

Island Hopping By Bike & Boat Southern Dalmatia 2020

Trogir - Split - Stari Grad - Vrboška - Jelsa - Stari Grad - Hvar - Vela Luka - Blato - Prigradica - Makarska - Omiš - Cetina River Canyon - Omiš - Pučišća - Postira - Šolta - Trogir

This bike & boat cruise through Southern Dalmatia will take you past unique little towns and through the beautiful island world. Experience the islands of Brač, Korčula and Šolta as well as the beautiful lavender Island of Hvar. Stroll around Hvar Town with its mighty fortress and enjoy the relaxed atmosphere in the artist's town of Stari Grad. The UNESCO World Heritage Sites of Trogir and Split will add to the highlights and inspire with their incredible history. Try a variation of local specialties on your journey, especially the local wines also referred to locally as "God's drop". This cruise is occasionally offered parallel to the mountain bike cruise in Southern Dalmatia on the same ship. In that case one guide will cycle with the mountain bikers while the other will accompany the hybrid cyclists. Due to changing wind and weather conditions as well as organizational requirements the cruise could be conducted in reverse order.

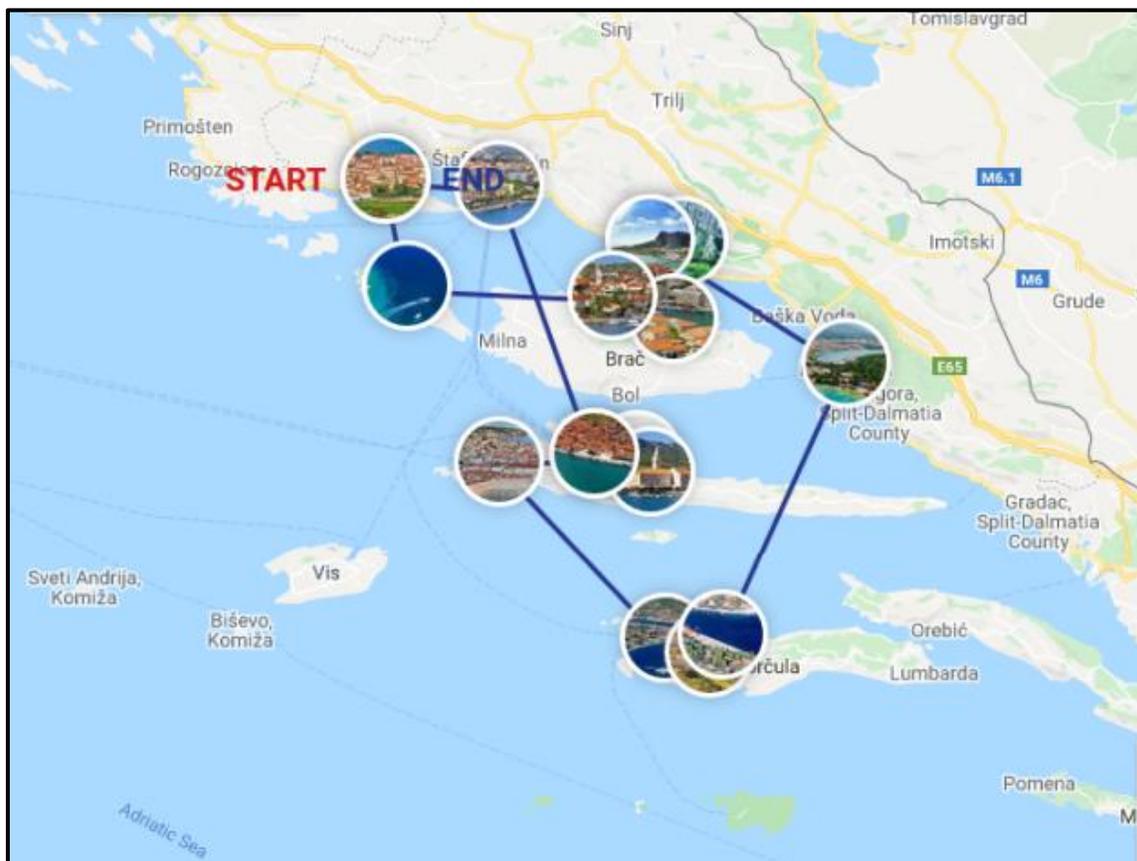
Approx 175km by bicycle, Fitness Level 2-3

Check in: **TROGIR** on SATURDAYS from 1400-1430HRS, departs Trogir Port at 1500HRS

Check out: **TROGIR** on SATURDAYS by 0900HRS

Boats on this Route:

MS Kapetan Jure MS Romantica MS San Snova



Day by day Itinerary

Day 1

Individual arrival by car to Trogir or by plane to Split Airport, which is approx 5km away from Trogir Port. After checking in on the motor yacht between 1400HRS and 1430HRS, the first cruise starts at approx 1500HRS from Trogir to Split. The old town of Split, built into the famous palace of the Roman Emperor Diocletian, is listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Overnight stay in Split.

