

sailing split

go guide

don't leave home without it



cruise spotlight

what you see

- Split - Historical port
- Makarska - Port and Riviera
- Mljet - National park and salt water lakes
- Dubrovnik - Pearl of the Adriatic
- Sipan or Trstenik (decided en route)
- Korcula - reputed birthplace of Marco Polo
- Pakleni islands - azure waters & secluded beaches
- Hvar - harbour town & culinary delights
- Brac - Zlatni Rat for swimming
- Crystal clear Adriatic waters & sun kissed beaches

what you get

- 7 breakfasts, 7 (two course) lunches
- 7 nights accommodation aboard sailing boat (cost saver or classic boat)
- 7 days sailing off the Dalmatian coast in the Adriatic Sea
- Opportunities to swim, snorkel, soak up the sun, hike and bike ride
- Services of captain and onboard crew
- Classic boats - 2 towels for personal use
- Costsaver boats - passengers need to bring their own towels
- Linen and bedding
- Most Port taxes and visitor fees. A supplementary Port tax of Euro 20 will need to be paid by you upon cruise check in



on location

Your guide to on the ground...

visa requirements

UK, Australia, New Zealand, Canada and USA passport holders don't require a visa for a stay of less than 90 days. RSA and other passport holders REQUIRE a visa (issued before departure). Please contact the Croatian Embassy. Please note that visa requirements are subject to change and that visa procurement is the responsibility of the traveller.

climate

Temperatures in Croatia are generally high during the high summer months from June to September, when the sun can be strong, so pack sunscreen. Evenings can be cooler - so take a jacket, a long sleeved top or two and trousers for this eventuality.

time

Croatia is 1 hour ahead of GMT.

money

GBP £1=HRK 8.3 USD \$1=HRK 5.1 EUR €1= HRK 7.4 (subject to fluctuation). Bring GBP or Euro for

exchange, and an internationally recognized debit/credit card for atms/teller cash machine withdrawals (available in all bigger towns). Exchange facilities are also available at various bureau de changes and banks.

health requirements

Recommendations - Tetanus and Polio, typhoid Hepatitis A. If planning to visit mountainous/forested regions, more vaccinations may be necessary. This information is provided as a guide only so please check with your local healthcare provider for the most up to date information. It is advisable to purchase bottled water for drinking.

how much?

TIPPING

If you feel your crew have done a good job you can reward them with a tip. Travellers will often pitch together, pass around an open envelope and present a group gratuity to the crew on behalf of the group. You are not obliged to partake if you don't wish to.

- Can of coke, 330ml **\$2.70 USD**
- Mineral water (local brand, 500ml or 1L) **\$2.40 USD**
- Meal for 2 (entree, main, a beer, local restaurant) **\$40-60 USD**
- Beer (local brew Efes - 330-500ml approx) **\$3 USD**
- Chocolate candy bar (local brand) **\$1.45 USD**

bright ideas

- Pack light and use a bag rather than a suitcase.
- If on a costsaver boat, remember to bring a towel!
- Want to snorkel? Pack a mask, flippers and snorkel.
- Pack 2 bathing costumes. That way you have a spare!
- Buy a phrasebook and practice your holiday Croatian.
- Bring a small daypack for your day-to-day needs.
- Keep a supply of small notes for local transactions.
- Keep a photocopy of your passport data pages.

top experiences

- Beautiful Split - Explore the UNESCO-listed Diocletian Palace, a Roman gem
- Enjoy a morning swim and fill your mind, body and soul with verve for the day!
- Explore the salt lakes on the island of Mljet
- Discover Korcula - the reputed birthplace of perhaps the world's greatest explorer - Marco Polo
- Walk along the ancient fortified walls of Dubrovnik
- Enjoy locally produced olives, preserves & sweetmeats.





sailing split: itinerary

day 1 - split

Saturday. Hello Croatia and welcome aboard!

Your boat will have its name written on the side and a sign for "Katarina Line" who we work in conjunction with. An on the go/Katarina Line representative will be there to meet you and help you with the check in procedure. Don't miss the boat, board between 10.30 - 12.30pm. Cruise departs from SPLIT HARBOUR ON SATURDAY AT 13:00. If you are late or have any problems, please contact the head office 00385 51603400. We are able to arrange pre night accommodation in local hotel should you require.

