

Croatia Itinerary

Featuring

Croatia • Slovenia • Medjugorje

Day 1, Depart USA

Day 2, Arrive in Ljubljana, Slovenia

This morning, we arrive in Ljubljana, Slovenia. Once we have gone through passport control and have collected our luggage, we are met by our private coach and tour guide. We begin with a scenic tour of Ljubljana. This small, but beautiful capital city of Slovenia, is filled with pastel buildings, magnificent architecture and luscious greenery. Our panoramic tour will be followed by a funicular ride up to Ljubljana Castle, a 12th century medieval fortress that towers over the city below. We then journey to our hotel, check in, then enjoy dinner at a local restaurant as a group.



Overnight: Ljubljana (D)

Day 3 Lake Bled, Slovenia



After breakfast, we journey away from Ljubljana into the peaceful Wilderness of Lake Bled. When we arrive, we board a traditional Slovenian Pletna boat to the island in the middle of the Bled Lake. Since the 9th century, a church has been sat on the tiny tear shaped island. The Church of the Mother of God on the Lake, has been there since the 17th century. There will be time to explore the small island and ring the infamous bell in the church. Next, we make our way back to the mainland to enjoy the stunning views of the mountains, woodlands, and lakes while enjoying a

traditional Bled cream cake + coffee/ tea at a nearby restaurant. We journey back to our hotel in Ljubljana. Tonight's dinner is our own as we head towards the river to many fabulous restaurants and bars.

Overnight: Ljubljana (B, Dinner on our own)

Day 4, Ljubljana to Plitvice, Croatia

After breakfast, we depart Ljubljana and continue to Plitvice, home to the UNESCO World Nature Sight. On our journey, we visit Postojna Cave, the most captivating cave in the world and the largest show cave in Europe! While touring the 15-mile-long cave system, we get to feel the magic of the underground world and experience a one-of-a-kind ride on Postojna Cave's underground train. We continue to Plitvice. Once we arrive at our hotel, we have dinner as a group.



Overnight: Plitvice (B, D)

Day 5, Plitvice to Zadar, Croatia

Our day is started with breakfast before we depart Plitvice and head for Zadar. On our journey, we explore Plitvice National Park. For millions of years, the water has carved its way through travertine rocks making deep lakes and waterfalls. It is the most known Croatian National Park, which is in the UNESCO's Register of World Natural Heritage since 1979. This exceptional beauty of the lakes and waterfalls, rich with plants, animal life and pure mountain colors, attracts many nature lovers from all over the world. After the Plitvice National Park visit, we continue to Zadar. Once we have checked into our hotel, there will be time to relax before dinner as a group at a nearby restaurant.



Overnight: Plitvice (B, D)

Day 6, Zadar, Croatia

This morning after breakfast, we enjoy a walking tour of Zadar. Once a Venetian town and former capital of Dalmatia, Zadar has evolved into a modern-day city, perfectly combining modern life with the impressive past that defines it. Wander around its inspiring center, stroll down the streets paved with gleaming white stone and get in touch with history, admiring the architecture of the Roman Walls, Sea Organs and The Greeting to the Sun, a beautiful monument that symbolize the mutual conversation between the man and nature. Throughout the tour we sample traditional Zadar cherry liquor, as well as traditional Croatian fritters. We are then taken to a wine garden for a wine and cheese tasting. We then journey back to our hotel in Zadar. The evening and night are free to enjoy as you wish.



Overnight: Zadar (B, Wine and Cheese tasting, Dinner on our own)



Day 7, Zadar to Split, Croatia

This morning, we depart Zadar and continue to Split. On our journey south, we tour Krka National Park, one of the eight national parks in Croatia, and home seven waterfalls - the largest and most impressive being Skradinski Buk. The Krka River, another highlight of the park, carves through the limestone and creates a spectacular canyon on its 44-mile journey from the foothills of the Dinaric Alps to Šibenik. We continue to Split for a guided tour of the city. Split is full of history and culture, with numerous museums, churches, theaters, and along with archaeological treasures throughout. The tour ends at the Diocletian Palace, one of the most



impressive and well-preserved Roman ruins in Europe. Continuing to our hotel we check in and enjoy dinner together at a local restaurant.

Overnight: Split (B, D)

Day 8, Split, Croatia

After breakfast, we take a ferry to the Island of Hvar. The Stari Grad (Old Town) as its name suggests, is one of the oldest towns in Europe, founded way back in 384 BC. We board our private coach to Stari Grad Plain, magnificent landscape that stands as an example of a comprehensive system of land use and agricultural colonization by the Greeks. After our sightseeing tour of the area, we enjoy a 3- course lunch and wine tasting at the Ranch Hora. We journey back to Split, arriving at our hotel with the evening and dinner on our own.



Overnight: Split (B, three course Lunch, Dinner on our own)

Day 9, Split – Dubrovnik – Bosnia - Herzegovina - Medjugorje



This morning, we have breakfast and depart Split, journeying to Dubrovnik. On our way south we stop in the country of Bosnia and Herzegovina in the city of Medjugorje. There will be a guided tour of the area where, since 1981, apparitions of the Blessed Mother have been reported. While in the city, we have lunch at a local restaurant. We continue back to Croatia, and to the city of Dubrovnik. We arrive at our hotel, checked in, with the rest of the night free. Here we have a choice, head to the rooftop of your hotel for aperitifs, (a dry or fizzy alcoholic drink,

originating from Italy, usually consumed before food) at sunset, or journey into the city for a delicious evening and dinner on our own.

Overnight: Dubrovnik (B, L, Dinner on our own)



Day 10, Split – Dubrovnik, Croatia

After morning breakfast, we tour the city of Dubrovnik. The striking medieval walled city offers an abundance of historical riches as well as some incredible photo locations. Take a walk along its cobbled streets accompanied by a professional guide, while discovering treasures of Dubrovnik's past and present. Feel the remnants of the city's incredibly rich history, as we uncover its breath-taking attractions. This tour will leave us mesmerized with architectural treasures, artistic intensity, and cultural opulence – a day that will most certainly become one of our favorite holiday experiences ever. After the guided tour spend the rest of the day at leisure with the evening and dinner on our own.



Overnight: Dubrovnik (B, Dinner on own)

Day 11, Split – Cavtat, Croatia

This morning, we journey away from Dubrovnik and to the coastal village of Cavtat. Cavtat is a charming medieval small town hemmed in by mountains, lush pine trees, Cyprus forests, and seafront filled with fishing boats, this is a perfect place for a unique travel experience. Here we tour the historic village. We then continue to Konavle. In Konavle we have a guided tour of an Old Flour Mill. We end the tour with an aperitif.



We then journey back to our hotel in Dubrovnik, with our farewell dinner at a local restaurant.

Overnight: Dubrovnik (B, Snacks and Aperitif, Farewell Dinner)

Day 12, Dubrovnik back to USA

Today we travel by private bus to Dubrovnik Airport where we board our transatlantic flights back to the USA, taking with us our treasured memories.

