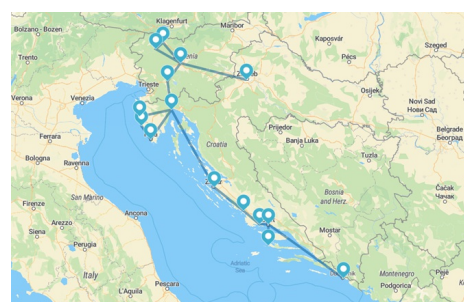




Adriatic, 12 Days · Tailor-made by car

Route along the Slovenian-Croatian Adriatic Coast

The privileged Adriatic Coast is the perfect destination for World Heritage Sites, unique experiences and a truly different holiday that combines beautiful beaches with ancient cities oozing Central European elegance, and where you'll discover a major historical and cultural heritage and a huge host of leisure and entertainment options. The intriguing "Tour along the Adriatic Coast" will let you leisurely explore the most outstanding landmarks of stunning Croatia and romantic Slovenia, all complemented by a surprising cuisine and colourful traditions that have been passed down from generation to generation. Croatia entices travellers with legendary cities such as Zagreb, Zadar, Šibenik, Split and Dubrovnik. You'll never forget unique enclaves like Varaždin, known as the City of Angels, or the seductive stone-built citadel of Trogir, nicknamed Little Venice. Located on an island and linked by bridges to the mainland, Trogir is considered one of the most fascinating places in the Mediterranean. A packed tour through Croatia that will take you to Hvar Island, one of the country's most fashionable resorts, and let you explore the picture-postcard Istrian Peninsula, summer destination of Europe's leading aristocracy over the centuries. In Slovenia, you'll be amazed at the romantic capital of Ljubljana, which boasts one of the most beautiful historic quarters in all of Europe; the country town of Bled, gateway to the magnificent Julian Alps; the medieval Predjama Castle, built inside a cave 123 metres above sea level; and the incredible Postojna Caves, the largest and most visited karst stalactite haven in Europe. There are countless reasons that will encourage you to explore the privileged Adriatic Coast, so come and join us now.



CULTURAL

Departure date: Departures from July 2026 till June 2027

From: London

Travel details

● DAY 1 · CITY OF ORIGIN - ZAGREB

Flight departure from the city of origin to Zagreb.

Arrival and rental car pick-up.

Capital of Croatia and political, financial, intellectual and cultural hub of the country. This vibrant European metropolis surprises the traveller with its inexhaustible vitality, its university atmosphere, its interesting proposals from local designers, and its extensive historical, cultural and artistic heritage. We recommend a leisurely stroll through the old town, the true heart of the city, which evokes the proud past and splendour enjoyed with the Austro-Hungarian Empire, or a visit to the city's beautiful and enchanting courtyards full of amazing art galleries and cute cafes. With its 20 theatres, 30 museums, 45 galleries and 13 art collections, this mythical city of central European elegance entertains travellers with an attractive schedule of entertainment for all tastes and budgets. Take advantage of your trip to Zagreb to savour delicious dishes such as turkey with "mlinci" (flatbread), the typical "štrukli" (cooked or baked cheese pastry) or "sa zeljem krpice" (braised pasta with shredded cabbage).

Overnight stay in Zagreb.

● DAY 2 · ZAGREB - VARAŽDIN - ZAGREB

Another day exploring the heart of Croatia and discovering unique places such as the Cathedral of the Assumption of Our Lady, St. Mark's church, the Stone Gate and Lotrščak tower, the National Theatre... Nestled in the foothills of the beautiful Medvednica Natural Park, as in almost all the great medieval European cities, Zagreb is actually two cities in one: the Lower Town and the Upper Town, both linked by a legendary electric blue funicular. In the morning, we'll set off for the beautiful city of Varaždin, some 87 kilometres from the capital. Known as the "City of Angels", it captivates visitors with its genuine and welcoming atmosphere and unique places such as King Tomislav Square and the Drašković Palace. If you have time, head over to the pretty medieval village of Samobor. Now back in Zagreb, we can savour the delicious local cuisine at its fine restaurants and lively terraces. Overnight stay in Zagreb.

