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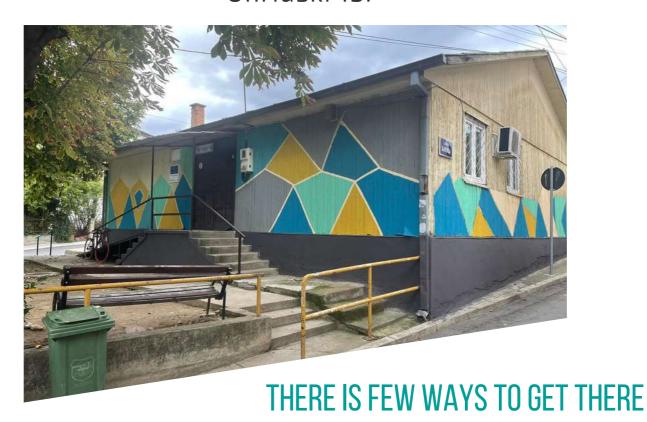
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Your new work place Center for Youth Activism KRIK is located in Crniche, a nice neighbourhood up from the center at Street Naum Ohridski 13.



Bus - there is bus which is going from the city center to the office. The bus number 16 you can take from the bus stop opposite to City Hospital (big dark red building close to the GTC). There is no worry to counting the stops because you should get out of the bus right before KAM MARKET. Then go left right by Viola Pharmacy, than left agan and here you are!

Taxi - if your pocket money just arrived and it's the beginning of the month don't mind to hop to the taxi. The taxi drivers knows the address.

Google maps: https://goo.gl/maps/nKAEztoZGv2BskCL9



Now when you already get to the Youth center you should know more about things we are doing here.

Centre for youth activism KRIK is non-governmental, non-profit organization established by young people, led by young people and it works for and with young people. The translation of the word KRIK is SCREECH/OUTCRY and the inspiration for it came out of the vision of this organization, which is to be the voice of the youth that will be heard and will make changes and contributions in the society. KRIK strives to encourage greater youth participation, youth activism, encourage young people to be more included in the policy making process on local and national level. The target group that KRIK works with are all people (but mainly youth) who want to contribute and make changes in the field of ecology, critical thinking and communicative skills, as well as working for the well-being of the socially excluded groups from the society.

KRIK is cooperating also with Scout Center and both are actively organising a lot of events and workshops for young people with fewer opportunities and with typical development.





WHAT YOU CAN DO IN KRIK

Well, there are a lot of things you could do, you only need your imagination and personal motivation. KRIKs staff will always give you the support and help. Till now the KRIK's volunteers created a lot of successful workshops and events, such as:









CREATIVE WORKSHOP AT SCHOOLS FOR BLIND AND DEAF
KIDS PROVIDED BY AGATA AND BARBARA, LONG-TERM
VOLUNTEERS FROM POLAND





WEEK AGAINST THE RACISM, EVENTS CREATED BY VOLUNTEERS DURING THE WHOLE WEEK



MOVIE NIGHTS IN THE YOUTH CENTER



All you need is actually your determination and creativity. You have all the support from KRIK's team and all the space in Youth and Training center.



SKOPJE

HOW TO GET TO SKOPJE?

AIRPORT "ALEXANDER THE GREAT" — SKOPJE

The airport has connections with Istanbul, Belgrade, Zagreb, Ljubljana, Budapest from the surroundings and most of the European capital cities. From the airport there is a shuttle bus from the company Vardar Express, which costs 199 MKD, approximately 4 euros.

MAIN CENTRAL BUS STATION SKOPJE

The central bus station has connections with every capital city from the surroundings, including Istanbul, Ljubljana and Budapest.

CENTRAL RAILWAY STATION SKOPJE

The central railway station is in the same place as the bus station and is internationally connected with Thessaloniki and Belgrade.



SKOPJE cosy coffee shops hest

A capital city has a lot to offer. From the cosy coffee shops, best restaurants, awesome sweet shops, great pubs and museums.

And all of it right there in the center.

Here are the few places you can't miss while you are staying in Skopje.

One of the more popular options when it comes to purely hanging out with friends, having a bite and enjoying a drink or two. The Kafanas are typical small and often great value for money restaurants that have a lively ambiance, also a live band performing and serve local specialties and drinks.

Believe me, you will love it there.

Promenade close to the river (Vardar) has many pubs for the most picky customer. From Irish pub, Havana club to nights clubs you will definitely find something for yourself.

