

« SOUTHERN PEARLS » DALMATIA AND THE ISLANDS, DUBROVNIK, KORČULA, SPLIT, TROGIR, ZADAR AND THE NATIONAL PARK KRKA – 8 DAYS

YOUR ITINERARY



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PROGRAM

Day 1: Arrival at Dubrovnik airport – overnight in Dubrovnik

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Vehicle pick up.

Drive to Dubrovnik. Travel time: 30min

Check in family owned Aquarius hotel, located in the Lapad bay in the town of Dubrovnik. The hotel has a total capacity of 24 rooms and features a swimming pool and a garden. The Lapad Bay is renowned for the promenade with restaurants, shops and the beach.



Day 2: Dubrovnik (UNESCO) – overnight in Dubrovnik

Breakfast.

Bus or car to the old town. Travel time: 15min

Visit Dubrovnik.

Dubrovnik was a Mediterranean city-state which managed to preserve its freedom and avoid conflicts by means of a very skilful diplomacy. The prosperity of the old Republic is palpable on every stone of Dubrovnik, one of the best-preserved medieval cities in the world. "The Pearl of the Adriatic" is the part of the UNESCO World Heritage.

We suggest to visit the Rector's palace, the Dominican and Franciscan monasteries, the old pharmacy and of course the outstanding walls.



Things to do from Dubrovnik:

- swimming on Banje beach, located just on the eastern part of the old town. It is the most famous beach of Dubrovnik where celebrities such as Jackie Kennedy, John Malković, Nick Nolte, Roger Moore and the Queen of England went for a dip in the blue Adriatic Sea.

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- take a 15 minutes boat ride to visit the island of Lokrum, a hidden gem of nature famous for the 11th century Benedictine monastery. Napoleon built a fortress on the top of the island which later belonged to the Habsburgs. The island of Lokrum also offers a rich botanical garden which is today a protected nature reserve, uninhabited, with pretty walks, a cafe and a restaurant. Lokrum is the favourite swimming spot for the local population.
- sea kayak tour departing from the old town, around the city walls and to the island of Lokrum or other sports activities (jet ski, parasailing, diving ...)

Overnight in Dubrovnik.

Day 3: Pelješac peninsula and the island of Korčula – overnight in Lumbarda

Breakfast.

Drive to Ston. Travel time: 1h15

Ston is located on the Pelješac peninsula, on an isthmus between the open sea and the enclosed bay. A long and high medieval wall connects the two sides and the town of Ston and Ston Mali. The city's grid architecture mirrors the salt marshes on its shore.

Ston is renowned for shellfish farming as one of the rare sites where the Mediterranean oyster has been preserved. Oyster fields can be seen from the town of Ston Mali.



We recommend local oyster and mussel specialties in one of the local restaurants.

Drive on Pelješac peninsula to Orebić.

Travel time: 1h15

Pelješac is the longest Croatian peninsula, a region of wild beauty with crystal clear sea and hidden bays. It is renowned for red wines, in particular Dingač produced in Potomje vineyards. We recommend to make a stop and visit a winegrower on your way to Orebić.



Boarding the ferry connecting Orebić with Dominče on the island of Korčula (ticket included).

Crossing time: 20min

Continue towards *Korčula*. Travel time: 10min

Visit Korčula.

Korčula embodies the spirit of the Dalmatian islands marked by the Venetian domination especially through the still active brotherhoods, part of today's tradition. Korčula is also the birthplace of the great merchant and traveller Marco Polo. A small town full of heritage and life set on a shore of the turquoise sea, a dreamer's paradise...



We recommend you visit to the Icon Museum, the City Museum, the Cathedral and the Palace of Bishops situated in front of the ruins of Marco Polo's house.

Continue to Lumbarda. Travel time: 10min

Check in guesthouse Lovric 3*. Lumbarda is a picturesque fishing village, located 5 km from Korčula in a deep bay known for the beaches and the Grk ("the Greek") wine. It is no coincidence the Greeks settlers chose this area upon their arrival in the 4th century BC. Traditionally, they named the island after their homeland, Corfu or Korkyra. The word transformed during history in the current name of the city and the island: Korčula.



