Free (libre) tourism information for Albania

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"The border, a checkpoint against foreign ideology

... The People's Republic of Albania is closed to enemies, spies, hippie tourists and other vagabonds..."

Enver Hoxha

Advantages

- Low cost
- Translatable in more languages than you can think of
- Future-proof
- Cross-platform
- A platform
  - Open to innovation

Options

- The touristic guide - Wikivoyage
- The map - OpenStreetMap
- The encyclopedia - Wikipedia
- The knowledge base - Wikidata

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Albania (Albanian: *Shqipëria*) is a country in the Balkans with nearly 3 million inhabitants. The country has been part of Ancient Greece, the Roman Empire and the Ottoman Empire until its first declaration of independence in 1912, and is one of few traditionally Muslim nations in Europe.

Regions   [edit | edit source]

Coastal Albania
the long narrow strip between about 10 and 30 km wide along the whole Albanian coast, bordering both the Adriatic Sea and Ionian Sea

Northeastern Albania
the inland region to the north of the Shkumbin River, bordering Montenegro, Kosovo and Macedonia.

Southeastern Albania
the inland region to the south of the Shkumbin River bordering Macedonia and Greece, and including the great border lakes, Lake Ohrid and Lake Prespa.

Cities   [edit | edit source]

• **Tirana** (Tiranë) — the capital. Trees and mountains surround the city. Mt. Dajt is a popular tourist site for a great view of the city.
• **Elbasan** - A large, poor, intriguing industrial city that is full of life. The market is fascinating, and the breakfast "Bugace"

Capital	Tirana
Currency	Albanian lek (ALL)
Population	3 million (2014)
Electricity	220 volt / 50 hertz (Schuko, Europlug)
Country code	+355
Time zone	Central European Time to UTC+02:00 and Europe/Tirane
Emergencies	112, +355-127 (emergency medical services), 128 (fire department), +355-129 (police)
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The touristic guide - Wikivoyage 1/2

- Informal language
- Practical
    - Open hours, prices, directions
- Easy to write
- Local knowledge
    - Lacking
- Current
    - Hyper current

The touristic guide - Wikivoyage 2/2

- Translatable
    - 18 languages for Albania article, including some exotic ones
    - Much less or none for other articles
- Geotagged
- Activity-based articles
    - Beaches
    - Hiking
    - Camping

Wikipedia

- In-depth articles on monuments
    - Natural - Wiki Loves Earth
    - Cultural - Wiki Loves Monuments
- No. of articles, lists
    - Castles
- QRPedia
- Translations

OpenStreetMap

- Rural map of Albania
- Touristic map of Albania
    - Local information
    - Hiking trails
- "Street view" as a mapping tool
- Booking information

Wiki Loves...

- Wiki Loves Earth
  - Natural monuments
  - 776 photos (2016)
- Wiki Loves Monuments
  - Cultural monuments
  - 1350 photos (2014-2016)

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