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LUXURY ADRIATIC CRUISE: DUBROVNIK TO SPLIT

A classic Croatia cruise along the Adriatic Coast of Croatia. Starting in the magical city of Dubrovnik we will explore the coast and islands on our 'floating boutique hotel'. We will try some of the finest cuisine, starting with the seafood and local wines in Ston before heading to Mljet National Park, and St Mary's Monastery set on an island on a lake on an island. We stop in Korčula - a beautiful walled town and birthplace of Marco Polo before visiting the outlying and less visited island of Vis, closed to the outside world until 1989. Finally we visit the lively 'jetset' port of Hvar before heading to the fantastic city of Split, dominated by the Roman Emperor Diocletian's palace. We spend most morning's cruising and stopping in small bays for a swim, and most afternoon's are left for exploring our destination and the evenings for exploring the restaurants and cafes of these lovely ports and towns.



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DAY 1: WELCOME TO DUBROVNIK

Welcome to Dubrovnik, the "Pearl of the Adriatic". Upon arrival at the airport, you will be greeted by our representative and they will get you settled aboard your transfer and you'll be on your way to Dubrovnik's Gruž harbour. Once you reach the harbour, you will be able to check in. Cabins will be ready for you from 2 p.m. However, if arriving early, you'll be able to safely deposit your luggage aboard the ship. You are free to enjoy Dubrovnik until the evening, when we will serve the Welcome Dinner aboard the ship and your cruise manager will introduce you to the entire crew. Overnight in Dubrovnik. (D)

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DAY 2: DUBROVNIK- ELAPHITI ISLANDS - SLANO

After breakfast, we will visit the old town of Dubrovnik, where a local guide will take you on a sightseeing tour of the UNESCO protected old town, acquainting you with the most important monuments and hidden spots. After returning to the ship, we set sail for Slano, a picturesque town in a deep cove a few hours sailing to the north of Dubrovnik. After lunch on board and a swim stop we will arrive in Slano. Upon arrival, we will embark on our gastronomic adventure in Ston, well known for its extensive Medieval walls and long tradition of oyster farming, spanning over two thousand years. A short boat ride to the oyster farm in the middle of the bay and with a glass of wine in hand we'll be tasting this natural aphrodisiac straight from the sea. Talk about a gourmet's dream! We arrive back to Slano later in the afternoon and the remainder of the day is yours to enjoy. Your cruise manager will be on hand to assist with info about local sights and will have some suggestions for nice dinner spots. Overnight in Slano. (B, L, T)

DAY 3: SLANO-MIJET

Early in the morning, we depart for Mljet, one of the most beautiful and the most densely forested islands of the Adriatic. Isolated and untouched, the island is known for its mysticism, olive groves, vineyards, and rich forests. Take in the rich flora and fauna, and peacefully enjoy the pristine beauty of natural surroundings. After lunch on board and a swim stop along the way, we arrive in the town of Pomena (population: 52!). Upon arrival in Pomena, a visit to a national park encompassing most of the island is planned. The park's highlights are the two

saltwater lakes - the Little Lake and the Big Lake with its Benedictine monastery on the Isle of St. Mary. This evening you are invited to the Captain's dinner aboard the ship. Overnight in Pomena. (B,L,CD)

DAY 4: MIJET-KOR ULA

We depart for the island of Kor ula during breakfast, making sure to stop for a swim in one of the many secluded bays along the way. Lunch will be served on board. In the afternoon we arrive to Kor ula, the birthplace of the famous explorer Marco Polo. Our local guide will take you on a unique tour of the old town of Kor ula. You will hear many interesting stories and legends about the city and the life of Marco Polo, the most famous son of Kor ula. The casual approach to discovering the history and culture of Kor ula will surely delight you. In the evening, we suggest you enjoy one of Kor ula's many exquisite restaurants. If unsure, you can always get some good tips for dinner or points of interest from your cruise manager. Overnight in Kor ula.(B, L)

