



Rialto Bridge, Venice

Croatia & Italy

October 7 - 21, 2023

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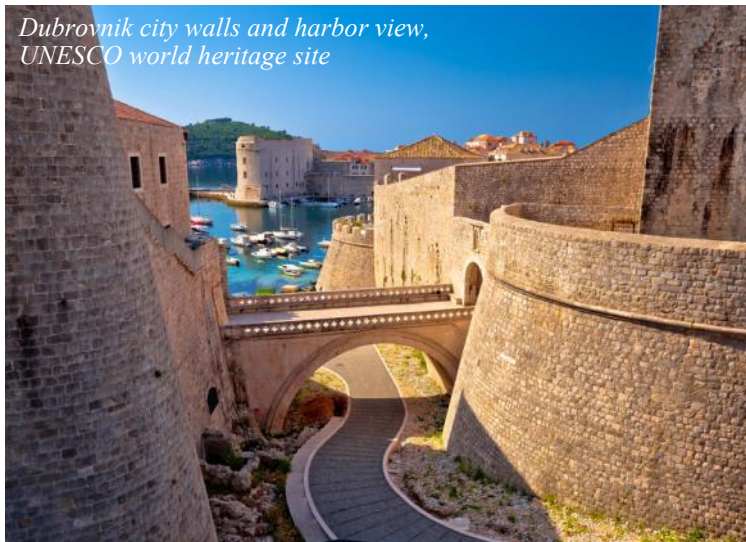
Dubrovnik

Cevapi, Bosnia's national dish



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Dubrovnik city walls and harbor view,
UNESCO world heritage site



Day 1: Saturday, October 7, 2023 • Departure

Our journey begins as we board our international flight bound for Dubrovnik. **Inflight meals**

Day 2: Sunday, October 8, 2023 • Dubrovnik

On arrival in Dubrovnik (by noon), we are met by our coach driver and transfer to our hotel. We enjoy lunch on our own at the hotel before our afternoon walking tour. We begin our guided tour of the old town, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, by walking down the *Stradun*, a 300-yard-long promenade lined with historic buildings, shops, and cafés. Crossing St. Savior Square, we visit the *Franciscan Monastery Museum*, which is both a cloister and one of Europe's oldest continually operating pharmacies. We also visit the 18th-century *Cathedral* which displays several body parts of St. Blaise, the protector of the city. Dubrovnik's most iconic feature are its *City Walls*. A little over one mile long, the route includes towers, turrets, and unforgettable views of the city. Our guide shows us how to access the walls so we may return in our free time. We enjoy dinner and the rest of the evening on our own.

Day 3: Monday, October 9, 2023 • Dubrovnik

After breakfast at our hotel, we take a cable car up to *Mount Srđ*, which rises almost 1400 feet above the city. The mountain is capped with a fortress and a huge cross and offers a spectacular 360-degree view of Dubrovnik and the nearby islands that dot the Adriatic Sea. We stay on the Mount for as long as we like to enjoy the views, visit the Fort and Museum (on own) or have lunch at the Panorama Restaurant (on own). Later, we meet up at the hotel and transfer to dinner. **B,D**

Day 4: Tuesday, October 10, 2023 • Dubrovnik

Today is at leisure to explore Dubrovnik on our own. **B**

Day 5: Wednesday, October 11, 2023 • Split

We check out of our hotel this morning and board our coach bound for Split. Our first stop along the way is *Vinarija Rizman Vineyards* for a tour, tasting and lunch. We arrive in Split in the late afternoon and have the rest of the evening free. **B,L**

Day 6: Thursday, October 12, 2023 • Split

Our local guide introduces us to Split, another UNESCO World Heritage Site that traces its roots back to the Roman Empire. Our first stop is at *Diocletian's Palace* from 305 AD, a massive complex in the city center that once served as a fortification as well as a luxurious villa. Within the palace is

Diocletian's Palace, Split, Croatia



St. Domnius Cathedral, the oldest Catholic cathedral in the world that remains in use in its original structure. The site also features a baptistery, an impressive square and a cellar that was featured in the *Game of Thrones* television series and the *Temple of Jupiter*. We continue through the *Old Town*, a maze of streets and cobblestoned lanes with cafés, restaurants, and small shops. There is free time to visit the Green Market, relax at People's Square and stroll along the *Riva*, Split's famous promenade lined with palm trees and colorful buildings and great views of the Adriatic Sea. Dinner is on your own. **B**

Day 7: Friday, October 13, 2023 • Split

Today is at leisure to explore Split on our own. **B**

Day 8: Saturday, October 14, 2023 • Trieste, Italy

We check out of our Split hotel this morning and make our way toward Trieste, Italy stopping in *Zadar*, home to one more UNESCO World Heritage Site. Here we enjoy a little free time to visit the famous Sea organ, walk around town and have a quick lunch on our own. We continue on to Trieste to check into our hotel before dinner time. **B**

Day 9: Sunday, October 15, 2023 • Trieste, Italy

After breakfast at our hotel we meet a local guide for a walking tour of the town including Cathedral di San Guisto, Castello di San Guisto, Teatro Romano, Santa Maria Maggiore, Molo Audace, Grand Canal, Toso Grocery Store. We have free time for lunch on our own before boarding our coach and traveling to nearby *Miramar Castle* for a guided tour. We return to Trieste where the rest of the evening is on our own. **B**

Day 10: Monday, October 16, 2023 • Trieste

Today is at leisure to explore Trieste on our own. **B**

Day 11: Tuesday, October 17, 2023 • Venice

We check out of our Trieste hotel and make our way toward Venice. We stop along the way at *Borgoluce Winery* located in hills that were recently listed as an UNESCO World Heritage Site. Famous for their Prosecco, we will enjoy a tasting of organic wines coupled with a light charcuterie board. We continue to Venice to check into our hotel before dinner time. **B, L**

Day 12: Wednesday, October 18, 2023 • Venice

Venice and its Lagoons were listed as an UNESCO World

Torcello island



Heritage Site in 1987. This morning we join a local guide for a walking tour of Venice. Included in the tour is the Rialto area, St Mark's Basilica, St Mark's Museum, Doge's Palace (outside only) and the Bridge of Sighs. We have lunch on our own before an afternoon tour of the famous opera house *Teatro La Fenice*. The balance of the day is at leisure. **B**

Day 13: Thursday, October 19, 2023 • Venice

Today is at leisure to explore Venice on our own. For those who like wine, an Amarone winetasting option is available at Vineria all'Amarone (€46). **B**

Day 14: Friday, October 20, 2023 • Venice

After breakfast at our hotel, we transfer by Vaporetto to Torcello for a guided tour. Included in the tour is the Basilica Santa Maria Assunta, Church Santa Fosca, Attila's Throne, Devil's Bridge. We enjoy a light lunch together at a local restaurant before heading back to our Venice hotel for our final evening free. **B, L**

Day 15: Saturday, October 21, 2023 • Return

We bid farewell to Italy as we transfer to Marco Polo airport for our return flights home. **B**

Abbreviations for Meals
B=Breakfast **D**=Dinner



Miramar Castle

Tour Prices:

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\$4,659 with a 16+ participants

Prices are per person, land only, double occupancy

Single supplement: \$1275

Your Tour Includes:

- **Land Transportation** via private deluxe air-conditioned motor coach
- 72 hour Vaporetti Pass in Venice
- **Proposed Accommodations** /or similar
 - ◊ 3 nights Dubrovnik @ Hilton Imperial
 - ◊ 3 nights Split @ Hotel Park
 - ◊ 3 nights Trieste @ Savoia Excelsior Palace
 - ◊ 4 nights Venice @ Palazzo Veneziano
- **Meals** per the itinerary
- **Admission** to all activities indicated in the itinerary
- Services of a **professional tour manager**
- Local **step-on guides** for city tours and major attractions
- Vox Headsets throughout the tour
- **Luggage handling** of one piece per person
- **All taxes and tips** for provided services on land tour, excluding coach driver

Your Tour Does Not Include:

- **Roundtrip Airfare** and related taxes, fees and fuel charges (estimated at \$1332)
- Meals other than indicated above
- **Beverages**, except with breakfast
- End of tour gratuity for tour manager (\$5 per person/per day) and coach driver (\$4 per person/per day)
- Items of a personal nature such as passport fees. (*Passport must be valid for 6 months beyond return date.*)
- **Optional insurance** for health, baggage and cancellation. (*This insurance is available and recommended.*)

Payment Schedule:

A deposit of \$500 per person is due with reservation. Final payment is due 90 days prior to departure date (July 9, 2023). Invoice will be sent out prior to final payment. Passengers may add after this date subject to availability. Early registration is encouraged.

Currency:

Currency exchange rates fluctuate constantly. In the event of a significant drop in the value of the dollar, we reserve the right to add a currency surcharge to the price of the tour.

Refund/Cancellation Policy:

All cancellations must be in writing. The date of postmark will determine the amount of refund due. Refunds are based on the number of days prior to departure date. From the time of deposit to 120 days before departure a \$100/person administrative fee plus any airfare & land penalties will be assessed. From 119-31 days, a \$300/person cancellation penalty plus lost airfare deposits and any unrecoverable deposits to ground suppliers will be assessed. Airline tickets once purchased are nonrefundable. Anyone canceling less than 30 days prior to departure will receive no refund.

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Legal Name: _____

(Name for name badge): _____

Passport #: _____

Passport Exp. Date: _____

Passport Authority: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Place of Birth: _____

Gender: (required by airline) Male Female

Special Dietary Needs: _____

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(Name for name badge): _____

Passport #: _____

Passport Exp. Date: _____

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Date of Birth: _____

Place of Birth: _____

Gender: (required by airline) Male Female

Special Dietary Needs: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Work phone/cell: _____ E-mail: _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____ Phone: _____

Sleeping Preference (circle one): Double bed (1 bed) Twin Beds (2 beds)

Roommate name: _____ OR Single supplement: Yes No

Travel Insurance (7.2% of tour cost; policy must be purchased at time of initial deposit to cover pre-existing medical conditions)

- I wish to purchase Travel Guard insurance and have included the premium with my deposit.
- I wish to decline the travel insurance offered. I understand I am solely responsible for any cancellation penalties and out of pocket expenses occurred should I have an emergency before or during the tour.

Deposit Payment Information (please check one)

Enclosed is my \$ _____ deposit and insurance premium (if applicable). *Make checks payable to Ed-Ventures, Inc.*

Please charge \$ _____ deposit and insurance premium (if applicable) to my Discover/MasterCard/Visa

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Signature of 1st traveler: _____ Date: _____

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