

SAIL CROATIA

*SPLIT TO DUBROVNIK VIA
MONTENEGRO AND THE
CROATIAN ISLANDS*

THE DALMATIAN COAST



Sailing from Split to Dubrovnik along the Adriatic coast taking in Montenegro as well as many of the islands along some of the most spectacular coastline in Europe.

Let your hosts and support crew look after your needs while you relax and discover exotic beaches in the bays of tiny islands and explore secluded coves hidden in the sparkling blue of the Adriatic.



Sunbathing, swimming, snorkelling and exploring the stunning marine life in the crystal clear waters of the Adriatic.

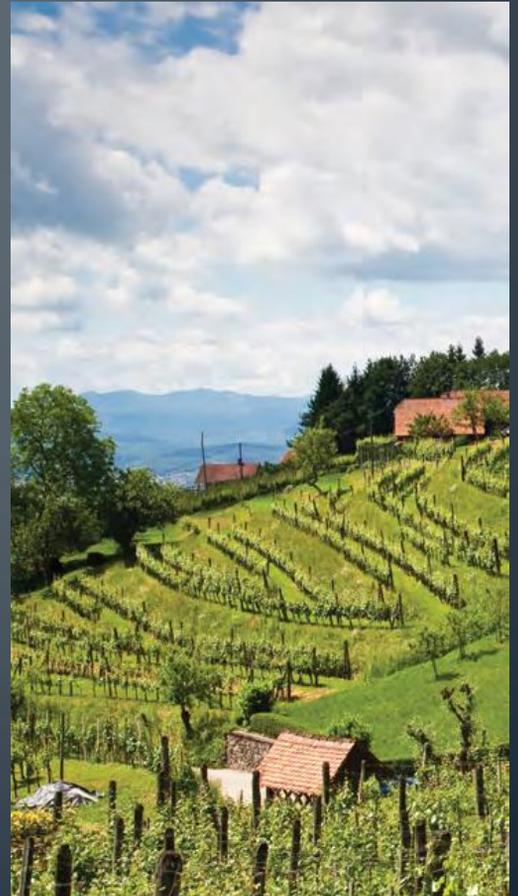
*Another Day
(or night)...Another Bay*







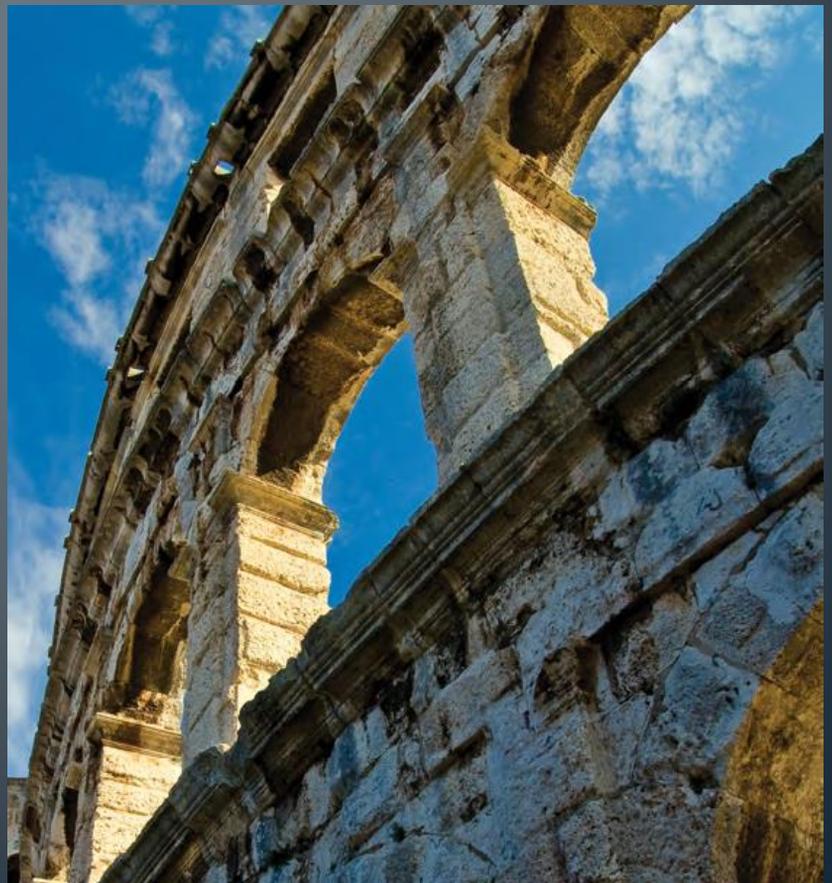
Then there's the beautiful scenery and natural wonders on dry land, with treks and excursions for you to embark on, from national parks with picturesque lakes and pinewoods to the beautifully cultivated meadows of Mediterranean vegetation and olive tree hillsides.





