

Croatia: Dalmatian Coast

7-night: Split to Split

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Split to Ciovo

5 miles – 1 hour. Motor to a nearby anchorage if weather is good. The Split International Airport is 5-minutes by taxi to marinas around Trogir town, 20minutes to Kastela marina and about 40-minutes to Split city.

Day 1: Saturday

Trogir and Split are easily accessible by taxi or pubic transport regardless of which marina is the start point. It is advisable to see Trogir or Split on Day 1 prior to boarding.

TROGIR: A charming UNESCO World Heritage town and home of some of the tallest medieval bell towers in Croatia. Easily navigable by foot, a full afternoon can be spent touring interesting architectural sites, fortifications and museums. Trogir features dozens of excellent restaurants set in priceless courtyards and some of the liveliest night-life along the coast, with free live concerts in the summer months.

KASTELA: Simply a large marina with restaurants and a huge supermarket nearby.

SPLIT: A much larger centre known for its famous festivals and huge boardwalk bordering on Diocletian's Palace. In 300BC the Roman emperor Diocletian fell in love with the area calling it the flower of the Adriatic and building one of the most beautiful palaces in the Roman Empire. Guided tours of the palace are available all day.

Arrive at the pre-arranged marina for boarding at 17:00hrs or earlier if you are provisioning for your own charter yacht.

Upon boarding there is time to unpack and a safety briefing or yacht check-in will follow with the skipper or yacht operator. It is important to understand the safety and operational information prior to sailing. The first night is typically a sleepover in the marina unless early boarding has been pre-arranged but there is time to motor to Ciovo for a night on anchor.



Dinner: Eat aboard at Ciovo or remain in the marina and dine at one of the local marina restaurants in Trogir, Kastela or Split.





Split or Ciovo to Skradin 45 miles - 7 hours. Motor sailing along the coastline.



Day 2: Sunday

SKRADIN: Sail early for the Krka river inlet, silently guarded by St. Nicholas Fortress. Pass by the built up town of Sibenik and navigate the windy river to the picturesque village of Skradin. This is the access point to the beautiful Krka National Park. Drop anchor off the town in the silty river, or enter Skradin ACI marina in time for a swim in the cool river. Later, wander the quaint boardwalk for shopping, ice cream or cocktails.



Dinner: Dine at fantastic Bonaca Konoba restaurant, famous for filet mignon, grilled scampi or tasty river eel.



Skradin, Krka Falls National Park to Primosten 21 miles – 4 hours. Motor out the river delta, then short tacks through the islands.

Day 3: Monday

KRKA FALLS: Half the day should be dedicated to the Krka National Park and falls, accessed by riverboats from Skradin every hour. The spectacular falls cascade down the forested hills into numerous emerald pools. Hiking the 45-minute trail, swimming and photography make for an unforgettable morning topped-off by lunch in the beer gardens. Wildlife includes swans, grey herons, turtles and river fish.

PRIMOSTEN: In the afternoon, motor downstream stopping to purchase fresh mussels at one of the numerous mussel farms along the river. In the afternoon cruise north and take a mooring ball or anchor in the charming town of Primosten along the coast. This protected bay is great for swimming, eating mussels and sunset.

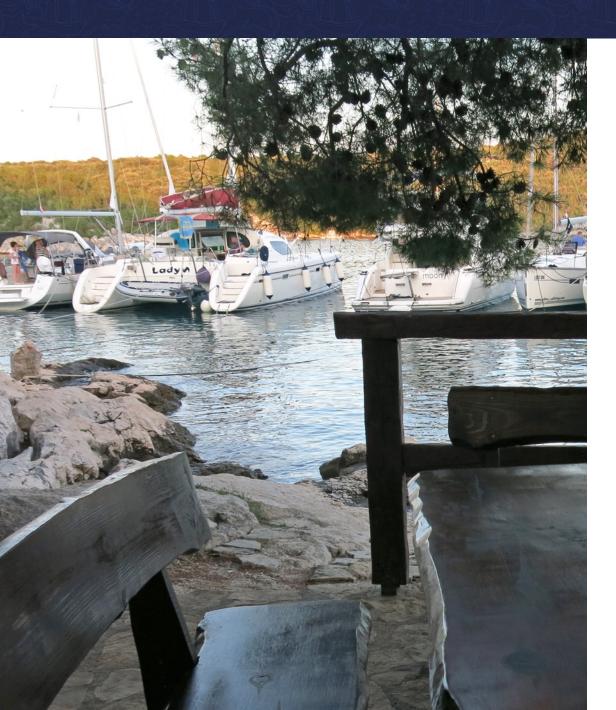


Dinner: Dine aboard on fresh mussels and pasta or head ashore for Croatian delicacies with a sweeping view at Panorama Konoba restaurant in Primosten.





Primostean to Sesula Bay, Solta island 21 miles – 4 hours. Sail north tacking..



Day 4: Tuesday

Solta: Leave Primosten and stop along the way at any number of bays for a quick swim and lunch stop. A pre-arranged mooring is necessary off Sesula Konoba. Enjoy a swim in crystal clear waters before a delightful meal on picnic tables set under towering pine trees.



Dinner: Rustic Sesula Konoba offers fresh grilled sardines as well as other fish and delectable meat dishes.



Solta to Hvar town, Hvar 20 miles – 3 hours. Wonderful broad reach all the way to Hvar town.

Day 5: Wednesday

HVAR TOWN: Sail early for an 11:00am arrival at Hvar town and moor on the west side of the harbour in a row of boats, take a mooring ball at the bow and run long stern lines ashore. The trick is to get a space as a boat leaves. This side of the harbour is clean for swimming, is less noisy and only a short walk along the boardwalk into bustling Hvar town. The view of Spanjola Fortress looming over the town is incredible. There is time for a hike up to the fortress before wandering the cobblestone streets and seeing St. Stephen cathedral and its 17th century bell tower. Hvar town dubbed the 'Jewel of the Adriatic' became the capital in 1420 because of its central location and safe natural harbour.



fantastic Asian food restaurants are right in the main square. For fine dining in a beautiful courtyard don't miss Luccallus restaurant. Enjoy a nightcap or dance the night away at one of the many bars along the promenade.

Dinner: Great pizza and





Hvar town to Stari Grad, Hvar

16 miles - 2.5 hours. Motoring north then a broad reach into the gulf all the way to Stari Grad.



Day 6: Thursday

STARI GRAD HVAR: Spend the morning exploring more of Hvar town, sipping coffee in a café in the main square or provisioning at the wonderful open market area. Later, sail out of the harbour for an afternoon arrival at Stari Grad. Tie up with lazy-line on the promenade on either side of the narrow creek, then explore this exquisite UNESCO Heritage town founded by ancient Greeks in 385 BC. Visit Tvrdalj Castle, the summer residence of 16th century poet Petar Hektorovic. The fascinating Stari Grad museum was home to the Biankini family in 1896 and has been preserved as they once lived.



Dinner: Fabulous traditional food and friendly service is offered at La Gitanas restaurant set in a courtyard.



Hvar to Bol Beach Brac to either Trogir, Kastela or Split marinas 37 miles – 5 hours. Motor sail out of Stari Grad gulf then sail across to Bol beach on Brac island.

Day 7: Friday

BOL BEACH: Swim ashore and wander the incredible geological wonder of Zlatni Rat beach, a 500 metre sand spit dating from millions of years ago when Brac was attached to the mainland. Later motor north to the passage between Solta and Brac and top off fuel at Milna as it's less wait time than at the marina. Return to the respective marina.

Dinner: Local marina restaurants offer convenient Croatian and western dishes. In Trogir Kamerlengo restaurant offers exceptional traditional specialties and grilled meals.

Day 8: Saturday

DISEMBARK: Trogir, Kastela or Split at 09:00hrs

