

Best of Croatia and Slovenia

11 Days

2 Countries

14 Meals

From US\$2350 Per person, twin share

Don't miss a thing on this epic Croatia and Slovenia trip where the travel highlight is a heart-warming visit with Monika and Gregor on their ecological farm near Lake Bled. Along with all the main sights, you'll soak up the sun-kissed village atmosphere on the sparkling Adriatic.

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Your Must-See Highlights

- **Explore** Zagreb, Pula, Rovinj, Plitvice National Park, Trogir, Split and Dubrovnik with a Local Specialist
- **Discover** Ljubljana, Bled, Opatija and Ston
- **Visit** the Church of Assumption on Bled Island, the arena in Pula, Diocletian's Palace in Split and the salt pans in Ston
- **View** the Park of Sv. Jakov in Opatija
- **See** Zagreb's Ban Jelačić Square, the Triple Bridge and Castle of Ljubljana and the Old City of Dubrovnik
- **Scenic Cruise** to Bled Island

Your holiday

Day

- 1 Welcome to Zagreb** Embark on an off-the-beaten track discovery of Croatia. The capital city of Zagreb is your springboard to an enchanting journey through what was once a troubled region and is today a land of diverse cultures and traditions. Meet your Travel Director and fellow travellers this evening for a Welcome Reception and orientation drive. **(WR) Hotel: Hilton Garden Inn**
- 2 Journey to Lakeside Bled** Spend the morning exploring Zagreb with a *Local Specialist* before travelling through romantic landscapes to the lakeside resort town of Bled, where we'll stay the next two nights. **(B) Hotel: Park**
- 3 Discover Enchanting Bled** Spend today exploring this magnificent setting on your terms, but not before a scenic boat ride on Lake Bled's crystal-clear waters to Bled Island to view its Church of the Assumption. This evening, at our *Be My Guest* experience, savour local Slovenian flavours as you *Connect With Locals* at a traditional dinner with a local family. **(B, BMG)**
- 4 Onwards to Ljubljana and Opatija** We leave the beauty of Bled behind for one of Europe's smallest capitals. Embark on an orientation tour of Ljubljana this morning, admiring its Old Town, bridges and castle. We continue to the seaside resort of Opatija. **(B) Hotel: Paris**
- 5 Enjoy a Day in Pula and Rovinj** Seaside splendour is on the agenda and you'll start your day in the coastal city of Pula on Croatia's Istrian Peninsula. A visit to the 1st-century arena with a *Local Specialist* will unravel the city's historical role as a strategic location for the Romans, Ostrogoths, Venetians and Allied Forces in World War II. Later, we head to the fishing port of Rovinj, where we wander through the Old Town and witness its Mediterranean influences. Return to Opatija for some free time. See the statuesque nymph, her hand outstretched to cradle a seagull as a symbol of this region, and admire the *belle-époque* architecture. **(B)**
- 6 Off to Stunning Plitvice** The extraordinary natural beauty of Plitvice takes centre stage today as we embark on a guided walking tour. Enjoy your *MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®* Experience today and admire the cascade of spectacular waterfalls reflecting green, grey and blue against the lush landscapes. Enjoy dinner at your hotel in the park. **(B, D, ☞) Hotel: Jezero**



Explore soul-stirring nature in Plitvice.

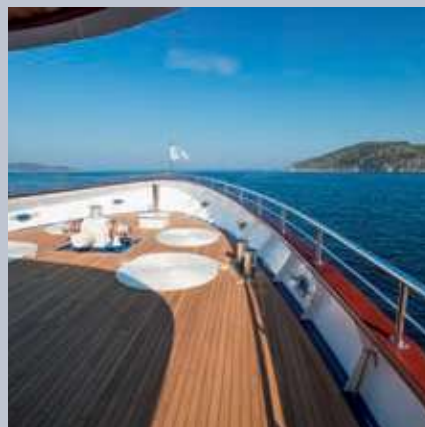
Admire all the shades of blue on this stunning encounter with the cascading waterfalls and lakes of Croatia's Plitvice National Park. Read more at trafalgar.com.

