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CROATIA DISCOVERY WITH A TOUCH OF MONTENEGRO

8 days / 7 nights

Discovering beautiful Croatia with a short visit to Montenegro

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Explore the winding alleys of walled Old town of Dubrovnik, the pearl of the Adriatic
- Check Croatian Split with its remarkable Diocletian palace
- Discover the picturesque city of Kotor
- Experience Budva, the metropolis of Montenegrin tourism
- Refresh yourself in the sea of beautiful Hvar island
- Visit Opatija, the Adriatic beauty
- Get to know Plitvice, a misty natural wonderland and
- Conclude the tour in Venice, the city of water



GENERAL INFORMATION

CROATIA

Travelling through Croatia, Dalmatia or Dubrovnik Region offers immense and rich experiences to every visitor. From the coastal to the continental parts, Croatia's rich cultural heritage, combined with its magnificent natural beauties, make it the perfect place to spend your vacation at. The capital of Croatia is Zagreb, a charming medieval city of exceptional beauty known for its spirit and architecture, with a population of approximately 1 million.

The uniqueness of Croatia lies in its diversity. Situated between the Alps and the Adriatic Sea, Croatia provides visitors with the opportunity to ski in the winter and swim during the summer months, all within driving distance. With its 1,185 islands, islets and reefs, it is the most diverse coast on the Mediterranean.

There are seven national parks in Croatia, three being in the mountainous regions (Risnjak, Paklenica and Plitvicka Jezera), and four in the coastal regions (Kornati, Brijuni, Krka and Mljet). To mention a few, Croatia is home to the Old City of Dubrovnik, Diocletian's Palace in Split, Euphrasies Basilica in Porec, and many others. Croatia boasts the largest number of developed settlements in southeast Europe, in addition, many of which date back to Roman and medieval times. Rarely can you find so many examples of cultural and historical significance from different periods in such a small region.

MONTENEGRO

Montenegro is the smallest of ex - Yugoslav republics. It offers wide range of investment possibilities and great geographic diversities which make this country worth visiting and exploring. 293 km of coast with its beautiful beaches and amazing beauty of its unique bay are a total opposite to the lakes, canyons, rivers and high mountains of Inner Montenegro.

It is unique in many ways. It is extremely wild and beautiful. It has it all, small medieval cities on the coast, wild mountains, the biggest lake on the Balkan, the longest and the deepest canyon in Europe, Mediterranean climate and most beautiful fjord in Mediterranean. It has wide range of hotels on the coast and in land and venues that can host up to 1,000 participants.

Different cultures have left their traces here. Today in Montenegro one can feel the influence of Venetian, Roman, Byzantine, French and Turkish culture. Moreover, all of that could be experienced in a relatively small distance.



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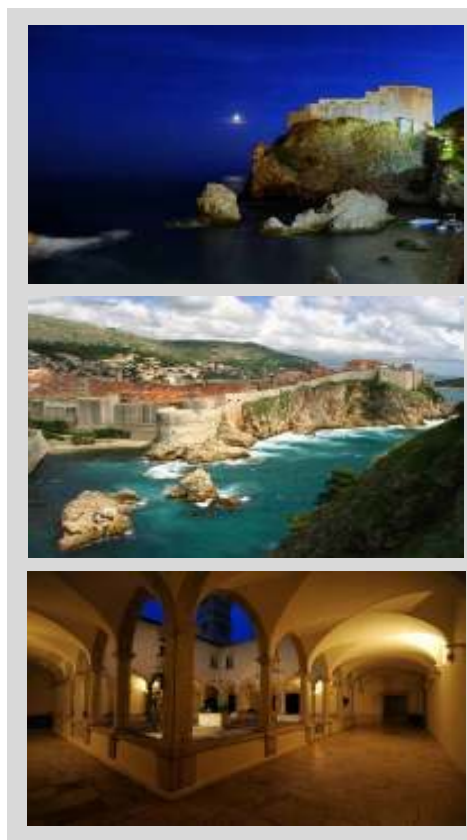
DAY 1

Arrival to Dubrovnik airport
Meet and greet at the airport and drive to a hotel
Check-in
Free for dinner
Overnight in Dubrovnik

DUBROVNIK – the pearl of the Adriatic

The city of Dubrovnik is situated in the very South of the Republic of Croatia. The particularity and uniqueness of Dubrovnik is in its permanent live connection to its rich past and its cultural heritage, while it keeps vibrantly in pace with contemporary life, echoing its spiritual identity and its presence in the European cultural environment. Dubrovnik, listed as a UNESCO World Heritage site, is rich in cultural and historical monuments.

