

# Vladivostok-Trekking Pidan- Ussuriisk

## ACTIVE TOUR



Pidan mountain does not need advertisement as for recent years it has become one of the most famous mountains of Russian Far East between both scientists and tourists. It has been believed to be a mysterious mountain – some people insist they have seen UFO there. But besides many myths and legends about Pidan every year attract hundreds of tourists – Russian and foreign – as it is a unique “alive museum” of rich nature of Primorskii region. Being the symbol of Russian Far East its nature remains almost unchangeable since Chjurchjeni state existed there in the 12th century.

During the trekking tour you have a have a good opportunity to observe several flora belts of the region. Inundated forest is changed by rank coniferous- broadleaved woodland which is turns into a dense Russian taiga with fir-trees and spruces. Through the belt of dwarf vegetation you finally find yourself in stony tundra. Here you have a nice opportunity to see endemics and

unique relict tree - Japanese yew.

Mountain springs running from Pidan are also pretty picturesque. At their length they create a plurality of rifts and waterfalls, where quick trout is skylarking.

Also you have a nice chance to take picture with unique stone constructions (naturally formed) which have born a lot of legends – “garden of stones”: “pyramids”, “sanctuaries”, “walls”, “dolmens”, “entrances to the underground”, “Table of Giants”, “Stony ladder of Chjurchjeni”, famous “Maori” (according to the legend it is the last stone guard of the mountain who remained).

The latitude of the mountain Livadiiskaya (Pidan) is 1332 m. The path lies among picturesque ruins with long-sentury pine trees, fir trees. Rear species from The Red book of endangered-species can be also seen, such as remedial brier, harsh wild Primorskii grapes, magnolia-vine, microbiota, stony birch, bergenia and many others from a long list of plants which took fancy to Pidan mountain side hills.

### **SAMPLE OF THE TOUR**



*SEASON: 20<sup>th</sup> May – 15<sup>th</sup> October*

*RATING: medium-difficulty.*

*LOCATION: Vladivostok, Ussuriisk, Pidan Mountain*

*GROUP SIZE: max 15*

*COMMENTS: Please, bring with yourself special clothes for trekking, remedy for ticks.*

DAY	ITINERARY	MEALS
Day 1	 <p>Arrival in Vladivostok by ferry “Eastern Dream” Meeting with the guide at the Sea port 3 hours city tour around VVO. You will visit Egersheld view point, railway station building, Central square, Nikolai Triumph gate, Russian Orthodox Church. In addition to the stops the tour will pass many historic, cultural and architectural landmarks that make up the flavor of Vladivostok. Dinner at the local restaurant. Transfer to the hotel and overnight.</p>	D
Day 2	 <p>Early departure from the hotel. The group is transferred to a local village by bus (about 2 hours), than they take all-terrain bus up to piedmont (about 45 minutes). It is a trekking tour to a mountain famous for its unusual stone constructions in the 11:00 Start trekking to Pidan Mountain. Trekking tour itself takes about 8-9 hours, includes lunch (boxed) and stops for enjoying the natural sights, to make picture with the unique stone constructions. In case of good weather you can enjoy a beautiful round-way panorama of sea, islands and villages. The sight of emerald-green sea of Russian taiga with “waves” of hills which are colored in different tints depending on location of sun. In cloudy weather the panorama is even more majestic – the tops of the mountains are lifted above the clouds. In the evening back to a tourist base. Dinner and overnight at a forest camp.</p>	B L D
Day 3	Breakfast in the forest camp. Early departure to the airport.	B

**\*\*Please, note! The dates and duration of the tour may depend on the schedule of flights.**

**\*The program route and duration can be changed considering your wishes.**