

"All roads lead to Durres" rephrase a Latin expression

Everything you could find a coastline of more than 60 kilometers long. In the south and in the north central area of the coast, you can find sandy beaches with pine trees untouched by human hand to rocky bays with pure water suitable for adventure tourism.

Durres beaches easily accessible with all kinds of transport vehicles.

## Antiquity that can be raised from tourism.

- Thousands and thousands of years ago, Durres or Dyrrah as I said then, was the most important center of trade between East and West. Historians speak of a city, that very well in ancient times could be compared with the most powerful cities of Europe at that time.

- There was a time when Durres city was not only good laws, as Aristotle says, the city of sailors, merchants and musicians, such as Erasmus of Rotterdam estimates, but also a beautiful city, rich with vineyards and olive groves, according to Strabo.

- In The year 229 BC, built the famous Via Egnatia, thus changing Durres most important trading center between East and West. This gave the city greater economic development. At this time starts building a large network of pipes, built theater, amphitheater, water supply and many other important monuments.

- Durrësi Seemed like all cities Adriatic coast states, Ragusa and Ancona. The city had customs, its institutions and according to a 1346 document, Durres had his University. Durres professors taught at the Universities of Padova and Bologna.

- Thermal bath are builded. I-II e.s. and found in the foundations of the Palace of Culture Alexander Moisiu. They operate with the hot bath and steam. Importance compared with the terms of Karakalës in Rome.

- In The Cathedral of Durres wineries wines preserved much required. This prestige was maintained until the thirteenth century, where as evidenced by the cathedral of Durres, each year the Pope sent honorin shaped, six bottles of wine. This tradition was maintained until recently, conveying in time with the fame wine producers.

## Cape of Rodon, between adventure and cultural tourism.

- Cape of Rodon. Road to hill, recently added, but too narrow, has a stunning view.

Only 25 minutes by car and arrives in an area where the adventure intertwined with historical and cultural tourism and white sandy beaches of pure water exotic style, the foot hill of rocks, which can be found only in this area.

- Not surprisingly, the Cape of Rodon, who bears the name of a deity Illyrian similar to Poseidon Hellenic and Roman Neptune, known in mythology as the god of the sea, is one of the most beautiful and strategic Albanian coast.

-Once arrived, you can not stay without visiting the church of St. Anthony. Because of the value that gave the Church and did Skanderbeg buildings in the area of Cape at the XV century Church indirectly linked with the name of Skanderbeg. The monument represents the value as a building that belongs to the Roman-Gothic architecture of the century. XIII.

-After its reconstruction, in recent years can be seen clearly still a knight on horseback and a two-headed eagle, with wings sitting down. In other parts of the walls there are other clues fresco.

-Several scholars place the building of the Church of St. Anthony and the Monastery of Saint Mary, in the fourteenth century. Given its monumental values, the connection of its existence with one of the most remarkable periods in the history of Albania, as well as geographic location and stunning landscape, the Church of St. Anthony is one of the most visited places for tourists and local visitors.

-Church and the surrounding area are considered sacred place and on 13 June of each year the Church becomes place of pilgrimage and celebration where besides thousands of locals and tourists surrounding areas come the other visitors.

-Should not leave without visiting the castle of Skanderbeg, accessible on foot, by the church through a hilly path, about 25 minutes walking.

A route that does not feel at all because of the natural beauty that looks at both sides of the Cape, with cliffs that plunge into the sea, creating small sandy bays with pure water.

-A difficult part of the coast is accessible from the ground, making it less frequented, but an ideal solution for all those seeking a little adventure.

After passing the hill with its stunning appearance, arrives at the castle of Skanderbeg. Rodon Castle was built by Skanderbeg around the years 1451-1452. While additional work to became even in 1463, when Skanderbeg brought some master raguzianë construction.

IN SOUTH

## **Gjenerali Beach**

Without going into Kavaja, south highway, a large table invites you turn right, and after you have walked 20 minutes drive, and passes Kryevidhi hills appear on the horizon Beach General.

Called such because of an Italian general of World War II, during expeditions in the area Kavajës encountering a magnificent bay about 400 feet wide, which was kissed by a deep blue sea, which fragment the rocky part, by create a line of water-earth crumbling, which closed with two headlands left and right, in the shape of a horseshoe.

Today the beach, which reached easily by car, 20 minutes away from the highway, remains a very pleasing for those who know and attend and considered the most beautiful part of the Riviera in the south of Durres.

Headlands surrounding rock are conglomeratic and have filled the coast with colorful small gravel that form a stunning mosaic, which harmonize with the blue of the water, the gjelbrën of shrubs and yellow sand beach.

Aquatic world is rich with various fish species with a particular species of marine turtle, which has chosen precisely this small beach to breed its kind.

Panorama of the bay is fantastic, it creates a complete sense of indulgence, it keeps Making love nature.

## **Spille**

If there is an area with pine trees and thick sand, is Spille.

The area is reached after traveling about 20 minutes by car, on a hilly 15 miles long, paved and passes through the villages of Little Luz, leaves the forest right Beden Sharrdushkut and progressing through the last village before you arrive at the beach is Spille a blue sea and endless space.

Spille coastline is quite wide, from 50 to 200 meters wide and several kilometers long. The sand beach is not just soothing, it is also highly curative.