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## ***Bike Cruise - Split route NORTH***

### ***7 night cruises with guaranteed departures***

*Croatia is a land of picturesque islands, rich history, Mediterranean vegetation and mild climate and the best way to explore it is, without doubt, by bike. This guided cycling tour in Dalmatia starts in Rogoznica and ends in Primošten. During your tour you will explore amazing coastlines, old villages and picturesque bays. Highlights include visiting nice beaches, vineyards, pine woods and cycling on the historic islands.*

**ROUTE: SPLIT – ROGOZNICA – BETINA – BRBINJ – SALI/TRIBUNJ – SKRADIN – VODICE – PRIMOŠTEN/SPLIT**

### **Itinerary:**

#### **Day 1: Arrival in Split - Rogoznica (L)**

Bike Course: Rogoznica (approx 5 km) **DIFFICULTY LEVEL 1**

Surface: Paved

Inclination: Partly hilly - partly flat

Highest point at: 24 m

Departure from Split towards Rogoznica followed by lunch. On arrival enjoy cycling tour of this typical Mediterranean town. Rogoznica is a small peaceful place with beautiful beaches encircled by karst and stone. Culture and history are deeply rooted in this city, as visible by a beautiful and sacred buildings. The parish church of St. Nicholas with a bell tower built in medieval Dalmatian style architecture dominates the town where we overnight.

#### **Day 2: Betina (B, L)**

Bike Course: Vodice – Betina or Murter – depending of the availability in the ports (approx. 21 km) **DIFFICULTY LEVEL 2/3**

Surface: Paved

Inclination: Partly hilly - partly downhill

Highest point at: 43 m

Early morning cruise towards Vodice, a picturesque town surrounded by numerous islands and islets. Seafront cycle across Tribunj and Tisno to Betina, a fishermen's village located right in the heart of the island Murter in a necklace of islands. The village's symbols are the baroque church of St. Francis with its bell tower, the local square with the harbour and the local shipyard, which is one of the oldest on the Adriatic. Enjoy the numerous restaurants famous for their fish dishes or take a romantic evening walk (approx. 2 km) from Betina to Murter and enjoy authentic stone streets with archways, simple peasant houses and stone walls covered with climbing plants. Overnight in port of Betina/Murter.

#### **Day 3: Brbinj (B, L)**

Bike Course: Tkon - Preko (approx 29 km) **DIFFICULTY LEVEL 2/3**

Surface: Paved

Inclination: Partly hilly - partly downhill

Highest point at: 43 m

After breakfast cruise towards Tkon, an old fishing village that occupies a total of 15 square km in the southern part of the island of Pašman and several small islands scattered throughout the Murter Sea. There are a series of sandy and rocky coves and the nearby hills offer a magnificent view of the islands and Kornati. On your way you will cycle across little bridge from where you can take stunning pictures of Pašman and Ugljan islands. Enjoy old olive trees and pine forests while cycling towards Preko where we join the boat and cruise to Brbinj, small town where we recommend evening BBQ party on board. Overnight in Brbinj.

#### **Day 4: Tribunj (B, L)**

Bike Course: Brbinj - Sali (approx 27 km) **DIFFICULTY LEVEL 3**

Surface: Paved

Inclination: First part very hilly – last part downhill

Highest point at: 162 m

Morning cycle from Brbinj to Sali. On a route we visit fish and shell hatchery. Sali is a fishing village on Dugi otok, the longest island in North Dalmatia. Due to its coastal position, ancient and contemporary architecture, clean sea, plentiful sun, luxurious Mediterranean vegetation, and the thousand year old olive groves, it is ideal for adventurous tourists, but also for those who seek peace in the wonderful atmosphere of enchanting natural surroundings. After lunch cruise around Kornati islands to Tribunj for overnight. Tribunj is a Dalmatian fishing village with stone houses and narrow streets originally on an island that was connected to the mainland by a stone bridge, and has now expanded beyond the former wall that used to defend it against the Turks.

The Church of St. Nicholas built in 1452, the fort Jurjevgrad on the hilltop from 1650 and the Church of the Virgin Mary in 1435 are evidence of its rich and heroic past. We recommend romantic evening walk around island and dinner in one of the numerous local restaurants.



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### **Day 5: Skradin (B, L)**

Bike Course: Skradin (approx. 9,3 km) **DIFFICULTY LEVEL 1**

Surface: Macadam

Inclination: Partly hilly, partly flat, partly downhill

Highest point at: 47 m

Early morning cruise towards Skradin, which lies at the point where Krka River plunges into the Adriatic Sea. Skradin is a distinctive and romantic Dalmatian town, whose locals are known for their hospitality. Enjoy cycling tour to National park Krka, which covers an area of more than 14 000 acres on the central and lower part of the Krkariver, whose seven waterfalls will leave visitors breathless. Especially standing out with their grandness are Roški Slap (waterfall) and Skradinski Buk. There are two very attractive cultural and historical monuments within the national park: the Franciscan Monastery on the island of Visovac and the Krka Monastery. Lunch on board followed by a ride on local boat around National park. Evening at leisure to enjoy town of Skradin which has a rich cultural and historical heritage that exists for more than two thousand years. Overnight in Skradin.

