Advanced 3

Vihren hut – Sinanitza hut – Vihren hut

Duration: 9 hrs

Ascent: 730 m

Starting point: Vihren hut

*To Vihren hut you can go by car or take the shuttle bus from Bansko (it operates only in summer July-September - check the time table at railway station in Bansko or call +359 887 96 86 08).

100 – 103 Opposite the hut entrance and across the parking lot there are few stone steps and yellow signs. Take the path following the yellow and blue marks along the way.
This path goes on the right (west) riverbank. Walk until you reach a small wooden bridge across the river and yellow signs. Do not cross the river, continue on the path marked with yellow and blue paint.
When you reach four yellow signs pointing various directions, you'll see the Muratovo lake right after.

Go back to the four yellow signs and take the direction to х. Яне Сандански (Yane Sandanski) and х. Беговица (Begovitza).

Look for the yellow and blue marks and follow them up the hill.
At the top after this climb there are three yellow signs. Take the direction to х. Синаница (Sinanitza) and follow the path marked with blue paint.
On top of the last climb there are again 3 yellow signs. Take the direction to х. Синаница (Sinanitza). Soon, in the distance you will see the blue lake and the hut with a blue roof. Follow the path marked with blue and red paint all the way to the lake (Sinanishko) and the hut (Sinanitza) nearby.
Sinanitza’s circus is one of the most beautiful places in Pirin mountain.
130 – 132 Take the same way back following at first the blue and red marks, then just the blue marks and then the blue and yellow marks all the way to Vihren hut.

132 While descending, you will have a very good view from above to Muratovo lake with it's specific shape.