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Cruise the Islands of the Dalmatian Coast

September 11 - 19, 2021
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TRIP HIGHLIGHTS
► Sailing through the Croatian islands with opportunities for swimming and snorkeling
► Hike (and bike) through ancient Croatian villages and learn about rich history and Croatian culture
► Explore Dubrovnik, Split, Trogir, and visit the Blue Grotto
► Taste Croatian seafood and cuisine, and sip local wines
► Enjoy all single cabins on a private yacht just for AdventureWomen

TRIP ROUTE

[Map showing the route through Croatian islands]
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QUICK VIEW ITINERARY

Day 1  arrive in Split, welcome dinner
Day 2  visit the Diocletian Palace, walk Split’s famous promenade, sail to Trogir
Day 3  hike and swim in Krka National Park, sail to Brac Island
Day 4  explore Milna town, sail to Vis Island, explore Komiza
Day 5  visit the Blue Cave, sail to Korcula Island, tour the town
Day 6  explore Korcula, sail to Mljet
Day 7  hike in Mljet National Park and bike on Mljet Island, sail to Dubrovnik
Day 8  explore Dubrovnik, free afternoon to explore, farewell dinner
Day 9  depart Croatia

ACTIVITY LEVEL
Active

TRIP PRICE
Main Trip: $6,690
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DAY 1
Saturday
9/11/21

Arrive Split, Croatia
Experience the joy of island hopping between the many colorful islands of Croatia, then dropping anchor to explore Croatia's incredible historical sites, as you tour the Dalmatian Coast on a deluxe sailboat chartered exclusively for AdventureWomen! Wake every day surrounded by the intoxicating blue of the Adriatic Sea, enjoy busy days seeing the sights, then fall asleep to the lapping waves and ping of halyards against the mast.

During your adventure, you’ll get to know your expert Croatian guide, who will help you discover the history and beauty of the coastline throughout the week. You are also accompanied by an AdventureWomen Ambassador, committed to helping make your experience a fun and personally rewarding adventure, and cheering you on as you reach beyond your comfort zone to take on new challenges in your own unique way!

Arrival Information
Arrive in Split, Croatia (SPU) before 2:00pm. One group transfer will be provided today; private transfers are available for an additional fee.

Pick-up and Transfer
You will be picked up at the airport and transferred to your hotel.

Welcome Dinner
Enjoy a lively welcome dinner as you get to know your fellow travelers this evening. Share stories and learn about why each woman on your trip is excited to explore Croatia!
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DAY 2
Sunday
9/12/21

Split to the Dalmatian Coast

Split is the second largest city in Croatia, and the largest city in Dalmatia. It lies on the eastern shore of the Adriatic Sea, centered on the Roman Palace of the Emperor Diocletian. Spread over a central peninsula and its surroundings, Split’s greater area includes the neighboring seaside towns as well. A regional transport hub and popular tourist destination, the city is the link to numerous Adriatic islands and the Apennine peninsula.

Explore Split After breakfast, explore Split. Visit Diocletian’s Palace, Split’s Cathedral, Peristil Square, and Split’s famous promenade called “riva.”

Lunch Enjoy lunch on your own.

Check-in on the Boat After lunch, head to the boat to check in. This will be your home and your base for exploring over the next several days.

Sail to Trogir Explore the picturesque medieval stone town of Trogir, which is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Trogir is a treasure trove for lovers of art, Renaissance and Baroque buildings, and Romanesque churches.

Dinner Enjoy dinner on board the yacht.

Accommodations
Chartered Yacht

Meals Included
breakfast, dinner
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Named after the Krka River, Krka National Park lies about 10km inland in this part of Dalmatia. The park is known for its magnificent waterfalls, including the famous Skradinski Buk falls, which are one of Croatia’s most famous sights. Other highlights include the small island of Visovac and Roski Slap waterfall.

**Krka National Park**
After breakfast, hike through the beautiful Krka National Park. Bring your swimsuit, because it’s possible to swim in certain areas of the park!

**Sail to Brac Island**
After exploring Krka, board the yacht in time for lunch and sail to Brac Island.

**Dinner**
Enjoy dinner on your own in Milna.
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The island of Vis is a pearl among Croatian Adriatic islands, left untouched by the development of tourism for so many years. Since the independence of Croatia, the island began opening slowly to the outside world, offering its unique traditions, history, cultural heritage, and natural beauties to the outside world. It has some of the best beaches in the country. Vis is known for its fresh seafood and local wines.

Brac Island
After breakfast on board, go for a morning stroll in the town of Milna. Enjoy lunch on board today.

Sail to Vis Island
Stopping for swimming opportunities, sail to the island of Vis. Disembark and explore the town of Komiza, a small fisherman’s town. It will inspire you with its charm, rich cultural heritage, and its excellent food and wines.

Visit a wine cellar, taste several wines, and then enjoy dinner in a local restaurant.