### **Day 6: Vodice (B, D)**

Bike Course: Skradin – Bribirske Mostine – Dubrava kod Tisnog -Tribunj -Vodice (approx 49,5 km) **DIFFICULTY LEVEL 3**

In case of bad weather you will cycle: Vodice - Tribunj – Dubrava kod Tisnog - Vodice (approx 24 km) **DIFFICULTY LEVEL 2/3**

Surface: Paved, macadam (approx. 1 km)

Inclination: First 9 km hilly, partly downhill, last 9,5 m flat

Highest point at: 205 m

Early after breakfast we continue our cycling tour to Dubrava near Tisno, a typical Dalmatian village of stone houses and streets, spacious squares, lush Mediterranean vegetation with a long promenade and a few taverns and restaurants offer everything you need for a pleasant stay. The sea archipelago is perfect for all types of water sports. Tisno is a religious centre, the votive pilgrimage to Our Lady of Karavaja means that believers come from all over the dioceses of Zadar and Šibenik. We recommend lunch break at rural household Banovi Dvori. After lunch cycling tour to Vodice. Its proximity to the Kornati archipelago and river Krka canyon with beautiful waterfalls, as well as the good condition of the town, beaches and parks, makes Vodice a desirable and attractive tourist destination. As a small town, it lives night and day, and always offers something new and unusual. The most famous are the Vodice traditional folk festivals, cultural and entertainment events and evenings of Dalmatian a'cappella songs. Overnight in Vodice.

### **Day 7: Split (B, L)**

Bike Course: Primošten – Zečevo – Rogoznica (approx 14 km) **DIFFICULTY LEVEL 3/4**

Surface: Paved, macadam (1 km)

Inclination: first 6 km hilly, partly flat, party downhill

Highest point at: 151 m

After breakfast cruise towards Primošten where we start our cycling route across Zečevo to Rogoznica. After lunch the ship lead us back to the monumental city of Split which is under UNESCO protection and it is a part of the world heritage. Here we find an abundance of Roman architecture - of special interest is the Diocletian palace. Overnight in Split.

### **Day 8: Disembarkation Split (B)**

Early morning breakfast and disembarkation.

**SWIMMING BREAKS:**In good weather and depending on timing we will have regular swim stops for while the ship anchors in secluded bays or after the cycling before departure to next island.

**CYCLING ROUTE:**The length of the daily cycling routes is estimated and informative and depends of various detours or short cuts that can be done on route. Sailing and cycling routes may be changed on the spot due to weather conditions and capability of the respective cyclists on board. Departure is during morning hours, mostly after breakfast.

**BICYCLES:** bike rental possible on request; we are not responsible for any damage which may occur on personal bicycles during bike tours and transportation from land to the ship and vice versa

**FOOD:** Half board is served with continental breakfast and either lunch or dinner. During our cycling routes we recommend stops at local restaurants where you can sample the local specialties. These meals are not included in the price of the trip but are paid by the customers. There is a possibility to book a captain's dinner, which is paid directly on the spot and is offered by the captain and your tour guide.

**BIKE RENTAL INCLUDES BIKES EQUIPPED WITH BOTTLE HOLDER, BAG CARRIER, SMALL BAG & HELMET**

**EXAMPLE MODELS OF RENTED BIKES:**


**OR SIMILAR**
**FRAMESET:**

Frame: WSD Alpha White Aluminum w/semi-integrated head tube, bi-oval down tube w/integrated gusset, rack & fender mounts, disc compatible dropouts, replaceable derailleur hanger  
 Front Suspension: SR Suntour XCT w/coil spring and preload, WSD Rider Right spring weight, 80mm travel

**WHEELS:**

Wheels: Formula alloy FM21 front hub, FM31 rear hub;  
 Bontrager 550 36-hole rims w/brushed sidewalls  
 Tires: Bontrager LT3, 26x2.0"

**DRIVETRAIN:**

Shifters: Shimano EF51, 8 speed  
 Front Derailleur: Shimano M190  
 Rear Derailleur: Shimano Acera  
 Crank: Shimano 131, 48/38/28  
 Cassette: SRAM PG-820 11-32, 8 speed  
 Pedals: Wellgo nylon platform

**COMPONENTS:**

Saddle: Bontrager SSR WSD  
 Seat Post: Bontrager SSR, 31.6mm, 20mm offset  
 Handlebars: Bontrager Approved Riser, 25.4mm, 30mm rise  
 Stem: Bontrager Approved, 25.4mm  
 Headset: 1-1/8" threadless, semi-integrated, semi-cartridge bearings  
 Brakeset: Tektro V-brakes w/Shimano EF51 adjustable-reach levers

