

Cycling Safaris

CROATIA 2025

The National Parks and Islands of Dalmatia

Guided Tour

Guide cycling with group | 173 km/107 mi | 7 nights / 8 days



Croatia has a beautiful coast with thousands of islands, reefs and bays. Numerous romantic ruins, charming hills, countless natural beauties and phenomena waiting to be discovered. On one of our easier tours, you spend a week on a ship cruising between the mainland and the islands on one of our easiest tours.

Delicious cuisine, beautiful sites, a friendly crew, and knowledgeable tour guides await your arrival. Starting in Trogir, we visit two National Parks as well as the islands of Central Dalmatia.

Highlights of the tour include UNESCO protected old town of Trogir, Primošten, Šibenik with its famous cathedral, Zadar, as well as the National Park Krka-Waterfalls and the Kornati Islands. On a romantic motor yacht, our floating accommodation, we discover the charm of the Adriatic in our own special way.

TOUR ITINERARY (tour starts on a Friday)

1st Day (Fri) Trogir (Embarkation) - Rogoznica

Individual arrival either by car to Trogir or by plane to Split. After checking in on the motor yacht between 2 and 2:30 pm in Trogir we head off on our first cruise at 3 pm to Rogoznica - a village on a small island that is connected to the mainland by a dam. Here we spend our first night.

2nd Day (Sat) Vodice - Island of Murter - Nature Park Telašćica (aprx. 16 mi./26 km)

In the morning we enjoy our breakfast during a morning cruise to the seaside city of Vodice. From here we start our bike tour to the island of Murter, connected to the mainland by a lift bridge in the town of Tisno. We cycle over the bridge and along the waterfront, passing by two old coastal villages, until we reach a small jetty. From here, we enjoy a spectacular cruise through the Kornati National Park, an archipelago in crystal clear water, known for its rich aquatic life, until we reach the Telašćica Nature Park. In the evening, we take a walk through the park and along the island's stunning cliffs. A salt lake and a family of donkey also characterise the nature park and make for a wonderful location to spend a quiet night.

3rd Day (Sun) Island of Dugi Otok - Brbinj - Zadar (aprx. 19 mi./32 km)

After breakfast we start our bike tour from the Telašćica Nature Park, along a virtually traffic-free, panoramic road across the island. During the ride we're treated to countless unforgettable views of neighbouring islands, breaking through the deep blue sea. We meet the ship in Brbinj and board for a crossing to the city of Zadar, which for centuries was the political, cultural, and spiritual centre of Dalmatia. Once we arrive, there is the opportunity to take part in a walking tour during which you will find out all about this fascinating city while strolling through the winding alleys and the lively old town, characterised by 3,000 years of history. The night is spent in Zadar.

4th Day (Mon) Islands of Ugljan and Pašman - Vodice (aprx. 20 mi./33 km)

During breakfast, the boat crosses the channel of Zadar to the island of Ugljan. Today there is plenty of time to cycle across and explore both the islands Ugljan and Pašman, connected by a bridge, with their quaint villages characterized by stone cottages and fishing vessels. As we cycle along the east coast, we can enjoy beautiful views of the sea and the mainland. After our bike tour, we revisit the coastal city of Vodice, this time for the night.

5th Day (Tue) Vodice - Skradin - National Park of Krka (aprx. 22 mi./35 km)

Today is a real highlight! Today's cycling tour leads along varied roads through remote villages in the Dalmatian inland to the beautiful port of Skradin, located at the foot of the Krka Canyon. In the afternoon, we take a small boat to the Krka National Park where we have plenty of time to explore the unique and truly spectacular Krka Waterfalls on foot. The night is spent in the postcard town of Skradin.

6th Day (Wed) Skradin - Šibenik - Primošten (aprx. 17 mi./28 km)

During breakfast the boat departs Skradin and makes its way down the Krka River back towards the sea and the city of Šibenik. Here we have time to explore the city, home to the Cathedral of St. Jacob, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and the most beautiful sacral building on the Adriatic coast. Afterwards, we board the ship and navigate to Primošten where we undertake a bike tour in the afternoon to Rogoznica and back. The night is spent in Primošten.

Day 7 (Thurs) Island of Solta - Trogir

(approx. 15 km / 9 mi by bicycle)

In the morning our motor yacht takes us to the island of Solta. Olive and fig trees and farmland surround the streets. The spicy smell of lavender and rosemary will follow us throughout the whole tour around this peaceful island until we reach the village Grohote. Our last cruise takes us back to Trogir, where we have enough time to visit the world cultural heritage old town. After dinner it is time to say good bye to crew and travel guides.

Day 8 (Fri) Trogir (Disembarkation)

After breakfast disembarkation and individual trip home or extended stay in Croatia.

We reserve the right to make changes to the itinerary, depending on wind and weather conditions or organizational requirements.

2025 TOUR DATES & PRICES

Departures (FRIDAYS)

Premium Ship San Snova

June 27
August 22
September 12
October 3, 24

Comfort Ship Kapetan Jure

May 9

Premium Ship San Snova tour price:

€1520 per person sharing below deck cabin / €2280 single use cabin below deck (October 24)
€1770 per person sharing below deck cabin / €2655 single use cabin below deck (October 3)
€2020 per person sharing below deck cabin / €3030 single use cabin below deck (June 27, Aug 22, Sept 12)

Comfort Ship Kapetan Jure tour price:

€1170 per person sharing below deck / €1755 single use cabin below deck (May 9)

Supplements for above deck on both ships:

+ €250 per person sharing above deck cabin on all seasons
+ €375 single supplement below deck cabin on all seasons

It is possible for a third person in a cabin on the San Snova (double and single bed, mainly a bunk).
There will be a discount of €200 per person for the triple cabin.
Children 16 years and younger receive a discount of €200 off the tour base price (double occupancy).

WHAT THE TOUR PRICE INCLUDES

Services included:

- 7 nights accommodation on the boat in a twin share cabin with shower / toilet
- 8 day trip on a motorized yacht with a crew of four
- Bed linen and towels
- 2 x full board (breakfast, lunch & dinner) , 5 x half board (breakfast & lunch)
- Maps for the daily routes
- English/German speaking guide cycling with the group
- Sightseeing entrance as described in itinerary

Not included in the tour price:

Bike hire is separated out / not included in the tour price

€ 90 21 speed touring bike with water bottle cage, lock and a small pannier bag
€255 Electric - bike

- Journey to Trogir
- Water flat rate and visitor's tax €60 per adult or €30 for children up to age 16 (to be paid to the captain)
- Drinks onboard (Tally sheet, to be paid to the captain).
- Meals and beverages ashore
- Entrance fees to attractions not included in the tourist price (individual visits)
- Tips for crew and guides

Optional extra's

- Insurance against theft and damage of the rental 21-speed hybrid bike €20 / per week or rental E-bike €30 / week (not insured deliberate damages)
- Special dietary requirements (vegan, gluten free) €70 per person, must be pre-booked

THE BOATS

Premium Ship San Snova (shower/toilet in each cabin)



At 31 x 8 m the wooden motor yacht, San Snova, took to the water in 2009. The construction took shape over the course of three years and set a milestone for the boat-building scene in Croatia, as it is the last wooden boat of its kind to have been built. The 14 guest cabins are air-conditioned with a shower and WC. The crew on board pay special attention to cleanliness and maintenance of the ship and radiate a friendly and inviting atmosphere to the guests.



Comfort Ship Kapetan Jure (shower/toilet in each cabin)

The Kapetan Jure is one of the smaller boats in our Croatian fleet. The hundreds of tours which she has operated for Islandhopping however, make her one of the most seasoned ships in our fleet.

Built as a traditional wooden boat, the attention to detail and nautical flair on board are a declaration of the owner, Anton's, passion for the sea.

The cozy saloon is decorated with shells, amphora and seamen's knots and at the bow of the boat a mermaid insures safe passage. The Kapetan Jure offers comfortable cabins, four below deck and eleven above deck.

A spacious seating arrangement can be found on deck and upholstered sunning mats are available on the sundeck.

Sunbathe, or just relax with a book in one of the comfortable nooks on board after an active bike tour. A true highlight is jumping from board in a secluded bay for a refreshing swim!



Hybrid bikes are an additional €90



Those choosing to rent a hybrid bike will receive a reliable, low maintenance, aluminum frame bike in the suitable size. Our hybrid bikes are equipped with 28 inch hollow chamber rims with puncture-proof touring tires, high-quality derailleur gears and break systems, a carrier and a sturdy bike stand, touring saddle as well as mudguards and a pannier rack. All components are selected based on our twenty years of experience in bike tourism, insuring that they fulfill the necessary criteria to provide the rider with an uncompromised cycle experience.

Unfortunately there is no possibility to reserve one particular bike-brand in advance

Electric bikes are an additional €255



Clients who wish to be supported by a tail-wind and seek to hire an e-bike will receive a high-quality pedelec, powered mainly by a Bosch motor capable of covering long distances, and characterized by their light weight and great components. Alternative drive systems may also be used. Standard components of our e-bikes in varying frame sizes include, 28 inch hollow chamber rims with puncture-proof touring tires, high-quality derailleur gears and break systems, a carrier and a sturdy bike stand, touring saddle as well as mudguards and a pannier rack. With our e-bikes you will conquer the hills with a smile, they are a true declaration of independence for all who wish to cycle and seek the support of a little push.

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Helmet use is mandatory on all bike tours in Croatia. You are strongly encouraged to bring your own (well fitted) helmet. Rental Helmets are available on board in limited number (reservation requested).

WHAT TO BRING

Specialised cycle clothing may be handy but not strictly necessary. What you do need (among other things) is the following:

- shorts/ long trousers/ track suit/ leggings
- shirts/ sweater/ rain clothing
- good shoes
- sunglasses/ cap/ swimming costume
- extra towel for swimming
- soap/ insect repellent/ sunscreen
- own helmet

GROUP, GUIDE AND BACK-UP SERVICE

On this tour there will be a guide cycling with the group.

There is no support vehicle available on this tour, but there is no time pressure to finish the stages. Our tour guides will inform you beforehand of the nature and difficulty of the tour so you are able to decide if you want to cycle with or rather relax on board. If you would like to cycle on your own, we can provide you with maps and tips for routes.

The Bike tours require basic level of fitness from participants, which they should have acquired from steady cycling. The day tours from 20 – 60km will take you through hilly and mountainous terrain and may be completed without any time constraints. Participants will also need to master long and steep climbs during which they are, however, also able to push their bikes.

You are free to set aside a half or full day swim or spend on board the boat, instead of taking a planned bike tour. We will traverse mostly asphalted roads, which are rarely travelled on outside the holiday seasons.

Each day you can either decide to bike alone, using the information and maps provided, or join the tour guides and other participants.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Meals

The cook that travels along is a member of the crew and prepares breakfast and one or two warm dishes a day which take into account the requirements of active cyclists. The ample breakfast comprises bread, butter, jam, cheese, sausages, coffee, and tea as well as some extras.

For lunch, the cook will generally prepare a light meal and for dinner you can expect an great menu of several courses that often includes fish or seafood as its central dish. Please let us know beforehand if there are any foods you may or will not eat, and we will do our best to accommodate your wishes and to provide alternatives.

The catering consists of 4x full board and 3x half board. Catering starts with the dinner on the arrival day and ends with the breakfast on the departure day.

Electricity, water and telephone on the ship

Electricity and water are available on board, of course, but within limits. All ships have a generator for 220V, which will however not work around the clock, e.g. to ensure your night's rest it will be switched off overnight.

The plugs are ordinary flat European plugs with two round pins of 4.8 mm in diameter.

The water tanks are large enough to provide sufficient cold and warm water for washing and showering for everyone, if it is used with consideration, i.e. if you turn it off while soaping, and do not leave it on unneeded. All countries have access to a local GSM 900 mobile telephone network that you can log into if your phone is GSM compatible.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Requirements:

The bike routes require a basic level of fitness, which you should have acquired by occasional or daily cycling. The routes can reach an altitude of 100 – 300 meters. The daily routes, of 15-50 km (9 to 30 mi.), cover hilly terrain and can be completed without time constraints. You will also come across some rather steep climbs, where walking your bike is of course permitted. The roads are mostly asphalted and there is little traffic outside of holiday periods. You can decide every day for yourself, whether you would like to cycle individually, using the maps provided, or join one of the tour guides (or individual participants). Bike helmets are required on all cycle tours. Bike helmets are available on board in limited number (reservation requested).

Bringing Children:

We believe that only children in a good physical condition and of a minimum age of 10 and previous bicycle tour experience are able to master the bike tours on their own strength. For children with a body height of minimum 1,20 m (4 ft.) special children bicycles are offered. Children that are younger than 16 years are obliged to wear a helmet by the Croatian law. We offer a discount of €200 for children 16 years and younger if staying in a double or triple cabin.

Catering:

The cook on board is a member of the crew and prepares the breakfast and two warm meals a day. The full board starts with the lunch on the arrival day and ends with the breakfast on the departure day.

Guided tour:

On these tours you cycle with the guide. If you would like to cycle on your own, we can provide you with maps and tips for routes.

Arrival to tour start

- Taxi transfer from the airport of Split to the ship in Trogir (one way ca 20 Euro per person)
- There are no direct flights from Ireland to Split, but we recommend you use www.skyscanner.net to find the most convenient route for you.
- There is an option to fly into Zadar Airport and from here get the airport bus into Zadar station, and a coach from Zadar to Trogir should take under 2 hours.