● DAY 3 · ZAGREB - LJUBLJANA

Another day exploring the heart of Croatia and discovering unique places such as the Cathedral of the Assumption of Our Lady, St. Mark's church, the Stone Gate and Lotrščak tower, the National Theatre, the Parliament building...

Later in the morning, we'll set off to the neighbouring country of Slovenia, specifically to its beautiful capital popularly known as the "City of love and dragons", which is located about 143 kilometres away, with 131 of them by motorway. Romantic, manageable, affordable, modern and laid-back, the city of Ljubljana welcomes the traveller with open arms. Here we'll savour some delicious cuisine and discover one of the most beautiful old towns in Europe. Take a leisurely stroll through this city crossed by the Ljubljanica River and explore its many charming attractions such as the Castle, the Cathedral of St. Nicholas, Preseren Square, the charismatic Bridge of the Shoemakers, churches and baroque houses, Tivoli park, and the Central Market... At night, soak up the genuine atmosphere in its bustling medieval squares located in the old quarter.

Overnight stay in Ljubljana.

● DAY 4 · LJUBLJANA - BLED - BOHINJ - LJUBLJANA

More time to enjoy this pocket-sized European capital. Its attractive cultural offer -the city offers works by young and talented artists and interesting galleries and cultural activities- and the mark left on the streets of the different historical stages and the masterful Slovenian architect Joze Plečnik bring to the city a unique atmosphere, surprises and many comparisons with the beautiful city of Prague. Very close to the capital (about 55 kilometres) is the rural town of Bled, gateway to the majestic Julian Alps. A picture-postcard location famous for its glacial lake surrounded by mountains. Nestled at the foot of the Triglav massif, its fairytale landscapes invite you to stroll leisurely and forget about the madding crowd. We recommend sailing over to the small island in the lake to unearth the secret hidden inside. After driving for around 25 minutes through beautiful natural landscapes, we'll arrive at Lake Bohinj, another quirk of nature. To get some amazing photos, we suggest climbing the 975 metres on the cable car. The spectacular natural setting of the glacial lake captivates even the most discerning traveller. Now back to the capital, we'll have more time to spend at the many cafes, pubs and bars lining the banks of the River Ljubljanica and guaranteeing laid-back evenings at a good price. Overnight stay in Ljubljana.

● DAY 5 · LJUBLJANA - POSTOJNA CAVES AND PREDJAMA CASTLE - OPATIJA

More time to explore Slovenia now. Lying around 45 kilometres from the capital are two other jewels of the country: the medieval castle Predjama, built inside a cave at a height of 123 metres and the mysterious refuge of rebel Erazem of Predjama; and the incredible caves of Postojna, the largest and most visited karst stalactite system in Europe and which can be toured on a mini-train (tour not included). After the visit, we'll head back onto the road. Then it's back to Croatia to discover the natural beauty, delicious cuisine and wonderful serenity of the pretty Opatija, a lively city located in Kvarner Bay which opened up to tourism in 1844, when a visionary businessman decided to open the first hotel in the city. Since then, Opatija has been a popular beach, nature and wellness destination. Its innate elegance, its 12-kilometre waterfront promenade and the serenity given off by its natural setting turned the city into a summer resort for the aristocracy and monarchy of the Austro-Hungarian Empire. Today, the town attracts travellers from all over Europe. Overnight stay in Opatija.

● DAY 6 · OPATIJA - TOUR OF ISTRIA (PULA - ROVINJ - POREČ) - OPATIJA

Today is a perfect day to take an interesting tour around the Istria peninsula, the largest in Croatia. We recommend a visit to the city of Pula and its amazing first-century amphitheatre. Witness to bygone battles between gladiators, the magnificent building now hosts interesting concerts and festivals. Other jewels on this route are the small coastal town of Rovinj, with its famous Santa Eufemia church, one of the most beautiful baroque buildings in Istria; the Batana Eco-Museum, declared Intangible Cultural Heritage Site by UNESCO; and the quaint Poreč, with its Euphrasian Basilica, also a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Throughout the day, you'll be in awe of its mild climate, beautiful flower-adorned gardens and colourful landscapes peppered with forests, olive trees, rosemary and lavender... And the special charisma of its people, influenced by the exquisite European aristocracy and the inquisitive and cosmopolitan vision of the Lošinj sailors, who filled this land with exotic plants from different corners of the world.

