

#### Full Itinerary

# CAPTIVATING COASTS OF CROATIA



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### JOURNEY SNAPSHOT

**ACTIVITY LEVEL:** 

Level 2

**DESTINATION:** 

Captivating Coasts of Croatia

**DURATION:** 

12 days / 11 nights

FLIGHT INFORMATION:

Please arrange your flights to arrive at Split Airport [SPU] on Day 1 and depart from Dubrovnik Airport [DBV] on Day 12

PICKUP LOCATION:

Split Airport [SPU]







# **OVERVIEW**

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Cruise azure waters, explore ancient palaces, discover vibrant cities and relax in nature - the coastal nation of Croatia has it all. Be captivated as we explore the country by land and sea on this unique holiday.

Join us as we sail with us through the beauty and history of Croatia

Our journey begins in the vibrant coastal city of Split, where ancient Roman walls meet a lively Mediterranean atmosphere. Here, we'll step back in time as we explore the UNESCO-listed Diocletian's Palace before setting sail along the sparkling Adriatic.

From Split, our adventure takes us across turquoise waters to charming islands, hidden coves, and medieval towns. We'll wander through UNESCO World Heritage treasures, discover pristine national parks, and enjoy the relaxed rhythm of life by the sea. Along the way, we'll savour traditional flavours, meet warm-hearted locals, and soak in the unforgettable scenery.

By the time we reach Dubrovnik, the "Pearl of the Adriatic," you'll understand why Croatia is one of the most captivating countries in the world.

# ITINERARY SUMMARY

- DAY 1 Welcome to Split!
- DAY 2 Secrets of Split & Flavors of Dalmatia
- DAY 3 All Aboard the MS San Spirito!
- DAY 4 Discovering Split, Omiš & Pucišca (Brac Island)
- DAY 5 Brac's Golden Cape & Stylish Hvar
- DAY 6 Biševo's Blue Cave & Authentic Vis
- DAY 7 The Medieval Charms of Korcula
- DAY 8 Natural Beauty of Mljet & Coastal Slano
- **DAY 9 -** The Pearl of the Adriatic: Dubrovnik
- DAY 10 Disembark in Dubrovnik
- DAY 11 Explore, Snap, Savor Dubrovnik
- DAY 12 Farewell Dubrovnik





## **FULL ITINERARY**

## DAY 1 - WELCOME TO SPLIT!

Welcome to Split, one of Croatia's most historic and vibrant coastal cities.

Split, the second-largest city in Croatia, lies on the shimmering Adriatic coast and is one of the oldest cities in the region, with roots stretching back over 1,700 years. Built around the extraordinary Diocletian's Palace, Split is a living museum where ancient Roman walls blend seamlessly with lively cafés, bustling markets, and elegant squares. The Riva promenade, lined with palm trees, captures the city's Mediterranean spirit, while the backdrop of mountains adds to its striking beauty.

On arrival in Split, you will be met and transferred to your hotel. Later, join your Big Journey Company representative and fellow travellers for a welcome drink, the perfect start to your Croatian adventure.

Included meals: Welcome Drinks
Accommodation: Hotel Cornaro, Split

#### DAY 2 - SECRETS OF SPLIT & FLAVORS OF DALMATIA

Today is all about discovering the charms of Split at your own pace. Wander through the cobblestone lanes of Diocletian's Palace, where layers of ancient history peek out at every turn. Soak up the vibrant atmosphere along the lively Riva waterfront, buzzing with cafés, street performers, and sparkling Adriatic views.

Midday, we will gather together to enjoy a special olive oil tasting and lunch in the heart of the city, a chance to savor one of Dalmatia's most celebrated traditions.

As evening falls, we'll gather together for a delightful dinner at a local restaurant. Here, you'll taste the true flavors of Dalmatia — from fresh seafood to rustic Mediterranean classics — paired with warm hospitality and a touch of local charm.

Included meals: Breakfast, Olive Oil Tasting & Welcome Dinner

Accommodation: Hotel Cornaro, Split

#### DAY 3 - ALL ABOARD THE MS SAN SPIRITO!

After breakfast at the hotel, we'll check out and head to Split port, where the adventure begins! Upon arrival, guests will be welcomed on board the MS San Spirito. While cabins are being prepared, luggage will be safely stored on the ship, and we'll organize a short orientation or light excursion in the port area so everyone can start exploring right away.

In the evening, join the Cruise Manager for a welcome meeting, followed by a festive dinner on board — the perfect way to toast the start of your Adriatic adventure!

