



## BALKAN DELIGHT

### 12 DAYS, 7 CITIES

See the Sarajevo War Tunnels, the historic inner city of Split and 'Pearl of the Adriatic', Dubrovnik. Admire the longest and deepest bay in southern Europe and Plitvice's landscapes.



## HIGHLIGHTS

### SIGHTSEEING HIGHLIGHTS

- CITY TOUR in Zagreb, Sarajevo, Dubrovnik, Kotor, Split and Trogir
- ORIENTATION of Mostar
- VISIT the War Tunnels in Sarajevo, Kotor in Montenegro, Diocletian's Palace in Split and Plitvice National Park
- VIEW the Cathedral in Zagreb, the Rector's Palace and city walls in Dubrovnik and the lakes and waterfalls of Plitvice National Park

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- SMALL GROUP SIGHTSEEING enjoy a guided walking tour through the historic inner city of Dubrovnik with a group size of no more than 25 guests

## DINING

- 11 hot buffet breakfasts
- 6 dinners  
(including Be My Guest)

## TRAVEL HIGHLIGHTS

- Audio Headsets for flexible sightseeing
- Daily breakfast and an average of 50% of evening meals
- Luxury air-conditioned coach with WiFi in most countries or alternative transportation (such as rail journeys)
- Cherry-picked hotels, all tried and trusted
- Hand-picked Trip Highlights
- Optional Experiences and free time
- All portorage and restaurant gratuities
- Must-see sightseeing and surprise extras
- An expert Travel Director and a professional Driver
- All hotel tips, charges and local taxes
- VIP entry to many sights

## AIRPORT TRANSFERS

- Specific transfer information can be found on [the airport transfers page](#)

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### 1. ARRIVE ZAGREB (2 NIGHTS)

Embark on an epic discovery of the Balkans. The capital city of Zagreb is your springboard to a fascinating journey through what was once a troubled region and is today a land of diverse cultures and traditions which you will have a unique opportunity to enjoy with newfound friends. Meet your Travel Director and fellow travellers this evening for a Welcome Reception and evening orientation drive.

MEAL(S)	HOTEL
Welcome Reception	Westin

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### 2. ZAGREB SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

The paved squares and steep alleyways of Zagreb are ours to explore this morning as we join a Local Specialist to delve into the city's rich medieval and religious history. See the majestic Cathedral on Kaptol and St. Mark's Church, with its vividly coloured tiled roof. Admire the Opera House, then take a stroll around the 17th-century Ban Jelačić Square. Spend the rest of the afternoon on your own - enjoy panoramic city views from Strossmatre, pay tribute to Zagreb's patron saint at the Stone Gate or wander through the Old Town, twirling your šestine umbrella as you ramble through its labyrinthine lanes. Perhaps join an Optional

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Experience to, Kumrovec, the birthplace of iconic leader Tito and enjoy a delicious meal of regional specialities with magnificent views of the Croatian Countryside.

MEAL(S)

Buffet Breakfast

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## OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES

### Kumrovec with Food and Drinks

A scenic drive out of Zagreb with our Local Specialist brings us to the Croatian village of Kumrovec, birthplace of the late President of Yugoslavia, Marshall Tito. You'll see his house, now a museum, and have time to explore the museum village. Later, share a meal of delicious regional specialities in a picturesque restaurant with magnificent views of the Croatian countryside.

Adult Price: **€62.00**

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## 3. ZAGREB – SARAJEVO SIGHTSEEING (2 NIGHTS)

We journey to Sarajevo, whose rich religious and multicultural heritage has earned it the nickname, the Jerusalem of Europe. Its centuries-old religious history is reflected in its beautiful synagogues, mosques, and Orthodox and Catholic churches. Delving into the depths below Sarajevo, we join a Local Specialist for an insider tour of the Bosnian war tunnel which allowed food, war supplies and humanitarian aid to come into the city, and people to get out. Hear war-time tales of bravery and tragedy. This evening, join your travel companions for dinner at your hotel.