Back and overnight stay in Opatija.

● DAY 7 · OPATIJA - ZADAR (OPTIONAL VISIT TO PLITVICE NATIONAL PARK)

There's a fascinating yet intense day ahead, so we recommend getting on the road early in the morning. We'll set off in the direction of the ancient yet lively city of Zadar, located some 300 kilometres away, an unmissable place for exploring the cultural identity of the Croats. If you have time, make a slight detour to the magnificent Plitvice National Park, one of the most beautiful natural destinations in the country. (Note: Remember that the visit to Plitvice Park will take you at least two hours. If you fancy heading there, we recommend taking the motorway from Rijeka to Karlovac and then the local road down to the park itself. From Plitvice, you can continue on the local road until you reach the motorway that will take you to Zadar). And then it's time for the charismatic city of Zadar! Despite having been bombed in World War II, and again by the Serbs in the 1990s, the city still retains a special atmosphere, outstanding traditions and an interesting old quarter packed with attractions. Sights to be checked out include its two cathedrals, the Roman Forum and its Archaeological Museum, the bustling Narodni Trg (People's Square), the ancient heart of Venetian Zadar... The city is full of cute cafes, lively bars and good restaurants to sample local delicacies such as Pag lamb, Maraschino liqueur or "šokol" from Nin... And in the evening, admire one of the most beautiful sunsets in Croatia from its promenade, where you'll also see the architectural installations of "Sea Organ" and "Greeting to the Sun", two symbols of the city. Overnight stay in Zadar.

● DAY 8 · ZADAR - ŠIBENIK - TROGIR - SPLIT

Lovers of Heritage of Humanity Sites are in luck. Today will be packed with landmarks recognised by UNESCO for their historical and cultural importance. Off we go!

We leave Zadar to visit the beautiful Šibenik, an ancient city that beholds treasures such as the Cathedral of St. James, declared a World Heritage Site.

After visiting its labyrinthine historic quarter, we'll drive over to Trogir, where we'll discover a charming all-stone citadel declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO.

Located on the stunning Dalmatian Coast and popularly known as Miniature Venice, Trogir is considered one of the most fascinating places in the Mediterranean.

Located on an island linked to the mainland by bridges, it has a beautifully-preserved old quarter that can be seen in about 750 steps. The last stop of this exciting day will be Split. Treasures waiting for us there include the opulent Diocletian's Palace, some 1,700 years old and a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Overnight stay in Split.

● DAY 9 · SPLIT - HVAR - SPLIT

We have all day today to wander around the amazing city of Split and enjoy its cheerful Mediterranean spirit. With one of the most beautiful old quarters in Europe, the lively maze-like Diocletian's Palace complex each year attracts tourists from all corners of the world. Declared a World Heritage Site along with part of the old quarter, this gigantic royal complex is home to trendy bars, interesting art galleries and elegant courtyards... Besides the palace, the city entices travellers with beautiful coastal scenery, a lively promenade (Riva), chic avenues such as Marmontova and squares with Viennese charm such as Trg Republike... If you have time, hop on a ferry to Hvar, a stunning island smelling of lavender, rosemary and pine, where you'll discover virgin forests and pristine white-pebbled beaches. Its lively atmosphere has made it fashionable among domestic and international tourists.

Note. The main road connecting the town of Hvar with Stari Grad is of a good quality. The landscapes are highly recommended.

Overnight stay in Split.

● DAY 10 · SPLIT - DUBROVNIK

We leave Split to drive into southern Dalmatia. If you wish, you can choose to take the road through the beautiful coastal towns of Omiš, Brela, Baška Voda and Makarska to enjoy the sea air and authentic charm of the fishing villages along the sensational Dalmatian coast (a journey of about 4 hours' drive). Alternatively, you can choose to take the Croatian inland route to the town of Mostar (Bosnia-Herzegovina), where you can visit the famous bridge that gave its name to the city, or Spanish Square, named in gratitude for the help provided by Spain after the Bosnian War (a journey of about 5 hours' drive). We'll end the day in the captivating city of Dubrovnik.

Known as the "Pearl of the Adriatic" and declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO, it is one of the most impressive cities in the country.

Overnight stay in Dubrovnik.

