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## CROATIA

### **Dubrovnik – duration of city tour is cca 2,5 hrs**

**09h00** cca start your tour with panoramic drive

**09h45** disembarkation at the Pile gate

- visit museums according to the description

**12h45** end of the walking tour

**13h00** return by bus to the Port



Entirely surrounded by massive thick gray walls of stone, Dubrovnik has four gates to the city, three forts, five bastions and 14 square towers. Depart from the ship by coach for a short panoramic drive. Photo stop at viewpoint. Continue to Pile Gate to begin walking tour.

After a short introduction, enter the city gate and see the Onofrio Fountain, the facade of St Savior. (Visit) the Franciscan Monastery, In its monastery complex is the mid-14th century

cloister, one of the most beautiful late- Romanesque structures in Dalmatia. which houses the oldest pharmacy in Europe, dating from the 14th century Continue walking down the Placa (Visit) the Rector's Palace dating from the late 15th c with outstanding sculptural ornamentation. The palace was built for the rector who governed Dubrovnik. Today the palace is a museum with artfully restored rooms, figures in ceremonial dress and coins that evoke the history of Dubrovnik.....

Other shore excursions that we offer from the port of Dubrovnik:

- Dubrovnik riviera and village life
- Elaphite islands by boat
- Jeep safari
- Mostar
- Medjugorje
- Montenegro
- Wine tour



### **Mljet Island**

**09h30** start the walking tour of Mljet – after 20 minutes of walking you will reach the Mljet lakes. Take a short boat ride to the islet of St Mary. Visit of the Island.

Continue walking tour after transfer from the islet.

Return to the Pomena by foot.

**\*\* In case that some of passengers are disabled to the walking please inform us so we can provide minivans for transportation**

**12h30** end of tour



Mljet is an elongated island, with an average width of 3 km, 37 km long. It is an Island of great diversity and contrast, and "Mljet" National Park covers his northwestern part with an area of 5.375 ha of protected land and surrounding sea. This area was proclaimed as national park and it has been proclaimed as an area of special interest and you will learn why during this tour



### **Korčula Island duration of city tour is cca 2 hrs**

**09h00 start the walking tour**

- visit St Mark's Cathedral and Abbey treasuary
- visit atrium of Marco Polo's house

**11h00 end of the walking tour – free return to the ship till 17h00**



*The town of Korčula, known for its outstanding cultural and historical heritage and a long tradition in seafaring, shipbuilding and stone-masonry. It is the birthplace of the adventurer and Marco Polo.*

*Round-towered fortifications rise from the water's edge and frame this town located on the island of the same name. A walk along the crooked, narrow medieval streets will take you into lovely squares where you can sense life of local people. Do not miss 15th century Gothic Cathedral of St. Mark is*

*most impressive building and contains a wealth of artifacts, including paintings by Tintoretto*



*Other shore excursions that we offer from the port of Korčula:*

*Wine tour – selected nectars.*

### **Hvar duration of city tour is cca 2 hrs**

**08h00 ship will be anchored in front of the town of Hvar**

**09h00 After tendering begin you walking tour of Hvar**

- - Visit St Stephen's cathedral
- - Visit Franciscian's Monastery

**11h00 end of the walking tour**

*Hvar is the longest of all the Croatian islands and is home to three towns. The largest of these, also named Hvar, served as an important harbor for Venice's Adriatic fleet from the late 12th century through most of the eighteenth century*

*Cars are banned from the town, which means that the only sounds you hear are the calls of bird, sea waves, the, toll of bells, and the people's chatter. Take your part in the relaxed rhythms of island life, and one of the best ways is by following the way up to the Renaissance cathedral, round the sixteenth-century town well, down to the Arsenal with its striking portal, and over to the docks..*



### **Vis Island**

**08h00 departure by bus from Vis towards Komiza**

**08h25 arrival to Komiza – 30 minutes city tour**

**09h00 departure to Tito's cave taking the old road**

**09h30 sight seeing of the cave**

**10h30 visit of the nearby vinery – wine tasting and local authentic snack (Viska pogaca) something like calcione staffed with onion, sardines and tomato**

**11h15 departure towards Vis**

**11h45 arrival to the Vis**



**VIS**, an island in the central Dalmatian archipelago; area 90.3 sq km (length 17 km, width up to 8 km). The town and the port of Vis lie on the northern coast of the island with many cliffs, of which Gradac Cliff is most impressive (100 m). The island has no fresh water sources, apart from several springs near Komiza. Fertile valleys, covered with red soils and interspersed with sand dunes, are cultivated with vines. The main settlements on the island, Vis and Komiza, are connected by a road and ship lines. Apart from viniculture (modern wine production plants) and vegetables (early vegetables), fishing (fish cannery in Komiza) is also important. The island has a palm-tree nursery. Tourism is increasingly gaining on importance.