Accommodations
Chartered Yacht

Meals Included
breakfast, lunch, dinner

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Korcula Island is located on a small headland, and has Venetian architecture, defensive walls, and attractive pantiled roofs. Korcula evoking memories of Dubrovnik. The town is small but well preserved, with the layout and structure dating back to the latter half of the 13th century. One of Korcula’s claims to fame is that it was allegedly the birthplace of Marco Polo.

The Blue Cave

Visit the Blue Cave, or Blue Grotto, which was formed by the waves of the sea. The sea water eroded the limestone rock which makes up the whole island of Bisevo. The cave itself is 78 feet long, 35 feet deep, and up to 49 feet high, while the entrance to it measures five feet high and eight feet wide. Enjoy the stunning turquoise color of the water from your rowboat.

Sail to Korcula Island

After lunch on board, and possible stops for swimming, sail to the island of Korcula. Disembark, explore the town, and enjoy dinner on your own.
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Mljet is Croatia’s greenest island, with its Mediterranean vegetation, clear and clean sea, gentle sandy shoreline, and a wealth of underwater sea life. The island is considered to be one of the most beautiful of the Croatian islands. It is well known for its white and red wine, olives, and goat cheese.

**Town of Korcula**
After breakfast, explore Korcula. Enjoy a guided tour of the City Museum and St. Mark’s Cathedral.

**Sail to Mljet Island**
Return for an early lunch on board, and then set sail for the beautiful island of Mljet with possible stops for swimming and paddle boarding along the way.

**Dinner**
Enjoy dinner on your own in Pomena at one of the many delicious local restaurants.
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Island Mljet stretches over 100 square kilometers. Thanks to its thick pine forest, karstic caves, two picturesque lakes connected with the sea, gravelly and sandy beaches, and fishing areas abundant with fish and lobster, the west part of the island has been made a National Park.

Mljet National Park
After breakfast, visit Mljet National Park for a three-hour hiking and biking tour. Enjoy the rich flora and fauna and take in the stunning views.

Sail to Dubrovnik
After lunch on board, set sail for Dubrovnik, the “Pearl of the Adriatic.”
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Dubrovnik, the “Pearl of the Adriatic” on the Dalmatian coast, became an important Mediterranean Sea power starting in the 13th century. Although severely damaged by an earthquake in 1667, Dubrovnik managed to preserve its beautiful Gothic, Renaissance, and Baroque churches, monasteries, palaces, and fountains. It is now recognized as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Tour the Old Town
After breakfast, transfer to Dubrovnik for a half-day tour of the Old Town. Visit the Franciscan Church and Monastery, Rector’s Palace, and the Cathedral with its Treasury that houses the relics of St. Blaise and St. Blaise’s Church. Learn about the rich history of Dubrovnik.

Free Afternoon
Transfer back to the port for lunch on board. The afternoon is free for possible kayaking or sightseeing.

Farewell Dinner
Have a farewell dinner with your new AdventureWomen friends. Reminisce over all the memories you have made and celebrate the end of an incredible trip!
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DAY 9
Sunday
9/19/21

The Dalmatian Coast and Depart
Enjoy one last morning on the boat before departing Croatia.

Transfer to the
Airport
Say goodbye to your new AdventureWomen friends as you transfer to the airport for your flights home.

Departure
Information
Depart Dubrovnik, Croatia (DBV) any time today.
One group transfer will be provided; private transfers are available for an additional fee.

Please note: AdventureWomen will attempt to adhere to the itinerary as much as possible. However, certain conditions (political, climatic, environmental, and cultural) may necessitate changes in the itinerary. AdventureWomen reserves the right to alter any itinerary at any time, if necessary. We will attempt to notify participants of changes as far in advance as possible. Costs incurred by such changes will be the responsibility of the participants.
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Accommodation Details

Cornaro Hotel
A seamless fusion of traditional and modern, affiliated with a passion for complete professional service, the Cornaro creates an experience that is truly exquisite. The hotel also boasts an excellent central location, ancient history surroundings, and interior elegance.

Amenities: Soap, shampoo, conditioner, hair dryer; electricity, Wifi

Chartered Yacht
Your chartered yacht for the week has luxury single cabins, featuring air conditioning, wifi, and fully equipped bathrooms. On board, enjoy the restaurant, terrace, and sun deck. You can take a dip in the on-board hot tub and enjoy the bar while you cruise the Dalmatian Coast.

Amenities: Soap, shampoo, conditioner; electricity; Wifi
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Included:

► Accommodations as per itinerary in single rooms/cabins (cabins assigned based on registration date)
► All meals as listed in the itinerary
► All ground transportation
► Entrance fees
► Drinking water available in large jugs to refill personal bottles
► Guided sightseeing and activities as indicated in the itinerary
► English-speaking guide throughout the trip
► Gratuities for local guides and drivers

Not Included:

► International airfare to and from Croatia
► Optional activities
► Meals not specified in the itinerary
► Alcoholic beverages (unless otherwise specified)
► Fees for passport, visas, immunizations, or travel insurance
► Cost of hospitalization or evacuation
► Items of a personal nature
► Gratuities for head guide and boat crew