

#### VISITCROATIA®

Tasteful Croatian Journeys

# FAMILY ISLAND HOPPING ESCAPE

A fully customizable 10 day/9 night luxury itinerary created by the team of destination specialists at Tasteful Croatian Journeys



#### DESTINATION SPECIALISTS LED BY THE AWARD-WINNING AND INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNIZED PIONEER IN CROATIAN TRAVEL, WANDA S. RADETTI

## The TCJ Team





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For more than 25 years, Tasteful Croatian Journeys has been creating bespoke, luxury journeys to Croatia and the surrounding regions. TCJ itineraries focus on immersive experiences designed to encourage meaningful engagement with local people and culture, while providing the excellence in quality and service that our company has become known for.

Our team of passionate professionals is led by Wanda S. Radetti, who since 2006 has consistently been listed as Condé Nast Traveler's World Top Travel Specialist for Croatia. Wanda's expertise of Croatia is second to none. Her philosophy of borders as opportunities to build bridges of friendship and cultural exchange has served as a guiding principle to the team which she has trained and developed. For the sophisticated, educated traveler, TCJ opens a little-known country to reveal its untainted natural beauties and ancient local traditions.



Every custom holiday Tasteful Croatian Journeys designs is comprised of luxury elements such as upscale lodging, chauffeured transport, and culturally immersive experiences – chosen with intention and thoughtfully arranged to satisfy the individual traveler's vision. We offer the following sample itinerary to serve as inspiration. Consider it an outline; fully customizable to fit your unique travel style and please even the most discerning of guests. VISITCROATIA



#### **SPLIT**

2 nights - 5\* accommodation An ancient Roman palace awaits your discovery in this vibrant coastal metropolis

## Private, Custom Journey

10 days/ 9 Nights



#### PRIVATE YACHT CHARTER

4 nights – Catamaran Mala Explore the crystal-clear waters, hidden coves, and sun-drenched islands of the Adriatic



#### DUBROVNIK

3 nights - 5\* accommodation
Unravel the secrets of this stunning walled
medieval city known as the "Pearl of the Adriatic"





## SPLIT

- PRIVATE TRANSFER FROM AIRPORT IN LUXURY VEHICLE
- AFTERNOON/EVENING AT LEISURE TO RELAX AND ADJUST TO THE TIME DIFFERENCE
- 5 STAR ACCOMMODATIONS IN SPLIT 2 NIGHTS

Dynamic, vivacious and practiced in living well, Split will wrap you in her warm embrace, generously sharing her cheer, charm and repose with the grandeur only an empress can offer.

Split is a city of historical importance and contemporary relevance where old and new arrange in perfect harmony. The allure and intrigue of the Mediterranean spirit is ensconced into the very character of the city. The cultural and historical heart of Split centers around the complex where the Roman emperor Diocletian built his palace, starting in the late 3rd century. Now the largest city of the Adriatic, Split's expansion swelled outward from the palace walls, preserving the complex and substructure of the imperial palace. Glittering white stone and palms line the effervescent Riva (waterfront promenade), which, throbbing with life, takes on a vibrant atmosphere after the sun sets over the harbor.

After your arrival, check into your hotel and enjoy the evening at leisure.







#### HOTEL PARK- 5\* HOTEL WITH ACCESS TO THE BEST SPLIT HAS TO OFFER

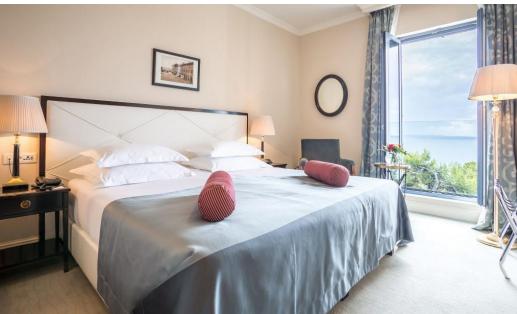
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Widely regarded as one of Split's most prestigious hotels, this elegant, 72 room property is set amidst manicured gardens with a palm-lined terrace for open-air dining, an outdoor swimming pool, a small spa, and a gym. Just a 2 minute walk from Split's main beach and a 10 minute walk from the historical center, Hotel Park offers a prime location for those wishing to take full advantage of all this coastal city has to offer.