## Split

**09h00 start of the walking tour of Split**

**09h30 entrance to Diocletian's cellars**

**11h30 end of the walking tour of Split**



Guided city tour of **Split** that includes The Diocletian Palace, entrances to the St Dulmus cathedral, the treasury and the Diocletian's cellars. Split, the second largest city in Croatia and "the capital of Dalmatia" had gradually developed around the palace of the Roman emperor Diocletian, built more than 1700 years ago. From Diocletian's cellars, Cathedral and the Temple of Jupiter to the Golden Gate (Porta aurea), across the Peristyle and the Market (Pjaca) to the sunny sea promenade (Riva) and further up the Marmont street, pass the fish-market and all the way to the Theatre: morning in Split brings you the atmosphere of a typical Mediterranean city.



Other shore excursions that we offer from the port of Split:

- Rafting on Cetina river
- Split, Salona and Trogir

## ŠIBENIK AND NATIONAL PARK KRKA

**08h45 start of the walking tour with bus transfer to the historic center (45 minutes with visit to the St Jacob Cath.)**

**09h50 depart by bus towards National park Krka**

**10h20 arrival to the NP entrance Lozovac**

**13h20 departure by bus form Skradin to Šibenik**

**13h45 arrival to Šibenik**



**Šibenik** - In the heart of the Adriatic coast, at the mouth of the river Krka, hidden among the channels, there lies the town Šibenik, whose name was given by the great Croatian King Petar Krešimir IV. During the tour you will see the great cathedral of St. Jakob. Tour will be continued by a transfer to Krka National Park, visit the Krka River's Waterfalls in Krka National Park. With its seven travertine waterfalls and a total drop of 242 meters, the Krka River is a natural and karstic phenomenon. Walking tour in National park. Return to ship.



## ZADAR

**09h00 start of the walking tour**

**09h45 visit of St Donat**

**10h30 visit exhibition of Gold and Silver of Zadar**

**11h15 end of the walking tour**

The historical part of Zadar is fascinating to all those who respect historical monuments and cultural heritage. The church of St. Donat, the symbol of the city, is a must in each itinerary, as well as the museums of Zadar: the Archaeological Museum (established in 1830), one of the most important in Croatia, with about 80,000 exhibits from the Stone Age to the late Middle Ages, the National Museum with the Art Gallery and the Department of Natural Sciences, the Maritime Museum with exhibits of the development of navigation in northern Dalmatia, as well as the Permanent Exhibition of Sacral Art with about a thousand valuable exhibits from the past centuries, known under the popular name The Gold and Silver of Zadar City and port in central Dalmatia, the old town, located on a sheltered peninsula with a suitable natural harbour, had good opportunities for establishing of traffic connections with the hinterland.



Other shore excursions that we offer from the port of Zadar:

- Plitvice lakes - National Park - full day tour + Kornati Island by boat full day tour

## **RAB**

**09H00 start of the walking tour of Rab**

**09h30 visit of St Andrew**

**11h00 end of the tour**

*RAB, an island in the northern Adriatic, between the islands of Krk and Pag; area 93.6 sq km; population 9,205 (length 22 km). It consists mainly of limestone forming two elevated plains. Rab (in the ancient time called Arba, the name Rab appeared in the 15th century. In the prehistoric times inhabited by the Illyrian Liburnians. First mentioned in 360 BC. Occupied by the Romans in the 2nd century BC, to become a Roman colony in 155 BC. Under the rule of Emperor August, the town of Arba was already a municipality, protected by a town wall and towers...*



## **ROVINJ**

*Rovinj is situated on the west coast some 30 km from Pula. Houses inside the old town are small and lean to each other. This gives Rovinj a unique atmosphere. The city is dominated by the St. Euphemia church, which is built on the top of the hill during the Baroc time. Inside You can see St. Euphemia balsamed body – duration of the tour one hour and 30 minutes*



## **PULA**

*"The Eternal Heart of Istria" and the ancient Roman colony of Pollenta spreads over seven hills. Pula has a number of other important Roman monuments including the beautifully preserved Arena that could seat 23,000 people, the Temple of Augustus, the lovely Sergians triumphal Arch and the Hercules Gat, the town's oldest monument. The Temple of Jupiter was converted to a church in the 4th century and is an amazing combination of Roman and Byzantine architecture. After exploring these sights, take some free time.*

*Other shore excursions that we offer from the port of Pula or Rovinj:*

- Brijuni National Park – Roman villas
- Kotor bay by boat



## **SLOVENIA**

### **PIRAN**

**09h00 after tendering start the walking tour of Piran**

**11h00 end of the walking tour.**

*This wonderful panorama of the Piran peninsula from the west offers a view of the Cape of Piran stretching far into the sea. On the left are the salt works of Strunjan and farther in the distance the coastal towns of Izola and Koper.*