Classic Art and culture lovers will fall in love with the many historical monuments, original architecture, monasteries, museums and art galleries.

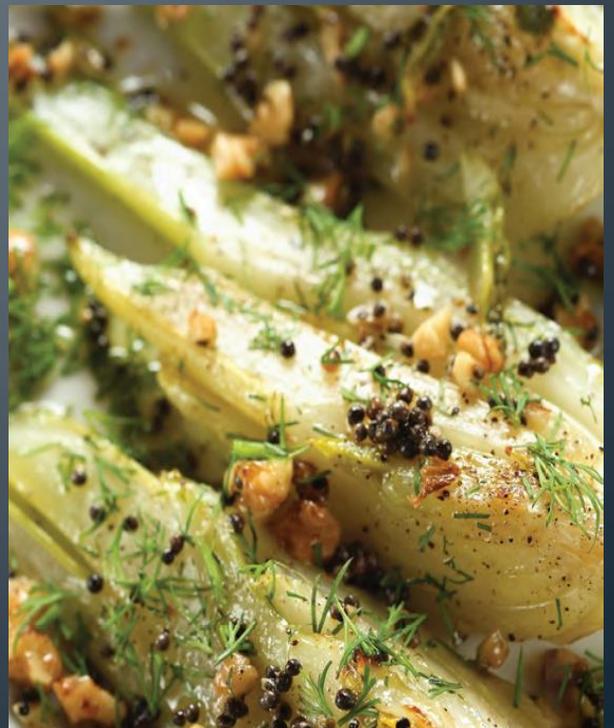
If cultural heritage is your passion then you will bear witness to the place where the ancient world meets the modern as we sail into the historical core of Croatia & Montenegro visiting cities and towns that were once the centre of life in ancient times; now more than 2500 years old.





What captivating holiday would be complete without the culinary cuisine to match.

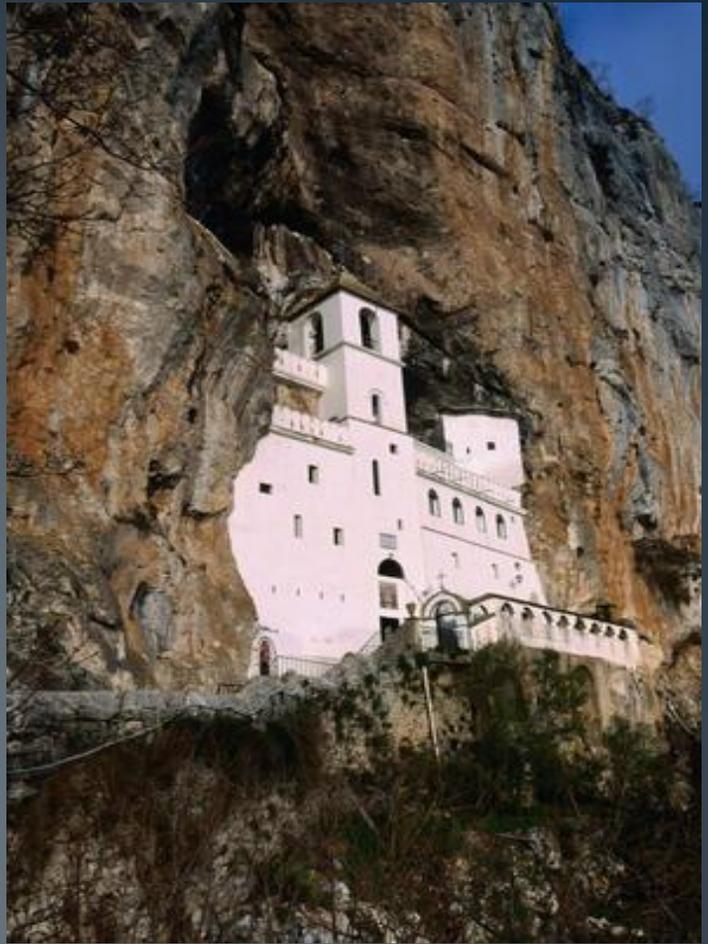
The creators of this journey share the same passion for food as they do for sailing so rest assured you're in safe hands as you enjoy the culinary delights of local produce, great food and hospitality both aboard and ashore.