## SPLIT & KRKA NATIONAL PARK

- MORNING PRIVATE WALKING TOUR OF DIOCLETIAN'S PALACE WITH LOCAL GUIDE
- HALF DAY EXCURSION TO EXPLORE KRKA NATIONAL PARK
- PRIVATE ROUND TRIP TRANSFER IN LUXURY VEHICLE
- EVENING AT LEISURE IN SPLIT

Begin your day with a private guided walking tour of Diocletian's Palace.

The literal and cultural heart of Split was created for the Roman Emperor Diocletian in 295 AD as a seaside retirement home. Today, the massive limestone and marble structure is a city in itself, home to over 2000 locals, restaurants, boutique hotels and shops as well as remarkable preserved architecture. Protected by walls over 20 meters high and only four entrances, the Palace is a fortress. The entire structure and interior of the palace was named as a UNESCO World Heritage site in 1979.

After your guided tour, enjoy lunch at your leisure in Split. Following your meal, depart by private car and driver to Krka National Park.

Stroll the gentle wooded paths and enjoy the beautifully preserved natural wonders that surround you with its many lakes, rivers and waterfalls. Discover the mill and learn about the cultural significance and practical uses of this natural wonder by local inhabitants dating back centuries.

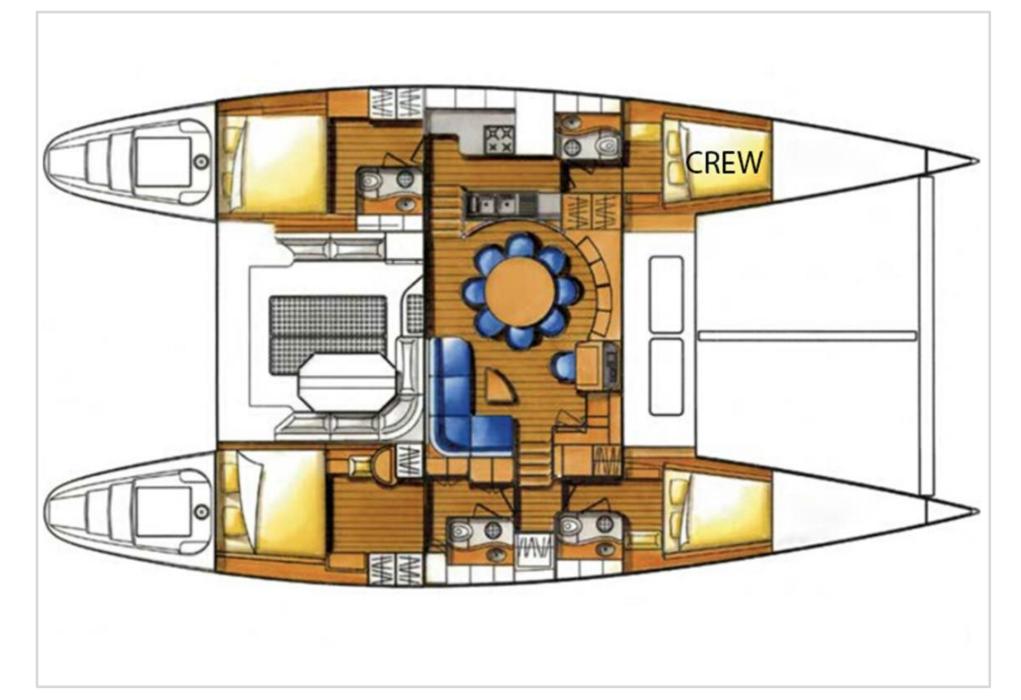
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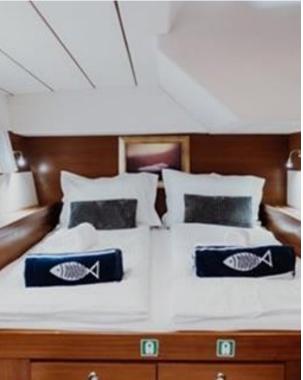