MEAL(S)

Buffet Breakfast

HOTEL

Dinner

Radon Plaza

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## 4. SARAJEVO SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

Join a Local Specialist for a guided walking tour of the city's old town, past the largest mosque in the Balkans, the Eternal Flame and the Sarajevo Roses that are dotted across the city as a stark reminder of the turmoil Sarajevo endured decades ago. During your free time this afternoon perhaps ramble along Copper Street seeking treasures, or drink from the fountain of Sebilj to secure your return to Sarajevo.

MEAL(S)

Buffet Breakfast

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## OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES

### Sarajevo Home Hosted Evening

Enjoy a true insight into local culture as you're invited into a Sarajevo local's home, to savour warm hospitality and tasty traditional cuisine. There'll be no more than several guests with each family, ensuring a cosy and memorable evening. This optional involves reservation and entrance pre-payments. If you decide to cancel the optional a 50% cancellation fee will be incurred.

Adult Price: **€56.00**

Traditional Bosnian Dinner with Entertainment

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Enjoy a typical Bosnian evening in an authentic restaurant, famous for its local cuisine, accompanied with lively entertainment, to ensure an unforgettable final evening in Sarajevo.

Adult Price: **€49.00**

#### **Sarajevo: Off the Beaten Track**

Discover the fascinating historical periods of Bosnia that continue to impact the identity of Sarajevo today. Our Local Specialist will share with us the beauty of the Emperor's Mosque - the first mosque to be built after the Ottoman Conquest of Bosnia and Herzegovina in the 1400s. We then fast forward to the 1984 Winter Olympics, hearing stories of ice skaters Torvill and Dean and their famous gold medal, while ascending Mt Trebevic by coach, where we'll admire spectacular city panoramas. Learn about the Siege of Sarajvo with a photo stop at the war-torn bobsled track, and enjoy a refreshment at one of the most spectacular vistas of the city.

Adult Price: **€35.00**

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## **5. SARAJEVO – MOSTAR – DUBROVNIK (3 NIGHTS)**

We journey to the secluded coves and dramatic cliffs of the Dalmatian coast that for centuries have attracted famous artists, actors and aristocrats. En route to Dubrovnik, the 'Pearl of the Adriatic', we stop at the magnificent Mostar Bridge. Hear the tales of this impressive bridge over the Neretva River and the bridge keepers who watched over it in Medieval times - giving Mostar its name. The 16th-century bridge, built by Sinan the great Ottoman architect, was destroyed during the war and has been rebuilt using age-old traditions. Enjoy some free time to explore the town, before continuing to the ancient city of Dubrovnik. This evening, consider joining a private sunset cruise with dinner, enjoying the best views of this enchanting city from the water.

MEAL(S)	HOTEL
Buffet Breakfast	Ariston

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### **OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES**

#### **Sunset Cruise And Dinner**

Our sunset cruise takes us along the spectacular Dalmatian coast to one of the secluded bays where we'll enjoy a delicious local dinner with drinks. To complete the evening, we'll cruise outside the old city walls and explore the beautiful illuminated city of Dubrovnik, before returning by coach to our hotel. (n.b. This optional is weather dependent and may not be available on all departures)

Adult Price: **€57.00**

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## **6. DUBROVNIK SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME**

Stroll through the limestone streets of this stunning medieval city, joining a Small Group Sightseeing walking tour of the main sights of Dubrovnik with a Local Specialist. Admire the Rector's Palace, Onofrio's Fountain and the Franciscan and Dominican monasteries. Consider taking an afternoon boat ride to the seaside oasis of Cavtat. This evening, we travel to Osojnik and 'Connect With Locals', joining the Muhoberac family for a traditional Be My Guest meal in the village their ancestors have lived in for over 500 years.

MEAL(S)
Buffet Breakfast
Dinner with wine

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## OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES

### Panoramic Cavtat

Journey along the coast for a relaxing trip to the picturesque village of Cavtat, arriving at the harbour on our own chartered boat. Enjoy a leisurely stroll with our Local Specialist in the medieval old town and take the opportunity to admire the yachts in the marina, visit the beach or walk up to the Racic Mausoleum.

Adult Price: **€35.00**

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## 7. DUBROVNIK – EXCURSION TO MONTENEGRO

Dazzling natural surrounds are ours to enjoy today as we travel to the Republic of Montenegro, where we will meet a Local Specialist and head towards the mouth of the Bay of Kotor. Celebrate centuries of history in the charming town of Kotor, with its Venetian palaces and medieval churches. We return to Dubrovnik this evening and dine tonight at our hotel.

