



Croatia 2026 Culinary Artistry: Croatia's Culinary & Cultural Voyage featuring Chef Sungchul Shim

May 15, 2026 - May 25, 2026

Prices are per person and based on cabin choice.

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Embark on an extraordinary 11 day excursion through the Adriatic **May 15-25, 2026**, where the beauty of Croatia's coast meets the artistry of world-class foods.

Hosted by Chef Sungchul Shim, a Korean chef and restaurateur known for re-imagining Korean flavors through a contemporary American lens. Born in Jeollanam-do, Korea, he learned to cook alongside his mother before training at the Culinary Institute of America and honing his craft in top NYC kitchens including Le Bernardin, Per Se, Bouley, and Aureole. He is the chef behind Michelin-starred [Kochi](#) and [Mari](#), and later expanded with [Mari.ne](#) and [DonDon Korean BBQ](#). His newest concepts include Korean-American steakhouse [GUI](#), its adjoining cocktail lounge [Bar92](#), and [HWARO](#) – a 22-seat chef's counter built around connection – serving as his most personal expression yet.

Aboard your private yacht you will savor bespoke dining experiences, cooking demonstrations, and wine tastings and pairings. Each day brings new indulgences and

rare encounters: an exclusive oyster and fish picnic on the sea, a private tuna show on a secluded island, and tastings of Croatia's celebrated olive oils and coastal wines.

Your voyage includes excursions to some of Dalmatia's most breathtaking destinations. You can swim in the beautiful clear waters of the **Adriatic**, discover the hidden secrets of **Vis Military Island**, and wander the chic streets of **Hvar Town**, alive with Mediterranean charm.

From golden sunsets on deck to immersive encounters with local heritage keepers, this journey is crafted for discerning travelers who seek more than a vacation. It is a rare chance to **experience Croatia through its flavors, stories, and unforgettable coastal beauty**—anchored the culinary mastery of Chef Sunghul Shim.

Pricing per person:

Lower Deck Cabin per person: \$7,700 USD

Quiet and refined, with elegant finishes and cozy comfort below deck.

Main Deck Cabin per person: \$9,400 USD

Bright and spacious, just steps from the heart of the yacht.

Upper Deck Suites per person: \$11,600 USD

2 VIP suites with private terraces and private jacuzzis.

Trip Summary

May 15 - WELCOME TO DUBROVNIK

Welcome to Croatia!

Welcome to Dubrovnik

3:00 PM

Check in at Hotel Rixos Premium Dubrovnik

Meals and Accommodations

Dubrovnik - Tourist Information - Dubrovnik Airport (DBV), Passport & Visa, Best Time to Visit, Public Transport, Taxi and Uber Available, Post, Pharmacy, Telephone (check with your carrier for plans before arriving in Croatia), Electricity

May 16 - DUBROVNIK HIGHLIGHTS TOUR // DINNER AT "TAJ MAHAL"

10:00 AM

Dubrovnik Highlights Tour - The Dubrovnik Cathedral, Knežev dvor (Rector's Palace)

Dinner at Taj Mahal Restaurant in Old Town Dubrovnik - Taj Mahal Restaurant - Old Town

Dubrovnik - The City

Dubrovnik - Do & See - Game of Thrones Walking Tour of Dubrovnik, Dominican Monastery & Museum, Cathedral Treasury, House of Marin Držić, Franciscan Monastery Museum, Cultural History Museum, Old Town, National Maritime Museum, City Walls

Meals and Accommodations

May 17 - DUBROVNIK EXPLORATION // ARETHA EMBARKATION

10:00 AM

Check out from Hotel Rixos - Hotel Rixos Premium Dubrovnik 5*

Explore more of Old Town Dubrovnik

5:00 PM

Embark Luxury Cruiser Yacht Aretha

6:00 PM

Welcome Reception on board Aretha

Cruise to Sipan Island

Meals and Accommodations

May 18 - SIPAN - PELIJEŠAC PENINSULA - BADIJA

Cruise to Pelješac Peninsula

Sail into Flavor: Premium wines and gourmet lunch - Mali Ston Oysters – Dubrovnik Oyster paradise

Meals and Accommodations

May 19 - KORČULA TOWN ICONIC SIGHTS AND AUTHENTIC FLAVORS AT RANCH "MAHA"

Cruise to Island Korčula

A Taste of Tradition: Dining at Ranch "Maha" - Konoba Maha

Meals and Accommodations

May 20 - VIS ISLAND MILITARY ADVENTURE // CAPTAIN'S DINNER

Morning cruise from Korčula to Vis island with swim stop en route. Lunch demo on board.

Vis Island Tour - Vis Island

Captain's Dinner

Meals and Accommodations

May 21 - HVAR TOWN HIGHLIGHTS EXPLORER

Cruise to Hvar Town

Meals and Accommodations

May 22 - EXPERIENCE BRAČ ISLAND: OLIVE OIL, WINE, AND LIVE MUSIC AT STINA WINERY

Cruise from Šolta to Brač island with swim stop en route.

Experience the essence of Brač: Olive Oil Museum with Local Cuisine - Olive Oil Museum - Muzej uja

Stina Winery Wine Tasting - Stina Winery - Bol, Croatia

Meals and Accomodations

May 23 - SPLIT HIGHLIGHTS EXPLORER

Cruise to Split

Split Tour - Split

Meals and Accomodations

May 24 - A DAY IN SPLIT // DISEMBARKATION // FAREWELL DINNER

9:00 AM

Disembark Luxury Mini Cruiser Yacht Aretha

3:00 PM

Check in at Cornaro Hotel - Cornaro Hotel

7:00 PM

Farewell Dinner at "Chops" - Chops Grill Steak & Seafood, Split

Meals and Accomodations

May 25 - DEPARTURE FROM SPLIT

11:00 AM

Check out from Cornaro Hotel - Cornaro Hotel

Departure from Croatia

Meals and Accomodations

Explore the Highlights of the Curated Experience



[For a curated visual overview of our signature highlights and the spirit of this Adriatic voyage, we invite you to explore the Highlights of the Curated Experience.](#)

May 15 - WELCOME TO DUBROVNIK



Welcome to Croatia!

After disembarkation from the plane you will clear immigration and proceed to claim your luggage. In the arrival lounge you will be greeted by a local transfer assistant displaying a board or sign with your name.



Welcome to Dubrovnik

Welcome to Dubrovnik—the dazzling pearl of the Adriatic! Nestled in the southern tip of Croatia, this sun-kissed city radiates Mediterranean charm almost year-round.

Dubrovnik brims with Mediterranean magic, blending stunning Baroque, Gothic, and Renaissance architecture with centuries-old charm.

Stroll through the UNESCO-listed Old Town, a medieval masterpiece with red-roofed townhouses, palaces, and the iconic City Walls that offer unforgettable views.



CHECK-IN 3:00 PM - Central European Summer Time

Check in at Hotel Rixos Premium Dubrovnik

Location

Nestled near Dubrovnik's Old Town amidst stunning landscapes, Rixos Premium Dubrovnik is a luxury lifestyle 5* hotel showcasing modern architecture and lavish interior design.

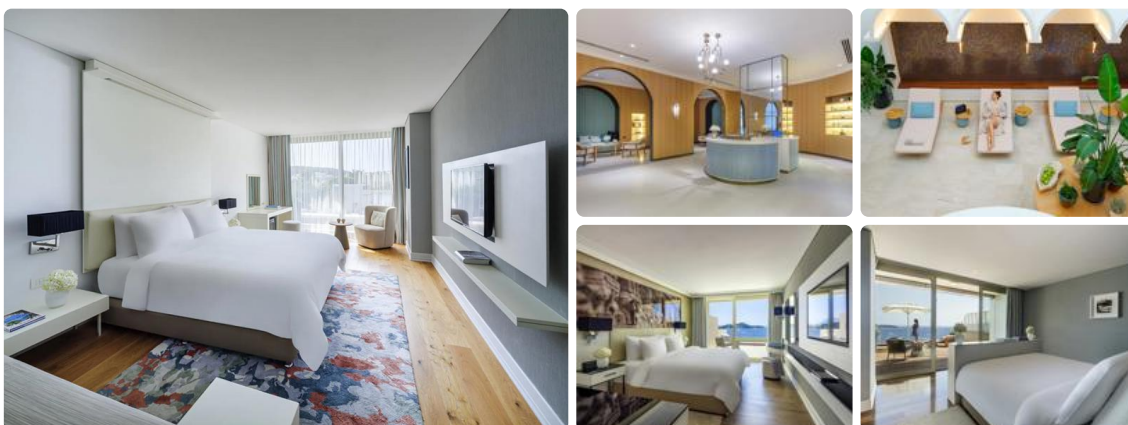
Facilities

Offering contemporary accommodation, chic bars and restaurants, and a serene spa, it's the ultimate destination for indulgence. Enjoy panoramic sea views from the year-round indoor and seasonal outdoor pools.

Rixos Premium Dubrovnik offers you an unforgettable holiday experience in a region rich in historical, cultural and natural beauties. Dubrovnik, on Croatia's stunning Dalmatian Coast, is known as the "Pearl of the Adriatic". Rixos Premium Dubrovnik, a luxury lifestyle hotel, is located close to the Old Town of Dubrovnik and with its impressive exterior design that cascades down to the sea, the hotel represents the ultimate blend of modern architecture and luxurious sophisticated interior design.

Including 3 bars and 3 restaurants, Rixos Premium Dubrovnik offers culinary pleasures from international cuisines. You can taste exclusive teppanyaki specialties at the Umi Teppanyaki Restaurant or enjoy in seafood menus at the Libertas Fish Restaurant. At the sports bar, you can drink alcoholic beverages while enjoying Adriatic views.

With its luxurious beach area and exclusive casino, Rixos Premium Dubrovnik promises an unforgettable stay.



Meals and Accommodations

Accommodations:

- Hotel Rixos Premium Dubrovnik 5*

Meals:

- Breakfast: On your own
- Lunch: On your own
- Dinner: On your own

Dubrovnik - Tourist Information



Dubrovnik Airport (DBV)

Zračna luka Dubrovnik/Močići, Dobrota 24
+385 20 773 100

Dubrovnik Airport is situated about 22 kilometres east of the city centre. The journey takes about 30 minutes by car. Airline buses meet all arrivals, including the late-night ones. The drop-off for the airport buses is at the entrance to the Old Town or at the bus station. You can buy your tickets when boarding the bus. The taxi stand is located next to the Terminal building B.

The airport provides direct flights to numerous European destinations such as Vienna, London, Zurich, Athens and Barcelona, along with seasonal transatlantic service to New York. Major carriers including Croatia Airlines, United Airlines, Ryanair and Swiss operate regular routes from this hub.

Notably, the airport also functions as a gateway for travellers visiting nearby Montenegrin towns like Herceg Novi and Kotor, despite being across the international border. Seasonal variations affect certain routes, so you should verify flight availability when planning their journeys.



Passport & Visa

Croatia can be visited visa-free for up to 90 days by citizens of most European countries, Australia, New Zealand, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, Malaysia, Israel, UAE and most countries in America. If you are unsure whether or not you need to apply for a visa, we recommend contacting the embassy or consulate in your country. International (non-Schengen) travellers need a passport that is valid for at least 3 months after the end of their intended trip in order to enter the Schengen zone. Citizens of Schengen countries can travel without a passport, but must have a valid ID with them during their stay.



Best Time to Visit

During peak season, July to August, the temperatures range from 22°C to 30°C. July is the sunniest time of the year, making Croatian waters perfect for a swim, with water temperatures of 24°C.

However, during the summer, Dubrovnik is flocked by tourists and the hotel prices increase. This is why many prefer travelling from May to June or September to October. These months are still offering sunny days, warm enough to swim and the restaurants and tourist attractions are open. In the low season, November to April, most facilities are closed, and the weather is more unsteady.



Public Transport

+385 20 441-444

Most parts of Dubrovnik are best discovered on foot. If you feel the distance is a little too far, the town has an excellent system of buses. The orange city buses are run by the company Libertas, and they run frequently and generally on time. Tickets can be bought from the bus driver and from the newspaper kiosks. A ticket is valid for one hour.



Taxi and Uber Available

There are several taxi stations around the city. Head over to the main bus station in Gruž or the main ferry terminal in Gruž. There are also taxi stands in the west and east entrance to the Old town.

For convenient taxi bookings, Dubrovnik offers a local app called 'Taxi Plavi Dubrovnik', provides reliable service, while international platforms like Bolt and Uber also operate in the city.



