



Brod Village

Brod is a village in south of Kosovo which is surrounded by large mountains. It is in the province of Dragaš and is the southernmost village in the region. Only Restelica another village is more southern. The majority of people living in the village are from Goranci ethnic minority. The **Goranci** have their own language and are historically Muslim, their language, which is a Torlakian Slavic language, is related to Serbian and Macedonian, with Albanian and Turkish loanwords.

The village of Brod has a population of perhaps 8,000 people. It has a rough elevation of 1,200 meters, but the mountains above it reach 2,200 meters. As the people have been living and herding cattle there for hundreds and hundreds of years, the surrounding mountains are completely over grazed and deforested (in a beautiful way). Due to this, in order for the people to have some means of heating in the winter, they pack the manure from their cattle and goats on the sides of their houses so that it will dry.

Several mountain springs run through the village on their way down to the flat plains of Kosovo.

The Village can be visited as part of the Wild Goat Trail

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