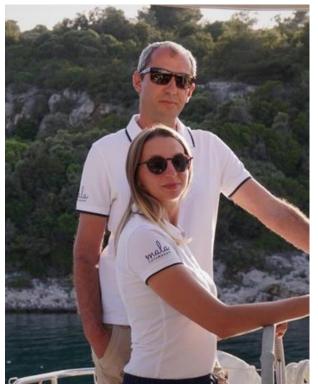


#### LUXURY CATAMARAN MALA

## ELEGANT AND SPACIOUS LAGOON 570

This spacious catamaran features a bright and airy interior saloon as well as three ensuite guest cabins (1 master cabin, 2 double cabins) sleeping a maximum of 6 people. Built in 2008 and carefully refitted in 2019, the atmosphere is home-like; stylish while simultaneously comfortable and welcoming. Inviting outdoor spaces, such as the daybeds on the bow and hardtop, provide the ideal place to lie in the sun, watch the sunset, or count stars at night. Modern conveniences such as air conditioning and WiFi provide additional comfort while onboard, while an array of water toys are bound to keep you entertained. Most importantly, Mala's experienced crew, Captain Zoki and Hostess Sanja, attend to guests' every need, paying special attention to thoughtful details and guaranteeing a relaxing escape full of fun and enjoyment.







#### LUXURY CATAMARAN MALA

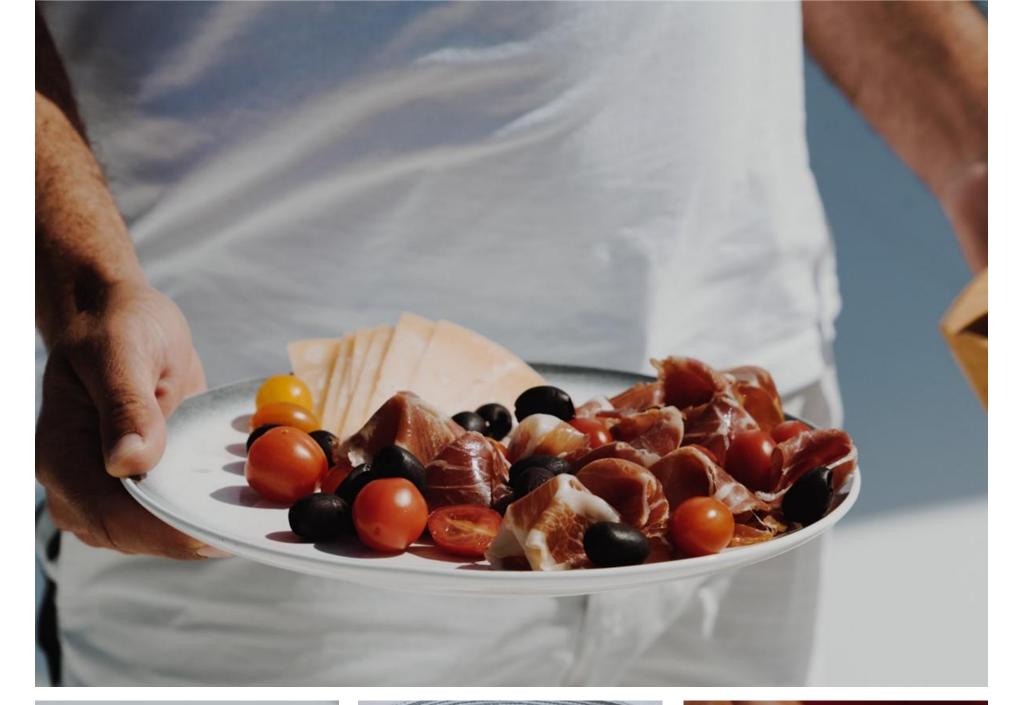
## YOUR EXPERT CREW

#### **CAPTAIN ZOKI:**

Friendly, experienced, and competent, Zorislav (Zoki for short) is an outstanding sailor who has been navigating the Adriatic since the age of ten, giving him intimate knowledge of Croatia's islands and coast. As captain, he will take you off the beaten path to introduce you to Dalmatia's many hidden secrets.