Post

Vukovarska 16, Dubrovnik

+385 20 362 068

Post in Croatia is run by Hrvatska pošta. Their official website has detailed information about services, costs and delivery times. Postage stamps are sold at the numerous newspaper kiosks and newsagent shops. The mailboxes are yellow and usually affixed to walls.



Pharmacy

Stradun 4, Dubrovnik

+385 20 321 133

Most pharmacies, called 'ljekarna' in Croatian are marked with a green cross and are open six days per week from 8 am until 6 pm in low season and during high season from 8 am until 8 pm.

There are two pharmacies that stay open 24-hours and they alternate every week. Both 'Kod Zvonika' and 'Gruž' are on the main street in the Old Town and next to the port of Gruž.



Telephone (check with your carrier for plans before arriving in Croatia)

Country code: +385

Area code: (0)20



Electricity

In Croatia, the standard power outlets are Type F and Type C which are compatible with most European plugs. The voltage is 230V, and the frequency is 50Hz.

May 16 - DUBROVNIK HIGHLIGHTS TOUR // DINNER AT "TAJ MAHAL"



10:00 AM - 5 hr - Central European Summer Time

Dubrovnik Highlights Tour

Meet your local guide in the lobby for a private bus transfer to Old Town.

Experience a private guided tour of Dubrovnik's Old Town, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and one of Europe's most important historical treasures.

Stroll through the narrow streets and discover iconic landmarks such as the Dubrovnik Cathedral, City Gates, Loggia Square, and the Rector's Palace, each revealing a piece of the city's fascinating history and charm.

Walk along the iconic City Walls, offering panoramic views of the Adriatic and the red-roofed town below.



The Dubrovnik Cathedral

Ulica kneza Damjana Jude 1, Dubrovnik, Dubrovačko-Neretvanska Županija, Hrvatska, 20000
+385 20 323 459



Knežev dvor (Rector's Palace)

Pred Dvorom 1, Dubrovnik, Dubrovačko-Neretvanska Županija, Hrvatska, 20000
+385 20 321 497



Dinner at Taj Mahal Restaurant in Old Town Dubrovnik



Taj Mahal Restaurant - Old Town

2 Ulica Nikole Gučetića, Dubrovnik, Dubrovačko-neretvanska županija, HR
00385(0)20 323 221



Dubrovnik - The City

Few places in the world master the mix of young and modern with the medieval and baroque better than Dubrovnik.

The city naturally revolves around the Old Town which is inside the city walls. There, you'll find a blend of shops, cafes, bars, a fantastic atmosphere, and some very beautiful sights as you walk along down the Stradun. The squares in the Old Town are lined with bars or restaurants that have outdoor seating, giving the you, as well as the locals, a chance to relax with a drink in the sunshine.

Outside the city walls, modern Dubrovnik offers everything you would expect from a Mediterranean country. Figs, lemons, oranges and peaches are to be found dangling from the trees in many of the gardens.

The town's architecture displays very little evidence from the 'Siege of Dubrovnik' in 1992, during which more than two thousand bombs were dropped on the town. The only hint of this is the presence of all the newly tiled roofs in town.

Dubrovnik is well worth a visit any time of the year, but naturally, spring and summer brings out the best in the city.



Dubrovnik - Do & See

'The pearl of the Adriatic', Dubrovnik offers a great mix of history, sun and sea, making it a popular tourist destination. Thanks to its location between the towering Dinaric Alps and the Adriatic Sea, the city has an incredible scenery that just needs to be seen with your own eyes. There are plenty of gems and spots to discover and the visitors are spoiled with choices all year round.

Start your day by exploring the town's history and walk around the city walls and the Old Town, no visit to Dubrovnik would be complete without these two spectacular attractions. If you want to cool down, head over to one of the beaches with crystal clear sea and within easy reach. Alternatively, why not take a water taxi to one of the islands around Dubrovnik and enjoy gorgeous beaches, lush vegetation and the relaxed vibe. Either way, you will find endless things to do, so you better start planning.



Game of Thrones Walking Tour of Dubrovnik

Stradun 33, Dubrovnik
+385 20 436 846

If this view looks slightly, or totally familiar to you, you can declare yourself a true Game of Thrones fan. On this exclusive Dubrovnik walking tour, you'll get to explore the real filming locations of this beloved TV series.

Follow in Joffrey's footsteps at Lovrijenac Fortress, stand where Arya Stark stood, and hear behind-the-scenes stories about shooting GOT in the city.



Dominican Monastery & Museum

Svetog Dominika 4, Dubrovnik
+385 20 322 200

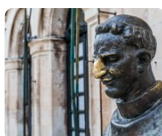
This monastery dates back to 1301, and it was built by the citizens of Dubrovnik who were ordered to work on it by the local authorities. The attached museum contains an impressive selection of arts from sixteenth-century Dubrovnik including votive jewellery, relics, manuscripts, valuable documents and much more.



Cathedral Treasury

Kneza Damjana Jude 1, Dubrovnik
+385 20 323 459

Dubrovnik's baroque Assumption of the Virgin Mary Cathedral was built in the 18th century over the earlier Romanesque Cathedral dating to the 12th century, which was destroyed in the great earthquake of 1667. The Treasury inside the cathedral houses 132 relics of saints dating from the 11th to the 19th centuries. The priceless head, arms and leg relics of St Blaise that were crafted by Dubrovnik goldsmiths date between the 11th and 12th centuries.



House of Marin Držić

Široka 7, Dubrovnik
+385 20 323 242

Step back into the 16th century and visit a museum the likes of which you have never yet seen. An interesting and modern audio-visual presentation will give you the opportunity of becoming familiar with the life and works of the greatest Croatian Renaissance comedian from Dubrovnik, Marin Držić.



Franciscan Monastery Museum

Stradun 30, Dubrovnik
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The museum with the inventory from the old 'Male Braće' pharmacy dating to 1317 is located in the cloister of the Franciscan monastery. The well-preserved furniture in the pharmacy dates to the 16th century, and the vases are from Sienna and Florence, dating to the 15th and 16th centuries. It also contains various presses, mortars, and an instrument for distilling water dating to the 14th century, as well as prescription manuscripts for making medicine, precise measurement, etc.



Cultural History Museum

Dvorom 3, Dubrovnik
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The Cultural History Museum is located in the Rector's Palace. A courtroom, dungeon and a scribe's office are located on the ground floor. A numismatic collection of Dubrovnik coins, seals, weights, and a collection of watches are on the mezzanine level. Beautiful examples of furniture, portraits, uniforms, and an inventory from the Domus Christi pharmacy, as well as various kinds of weapons can also be seen.



Old Town

Stradun, Dubrovnik

Stunning buildings and a great atmosphere make the Old Town fantastic to wander around. The marble-clad streets are some of the most fascinating in the world. The main street, Stradun, begins with an old monastery and ends in a great square. Throughout the Old Town, you will find plenty of restaurants, cafés and souvenir shops.



National Maritime Museum

Kneza Damjana Jude 12, Dubrovnik
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The Maritime Museum is located on the First and Second Floors of Fort St John's. The exhibits on the First Floor give an overview of the development of Dubrovnik maritime trade and shipbuilding from its very start to the fall of the Dubrovnik Republic. The exhibits on the Second Floor show the resurgence of maritime trade in Dubrovnik and on the Pelješac Peninsula during the 19th century, as well as the strength of Dubrovnik steamships up until World War II and afterwards.



City Walls

Poljana Paska Miličevića bb, Dubrovnik

The whole of the Old Town in Dubrovnik is surrounded by the city walls which served as a defence against attack from the sea. The wall stretches nearly two kilometres and is as high as 25 metres in some places. A walk on the walls provides the ideal opportunity to enjoy the medieval and baroque splendours of the Old Town.

Meals and Accommodations

Accommodations:

- Hotel Rixos Premium Dubrovnik 5*

Meals:

- Breakfast: Hotel Rixos Premium Dubrovnik 5*
- Lunch: On your own
- Dinner: Taj Mahal (included)

May 17 - DUBROVNIK EXPLORATION // ARETHA EMBARKATION



CHECK-OUT 10:00 AM - Check out from Hotel Rixos



Hotel Rixos Premium Dubrovnik 5*



Explore more of Old Town Dubrovnik

Use a free morning to enjoy your last day to explore the Old Town of Dubrovnik. Stroll up and down the streets where you'll find stores, markets, restaurants, or find off almost hidden doorways that take you to cafes outside the wall where you can admire or swim in the Adriatic --- the beautiful blue waters that will be your back yard for the next week.

In the afternoon, you'll all meet together to be transferred to the Aretha.



CHECK-IN 5:00 PM - Embark Luxury Cruiser Yacht Aretha Transfer to Port

Hotel Meeting Point

Hotel lobby

Meet your driver in front of the hotel for a bus transfer to the port.

Yacht Meeting Point

Marina Frapa, Gate TBD

Aretha will be docked at Marina Frapa, gate TBD.

Day before embarkation you will receive exact location and instructions for embarkation from your cruise manager.

Embarkation starts at 3pm, please be ready at 2:45pm in front of your hotel for a bus pick up.

If any issue, please contact your host or our colleague Mare at +385953491013

What really makes a cruise ship so special? It's the crew onboard, of course. They make sure you have a great holiday, from welcoming you with a smile to remembering your favorite cocktail at dinner. Before welcome dinner you will meet friendly crew members and enjoy welcome drink.

As safety is Via tours Croatia's number one priority we require every guest to attend the safety drill on the first day of the cruise. This consists of a general briefing on the safety equipment, guidelines and procedures that you should follow in the unlikely event of an emergency. In a case of bad weather conditions travel plan will be rescheduled.



6:00 PM -

Welcome Reception on board Aretha



Cruise to Šipan Island

You will set sail for the Elaphites, a group of islands whose name comes from the Greek word for “deer.” Closely tied to Dubrovnik’s history, these islands were once home to the skilled sailors and captains of the Dubrovnik Republic.

The archipelago includes six islands, but the most visited are Koločep, Lopud, and Šipan. Koločep and Lopud are completely car-free, offering peaceful retreats perfect for escaping everyday bustle.

Together, the three main islands have a population of fewer than 1,000 residents, creating a serene atmosphere ideal for relaxation and slow island living.

Overnight on Šipan island.



Meals and Accommodations

Accommodations:

- Luxury Mini Cruiser Yacht Aretha

Meals:

- Breakfast: at the hotel
- Lunch: On your own
- Dinner: On board Aretha

May 18 - SIPAN - PELIJESAC PENNISULA - BADIJA



Cruise to Pelješac Peninsula

Set sail in the morning for a scenic cruise to the Pelješac Peninsula.

This peninsula is the most well-known vineyard area of southern Croatia, and the Pelješac wines complement the Mali Ston oysters perfectly. These delicacies are reputed to possess aphrodisiac qualities and have been sought-after even in Renaissance times, when they were an indispensable part of the feasts of Dubrovnik's nobility.

This private event begins with an **exclusive oyster experience, where you'll embark on a private boat for a serene journey to a renowned oyster and mussel farm.**

As you glide through pristine waters, you'll gain unique insights into the rich history and intricate process of cultivating these ocean treasures. **Upon arrival, indulge in a curated tasting of the world's most exquisite oysters and mussels, paired with a fine house wine.**



Sail into Flavor: Premium wines and gourmet lunch

Following your oyster tour, you'll set sail to the secluded private island of Banja for a gourmet lunch.

Enjoy a selection of premium wines while unwinding on sunbeds or shaded lounges. The perfect fusion of freshly prepared cuisine, personalized culinary experiences, and the tranquil island setting creates an unparalleled experience designed to indulge all of your senses.

In the afternoon sail to Badija island in Korčula's archipelago and enjoy dinner demo on board. Overnight on Aretha.



Mali Ston Oysters – Dubrovnik Oyster paradise



Meals and Accommodations

Accommodations:

- Luxury Mini Cruiser Yacht Aretha

Meals:

- Breakfast: On board
- Lunch: Gourmet Seafood Lunch on the private island of Banja
- Dinner: On board

May 19 - KORČULA TOWN ICONIC SIGHTS AND AUTHENTIC FLAVORS AT RANCH "MAHA"



Cruise to Island Korcula

This morning cruise to the island Korčula with a swim stop en route.

The Island of Korčula, sometimes called the Emerald Isle, is the sixth largest island in Croatia. This island is a bit of a hidden treasure because it is located a little farther away compared to Hvar and Brac. The three main towns on the Island of Korčula are Korčula Town, Vela Luka, and Lumbarda. There is evidence of inhabitants on the island since the Stone Age.

