



# **Highlights of Istria MTB** · Croatia

#### **Route**

from Omišalj / to Omišalj

#### **Duration**

8 days / 7 nights

## **Distance**

approx.232 km

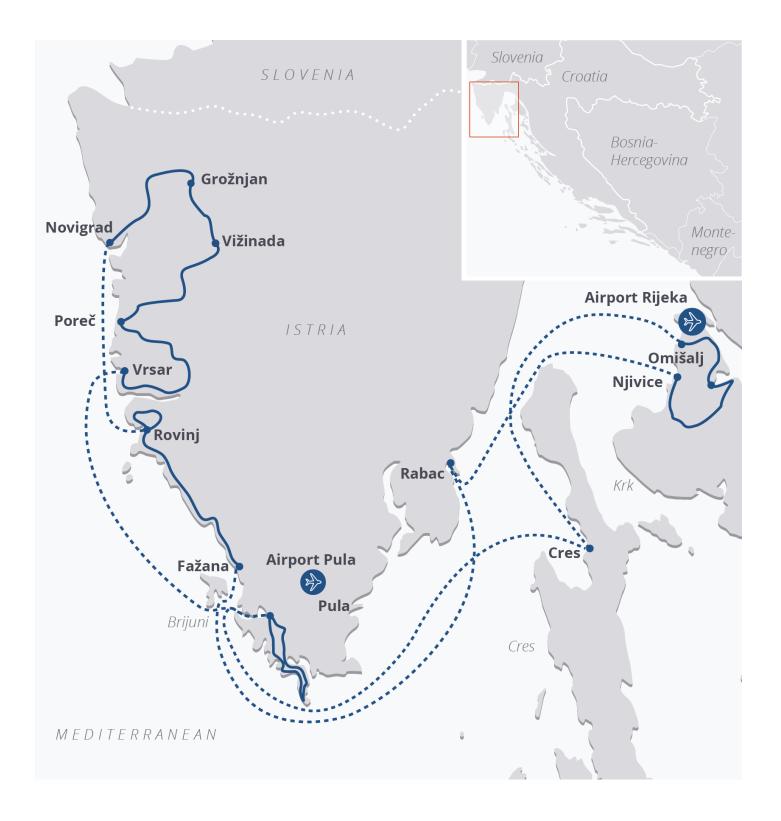
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## Off-Road Adventure on Croatia's Largest Peninsula

"The heart of Europe" is what the Istrians call their peninsula. This is where Central Europe and the world of Mediterranean meet. Explore this unique coastal destination for one week on your mountain bike.....

TO NOTE: This tour takes place prallel to our regular Bike [&] Boat Tour on the same boat. This is perfect for travellers who wish to spend their holiday together, but do not share the same riding preference.



## **Itinerary**

## 1st Day Omišalj (Embarkation) - Cres Island

Individual arrival to Omišalj, a charming pirate's nest on the island of Krk. If you decide to arrive by car, we can gladly organize a secure parking space for your car for the week. If you are arriving from Zagreb, we can also arrange a transfer for you to the harbor of Omišalj. Check-in on board is possible from around 2pm. Once we have made ourselves comfortable in our cabins, we enjoy the first crossing to Cres. Our destination is the island capital of the same name, where we spend the night. The Venetian-influenced old town of Cres, with its beautiful alleys and many churches, entices you to take an extensive evening stroll.

## 2nd Day Cres - Pula(aprx. 40 km /500 m of elevation)

In the morning we enjoy our breakfast on board with a pleasant morning cruise to Pula. In the afternoon we explore Cape Kamenjak with its great diversity of pedal trails. The Park also has more than 30 bays with a rich flora and fauna which enrich our visit. After our afternoon on the bikes we return back to Pula where we can take part on an inspiring guided city tour before enjoying our evening exploring the town further at our leisure. The night is spent in Pula.

