:00 to 20:00
Flights depend on the weather

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CERTIFICATE
OF FLIGHT

This certifies that

_____

took off, flew tandem and landed with a grin

Site	Date	Pilot
_____	_____	_____

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