



A Week in Croatia: Zagreb, Split & Dubrovnik

9 days | 11 days with Dubrovnik extension

Simply put, this coastal Mediterranean country is a never-ending feast for the senses. When you spend a week in Croatia, you'll hear the rush of waterfalls as you wander among them, marvel at colorful art in a trailblazing museum, and savor the flavors of traditional Croatian cuisine. Along the way, stroll atop Europe's longest defensive city walls in Ston, and pause along the Adriatic in Zadar to appreciate the music that's made when innovative art meets the sea.



Your tour package includes

- 7 nights in handpicked hotels
- 7 breakfasts
- 3 dinners with beer or wine
- 7 sightseeing tours
- Expert Tour Director & local guides
- Private deluxe motor coach

Included highlights

- Croatian Museum of Naïve Art
- Plitvice Lakes National Park
- Zadar
- Šibenik
- Ivan Mestrovic Gallery
- Diocletian's Palace
- Ston's city walls
- Franciscan Monastery
- Dubrovnik

Tour pace

You will walk for at least 3 hours daily across moderately uneven terrain, including paved roads and cobblestone streets, with some hills and stairs.

Group size

15-38

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Overnight Flight → 1 night

Day 1: Travel Day

Board your overnight flight to Zagreb today.

Zagreb → 2 nights

Day 2: Arrival in Zagreb

Included meals: welcome dinner

Welcome to Croatia! Gather with your Tour Director and fellow travelers at tonight's welcome dinner.

Day 3: Sightseeing tour of Zagreb

Included meals: breakfast

Meet up with a local guide, who will show you the best of Croatia's capital city on a walking tour.

- Pass by the Mestrovic Pavilion, Zrinjevac Park, fortified Lotrscak Tower, and Mirogoj Cemetery
- Visit the Croatian Museum of Naïve Art to admire the simplistic beauty of works by artists who have had no formal training
- Explore the interior of Zagreb Cathedral, which was built in the 11th century and features towering twin spires

Spend a free afternoon in Zagreb or add an excursion.

+ Kumrovec & Medieval Tabor with Dinner

Plitvice → 1 night

Day 4: Transfer to Plitvice Lakes National Park

Included meals: breakfast, dinner

Transfer to Plitvice today and take a guided walking tour of Plitvice Lakes National Park, known for its 16 levels of lakes nestled between Mount Mala Kapela and Mount Pljesevica.

- Join your Tour Director as you explore the picturesque lower lakes area
- Walk along boardwalks that crisscross atop the turquoise waters
- Meet up with a local guide to walk through the upper lakes area
- Admire the placid bodies of water, forests, caves, and waterfalls within the limestone canyon

Continue to your hotel in Plitvice, then sit down for an included dinner.

Split Region → 2 nights

Day 5: Split via Zadar & Sibenik

Included meals: breakfast

Transfer to Split today. Along the way, you'll stop in two Dalmatian Coast towns for guided tours.

- Join a local guide in the seaside town of Zadar
- Explore Roman ruins and listen to soothing sounds created by the town's one-of-a-kind Sea Organ, an architectural artwork that plays musical sounds as seawater flows into and out of its tubes
- Visit Sibenik, the oldest Slavic town on the Croatian coast, and view the Cathedral of St. James
- Enjoy free time to explore the charming town at your leisure

Continue on to your hotel in Split.

Day 6: Sightseeing tour of Split

Included meals: breakfast

Enjoy a guided tour of Split, a coastal city whose local culture seamlessly combines tradition and modernity.

- Examine sculptures, drawings, and paintings at the Ivan Mestrovic Gallery
- Enter Diocletian's Palace, an enormous third-century palace complex
- View monuments, including Gothic churches, Renaissance palaces, Venetian fortifications, and an Egyptian sphinx, that showcase the city's varied cultural influences

Spend a free afternoon in Split or add an excursion.

+ Trogir & Croatian Wine Tasting

Dubrovnik → 2 nights

Day 7: Dubrovnik via Ston

Included meals: breakfast

Travel south and stop on the Peljesac peninsula to visit the city of Ston.

- View the city walls, which stretch for almost five miles and are some of the longest in Europe
- Enjoy free time to explore the quaint, coastal city

Continue on to Dubrovnik, where you can enjoy a free evening or add an excursion.

+ Scenic Dubrovnik Coast Cruise & Dinner

Day 8: Sightseeing tour of Dubrovnik

Included meals: breakfast, farewell dinner

Set on a peninsula on the Adriatic, Dubrovnik's massive walls have served as the city's calling card for centuries. Today, you'll take a guided tour of the historic area.

- Stop at a viewpoint to soak in panoramic views of the Old Town, coast, and nearby Lokrum Island
- Pay a visit to the 13th-century Franciscan Monastery, which boasts the most extensive library in the region
- Enter the impressive Rector's Palace and the city's ornate cathedral

Celebrate your trip with your fellow travelers at tonight's farewell dinner.

Flight Home

Day 9: Departure

Included meals: breakfast (excluding early morning departures)

Transfer to the airport for your flight home, or extend your stay to continue exploring Dubrovnik.