It's located above the Old Bazaar, close to the Fortress. It's a place with open area and live music. It's a brewery also so you won't order there an usual beer. Which is awesome because the beer they are serving it's unique and incredibly tasty. Not to mention the atmosphere made by live music, you will definitely enjoy even during the winter where inside the pub turns to be great dance floor.

There is no better place in Skopje. Turkish old bazar has the best restaurants with national food. You will eat here amazing kebapi, tavce gravce, sharska and many others. For a dessert we recommend to try delicious baklava or trileche (be careful, it's really sweet). And there is no better place to enjoy your time while drinking strong turkish coffee or tea.

KAFANAS

PUBS

STARA PIVNICA

OLD BAZAAR

SKOPJE

You need to buy something for the kitchen? Or fresh vegetables? Or even maybe clothes? Shoes? Don't bother going to the regular shop. You buy anything you need at Bit Pazar. And trust us, it will be much cheaper there. You can even negotiate if the price still is to high for you. Bit Pazar is located at the end of Old Bazaar

Museum of Contemporary Arts is located above the fortress Kale close to the center of the city. You can enjoy there in the beautiful art pieces of Pablo Picasso or local contemporary artist. Also the Museum of Contemporary Art has very nice garden for your daily picnics while you are amazed by the panoramic view of the city

It's good to plan the whole day for this place. A beautifully canyon by the water with take your breathe away. You can easily get there by local bus (around 40min drive) or negotiate a price with a taxi. It's not a problem to rent a guide with a boat and see even more beautiful things at this place. Also there is a restaurant where you can rest and enjoy the amazing view while drinking or having meal. You can also rent a kayak:)

Vodno is a mountain where you can get by taking a local bus from the center or you can walk. From the middle of the mountain you can take a cable car and go to the top. At the top is an enormous cross but what's the most important is the view. The whole Skopje just in front of you. Worth to go there.





MACEDONIA

If you have enough of Skopje and you want to see something else there is plenty of cities you should visit:

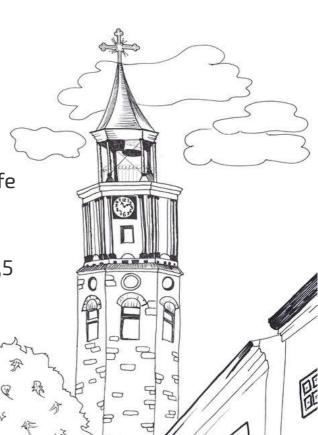


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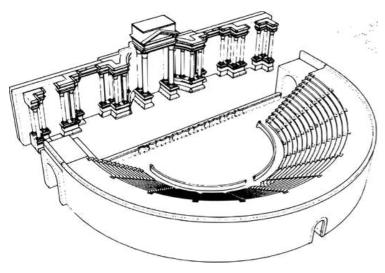
City by the lake. Sounds normal but trust me, you will be amazed by that. It's the biggest, oldest natural lake and one of the deepest in Europe. It has very rich culture and history that you should discover by yourself. It's a must have on your list. Just look at it.

PRILEP

In Prilep you can eat delicious baklava (Alfa cafe at the main square) and climb the hill called Markovi Kuli (The Towers of King Marko). The view from there is worth of climbing (around 1,5 hour walk) or visit Treskavec Monastery. The monastery possesses a large collection of Byzantine frescoes. The oldest remaining date from the 15th century.



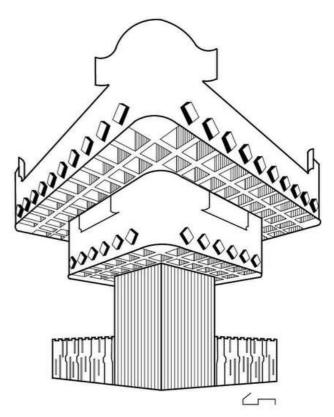
BITOLA



Bitola - a city famous for Heraklea ancient town founded by Philip II of Macedonia, during the middle of the 4th century BC, and a promenade where you can walk and be admired by local people. Or you can admire them.

KAVADARCI

This city is very well known for the production of the traditional Macedonian drinks like Rakija and Macedonian Wine, which are internationally recognized. Also Kavadarci has rich history and it has been established during the Hellenic period, being situated on the main road of Via Egnatia that led from the Danube to the Aegean Sea meant it became an important military, economic and cultural hub at the time



Croatia

Romania

Serbia

Bosnia and Herzegovina

Montenegro Kosovo Bulgaria North Macedonia Albania

Greece

NEIGHBOUR COUNTRIES

There is very possible that your travel spirit will drag you to explore more.

