



SAILING ROUTE
CROATIA



INTRODUCTION

Hello sailors,

Welcome to Croatia! Ahead of you is a fantastic sailing week that will show you the Dalmatian paradise.

We've got the locations covered, now it's up to you to pick your perfect boat to enjoy Croatia's great weather, warm blue seas and the freshest seafood. The Dalmatian Coast has everything to offer for a perfect sailing vacation. Cruising down the Adriatic with swim stops, amazing nightlife and beautiful cities, Croatia is the perfect place to "Free Your Inner Captain".

In this document you'll find some extra information to help you on your way this sailing trip.

Do skorog videnja!

- Barqo

GENERAL INFORMATION

Welcome to Croatia! Follow the suggested route to see some of the most beautiful places that the Dalmatian Coast has to offer.

WEATHER

The Adriatic Sea comes with a Mediterranean climate, which means hot, dry summers. Daytime summer temperatures hover around the 30°C (86°F). The average sea temperature is 25°C (77°F), so prepare yourself for some quality time in the water.

TIME ZONE

Central European Summer Time (GMT+2.00).

CURRENCY

KUNA - Please remind: Cash is king, particularly on the Islands.

LANGUAGE

Croatian





SAILING ROUTE

Day 1: Split – Hvar
28 Nautical Miles

Day 2: Hvar – Korcula
51 Nautical Miles

Day 3: Korcula – Dubrovnik
45 Nautical Miles

Day 4: Dubrovnik – Mljet
30 Nautical Miles

Day 5: Mljet – Makarska
58 Nautical Miles

Day 6: Makarska – Omis
19 Nautical Miles

Day 7: Omis – Split
12 Nautical Miles

TOTAL SAILING DISTANCE

243 Nautical Miles

PROVISIONS

As you sail and need more provisions, there are markets in most stopping points, but the best places are: Split, Hvar & Dubrovnik.

GENERAL TIPS

- Weather forecast every 15 minutes: VHF Channel 67
- Emergencies: VHF Channel 16
- Sunrise will be approximately 5:15 AM and sunset will be approximately 8.30 PM.





SPLIT

The second-largest city in Croatia, Split (Spalato in Italian) is a great place to see Dalmatian life as it's really lived.

Always buzzing, this exuberant city has just the right balance of tradition and modernity. Step inside Diocletian's Palace (a Unesco World Heritage site and one of the world's most impressive Roman monuments) and you'll see dozens of bars, restaurants and shops thriving amid the atmospheric old walls where Split life has been going on for thousands of years.

To top it off, Split has a unique setting. Its dramatic coastal mountains act as the perfect backdrop to the turquoise waters of the Adriatic.

Split is often seen mainly as a transport hub to the hip nearby islands (which, indeed, it is), but the city has been sprucing itself up and attracting attention by renovating the old Riva (seafront) and replacing the former cement strolling ground with a marble look. Even though the modern transformation hasn't pleased all the locals, the Riva is a beauty.

RESTAURANT TIP

Konoba Matejuska

Tomica Stine 3 | Veli Varos, Split 21000

HVAR

Hvar is the number-one holder of Croatia's superlatives: it's the most luxurious island, the sunniest place in the country (2724 sunny hours each year) and, along with Dubrovnik, the most popular tourist destination.

Hvar Town, the island's capital, is all about swanky hotels, elegant restaurants, trendy bars and clubs, posh yachties and a general sense that, if you care about seeing and being seen, this is the place to be.

The coastal towns of Stari Grad and Jelsa, the cultural and historical centres of the island, are the more serene and discerning spots.

Hvar is also famed for the lilac lavender fields that dot its interior, as well as for other aromatic plants such as rosemary and heather.

The interior of the island hides abandoned ancient hamlets, towering peaks and verdant, largely uncharted landscapes. It's worth exploring on a day trip, as is the southern end of the island, which has some of Hvar's most beautiful and isolated coves.

RESTAURANT TIP

Dalmatino

Sveti Marak 1 | Hvar, Hvar Island 21450





KORČULA

Korčula Town is a stunner. Ringed by imposing defences, this coastal citadel is dripping in history, with marble streets rich in Renaissance and Gothic architecture.