#### **HOSTESS SANJA:**

Easygoing and sociable, Sanja is often described by guests as being a "warm, funny, caring person," and "a delight to spend time with." She is passionate about travel and speaks fluent English and Spanish. As hostess, she assists the captain, tidies up, handles provisioning, prepares meals, and attends to guests needs.







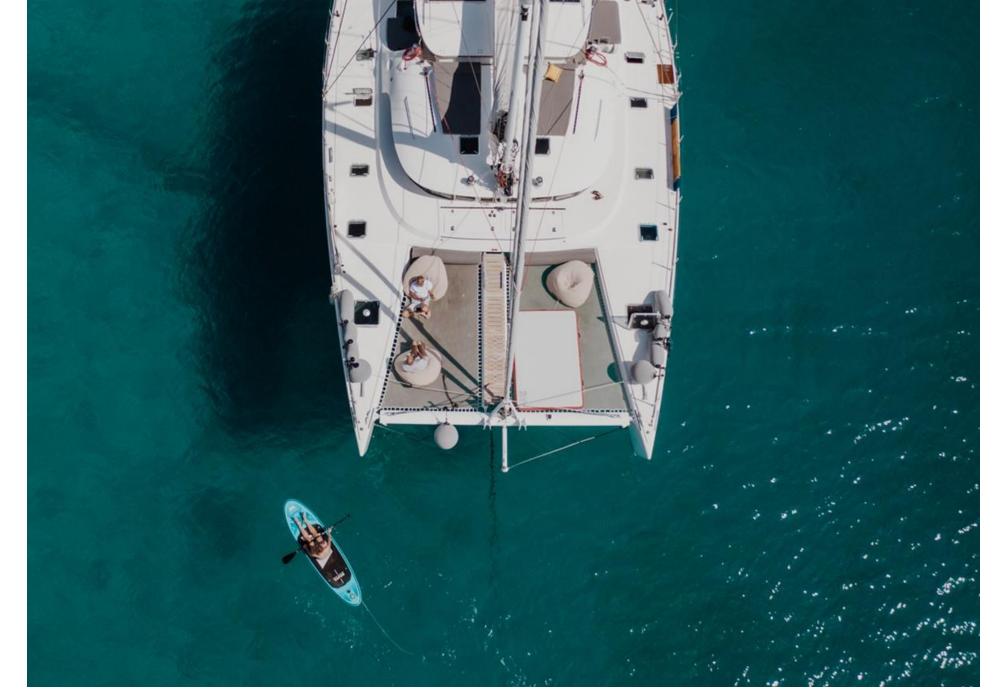
#### LUXURY CATAMARAN MALA

#### DINING ONBOARD

While onboard Luxury Catamaran Mala, delight in exceptional, homemade Mediterranean cuisine prepared by your crew. Your hostess, Sanja, will handle grocery shopping and meal preparation, arranging healthy and balanced meals according to your wishes and in line with your dietary requirements. Both Sanja and Captain Zoki are passionate about local wines and happy to provide pairing suggestions. Your crewed yacht charter includes daily breakfast, lunch, and two dinners as well as non-alcoholic drinks, beer, and domestic wines. For evenings where you choose to dine on shore, Tasteful Croatian Journeys will provide our personal recommendations for restaurants with reservations made by our In-Country Concierge.



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#### LUXURY CATAMARAN MALA

#### ENDLESS ENTERTAINMENT

The Luxury Catamaran Mala comes fully equipped for fun! The vessel is loaded with water toys and sports equipment as well as games to keep the whole family entertained.

#### Onboard you will find:

- Water Skis
- Wakeboard
- 2 Stand-Up-Paddle Boards
- Snorkeling gear
- Inflatable Water Toys such as a Donut, Floating Mat, and Banana Boat
- Yoga Mats
- Folding Bikes
- Open-air Cinema
- Board Games





## SPLIT & BRAČ

- MORNING AND AFTERNOON AT LEISURE IN SPLIT
- EMBARK ON THE LUXURY CATAMARAN MALA IN LATE AFTERNOON 4 NIGHTS ACCOMMODATION ONBOARD
- SET SAIL FOR THE ISLAND OF BRAČ, THE LARGEST ISLAND IN DALMATIA
- ANCHOR OVERNIGHT IN MILNA

At 5:00pm embark on the Luxury Catamaran Mala and set sail on your island-hopping adventure! The first stop will be the island of Brač, the largest island in Dalmatia and third largest in the Adriatic.