- 7 Admire Historic Trogir and on to Split** Today, we visit the walled island of Trogir with a *Local Specialist*. The stone town is connected to the mainland and the island of Čiovo by bridges and will delight lovers of art, and Renaissance, Baroque and Romanesque architecture. We continue our journey to Split, where we'll join a *Local Specialist* for a sightseeing tour and Dive Into Culture when we visit Diocletian's Palace, built for the emperor's retirement. Spend the evening on your own, or join an Optional Experience to enjoy traditional Dalmatian flavours. **(B, ☞) Hotel: Atrium**
- 8 Split Your Way** Delve into centuries of heritage on this free day in Split. Consider a full-day Optional Experience to one of the Dalmatian islands. Ascend the bell tower for magnificent views of the sprawling terracotta roofs and white marble façades that edge on to the Adriatic, or savour the city's delicious gastronomy at cafés tucked away in hidden lanes. **(B)**
- 9 Continue to Dubrovnik** The impressive walls of Dubrovnik beckon, but not before we stop to admire the extraordinary walled city of Ston, with its dramatic views and laid-back fishing village atmosphere. *Dive Into Culture* and visit Europe's oldest salt pans where you'll hear how salt has been harvested here since ancient times. We continue to Dubrovnik this evening. **(B, ☞) Hotel: Lapad**
- 10 Explore Iconic Dubrovnik** Tread in the footsteps of Lord Byron and George Bernard Shaw, who were intoxicated by the allure of Dubrovnik. With your *Local Specialist*, you'll embark on a Small Group Sightseeing tour past the Rector's Palace, Onofrio's Fountain and the Franciscan and Dominican monasteries, before spending time on your own. As our journey comes to an end, join your travel companions for a Farewell Dinner. **(B, FD)**
- 11 Farewell Dubrovnik** Our time together comes to an end this morning after breakfast. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)**

Croatia Small-Group Cruise Extension

Extend your trip through Croatia and Slovenia with a 7-night 'Pearls of the Adriatic' Croatian small-group cruise from Dubrovnik to Opatija. For trip details, visit trafalgar.com and view the full itinerary for the 'Best of Croatia, Slovenia and Pearls of the Adriatic'.

Trip code: **CISL**



Your 2022 Holiday Planner

Start Zagreb	End Dubrovnik	Start Zagreb	End Dubrovnik
■ Sun 02 Jan	Wed 12 Jan	Sun 07 Aug	Wed 17 Aug
■ Sun 16 Jan	Wed 26 Jan	Sun 14 Aug	Wed 24 Aug
■ Sun 30 Jan	Wed 09 Feb	Sun 21 Aug	Wed 31 Aug
■ Sun 13 Feb	Wed 23 Feb	Sun 28 Aug	Wed 07 Sep
■ Sun 27 Feb	Wed 09 Mar	Sun 04 Sep	Wed 14 Sep
■ Sun 13 Mar	Wed 23 Mar	Sun 11 Sep	Wed 21 Sep
■ Sun 20 Mar	Wed 30 Mar	Sun 18 Sep	Wed 28 Sep
■ Sun 27 Mar	Wed 06 Apr	Sun 25 Sep	Wed 05 Oct
■ Sun 10 Apr	Wed 20 Apr	Sun 02 Oct	Wed 12 Oct
■ Sun 17 Apr	Wed 27 Apr	Sun 09 Oct	Wed 19 Oct
■ Sun 24 Apr	Wed 04 May	Sun 23 Oct	Wed 02 Nov
Sun 01 May	Wed 11 May	■ Sun 13 Nov	Wed 23 Nov
Sun 08 May	Wed 18 May	■ Sun 27 Nov	Wed 07 Dec
Sun 15 May	Wed 25 May	■ Sun 11 Dec	Wed 21 Dec
■ Sun 22 May	Wed 01 Jun	★ ■ Sun 18 Dec	Wed 28 Dec
Sun 29 May	Wed 08 Jun	★ ■ Mon 26 Dec	Thu 05 Jan 2023
Sun 05 Jun	Wed 15 Jun	■ Sun 01 Jan	Wed 11 Jan
Sun 12 Jun	Wed 22 Jun	■ Sun 15 Jan	Wed 25 Jan
Sun 19 Jun	Wed 29 Jun	■ Sun 29 Jan	Wed 08 Feb
Sun 26 Jun	Wed 06 Jul	■ Sun 12 Feb	Wed 22 Feb
Sun 03 Jul	Wed 13 Jul	■ Sun 26 Feb	Wed 08 Mar
Sun 10 Jul	Wed 20 Jul	■ Sun 12 Mar	Wed 22 Mar
Sun 17 Jul	Wed 27 Jul	■ Sun 19 Mar	Wed 29 Mar
Sun 24 Jul	Wed 03 Aug	■ Sun 26 Mar	Wed 05 Apr
Sun 31 Jul	Wed 10 Aug		

■ These departures may vary in itinerary, hotels, and inclusions in line with seasonal changes.

★ **Festive Meals:** Christmas and New Year's Eve dinners have been arranged for these departures. Join us in Europe to celebrate the festive season.

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If you're looking even further ahead, this trip departs every Sunday from April to October 2023. Visit our website for dates and today's best prices.