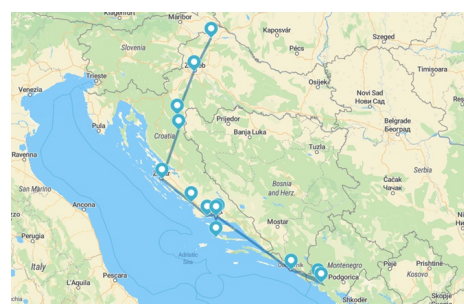




Adriatic, 10 Days · Tailor-made by car

## From Zagreb to Dubrovnik Route

Explore the beautiful imperial Croatia at your own pace and soak up the splendour of the elegant Austro-Hungarian Empire. Discover magical places that will awaken your senses as you drive along. On your route, you'll come across ancient cities full of tradition, stunning Mediterranean landscapes, sweeping stretches of coastline dotted with quaint fishing villages, and incredible eco-destinations such as the picturesque Rastoke and the jaw-dropping Plitvice Natural Park. Get ready to enjoy its cultural and historical legacy, its vibrant nightlife, its fascinating range of leisure and entertainment activities, its cuisine full of fusions, textures and flavours, and its inexhaustible Mediterranean spirit. Anything can happen in beautiful Croatia. Your self-drive tour takes in enthralling cities such as Zagreb, Zadar, Šibenik, Trogir, Split and Dubrovnik, as well as sightseeing tours to the ruins of Salona, the charming town of Cavtat, the Arboretum of Trsteno or Hvar, an extraordinary island frequented by celebrities from around the world. If you have time, take a trip to Mostar (Bosnia-Herzegovina) and Montenegro. Travel to Croatia and enjoy the drive.



**Departure date:** Departures from July 2026 till July 2027

**From:** London

## Travel details

### ● DAY 1 · CITY OF ORIGIN - ZAGREB

Flight departure from the city of origin to Zagreb 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 - RASTOKE (LITTLE PLITVICE) - PLITVICE LAKES NATIONAL PARK - PLITVICE

After enjoying the charms of the Croatian capital and visiting must-sees such as St. Mark's church, the Cathedral and the famous Museum of Broken Relationships, today we'll set off on one of the most spectacular nature-rich legs of the journey. Our destination: Plitvice National Park, a paradise of limestone pools, lakes and waterfalls, declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site. No matter what time of year you decide to visit, the landscapes are always breathtaking. Bear in mind that it will take you at least 4 hours to explore this ecological treasure. Before making your way into one of the most important eco-friendly sites in Central Europe, we recommend a quick trip to the picturesque village of Rastoke. Known as "Little Plitvice", it is one of the most charming towns of inland Croatia.

Overnight stay in Plitvice.

## ● DAY 4 · PLITVICE - ZADAR

After enjoying a pleasant stroll through the beautiful natural surroundings of Plitvice, we'll head for the ancient yet vibrant city of Zadar, a must-visit to learn about the cultural identity of the Croatian people. 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 5 · ZADAR - ŠIBENIK - TROGIR - RUINS OF SOLIN - SPLIT

After a leisurely stroll around the vibrant city of Zadar, we'll head off on an interesting journey that will take us to places full of history and legends. Our first stop will be Šibenik, the beautiful city of King Krešimir. Founded by the Croats over a thousand years ago, the old town poses a very different image to typical Adriatic cities. Its maze-like historical quarter lets visitors travel back in time to bygone eras. A must-visit is the Cathedral of St. James, declared a World Heritage Site. Next stop is Trogir, where we'll discover a charming all-stone citadel declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO and 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. En route to Split, we'll visit the ruins of Salona (Solín), the ancient capital of the Roman province of Dalmatia. Please note: The cities of Šibenik and Split are well connected by motorway, but the coast road means you can stop and discover charming villages, privileged vantage points, picturesque harbours and beautiful beaches and coves.

Overnight stay in Split.

## ● DAY 6 · 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 7 · 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 8 · 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 9 · DUBROVNIK

During the day, we can continue discovering the charms of Dubrovnik, such as its bustling main street Stradun, the Sponza and Rector palaces, the Minčeta tower, the Lovrijenac fort, or the baroque church of St. Blaise... Later in the morning, we can choose from various trips out to delightful places such as Cavtat or the Trsteno Arboretum. Another option is to drive to neighbouring Montenegro, where we recommend a visit to Perast, with the famous islet of Our Lady of the Rocks, or the town of Kotor, famous for the Cathedral of St. Tryphon. Back to Dubrovnik, we recommend taking the funicular that leads to Mount Srd, where we can enjoy beautiful sunsets. The perfect finale to an unforgettable journey.

Overnight stay in Dubrovnik.

## ● DAY 10 · 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

## Your trip includes

- ✓ Return flight.
- ✓ Stay in selected hotel in Zagreb.
- ✓ Selected meal plan in Zagreb.
- ✓ Stay in selected hotel in Plitvice.
- ✓ Selected meal plan in Plitvice.
- ✓ 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.
- ✗ Possible toll charges.

# Destinations Visited

Zagreb



Varaždin



Rastoke



Plitvice



Zadar



Sibenik



Trogir



Solin



Split



Hvar City



Dubrovnik



Perast



Kotor



## 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.