The Lovrić family guesthouse is an "agritourism" property located in Lumbarda. The guesthouse consists of several houses and features a restaurant offering traditional dishes. The hosts are charming local people who will make you feel at home. The guesthouse offers air-conditioned rooms and free Wi-Fi.

Overnight in Lumbarda.

Day 4: Island of Mljet the with national park – overnight in Lumbarda

Breakfast.

Drive to Korčula. Travel time: 10min

Embark on a fast catamaran (regular line) to the village of Pomena on the island of Mljet.

Travel time: 1h (return ticket included)

Visit Mljet national park.

According to a legend, Odysseus spent 7 beautiful years on the island of Mljet, in the arms of the nymph Calypso. Mljet is covered in pine and oak forests. The main feature of the island are two joined lakes, connected to the sea by a narrow passage. On the bigger lake there is another island, so we have an island on the island! This spot is perfect for swimming as the water temperature of the lakes is at least three degrees higher than the sea temperature.

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The entrance ticket to the national park includes a boat trip to the islet of St. Mary and its old Benedictine monastery.



Return to Korčula.

Day 5: Cruise through the Split archipelago and Trogir (UNESCO) – overnight in Trogir

Breakfast.

Drive to Vela Luka through authentic Mediterranean landscapes.

Travel time: 1h

Embark on a ferry for Split, regular Vela Luka – Split line. You should be in the line to embark the ferry at least 45 minutes prior to departure. Ferry ticket is included.

Disembark in the port of Split and drive to Trogir. Travel time: 30min

Check in hotel Pašike 4*. The hotel consists of 2 stone houses listed as historic monuments, on the island of the old town, connected to the mainland by small bridges. The hotel's restaurant is renowned for Dalmatian specialties. The interior is a blend of antique and modern design, a very charming fusion.



Visit Trogir. *We recommend visit to Saint Lawrence cathedral with the famous portal of master Radovan, one of the first sculptors to interpret the Renaissance spirit in Europe.*

Trogir is an ancient Greek colony founded in the 4th century BC, built on a small island connected by a bridge to the mainland. Lush palaces and the beautiful cathedral of Saint Lawrence are a testimony of the town's glorious past. To truly appreciate the charm of the old town one must



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get lost in a maze of small twisted alleys where past and present meet. This effortless beauty earned Trogir the place on the UNESCO's list of Cultural heritage, as well as the discovery of the bas-relief of the Greek god Kairos, the divinity of the favourable moments ... but beware: he runs very fast!

Day 6: Split (UNESCO) – overnight in Trogir

Breakfast.

Drive to Split. Travel time: 30min

Visit Split.

Split is a unique living monument. The original Roman palace was repeatedly transformed throughout history, each era leaving a mark resulting in an astonishing fusion of architectural styles in constant turmoil. This apparently contradictory way of preserving the Emperor Diocletian's palace earned it its UNESCO World Heritage status. Split today is the second largest city of the country and the biggest passenger port.



We recommend to visit the cathedral, Jupiter's temple (UNESCO) and the Diocletian's palace substructures. You can also stroll on the hill Marijan, listed as park of nature, with splendid views on the city.

Return to Trogir.

Day 7: Krka national park and Zadar (UNESCO) - overnight in Trogir

Breakfast.

Road to Skradin at the entrance of the national park Krka. Travel time:1h30

Board the national park's boat and sail upstream the Krka canyon (entrance ticket not included).

Sailing time: 20min

Instead of taking the boat, you can also walk to the Skradinski buk waterfall (1 h).

Walk in the park on paths through the forest infiltrated by the river Krka and enjoy splendid views on the waterfalls.

Visit the small ethnographic museum presenting water mills, a forge and looms.

Return to Skradin.



Continue to Zadar. Travel time: 45min

Visit Zadar. We recommend visit to the Saint Donatus church, the Gold and Silver museum of the Saint Mary convent and the sea organ.