Located in the heart of Dalmatia, Split became a popular retirement destination in the 4th century for Roman emperors such as Diocletian. Today, it is renowned for its variety of archaeological, historical and cultural monuments among them the UNESCO listed Diocletian Palace. The first detailed tourist guide published in 1894, bears witness to the long tourist tradition in hospitable Split! From Split harbour we will sail south to Makarska this afternoon.

Overnight - onboard.

day 2 - mljet

Makarska - Mljet. Cast your 21st century worries adrift and get on with the business of sheer relaxation and soaking up the sun. Every day there are opportunities to swim and snorkel direct from the boat or from the sandy white beaches as our boat moors in sheltered bays and coves. In port at day's end, head down the gang plank and away to a local restaurant or café. The freshness and variety of Croatian food is typical of Mediterranean cuisine. Seafood has a prominent place, as do fresh vegetables, cheeses and breads. Olives and grapes have been cultivated here since pre-Christian times.

Today we stop on the Peljesac Peninsula for a refreshing swim. With lunch onboard, we continue to the verdant green island of Mljet. Half the island is National Park and stunningly beautiful with thick green forests of Aleppo pine encircling the two inland salt water lakes. The lakes, Malo Jezero (small lake) and Veliko Jezero (big lake), are interlinked and connect to the sea by a shallow tidal canal. In the middle of Veliko Jezero is the picturesque island of Saint Mary, home to a small 12th century Benedictine monastery; well worth the visit. The island is easy to navigate and it is possible to hire bicycles and motorized scooters from the harbour although these are not always available. At dinner time try one of the seafood kavarnas (taverns) along the waterfront. Breakfast, lunch and overnight onboard.

day 3 - dubrovnik

Mljet - Dubrovnik. This morning we set sail to Dubrovnik, stopping en route for a swim. Arriving into Dubrovnik, spend the afternoon exploring the old town. Much of the history of Dubrovnik can be characterised by its intact city walls, which run uninterrupted for 1940 metres encircling the city. This complex structure, one of the most beautiful and strongest fort systems in Europe, is the main attraction to the city's visitors. Five towers inbuilt along the city wall offer unforgettable views of the city and out to sea warding off bygone invaders. The old stone city is a labyrinth of criss-crossed cobbled streets and lanes. With a thousand and one taverns serving up cold beer and Mediterranean food, and

numerous souvenir and gift shops, many days can be spent inside the city walls. Breakfast, lunch and overnight onboard

day 4 - sipan island/trstenik

Dubrovnik - Sipan Island/ Trstenik. Today we set sail for Sipan Island or Trstenik. Trstenik is a pretty harbour town, located on the north eastern tip of the Peljesac Peninsula. The quaint fishing village boasts beautiful unspoiled coves and beaches, fresh water springs and many restaurants and bars along the harbour side strip. Sipan Island is historically interesting. During the 15th century it was a chic summer getaway for the very best Dubrovnik families, many of whom built palaces on the island. Sipan's beaches are never overcrowded so you'll have no trouble finding a pleasant place to leap into the clear sea. Again, there are waterfront restaurants dishing up all seafood imaginable; the choice of restaurants here may be limited but the quality is not. The captain will inform whether we tonight's stop will be at Sipan Island or Trstenik. Breakfast, lunch and overnight onboard.

day 5 - korcula

Sipan Island/ Trstenik - Korcula. This morning we set sail for Korcula, disembarking late afternoon after enjoying lunch onboard at Lumbarda, on the eastern cape of the island. Korcula is one of the most charming and romantic islands of the 1000 or so off the Adriatic coast. Korcula old town is set in a mini fortress and for many people, brings to mind 'Dubrovnik'. Ancient mediaeval walls surround hidden treasures; you will find architectural delights, including Renaissance palaces, cathedrals, museums and plenty more gems tucked away in its network of old cobbled streets. According to local legend, the famous world explorer, Marco Polo was born here in 1254 and you can even climb the tower which was said to be his home. Breakfast, lunch and overnight onboard.

day 6 - hvar

Korcula - Pakleni Islands - Hvar. Today we cruise the Pakleni islands and onward to Hvar. The tiny archipelago (of about twenty islets) extend along the south side of Hvar. The islands covered in pine trees are known to local fishermen for 'paklina' (melted pine resin) used for 'water proofing' boat decking. The islands also offer crystal clear waters and secluded beaches. Lunch on board, then we sail onward to Hvar. Hvar is an island of sunshine and crickets, lavender, sage, rosemary and wine. Take a walk through the harbour town and be sure to sample some of the local wines and spirits, as well as fish and crustaceans, caught by Hvar fishermen. Breakfast, lunch and overnight onboard.