The island is small, approximately 20 miles long, but the Island of Korčula is packed with adventures and interesting things to do. The island is narrow, only about 4 to 5 miles wide in most places.

Korčula's Old Town has Venetian-style buildings with red roofs and a wall surrounding the town, reminiscent of Dubrovnik. Because of the similarities, the Old Town is often referred to as, "Little Dubrovnik." There are many cultural activities and music events throughout the year. The view of Peljesac peninsula is spectacular.



A Taste of Tradition: Dining at Ranch "Maha"

After exploring enjoy a short scenic drive to an unforgettable dining experience at the enchanting Maha Ranch, nestled in the lush heart of the island. This hidden gem is a celebration of Croatian slow food, where the chef expertly crafts dishes using the freshest local ingredients, many sourced right from the ranch.

Beloved by guests like Bill Gates and Bernie Ecclestone, Maha Ranch promises an authentic, sensory journey through Croatian cuisine in a stunning Mediterranean setting.

Meals are prepared using the slow food method – PEKA, cooked under an iron dome covered by ashes for hours before your arrival.



Konoba Maha

Vrsi bb, 20275
+385 91 605 1207



Meals and Accommodations

Accommodations:

- Luxury Mini Cruiser Yacht Aretha

Meals:

- Breakfast: On board
- Lunch: On board
- Dinner: Maha Ranch

May 20 - VIS ISLAND MILITARY ADVENTURE // CAPTAIN'S DINNER



Morning cruise from Korčula to Vis island with swim stop en route. Lunch demo on board.



Vis Island Tour

Embark on an unforgettable **off-road military adventure** across Vis Island, once a secret base closed to the public. With a local guide and a **Nissan Patrol jeep**, explore hidden **Cold War tunnels**, bunkers, and scenic viewpoints.

Start at **Fort George**, a 19th-century fortress overlooking Parja Bay, then visit the remarkable **“Lobster” submarine tunnel** and the island's former **artillery batteries**. Venture underground into **ARK Vela Glava**, a secret nuclear shelter, and hear stories from soldiers who once served here.

Visit **Mount Hum**, the island's highest point, for stunning views of **Komiža**, **Biševo**, and even **Italy** on clear days. On your way back, stop at the **Križ viewpoint** to uncover the history of the **British airfield** and its wartime past.

In the evening, gather for Captain's dinner on board with wine tasting. Overnight on Aretha docked in Komiža.



Vis Island

Ulica Vladimira Nazora, Vis, Splitsko-dalmatinska županija, HR, 21480



Captain's Dinner

In the evening, gather on Aretha for captain's dinner. You'll enjoy a dinner demo onboard, where your chef will prepare dishes live, sharing culinary techniques and insights as you savor a curated tasting menu.

DRESS CODE: Dress to impress or as you wish



Meals and Accommodations

Accommodations:

- Luxury Mini Cruiser Yacht Aretha

Meals:

- Breakfast: On board
- Lunch: On board
- Dinner: Captain's Dinner On board

May 21 - HVAR TOWN HIGHLIGHTS EXPLORER



Cruise to Hvar Town

Morning cruise from Komiža to Hvar island with swim stop en route.

Experience the very best of **Hvar**, a sun-soaked island gem celebrated for its rich history, stunning views, and vibrant culture. As the **sunniest, largest, and oldest town** on the island, Hvar offers a perfect blend of natural beauty and fascinating heritage waiting to be explored.

Your journey begins with a scenic ride to the **Spanish Fortress**, where your **local guide** will point out landmarks while you take in breathtaking panoramic views of Hvar Town and the glittering **Pakleni Islands**, creating the perfect backdrop for unforgettable photos.

Back in the heart of town, stroll through **Sv. Stephen's Square**, Hvar's lively "living room," surrounded by bustling cafés and historic buildings.

With your guide sharing fascinating stories and insider knowledge, you will also visit **St. Stephen's Cathedral**, the peaceful **Franciscan Monastery**, and architectural treasures like the **Venetian Loggia** and **Clock Tower**.

Overnight on Aretha docked in Hvar town.



Meals and Accommodations

Accommodations:

- Luxury Mini Cruiser Yacht Aretha

Meals:

- Breakfast: On board
- Lunch: On board
- Dinner: On your own

May 22 - EXPERIENCE BRAČ ISLAND: OLIVE OIL, WINE, AND LIVE MUSIC AT STINA WINERY



Cruise from Šolta to Brač island with swim stop en route.

Cruise from Šolta to Brač island with swim stop en route.

The island of Brač is best known for the white-pebble beach Zlatni Rat (Golden Cape), a favored windsurfing site outside the resort town of Bol. Brač Island has charming villages and historic landmarks, including **the ancient ruins of Škrip**.



Experience the essence of Brač: Olive Oil Museum with Local Cuisine

Enjoy a scenic ride through Brač's inland to the rustic village of Škrip, the oldest and one of the most popular spots on the island. Stroll through its ancient streets and visit the Museum of Olive Oil, where you'll explore the history of olive oil production on Brač, dating back to 1864.

After exploring, indulge in a tasting of different olive oils and local delicacies.



Olive Oil Museum - Muzej uja

5 Put Ploča, Škrip, Splitsko-dalmatinska županija, HR

+385 95 811 4643



Stina Winery Wine Tasting

Immerse yourself in the ancient winemaking traditions of Brač, dating back to the 5th century BC. **Savor tastings of robust reds**—rich with notes of sour cherry and Mediterranean herbs—and crisp whites marked by minerality and a hint of sea salt accompanied by live music. **Each sip offers a true taste of Dalmatia and the Adriatic's timeless spirit.**



Stina Winery - Bol, Croatia

16 Riva, Bol, Splitsko-dalmatinska županija, HR

Experience the essence of Brač through premium wine tastings. Stina is located in the picturesque town of Bol on the island of Brač. You can easily visit our winery by ferry from Split, and it offers a peaceful escape from the hustle and bustle of the city.

Address: Stina Winery, Riva 16, 21320 Bol

Email: visit@stina-vino.hr



Meals and Accommodations

Accommodations:

- Luxury Mini Cruiser Yacht Aretha

Meals:

- Breakfast: On board
- Lunch: Museum of Olive Oil
- Dinner: On board

May 23 - SPLIT HIGHLIGHTS EXPLORER



Cruise to Split

Croatia's cool and buzzing city of Split is a unique delight. With a lively energy and a wealth of ancient and modern treasures heaped between the low-slung mountains and the jeweled blue sea, Split will split your heart right open. Charter guests should be sure to visit the UNESCO heritage wonder of Diocletian's Palace which has been wooing visitors for over 1700 years. With its roman square, fun bazaar, and romantic passageways scattered with intimate eateries and wine bars, this is Croatia at its atmospheric best. While the old town and surrounding city are studded with temples, churches, and ruins, Split also offers sublime access to its turquoise beaches, especially at Bacvice and the peaceful cove of Kasjuni.



Split Tour

Meet your expert local guide and start your walking tour.

Our walking tour takes you on an exciting journey through ancient history of one of the most significant original structures of the late ancient architecture, a Roman imperial palace that was enlisted in UNESCO's World Heritage and that is today a 'living museum'!

During our Split tour we'll explore the narrow streets of Diocletian's palace and Old Town. The story of Split began when Roman Emperor Diocletian decided to build a palace for his retirement days here, on a peninsula close to the great Roman city of Salona.

The basement halls of Diocletian's Palace, are one of the world's best-preserved complexes from the era of classical antiquity. This vast space is one of the key reasons why the historical centre of Split was added to UNESCO's World Heritage List in 1979. For all visitors to Split, the basements, along with the peristyle, are synonymous with Diocletian's Palace.

You'll also visit other Split's iconic landmarks, such as the impressive Statue of Grgur Ninski, the lively Prokurativa (Republic Square), the bustling Riva waterfront, Piazza (People's Square), and the charming Varos suburb, offering a glimpse into Old Split.



Split

Split, Split-Dalmatia County, HR, 21000



Meals and Accommodations

Accommodations:

- Luxury Mini Cruiser Yacht Aretha

Meals:

- Breakfast: On board
- Lunch: On board
- Dinner: On your own

May 24 - A DAY IN SPLIT // DISEMBARKATION // FAREWELL DINNER



CHECK-OUT 9:00 AM - Central European Summer Time
Disembark Luxury Mini Cruiser Yacht Aretha



CHECK-IN 3:00 PM - Central European Summer Time
Check in at Cornaro Hotel
Location

This hotel is situated in the historic center of Split, approximately 8 miles from the beach.

Facilities

The hotel has an elevator and features 132 rooms. The friendly staff at the reception desk are happy to answer any questions. Services such as a baggage storage service, a safe and an ATM ensure a comfortable stay. Wireless internet access is provided to guests. The tour desk offers assistance with booking excursions. The hotel has a range of facilities for guests with disabilities. The hotel has wheelchair-accessible facilities. Film lovers are sure to find just what they're looking for in the cinema's listings. Everyday necessities can be purchased at the supermarket. Guests can buy souvenirs at the gift shop. A garden provides extra space for rest and relaxation in the open air. Additional facilities include a TV room. Guests arriving by car can park their vehicles in the garage or in the parking lot (for a fee). Further services and facilities include a 24-hour security service, a babysitting service, a childcare service, a car rental service, medical assistance, a transfer service, room service, a wake-up call service, a laundry service, a coin-operated laundry and a hotel shuttle bus. Active guests can make use of the bicycle rental service to explore the surrounding area. Complimentary newspapers are available. A fax machine is available for guests' business needs.



Cornaro Hotel
 Sinjska ulica 6, Split, Croatia



7:00 PM - Central European Summer Time
Farewell Dinner at "Chops"

End the day with a memorable farewell dinner the acclaimed Chops Restaurant in the old town of Split, where you'll toast to the beauty and culture of Croatia, making this final evening one to remember.



Chops Grill Steak & Seafood, Split
 Tončićeva 6, 21 000
 +385 91 365 0000

The restaurant is across the bronze cup sculpture on the main Marmontova Street
 WhatsApp: +385911741270

Email: info@chops-grill.com

Meals and Accommodations

**Accommodations:**

- Cornaro Hotel, Split

Meals:

- Breakfast: On board
- Lunch: On your own
- Dinner: Chops Grill, Split

May 25 - DEPARTURE FROM SPLIT



CHECK-OUT 11:00 AM - Central European Summer Time
Check out from Cornaro Hotel



Cornaro Hotel
Sinjska ulica 6, Split, Croatia



Departure from Croatia

Private transfers to Dubrovnik airport based on flight information.



Meals and Accommodations

Accommodations:

- On your own or on your flight back home

Meals:

- Breakfast: At Cornaro Hotel if time allows before your flight
- Lunch: On your own
- Dinner: On your own

ACCOMODATIONS



Hotel Rixos Premium Dubrovnik

[Hotel Rixos Premium Dubrovnik](#)



Hotel Rixos Premium Dubrovnik 5*



Cornaro Hotel



Cornaro Hotel

Sinjska ulica 6, Split, Croatia



ARETHA Luxury Cruiser Yacht

Aretha vessel information

Aretha is a newly built 46-meter-long motor vessel, completely refitted in 2024. It has 13 double/twin cabins and 2 VIP suites with private terraces and private jacuzzis, where 30 people can be comfortably accommodated. Each cabin is air-conditioned and has its own bathroom.

Aretha has a large sundeck with deck chairs, sunbeds, and a jacuzzi where you can relax and enjoy the beautiful sea and coasts of Croatia. With plenty of amenities, it makes a perfect yacht vacation for a group island hopping in the majestic Adriatic.

Water toys :

- Jet Ski
- SeaBob
- 6x Stand-up paddle board
- Wakeboard
- 2 tenders with ringo & bana
- 6x kayaks
- Yacht pool
- Water slide
- Floating pickleball court

Amenities:

- Gym
- Cinema
- Wellness with sauna & massages
- Sun deck bar

HOUSE RULES

Captain's authority

The captain is there to make your trip safe and pleasant. He will make the right decision in case needed to change the itinerary for the safety of all of you on board. This is only happening in case of bad weather or similar inappropriate conditions in ports, high or low water levels, dock, and lock schedules or if he needs to follow.

Ship rules are designed deliberately to protect all the passengers on board and are compliant with local laws. Please take a minute of your time to get familiar so the crew and yourself have an amazing stay on board of your yacht.