Day 2

In the morning cross over to the lovely natural harbour of Stari Grad on the Island of Hvar. Our afternoon cycling tour on the Island of Hvar leads us through the quaint harbour towns of Jelsa and Vrboska. We start off through the vineyards on the famous 'Stari Grad Plains' and continue along a picturesque coastal road through the town of Vrboska, sometimes referred to as 'little Venice' to the harbour town of Jelsa. Afterwards we return to Stari Grad for our overnight stay. **Cycle route approx 20km**

Day 3

Today we cycle once across the length of the island. Today's tour leads us along the almost traffic free road through quaint villages to the island's capital, Hvar Town, where we visit the magnificent Renaissance Square and enjoy the view from the Spanish Fortress, situated high above the town. After today's tour, the ship takes us to the Island of Korčula. Overnight stay in Vela Luka.

Cycle route approx 22km

Day 4

Today we discover the Island of Korčula by bicycle. The calmness and remoteness of the vast vegetation and cypress gardens have given the shape to the probably most beautiful Dalmatian island. Our cycle tour leads us via the village of Blato, like Rome built on seven hills, and on to the harbour of Prigradica. The boat awaits our arrival at lunch, and we set off for Makarska. If the weather permits, we will organise a swim stop in a nice bay. The evening can be enjoyed along the famous Makarska Riviera.

Cycle route approx 37km

Day 5

A short crossing during breakfast to Omiš. Today you have the choice between taking part on a bike tour around the Cetina River Canyon or participating on a rafting excursion down the Cetina River (not included in the cruise price). The bike tour takes you once around the outskirts of the canyon with great views over the river and back down towards the sea. The rafting group will be picked up from the ship by a bus and taken up the river to the starting point. From here we follow the river downstream in the rafts, gaining a unique perspective of the canyon and its flora and fauna. Participants of the rafting trip are brought back to the ship in the bus after the activity. In the afternoon we have time to explore Omiš or to go for a swim at the nearby beach. The night is spent in Omiš.

Cycle route approx 44km

Day 6

Today we cruise to the Island of Brač, which is famous for its radiant, precious limestone that was, among others, used for the White House in Washington DC or the Reichstag building in Berlin. From the picturesque harbour town of Pučišća, home to one of the most famous masonry schools in Croatia, our bike tour takes us to the neighbouring town of Postira. From here, we board the ship and cruise to the Island of Šolta. Here we can take part on a 4.5km hike with a visit to the local beekeeper Goran along the way. Goran has worked with bees his whole life and they are his true passion. He teaches of their importance in the world and allows his guests to try the delicious bee products that he makes. We spend the night in the harbour of Rogač on Šolta Island. **Cycle route approx 32km**

Day 7

On the Island of Šolta we commence our last bike tour. Walled fields, numerous olive groves, locust bean and fig trees line the roads. The herbal scent of rosemary accompanies us along our tour across the island. After a round tour of the island, we return to the ship. We board and enjoy the last crossing to Trogir past the cliffs of the Čiovo Peninsula. There is still plenty of time to visit the old town of Trogir, listed as a UNESCO World Cultural Heritage Site. The last evening onboard our ship is celebrated in traditional fashion. While enjoying the communal dinner in a celebrative atmosphere we will have the chance for a last get-together with our crew and tour guides. **Cycle route approx 20km**

Day 8

Cruise ends after breakfast and disembarkation by 0900HRS.

Inclusions

- 7 Nights in A/C cabin with ensuite
- 4 Full Board, 3 Half Board
- Cruise Guide - English, German
- Guided cycling tours as per itinerary
- 21-Speed Hybrid Bike with Ortlieb Pannier
- Overview maps for the daily tours (onboard)
- Bed linen & towels
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Exclusions

Supplements Payable Upon Embarkation

- Taxes, Fees, Bottled Water Flat Rate €50pp approx.

