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BIKE & BOAT

Highlights of Istria · Croatia

Route
from Omišalj / to Omišalj

Duration
8 days / 7 nights

Distance
approx. 233 km

Level 3 {{regular}} / 5 {{end}}
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The largest peninsula in Croatia – a cultural treasure trove

„The heart of Europe" is what the Istrians call their peninsula. This is where Central Europe and the world of Mediterranean meet. On this one-week tour, we explore the most popular part of the Croatian coast. Everything from the grand amphitheater in Pula to the natural wonders of the region make this tour so special.

Fall in love with the Adriatic Sea on this bike [&] boat tour in Istria. Relax on a romantic motor sailor. Get on your bicycle after an invigorating breakfast, enjoy your lunch break ashore or meet your ship in one of the pretty harbours for a cruise.

Enjoy the outstanding cuisine aboard, watch the sunset or stroll through the historical harbour towns before going to sleep under the stars... either on deck or in your cabin.

TO NOTE: This tour sometimes takes place parallel to our MTB 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. Explore the MTB tour


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Itinerary 2027

1st DayOmišalj (Embarkation) - Cres

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 1 pm. Once we have made ourselves comfortable in our cabins, we enjoy the first crossing to Cres at 2 pm. 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 {{regular}}(approx. 17 mi./28 km){{end}}

In the morning we enjoy our breakfast on board with a pleasant morning cruise to Pula. In the afternoon we explore some picturesque places in and around Pula. Via Galizana we go to Vodnjan and further through the fishing village Fazana before coming back to Pula where we can take part on an inspiring guided city before enjoying our evening exploring the town further at our leisure. The night is spent in Pula.

3rd Day Pula - Vrsar – Poreč {{regular}} (aprx. 26 mi/42 km){{end}}

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 cycle along the Limski Canal to Kloštar in the rural hinterland to our destination of Poreč. 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 {{regular}}(aprx. 41 mi/66 km) {{end}}

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. In the afternoon, we bike through rural Istria via Buje to Novigrad, where we can enjoy the evening and spend the night.

5th Day Rovinj {{regular}}(aprx. 10 mi/16 km){{end}}

In the morning, during breakfast, the boat takes you to Rovinj, the starting point of today's cycle tour. You leave the town and follow an old railroad line to the Lim Canal. Near the town, the vast green wilderness of the local park is the perfect backdrop for an optional extension to the cycle tour past picturesque bays where you can stop for a refreshing swim. After a pleasant morning on your bikes and on the beach, you return to the ship and in the afternoon, accompanied by a knowledgeable guide, you have plenty of time to discover the secrets of the town of Rovinj, often called the "Pearl of Istria".

6th Day Rovinj – Fažana – Rabac {{regular}}(aprx. 22 mi/37 km){{end}}

Our morning bike ride takes us near the coast, mostly on natural forest paths 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 Rabac – Njivice - Omišalj{{regular}}(aprx. 27 mi/44 km){{end}}

In the early morning, we cross to the island of Krk, where a final cycling stage awaits us. The route will lead us from Njivice to Omišalj. 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 (Disembarkation)

After breakfast disembarkation until 9 am followed by an individual trip home or an 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

Special Features

Year of construction
1955 – complete reconstruction 2006

Cabin size
7 - 8 m²

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

Beds
double: 200 x 160 cm,
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 2027

- 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
- Access to RideWithGPS app for individual cycling (if desired)
- Bed linen and towels
- English speaking tour guide

Not included in the basic tour price 2027

- 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
- SGR Insolvency protection (5€ per person)

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 SGR Insolvency protection (mandatory consumer contribution SGR insolvency protection guarantee scheme: € 5 per person - will be specified separately on the booking confirmation)

Prices for Additional Optional Services 2027

Surcharge for a cabin above deck (limited)	250 euro per person
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 bikewith Ortlieb pannier	Hybrid bicycle:120 euro/week Gravel bike: 200 euro/week E-bike:273 euro/week
Limited liability protection for rental bikes (theft and damage) (not covered: grossly negligent damages)	Hybrid bicycle:14 euro/week E-bike/Gravel bike:28 euro/week
Bringing a private e-bike (battery must be removable - e-bikes with built-in batteries cannot be charged on board. E-Bikes must not weigh more than 23 kg without the battery)	28 euro/e-bike

Special dietary requests (Vegan / Gluten free/ Lactose free)	70 euro
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:onRequest
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)	75 euro person/way 75 euro bicycle/way
Exclusive transfers	On request
Extension programs	Prices and information see: Extension Program Zagreb

Discounts 2027

- 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
16.04.2027 – 23.04.2027	Linda	Omišalj	Omišalj	1.179,00 €
30.04.2027 – 07.05.2027	Linda	Omišalj	Omišalj	1.349,00 €
14.05.2027 – 21.05.2027	Linda	Omišalj	Omišalj	1.559,00 €
01.10.2027 – 08.10.2027	Linda	Omišalj	Omišalj	1.559,00 €
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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 in 2027, will take place between 1:00 and 1:30 pm. The boat will leave from Omišalj at 2 pm. Please do not book a flight that arrives after 1 pm without first consulting one of our office team members.

Contact us

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.

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 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 train

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

Transfer Options

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

Airport/Main Train Station Zagreb - Port of Embarkation

Departure times from Zagreb Airport on embarkation day: 12:15 pm or 11:30 am from Zagreb Main Train Station

Departure time 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).