- Jumping from outside decks into the water during navigation is strictly forbidden.
- During rough weather, all movement should be performed with care and as little as possible

- Passengers should take extra care when crossing between the ships in case we are docked together in ports.
- The ship is equipped with smoke detectors please only smoke outside on upper and sun deck. Smoking in the restaurant and cabins is not allowed. In case of smoking, the fire alarm will be activated.
- Please take special attention not to throw anything into toilets except the toilet paper.
- Passengers are not permitted to bring drinks and food on board unless previously agreed with the agency and the captain. Exceptions include personal care products, liquid medicine, food for infants and food products for special diets (diabetes...).
- Please respect meal times on board as the chefs and the crew are working hard to deliver perfect meals.
- Please respect agreed sailing times. Due to overrun ports the vessel must reserve the spots in ports so being late might result in lost spot.
- We care about our sea, throwing rubbish into the sea is not the gesture we support and local authorities also subject to a local fine
- If traveling with underage kids, parents are fully responsible for their safety while on board
- Usage of motorized water toys might be subject to license (jet ski users must possess a proper license to use jet ski in Croatia)
- Please have fun with all water toys and amenities but all of these are used at your own liability and risk
- If docked in ports and marinas, quiet hours start at 10:00PM

Payments on board

For all extra services on board you will be able to use credit card or pay in cash. In case drink packages are not purchased in advance all will be charged per consumption. There will be open account for each cabin and all the extra spend must be paid before disembarkation.

GRATUITIES

Gratuities are not mandatory but are very much welcomed. Suggested tip runs anywhere from EUR300 per person for the crew for the week, and from EUR75 per person for the Cruise manager if charter fully booked 30pax. Tip is strictly at your own discretion.

Extra services available on the boat

- **Room service** – Room service is available for massages, drinks, and snacks. There is a flat room service fee of EUR15 for all orders.
- **Laundry service** - *Per wash with ironing EUR60 (up to 5kg of laundry).* Pay in cash.
- **Off hours menu** – *There is off hours menu for those who get hungry outside of the pre planned meals on board of Aretha.*
- **Massages** – Massages are available on request and must be reserved day in advance. Pay in cash.

EMBARKATION & DISEMBARKATION

Official embarkation time is between 3:00 and 3:30 PM. This allows the staff and crew enough time to prepare your stateroom and have the ship ready for your departure. Official disembarkation time is 9AM.

STATEROOM INFORMATION

- **TV**

High-speed Internet and Wi-Fi access make it easy to keep up with the latest news and stay connected with friends and family back home throughout your voyage. If you have questions about navigating the system or accessing the Internet, please contact your cruise manager for assistance. Please note the ship's television reception and Internet operate via satellite and may be temporarily restricted or unclear depending on the ship's location.

- **Climate Control**

Your stateroom is equipped with adjustable climate control. Please refer to the instructions provided or check with the cruise manager should you have any questions regarding its use.

- **Electricity**

Electricity on board is 220v with European 2-pin power outlets. You may need a European adapter and/or converter for any electrical appliances you bring with you. Stateroom bathrooms are equipped with electric shaver outlets. You may like to bring with you a multi-port USB charger.

- **Bathroom Amenities**

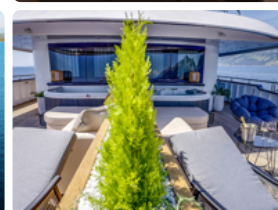
Each stateroom has a private bathroom with shower box and home type toilet. Your stateroom is equipped with a hair dryer and spa-quality toiletries, including soap, body wash, shampoo, conditioner, and body lotion.

- **Safe**

Your stateroom is equipped with a small safe for your personal use. We recommend placing valuables in the safe whenever you are away from your room.

- **Wi-Fi**

Complimentary Wi-Fi is available throughout the ship. Please note, the ship's Internet service operates via GSM networks like your mobile phone with Satellite as a back up and may be temporarily restricted or unclear depending on the ship's location.



TRIP INCLUSIONS, EXCLUSIONS & PRICING



All Inclusive Package Pricing

Lower Deck Cabin per person: \$7,700

Quiet and refined, with elegant finishes and cozy comfort below deck.

Main Deck Cabin per person: \$9,400

Bright and spacious, just steps from the heart of the yacht.

Upper Deck Suites per person: \$11,600

2 VIP suites with private terraces and private jacuzzis.

Prices are per person and based on double occupancy and includes all meals, experiences and transportation listed throughout the itinerary.



INCLUSIONS

INCLUSIONS:

Package Includes:

- ✓ All accommodations, meals, and tours as indicated in the itinerary (includes gratuities for itinerary listed meals, tours and transfers)
- ✓ Hotel Rixos Premium Dubrovnik accommodation — **May 15–17, 2026** (*pre-stay nights*)
- ✓ Hotel Cornaro accommodation — **May 24–25, 2026** (*post-stay night*)
- ✓ Welcome dinner at *Taj Mahal* restaurant
- ✓ Dinner at *Ranch Maha*
- ✓ Farewell dinner at *Chops* restaurant
- ✓ All elements of the tour outlined in the itinerary such as wineries, museums and other adventures.
- ✓ All transfers as per itinerary, including private airport pick-up and drop-off.
- ✓ VAT and CC processing fees

Aretha Charter (May 17–24, 2026)

- ✓ Premium docking
- ✓ VAT
- ✓ Service of 11 crew members
- ✓ Cruise director
- ✓ Beer, wine, and soft drinks at no extra charge
- ✓ Usage of non-motorized & motorized water sports
- ✓ WiFi
- ✓ Daily cleaning
- ✓ Fuel for up to 5 hours of navigation daily
- ✓ TV/SAT
- ✓ Usage of sauna
- ✓ Unlimited anchor

- ✓ Usage of tender until midnight
- ✓ Minimum 2 meals per day (*daily breakfast provided, plus one or more additional meals*)
- ✓ Welcome reception
- ✓ Captain's dinner
- ✓ Cooking demonstrations



EXCLUSIONS

Package exclusions:

✓International flights

✓Any meals not indicated in the above itinerary

✓Any personal expenses

✓Crew Gratuity: suggested minimum of €300.00 per guest
(paid in cash at the end of the yacht tour)

✓Cruise Director Gratuity: suggested minimum of €75.00 per guest
(paid in cash at the end of the yacht tour)

CROATIA USEFUL INFORMATION



HR Croatia Trip Travel Information Passport

- Your passport should remain valid for the **full duration of your journey**.
- Many destinations—particularly those catering to discerning travelers—require a **minimum of six months' validity** beyond your return date, while select countries allow for **three months**.
- For peace of mind, arrange a **secure backup** by keeping a high-quality photocopy or a clear, encrypted image stored on your phone.

Luggage

- **Baggage Allowance:** Enjoy the convenience of one checked bag (up to 50 lbs) or one carry-on designed to fit seamlessly in the overhead compartment.
- **Personal Item:** You may also bring one elegantly sized personal item that tucks neatly beneath the seat in front of you for effortless access in-flight.
- **Luggage Identification:** You will receive a **custom luggage tag** prior to departure, elegantly designed to identify you as part of our exclusive travel group and ensure seamless handling at each hotel.

Currency & Payments

- **Currency:** Euro (€). U.S. dollars are **not** accepted.
- **Currency Exchange:**
 - **When withdrawing cash, always use an ATM located within a reputable bank branch rather than standalone machines, airport kiosks, or street-side currency exchanges.** When prompted, select **euros** rather than dollars—this ensures your bank applies the most favorable exchange rate with minimal markup, preserving the value of your funds for more indulgent experiences.
- **Credit Cards:**
 - **Visa and Mastercard** are widely accepted across Croatia, while American Express is more limited. Carry a premium card with no foreign transaction fees.
 - For the most seamless experience, carry a **premium credit card with no foreign transaction fees** and ensure it supports **contactless “tap-and-pay”**—a convenience available almost everywhere.
 - For optimal exchange rates, always select to **pay in euros (local currency)** when presented with the choice.

VAT Tax Refunds

- **Tax-Free Shopping:** Many high-end goods qualify for a **VAT refund**—though this does not apply to food, hotel stays, or most transportation. Most countries set a **minimum qualifying purchase** of approximately **€75 per item**.
- When making purchases, **carry your passport and return flight details**, as these are often required for processing.
- At the airport, allow **additional time for the refund procedure**, which must be completed before departure.
- You will need to **present the purchased item** for inspection, so keep it in your **carry-on** rather than checked luggage.

Staying Connected (Mobile & WIFI)

- For uninterrupted service abroad, consult your **mobile carrier** regarding premium international plan options tailored to your needs.
- Complimentary **high-speed Wi-Fi** is available in all of our carefully selected hotels, and most cafés and lounges also offer reliable connections for your convenience.
- To ensure seamless communication during your journey, **WhatsApp** will be our primary method for sharing updates, coordinating activities, and staying in touch with fellow travelers.

Electrical & Charging Needs

- Croatia uses **Type C and Type F plugs** with a **220V electrical standard**. We recommend bringing a **sleek, high-quality travel adapter** for chargers and devices, and a **voltage converter** for appliances such as curling irons—unless they are **dual-voltage**.

- For guests traveling with **CPAP machines**, please confirm your device is dual-voltage or bring an appropriate converter.
- **Hair dryers** are thoughtfully provided in all our curated hotels—often tucked in the bathroom, drawers, or closets for your convenience.

Clothing Guidelines – Croatia

- For your comfort and style while exploring Greece, we recommend **lightweight, breathable clothing** paired with **well-fitted walking shoes** for strolling cobblestone streets and ancient sites. Dressing in **layers** will allow you to adapt effortlessly to shifting coastal breezes and warm afternoons.
- Evenings tend to be relaxed; **formal attire is not required**, though you may wish to bring a few **chic, resort-style outfits** for elegant dinners or sunset cocktails.

Laundry & Garment Care

- MS Synchrony offers laundry service (by item or per kg; turnaround same-day or overnight).
- Our carefully selected hotels offer **professional laundry services**, typically priced per item or by weight, with same-day or overnight turnaround to keep your wardrobe fresh throughout your journey.
- At this level of accommodation, **self-service laundromats are not available**, ensuring your garments are handled with care. For delicate items you prefer to handwash, consider bringing a **small packet of fine-fabric laundry soap**; allow items to dry overnight.

Itinerary

- Your curated **day-by-day itinerary** will be provided in an elegantly designed format for effortless reference. For added convenience, you may also choose to receive it through our **secure [Trip Plans](#) travel app**, allowing you to access updates, maps, and details directly from your phone while on the go.
- For peace of mind, we recommend leaving a copy of your itinerary with a trusted contact at home in case of emergencies.

Travel Insurance

- We highly recommend securing comprehensive coverage through our **preferred partner, [Faye Travel Insurance](#)**, known for its premium service and tailored protection for discerning travelers.
- For your security and peace of mind, we **strongly encourage** reviewing and comparing policies to ensure you select the option that best suits your journey.
- Should you choose to decline coverage, please note that **prior to departure, we will require a signed waiver** acknowledging your decision.

Tipping Guidelines

- Throughout your journey, **gratuities for all meals and portage included in the itinerary are fully covered** for your convenience.
- When dining independently, a discreet gesture of appreciation is customary:
 - **Restaurants & Cafés:** Round up the bill or offer **5–10%**; in fine dining establishments, **10–15%** is standard, with up to **20%** appropriate for truly exceptional service.
 - **Bars & Lounges:** A tip of **€1 per drink** or rounding up the total is considered gracious.
- Tipping private guides, drivers, and boat skippers is not expected but always appreciated, particularly when they go above and beyond to enhance your experience. As a general guideline:
 - **Private Guides:** €10–30 per service
 - **Drivers:** €5–30, depending on the length of the transfer or drive
 - **Boat Skippers:** €20–50 per day
- Your host, Mare, works diligently behind the scenes to ensure your journey is seamless and enjoyable. Depending on the level of support you receive, a tip of **€20–30 per day** is customary. Should you choose to tip, please let her know – you may either hand it to her directly or leave it in an envelope with the cruise manager on board.
- Our curated experiences are designed to ensure you can relax, knowing the essentials are taken care of, while still allowing you to extend thanks for extraordinary service.

Private Car Hire

- For those wishing to explore independently, Croatia offers a wide selection of rental vehicles, from compact cars to luxury SUVs. We recommend reserving in advance, particularly during peak travel months.
- International Driver's Permit required (available from AAA).



