

# ADRIATIC COAST TOUR

7 DAYS



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Leave behind the everyday bustle of modern life and discover the Old World European romance still perfectly preserved in the countries of Adriatic coast. This awe-inspiring land journey offers rich rewards - from pristine hill towns and romantic boat rides on lake Bled to sun soaked islands, and delicious taste of the oysters of Ston as you roam through the lush vineyards - lacing together the best destinations in this diverse centre of Europe.

ZAGREB - BLED (SLO) - POREČ - OPATIJA - PLITVICE - ŠIBENIK - SPLIT - NERETVA - MOSTAR - STON - DUBROVNIK - KOTOR (ME)



2200 €

Price per person  
(min.4 pax)

### Price includes:

- dinner, bed and breakfast, all transfers, guide, tickets, lunch on field

### Optional:

- hotels with 3 stars. Additional fee for a single room is 15 € per person/ day
- Residence tax: 1€ per person/day



# Tour highlights:

**HERITAGE:** Diocletian's palace in Split; roman-sque and renaissance architecture in Trogir; Old bridge in Mostar; Dubrovnik city walls, Pile Gate (spectacular gate of old town), Rector's Palace; Ston city walls (second biggest walls in the world); The Square of Arms in Kotor

**NATURE:** Plitvice National Park famous for its breathtaking waterfalls and pristine nature dominated by 16 turquoise lakes connected in cascades; Postojna cave, one of the largest natural caves in Europe; Slovenian Alps; River Neretva Nature Park abundant in flora and fauna sheltering many bird species

**GASTRONOMY:** Rafioli from Trogir; dalmatian Pašticada; dalmatian pršut (smoked ham); specialty dishes with Ston oysters; Stuffed wine leaves; Baklava; Kotor's thick soup prepared from cooked fish trout, and frustula (crunchy, dry, sweet cookie of rombus shape)



## EXPERIENCE:

Moonlight walk along unique lungomare of Opatija; admire the image of paradise in lake Bled; explore the underworld in Postojna cave, one of the largest natural caves in Europe; stunning view from Mt Srđ; sea pipe organs in Zadar; tasting some of the best Croatian wines; hear dalmatian song echoing narrow ancient streets; meeting the locals and getting attuned to the slow way of life; hospitality of local people



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# Itinerary:

## 1. Day / The city of Zagreb

Arrival in the city of Zagreb, the capital city and cultural and political centre of the Republic of Croatia. You will be met at the airport by your host and driver and transferred to the one of the Zagreb hotels. Zagreb began its life in the middle ages as two separate entities, Kaptol and Gradec, which today comprise the historic Gornji Grad. It was only in the 19th century that these two merged into one city after which the city flourished into cultural and scientific centre, and now commercial and industrial as well. After settling in and short break, there will be an organized sightseeing tour of the city and of its most famous destinations, like St. Marko's church, Croatian National Theatre, Croatian parliament, Cathedral of Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. After sightseeing, dinner in hotel will be served.

## 2. Day / Bled – Postojna Cave

After breakfast you will meet your tour leader and you will depart for Bled in Slovenia. With its immense natural beauty, Bled, together with its surroundings, ranks among the most beautiful alpine

resorts, renowned for its mild, healing climate and thermal lake water. The beauty of the mountains reflected on the lake, the sun, the serenity and the fresh air arouse pleasant feelings in visitors throughout the year, guaranteeing an ideal break from city's hustle and bustle. There you can enjoy the visit to Bled castle. After the sightseeing, you will proceed further to Postojna cave, one of the largest natural caves in Europe, where lunch will be organized in one of the local restaurants. After the lunch, you will discover the underworld of Postojna cave. Dinner will be served in hotel.

## 3. Day / Poreč - Opatija

Day starts with breakfast in hotel, after which your tour continues to the region of Istria, and the city of Poreč. You will go sightseeing, where you will visit Basilica of Euphrasius, the most famous monument of the early Byzantium Empire on the Mediterranean. The trip will continue to the city of Opatija, an elegant tourist destination that lies at the centre of the Riviera and has the longest tradition of tourism in Croatia. A guided sightseeing tour of Opatija will be organized, followed by dinner in your hotel.

## 4. Day / Plitvice National Park

You will leave Opatija in the morning and head towards one of the most beautiful National Parks in Croatia, Plitvice Lakes. Plitvice Lakes consist of 16 turquoise lakes, connected by series of waterfalls and cascades, all embraced by magical greenery of the beech and fir forests and meadows. NP Plitvice was declared a UNESCO world's cultural and nature heritage in 1979. Guided walking tour and boat ride over the lake will take you to the most fascinating parts of the park after which you will return to hotel and have dinner.