While docked at one of the many village or promenades take the chance to meander through the old cobbled streets of the seaside villages and stop in at a cosy café to soak up a coffee whilst watching the locals go about their day. Allow yourself to be lured by one of the many ice cream parlours that promise to serve the yummiest “Sladoled” you’ve ever tasted.

We will visit the wonderland that is Montenegro. Imagine a place with rugged peaks as dramatic as Switzerland's, canyons nearly as deep as Colorado's, palazzi as elegant as Venice's and towns as old as Greece's. Then wrap it up in a Mediterranean climate and squash it into an area two-thirds the size of Wales and you start to get a picture of Montenegro.



Our aim is to ensure that you experience and enjoy one of the most interesting, relaxing and eventful holidays; all at the same time.

With iconic architectural structures, 1900 year old cultural traditions, lots of sunshine, gastronomic delights, coastlines that will amaze you and an array of recreational activities; Croatia & Montenegro are the hidden gems of holiday destinations that have left visitors spellbound for centuries.

Come and experience the magic that is Croatia & Montenegro.





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SAILING ADVENTURES

CROATIA & MONTENEGRO

Croatia has become a hotspot for tourism as it offers a diversity of destinations, set against spectacular natural landscapes. The Croatian Adriatic includes 1,185 islands, islets and reefs and the coastline stretches 1,778kms. The mainland and islands are dotted with fishing villages, apparently unchanged in many years and the otherwise uninhabited islands come alive in the summer as the restaurants, cafes and bars open up for the passing summer trade. We are going to discover the heartland of Croatia and Montenegro – the Dalmatian coast. This area of the coast allows you to take in the history and architecture of Croatia and Montenegro; lose yourself in smaller towns such as Komiza, Hvar Town, Vis or nearby Vrboska on Hvar not to mention the beauty and wonders of Montenegro.

**** Please Note: Destinations are indicative of where we plan to be for each day. This itinerary may vary depending on weather conditions. ****

B = BREAKFAST
L = LUNCH
D = DINNER



The Middle Adriatic

SPLIT, MASLINICA, VRBOSCA & PALMIZANA

Split is the largest city on the eastern Adriatic coast and has a history dating back 1,700 years to the time when the Emperor Diocletian had a residence built here, the remains of which are still the most important feature of the old part of the city and waterfront. Life in Split is lived outdoors with fascinating architecture, museums, markets, restaurants and street entertainment.

DAY 1 FRIDAY D.

Arrive into Split and be transferred to your hotel.

Explore Split at leisure. That night your "Sailing Adventures" team will host our group at a welcome dinner and get-to-know you

DAY 2 SATURDAY B.D.

Breakfast at your hotel followed by a free day roaming Split and the Diocletian Palace.

Saturday afternoon we will board our yacht and head to the island of Solta and the village of Maslinica. Maslinica is a settlement on Solta, situated in a bay on the west part of the island. Maslinica distinguishes with natural values of a landscape, with the picturesque bay and a pine wood on the south side and its vicinity within the deep, well-protected Šešula bay.

DAY 3 SUNDAY B.L.D..

After breakfast we will depart for the secluded village of Vrbosca on the Island of Hvar. The exhibition at the Museum of Fishing in Vrbosca on the Island of Hvar offers an insight into fishing on the Adriatic long ago. Hvar is a picturesque island and is covered in thick pine woods. Vrbosca has been a fishing village for centuries, the main catch being sardines, anchovies and other oily fish. Until 1972 there was a sardine cannery here.

DAY 4 MONDAY B.L.D.

Today we are off to the bay of Palmizana. A pretty little bay on the southern side of Klement Island. The restaurants in this bay are legendary and we will dine on wonderful local produce and wines.



The Islands of Croatia

HVAR, KOMIZA, THE BLUE GROTTO & ZAKLOPATICA

TUESDAY DAY 5 B.L.D.

Today it's off to Hvar Town on the Island of Hvar. Hvar is an undisputed sailing magnet, beautiful, historical and a place in which you will dine in style. Sailing into Hvar is a visual spectacle. The cliffs are farmed with sage, rosemary, olives and grapes and look remarkably manicured. Hvar has a fabulous promenade on the waterfront with palm trees and the Venetian Settlement and the old walled fortress is definitely worth visiting. Hvar offers culture, art and buildings, but is most famous for its restaurants and bars.

WEDNESDAY DAY 6 B.L.D.