day 7- brac

Hvar - Brac - Split. Cruise to the island of Brac, for swimming at Zlatni Rat beach (Golden Horn), a well known beach near the town of Bol. Time permitting we will also have time to swim in one of the islands other bays after lunch onboard, before we return to Split. Enjoy a free afternoon and evening in Split to explore the city your way. Breakfast, lunch and overnight onboard.

day 8- split

Saturday - Split. Your perfect week of sailing concludes after breakfast.

PLEASE NOTE: The Captain has the right to change the route due to weather and sea conditions or to ensure the boat stays on schedule. Also note that all boats have an onboard motor which they tend to use for the majority of the time, rather than the sails.

useful stuff

Luggage

You will need to use a large holdall or rucksack rather than a suitcase due to limited space in the cabins.

What will I eat?

Aboard the cruise, Continental breakfast and lunch are provided. Continental breakfast will comprise tea or coffee, fruit juice, bread, butter and preserves, plus cold cuts and cheeses. Lunch will include a starter of home made soup or pasta and a main course comprising either fish, meat or chicken with a minimum of two sides (potatoes, cabbage, other vegetables) and side salad and desert. Desert will be either seasonal fruits or perhaps pancakes. All menus are designed and cooked by the onboard cook.

Is there a bar onboard?

A bar operates on board all boats. Prices are in line with those one will pay in port at bars/cafes for beers, wines, basic spirits, mixers, soft drinks and bottled mineral water. Since there is a bar aboard, it is not possible to consume personal supplies of alcohol or beverages not purchased aboard. If you were found to be flouting this rule, you would be asked to consume such personal supplies when ashore. The same would happen if you were drinking BYO drinks in a hotel lobby! You'd be asked to consume the drink(s) beyond the confines of the hotel!

Can I smoke onboard?

Smoking is restricted to OUTSIDE ONLY - ONDECK.

classic or costsaver?

'Classic' boats offer mostly twin bunk cabin accommodation with private en suite bathrooms. Dependant upon the craft, triples and more occasionally - double-bedded cabins are sometimes available. 'Classic' boats operate on all our cruises. 'Costsaver' boats are only offered on our Sailing Split cruise and have ONLY twin bunk cabins (most with wash basin), all with shared bathroom facilities. The ratio of cabins to bathrooms is around 4-5 cabins : 1 bathroom on average. Towels are only provided on our Classic boats. All boats have plenty of deck space and room to lounge about!

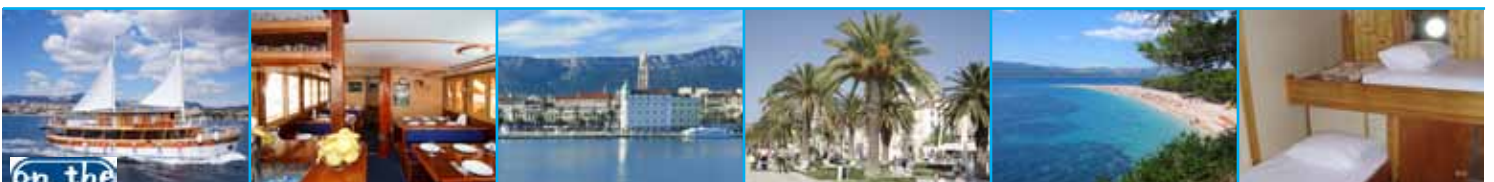
Should I book an 'on deck' or 'below deck' cabin?

There are small differences between 'above deck' and 'below deck' cabins. 'Above deck' cabins are arranged on the main or top deck of the boat and have windows allowing fresh air and views. Whilst 'below deck' cabins are arranged within the hull of the boat below the main deck. 'Below deck' cabins may have port holes, but these will not necessarily open.

Optional extras:

There are a couple of optional extras available to you onboard. You are able to purchase a fully-cooked breakfast if so desired or join other travelers aboard for a Captains Dinner (subject to 10 participants - the cook wants to make cooking a big meal worthwhile!) and/or have one's bed linen changed during the cruise. These services are available at reasonable cost.

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