



Zigana is not only the summit for summer, but for all seasons. It hosts its visitors with diverse beauties during the winter. Tourism center and skiing facilities are 46 km away from Gümüşhane and 54 km away from Trabzon. The skiing slopes in Zigana Mountain Skiing Center are 1900-2500 meters long and average snow thickness can rise up to 1 meter during the winter. The skiing season that starts in December continues until the end of April. Declared as a tourism center by the Ministry of Tourism in 1991, Zigana has been also serving as the sole skiing center of the Eastern Black Sea Region for long years.



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## Zigana: "The Summit that the Skies Call"

Reaching out to Gümüşhane at one side and to Trabzon at the other, Zigana offers historical and natural beauties in the tourism area that expands to 40.000 square meters. Monasteries, natural wonder lakes, villages, forests, clean brooks are located within this mysterious summit. All the colors of nature tells their loves at Zigana since the ancient ages. The summer whispers to winter, green whispers to white which whispers to blue and finally, the nature whispers the words of love to ears here. You hear a mountain calling to another mountain. You envy the white clouds in the sky and witness the birds waking the mountains up every morning.

Zigana, the cultural heir of the region with its 800-year highlands tradition, awaits its visitors with hundreds of food choices addressing the tastes and regional festivals. The dominant colors are green in the winter and white in the summer in Zigana, which extends across Gümüşhane and Trabzon provinces. Traditional and regional festivals are organized in both seasons. Those who attend the festivals, while having fun, breathe in the mystical air of the historical Silk Road ranging from Iran to the Black Sea. This historical view is completed by cute villages leading on steep slope.

Zigana Mountains reach towards Trabzon at one side and to the sea from the east of Harşit Creek. Waters erupting from several places in Zigana feed Değirmendere in the north and Harşit Creek in the south. This chain of mountains provides such delicate views to its visitors that it connects those climbing to its hills and roaming around its highlands to itself.

Zigana Tourism Center is 9 km away from Limni Lake, 16 km away from Kadirga Highlands, 20 km away from Erikbeli Highlands, 30 km away from Karaca Cave, 38 km away from Sumela Monastery, 46 km away from Gümüşhane city center, 54 km away from Trabzon city center, 36 km away from Ancient Santa Ruins and 50 km away from Örümcek Ormanları where the tallest fir trees of Europe are located.

The highest point of Zigana is Deveboynu Hill with an altitude of 3082 meters from the sea level. Another height of Zigana is Ziyaret Hill at 2800 meters. The small bridge between these two hills, on which it was rumored that the caravans of Silk Road passed once and which gives its name to Taşköprü Highlands, is another structure that leaves its marks on the atmosphere within. Zigana is very close to Taşköprü, Deveboynu Hill and Çakırgöl, the glacial lake in these mountains. Meanwhile, it can be easily accessed to villages that preserve their unique architectural characteristics such as Yağmurdere, Şaphane and Kayabaşı and Santa Ruins. Sumela Monastery in Maçka is 42 km away from the summit. An invisible hand, with incredible delicacy, seems to connect the historic fabric with the unique beauties of the nature in Zigana.

Limni Gale, hidden among the forests at the southern part of the summit, and the villages continuing their authentic lives near the Silk Road are worth seeing. There are great pine forests from the northern slopes of Zigana that reaches all the way to Hamsiköy. In these forests, especially during spring, you can watch countless cones of green.