Anchor near the picturesque port town of Milna on Brač's north-west coast. A popular stop among seafarers, Milna is known for its welcoming bays, well protected harbor, and typical Dalmatian charm. Rows of rustic stone houses line the waterfront, hinting at the town's nautical past. This area was once known for its shipbuilding - the renowned Dalmatian boat "bracera" was first made here. Explore the charming village, being sure to stop in its beautiful Baroque church with a typically Dalmatian bell tower. Inside you will find the impressive works of Venetian masters.

After strolling through the town, return onboard to enjoy a relaxing evening and dine alfresco under the star-lit sky. Your hostess, Sanja, will prepare a fresh Mediterranean dinner tailored to your wishes.









## BRAČ & VIS

- MORNING SET SAIL FROM THE ISLAND OF BRAČ TO THE ISLAND OF VIS
- AFTERNOON AT LEISURE TO EXPLORE VIS TOWN
- ANCHOR OVERNIGHT IN VIS TOWN

This morning, set sail heading west for the island of Vis! The farthest inhabited island from Croatia's mainland, Vis is known for its natural beauty, laid back vibe, and authentic Dalmatian atmosphere.

Having spent much of its recent history serving as a Yugoslav military base, Vis was cut off from foreign visitors from the 1950s right up until 1989. This isolation preserved the island from development, which in turn has attracted travelers seeking simplicity, undisturbed nature, local flavors, peace, and quiet. Vis gained international attention when the film "Mamma Mia, Here We Go Again," was filmed there. However, despite increased interest, the island retains its rustic charm. Pine trees, carob trees, wild rosemary, and citrus orchards cover the island, interrupted only by sprawling vineyards or ancient stone villages. Vis Town serves as the perfect base for exploring, and is easily discovered by foot or by bike. We recommend cycling through the area to get a feel for the island and local life. Your captain and hostess will be able to make bike rental arrangements for you if you wish.

In the evening, we recommend dining at one of the town's many excellent seafood restaurants before returning to your boat for the night.









## VIS, HVAR & ŠĆEDRO

- MORNING SET SAIL FROM THE ISLAND OF VIS TO THE ISLAND OF HVAR
- AFTERNOON AT LEISURE TO EXPLORE HVAR TOWN
- SAIL FROM THE ISLAND OF HVAR TO THE ISLAND OF ŠĆEDRO TO ENJOY SWIMMING, SNORKELING, AND WATER SPORTS
- CATAMARAN MALA OPEN-AIR CINEMA AND ANCHOR OVERNIGHT IN ŠĆEDRO

Depart Vis in the morning en route to the island of Hvar. Croatia's sunniest island, Hvar is also its most chic – there is no doubt that it is a sight to behold and a place to be seen.

Often ranked among the most beautiful islands in the world, Hvar reigns supreme as island royalty in Dalmatia. Take some time to wander the winding marble streets and browse the upscale shops. Be sure to visit the 16th century St. Stephen's Cathedral on the city's main square and the Venetian Fortress perched above the town.

Later, depart Hvar for a short ride to the pristine island of Šćedro.

Mostly uninhabited, Šćedro is home to a protected nature park. The small island boasts many hidden coves and is blessed with untouched natural beauty, making it the perfect place to anchor and enjoy a day of swimming, snorkeling, and water sports followed by a night under the stars.

Enjoy dinner on board followed by a family movie night in Catamaran Mala's unique open-air cinema.











## ŠĆEDRO & KORČULA

- MORNING SET SAIL FROM THE ISLAND OF ŠĆEDRO TO THE ISLAND OF KORČULA
- AFTERNOON AT LEISURE TO EXPLORE KORČULA TOWN
- ANCHOR OVERNIGHT IN KORČULA TOWN

Wake up refreshed and set sail for the island of Korčula. Sitting on a small peninsula is the picturesque main town of Korčula, which shares its name with the island.