Croatian Phrases to Know

Basic Greetings & Politeness

English	Croatian	Pronunciation
Hello	Bok / Zdravo	boh-k / zdrah-voh
Good morning	Dobro jutro	doh-broh yoo-troh
Good evening	Dobra večer	doh-brah VEH-cher
Goodbye	Doviđenja	doh-vee-JEN-yah
Please	Molim	MOH-leem
Thank you	Hvala	HVAH-lah
You're welcome	Nema na čemu	NEH-mah nah CHEH-moo
Excuse me / Sorry	Oprostite	oh-PROH-stee-teh
Yes	Da	dah
No	Ne	neh

Dining Out

English	Croatian	Pronunciation
Menu, please	Molim jelovnik	MOH-leem yeh-LOHV-neek
I would like...	Htio/htjela bih...	HTYOH / HTYEL-ah beeh
Water (still / sparkling)	Voda (bez / s mjehurićima)	VOH-dah (behz / sm-yeh-hoo-REE-chee-mah)
Cheers!	Živjeli!	ZHEE-vyeh-lee
The bill, please	Račun, molim	RAH-choon, MOH-leem
Delicious!	Ukusno!	OO-koos-no

 Travel & Directions

English	Croatian	Pronunciation
Where is...?	Gdje je...?	GDYEH yeh...?
How much does it cost?	Koliko košta?	KOH-lee-koh KOH-shtah
I don't understand	Ne razumijem	neh rah-ZOO-mee-yehm
Do you speak English?	Govorite li engleski?	goh-VOH-ree-teh lee EN-glehs-kee
Left / Right / Straight	Lijevo / Desno / Ravno	LYEH-vo / DEHS-no / RAHV-no

 Emergency

English	Croatian	Pronunciation
Help!	Upomoć!	OO-poh-mohch!
I need a doctor	Trebam doktora	TREH-bahm DOHK-toh-rah
Call the police	Zovite policiju	ZOH-vee-teh poh-LEE-tsee-yoo
I'm allergic to...	Alergičan/na sam na...	ah-LEHR-ghee-chahn / -nah sah nah...

DUBROVNIK CITY GUIDE



Dubrovnik

Dubrovnik, Dubrovnik-Neretva County, HR



Dubrovnik - The City

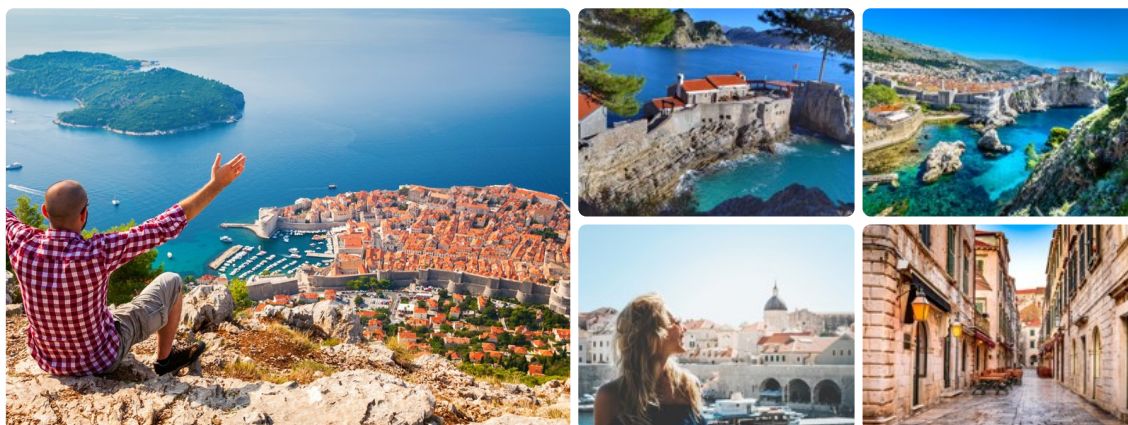
Few places in the world master the mix of young and modern with the medieval and baroque better than Dubrovnik.

The city naturally revolves around the Old Town which is inside the city walls. There, you'll find a blend of shops, cafes, bars, a fantastic atmosphere, and some very beautiful sights as you walk along down the Stradun. The squares in the Old Town are lined with bars or restaurants that have outdoor seating, giving the you, as well as the locals, a chance to relax with a drink in the sunshine.

Outside the city walls, modern Dubrovnik offers everything you would expect from a Mediterranean country. Figs, lemons, oranges and peaches are to be found dangling from the trees in many of the gardens.

The town's architecture displays very little evidence from the 'Siege of Dubrovnik' in 1992, during which more than two thousand bombs were dropped on the town. The only hint of this is the presence of all the newly tiled roofs in town.

Dubrovnik is well worth a visit any time of the year, but naturally, spring and summer brings out the best in the city.



Dubrovnik - Do & See

'The pearl of the Adriatic', Dubrovnik offers a great mix of history, sun and sea, making it a popular tourist destination. Thanks to its location between the towering Dinaric Alps and the Adriatic Sea, the city has an incredible scenery that just needs to be seen with your own eyes. There are plenty of gems and spots to discover and the visitors are spoiled with choices all year round.

Start your day by exploring the town's history and walk around the city walls and the Old Town, no visit to Dubrovnik would be complete without these two spectacular attractions. If you want to cool down, head over to one of the beaches with crystal clear sea and within easy reach. Alternatively, why not take a water taxi to one of the islands around Dubrovnik and enjoy gorgeous beaches, lush vegetation and the relaxed vibe. Either way, you will find endless things to do, so you better start planning.





Game of Thrones Walking Tour of Dubrovnik

Stradun 33, Dubrovnik
+385 20 436 846

If this view looks slightly, or totally familiar to you, you can declare yourself a true Game of Thrones fan. On this exclusive Dubrovnik walking tour, you'll get to explore the real filming locations of this beloved TV series.

Follow in Joffrey's footsteps at Lovrijenac Fortress, stand where Arya Stark stood, and hear behind-the-scenes stories about shooting GOT in the city.



Dominican Monastery & Museum

Svetog Dominika 4, Dubrovnik
+385 20 322 200

This monastery dates back to 1301, and it was built by the citizens of Dubrovnik who were ordered to work on it by the local authorities. The attached museum contains an impressive selection of arts from sixteenth-century Dubrovnik including votive jewellery, relics, manuscripts, valuable documents and much more.



Mount Srđ

Mount Srđ, Dubrovnik
+385 20 414 355

The best views of Dubrovnik and the surrounding area are, without doubt, experienced from the top of the Srđ Hill. The Dubrovnik Cable Car was built back in 1969 and was eagerly used by millions of visitors who wanted to enjoy the most stunning panoramic views. On a clear day, you can see up to 60 km, 37 miles. For this reason, the neighbouring Imperial Fortress was strategically built on this privileged spot, back in the early 19th century. It is also possible to get there by car or walking. No matter how you get there, a fantastic view is your reward.



Elaphite Islands

Elafiti Islands, Dubrovnik

Near Dubrovnik there is the archipelago of thirteen larger and smaller islands and islets known under the common name of the Elafiti. Among them, the three inhabited islands are of particular interest. Starting from Dubrovnik westwards these are Koločep or Kalamota, as it is called by the locals, Lopud and Sipan.

These islands, being a nature park, give pleasure to the eyes and soul of every traveller seeking peace and relaxation. On these islands without traffic, surrounded by turquoise blue sea, you can enjoy a walk through the forest paths, rest on sandy and stone beaches, taste fresh seafood in restaurants and taverns.



Trsteno Arboretum

Potok 20, Trsteno

Just outside of town, this beautiful Renaissance garden is perched on a hillside overlooking the sea. Palm trees, mandarins and grapefruits grow in this wonderful lush garden together with 400-year-old trees with some reaching heights of 50 metres. Particularly well-worth visiting on a sunny day in spring.



Cathedral Treasury

Kneza Damjana Jude 1, Dubrovnik
+385 20 323 459

Dubrovnik's baroque Assumption of the Virgin Mary Cathedral was built in the 18th century over the earlier Romanesque Cathedral dating to the 12th century, which was destroyed in the great earthquake of 1667. The Treasury inside the cathedral houses 132 relics of saints dating from the 11th to the 19th centuries. The priceless head, arms and leg relics of St Blaise that were crafted by Dubrovnik goldsmiths date between the 11th and 12th centuries.



House of Marin Držić

Široka 7, Dubrovnik
+385 20 323 242

Step back into the 16th century and visit a museum the likes of which you have never yet seen. An interesting and modern audio-visual presentation will give you the opportunity of becoming familiar with the life and works of the greatest Croatian Renaissance comedian from Dubrovnik, Marin Držić.



Ethnografic Museum Rupe

Od Rupa 3, Dubrovnik
+385 20 323 056

The Ethnographic Museum is located in an old granary dating to the 16th century, where it is possible to see just how much attention the residents of Dubrovnik gave to the storage of grain. The Dubrovnik Republic kept all the state reserves of wheat, barley and millet in deep silos called 'rupe', carved out of stone and coated with a water-proof material that kept the grain at a temperature of 17°C. The traditional rural economy and architecture of the Dubrovnik region is found on the First Floor. Folk costumes and textile handiwork can be seen on the 2nd Floor.



Franciscan Monastery Museum

Stradun 30, Dubrovnik
+385 20 641 110

The museum with the inventory from the old 'Male Braće' pharmacy dating to 1317 is located in the cloister of the Franciscan monastery. The well-preserved furniture in the pharmacy dates to the 16th century, and the vases are from Sienna and Florence, dating to the 15th and 16th centuries. It also contains various presses, mortars, and an instrument for distilling water dating to the 14th century, as well as prescription manuscripts for making medicine, precise measurement, etc.



The Synagogue

Dubrovačka sinagoga, Žudioska 5

A decree made by the government of the Dubrovnik Republic in 1546 allowed Jews to settle within the city ramparts. This officially marked the establishment of the Jewish Ghetto on the street called Žudioska. In 1652, one of the houses was turned into a Synagogue, whose interior is in the baroque style. It has been preserved to this day, with minor changes, and is one of the oldest synagogues in Europe.

The first floor houses a museum with a number of religious artefacts and archives, Rococo, baroque and Louis XVI furniture and paintings by Italian masters.



Cultural History Museum

Dvorom 3, Dubrovnik
+385 20 321 497

The Cultural History Museum is located in the Rector's Palace. A courtroom, dungeon and a scribe's office are located on the ground floor. A numismatic collection of Dubrovnik coins, seals, weights, and a collection of watches are on the mezzanine level. Beautiful examples of furniture, portraits, uniforms, and an inventory from the Domus Christi pharmacy, as well as various kinds of weapons can also be seen.



Lokrum

Lokrum, Dubrovnik

In only ten minutes, a boat from the Old City Harbour will take you to the Island of Lokrum, a special forestry reserve under UNESCO protection. A favourite bathing and excursion place in close proximity to the City, Lokrum is also the exotic and mysterious venue of many legends and stories. A small lake on the island called Mrtvo More, 'Dead Sea', is suitable for children and non-swimmers. Walk to the highest point of Lokrum, the elevation with the star-shaped Fort Royal, built by the French in 1806. The place offers a magnificent view of Dubrovnik, Cavtat and the islands.



Old Town

Stradun, Dubrovnik

Stunning buildings and a great atmosphere make the Old Town fantastic to wander around. The marble-clad streets are some of the most fascinating in the world. The main street, Stradun, begins with an old monastery and ends in a great square. Throughout the Old Town, you will find plenty of restaurants, cafés and souvenir shops.



National Maritime Museum

Kneza Damjana Jude 12, Dubrovnik

+385 20 323 904

The Maritime Museum is located on the First and Second Floors of Fort St John's. The exhibits on the First Floor give an overview of the development of Dubrovnik maritime trade and shipbuilding from its very start to the fall of the Dubrovnik Republic. The exhibits on the Second Floor show the resurgence of maritime trade in Dubrovnik and on the Pelješac Peninsula during the 19th century, as well as the strength of Dubrovnik steamships up until World War II and afterwards.



City Walls

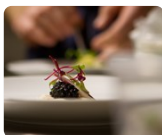
Poljana Paska Miličevića bb, Dubrovnik

The whole of the Old Town in Dubrovnik is surrounded by the city walls which served as a defence against attack from the sea. The wall stretches nearly two kilometres and is as high as 25 metres in some places. A walk on the walls provides the ideal opportunity to enjoy the medieval and baroque splendours of the Old Town.



Dubrovnik - Dining

Dubrovnik is full of good restaurants and the small streets in the Old Town are packed with them. The culinary standards are generally quite high and the choice of food is typically Croatian, as seafood dishes do have a very high priority. The Dalmatian ham is, of course, also one of the delights and an absolute 'must-taste' starter dish. The restaurants are open until 11pm or midnight unless otherwise stated.



Nautika

Brsalje 3, Dubrovnik

+385 20 422 526

Exquisite up-market restaurant with two floors of dining rooms and terrific service. Nautika Restaurant is considered one of the best seafood restaurants in town.