### MEAL(S)

Buffet Breakfast  
Dinner

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## 8. DUBROVNIK – SPLIT (2 NIGHTS)

We pass old fishing villages and modern resorts, arriving in the vibrant city of Split. Enjoy a city tour with a Local Specialist featuring the historic inner city, built around the Roman Emperor Diocletian's 4th-century Palace. See Split's Renaissance and Gothic structures, Jupiter's Temple, the Peristyle and the Cathedral. Spend the evening on your own, or join an Optional Experience to savour traditional Dalmatian flavours.

### MEAL(S)

Buffet Breakfast

### HOTEL

Corner

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## OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES

### Traditional Konoba Dinner

If you want to truly experience Dalmatian cuisine, a dinner in a traditional stone basement 'konoba' is the best choice. You'll select from a variety of seafood or meats accompanied by Dalmatian wines and typical live music, which will add a traditional touch to the end of your journey on the Croatian Adriatic coastline.

Adult Price: **€51.00**

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## 9. SPLIT FREE DAY OR OPTIONAL EXCURSION TO A DALMATIAN ISLAND

Indulge in a full free day to discover Split on your terms. Ascend the bell tower for magnificent views of the sprawling terracotta roofs that edge onto the Adriatic or consider a full-day Optional Experience to one of the Dalmatian Islands.

### MEAL(S)

Buffet Breakfast

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## OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES

### Jewel of the Adriatic

A memorable day trip to Hvar, one of the most beautiful islands in the Croatian archipelago. Embarking on a boat ride from Split harbour, we'll explore the historic Hvar Old Town on foot with our Local Specialist. You'll spend free time relaxing along one of the seafront restaurants or soaking up the stunning views from the Venetian hilltop fortress. At the end of the day, we'll sail back over the Adriatic on our return to Split.

Note: during May or September, Hvar may be substituted for Brac.

Adult Price: **€71.00**

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## 10. SPLIT – TROGIR – PLITVICE

This morning, we visit the walled island of Trogir with a Local Specialist. The stone town is a boon for lovers of art and Renaissance, Baroque and Romanesque architecture churches. We leave the coast and journey to the forested National Park of Plitvice, where we will dine tonight at our hotel.

### MEAL(S)

Buffet Breakfast	HOTEL
Dinner	Jezero

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## OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES

### Rastoke Village and Barač Caves

Journey with your Local Specialist through this picturesque region to the fairytale watermill village of Rastoke, with its cascading waterfalls and architectural heritage dating from the 17th century. We'll also visit the Caves of Barač with its spectacular karstic features and valuable paleontological history.

Adult Price: **€38.00**

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## 11. PLITVICE NATIONAL PARK SIGHTSEEING – ZAGREB

The tranquil turquoise, emerald and grey waters of Plitvice's multitude of lakes and waterfalls are explored today on a walking tour with a Local Specialist. Amble past the scenic natural landscapes, admiring the lush green vegetation in this UNESCO World Heritage site. We return to Zagreb for a final Farewell Dinner together, reminiscing over an enchanting Balkan exploration.

### MEAL(S)

Buffet Breakfast	HOTEL
Farewell Dinner	Westin

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## 12. DEPART ZAGREB

Our time together comes to an end this morning after breakfast. Transfers are available to Zagreb Airport. Conditions apply.

### MEAL(S)

Buffet Breakfast

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## AVAILABLE DEPARTURES

DEPARTS	RETURNS	TWIN LAND ONLY	SINGLE LAND ONLY
29 Jun 2019	10 Jul 2019	3450 USD	4140 USD
13 Jul 2019	24 Jul 2019	3450 USD	4140 USD
10 Aug 2019	21 Aug 2019	3450 USD	4370 USD
24 Aug 2019	4 Sep 2019	3395 USD	4315 USD
14 Sep 2019	25 Sep 2019	3395 USD	4315 USD
21 Sep 2019	2 Oct 2019	3325 USD	4245 USD
28 Sep 2019	9 Oct 2019	3325 USD	4245 USD
5 Oct 2019	16 Oct 2019	3195 USD	4115 USD

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