## 5. Day / Šibenik - Trogir - Split

After the breakfast you will leave Plitvice, and proceed to the city of Split. On the way to Split, you will stop in the city of Šibenik, where you will visit old part of the town. Šibenik, also known as Krešimir town, because of the reign of famous Croatian king, king Petar Krešimir IV, excels among all Croatian towns at the Adriatic coast by its unique location in a picturesque and large bay, at the mouth of the Krka. It was created as old Croatian fort, underneath the fortress St. Michael, which still dominates the town. In addition to St. Michael, the city is also surrounded by three other fortresses: St. Nicholas, St. John and Šubićevac. The most famous building is the Šibenik cathedral of St. Jacob built according to the sketches of the famous architect George the Dalmatian. Some of the traditional local dishes will be prepared for your lunch as well as local prime wines to taste after short sightseeing. You will continue your tour and proceed to the city of Trogir, the best preserved Romanesque-Gothic town in Europe, protected by UNESCO. Trogir is rich in architecture spanning from Greek and Roman times to Middle Ages and each building has its own story to tell. After the sightseeing, you will continue to the city of Split, where dinner will be served in the hotel.

## 6. Day / Split

Day starts with breakfast, and sightseeing of the old city centre of Split. You will visit Diocletian's palace, a 1700 years old monument, St. Dominus Cathedral, and Jupiter temple. Strolling the narrow ancient streets, hearing the Dalmatian song echoing and smelling the best scents of Mediterranean cuisine will make this for the experience of

life. Afternoon will be left free for you to do what pleases you the most, go shopping, sightseeing or just wandering the streets. Dinner will be organized in the hotel.

## 7. Day / Mostar – Neretva Nature Park

After the breakfast meet up your tour leader and set off for Bosnia and Herzegovina and the beautiful city of Mostar. Mostar stands in the middle of a beautiful valley bedded between high mountains as a monument to the harmonious blend of different cultures and believes, of old and new. What makes this city known is its famous bridge, The Old Bridge, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. It was built during the Ottoman Empire by the great architect Mimar Hajrudin who had succeeded in the impossible mission of crossing the Neretva River with a single span stone bridge.

After lunch you will return back to Croatia, where you will visit valley of the river Neretva, Nature Park, a vast marshland abundant in flora and fauna sheltering many bird species on their way to Africa. River safari will be organized followed by dinner in hotel.

## 8. Day / Ston - Dubrovnik

Continue your journey further to the city of Dubrovnik, the pearl of Adriatic. On the way to Dubrovnik you will make a stop in the city of Ston, famous for its oysters and salt, the most famous products of this area, and for its city walls, the second longest walls in the world. There you will enjoy specialty dishes with fresh oysters and taste some of the first class red wines of Pelješac peninsula. After lunch you will continue to Dubrovnik, a truly stunning city with its Old Town, a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1979. A mag-

nificent curtain of walls surrounds marble streets and baroque buildings that exude a pearly light in the Adriatic sun. Private guided tour will be organized in the afternoon followed by dinner in local restaurant.

## 9. Day / Kotor (Montenegro)

After the breakfast you will go for a whole day trip in the Montenegro, and city of Kotor, medieval city located in one of the most beautiful bays of Montenegro. One of the most recognizable symbols of the city is The Cathedral of Saint Tryphon, a monument of Roman culture. A guided sightseeing tour of the Old Town will be organized uncovering all its secrets. After the trip you will return to the city of Dubrovnik, where dinner will be organized.

## 10. Day / Departure day

After the breakfast, return transfer to the airport.



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## THE TOUR COST INCLUDES:

- 1 night in ★★★ hotel in Zagreb, Bled, Opatija, Plitvice, Neretva on HB base
- 2 nights in ★★★ hotel in Split and Dubrovnik on HB base
- All the transfers from airport and to airport
- Breakfasts daily, all taxes and VAT
- Professional English speaking tour companion throughout the tour
- Professional English speaking local guides and hosts throughout
- Professional chauffeur for all transfers as stated in the program
- All lunches and dinners as stated in the program
- Guided tour of Zagreb, Bled Castle, Postojna Cave, Opatija, Plitvice NP with tickets, Šibenik, Trogir, Split, Mostar, River safari on river Neretva, Dubrovnik, Kotor Old Town
- Tickets to locations and museums included in guided tours

## NOT INCLUDED:

- Meals and beverages other than those listed
- Entrance tickets to museums, some churches, national parks etc. unless noted
- Flights
- Travel insurance, gratuities

## TRIP TERMS & CONDITIONS:

- Your deposit is due immediately on booking (50% of program price). The balance is due 30 days prior to departure
- We accept Bank payment only
- Tour quotes do not include airfare to/from the trip start point unless noted on the itinerary

## CANCELLATIONS OF CONFIRMED BOOKINGS:

- 90 days or more prior to departure will receive full refund minus administrative fee