#### 3rd Day Pula - Vrsar - Poreč (aprx. 27 km /250 m of elevation)

In the morning we enjoy our breakfast on board with another pleasant morning cruise this time to Vrsar. It is in Vrsar that the heartbreaker Casanova is believed to have sought temporary refuge from the husbands of his lovers. From here we bike along the Limski Channel, through forests, fields and vineyards and visit the small San Servolo bike park with a small selection of trails at varying levels. At the end of a great afternoon on our bikes we conclude our tour in the city of Porec. The town has a lively vibe with its long promenade and shopping streets. A visit to the famous Euphrasius Basilica with its magnificent early Christian mosaics is worth a visit and there is also plenty of time to go for a swim and relax in the afternoon. The night is spent in Porec.

#### 4th Day Poreč - Novigrad (aprx. 60 km /800 m of elevation)

In the morning we follow the "Parenzana", an abandoned railroad line, which leads us to the famous artists' village of Groznjan. The picturesque artists' village is a medieval jewel in the Istrian hinterland. It awaits us with romantic alleys, flower-filled squares and diverse galleries that have made their home in old natural stone houses. From here we can experiment on a number of technical downhill trails before continuing along gravel roads through rural Istria to Novigrad, where we can enjoy the evening and spend the night.

## 5th Day Rovinj (aprx. 28 km /300 m of elevation)

In the morning the boat takes us to Rovinj during breakfast, the starting point of today's bike ride. Today's ride is less technical but very scenic with a beautiful beach as our destination. After a pleasant swim, we return back to the boat and with plenty of time to explore the city in the afternoon. In the evening a guided city tour reveals the secrets of the town before spending the night here.

#### 6th DayRovinj - Fažana - Rabac (aprx. 33 km /250 m of elevation)

Our morning bike ride takes us near the coast, mostly on natural forest paths and gravel roads to Fažana, with its

quaint little harbor and promenade lined with colorful houses. We board the boat and enjoy a cruise along the coast to Rabac. Here, located on a picturesque bay on the east coast of Istria, we can enjoy gorgeous white pebble beaches, crystal clear waters and a beautiful harbor. Not to be missed is an evening cocktail in a local bar.

#### 7th Day Insel Cres - Insel Krk: Njivice - Omišalj (aprx. 41 km / 480 m of elevation)

In the early morning, we cross to the island of Krk, where a final tour awaits us. The route will lead us from Njivice to Omišalj with some great trail sections along the way. The largest island in Croatia and home of the delicious Zlahtina white wine impresses with its diverse landscapes. Don't miss the opportunity to cover yourself in the mineral rich mud in the bay of Soline – it will not only leave you looking ten years younger, but also makes for a wonderful holiday memory! Back in the harbor of Omišalj, our boat awaits us with a delicious last evening meal on board which can be spent in great cheer in the company of the fellow travelers, crew and guides.

## 8th Day Omišalj (Departure)

After breakfast it is time to check out of the hotel. Individual journey home or extended stay in Croatia.



## **Linda** · Comfort Class

#### **Port of Embarkation**

from Omišalj (Kvarner Bay)

#### Size

31 m x 6 m

### **Capacity**

14 cabins, 28 beds



#### Year of construction

1955 - complete reconstruction 2006

#### Cabin size

7 - 8 m<sup>2</sup>

#### **Cabin features**

A/C, hair dryer, tiled bathrooms with a mirror, all-in-one shower and WC

#### **Beds**

double: 200 x 160 cm, <br/>br>single and twin: 200 x 80 cm

#### Service

cabin service, mid-week towel change

#### **Extras**

quiet generator, sunning mats on the sundeck, large table with chairs on deck in the shade, free Wi-Fi Fahrradgarage, kostenfreies Internet

## Linda

The wooden motor yacht, Linda, was reconstructed in 2006 especially for Islandhopping and all of our know-how was invested in the project. Wooden clad cabins, of which three are below deck and eleven above deck, as well as a spacious and functional saloon with wooden tables and upholstered benches give the Linda a homely atmosphere.

The various decks provide a generous amount of space for the guests to relax on board. The sundeck is fitted with comfortable sunning mats so that the panoramic view from the top of the boat can be enjoyed to the fullest. Good weather offers the opportunity to set the outside table for meal times.