Besides serving seafood dishes, they also prepare the finest meat and vegetarian dishes. A huge selection of wines complements the fare. Might be necessary to book in advance.



Proto Fish Restaurant

Široka 1, Dubrovnik
+385 20 323 234

Proto is a remarkable restaurant, celebrated for its impeccable preparation of both meat and seafood dishes. Established in 1886, it exudes a rich history and remains a must-visit culinary destination. The restaurant offers an elegant formal dining room indoors and a more laid-back atmosphere on the charming outdoor terrace. Given its longstanding popularity, it's advisable to make reservations in advance to secure your dining experience at Proto.



Sesame

Dante Alighieri 2, Dubrovnik
+385 20 412 910

Sesame is a restaurant deeply rooted in a family tradition dating back to 1880. Located in a charming green oasis just a few steps away from Dubrovnik's Old Town, it offers a warm and inviting atmosphere. With a focus on Mediterranean cuisine, Sesame boasts a diverse menu featuring excellent fish and meat dishes, a tempting salad bar, a variety of pasta options, and an array of delectable soups.



Posat Restaurant

Posat 1, Dubrovnik
+385 20 421 194

This excellent restaurant features a large, welcoming garden terrace. Their grilled meat dishes are highly recommended. The restaurant offers a view of the Minceta Fortress which can be enjoyed while dining.



Kamenice

Gunduliceva poljana 8, Dubrovnik
+385 20 323 682

Popular among the locals and tourists, this seafood restaurant is located in the Old town. The interior is cosy and the lively atmosphere hums. Mussels and oysters are among the favourite dishes. Here, they serve large portions for reasonable prices.



Vita Bella

Bana Josipa Jelačića 37, Dubrovnik
+385 20 358 713

A little bit outside the centre, you will find this less touristy restaurant. From the menu you can pick a pizza that comes in a big portion for a reasonable price. The fresh pizzas are prepared in the large wood-fired oven to get that perfect taste and it is all served by the attentive staff in a relaxed ambiance.



Bota Šare Oyster & Sushi Bar

Peline 4, Dubrovnik
+385 99 348 0880

For a culinary experience, head over to this oyster and sushi bar where the chef prepares the food with top-quality ingredients and applies Japanese cooking techniques. Sit back and taste the impeccably prepared food served by the friendly and attentive staff in an intimate atmosphere.

Dubrovnik - Cafes

The Old Town is full of cosy and friendly cafes. Both indoor and outdoor cafés are located in the streets of Stradun, providing lovely surroundings in which to watch the daily life.





Dubravka 1836 Restaurant & Cafe

Brsalje 1, Dubrovnik
+385 20 442 526

Dubravka 1836 is a cafe with a vibrant atmosphere and unique location by the west entrance to the Old City centre. It offers amazing views of the fortresses Lovrijenac, Bokar and Minčeta. There's a space in the back to have a coffee and a snack, and use your laptop.



Cafe Bar Orlando

Stradun 3, Dubrovnik
+385 20 323 758

Cafe Bar Orlando is the ideal spot for people-watching due to its perfect location in the very heart of the Stradun. Stop by for breakfast or light lunch when you are in need of a break. The menu offers everything from sandwiches, salads, desserts to freshly-squeezed juices and top-quality domestic wines.



Cafe Festival

Stradun 28, Dubrovnik
+385 20 321 148

If you have a sweet tooth, then Cafe Festival is a safe bet. The carefully prepared cakes and pastries are made according to old recipes, which over the years have been improved. With your cake, have a freshly brewed cup of coffee and enjoy the historical ambience this cafe-bar offers.



Gianni

Kneza Damjana Jude bb, Dubrovnik
+385 95 392 6323

Gianni is a popular ice cream shop located in Dubrovnik Old Town. They specialise in flavours rarely found in other ice cream parlours. Their inventive offerings include lavender honey, goat's milk blackberry, and wild orange among other distinctive creations. If you're indecisive about the flavour you want, they'll happily let you sample a few to make your decision-making process easier. Gianni also serves coffee to go with your ice cream.



GreenGo Juices Smoothies & Coffee to go

Getaldićeva 12, Dubrovnik
+385 99 202 0433

Tucked away in a quieter corner of Dubrovnik's Old Town, GreenGo is the go-to spot for juices, smoothies, matcha, coffee, and other drinks. The menu also offers açaí bowls and a variety of vegan and gluten-free options.



Dubrovnik - Bars & Nightlife

Dubrovnik's nightlife takes place outdoors for much of the year. The area behind the Cathedral, Buniceva poljana, becomes one big outdoor bar in the spring and summer. The locals tend to hang out in the area between the Old Town and Gruž, where a strip of flashy bars have turned 'bana Jelacica' into what the locals call 'Bourbon Street'.

The nightlife in Dubrovnik is mainly in the Old Town. The town does not have that many nightclubs and the Stradun is the place to be at night. All the shop canopies roll back and the chairs come out, transforming the street into a display of exuberance.



Banje Beach Nightclub

Frana Supila 10b, Dubrovnik

385 99 314 6485

Banje is a trendy Saint Tropez-style club where old friends meet and new friends are made. Set on the beachfront overlooking the most spectacular view of the Old Town of Dubrovnik, it offers all the luxuries you could ever dream of: a private sandy beach, a trendy bar, a stylish restaurant, plus the hottest DJs.



Irish Pub Karaka

Između Polača 5, Dubrovnik

+385 20 323 970

Reasonably priced beer makes this Irish Pub a good place to hang out. Very laid-back atmosphere and the best place to watch midweek football. From the menu you can pick Croatian craft beers, cocktails and whiskeys and, if hungry, you can order a delicious burger or pizza.



Cave Bar More

Šetalište Nika i Meda Pucića 12, Dubrovnik

+385 20 494 200

With a unique setting, right in the heart of a cave among stalactites and stalagmites, Cave Bar More offers a rare and cool experience. The outside seating area is also something special, here you can enjoy a cocktail or a soft drink while admiring the beautiful sunset overlooking the sea.



Buzz Bar

Prijeko 21, Dubrovnik

+385 20 321 025

Located on a street that runs parallel to Stradun, Buzz Bar has quickly become a local go-to spot for everything from a chilled beer to a comforting cup of coffee. The bar has earned a reputation for its affordable prices and laid-back ambiance. During the bustling summer weekends, they up the ante with live music, featuring an eclectic mix of pop, rock, and Latino rhythms.



D'Vino Wine Bar

Palmotićeve 4a, Dubrovnik

+385 20 321 130

If you are strolling around in the heart of Dubrovnik Old Town, then head over to this wine bar where they offer an impressive selection of fine domestic and imported wine. This is a place where you can have an intimate conversation with friends and family or to celebrate a special occasion.



There are no large-scale shopping centres in Dubrovnik, so target your shopping passions in and around the Old Town. In the Old Town, on the main street Stradun, you will find a row of independent shops where local artisans, designers and producers sell their products. These are souvenir shops and more luxurious stores that sell jewellery, gems and clothes. Croatian specialities like olive oil, honey, herb-flavoured rakijas and wine are also easy to get in the area. For more interesting souvenirs to bring back home, head over to the picturesque side streets in the Old Town.

Dubrovnik also has some fine outdoor markets which are well worth a visit. You can buy fresh vegetables, fruit, olive oils, souvenirs and pretty much everything else you could possibly need.



Old Town

Stradun, Dubrovnik

Dubrovnik's Old Town offers the best shopping and plenty of variety for its visitors. The Stradun houses the oldest pharmacy in the world, and from there, shops fan out in all directions. There are all sorts of souvenir shops in the vicinity and other types of retail shops can be easily found in the streets around Stradun. In the alleyways you can find everything you need, such as shoe shops, jewellery, clothes, bookshops and plenty of old crafts shops. One of the most fascinating craft shops is 'Ronchi', a hat-making enterprise housed near the market square, which was established in 1858.



Gundulićeva Poljana Market

Gundulićeva poljana, Dubrovnik

Stroll among numerous stalls full of seasonal fruits and vegetables at this open-air market in the Old Town. There are also stalls offering other local products such as dried lavender, lavender oil, marmalade and locally produced grappa and brandy. Open every morning so pop by and have an authentic local experience.



Maria Store

Svetog Dominika 3, Dubrovnik
+385 20 321 330

At this concept store, fashion is the focus and with a strategic location at the Ploče Gate it is easy to find. Established in summer 2007, this is one of the most exclusive multi-brand stores in Croatia. Maria Boutique offers major international names like Gucci, Stella McCartney and Balenciaga.



Gruž Market

Obala Stjepana Radića 21, Dubrovnik

Gruž is a green market near Port of Gruž and it is on Obala Stjepana Radića. This is the main market in Dubrovnik for fruit, vegetables including meat and fish. A vibrant and busy open-air market where the locals come for fresh ingredients and this one is larger and cheaper than the one in the Old Town.



Clara Stones

Nalješkovićeve 3, Dubrovnik
+385 20 321 140

Clara Stones opened its doors in 2011 and since then Anja and Vittorio have produced beautifully handcrafted jewellery made with red corals, pearls and diamonds in various designs. These one-of-a-kind pieces are carefully handmade in Croatia and Italy, making it a great souvenir to bring back home.



Mercante

Vukovarska 22, Dubrovnik
+385 20 312 305

At this small indoor shopping centre, you will find about 20 shops, most of them sell clothes and shoes. Stores such as Levis, Varteks, WGW, Mustang, Tamaris are all located here. Beside clothes and shoes, there are also accessories, jewellery, perfumes, souvenirs and many other items on offer.



Dubrovnik Shopping Minčeta

Nikole Tesle 2, Dubrovnik
+385 98 366 835

Located at the end of the Gruž bay, Minčeta is a small shopping centre with several stores providing everything from clothes, jewellery and perfumes to shoes, sport items and home accessories. Brands such as Bugatti, Stones, Penny Black, LiuJo, Mango, Gerry Weber and Benetton are stocked here.



Dubrovnik - Tourist Information



Dubrovnik Airport (DBV)

Zračna luka Dubrovnik/Močići, Dobrota 24
+385 20 773 100

Dubrovnik Airport is situated about 22 kilometres east of the city centre. The journey takes about 30 minutes by car. Airline buses meet all arrivals, including the late-night ones. The drop-off for the airport buses is at the entrance to the Old Town or at the bus station. You can buy your tickets when boarding the bus. The taxi stand is located next to the Terminal building B.

The airport provides direct flights to numerous European destinations such as Vienna, London, Zurich, Athens and Barcelona, along with seasonal transatlantic service to New York. Major carriers including Croatia Airlines, United Airlines, Ryanair and Swiss operate regular routes from this hub.

Notably, the airport also functions as a gateway for travellers visiting nearby Montenegrin towns like Herceg Novi and Kotor, despite being across the international border. Seasonal variations affect certain routes, so you should verify flight availability when planning their journeys.



Passport & Visa

Croatia can be visited visa-free for up to 90 days by citizens of most European countries, Australia, New Zealand, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, Malaysia, Israel, UAE and most countries in America. If you are unsure whether or not you need to apply for a visa, we recommend contacting the embassy or consulate in your country. International (non-Schengen) travellers need a passport that is valid for at least 3 months after the end of their intended trip in order to enter the Schengen zone. Citizens of Schengen countries can travel without a passport, but must have a valid ID with them during their stay.



Best Time to Visit

During peak season, July to August, the temperatures range from 22°C to 30°C. July is the sunniest time of the year, making Croatian waters perfect for a swim, with water temperatures of 24°C.

However, during the summer, Dubrovnik is flocked by tourists and the hotel prices increase. This is why many prefer travelling from May to June or September to October. These months are still offering sunny days, warm enough to swim and the restaurants and tourist attractions are open. In the low season, November to April, most facilities are closed, and the weather is more unsteady.



Public Transport

+385 20 441-444

Most parts of Dubrovnik are best discovered on foot. If you feel the distance is a little too far, the town has an excellent system of buses. The orange city buses are run by the company Libertas, and they run frequently and generally on time. Tickets can be bought from the bus driver and from the newspaper kiosks. A ticket is valid for one hour.



Taxi

There are several taxi stations around the city. Head over to the main bus station in Gruž or the main ferry terminal in Gruž. There are also taxi stands in the west and east entrance to the Old town.

For convenient taxi bookings, Dubrovnik offers a local app called 'Taxi Plavi Dubrovnik', provides reliable service, while international platforms like Bolt and Uber also operate in the city.