And you should listen to it. Around Macedonia there are countries you should definitely visit. Macedonia has borders with following countries:

Albania, Bulgaria, Greece, Kosovo and Serbia.

There is no problem to enter any of these countries. For each country there is at least few buses per day.

The most easy is getting to Kosovo (buses to capital city Prishtina are going every hour for only 5 euro). For Bulgaria there are definitely two buses (one at the morning, one at the late afternoon) for around 30 euro both ways. To the Greece there is easy way to get by bus to Thessaloniki (two buses per day). Same for Albania and Serbia.

There are a lot of companies so the best way is to check the schedule at the Main bus station just to avoid changes of the schedules. Important note about going to Serbia throught Kosovo

There is no chance to do that so if you were planning that way you should change your plans. Since Serbia is not accepting the Kosovo independence there is no way to get to Serbia from Kosovo (since you are starting from Macedonia, Serbia wouldn't accept kosovian stamp in the passport).

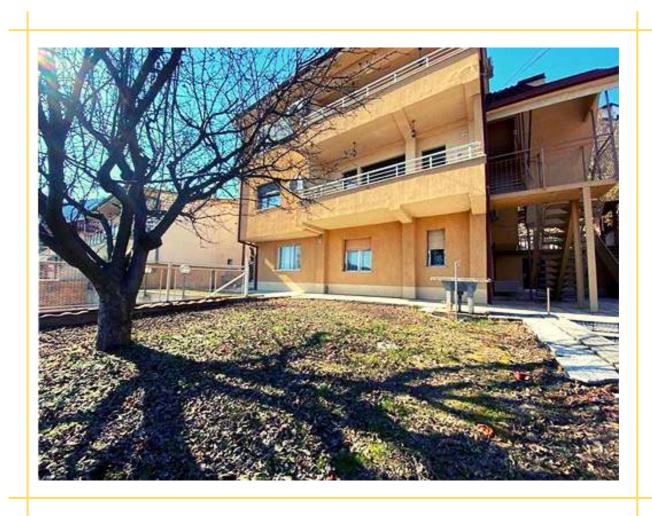




The address of the apartment is st. "Dimo Hadzi Dimov no. 62b"

The house is located in Kisela Voda Municipality in South-eastern part of Skopje and it is 10 minutes by bus to the center of Skopje (20 minutes walking).

The apartment is full prepared for living and has excellent conditions.

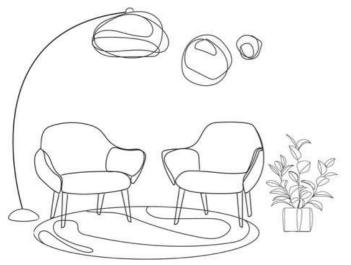




YOUR LIVING SPACE







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Close to the house there is a big market which is open during the day

Down the street towards the center of the city there are few cafébars.

From the center there is one buss that go in the direction of the house. Bus number is 24







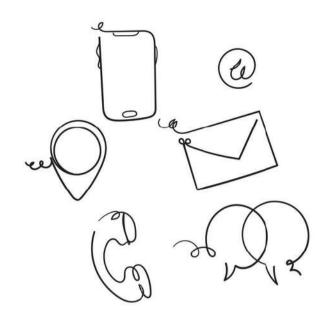
The volunteers can do the volunteering in North Macedonia without having the vaccine.

The team in Krik fully recommends the vaccination process for everyone, especially because the compacity of the target group. But the government still does not have any restrictions for volunteers.

Entering the country: In order to enter Macedonia, for now, there are not any restrictions.

Entering the bars and malls: for now, there are not any restrictions.





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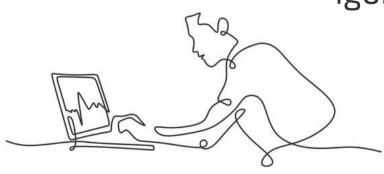
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WE HOPE THE GUIDE WILL BE HELPFUL AT LEAST ON THE BASIC LEVEL. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR DOUBTS DON'T HESTITAGE TO ASK FOR HELP OF ANY KRIK'S MEMBER. EVERYONE FROM THE ORGANIZATION IS WILLING TO HELP AND BE YOUR GUIDE.:

