



*The Traveling Professor Presents*

## **CROATIA AND THE DALMATIAN COAST LUXURY SMALL SHIP CRUISE**

### **TENTATIVE ITINERARY**

#### **DAY 1, October 8: Saturday: SPLIT (Breakfast & Lunch)**

Enjoy the morning and a short guided tour of the city before setting sail. On the way to our first port, Pučišća, we'll do the first of many swim stops during the course of our cruise.

#### **DAY 2, October 9: Sunday: Departure from SPLIT to TRSTENIK/KUNA (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)**

Early morning departure towards the little seaside village of Trstenik on the Peljesac peninsula. It is well known for excellent wine and beautiful views. Before lunch a short swimming stop at one of the bays and afternoon arrival to Trstenik. Today we move away from the shore inland to explore the rural areas. Afternoon transfer to the village Kuna for a tour of the local church and monastery followed by a visit to a local farm to indulge in a typical village feast with Croatian delicacies. It's an all-inclusive dinner with local dishes. You'll love it! Late transfer back to the ship. Overnight in Trstenik.

#### **DAY 3, October 10: Monday: TRSTENIK - MLJET/DUBROVNIK (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)**

Next morning, we head further to the Island of Mljet. Join us for a stroll to the famous salt lakes in the Mljet National Park and enjoy the boat ride to the St Mary Isle, where you will visit an ancient Benedictine monastery, an old abbey and a Church dating from the 12th Century. Return to the ship for lunch after which we depart towards Dubrovnik. Late afternoon arrival in Dubrovnik, but before we tie the ropes at Gruz harbor the captain will cruise alongside the old city walls while a buffet dinner is served on deck. Overnight in Dubrovnik.

#### **DAY 4, October 11: Tuesday: DUBROVNIK (Breakfast)**

It's a day to explore the magical city of Dubrovnik, starting with a guided walk of the old town. Then it is up, up, and away on the cable car from Old Town to Srđ Mountain. Enjoy scenic views of the Walls and Elaphiti Islands with great photo ops overlooking Dubrovnik. Afternoon at leisure to explore on your own and find perfect spots for lunch and dinner. For those of you with enthusiasm, we recommend walking the famous 1,940 m long city wall! Take a stroll along the walking street "STRADUN" - both a street and a square, a promenade inside the city walls. Overnight on the ship in Dubrovnik.

#### **DAY 5, October 12: Wednesday: DUBROVNIK to KORČULA (Breakfast and Lunch)**

In the morning we lift anchor and sail to the Island of Korčula, best known as the birthplace of Marco Polo. Stop for lunch in one of the secluded bays. Early afternoon arrival in Korčula followed by a guided walking tour of this lovely town and fortified walls. On this Island more legends, tales and monuments can be found than anywhere else while wandering along the herringbone pattern streets. Korčula has an abundant choice of restaurants to select a gourmet experience. There are bars and lounges for those looking for evening entertainment. Overnight in Korčula.

**DAY 6, October 13: Thursday: KORČULA to HVAR (Breakfast and Lunch)**

Morning departure towards Hvar. Lunch stop on the small Island of Šćedro followed by a swim stop at the Pakleni Islands. Arrival to Hvar in the afternoon. Hvar is the longest Island in the Adriatic and one of the sunniest; known for lavish lavender fields and breathtaking beauty. Before disembarking there will be a short presentation of lavender products followed by a tour of the town. Found here are many historical landmarks: the Renaissance cathedral with its original tower and the oldest community theatre in Europe, founded in 1612. Hike up to the town fort overlooking the harbor for scenic views of the ship and the Pakleni islands. In the evening Hvar offers an abundance of entertainment - many restaurants, bars and cafes are open long into the night. Overnight in Hvar.

**DAY 7, October 14: Friday: HVAR to BOL (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)**

Our final stop will be the Island of Brač and picturesque town of Bol. Walk along the promenade and swim at one of the most famous beaches in Dalmatia - Zlatni Rat (the Golden cape - known for its gravel promontory shifts from side to side as the wind and waves constantly change its shape). Bol is a typical fishermen's town turned into a popular tourist destination. Lunch on board and more time to explore the resort. The evening is reserved for the Captain's farewell dinner with entertainment. Overnight in Bol.

**DAY 8, October 15: Saturday: BOL to SPLIT (Breakfast)**

Early morning departure for Split. On arrival it is time to say goodbye the crew and all your new friends. Check-out by 9 a.m.

**2022 OPTIONAL ZAGREB POST-TOUR**

**DAY 9, Wednesday: Zagreb**

Check in at the 4-star Hotel Dubrovnik in the center of Zagreb. Enjoy an authentic Croatian buffet dinner this evening and meet our travel companions.

**DAY 2, Thursday: Zagreb**

A morning guided tour through the markets, historic sites, parks, and attractions will captivate you. The birthplace of Nikola Tesla, the shortest funicular in Europe, and the lovable Museum of Broken Relationships are examples of just a few of the city delights. The afternoon/evening is on your own to explore and enjoy the rest of the city as well as its great dining options.

**DAY 3, Friday: Transfer to SPLIT**

A luxury bus transports us to Split with stops along the way.

## ABOUT OUR TOUR

- This is a private charter, with only our group on board. This ensures a friendly and relaxing trip with a group of like-minded travelers.
- For each city tour, our group is split into 2 groups of approximately 15 travelers in order to retain the small group tour flavor.
- This Croatia tour is perfect for couples, women traveling alone or with a partner.
- Limited to approximately 30 travelers. No one under 25 years of age is permitted on this tour.
- Twin-bedded and double bedded cabins available.
- On day of departure, please schedule flights to depart AFTER 11:30 a.m.
- Airfare is NOT included. However, The Professor can assist in getting the best air itinerary for travelers.
- Extra nights in Split available upon request.
- Each port may offer additional activities (watersports, fishing, etc.) not on the itinerary.