Zadar's historical heritage dates back to ancient times. The main square is a Roman forum built by Saint Donatus in 9th century. Zadar is a dynamic city with not only ancient but also modern monuments such as the sea organ. This unique instrument is incorporated in the quay of the harbour where the sea is the main organist, playing a mystical melody.



Return to Trogir.

Day 8: Departure from Split airport

Breakfast.

Drive to Split airport. Travel time: 10min

Departure flight.

VEHICLE DESCRIPTION

For 2 persons: air-conditioned B category car, Opel Corsa, Suzuki Swift, Chevrolet Aveo, Renault Clio or similar.



For 4 persons: air-conditioned H standard category car, Skoda Octavia or similar.



For 6 to 8 persons: air-conditioned Van category car, Opel Vivaro 8+1, Renault Trafic 8+1 or similar.



You can of course rent any other category of vehicle.

RENTAL CONDITIONS:

- Unlimited mileage.
- Ferry crossings to the islands without extra rental fees (included in price).
- CDW insurance: the car rental company waives the right to collect a high deductible from you if the car is damaged, and most importantly it covers most of the damage in case of an accident. Theft insurance. The cost depends on the category of the vehicle.
- 1 additional driver included without extra rental fees (included in price).

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NB: It is mandatory to own a credit card for the vehicle rental. A security deposit will automatically be pre-authorized on your credit card and will be returned after the rental of the vehicle ends.

TOUR PRICE

THE PRICE INCLUDES:

- Accommodation for 7 nights in charming hotels or guesthouses, category 3* and 4* with breakfast, namely, 2 nights in hotel Aquarius 3* in Dubrovnik, 2 nights in guesthouse Lovric in Lumbarda and 3 nights in hotel Pašike 4* in Trogir
- Car rental for 8 days (please see « vehicle description »)
- Ferry and catamaran tickets mentioned included in the program
- A roadbook including the detailed itinerary, a presentation of tourist sites to be visited (history and information) and various practical information on the town or site you visit (references of restaurants, parking lots...)
- 24/7 assistance in English by Sveta Ana travel agency. You will be provided with an emergency telephone number in case of incidents or any other major problem
- Assistance, insurance and organization costs of Sveta Ana travel agency

NOTES

- Sveta Ana travel agency checks the availability of hotels before writing the offer but does not guarantee the availability of the hotels prior to the definitive confirmation from the customer. If at the time of confirmation, the hotels are no longer available, Sveta Ana travel agency will undertake necessary steps to find similar accommodation, nearby the hotels listed in the initial offer. The prices listed above are subject to change and will be confirmed upon request for specific dates.
- Travel distances and times are given for regular driving conditions and for reference only. They can vary depending on random factors such as road work, accidents, traffic jams, bad weather ...

THE PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE:

- Child seat. ¹
- Fuel.
- Road tolls and parking fees.
- Deductible cancellation and other services.
- Entrances to the monuments and national parks mentioned in the program.
- Flights and airport taxes
- Meals not mentioned in the program as “included”
- Repatriation assistance / insurance
- Drinks and personal expenses
- Tips

1. Available on explicit client request.

OPTIONALS:

Sveta Ana travel agency provides the following additional optional services:

- Child seat = 7 € per day
- GPS (English) = 7 € per day
- Local English-speaking licensed guides providing visits of tourist sites: 115,00 € per visit of 1.5 hrs approximately
- “Private Travel” package with an English-speaking driver – guide. The package includes driver-guide’s daily costs and the costs of the vehicle (accommodation, food, petrol, tolls, parking fees) = € 330.00

Please note: the above prices are fixed costs are to be divided by the number of participants (the costs are not per person).

CANCELLATION TERMS

Cancellations must be written and sent by email to the local agency. Cancellation fees vary depending on when the cancellation occurs:

- more than 30 days prior to departure: 25% of the price of the trip,
- from 30 to 7 days prior to departure: 50% of the price of the trip,
- from 7 days prior to departure to the day of the departure of the trip: 100% of the price of the trip