

Milishevc, Kosovo – Reka e Allagës, Kosovo

Trail distance: 16.24 kilometers

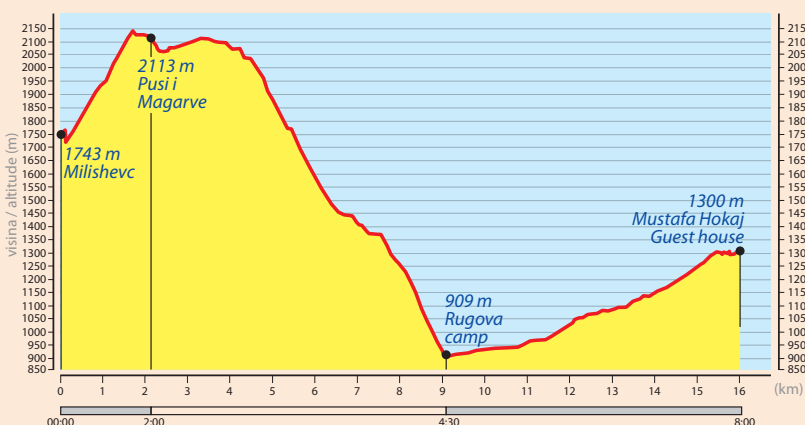
Elevation min: 910 meters **max:** 2,136 meters

Cumulative height uphill: 863 meters **downhill:** 1,277 meters

Difficulty level: ● Moderate

Time: 8-9 hours

Markings:  red/white/red



The interesting transfer hike to Reka e Allagës begins with an ascent to the Lumbardhi ridge, a vantage point which offers breathtaking views towards the surrounding mountains and Milishevc. It then continues with a steep descent to Rugova Camp Hotel before continuing up along gravel roads to Reka e Allagës. Bonuses of this hike include drinks at Rugova Camp and delicious traditional food served with warm hospitality at Reka e Allagës' guesthouses.

For a less challenging hike, the trail can be separated into two days. The first day would involve an ascent hike 9.1 kilometers long to the Lumbardhi ridge and the steep descent to Rugova Camp (WP 11d, tel: +38 (0) 44-248-270) where accommodation can be found. The second day will involve a 6.8 kilometers hike from Rugova Camp to Reka e Allagës village with a gentle ascend along the gravel roads.

This hike starts at the main road (dirt road) of the village (WP 11c) and climbs directly north via the mule track which crosses the Bjeshka e Lumbardhit ridge. At WP 1d, we reach a beautiful meadow with breathtaking views towards Gjeravica Mountain (the highest in Kosovo), Marjashi peak (southwest from our position), and Milishevc.

Our ascent north is along an unclear, but easily orientated track that arrives at a pass (WP 2d). From the pass we continue north towards Guri i Kuq Mountain which can be identified by its red rock formations. When we are about to approach the mountain wall, we reach a broad path which takes us to Pusi i Magareve (WP 3d) – a small lake for cattle. We follow the path north with the lake on our right and then begin a steep descent north at WP 4d along a mule track. At WP 5d, we reach a dirt road that we follow until we take a left turn at the junction (WP 6d). The hike continues along a mule track through the forest.

Our descent follows north along the mule tracks, dirt roads, and some junctions (see the waypoints list for the directions) until we reach Rugova Camp Hotel which is located next to the main road. Rugova Camp is an inviting place to have a rest before finishing this day hike at Reka e Allagës village.

From Rugova Camp one can either hike to Reka e Allagës or take a taxi. The distance left from here is 6.8 kilometers and the trail goes 1.7 kilometers along the main road, followed by the remainder along a gravel road.

We stayed at Mustafa Hakaj's guesthouse (WP 15d) located in the Hokaj neighborhood of Reka e Allagës village.

UTM waypoints:

- 11c. 34 T 430736 4721046, 1743 m, Milishevc village
- 1d. 34 T 430362 4721773, 1975 m, meadow
- 2d. 34 T 430404 4722198, 2136 m, pass
- 3d. 34 T 431026 4723009, 2113 m, Pusi i Magareve lake
- 4d. 34 T 430739 4723722, 2024 m, start of a steep descent N
- 5d. 34 T 430850 4724683, 1682 m, dirt road
- 6d. 34 T 430983 4725360, 1465 m, leave the dirt road and take mule track left
- 7d. 34 T 430836 4725888, 1408 m, cross the dirt road and follow the mule track N through the forest
- 8d. 34 T 430898 4726110, 1383 m, follow N along the gravel and bear right at the junction
- 9d. 34 T 430835 4726437, 1343 m, end of the gravel and we take a left turn and follow a mule track through a meadow
- 10d. 34 T 430956 4726594, 1282 m, cross the dirt road and follow N through a mule track in the forest
- 11d. 34 T 431201 4727364, 909 m, Rugova Camp and then take the paved road NW
- 12d. 34 T 429811 4727850, 939 m, bear right and follow the gravel road N
- 13d. 34 T 430375 4729251, 1069 m, bear right at the junction and then Reka e Allagës
- 14d. 34 T 431383 4730601, 1236 m, bear left to Hokaj
- 15d. 34 T 430988 4730890, 1300 m, Mustafa Hakaj Guesthouse