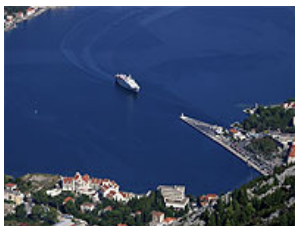
*The archives reflect a rich historical tradition that reaches back to the Roman Empire. The old seaport of Piran lies at the end of the Piran peninsula; it was surrounded by walls in the Middle Ages (200 metres of the city walls are still preserved). The whole town is protected as a cultural and historical monument and it has preserved its medieval layout with narrow streets and compact houses, which rise in steps from the coastal lowland into the hills and give the whole area a typical Mediterranean look.*



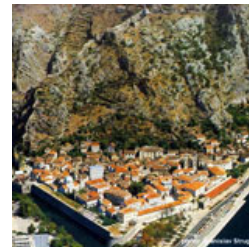
## MONTENEGRO

### Kotor

**09h00 start of the walking tour from the ship**  
**--- walking tour with visits to Cathedral and Maritime museum**  
**11h00 end of tour – free walk back to the ship**



**Kotor** is located in a most secluded part of Gulf of Kotor. It was known as the Old Mediterranean port, surrounded with city walls. They are well preserved and protected by UNESCO. During the walking tour your guide will take you through the centuries, from the second B.C. to now days, from Roman time, through middle ages right to the newest days of Montenegro. Landscape is breath taking, always calm sea surrounded by high mountains, it is fjord.

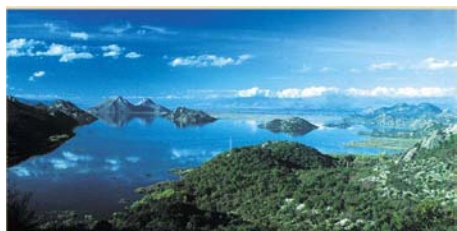


### BUDVA (MONTENEGRO)&SKADAR LAKE

**09h00 start of the walking tour of Budva**  
**10h30 bus transfer to Skadar Lake**  
**12h15 Lake tour with lunch**  
**16h00 return**  
**17h30 end of tour**

*Budva is considered one of the oldest settlements in the Balkans. The legend, confirmed by Greek mythology, says that Budva was established by Cadmo, the son of the Phoenician king Agenon, more then 2000 years ago. Today, is a centre of tourism, and a city of international theatre festivals. Just like all Mediterranean towns, Budva is surrounded by thick grey walls dating from 15<sup>th</sup> century.*

*Budva is surrounded by height and thick walls witch date from the 15<sup>th</sup> century and were built on the ruins of old walls from the 9<sup>th</sup> century. Many churches St.Ivan witch date from 7<sup>th</sup> century, Santa Maria in Punta from 840 and the Saint Trinity and the castle of St. Maria witch date from 5<sup>th</sup> century BC, but was rebuilt in the 19<sup>th</sup> century by the Austrians. Lake Skadar is not only the largest lake in the region, but one of the few remaining fresh-water, the last resort of many birds and the biggest bird sanctuary in Europe. Numerous monasteries, churches and fortresses, from the past of Montenegro, look as if they stopped time on the islands where they were built. They bring back memories of those that used to live and rule this area.*



*During this trip, you will have the possibility to cruise and to discover the beauty of the National Park.*

*Other shore excursions that we offer from the port of Kotor:*

- Grand Montenegro – Kotor, Njegusi, Cetinje ex Royal town, Budva
- Kotor bay by boat

## ALBANIA

### PORT SARANDA – EXCURSION TO BUTRINT (duration cca 3 hrs)

**09h00 start of the tour from the pier by bus transfer – duration cca 40 minutes**  
**09h40 arrival to Butint - tour of the Butrint archeological site – duration 1hrs30minutes**  
**11h20 transfer back to the port Sarande**  
**12h00 expected arrival back**



**Butrint** is located on a small peninsula between the Straits of Corfu and Lake Butrint. Inhabited since prehistoric times, Butrint has been the site of a Greek colony, a Roman city, and a bishopric. It can be reached from Sarande, small town located on very south of Albania very nearby of Greek island of Corfu.



**VLORA - APOLLONIA** (duration cca 3,5 hrs)

**08h30** start of the short panoramic sightseeing of Vlora by bus,  
■ departure towards Apollonia – approximate duration of transfer 1hrs15min  
**10h45** start the tour of Apollonia  
**12h15** end of the tour and return to the to the Vlora  
**13h30** arrival to the Vlora



*Panoramic coach sightseeing tour of Vlora will be continued by drive to the ancient Greek settlement of Apollonia – (founded in 588 BC). This archeological site is one of the most important sites in Albania and in the World, dedicated to the god of Apollo.*

