



# Discover Croatia and Slovenia

13 DAY TOUR | 02-Nov-2023

CANADA | DUBROVNIK | SPLIT | PLITVICE | OPATIJA  
LJUBLJANA | ZAGREB | CANADA



*Let yourself be swept away by the beauty, history, and magic of the Adriatic as you explore Croatia, Slovenia, and Bosnia and Herzegovina!*

Land only - Member	Land only - Non-Member	With Air from Winnipeg Member price	With Air from Winnipeg Non -Member price	Single Supp.
<b>C\$ 2699</b>	<b>C\$ 2849</b>	<b>C\$ 4699</b>	<b>C\$ 4849</b>	<b>\$ 999</b>



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Discover the best of the Adriatic with this 13-day small-group tour of Croatia, Slovenia, and Bosnia and Herzegovina! Let yourself be transported centuries back in time as you uncover the beauty and magic of the cities by the Adriatic Sea. Your journey will begin in Dubrovnik, known for its picture-perfect location looking out towards the Adriatic Sea. Try tasty seafood dishes and walk along the beautiful sandy beaches before you drive to Split, an ancient town built and preserved over 1700 years, and explore Zadar, one of the most beautiful historic cities in Dalmatia. Visit Plitvice Lakes National Park to discover a magical world of 16 interlinked lakes between magnificent mountains, and visit Opatija, known as the Pearl of the Adriatic. Your next stop will be in Ljubljana, the green capital of Slovenia, where you can see beautiful bridges and baroque town buildings. Finally, make your way over to Zagreb, known for its historic Upper Town, where your small-group tour of the Adriatic will come to an end!

**TOUR LODGING INFO:** 11 Nights Hotel

+ 01 Night Onboard Flight

Accommodation will be provided on a twin sharing basis in hotel listed below or similar

CITIES	NIGHTS	SUPERIOR HOTELS
Dubrovnik	02 Night	Hotel Kompas or similar
Split	02 Night	Hotel Corner or similar
Plitvice	01 Nights	Mirjana Rastoke or similar
Opatija	02 Nights	Hotel Paris
Ljubljana	02 Nights	Hotel Radisson or similar
Zagreb	02 Night	Hotel Sheraton or similar



**TOUR ITINERARY:**

**DAY 01, THU: CANADA – DUBROVNIK**

Make your own way to your gateway airport for your overnight flight to Europe. Enjoy inflight meals and complimentary services.

**DAY 02, FRI: DUBROVNIK ARRIVAL**

Welcome to Dubrovnik! This historic city is often referred to as the "Pearl of the Adriatic" and was listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1979. Upon arrival at Dubrovnik International Airport, you will be met and transferred to your hotel for check-in. Overnight in Dubrovnik

**DAY 03, SAT: DUBROVNIK (B/-/-)**

Today, Dubrovnik is the proudest feather in Croatia’s tourist cap. It is an elite destination and one of the most beautiful towns in the Mediterranean. The old city is encompassed by medieval walls, which have been preserved in their original form. Dubrovnik was known as the Republic of Ragusa in the Middle Ages and became the only Adriatic city-state to rival Venice. Supported by skilled diplomacy and wealth, the city developed at a remarkable pace — particularly during the 15th and 16th centuries. This morning you will head on a tour with your local guide. The remainder of the day will be spent at leisure. Overnight in Dubrovnik

**DAY 04, SUN: DUBROVNIK – MOSTAR – SPLIT (B/-/-)**

After breakfast, you will depart for Split. En route, visit Mostar in Bosnia and Herzegovina, recently listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Mostar is on the banks of the River Neretva and is undoubtedly one of the most breathtaking cities in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Tour the elegant Bridge on foot, Old Bazaar, and the Mosque. During the 1990s conflict, most of the historic town and the Old Bridge, designed by renowned architect Sinan, were destroyed. The Old Bridge was recently rebuilt and many of the edifices in the Old Town have been restored or rebuilt with the contribution of an international scientific committee established by UNESCO. The Old Bridge area, with its pre-Ottoman, eastern Ottoman, Mediterranean, and Western European architectural features, is an outstanding example of a multicultural urban settlement. The historic town of Mostar, spanning a deep valley of the Neretva River, developed in the 15th and 16th centuries as an Ottoman frontier town,

**TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:**

- Visit Dubrovnik, a breathtaking city known for its ancient medieval walls
- Travel to Mostar, a scenic World Heritage Site in Bosnia and Herzegovina
- Learn about the history of the Romans as you travel to Split and Trogir
- Discover gorgeous cityscapes and scenic rivers with a trip to Ljubljana
- Explore Zagreb, known for its remarkable architecture and rich culture

**TOUR PACKAGE INCLUDES:**

- International airfare from Winnipeg
- 11 Nights’ accommodation on twin sharing basis at listed hotels or similar
- Daily breakfast
- Arrival and departure airport transfers
- Transportation in AC vehicle
- Sightseeing as per the itinerary
- Entrance fees to Plitvice Lakes National Park & Bled Old Town
- Service of an English-speaking tour director
- English-speaking local guides
- Air taxes and fuel Surcharges
- All local applicable taxes

and during the Austro-Hungarian period in the 19th and 20th centuries. Later, you will drive to Split to check in at your hotel.