The most recognizable feature which defines the History of Dubrovnik and gives it its characteristic are its intact city walls which run uninterrupted for 1940 meters encircling the city. This complex structure, one of the most beautiful and strongest fort systems in the Europe is the main attraction for the city's visitors. This is a tour which will show you the finest sites of the Old Walled City and will reveal why Dubrovnik is often referred to as the "Pearl of the Adriatic". We will lead you through the streets of the Old Town introducing you to the history and culture of this magnificent city. Other splendid buildings such as Onofrio's Fountain, St. Blaise's Church, Sponza Palace will be viewed along the way. You will be able to visit the Franciscan Monastery with Europe's oldest pharmacy, the Cathedral with its famous Treasury and the Rector's Palace which once used to be the seat of the government in the Dubrovnik Republic.

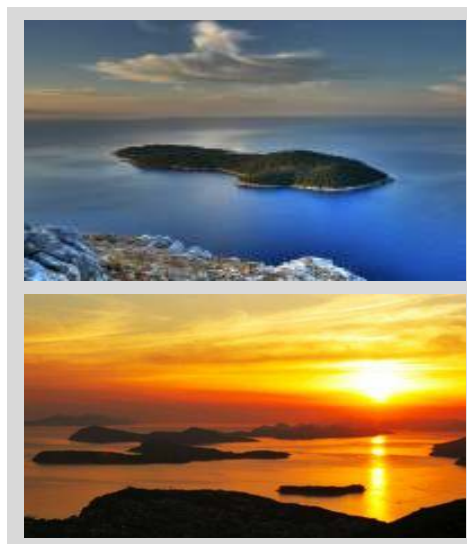


DAY 2

Breakfast in the hotel
A sightseeing tour around Dubrovnik and free for lunch
In the afternoon optional tour to Elaphiti islands or free at leisure
Free for dinner
Overnight in Dubrovnik

ELAPHITI ISLANDS – one of the high points of your visit to Dubrovnik

The Elaphiti Island is a small archipelago consisting of several islands stretching northwest of Dubrovnik. Blessed with lush woodland and white, rocky outcrops that enhance the deep blues and greens of the Adriatic, you will not want to leave! This is one of the most interesting, full-day trips that can be done whilst staying in or around Dubrovnik.



DAY 3

Breakfast in the hotel and check-out
Drive via Perast to Kotor (80km) for a sightseeing and some free time for lunch
After Kotor drive to Budva (25km) for a visit
Return to Dubrovnik (120km)
Free for dinner
Overnight in Dubrovnik

PERAST – a sleepy baroque place close to Kotor

One of the principal attractions on the Bay of Kotor is the ancient village of Perast, rich in Venice-like architecture which includes sixteen Baroque palaces, seventeen Catholic churches, several important Orthodox structures and a series of nine defensive towers, all set in stone and seemingly untouched by the scourge of modern-day tourism.

KOTOR – rich medieval monument

Surrounded by mountains ranging from 1,000m to 1,700m high, situated at the eastern tip of Kotor Bay, lies the picturesque city of Kotor. Its city-core is the best preserved of the cities along the Montenegrin coast and it is rich in medieval monuments. The walled medieval city centre with its winding, narrow little streets, squares and small churches, appears on the UNESCO World Heritage List. Of its religious monuments, the most notable is the Cathedral of Saint Tryphon, dating from the 12th century.

BUDVA – the Metropolis of Montenegrin tourism

Budva is Montenegro's main tourist centre. The secret of the city's popularity rests mainly on its beautiful, mostly sandy coastline, diverse nightlife and examples of Mediterranean architecture. In addition to the splendid beaches of the "Budva Riviera", the city also possesses a tiny, but beautiful, historic centre. Surrounded by a wall, the historic centre is located on a small peninsula which extends as a harbour-side promenade.

SVETI STEFAN – a town-hotel

At the foot of the Lovcen Mountain ridge, in one of the most exotic encounters of land and sea, stands the unique island of Sveti Stefan. It is the former fishing village situated on a peninsula that became a hotel-town 50 years ago. As legend has it, a fort was built on the island in 1442 when it was first settled. A wall was built around the fortification in order to provide protection for families from surrounding places before the Turkish and pirate's invasion.



DAY 4

Breakfast in the hotel and check-out
Drive to Split (235km)
Check-in to a hotel
Free afternoon
Overnight in Split



SPLIT – the cultural and economic center of Dalmatia

Split is the largest and most important town in Dalmatia. The town was developed around the palace, which was erected in the 4th century by the Roman Emperor, Diocletian. You can also visit the ancient cellars, Cathedral, Temple of Jupiter and the Golden Gate.