A paragon of medieval life, the old walled city resembles a thumbprint from above, with rows of short, narrow streets meeting in a central swirl where the Cathedral Sveti Marko (St. Mark's) lies. As one walks the streets, the layout might feel old and haphazard, yet in fact, was intentional, designed to reduce the effects of winds and increase comfort for inhabitants. Modern travelers are in good company in Korčula Town, which may have been the birthplace of famed world traveler, Marco Polo. Though it has not been definitively established, you will encounter both facts and folklore all over Korčula relating to him. The walls which once fortified the city have been transformed into a promenade neatly lined with sea-facing eateries. Here on Šetalište Petra Kanavelica you will find restaurants of all varieties, from casual pizzerias to elegant fine dining establishments.

Enjoy your evening at leisure. Your Tasteful Croatian Journeys In-Country Concierge is on hand to offer recommendations and make reservations for the finest restaurants in Korčula Town.







## KORČULA & PELJEŠAC PENINSULA

- MORNING SET SAIL FROM THE ISLAND OF KORČULA TO THE TOWN OF OREBIC
   ON THE PELJEŠAC PENINSULA TO DISEMBARK THE CATAMARAN MALA
- FULL DAY PRIVATE TRANSFER/EXCURSION FROM OREBIC TO DUBROVNIK IN LUXURY VEHICLE
- STOP AT CHARMING FAMILY-RUN VINEYARDS AND DRAMATIC WATERFRONT WINERIES TO SAMPLE THE AREA'S PREMIUM WINES
- EVENING AT LEISURE IN DUBROVNIK
- 5 STAR ACCOMMODATIONS IN DUBROVNIK 3 NIGHTS

The Pelješac Peninsula's geographical location, as well as its dramatic coastal highway, make it an ideal area to explore while en route to Dubrovnik.

Disembark the Luxury Catamaran Mala in the seaside town of Orebic, the ideal starting point from which to explore the peninsula. From there, continue south toward Dubrovnik with your private car and driver, winding past countless vineyards and stopping along the way to sample the region's award-winning wines. Be sure to taste wines derived from the Plavac Mali grape, which produces the robust reds this area is famous for. Continue to the twin villages of Ston and Mali Ston where the peninsula meets the mainland. The picturesque towns are known for their extensive fortification walls, ancient salt flats, and superb oysters.

The journey completes in Dubrovnik where you will check in to your hotel and enjoy your evening at leisure.







#### HOTEL EXCELSIOR - 5\* HOTEL ON DUBROVNIK'S RIVIERA

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The sea front setting of the Excelsior entices you to stay, unhurried, gazing upon the unforgettable views. Located just a 10-minute walk outside of the walled city along the Dubrovnik riviera, the Excelsior offers an unparalleled view of the old town and its harbor. The property consists of the newest addition, the Tower, alongside the historic 1913 royal Villa Odak, recently remodeled to compliment the elegantly modern interiors of Tower rooms.











### DUBROVNIK

- PRIVATE GAME OF THRONES WALKING TOUR OF DUBROVNIK'S OLD TOWN WITH A LOCAL GUIDE
- AFTERNOON & EVENING AT LEISURE

With walls of rugged stone, floors of silky marble, and sunset hued roof tiles atop every edifice, this 7th century fortress town awaits to reveal its magic and splendor!

Begin your day with a private guided Game of Thrones themed walking tour of Dubrovnik's Old Town.

Listed as a UNESCO World Heritage site in 1979, the Old city retains its artistry and history. The city itself is an exhibit of human craftmanship where inside the walls the Rector's Palace, the Bell Tower clock, St. Blaise's Church, the Jewish Synagogue, the Dominican Monastery, and the oldest pharmacy in Europe all await your discovery. See these sights and more as your local guide introduces you to the city that has become a world-famous filming location, serving as the backdrop for blockbusters such as Star Wars: The last Jedi and Robinhood, and best known as the site of King's Landing in HBO's Game of Thrones. After your tour, enjoy a leisurely lunch at one of Dubrovnik's many fine restaurants. In the afternoon, explore Dubrovnik in greater depth. We recommend a stroll atop the city walls or taking the cable car to the top of Mt. Srd overlooking the city for spectacular views.

Enjoy your evening at leisure.