Overnight in Split

**DAY 05, MON: SPLIT – TROGIR – SPLIT (B/-/-)**

Today you will visit two World Heritage sites: Split and Trogir. Split is a town of ancient history, built and preserved over 1700 years by its loving inhabitants. During your walking city tour, you will explore the UNESCO-listed Diocletian's Palace with its Peristyle, Temple of Jupiter, and Cathedral. Diocletian Palace is one of the most significant original structures of late ancient architecture, a sort of Imperial Palace. From there you will visit Trogir, a pearl-like town in the heart of Dalmatia. Here you will see the influence of the Roman Empire in the walls of the Cathedral of St. Lawrence; a Roman Catholic triple-naved basilica constructed in Romanesque-Gothic style. In the afternoon you will return to Split.

Overnight in Split

**DAY 06, TUE: SPLIT – ZADAR – PLITVICE (B/-/-)**

Depart for Zadar, one of the most beautiful historic cities of Dalmatia. This city has been the center of this Adriatic region since Roman times, and today it is a city with rich cultural heritage found on every corner. Enjoy free time to explore the city before you depart for Plitvice.

Overnight in Plitvice

**DAY 07, WED: PLITVICE – OPATIJA (B/-/-)**

This morning, depart for Plitvice Lakes National Park, listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1979. There are 16 interlinked lakes between Mala Kapela Mountain and Pljesevica Mountain. The lake system is divided into the upper and lower lakes. The upper lakes are separated by dolomite barriers, which grow with the formation of travertine, forming thus travertine barriers. The lower lakes were formed by the crumbling and caving-in of the vaults above subterranean cavities, through which water of the upper lakes disappeared. From there you will depart for Opatija, one of the most popular tourist destinations in the Adriatic. Known as the "Pearl of the Adriatic" and "Queen of Tourism", this little town offers the largest number of hotels in relation to population! Enjoy a breathtaking tour of the city with the services of a local guide.

Overnight in Opatija

**DAY 08, THU: OPATIJA – ROVINJ – PULA – OPATIJA (B/-/-)**

After breakfast, you will depart for a full-day excursion to the peninsula of Istra. Our first stop will be in Rovinj. Rovinj is a charming, picturesque town and one of the most romantic places in the Mediterranean! It was originally an island until 250 years ago when the narrow channel which separated it from the mainland was filled in. This city is delightfully pretty and lively with its wide range of cafes, restaurants, and galleries. Depart from Rovinj and travel to Pula, a 3000-year-old town, home to a famous Roman Amphitheater and underground chambers, city gates and walls, Triumphal arch of Sergians, Roman Forum, Roman mosaic, and Cathedral of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin.

Overnight in Opatija

**DAY 09, FRI: OPATIJA – LJUBLJANA (B/-/-)**

After breakfast, you will drive to Ljubljana, the capital of Slovenia and home to one of the oldest Philharmonics in the world. Explore the baroque town buildings and stroll alongside the majestic Ljubljana River which flows through the center of town. Many bridges cross the river; the most famous is Tromostovje (Triple Bridge). Baroque and art-nouveau have marked this exceptional city, together with new, modern architectural styles. The Old Town is the main attraction of the

city. It was built on a hill as a fortress, from which you will see Ljubljana and its magnificent surroundings.

Overnight in Ljubljana

**DAY 10, SAT: LJUBLJANA – BLEĐ – BOHINJ – LJUBLJANA (B/-/-)**

Today, you may enjoy a full-day tour of Bled with its mountainous surroundings, stunning topography, and the breathtaking Bohinj area. Lake Bled, together with its surroundings, ranks among the most beautiful Alpine resorts. Visit the Old Town and castle with a local guide before you continue to the nearby Lake Bohinj.

Overnight in Ljubljana

**DAY 11, SUN: LJUBLJANA – ZAGREB (B/-/-)**

After breakfast, you will travel to Zagreb. This historic city is rich with gorgeous greenery, famous for its parks and well-preserved natural environment. Your tour of Zagreb will guide you through the rich history of this fascinating city. In the historic Upper Town, you will discover St. Mark's Church, with its famous multi-coloured mosaic-tiled roof, on the square where the Croatian Parliament and seat of Government are located. You will also pass by the University and the city's gothic Cathedral with the fountain in front, sculpted by the world-famous sculptor Ivan Meštrović. You cannot miss the Croatian National Theatre, housed in the present-day Old City Hall and home to Zagreb's drama, opera, and ballet productions. Here is a perfect example of the city's diversity: it is not only a cultural and historical landmark but also a favourite hang-out spot for skateboarders!

Overnight in Zagreb

**DAY 12, MON: ZAGREB (B/-/-)**

Departure to Trakoscan castle after breakfast. Visit of the castle. Castle Trakošćan's cultural heritage is undeniable - it is protected as a historical entity which consists of the castle, the building next to the castle, park and forest park with a lake. Today the castle is one of the few facilities in Croatia that has preserved its own constitution, historically closely related to the architectural framework and the life of its owners. After the visit proceed to Varaždin for a guided tour. Varaždin, served as Croatia's capital for 20 years in the 18th century, and today it is the cultural center of Northern Croatia. The Old Town of Varaždin, as another example of a castle in which this region abounds, has a symbolic status for the locals, and the baroque atmosphere of its surroundings invites you to roam through the streets in search of the past. The town is also known for its cemetery built in Bidermayer and secession style in 1773 and has been recognized as one of the most beautiful cemeteries in Europe. Return to Zagreb after the visit

Overnight in Zagreb

**DAY 13, TUE: ZAGREB – CANADA (B/-/-)**

Today you will be transferred to Zagreb International Airport for your onward flight.

**END OF OUR SERVICES**

**TOUR PACKAGE DOES NOT INCLUDE:**

- Items of personal nature, tips & gratuities
- International airfare for land only option
- Baggage fees may apply and vary by carrier
- Travel insurance
- Visa fees if applicable
- Items not mentioned as being included