**COLOUR:** Coastal Blue


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 Front Suspension SR Suntour XCT w/coil spring and preload, 80mm

**WHEELS:**

Wheels: Formula alloy DC20 front hub, Shimano alloy M475 rear hub; Bontrager 550, 36-hole rims w/brushed sidewalls,  
 Tires Bontrager LT3, 26x2.0"

**DRIVETRAIN:**

Shifters Shimano EF51, 7 speed  
 Front Derailleur Shimano TX50  
 Rear Derailleur Shimano M310  
 Crank Shimano M131, 42/34/24  
 Cassette Shimano TZ31 13-34, 7 speed  
 Pedals Wellgo nylon platform

**COMPONENTS:**

Saddle Bontrager SSR  
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 Handlebars Bontrager Approved Riser, 25.4mm, 30mm rise  
 Stem Bontrager Approved, 25.4mm  
 Grips Bontrager SSR  
 Headset 1-1/8" threadless, semi-integrated, semi-cartridge bearings  
 Brakeset Tektro Novela, mechanical disc w/Shimano EF51 levers

**COLOUR:** Satin Black

**Guaranteed departures from Split on A CATEGORY ship:** cabins with private shower/toilet (3rd bed possible on request), mostly bunk beds with half board service (continental breakfast & lunch or dinner according to daily activities)

**Dates & Prices:**

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Prices in EUR per person in double or twin room/cabin	10.05.
	27.09.
A CATEGORY UNDER DECK	480
A CATEGORY ON DECK	510

\* Bike cruise with professional guide. Biking recommended equipment biking shoes, backpack, extra clothes, rain/sun protection.



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\* Participant agrees to abide to the decisions and instructions given by the guide who reserves the right in changing the itinerary according to weather conditions

### **Obligatory supplement:**

\* **VISITOR'S TAX & PORT FEES for the cruise ARE NOT INCLUDED (to be paid on the spot on the ship) - EUR 20. - per person per week**

### **Optional:**

- \* Bike rental: **EUR 100.-** per week netto
- \* Full Board supplement: **EUR 115.-** per person/week, (gross) min.10 pax required.
- \* Drink supplement: **EUR 16. -** per week – incl. choice of 1 drink - glass of wine, 1 beer or 1 soft drink with lunch
- \* Water supplement: **EUR 20.-** per person per week (netto) – includes 1,5 l of water per person per day- to be paid on the spot
- \* English breakfast supplement: **EUR 40.-** per week (netto) - incl. 2 eggs, bacon, tomato and mushrooms, or fruit & yoghurt, or similar (regular continental breakfast included in price of the cruise includes: coffee, tea, milk, glass of juice, cereal, bread, a variety of spreads - butter, honey, jam, soft cheese; daily additions such as ham and cheese or boiled eggs, frankfurters, salami etc.)
- \* Wedding renewal package: **EUR 100,-** (netto) per couple – includes renewal ceremony performed by the captain, certificate, champagne, gift
- \* Extra towels: Extra towels can be rented for **EUR 3.-** & beach towels **EUR 5.-** per week/towel. beach towel can be purchased on arrival for **EUR 10.-**
- \* Parking: Possible from EUR 10 – 15 daily
- \* Airport transfers (from various airports): EUR 50 per transfer (up to 3 pax) from Split airport to Split port
- \* Pre/post cruise accommodation: Prices vary from EUR 20 per person/night depending on accommodation type and season - private villas, hotels, etc.

### **Payment:**

- \* 150 EUR per person upon reservation
- \* Rest payment one month prior to arrival

### **Conditions:**

- \* The Captain reserves the right in changing the route in case of bad weather conditions
- \* Departures are guaranteed. We reserve the right in cancelling departures with less than 10 participants and changing ship name if need arises
- \* Guests are obliged to follow ship rules (found in written form on the ship) especially with regards to bringing drinks on board.
- \* In case of bad behavior captain reserves the right in asking clients to disembark

### **Cancellation policy:**

- \* From the day of confirmation up till 30 days prior to arrival – advance payment (EUR 200 per person) - **non-refundable**
- \* 29-22 days – 25% of the remaining balance
- \* 21-15 days – 50% of the remaining balance
- \* 14-0 days – 100% fee
- \* Name change / date change fee – 20 eur per person (valid only if the change is done up till 30 days prior booked departure, otherwise regular cancellation clause will be applied)

**We highly recommend clients to take insurance against cancellation of reserved services!**

If taking part in biking/hiking activities, each individual is responsible for him/herself and agrees to abide to the decisions and instructions given by the guide who reserves the right in changing the itinerary according to weather conditions and group's abilities.

Due specific mooring conditions and requirements in some Croatian ports, ships are moored side by side, making it necessary for the clients to cross from one ship to another with gaps in between ships in order to get to the shore. In such cases clients need to take special care when crossing and do this at their own risk. Crew assistance will be given to those needing and requesting it.