The town of Split is situated in the central part of the eastern Adriatic coast and is bordered by the mouths of the small river Ćrnovnica in the Southeast, and the river Jadro in the North. Split offers you its many charms; the pines of the Marjan forest in the Western part of the peninsula, the murmur of the sea and the sound of the Dalmatian song in the stone streets of the city. Split has a very favourable climate characterized by an extremely bright sky with about 2700 sunny hours per year.



DAY 5

Breakfast in the hotel

A sightseeing tour around Split and free for lunch

In the afternoon transfer to Trogir (28km) for a visit

Return to Split

Free for dinner

Overnight in Split

TROGIR – town-museum on the Adriatic coast

In Trogir lovers of cultural and historical monuments, art, architecture and nice alleys are given the opportunity to learn about manifold and complex heritage – from Romanesque yard to the modern interiors. The unique historical core, Radovan's portal, the art collections, which have been arousing excitement among visitors and travellers for centuries offer a tourist beauty, personified in the relief of Kairos as an appropriate souvenir.



DAY 6

Breakfast in the hotel

Transfer to the port and take a ferry boat to Hvar

Visit of Hvar with free time for lunch and bathing

In the afternoon return ferry transfer back to Split

Free for dinner

Overnight in Split

HVAR – jewel hidden by the time

Island Hvar belongs to the central island group of the Adriatic and lies in an east-west direction at right angles to the coast. It is longest Adriatic island and also the fourth largest in area. Hvar is the town of a unique cultural and historical heritage, but also an important tourist resort with a centuries-old tradition in tourism. Main attractions are pleasant climate, a lot of sunshine, natural beauties, various accommodation facilities, gastronomic offer, sports and recreational opportunities... Hvar is frequented during the whole year - in the summer and winter months and its very special climate favoured the development of health tourism. The so-called Hygiene Society was established in Hvar as early as 1868; the major task of the society was to take good care of the visitors from abroad. This marked the beginning of tourist development. The first hotel, Empress Elisabeth, was opened in 1903.



DAY 7

Breakfast in the hotel and check-out
Transfer to Plitvice National Park (260km) with free time for lunch before the visit of the park
In the afternoon transfer to Opatija (185km)
Free for dinner and a walk through the city
Overnight in Opatija

PLITVICE – a misty natural wonderland

Located in a deep mysterious ancient forest known as the “Devil’s Garden” between Zagreb and Zadar lies Plitvice Lakes National Park, composed of 19.5 hectares of woods, lakes and waterfalls. Imagine Niagara Falls diced and sprinkled over a heavily forested Grand Canyon. This lush valley of terraced lakes is laced together by waterfalls and miles of pleasant wooden-plank walks.

It is one of Croatia’s top sights and the oldest national park in Europe, deservedly listed as a UNESCO World Heritage site since 1979. Countless cascades and strangely clear and colourful water make the Plitvice Lakes National Park a misty natural wonderland.

OPATIJA – Adriatic beauty

Situated below mountain and Natural Park Ucka, Opatija is a great choice for vacation in summer and winter season. Beautiful nature, parks, old Austrian villas, seaside promenade and beaches have attracted tourists from Europe and world for more than 160 years. Opatija is leading tourist destination in Republic of Croatia in congress organization. Along with festivals, concerts, exhibits and other cultural and sport events Opatija offers attractions worth to visit during the whole year.



DAY 8

Breakfast in the hotel and check-out
Transfer to Venice (230km) for your departure flight or optional overnight in Venice

SERVICES

SERVICES INCLUDED:

TRANSFERS:

Air conditioned vehicle through the whole tour, return ferry transfer to Hvar.

ACCOMMODATION (in DBL or SGL room, breakfast included):

3 nights in 4*/5* hotel in Dubrovnik, 3 nights in 4*/5* hotel in Split, 1 night in 4*/5* hotel in Opatija

GUIDES:

English speaking guide through the whole tour, local guides for visits in Dubrovnik, Kotor and Split

ENTRANCE FEES:

Cathedral, Rector's palace and Franciscan Monastery in Dubrovnik, Kotor, Diocletian cellars and palace in Split, Cathedral in Trogir, Plitvice lakes

OTHER:

Organization of the tour and VAT

SERVICES EXCLUDED:

- Services not mentioned in the program
- Meals unless where specified
- Porterage
- Tips

OPTIONAL SERVICES:

- Tour to Elaphiti islands
- Overnight in Venice and a sightseeing tour