DAY 5: KOR ULA-VIS

In the morning we set sail towards the island of Vis. With lunch on board and a swim stop along the way, we arrive in Vis in the early afternoon. The island of Vis, formerly a major naval base, was closed to tourists from 1945 until the breakup of Yugoslavia in the 90's, which helped preserve the authentic appearance of its villages. In the afternoon you will have time to enjoy Vis at your own pace and enjoy everything it has to offer. We suggest a visit to the Archaeological Museum, located in the old Austrian

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fort Gospina batarija (Batteria della Madonna) right on the shoreline or just a simple stroll along the seaside promenade as most of the bars and restaurants are located along it so you are sure to find a lovely place to have dinner. You can always get some good tips for dinner or points of interest from your cruise manager. Overnight in Vis. (B, L)

DAY 6: VIS-BLUE CAVE-STARI GRAD

In the morning, before breakfast, we sail towards Biševo and the unique natural phenomenon that is the Blue Cave. The Blue Cave is a wonder of the Adriatic Sea and the most attractive sight of the island of Vis, and you will get to see for yourself why so many people visit it each year. After the visit to the Blue Cave*, we set sail for Stari Grad, with a swim stop on the Paklinski Islands and lunch served on board. After the swim stop, we continue on our way towards the town of Stari Grad on the island of Hvar, where we arrive in the early hours of the afternoon. Upon arrival, you will have some free time to enjoy Stari Grad at your own pace. Later in the afternoon we will visit the UNESCO protected Stari Grad Plain, where you will have the opportunity to enjoy a beautiful sunset and the traditional local products of the Hora farmstead and a tasty "peka" dinner, surrounded by olive groves and fields of lavender. If you want to visit the town of Hvar in the evening, it is a short half hour drive from Stari Grad and your cruise manager can help you organize a local transfer to get you there and back. Overnight in Stari Grad. (B, L, D)

*Please note that the Blue Cave is only accessible with small boats through an entrance just 1.5m high so it is unfortunately easily made inaccessible by bad weather and high waves.

DAY 7: STARI GRAD - BRAC - SPLIT

Early in the morning, while breakfast is served, we set sail for the island of Bra . Before lunch on board, you will have time to enjoy a swim stop in one of the beautiful coves that dot the coast of Bra . After the swim stop, we continue on our way to Split, arriving in the early afternoon. Upon arrival, join our local guide for a tour of Split's old town to get acquainted with emperor Diocletian's Palace and learn about the rich heritage of Split's millennial history. After the walking tour, you will have free time to enjoy the city at your own pace. As is true every day, your cruise manager will be on hand to offer some local knowledge and help you with restaurant suggestions for dinner or bars to enjoy a drink in the evening. Overnight in Split. (B, L)

DAY 8: SPLIT

After breakfast, it will be time to check out and enjoy your complementary transfer to the airport. We hope to see you soon on board again! You must vacate your cabin by 9 a.m. but note that if your departure transfer is later than this you can leave your luggage onboard until it's time for your transfer. (B)

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VESSEL TYPE:

LENGTH:

PASSENGER CAPACITY:

BUILT/REFURBISHED:

The luxurious MS Ban is a great choice to cruise the Croatian coastline. Built in 2017 with a luxurious but minimalistic design, The vessel is designed specifically to cruise Croatia's Dalmatian coastline. Ban has a large sun deck with plenty of loungers and a jacuzzi, an open air lounge area at the rear of the vessel and a large indoor restaurant and lounge! The ship carries a maximum of 38 passengers. Ship features: Restaurant, Sundeck, Swim platform, Outdoor lounge, Bar Cabins All cabins have en-suite shower and W/C, and Air conditioner, Wardrobe, Toiletries, Safe, Cabin TV (You won't watch anything!), Hairdryer Upper deck: 5 double; 1 single, 4 twin Lower deck: 4 doubles, 1 twin, 3 triple MS Ban has three true triple cabins on the lower deck with a full-sized twin bed as the third bed and can be confirmed for 3 adults or any combination of adults and children.



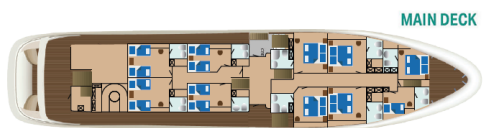
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