The crew on board have worked together for many years and are a well-practiced team. Their smiles and helpful attitudes characterize the atmosphere on board.

## **Dates, Prices & Services**

#### **Included services**

- 8-day trip on a motorized yacht with crew
- 7 nights in a twin cabin below deck with shower/toilet
- 2 x full board and 5 x half board (lunch can also be a picnic)
- Guided cycling tours and sightseeing as described in the itinerary
- Bed linen and towels
- English speaking tour guide

## Not included in the basic tour price 2025

- Journey to Omišalj
- Flat rate for drinking water and tourist taxes: 60 euro per person / 30 euro per child up to age 16 (to be paid to the captain)
- Beverages on board (tally sheet; to be paid to the captain)
- Meals and beverages ashore
- Entrance fee for sights are not included in the tour price
- Tips for crew and tour guides
- SGR Insolvency protection (5€ per person)

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## **Prices for Additional Optional Services 2025**

(Vegan / Gluten free/ Lactose free)

Surcharge for a cabin above deck (limited)	250 euro		
Surcharge for a double cabin for single use below deck (limited)	+50%(on the tour base price)		
Surcharge for a double cabin for single use above deck (limited)	50% surchargeon the above deck cabin price (tour base price + above deck surcharge x 1,5)		
Rental bike	Full suspension MTB (fully): 220 euro/week Full suspension e-MTB (e-fully):320 euro/week (limited)		
Premium rental bikes (full carbon frames, high-quality components, latest technological refinements)	Premium Carbon MTB:420 Euro/Woche Premium Carbon E-MTB: 590 Euro/Woche (limited)		
Limited liability protection for rental bikes (theft and damage, not covered: grossly negligent damages)	28 euro/week		
Special dietary requests	70 euro		

(payment on board)

A safe parking space (to be paid on-site to the tour guide)	Motorcycle:40 euro/week Car up to 6 m in length:80 euro/week Vehicle longer than 6 m:120 euro/week
Collecting transfer between Rijeka train station and Omišalj (on embarkation and disembarkation days only; reservation requested; please note, that it is not possible to take your own bike in trains)	50 euro per person
Transfer between Rijeka airport and Omišalj (on embarkation and disembarkation days only)	35 euro per person
Collective transfer between Zagreb and Omišalj (on embarkation and disembarkation days only - minimum 2 persons; reservation required two weeks in advance, booking incl. complete transmission of flight details)	
Exclusive transfers	Prices on request
2-day extension module Zagreb	Prices [&] info see: Extension program in Zagreb

## Not included in the basic tour price 2026

- Journey to Omišalj
- Tourist taxes and Basic-drink-package (drinking water, tea and filter coffee):
   80 euro/person. For children up to age 16: 40 euro/person (to be paid to the captain)
- Beverages on board (tally sheet; to be paid to the captain)
- Meals and beverages ashore
- Entrance fee for sights are not included in the tour price
- Tips for crew and tour guides
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## **Prices for Additional Optional Services 2026**

Surcharge for a cabin above deck (limited)	250 euro	
Surcharge for a double cabin for single use below deck (limited)	+50%(on the tour base price)	

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Special dietary requests (Vegan / Gluten free/ Lactose free)	70 euro (payment on board)		
A safe parking space (to be paid on-site to the tour guide)	Motorcycle:on request Car up to 6 m in length:on request Vehicle longer than 6 m:on request		
Collecting transfer between Rijeka train station and Omišalj (on embarkation and disembarkation days only; reservation requested; please note, that it is not possible to take your own bike in trains)	On request		
Transfer between Rijeka airport and Omišalj (on embarkation and disembarkation days only)	On request		
Collective transfer between Zagreb and Omišalj (on embarkation and disembarkation days only - minimum 2 persons; reservation required two weeks in advance, booking incl. complete transmission of flight details)	65 euro person/way 65 euro bicycle/way		
Exclusive transfers	On request		
2-day extension module Zagreb	Prices [&] info see: <u>Extension program in Zagreb</u>		

## **Discounts 2025 / 2026**

- With three persons sharing a cabin (limited availability), we offer a 200 euro discount per person on the tour base price (not combinable with other discounts).
- Children up to the age of 16 receive a discount of 200 euro on the tour base price (double occupancy, not combinable with other discounts). When travelling with children, we recommend our Multi-Adventure Tours in Greece and Croatia which are specifically curated for families and offer family-friendly pricing.
- If this is your second Islandhopping tour booked directly with us, you will receive our Welcome-back-discount of 3% on the basic tour price.
- If this is your third or more Islandhopping tour booked directly with us, you will receive our Loyalty-discount of 5% on the basic tour price.