Its fascinating fishbone layout was cleverly designed for the comfort and safety of its inhabitants: western streets were built straight in order to open the city to the refreshing summer maestral (strong, steady westerly wind), while the eastern streets were curved to minimise the force of the winter bura (cold, northeasterly wind).

The town cradles a harbour, overlooked by round defensive towers and a compact cluster of red-roofed houses.

There are rustling palms all around and several beaches are an easy walk away.

This being a favourite family island, you'll need to get out of town to more remote beaches if you want some peace.

RESTAURANT TIP

Konoba Belin

Zrnovo 50 | Korčula Town, Korčula Island 20275

DUBROVNIK

Regardless of whether you are visiting Dubrovnik for the first time or the hundredth, the sense of awe never fails to descend when you set eyes on the beauty of the old town.

Indeed it's hard to imagine anyone becoming jaded by the city's marble streets, baroque buildings and the endless shimmer of the Adriatic, or failing to be inspired by a walk along the ancient city walls that have protected a civilised, sophisticated republic for centuries.

Although the shelling of Dubrovnik in 1991 horrified the world, the city has bounced back with characteristic vigour to enchant visitors again. Take the revamped cable car up to Mt Srđ; marvel at the Mediterranean lifestyle and the interplay of light and stone; trace the rise and fall of Dubrovnik in museums replete with art and artefacts; exhaust yourself retracing history – then plunge into the azure sea.

RESTAURANT TIP

Villa Ruza restaurant & lounge bar
Donje Celo bb | Dubrovnik 20000





MLJET

Mljet is one of the most seductive of all the Adriatic islands. It is Croatia's greenest island with its Mediterranean vegetation, clear and clean sea, gentle sandy shoreline and a wealth of underwater sea life.

The island is considered to be one of the most beautiful of the Croatian islands.

Mljet is well known for its white and red wine, olives and goat's cheese. The sea around the island is rich in fish and marine life.

Mljet is also well known for its two salted lakes - Veliko and Malo Jezero that are located at the north end of the island.

On a small island in the middle of Veliko Jezero lake, there is an old Benedictine monastery. Beside beach Sapunara (on the south of the island), Veliko and Malo Jezero are favorite swimming spots for locals and visitors alike.

RESTAURANT TIP

Restaurant Maestral Okuklje
Okuklje 47 | Mljet Island 20224

MAKARSKA

Makarska is a pretty port town with a limestone centre that turns peachy orange at sunset. It's an active place – there's an abundance of hiking, climbing, paragliding, mountain biking, windsurfing and swimming opportunities – with a spectacular natural setting, backed by the gorgeous Biokovo mountain range.

It's the locus of Croatia's package tourism, focused on the town's long pebbly beach, which is filled with a feast of activities, from beach volleyball to screaming-children's games.

Makarska is favoured by tourists from neighbouring Bosnia and Hercegovina, who descend in huge numbers during summer. It's also popular with seniors as a 'medical tourism' destination, for the great climate and facilities. The high season is pretty raucous, with many rocking nightlife spots, but also a lot of fun for those with children.

If you're interested in hanging around beach bars and clubs, playing beach volleyball and generally lounging about with beach bodies, you'll like Makarska. Outside the high season, things are pretty quiet.

Being the largest town in the region, Makarska has very good transport connections, making it a good base for exploring the coast and neighbouring Bosnia and Hercegovina. Don't miss venturing up Biokovo.

RESTAURANT TIP

Don Antonio
Cvjetna 2 | Makarska 21300





OMIS

Om is a small Central Dalmatian town and harbour located between Split and Makarska, situated in the mouth of the Cetina river, surrounded with massive gorges.

In the past Omis was notorious because of the pirates of Omis whose ships were a centuries-long symbol of retaliation, courage and strength.

The evidences of proud and turbulent Omis history can be found on every corner of the Omis Riviera.

The ancient town of Omis, the churches and the fortresses are silent stone reminders of the power and the might of the infamous Omis pirates.

Today, the centre of Omis Riviera, is one of the most beautiful parts of Croatia's Adriatic Coast.

Situated in the heart of Dalmatia, with it's true Mediterranean spirit and diversities, Omis Riviera offers everything you need for an unforgettable holiday in Croatia.

RESTAURANT TIP

Restaurant Bastion
Fosal 9 | Omis 21 310



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