+ Dubrovnik extension

With its centuries-old stone walls, narrow lanes, and Baroque buildings—all set along hilly, tree-studded terrain at the edge of the sparkling sea—it's no wonder Dubrovnik is known as the "the Pearl of the Adriatic." However you feel like spending your time here, Dubrovnik's world-class museums, laid-back restaurants, and dreamy coastal surroundings make it easy to do as you please.

Dubrovnik → 2 nights

Day 9: Free day in Dubrovnik

Included meals: breakfast

Spend a free day getting to know Dubrovnik at your leisure, or add an excursion.

+ Konavle Wine Tasting & Lunch

Day 10: Free day in Dubrovnik

Included meals: breakfast

Enjoy a free day in Dubrovnik or add an excursion.

This evening, enjoy a farewell drink as you celebrate your trip with your fellow group members.

+ A Day in Montenegro: Perast & Kotor

Flight Home

Day 11: Departure

Included meals: breakfast (excluding early morning departures)

Transfer to the airport for your flight home.

Customize your experience

Customize your tour by adding excursion options. Excursions offered on the same day will occur at different times, so there's no need to choose. Save \$10 when you book your excursion up to three days before your tour departs.* Excursions requiring advance reservation only list this discounted price. Call or go online to customize your tour: goaheadtours.com/CRA | 1-800-597-0350

Day 3: Kumrovec & Medieval Tabor with Dinner

\$95/\$105* (6.5 hours, departs in the afternoon, includes dinner)

Spend your afternoon traveling back in time to experience what life was like more than 100 years ago. Begin in Kumrovec, a riverside village that's situated along the Croatian and Slovenian border, and visit the Staro Selo, or Old World Museum. Enjoy free time to explore this open-air museum's 30-plus traditional buildings at your own pace to see what life was like in the Zagorje region before World War I. Later, as you make your way to dinner, stop to view Veliki Tabor Castle. It dates back to the middle of the 16th century and is one of Croatia's best preserved medieval castles. Continue on to a local restaurant for an included dinner featuring Croatian specialties made with locally grown produce.

Day 10: A Day in Montenegro: Perast & Kotor

\$149/\$159* (10 hours, departs in the morning, includes lunch)

Set out to explore the small Republic of Montenegro, which is home to stunning backdrops that range from serene beaches to rugged mountain canyons. Begin in Perast, a Venetian town on the Bay of Kotor, where you'll take to the water to admire the surrounding scenery. Set sail and visit the famed islets of St. George and Our Lady of the Rocks. Then, enjoy lunch as you head to the UNESCO-protected town of Kotor, where you'll view medieval walls and churches nestled between the hills and sea.

Day 6: Trogir & Croatian Wine Tasting

\$119/\$129* (4 hours, departs in the afternoon)

Make your way to Salona, an ancient Roman archeological site, and view ruins of the city's first-century aqueduct and thermal baths. Then, spend the rest of the afternoon in the seaside town of Trogir, a UNESCO World Heritage Site with an architectural legacy influenced by the Ancient Greeks, Romans, and Venetians. You'll tour the city center, viewing the 15th-century city gates, Venetian-era Fortress Kamerlengo, Duke's Palace, and triple-naved Trogir Cathedral. Afterward, head to a local vineyard for a wine tasting and snacks. You'll learn about the region's various specialty wines.

Day 7: Scenic Dubrovnik Coast Cruise & Dinner

\$79/\$89* (4 hours, departs in the evening, dinner included)

This excursion begins with a cruise along the shoreline of one of Europe's most romantic cities. Arriving on the beach, you'll dine at a local restaurant before setting out on a stroll through Dubrovnik's medieval streets. Please note: Travelers prone to seasickness should take the proper precautions.

Extension excursion options

Day 9: Konavle Wine Tasting & Lunch

\$125/\$135* (6 hours, departs in the morning, includes lunch)

From Dubrovnik, head southeast to Cavtat, a picturesque resort town situated along the Adriatic coast and framed by towering mountains. There, enjoy free time to explore the sparkling waterfront and tree-lined harbor. Then, continue on to a family-owned agriturismo in the Konavle Valley. During your visit, sample traditional liquors made on the farm from ingredients such as cherries, roses, and grapes, and enjoy a three-course lunch paired with the agriturismo's own red and white wines. Get a behind-the-scenes peek into the farm's winemaking and produce-growing processes before transferring back to Dubrovnik.

*Optional excursions may be purchased up to three days prior to departure or while on tour. Pre-purchased optional excursions cannot be canceled within three days prior to departure or while on tour. Select optional excursions require advance booking and cannot be purchased or canceled after the advanced reservation deadline. GAT accepts payment by cash, Visa or MasterCard for optional excursions purchased on tour. Additional fees may apply for optional excursions purchased on tour. Excursions require a minimum number of participants to operate. Details and prices are subject to change. Due to seasonal hours of operation and availability, some excursions may not operate. If this occurs, you will be refunded any payments made for that excursion post-tour. Learn more at goaheadtours.com/terms