# **Dates**

Date	Accommodation	Start City	End City	Base Price
19.09.2025 – 26.09.2025	Linda	Omišalj	Omišalj	1.299,00€
17.10.2025 – 24.10.2025	Linda	Omišalj	Omišalj	1.149,00 €
17.04.2026 – 24.04.2026	Linda	Omišalj	Omišalj	1.099,00 €
01.05.2026 - 08.05.2026	Linda	Omišalj	Omišalj	1.249,00 €
15.05.2026 – 22.05.2026	Linda	Omišalj	Omišalj	1.399,00 €
18.09.2026 – 25.09.2026	Linda	Omišalj	Omišalj	1.549,00 €
02.10.2026 - 09.10.2026	Linda	Omišalj	Omišalj	1.399,00 €
16.10.2026 – 23.10.2026	Linda	Omišalj	Omišalj	1.249,00 €
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02.10.2026 - 09.10.2026	Linda	Omišalj	Omišalj	1.399,00 €
16.10.2026 – 23.10.2026	Linda	Omišalj	Omišalj	1.249,00 €

## **Arrival**

## **Port of Embarkation Omišalj**

The embarkation harbour for our tours in the Kvarner Bay is Omišalj, situated on the island of Krk, which is connected to the Croatian mainland by a bridge.

Embarkation, will take place between 2:00 and 2:30 pm. The boat will leave from Omišalj at 3 pm. Please do not book a flight that arrives after 2 pm without first consulting one of our office team members.

#### Contact us

## Arrival by car

Address for Navigation System:

Riva Pape Ivana Pavla II, 51513 Omišalj, Kroatien

We are happy to organise a secure parking place for your vehicle on private property in Omišalj. This must be arranged in advanced. Prices can be found under "additional bookable services".

If you have booked a parking place, please inform one of the Islandhopping tour guides on arrival. They will show you the parking place after unloading your car.

#### Arrival by plane

Arrival to our journeys in the Kvarner Bay is possible via the Rijeka Airport (RJK), which like your port of embarkation Omišalj, is on the island of Krk. Please keep in mind, that your ship leaves the port at about 3 pm for the first cruise.

Another arrival alternative is to fly to Zagreb (ZAG) (transfer time to Omišalj: 2 hours). On embarkation and disembarkation day we offer a collective transfer from/to Zagreb airport or Zagreb city. Prices can be found under "additional bookable services".

#### **Arrival by train**

Please note that there is no train connection to Omišalj. The nearest bigger railway station is in Rijeka.

On embarkation and disembarkation day we also offer a collective transfer from/to Rijeka railway station. See "Transfer Options".

## **Transfer Options**

Collective transfers must be reserved with our office team in advance (incl. transmission of your complete flight details).

Airport of Zagreb (ZAG) - Port of Embarkation

Departure times from Zagreb to Omišalj on embarkation day: 12:15 pm or 11:30 am from Zagreb Center

Departure times from Omišalj on disembarkation day: 08:00 am - Please make sure, that your return flight does not depart from Zagreb before 12:00 pm.

Airport of Rijeka (RJK) - Port of Embarkation

We can organize (taxi) transfers between Rijeka airport and the boat in Omišalj (on the day of embarkation/disembarkation only, reservation required two weeks in advance, incl. transmission of complete flight details).

Railway Station Rijeka - Port of Embarkation

We offer a collective transfer from Rijeka Station to Omišalj at 9.30 am on the day of embarkation. We also offer a collective transfer from Omišalj back to Rijeka in the early morning on the day of disembarkation (approx. 45 minutes travel time).