Post

Vukovarska 16, Dubrovnik

+385 20 362 068

Post in Croatia is run by Hrvatska pošta. Their official website has detailed information about services, costs and delivery times. Postage stamps are sold at the numerous newspaper kiosks and newsagent shops. The mailboxes are yellow and usually affixed to walls.



Pharmacy

Stradun 4, Dubrovnik

+385 20 321 133

Most pharmacies, called 'ljekarna' in Croatian are marked with a green cross and are open six days per week from 8 am until 6 pm in low season and during high season from 8 am until 8 pm.

There are two pharmacies that stay open 24-hours and they alternate every week. Both 'Kod Zvonika' and 'Gruž' are on the main street in the Old Town and next to the port of Gruž.



Telephone

Country code: +385

Area code: (0)20



Electricity

In Croatia, the standard power outlets are Type F and Type C which are compatible with most European plugs. The voltage is 230V, and the frequency is 50Hz.

SPLIT CITY GUIDE



Split - The City

Split is the second largest city in Croatia. In summer, it is a dynamic and vibrant holiday resort. Its pulsating heart is the compact Old Town, composed of orderly streets and monuments of the imposing Roman emperor's abode.

Just a stone's throw away from the Palace, Riva, the evocative seafront promenade, runs parallel to the city in a hub of activities that buzzes with life from the early hours, replete with shops, cafes and bars. The seafront boardwalk is where both locals and tourists congregate day and night, mingling and mixing.

If the city centre and the crowded beaches have become a major draw for tourists, The Split peninsula is where serenity and the backdrop of Mediterranean flora shapes the atmosphere.

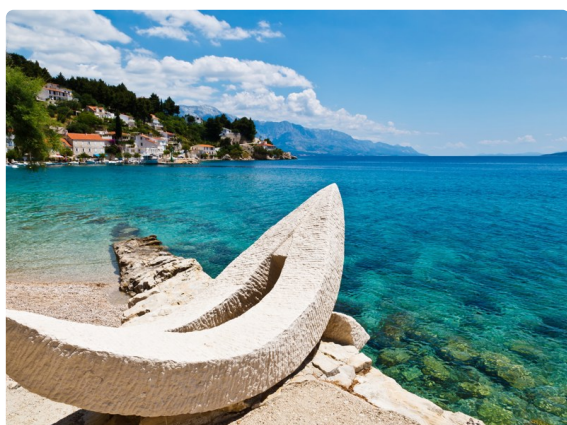


Split - Do & See

The ancient walls of the Old City encircle squares, crescents and architectural beauties that create a cultural hub for travellers to discover. Split has a rich history, which is apparent to everyone who sets foot in the city. Here you will find historical sites, such as The Cathedral Of St Domnius, the main part of which dates to the 4th century CE; Pjaca Clock Tower and Diocletian's Palace, to name a few.

Besides the treasure of the magnificent past, Split also offers the timeless beauty of nature: its crystalline waters, long stretches of white beaches and the green oasis embedded at the tip of the peninsula are a major draw for nature lovers, offering hundreds of options for outdoor activities or water-sports.

Thanks to its stunning surroundings the enchanting city of Split has fully embraced tourism, creating a destination where its natural peculiarities have been enhanced by vibrant bars, restaurants, shops, and cultural institutions.





Diocletian's Palace

Dioklecijanova palača, Split

Diocletian's Palace is the city's pride and glory, as it houses the alleys and squares that compose the Old Town. Built for the Emperor Diocletian back in the 4th century CE, it boasts an impressive figure and a well-preserved building. As you walk through the Bronze Gate, a stunning view of the Palace will be disclosed to the eyes, revealing the magnificent ancient fortress.

The ancient fortress is not just a dusty monument. It has become a vibrant neighbourhood with many shops, cafes and restaurants, as well as some apartments. Around 3,000 people live on the territory of Diocletian's palace today.

In the popular HBO show Game of Thrones, Diocletian's Palace doubles as the city of Meereen.



Cathedral of St Domnius

Kraj Svetog Duje 3, Split

Situated within the Diocletian Palace's walls, St Domnius Cathedral is shrouded in history. Created as a mausoleum, it is currently one of the oldest Catholic Cathedral still in use and, with its peculiar octagonal-shaped building, it has an immeasurable artistic value. It was in this Cathedral that the remains of the Emperor disappeared after having rested there for 170 years.



Narodni Trg — People's Square

Narodni trg, Split

Narodni Trg, the pulsing heart of the city, buzzes with life and artistic landmarks. The iconic Clock Tower and the majestic Town Hall, which has been turned into an ethnographic museum, dominate the square.

Perfect for a leisurely stroll, it also features dainty cafeterias and bars.



Croatian Maritime Museum

Glagoljaska 18, Split
+385 21 347 346

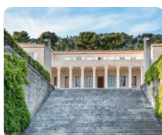
Rich in archaeological finds and artefacts, the Croatian Maritime Museum is located inside the 17th century Gripe Fortress. Catch a glimpse of the artistic beauties long lost in the sea. The exhibitions show that the maritime community had a major influence throughout the Adriatic Sea.



Archaeological Museum

Zrinsko Frankopanska 25, Split
+385 21 329 340

The Archaeological Museum boasts a comprehensive display of Illyrian, Greek and Roman artefacts, offering a complete overview of the region's history. One of the highlights of the visit is the library with 30,000 books regarding archaeology and history.



Ivan Meštrović Gallery

Šetalište Ivana Meštrovića 46, Split
+385 21 340 800

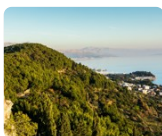
The Ivan Meštrović Gallery is a neoclassical building originally intended to be the home of the famous artist, now housing an impressive collection of his artworks. The permanent display features beautiful architectural projects, drawings and sculptures.



Split City Museum

Papaliceva 1, Split
+385 21 360 171

The Split City Museum houses a great collection that presents the cultural and historical heritage of Split, giving an expansive glimpse into the city's past. Here, you will find sculptures, paintings and diverse artworks set in a 14th century palace. Guided tours can be arranged in advance.



Marjan Forest Park

Obala Hrvatskog narodnog preporoda 25, Split
+385 21 362 991

A sweeping portion of the Split peninsula is covered by a thick Mediterranean flora that creates the Marjan Forest Park. An intricate knot of walking paths, jogging trails, lookout points, and a botanical garden that attracts hiking enthusiasts and everyone who wants a break from the busy city life.



Boat Trips

Jadrolinija ferry terminal and surrounding piers are a gateway to the surrounding islands. Hvar is one of the most coveted destinations with historical sites and beautiful beaches. Brač, a white, pebbly beach, perfect for surfing, follows right after Hvar, whereas Korčula Island is mostly visited for its medieval towers and walls. Package tours will gladly take you to several islands in just one day.



Bačvice Beach

Bačvice Beach, Split

Bačvice is the closest beach to downtown Split and, though it gets extremely crowded in summer, is a delightful spot to relax under the hot sun. Hide from the heat and rehydrate at any of the numerous quaint cafes frequented by locals playing picigin, a ball game that sees its origin here in Split.



Bene Beach

Šetalište Marina Tartaglie Split

A secluded cove in the northern coast of Marjan Forest Park, Bene Beach doesn't resemble the sandy Croatian beaches but boasts its one-of-a-kind charm. A long excursion through the forest will lead you to its pebbly seafront, where you can rest your feet in the clear water surrounded by untouched nature. A restaurant is also located a few steps away.



Pjaca Clock Tower

Ispod ure 1, Split

Pjaca Clock Tower imposes its figure with its impressive 1700 years of history. The tower's impressive height can be walked up a steep stairway that culminates in a breath-taking view of the Old Town and its vibrant flow of people. The tower features a 24-hour clock face signed with Roman numerals.



Riva Waterfront

Riva, Split

The fashionable Riva waterfront boardwalk is the place to go for a stroll. Blessed by the sound of the waves crushing to the shore and the scent of seaweed in the air, the seafront promenade offers coffee shops and bars, representing the perfect destination to be seen and to observe the curious stream of people passing by.



Trg Republike — Republic Square

Trg Republike, Split

Buzzing with people throughout the hot season, Trg Republike, or Republic Square, is where concerts and festivals are held. The square, constructed in a peculiar Venetian style, is a renowned gathering point, as well as a great spot to sip a coffee and sample some traditional cuisine at the quaint eateries and coffee shops.



Gregory of Nin Statue

Kralja Tomislava, Split

Nothing extremely thrilling can be said about this statue, which is located in front of the northern gate of the Diocletian Palace. It rises up celebrating bishop Grgur, Gregory of Nin, who firmly opposed the Pope and introduced the Croatian language into Catholic services. You may want to stop by though: its well-polished big toe is said to bring good luck for those who rub it.



Podrum — Cellars of Diocletian's Palace

Vestibula 3, Split

The ancient prison, a tangle of underground chambers concealed underneath the Diocletian Palace, is nowadays open only for special events. The main alley that links the cells together, treats the tourists with an array of picturesque stalls, well-equipped with souvenirs and artworks of any sort.

In the HBO show Game of Thrones, Daenerys Targaryen locks up her enemies, as well as two of her dragons. These scenes were filmed right here, in the cellars of Diocletian's Palace.



Game of Thrones Tour

Diocletian's Palace, Grad

Croatian towns and natural vistas were extensively featured in the hit HBO series Game of Thrones, many of the scenes from seasons 3, 4, 5 and 6 were filmed in Split. Follow the lead of a knowledgeable guide and discover where many of the scenes were shot. Don't miss out on the opportunity to take awesome selfies and feel not only the weight of hundreds of years of history but also that of the most influential pop-culture product of this millennium.



Rock Climbing Tour

Given2Fly Adventures, Ulica Plinarska 25

+385 95 391 0202

If you are looking for a more active and adventurous experience, take advantage of the Croatian natural beauty from an unusual vantage point. Go rock climbing to Marjan Hill, a popular climbing area that offers more than 80 different routes for climbers of various backgrounds and skill levels. Naturally, all essential climbing gear is provided.



Cooking Class & Walking Tour

Take a holistic approach to exploring Croatian cuisine. Start by visiting the green market and sampling local products and baked goodies. After whetting your appetite, meet with a local chef to create a three-course meal before sitting down to dine on your creation. Not only will you get an excellent meal, but you will also learn new cooking techniques and form lasting memories about your time in Split.



Plitvice Lakes National Park

Josipa Jovića 19, Plitvicka Jezera

+385 53 751 015

The UNESCO-listed landscapes of the Plitvice Lakes National Park look like they are taken straight from a postcard. The magnificent tree-lined Upper Lakes, Gornja Jezera, and the awe-inspiring Veliki Slap, Croatia's biggest waterfall, will leave you speechless. You can go on a cruise around the Lower Lakes, Donja Jezera, to make your trip extra special.



All-Terrain Vehicle Safari

Asteria Adventures, Bajagić 59
+385 91 600 0059

Explore Dalmatia's world-famous natural landscapes driving an ATV quad bike. Cruise along off-road trails for unique insight into the country's mountains, rivers, and countryside. Find the most picturesque spot for a picnic style lunch.



Split - Dining

Combining the cornerstones of Dalmatian cuisine with the famously healthy Mediterranean culinary traditions, Split's culinary heritage is a perfectly balanced blend of authentic flavours. The proximity to the Adriatic Sea makes Split a destination where sampling seafood dishes is a must.

Some of Split's best restaurants can be found outskirts of the Old Town as well as inside of the Old Town, boasting a fine array of eateries ranging from down-to-earth traditional taverns to upscale restaurants serving fusion cuisine.



Konoba Kod Jozе

Sredmanuška 4, Split
+358 21 347 397

A 10-minute walk northeast of the Old Town gets you to one of the best seafood restaurants in town. An intimate and friendly atmosphere, the cosy, rustic interior paired with delicious Dalmatian cuisine, that's what Konoba Kod Jozе is. On hot summer nights, the restaurant's terrace adds a magical touch to the evening.



Galija

Ulica Tončićeva 12, Split
+385 21 347 932

Galija is a small restaurant with wooden benches and an attentive service that has gained an excellent reputation for its delicious pizza. Located in the western part of the Old Town in a quiet picturesque alley.



Villa Spiza

Kružića 3, Split

A feast of seafood specialties and delicious Mediterranean dishes cooked to perfection, Villa Spiza offers a comprehensive sample of authentic Croatian cuisine. Extremely atmospheric and with a peculiar rustic touch throughout, Villa Spiza won't disappoint.



MOKOSH Restoran

Slaviceva 44, Split
+385 21 244 776

A dreamlike setting and an outside seating area that revolves around an extraordinary fountain shape, that's what the dining experience is like at Mokosh. The romantic allure of the villa is combined with traditional Mediterranean dishes and an outstanding service, representing one of the best eateries in town.