Today we are off to Komiza on the spectacular island of Vis. This island is far from the mainland and has always been a significant haven for mariners in the central Adriatic. Vis is an island of vineyards and vintners who have responded in style by opening wine-cellars and shops. In summer there are cultural events associated with the Vis Summer Festival and alongside more hedonistic pursuits, you can also visit the local museum which will give you an idea of the significance of the historical surroundings into which you have sailed. We will moor in the town of Komiza.

THURSDAY DAY 7 B.L.D.

Our first stop is the famous Blue Grotto just off the island of Vis. We will explore the grotto and marvel at the magical blue colours created by sunlight seeping through the underwater openings

Following our visit to the caves we are off on our longest leg of the journey, our destination, the Island of Lastovo and the village of Zaklopatica.

The Islands of Croatia



KORCULA TOWN, MLJET, KOBAS BAY & CAVTAT

FRIDAY DAY 8 B.L.D.

A short sail across to the island of Korcula sees us arriving in Korcula Town....

The city with the same name as the Island is probably the best preserved medieval settlement in the Mediterranean. Korcula had a strategic position in the Adriatic over the centuries, where its tall towers could monitor the passing galleys and sailing ships. It is also the birthplace of Marco Polo. Marco Polo's house is a must visit here.

SATURDAY DAY 9 B.L.D.

In the morning we will sail to the secluded town of Polace on the Island of Mijet. Here we will explore the Lakes, Malo & Veliko Jezero as well as the ancient Benedictine Monastery on the islet of Sv. Marija. Moored 3 metres from the restaurant, we will enjoy the best of open grilled seafood fresh from the local fishermen along with local wines.

SUNDAY DAY 10 B.L.D.

Today it's off to Kobas Bay along the Ston Channel.

This peaceful Bay is dotted with restaurants and villas. A visit to nearby Ston and Maliston (Little Ston) is a must to see the largest oyster and mussel growing areas of Croatia. Dinner at the famous Gastro Mare restaurant on the waterfront is a gourmet's delight.

MONDAY DAY 11 B.L.D.

After breakfast we will depart the bay for a sail to Cavtat passing the outside of the old city of Dubrovnik. In Cavtat we will explore the town and dine at one of their local restaurants, sampling some of their unique produce. This is one of the most picturesque Adriatic waterfronts. It occupies the northeast section of the huge bay, alongside the charming village lying along the waterfront. It is surrounded by lush vegetation, palm trees and thick woods, which reach down to the sea. Cavtat is a typical Mediterranean village, somewhat more refined than most, as it bears the stamp of the Dubrovnik Republic.



The Southern Adriatic

MONTENEGRO, & DUBROVNIK

TUESDAY DAY 12 **B.L.D.**

Montenegro is in our sights for today. Montenegro, known as the pearl of the Mediterranean, unique in many ways, situated in the south of the Adriatic. Nowhere else can you find, so much natural wealth, beauty, mild beaches, clear lakes, fast rivers, and gorgeous mountains in such a compact area as in Montenegro. This place cannot leave you indifferent.

WEDNESDAY DAY 13 **B.L.D.**

Imagine a place with sapphire beaches as spectacular as Croatia's, rugged peaks as dramatic as Switzerland's, canyons nearly as deep as Colorado's, palazzi as elegant as Venice's and towns as old as Greece's. Then wrap it up in a Mediterranean climate and squish it into an area two-thirds the size of Wales, and you start to get a picture of Montenegro.

We will spend lots of time in this magnificent area . Dining in spectacular settings and taking in the wonder of the region.

THURSDAY DAY 14 **B.L.D.**

Our next day in Montenegro we will explore more of this spectacular region and its attractions.

FRIDAY DAY 15 **B.L.D.**

Dubrovnik is our final destination. This grand medieval walled city is an architectural mix. It encompasses the old walled town and the new stone houses with their uniform orange roofs. It is a magical sight from the water with the pine trees and a rocky waterfront. There is plenty to see in Dubrovnik, this unique city is enclosed by mighty defence walls and there are excellent restaurants, museums, an aquarium and a war museum reflective of the terrible war against the Tito regime.

SATURDAY DAY 16 **B.D.**

You will be transferred from the marina to your luxury hotel. That night we will gather at one of the great restaurants in the "Old City" for a farewell dinner. George Bernard Shaw suggested, "Those who seek paradise on earth should come to Dubrovnik".

SUNDAY DAY 17 **B.**

Today we bid everyone farewell and it's off to the airport or the next stage of your journey with fond farewells, a few tears and a vow to return to this gem of the Mediterranean.

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