DAY 11 · DUBROVNIK

History, culture, cuisine, nature... There are a multitude of reasons that have made the walled city of Dubrovnik, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, one of the most desirable tourist destinations in the world. Marvel at its incredible Baroque old town, one of the most beautiful in Europe; its emblematic walls; its historical and cultural importance; the extraordinary landscapes that surround the city; its many international music and theatre festivals; its cultural events; and its unmistakable spirit... No matter what time of year you visit, the city will always exceed your expectations. A key location for the famous series "Game of Thrones", the Croatian city seduces even the most experienced traveller with its inexhaustible energy, its warm Mediterranean climate and its monuments designed by architects and artists alike...

And after sunset, enjoy its lively nightlife.

Overnight stay in Dubrovnik.

DAY 12 · DUBROVNIK - CITY OF ORIGIN

Arrival at the airport with enough time to drop off your rental car and flight back to the city of origin.

Arrival. End of the trip and our services.

Your trip includes

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- ✓ Return flight.
- ✓ Stay in selected hotel in Zagreb.
- ✓ Selected meal plan in Zagreb.
- ✓ Stay in selected hotel in Ljubljana.
- ✓ Selected meal plan in Ljubljana.
- ✓ Stay in selected hotel in Opatija.
- ✓ Selected meal plan in Opatija.
- ✓ Stay in selected hotel in Zadar.
- ✓ Selected meal plan in Zadar.
- ✓ Stay in selected hotel in Split.
- ✓ Selected meal plan in Split.
- ✓ Stay in selected hotel in Dubrovnik.
- ✓ Selected meal plan in Dubrovnik.
- ✓ Rent-a-car.
- ✓ Insolvency protection.
- ✓ Amount of the supplement for collection and return of the vehicle in a different office.

Your trip doesn't include

- ✗ Accommodation taxes in Croatia direct payment in facility.
- ✗ Accommodation taxes in Ljubljana direct payment in facility.
- ✗ Accommodation taxes in Slovenia direct payment in facility.
- ✗ Possible toll charges.

Destinations Visited

Zagreb



Ljubljana



Bled



Bohinj



Postojna



Opatija



Pula



Rovinj



Porec



Zadar



Sibenik



Trogir



Split



Hvar City



Dubrovnik



Important remarks

- Driving through Croatia: Motorways in Croatia have tolls, which you have to pay for each individual stretch of road. For more information, you can contact the Croatian Embassy based in your country.
- Triple rooms in Europe are generally rooms with twin beds or a double, in which a folding bed is installed to accommodate the third person. Due to the inconvenience this causes, we advise against using this option as far as possible.
- Check-in time at the hotel on the day of arrival depends on each establishment, but in no case will it be before 3:00 p.m., unless otherwise indicated.
- - Driving in the Republic of Slovenia. Important: vignette required on motorways. To drive on Slovenian motorways, you must have a valid electronic vignette. Please note that rental cars do not always include this automatically, so it is essential to check with the company before starting your journey. If you are entering Slovenia from a neighbouring country, you must ensure that you have a valid vignette before using any section of motorway. Driving without one may result in financial penalties. Regulations, vignette types and conditions are subject to change, so we recommend that you always check the latest official information before travelling or confirm the details with the car hire company when you collect the vehicle.
- The proposed excursions and tours for each day are purely suggestions, as you can tailor the trip to suit your times, tastes and needs.
- A credit card is considered a guarantee, so sometimes you will need one for check-in at hotels.
- Hotels usually have cots available. Otherwise, babies will have to share a bed with an adult.
- To pick up your rental car, you'll need a credit (not debit) card in the name of the person who made the booking, who must also be the named driver of the vehicle.
- Consult the necessary documentation to enter the destinations visited and for transit in the countries where air stopovers are made.
- Please make sure you have a valid passport for this tour as we'll be crossing several international borders.
- You must give notice that you are going to cross the border while collecting the vehicle. Authorisation may be required to drive through certain countries or areas/states (as is the case in the US and Canada). Depending on the conditions set out in the rental contract and the company hired, you might be charged a surcharge payable at the destination office.
- Suggested round-trip ferry rides are optional and not included in the final price. If you intend to take the car on a ferry, please let the rental company know at the time of pick-up to receive authorisation. Depending on the conditions agreed to in the rental contract and the company you choose, you might be charged a fee payable at the destination.