

EnduRoMania: free and legal trail riding in Romania

EnduRoMania stands for a unique opportunity for free and legal trail riding in the heart of Europe. Our understanding of trail riding goes beyond sporting competitions – for us, it is almost a “human right” to experience nature on two wheels. Unfortunately, this freedom is increasingly being restricted in Europe. While countries like the UK have organizations like the [Trail Riders Fellowship \(TRF\)](#) that systematically advocate for the rights of trail riders and initiatives like the [Trans Euro Trails \(TET\)](#) promote legal trail riding in Europe, there is little room for this adventure sport in many regions.

In Romania, EnduRoMania has been a pioneer in sustainable and legal trail riding for over 30 years. Unlike commercial enduro rallies or guided tours, which have their own rules for the organization of events and where participants are under the constant supervision of the organizers, EnduRoMania allows free trail riding in individual groups without any supervision. In Romania, trail riding is allowed on public roads in accordance with the traffic regulations, even without a special permit. However, there are many situations that are preferred by trail riders, for which special permits are required and for which the legal situation is clear: “Entering forests is only allowed in designated nature reserves and on marked trails. Driving motorized vehicles such as motorcycles or mountain bikes is generally prohibited in state forests, unless it is for authorized sports, recreational or tourist activities. These require the consent of the forestry office and, where appropriate, the forest owner“. The specific legal text can be found in the section [”Relevant Legal Regulation for Trail Riding in Romania”](#).

For decades, we have provided detailed maps for responsible navigation and exploration of our trails, which were created in collaboration with our partner Sven Demenyi and incorporate the track logs of the many EnduRoManiacs over the years. We will continue this tradition in 2025: both updated print maps and digital versions will provide participants with orientation and support.

As EnduRoMania is moving to a new concept this year, we are placing particular emphasis on sustainability and balancing the interests of all parties involved. Details of our new services and costs can be found in the section [“EnduRoMania services and costs.”](#)