Not Included

- Entrances for sights not listed in Inclusions
- Arrival/departure transfers

Optional Extras

- E-Bike Upgrade \$230 per person
- Insurance against theft/damage of the hybrid bike \$25 per bike
- Insurance against theft/damage of the e-bike \$50 per bike

Pricing and Accommodation

Start Date	End Date	Premium MS San Snova	Upper/Main DeckTwinSingle	Lower DeckTwinSingle
Sat 02 May 20	Sat 09 May 20	\$2,620	\$3,940	\$2,350 \$3,485
Sat 16 May 20	Sat 23 May 20	\$2,800	\$4,120	\$2,530 \$3,665
Sat 30 May 20	Sat 06 Jun 20	\$2,800	\$4,120	\$2,530 \$3,665
Sat 06 Jun 20	Sat 13 Jun 20	\$2,800	\$4,120	\$2,530 \$3,665
Sat 13 Jun 20	Sat 20 Jun 20	\$2,800	\$4,120	\$2,530 \$3,665
Sat 20 Jun 20	Sat 27 Jun 20	\$2,800	\$4,120	\$2,530 \$3,665
Sat 22 Aug 20	Sat 29 Aug 20	\$2,800	\$4,120	\$2,530 \$3,665
Sat 29 Aug 20	Sat 05 Sep 20	\$2,985	\$4,300	\$2,710 \$3,850
Sat 19 Sep 20	Sat 26 Sep 20	\$2,985	\$4,300	\$2,710 \$3,850
Sat 26 Sep 20	Sat 03 Oct 20	\$2,985	\$4,300	\$2,710 \$3,850
Sat 17 Oct 20	Sat 24 Oct 20	\$2,440	\$3,755	\$2,165 \$3,300
Sat 24 Oct 20	Sat 31 Oct 20	\$2,440	\$3,755	\$2,165 \$3,300

Start Date	End Date	Premium MS Romantica	Upper/Main DeckTwinSingle	Lower DeckTwinSingle
Sat 18 Apr 20	Sat 25 Apr 20	\$2,440	\$3,755	\$2,165 \$3,300
Sat 02 May 20	Sat 09 May 20	\$2,620	\$3,940	\$2,350 \$3,485
Sat 16 May 20	Sat 23 May 20	\$2,800	\$4,120	\$2,530 \$3,665
Sat 30 May 20	Sat 06 Jun 20	\$2,800	\$4,120	\$2,530 \$3,665
Sat 13 Jun 20	Sat 20 Jun 20	\$2,800	\$4,120	\$2,530 \$3,665
Sat 27 Jun 20	Sat 04 Jul 20	\$2,800	\$4,120	\$2,530 \$3,665
Sat 11 Jul 20	Sat 18 Jul 20	\$2,800	\$4,120	\$2,530 \$3,665
Sat 25 Jul 20	Sat 01 Aug 20	\$2,800	\$4,120	\$2,530 \$3,665
Sat 01 Aug 20	Sat 08 Aug 20	\$2,800	\$4,120	\$2,530 \$3,665

Start Date	End Date	Premium MS San Snova			
		Upper/Main Deck	TwinSingle	Lower Deck	TwinSingle
Sat 15 Aug 20	Sat 22 Aug 20	\$2,800	\$4,120	\$2,530	\$3,665
Sat 29 Aug 20	Sat 05 Sep 20	\$2,985	\$4,300	\$2,710	\$3,850
Sat 12 Sep 20	Sat 19 Sep 20	\$2,985	\$4,300	\$2,710	\$3,850
Sat 26 Sep 20	Sat 03 Oct 20	\$2,985	\$4,300	\$2,710	\$3,850
Sat 10 Oct 20	Sat 17 Oct 20	\$2,620	\$3,940	\$2,350	\$3,485

Start Date	End Date	Traditional Ensuite MS Kateptan Jure			
		Upper/Main Deck	TwinSingle	Lower Deck	TwinSingle
Sat 25 Apr 20	Sat 02 May 20	\$1,985	\$3,165	\$1,800	\$2,710
Sat 09 May 20	Sat 16 May 20	\$2,165	\$3,350	\$1,985	\$2,895
Sat 23 May 20	Sat 30 May 20	\$2,165	\$3,350	\$1,985	\$2,895
Sat 06 Jun 20	Sat 13 Jun 20	\$2,165	\$3,350	\$1,985	\$2,895
Sat 20 Jun 20	Sat 27 Jun 20	\$2,165	\$3,350	\$1,985	\$2,895
Sat 22 Aug 20	Sat 29 Aug 20	\$2,165	\$3,350	\$1,985	\$2,895
Sat 05 Sep 20	Sat 12 Sep 20	\$2,350	\$3,530	\$2,165	\$3,075
Sat 19 Sep 20	Sat 26 Sep 20	\$2,350	\$3,530	\$2,165	\$3,075
Sat 03 Oct 20	Sat 10 Oct 20	\$2,165	\$3,350	\$1,985	\$2,895

Important Notes

Upper Deck Cabins are above the Main Deck

Main Deck Cabins are on the Main Deck

Lower Deck Cabins are in the hull of the ship, below the Main Deck

Upper & Main Deck Cabins are allocated according to availability

Captain reserves the right to change the route in case of bad weather conditions, crowding or other circumstances out of his control. Departures are guaranteed for minimum 10 participants. Cruise Operator reserves the right to cancel or change the ship name if necessary. Guests are obliged to follow ship rules (found in written form onboard). Guests are not permitted to bring beverages onboard the vessel that have been purchased onshore. All drinks must be purchased onboard. In the event of inappropriate behaviour, the Cruise Operator and Captain reserves the right to disembark guests. Most arrival times in port are in the late afternoon.

Port taxes, entrance fees, sightseeing and excursions (if not included in the package) must be paid in local currency upon arrival. EUR currency quoted is converted on the spot to the equivalent in Croatian Kuna.

Fitness Level 2-3

The cycle tours require at least basic level of fitness from participants, which they should have acquired from steady cycling. The tours will take us up to a height of 200-650m above sea-level. The day-tours from 20-60km will take us through hilly and mountainous terrain and will be completed without any time constraints. Participants will also need to master long and steep climbs, during which they are, however, also permitted to push their bicycles. We traverse mostly asphalted roads, which are rarely traveled on outside the holiday seasons. You are free to set aside a half or full day to swim or spend onboard the ship, instead of taking a planned cycle tour. Helmet use is mandatory on all cycle tours. You are strongly encouraged to bring your own (well-fitted) helmet. Rental helmets are available in limited numbers (reservation required).

Hybrid Bicycles or similar (Included)

Basic bicycles with trapeze or diamond frame that are available in four frame sizes. Trapeze frame in 46cm and 52cm or diamond frame with top tube in 56cm and 60cm. All bicycles are equipped with a precise Shimano gear shift, Shimano V-brakes with strong "bite", 71cm hollow chamber rims with quick clamps, safety mudguards and a comfortable touring saddle of Selle Royal. The rental bikes are only available for participants that are taller than 150cm. In order to supply you with the bicycle that fits you, we need to know how tall you are.



\Panniers (Included)

For the duration of the cruise you will be supplied with a waterproof pannier by Ortlieb, a practical way of carrying drinks, bathing gear, camera etc. The use of panniers is free of charge. To ensure that bike panniers remain waterproof they have to be closed tight. Although panniers are manufactured from waterproof material we cannot be held liable for any damage that might be caused to any personal belongings like mobile phones, cameras etc.



E-Bikes Cube Cross Hybrid Pro Allroad 500 or similar (Upgrade Available On Request)

Cycle hassle-free and climb mountains without difficulty, enjoy nature and landscapes unlimited. Electronic bikes will make it possible. They are the declaration of independence for everybody who enjoys activity. E-bikes are characterized by their light weight (20kg without the battery installed) and their ability to ride in varying terrain. This model is fitted with a performance motor, the most advanced e-bike motor on the market. The range of the 500WH battery is noticeably better than that of the previous model, Delhi Hybrid Pro 400. The 9 gears are perfectly in tune with the motor and are easy to operate. Trapeze frame is available for all participants up to 179cm tall, and a diamond frame for participants 180cm+ tall.



Itinerary Changes

Cruise operator reserves the right to make changes to the planned itinerary due to changing wind and weather conditions as well as organizational requirements. Should it be the case for example that the harbours on the above-mentioned cruise sequence are overcrowded, the cruise will be operated in reverse.

Children

We believe that only children in a good physical condition and with a minimum age of 10, with previous bicycle tour experience are able to master the cycle tours on their own strength. Please note that the minimum height for a rental bike is 120cm. There is a helmet duty for all children up to age 16 in Croatia.

Catering

The cook onboard is a member of the crew and prepares the breakfast and one or two warm meals a day. The catering consists of 4 x Full Board and 3 x Half Board. Catering starts with the dinner on the arrival day and ends with the breakfast on the departure day.

Language

Cruise and cycle tours are conducted bilingually (English, German).

Participants

Minimum 14 / Maximum 30+

Disclaimer

Due to specific mooring conditions and requirements in some Croatian Ports, ships are moored side by side. This makes it necessary to cross from one ship to the other where there are gaps in between each ship. Special care must be taken at all times when crossing between the vessels and guests do this at their own risk. Crew assistance will be given to those needing and requesting it. Cruises are not recommended for those in wheelchairs or with limited mobility.