Included meals: Breakfast & Dinner Accommodation: MS San Spirito

# DAY 4 - DISCOVERING SPLIT, OMIŠ & PUCIŠCA (BRAC ISLAND)

After breakfast, we will join our local guide for a walking tour of Split. Together, we will explore the UNESCO World Heritage–listed Diocletian's Palace, the beating heart of this fascinating city, where history blends seamlessly with modern life.

Back on board, we will cruise south along the Adriatic coast to the charming town of Omiš. With its dramatic setting at the mouth of the Cetina River, Omiš was once a pirate stronghold, and its history still lingers in the stone fortresses and winding streets.

From here, our journey continues across the Brac Channel to Pucišca, the largest settlement on the island of Brac. This stunning harbour town is famed for its gleaming white limestone, used in famous landmarks around the world, including the White House in Washington D.C. and the Parliament in Vienna. We will spend the evening here, soaking up the atmosphere of one of Dalmatia's most beautiful coastal villages.

Included meals: Breakfast & Lunch Accommodation: MS San Spirito







#### DAY 5 - BRAC'S GOLDEN CAPE & STYLISH HVAR

This morning, we sail to Bol, home to one of Europe's most iconic beaches, Zlatni Rat, or the "Golden Cape." Here you'll have time to wander the charming town, enjoy a swim in the crystal-clear waters, or simply relax with a coffee in a seaside café.

After lunch on board, we continue towards Hvar, Croatia's sunniest island and a favourite destination of travellers from around the world. On arrival, our local guide will introduce us to the town's fascinating history, from its Venetian architecture to its lively harbour. Later, you'll have free time to explore at leisure — perhaps enjoy dinner in one of Hvar's many family-owned restaurants or soak in the island's vibrant atmosphere.

Included meals: Breakfast & Lunch Accommodation: MS San Spirito

#### DAY 6 - BIŠEVO'S BLUE CAVE & AUTHENTIC VIS

Today we journey to the tiny island of Biševo to visit its famous Blue Cave, a natural wonder where sunlight creates a mesmerising blue glow in the water. Weather and sea conditions permitting, this experience will be an unforgettable highlight.

We then sail on to the island of Vis, once a military stronghold and now one of the Adriatic's most unspoiled gems. With its quiet charm, traditional architecture, and pristine beaches, Vis offers a glimpse into life as it once was. After lunch on board, enjoy the afternoon at leisure to explore the town, or, if you wish, join an optional excursion to discover the nearby fishing village of Komiža.

Included meals: Breakfast & Lunch Accommodation: MS San Spirito

#### DAY 7 - THE MEDIEVAL CHARMS OF KORCULA

This morning we cruise towards Korcula, known as the birthplace of the great explorer Marco Polo. Along the way, we'll enjoy a refreshing swim stop before arriving at the island.

In the afternoon, our guide will lead us through Korcula Town, one of the best-preserved medieval centres in the Adriatic. Its cobbled streets, lively squares, and historic buildings are full of stories waiting to be uncovered.

The evening is yours to relax and dine at one of the many excellent local restaurants.

Included meals: Breakfast & Lunch Accommodation: MS San Spirito

#### DAY 8 - NATURAL BEAUTY OF MLJET & COASTAL SLANO

We begin the day cruising to the island of Mljet, home to a stunning National Park. Here you can join our Cruise Manager for a walk around the Great and Small Lakes, visit the 12th-century Benedictine Monastery on the islet of St. Mary, or simply take time to swim in the tranquil surroundings.

We then continue to the small coastal village of Slano, with its pretty harbour and peaceful atmosphere. This evening, we gather together for the Captain's Dinner on board — a special occasion to celebrate our journey with delicious food, local flavours, and warm company.

Included meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Captain's Dinner

Accommodation: MS San Spirito

#### DAY 9 - THE PEARL OF THE ADRIATIC: DUBROVNIK

Today we sail towards Dubrovnik, often called the "Pearl of the Adriatic." Along the way, we'll stop for a swim in one of the Elaphite Islands' hidden bays before enjoying lunch on board.

On arrival, our local guide will take us on a walking tour through the UNESCO-listed Old Town, with its elegant city walls, historic squares, and timeless charm. After the tour, you'll have time at leisure to continue exploring — perhaps walk the famous walls, take the cable car up Mount Srd for breathtaking views, or enjoy a drink in one of the many bustling cafés.







We overnight in Dubrovnik, giving you the chance to experience its beauty both by day and by night.