## THE KONAVLE VALLEY

- FULL DAY KONAVLE VALLEY EXCURSION WITH SOKOL FORTRESS AND GARDEN
   TO TABLE COOKING EXPERIENCE
- PRIVATE ROUND TRIP TRANSFER IN LUXURY VEHICLE
- EVENING AT LEISURE

Begin by departing Dubrovnik in the morning by private car and driver to the Konavle Valley, a region known for its natural beauty, fertile land, and rich cultural heritage.

Your first stop will be Sokol Grad, a medieval fortress built atop a steep cliff close to the Croatian-Bosnian border. Take in the dramatic views as you imagine fending off an Ottoman attack. After, browse the medieval weaponry exhibit and archeological collection on display.

Next, continue on to your Garden to Table Cooking Experience. At Agritourism Zlatovisce, you will be greeted by the owners with a welcome tasting of domestic grappa and local liquors and sweets, as well as a presentation of homemade products and introduction to the family's Konavle history. You will discuss your desired menu, learn to start the fire and bake your bread. You will stroll through the garden where you will pick the ingredients necessary to prepare your meal and continue to the kitchen to prepare it. A wonderful hands-on experience

After returning to Dubrovnik, enjoy your final evening at leisure.









### DUBROVNIK

• PRIVATE TRANSFER TO AIRPORT IN LUXURY VEHICLE

On your final morning, enjoy a hearty breakfast, savoring the views of the walled city of Dubrovnik deep blue Adriatic beyond.

Those leaving later in the day may also enjoy a final dip in the sea. Your hotel has a spectacular seaside terrace offering direct access to the Adriatic, elegantly equipped with sun loungers and umbrellas. Enjoy a sunny morning, salty breezes, and a refreshing swim before your departure. You may also wish to indulge in a relaxing body treatment at your hotel's luxury spa and wellness center, the Energy Clinic. The spa features an indoor pool, Jacuzzi whirlpools, Turkish and Roman baths, and a Finnish sauna. Your Tasteful Croatian Journeys Concierge will be happy to book you a customized skin or body treatment with one of the Energy Clinic's highly-trained therapists and beauticians to leave you feeling blissfully relaxed.

As you depart for your home, we hope you will look back on your time in Croatia with great joy, fondly remembering the journey as "A Trip of a Lifetime!"







# Every Tasteful Croatian Journeys Trip Includes

Meticulous, personal attention from our team of Croatia experts

Private, chauffeur-driven transfers and excursions in luxury vehicles with professional, English-speaking drivers

Private guided tours with passionate professional guides who are friendly, knowledgeable, and fluent in English

Luxury lodging in our carefully curated collection of 4/5 star luxury hotels and elegant boutique properties

Real time, personalized concierge support guaranteeing stress free travel while in journey

## TCJ EXCLUSIVES

#### Travel Notes

Every customized itinerary includes Tasteful Croatian Journey's personally vetted, detailed suggestions for sightseeing, dining, shopping, and other leisure activities; our "Travel Notes". In this digital document, you will also have access to details about the history and culture of each destination. Our team is constantly updating our selections to bring the latest and finest of Croatia to our guests.

#### In-Country Concierge

Upon arrival in Croatia, our travelers gain exclusive access to our local Tasteful Croatian Journeys Concierge who works to ensure all services are executed to perfection. Our Tasteful Croatian Journeys Concierge is at your service to provide assistance and to support with booking of additional experiences such as VIP dining reservations and wine and olive oil tastings, as well as to provide care and support that might be required due to unforeseen circumstances.





## FAMILY ISLAND HOPPING ESCAPE

## Starting at \$7,192.84 per person

(based on a family of four)