Dvor

Put Firula 14, Split
+385 21 571 513

Dvor is situated slightly off the beaten path and away from the crowd of tourists that mill around the Old Town. The advantageous uphill location makes the restaurant a perfect spot for panoramic views of the Mediterranean Sea.



Apetit

Pavla Šubića 2, Split
+385 21 332 549

Restaurant-bistro Apetit is located in the old centre of Split, within the walls of the Papalićeva palace. The elegant Mediterranean interior is complemented with aromas of local cuisine. The freshly caught seafood and vegetables grown locally gives the extra touch to dishes that blend tradition with innovative techniques.



Pizzeria Portas

Kraj Zlatnih Vrata 1, Split
+385 99 555 5715

The best pizza in town resides within the name of Portas, a pizza restaurant that will certainly satisfy the Italian cuisine aficionados. The atmospheric courtyard is covered in lush vines, the perfect setting for a date.



Brasserie on 7

Obala Hrvatskog Narodnog Preporoda 7, Split
+385 21 278 233

Featuring a menu that presents classics of the Croatian tradition, adjusted through the principles of the French cuisine, Brasseries 7 is a favourite in town. The exquisite terrace that overlooks the Mediterranean Sea offers a fine breakfast spot as well.

Split - Cafés

If you can't imagine life without coffee, Split will take good care of you. The narrow cobbled streets and ancient squares are dotted with quaint cafés. Cafeterias are seen as gathering points in the historical Split and coffee, locally known as kava, is rather strong to keep you going.

The trendy Riva with its sweeping views of the sea is certainly a favourite among coffee lovers. Treat yourself to the atmospheric ambience and delicious coffee, where the lively crowd passes by leisurely and the marine breeze tickles your nostrils.

The picturesque alleys that run throughout the town are also full of cosy coffee shops, perfectly embodying the laid-back lifestyle of the Croatians.





Bajamonti

Trg Republike 1, Split
+385 21 341 033

The restaurant and cafe is named in honour of Antonio Bajamonti who was the popular Mayor of Split in the 19th century. Bajamonti serves international breakfast, coffee, Mediterranean, French and Italian specialties and delicious desserts like its widely renowned chocolate mousse.



Kavana Procaffe

Špinutska 67, Split
+385 21 384 323

Kavana is a superb coffee shop with a stunning view over the sea and Kozjak Mountain. The homemade cakes and ice-cream are some of the must-try. Their treats will certainly satisfy your sweet tooth.



Caffe Bar Žbirac

Šetalište Petra Preradovića 5, Split
+385 91 883 3710

A coffee or a beer sipped leisurely on a seaside terrace, tree leaves covering from the scorching sun and nothing to think of besides enjoying the welcoming weather. Cafe Bar Žbirac is where to start the day with an energy boost.



Coffee & Storytelling Walk

Meeting point: Crkva i samostan sv. Frane, Trg Franje Tuđmana 1

The Coffee & Storytelling tour takes you on a caffeine-backed walk through Split and introduces you to local stories, traditions and beliefs. The local guide will share their favourite coffee spots and the best tips to make your stay unforgettable.



D16 Coffee

Dominisova 16, Split
+385 91 790 0705

D16 Coffee is one of the hippest cafes in town. Top-notch specialty coffee, cosy atmosphere, and a great environment for catching up on emails during the day or chatting with a special someone in the evening when the lights get dimmed. The cafe is hidden from the busy streets while still being in the very centre.

You can also buy some freshly roasted beans to take home or ask for a coffee to go. Cup in hand, head down to the Split Promenade and enjoy the view over the sea.



Oš Kolač

Ćiril Metodova 4, Split
+385 21 480 444

Oš Kolač makes the most impressive cakes, a feast for your eyes and taste buds. Small in size, this pastel-coloured cafe makes a big impression. You will want to come back again and again to take advantage of the incredible variety of pastries.



Split - Bars & Nightlife

Split is one of the best destinations in Croatia when it comes to nightlife: discover hidden bars and enjoy the vibrant atmosphere while socialising, having a couple of drinks, dancing and overall having a great time. The city breathes with the party spirit wherever you go. Start the night in the trendy Riva and as the night goes on, migrate to the Old Town to get a late dinner at one of the many restaurants. Check out Academia Club Ghetto, located inside the Diocletian's Palace. It is known as one the best clubs in the country.

Split was put on the map as a party town because of the Ultra Europe festival held on stadium Poljud in July. However, the majority of the exciting new clubbing spots keep their doors open off-season. Bars along the Bačvice beachside also stay busy way past midnight over the summer.



Split After Dark

Obala Lazareta 3, Split
+385 99 384 1434

If you're looking to experience Split's vibrant nightlife without the hassle of planning, Split After Dark is the perfect choice. Let their stellar reviews, and expert guides, lead the way as you dive into the city's after-dark scene. Whether you're dancing at a boat party, hopping between clubs, or joining a pub crawl, their experience promises to show you a good time. It's ideal for solo travellers or groups wanting to meet people.



Academia Ghetto Club

Dosud 10, Split
+385 21 346 879

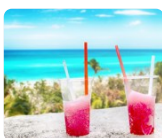
A bohemian atmosphere shrouded in passion for love and good music permeates Academia Club Ghetto. The bizarre interiors and the overall vibe are a major draw for dandies and art lovers, seeing the club housing different original artworks.



Zinfandel Food & Wine

Marulićeva 2, Split
+385 21 355 135

Light meals, snacks or just a glass of wine, Zinfandel Food & Wine blends the best ingredients with a true passion for attentively selected wine. Try the most flavourful salami and cheese paired with a glass of wine and let yourself enjoy the atmosphere. Don't miss the live music.



Tennis Bar

Put firula 18, Split
+385 99 277 1121

Tennis Bar is a lively, pet-friendly beach bar overlooking the Firule beach. Excellent music and lively atmosphere reign supreme even during the low season. The young crowd's energy creates an almost club-like mood at times. Come with friends or make new ones, dance the night away or lay back in a comfortable chaise lounge with your feet in the sand.

On those extra hot days, treat yourself to some ice cream at Tennis Bar.



Treće Poluvrijeme (Kuka)

Zrinsko-frankopanska 17, Split

Situated just near the old football ground, Treće Poluvrijeme is a magnet for party-lovers, playing rock or house music till the early hours. The dance-floor tends to get wild, seeing the numerous guests mingling and getting together in this popular hotspot.



The Daltonist Craft Bar

Hrvojeva 10, Split

The Daltonist Craft Bar is a charming bar right beside the Old Town. The bar's existence is a testament to the fact that exceptional hospitality and a friendly relaxed atmosphere don't have to be mutually exclusive. Run by a colourful international team from Argentina, the UK, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Mexico and Croatia, Daltonist offers international brunch options with Dalmatian flair during the day and a careful selection of small bites during the evening. If you like fun, great times, craft beers and creative cocktails, this bar is a must-visit.



Split - Shopping

Split has many shops, department stores and a range of small authentic art galleries, souvenir and antique shops in the alleys within the walls of the Palace. In the middle of summer these tiny streets are covered by the shady coolness of the stone walls, making a lengthy shopping trip a pleasure. The spooky basement of the Palace itself has turned into a colourful mixture of art and souvenir stalls.



Fish Market

Obrov 5, Split

Split's close proximity to the sea treats its citizens and guests to an abundance of freshly caught seafood. The Fish Market located in the old part of town boasts a myriad of diverse fish stalls, providing restaurants and people throughout the town with the freshest products. After midday, if there is any fish left, you can buy it at half price.



Green Market

Stari Pazar 9, Split

Not only the freshest fruit, vegetables, olive oil and even local brandies, the Green Market's vast offer of stalls presents clothing items, accessories, knickknacks and anything else you can think of. Browse at the colourful products and get ready to use all your haggling skills.



Aroma Dalmatia

Dioklecijanov 5, Split
+385 95 995 3135

The Beautiful Croatian coast is blessed with a welcoming sun that makes its soil fertile and rich in fruit and vegetables. Aroma Dalmatia provides its loyal customers with oil, wine, marmalade and dried fruit made of local ingredients. Along with the edible ones, soap and gift ideas are sold as well.



Studio Naranča

Majstora Jurja 5, Split
+385 95 199 1566

Studio Naranča is a place where emerging artists are valued and where the most talented earn their own space in a spot that focuses on modern design. The space is spread over 3 levels and features an art gallery, an art shop and the International Graphic Art Biennial.



City Center One

Vukovarska 207, Split
+385 21 510 130

City Center is a vast shopping mall that features national and international clothing shops, restaurants, coffee shops and jewellery. Located only 6 kilometres away from downtown Split, the mall is a hub of shops where you can find the perfect Croatian outfit or beach supplies.



Bonbonnière Kraš

Martinjski prolaz 1, Split
+385 21 346 138

With its almost one-hundred years of history, Kraš is an institution in town. Whatever your sweet tooth may crave, Kraš colourful shop, features chocolate, candy, biscuits, wafers and even some savoury delicacies. You will definitely find something special here.



Podrum — Cellars of Diocletian's Palace

Podrum, Diocletian Palace

The ancient prison, a tangle of underground chambers concealed underneath the Diocletian Palace, is nowadays open only for special events. The main alley that links the cells together, open daily, treats the tourists with an array of picturesque stalls, well-equipped with souvenirs and artworks of any sort.



Marmont Street

Marmontova Ulica, Split

known in Croatian as Marmontova Ulica, this marble-lined street is the most popular shopping area in Split for designer goods. You will find jewellery, clothes, shoes and other goods from artisanal and mass market brands. The street, stretching from the Old Palace, is reserved for pedestrians. Check out the over 100-year-old pharmacy Varoš, as well as art galleries and a popular fish market.



Split - Tourist Information



Split Airport (SPU)

Cesta Dr. Franje Tuđmana 1270, Kaštel Štafilić
+385 21 203 589

Split Airport is located 20 kilometres northwest of Split and it takes approximately 35 minutes to get there from the city centre. The bus company that runs the service to/from the airport is called Pleso Prijevoz.

There is also a public bus stop nearby. Line 37 runs to Split – Trogir; Trogir – Split, and 38: Split Airport – Kastel Stari; Kastel Stari – Split Airport. You can buy a ticket at the Tisak Media kiosk at the airport or pay on board.

You can find some taxis also parked outside the airport, or use one of the ridesharing apps: Uber, Bolt and Cammeo.



Passport & Visa

Croatia can be visited visa-free for up to 90 days by citizens of Australia, New Zealand, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, Malaysia, Israel, UAE and most countries in America.

If you are unsure whether or not you need to apply for a visa, we recommend contacting the embassy or consulate in your country. International (non-Schengen) travellers need a passport that is valid for at least 3 months after the end of their intended trip in order to enter the Schengen zone. Citizens of Schengen countries can travel without a passport, but must have a valid ID with them during their stay.



Public Transport

Hercegovačka 20, Split
+385 21 407 888

The easiest way to get around in Split, especially in the Old Town, is by walking. If you plan to visit the outskirts of Split, use the city buses. They generally operate between 5 am and midnight. Tickets can be bought at the bus or from a newspaper kiosk.

Promet Split bus company operates 19 routes in the city itself, plus three night routes. Several suburban lines connect Split to Trogir: line 37, which goes to Split Airport; to Klis fortress: line 34; to Solin and to Omis: line 60.

Intercity buses usually depart from the local bus terminal called 'Sukoišan autobusni kolodvor' next to the train station.



Taxi

Auto Taxi & Radio Taxi Split, Vukovarska 107C
+385 21 473 737

The Old Town is a pedestrian area therefore, if you are planning on hailing a taxi, it might be a bit of a challenge. You can find some taxis parked around the city, or use one of the ridesharing apps: Uber, Bolt and Cammeo.



Post

Hrvatska pošta, Hercegovačka 1
+385 72 303 304

A few post-offices are located throughout town. Look for the yellow 'Hrvatska Posta' signs. Mail boxes are yellow, with 'Posta' or 'HP' written on them.



Pharmacy

Ljekarna Lučac, Josipa Pupačića 4
+385 21 533 188

In Split, there are numerous pharmacies often located 200 metres from one another. Look for names like Bačvice, Biljni preparati, Dobri, Grad, Lučac and Marjan.

Pharmacy Lučac on Josipa Pupačića street is open 24/7.



Phone

Country code: +385
Area code: (0)21



Electricity

In Croatia, the standard power outlets are Type F and Type C which are compatible with most European plugs. The voltage is 230V, and the frequency is 50Hz.