Included meals: Breakfast & Lunch Accommodation: MS San Spirito

#### DAY 10 - DISEMBARK IN DUBROVNIK

Upon arrival in Dubrovnik, we sadly say goodbye to our ship and disembark, but the excitement of the journey continues ashore. We will transfer you to the elegant Hotel Dubrovnik Palace, set against the shimmering Adriatic with sweeping sea views.

This afternoon, enjoy a scenic drive into the picturesque Konavle region, where rolling vineyards and rustic stone villages await. Here, you'll be treated to an unforgettable wine tasting, sampling local vintages and learning about the traditions that make this region so special.

As evening falls, return to your hotel for a stylish cocktail reception — the perfect way to toast the beginning of your time in the legendary "Pearl of the Adriatic."

Included meals: Breakfast, Wine Tasting & Cocktail Reception

Accommodation: Hotel Dubrovnik Palace

#### DAY 11 - EXPLORE, SNAP, SAVOR DUBROVNIK

Today is yours to immerse yourself in the magic of Dubrovnik. Begin with a walk along the legendary medieval city walls, where every step offers sweeping views of the terracotta rooftops, the sparkling Adriatic Sea, and the nearby islands. Wander the winding cobblestone streets of the Old Town, discovering charming squares, historic churches, and hidden corners brimming with local character.

For a unique perspective, take the cable car up Mount Srd and enjoy panoramic vistas of the city, the harbor, and the endless blue horizon perfect for photos and unforgettable memories. Along the way, explore local artisan shops, sample fresh seafood at a seaside café, or simply relax and soak in the vibrant atmosphere of this UNESCO World Heritage site.

In the evening, gather with your fellow travelers for a farewell dinner at the hotel. Savor a carefully curated menu of Dalmatian specialties, toast to the adventures shared, and celebrate the friendships and experiences that have made this journey truly unforgettable.

Included meals: Breakfast & Farewell Dinner Accommodation: Hotel Dubrovnik Palace

#### DAY 12 - FAREWELL DUBROVNIK

After breakfast, it's time to say goodbye to our fellow travellers and the crew who have shared this memorable journey with us.

Included meals: Breakfast Accommodation: None







#### WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Meet & Greet at Dubrovnik Airport on arrival
- Transport as detailed in the itinerary
- Meals as detailed in the itinerary
- All activities, visits and excursions as detailed in the itinerary
- English speaking tour guide
- Tour Director from The Big Journey Company as well as the local tour guide (subject to minimum group size being reached)

#### WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

- Airport transfers outside of tour dates
- Drinks
- Gratuities
- All entrance fees to non-stipulated attractions
- Visas, travel insurance
- Any personal items and anything not mentioned under included in price above
- Any meals not mentioned in itinerary
- Any optional activities offered
- Any COVID tests or related entry & exit requirements





#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- \*Cruise Accessibility: Please note that the vessel may moor side-to-side with other ships in port, and it may be necessary to cross through other vessels to reach the shore. For this reason, the cruise is not recommended for guests with limited mobility. Unfortunately, wheelchairs, rollators, or walking aids are not permitted onboard.
- **Flights:** International flights to and from your chosen destination are not included in this package. The Big Journey Company will be delighted to provide a quotation for your flights—please contact us for details.
- Vaccinations & Health: Depending on your destination, certain vaccinations may be recommended. We advise consulting your doctor or a local travel clinic for the most up-to-date medical guidance.
- Visas & Entry Requirements: Visa and entry requirements vary by destination and a visa may be required. Please see the Travel Tips section for full details. It is the responsibility of each guest to ensure they have the necessary documentation in place prior to travel.
- **Medical Needs:** If you have any medical conditions or take regular medications that we should be aware of, please inform The Big Journey Company in advance so that we can help ensure a safe and enjoyable experience.
- Accommodation Check-in/Out: Unless otherwise noted in your itinerary, hotel check-in is usually available after 2–3pm and check-out before 10am. Please note that hotels may be subject to change to another of the same or similar standard due to availability.
- **Minimum Numbers:** The Big Journey Company host will accompany the tour should minimum guest numbers be met. We will confirm this closer to the departure date.
- Cancellation Policy: Cancellations made within 90 days of departure are subject to a 100% cancellation fee. Deposits are non-refundable, and balance payments are due 14 weeks prior to departure. It is the responsibility of each guest to have adequate travel insurance in place to cover potential cancellation.
- Terms & Conditions: Further terms and conditions apply and will be provided upon request or at the time of booking. The Big Journey Company reserves the right to withdraw any offer prior to accepting a reservation. This does not affect your statutory rights. All offers are subject to availability and space is limited.







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