#### Included

- 2 NIGHTS 5\* HOTEL PARK, SPLIT JUNIOR SUITE WITH SEA VIEW FEATURES A QUEEN SIZED, PULL OUT SOFA,
   AND EXTRA ROLLAWAY BED TO COMFORTABLY SLEEP A FAMILY OF 4
- 3 NIGHTS 5\* HOTEL EXCELSIOR, DUBROVNIK 2 VILLA ODAK DELUXE INTERCONNECTING ROOMS, WITH SEA
   VIEW AND BALCONY
- 4 NIGHT PRIVATE LUXURY CHARTER ON THE CATAMARAN MALA, INCLUSIVE OF CAPTAIN AND HOSTESS
  SERVICES, ALL BREAKFASTS & LUNCHES AS WELL AS 2 DINNERS ONBOARD, BEVERAGES (SOFT DRINKS, BEER,
  DOMESTIC WINE, AND ALCOHOL), FUEL (UP TO 5 HOURS PER DAY), AND WATER SPORTS EQUIPMENT
- PRIVATE CHAUFFEURED AIRPORT TRANSFERS IN LUXURY VEHICLE
- 2-HOUR PRIVATE GUIDED WALKING TOUR OF DIOCLETIAN'S PALACE, SPLIT, WITH PROFESSIONAL, LICENSED,
   ENGLISH-SPEAKING GUIDE
- PRIVATE, HALF DAY EXCURSION TO EXPLORE KRKA NATIONAL PARK WITH LUXURY VEHICLE AND CHAUFFEUR
- FULL DAY PRIVATE TRANSFER/EXCURSION FROM OREBIC TO DUBROVNIK IN LUXURY VEHICLE WITH CHAUFFEUR
- 2-HOUR PRIVATE GUIDED GAME OF THRONES WALKING TOUR OF DUBROVNIK'S OLD TOWN WITH PROFESSIONAL, LICENSED, ENGLISH-SPEAKING GUIDE
- FULL DAY KONAVLE VALLEY EXCURSION WITH SOKOL FORTRESS AND GARDEN TO TABLE COOKING
   EXPERIENCE WITH LUXURY VEHICLE AND CHAUFFEUR
- TASTEFUL CROATIAN JOURNEYS CONCIERGE SERVICE AND TRAVEL NOTES
- BREAKFASTS DAILY, ALL TAXES AND VAT



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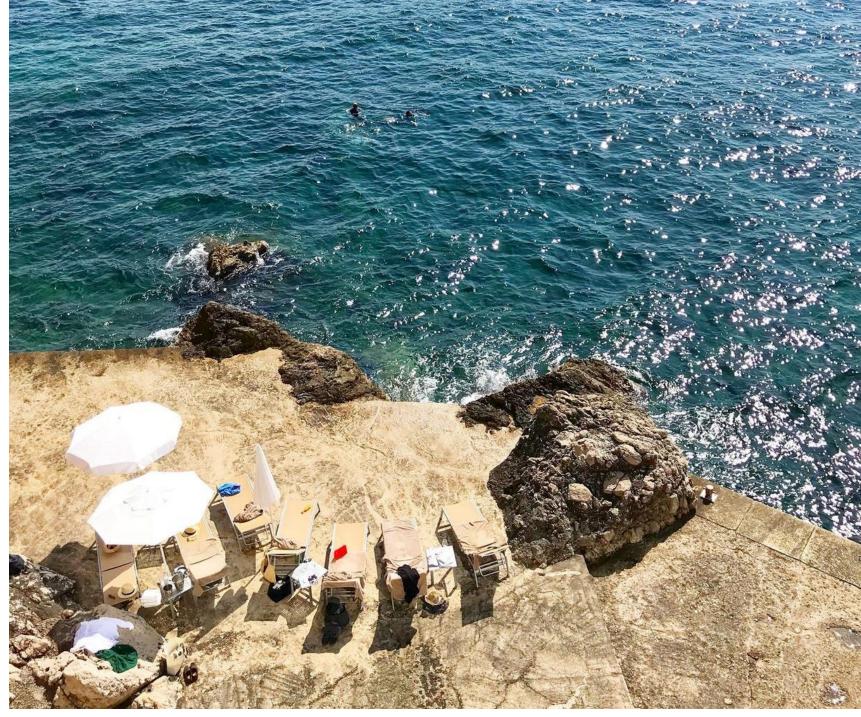
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## LEARN MORE ABOUT DALMATIA

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EXPLORING THE ADRIATIC ABOARD CATAMARAN MALA

CATAMARAN LAGOON 570 MALA

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DALMATIAN FAVORITES BY OUR CROATIA CONCIERGE -

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- Travel Weekly



