

# Coastal Croatia

October 15 - 26



Overnight flight + 10 nights  
12 days | 18 meals

## Highlights:

Zagreb • Predjama Castle • Opatija • Rovinj  
• Pula • Truffle Hunting Experience • Plitvice  
• Plitvice Lakes National Park • Zadar • Split  
• Hvar • Stari Grad • Mali Ston • Mount Srd  
• Dubrovnik • Montenegro • Bay of Kotor •  
Perast • Kotor • Sveti Stefan Island

## Tour includes:

Round trip airfare with KLM  
Ten nights accommodation  
Ten breakfasts  
One lunch  
Seven dinners  
Meal gratuities  
Local tour manager  
Local step-on guides  
Local guide gratuities  
All side tours and entrance fees

## Accommodation:

Zagreb	Amadria Park Hotel Capital
Opatija	Amadria Park Hotel Agava
Plitvice	Etno Garden Luxury
Split	AC by Marriott
Dubrovnik	Valamar
Paris	TBA

AGELESS PEACE OF MIND NOT  
AVAILABLE FOR THIS TOUR

Medical & Cancellation  
Insurance Recommended  
Passport Required

PRICE PER PERSON including all taxes

Double or Twin: **\$9,263**

Single: **\$11,050**

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Must be able to climb at least two flights of stairs,  
negotiate steps with railings, and tolerate periods of  
standing during guided tours

Croatia is an enchanting destination that combines the best of nature, culture, and history. Imagine pristine beaches, medieval cities, stunning national parks, and a Mediterranean climate that makes it an ideal year-round destination.

### DAY ONE: VANCOUVER - ZAGREB

Depart Vancouver on a late afternoon overnight flight with KLM to begin your adventure in Croatia.

### DAY TWO: ZAGREB

Meals: D

Upon arrival at the airport your local tour manager will meet the group to welcome you to Croatia. Zagreb is Croatia's capital city, a vibrant metropolis blending historical charm with modern culture. Transfer by coach to the Amadria Park Hotel Capital for some time to rest and relax after your journey. Join the group for dinner.

### DAY THREE: ZAGREB - OPATIJA

Meals: B, D

After breakfast at the hotel, embark on a guided tour of Zagreb, Croatia's charming capital. Explore the historic Upper Town and see landmarks like St. Mark's Church, St. Catherine's Church, the iconic Sun Clock, and the Stone Gate. A visit to the Dolac Market offers a vibrant atmosphere with fresh produce and local delicacies. After free time for lunch, travel to Predjama Castle, an impressive medieval fortress built into a cliff. Take a guided tour to learn about its fascinating history and architecture. Take your first peek at the Dalmatian coastline on check in at your hotel in the coastal town of Opatija, gateway to the generally lesser visited Istria region

### DAY FOUR: OPATIJA - PULA - OPATIJA

Meals: B, D

Depart Opatija and travel to Rovinj, a picturesque fishing town on the Istrian coast. Spend time exploring the cobbled streets of its old town, with its vibrant buildings and scenic waterfront. The architecture has clear Venetian influence and that is why Rovinj is also called 'little Venice' - in fact, from the 13th century until almost the end of the 19th century, Rovinj became one of the most important cities in the Maritime Republic. After a brief drive to Pula, embark on a guided city tour to visit the Pula Arena, one of the best-preserved Roman amphitheatres in the world. You will also visit the Basilica of St. Mary Formosa, the Cathedral, and the bustling Trznica food market.

Before heading back to Opatija, stop in Kumparicka Organic Goat Farm in Cokuni for a tour and a delightful "Farm to Fork" dinner featuring fresh goat cheese paired with wine.

### DAY FIVE: OPATIJA - PLITVICE

Meals: B, L, D

Begin your day with a memorable hands-on activity, an exciting truffle-hunting experience near Buzet, followed by a hands-on gnocchi workshop where you can learn to prepare and taste local specialties. The area between Buzet, Pazin, and Buje is known as the 'truffle triangle', an area of worldwide renown. What was then the largest ever white truffle was found here in 1999! Afterward, enjoy a 3-course truffle-inspired lunch with wine.

After a day of exploration, continue to your hotel in Plitvice and relax with a delicious dinner at your hotel, ready to explore the Lakes National Park on the next day.



#### **DAY SIX: PLITVICE – SPLIT**

**Meals: B, D**

Head into Plitvice Lakes National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage site known for its stunning terraces of emerald lakes joined by waterfalls and lush forests, through which various walkways and trails wind. Take a guided tour through this natural paradise. In the afternoon, depart for Zadar to visit the Sea Organ, an installation that produces sound from the waves, and the Monument to the Sun, a mesmerizing solar-powered light display. Finish the day at your hotel in Split, your base for the next three nights of the tour.

#### **DAY SEVEN: SPLIT**

**Meals: B**

Explore the lovely city of Split this morning, where you'll take a guided tour of Diocletian's Palace, an ancient Roman emperor's retirement residence, which now houses shops, restaurants, and private homes, and forms the heart of the modern city. You will also visit Split's Cathedral and its bell tower. The remainder of the day will be free.

#### **DAY EIGHT: SPLIT – HVAR – STARI GRAD – SPLIT**

**Meals: B, D**

Board a ferry to Hvar, one of Croatia's most famous islands. The guided tour of Hvar Town includes visits to the main sights like the historic St. Stephen's Cathedral and Hvar Square, where you can enjoy the island's uniquely Mediterranean atmosphere. Travel to Stari Grad, a UNESCO World Heritage town known for its well-preserved old town and the Stari Grad Plain, an ancient agricultural landscape. Return to Split by ferry, where you'll have the evening at leisure to enjoy dinner on your own.

#### **DAY NINE: SPLIT – DUBROVNIK**

**Meals: B**

Breaking the journey south along the Dalmatian coast from Split to Dubrovnik, the group will stop at Mali Ston to learn about and sample the oysters for which the area is famous. On the edge of Dubrovnik, the group will take the cable car up Mount Srđ, to get the lay of the land and enjoy fantastic panoramic views of the coastline and down to Dubrovnik below – before enjoying a guided tour of Dubrovnik's old town itself – the 'Pearl of the Adriatic' – seeing the Pile Gate, Stradun Street, and the Old Town Port.

After some free time to explore the old town at leisure, head to your hotel in the neighbouring Lapad Peninsula area.

#### **DAY TEN: DUBROVNIK – MONTENEGRO – DUBROVNIK**

**Meals: B**

On a full day excursion from Dubrovnik, the group will dip into nearby Montenegro, a wonderful small country, travelling around the dramatic and scenic Bay of Kotor (a winding bay of the Adriatic Sea). Stop at Perast, a picturesque town where you will take a boat ride to the Our Lady of the Rock Church, located on a small island in the bay, from where the views are exceptional. Perast is home to some beautiful Venetian-style palazzos and churches. Continue to Kotor, a medieval town surrounded by ancient city walls. Enjoy a walking tour through the Old Town. Later, stop at Sveti Stefan Island for a photo opportunity. Return to Dubrovnik for dinner.

#### **DAY ELEVEN: DUBROVNIK – PARIS**

**Meals: B, D**

After breakfast at the hotel depart for the airport for your flight to Paris, France for an overnight stay. Enjoy a farewell dinner with the group and share your many stories of your adventures in enchanting Croatia!

#### **DAY TWELVE: PARIS – VANCOUVER**

**Meals: B**

After breakfast at the hotel depart for the airport for your return flight to Vancouver.