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## ALONG THE DALMATIAN COAST - 8 DAY CROATIA CRUISE

Come with us to sample the delights of Croatia aboard the 36-passenger Queen Eleganza which we have chartered for these seven night cruises exploring the attractive coastline between Split and Dubrovnik. Having operated in the region for many years this itinerary has been designed to explore the breathtaking natural beauty, intriguing history and stunning architecture of the spectacular coast and islands and we will visit some marvellous places which do not cater for the big ships. As we journey through the intense blue sea of the Adriatic the many highlights will include the historic cities of Split and Dubrovnik, with their history dating back through the Middle Ages to the Roman Era, and the delightful islands of Trogir, Hvar and Korcula where we will spend time walking through the beautiful old towns exploring the historic wonders. We will also visit areas of great natural beauty including Mljet where we will tour the National Park including its beautiful lakes. Each night we will remain moored in the picturesque harbours affording the opportunity to dine ashore on some evenings to enjoy the floodlit splendour and lively café society which is so atmospheric. Whether it be the towering cliffs and rich vegetation, scenic waterways and indentations or the wealth of historic buildings, this unique area has so much to offer and our itinerary will be appreciated by those who enjoy an eclectic mix of places, the company of a small group of like-minded travellers and an informal style of cruising.

### ITINERARY

Day 1 London to Split, Croatia.

Fly by scheduled flight. On arrival transfer to the Queen Eleganza. Enjoy our welcome dinner on board this evening as we moor overnight. (D)

Day 2 Split & Trogir.

Take a morning guided walk through Split which includes the Palace of Diocletian which was built by the emperor in 295-305 AD as his retirement villa. Much of this large building is well preserved and the palace contains Split's Old Town within its walls, making it the only Roman palace that has been continuously inhabited since Roman times. Enjoy some free time to wander the maze of streets at your own pace before sailing in the afternoon to Trogir. Set within Medieval walls on a tiny island, linked by bridges to both the mainland and to the far larger Ciovo Island, we will enjoy a walking tour of this delightful port. The old town has retained many intact and beautiful buildings from its age of glory between the 13th and 15th centuries. In 1997 its profuse collection of Romanesque and Renaissance buildings earned it World Heritage status. Moor overnight and have the opportunity to dine ashore this evening. (B, L)

Day 3 Trogir & Brac.

Enjoy the morning at leisure in Trogir before we sail over to the attractive port of Pucisca located on the island of Brac, at the end of a long bay. Brac is world renowned for the quality of its stone which was used for the Diocletian's Palace in Split as well as the White House in Washington and other parliament

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buildings in Europe. Spend a few hours in the charming small town, voted one of the prettiest in Europe, where the building's white roofs create an ambient atmosphere. Return to the ship and enjoy dinner on board. We will moor overnight allowing time for an after dinner stroll. (B, L, D)

#### Day 4 Hvar.

Sail after breakfast to Stari Grad where, upon arrival after lunch, we take a short coach ride across the island to the attractive Old Town of Hvar for a guided walk. We will begin in the main square which is the largest piazza in Dalmatia and see the cathedral, the Franciscan Monastery, and the Benedictine Nunnery where we hear about the aloe lace still produced today by the nuns. Return to the ship and enjoy dinner on board. (B, L, D)

#### Day 5 Korcula.

After a morning at sea we arrive at Korcula where we drive to the interior of the island, past olive groves and vineyards offering views down to the coast below. On our visit to a winery we will learn more about the mainly white wines which have been cultivated on the island for centuries before enjoying a tasting. After our visit we return to Korcula, the reputed birthplace of the explorer Marco Polo, and on a walking tour enjoy some time strolling along the crooked Medieval streets to the elegant squares which are flanked with palaces of the old nobility. We will be moored overnight in Korcula and you will be able to dine ashore in the Old Town this evening. (B, L)

#### Day 6 Korcula & Mljet.

Enjoy a morning at leisure to explore Korcula independently. We sail during lunch to the island of Mljet which is one of the few Dalmatian islands that was never ruled by Venice, and this is apparent in the architecture and the absence of any sizeable

historic town. What it lacks in great architecture it more than makes up for in natural beauty and there will be a tour to the National Park including its beautiful lakes. Moor overnight in Pomena where you can dine in one of the harbour-side restaurants. (B, L)

#### Day 7 Dubrovnik.

Spend the morning sailing to Dubrovnik, the "Pearl of the Adriatic". After lunch we make a short drive to Pile Gate and begin our guided walk through the unique Medieval Old Town of Dubrovnik, which was added to the UNESCO World Heritage List in 1979. See the major attractions such as the Rector's Palace, the Romanesque-Gothic Dominican and Franciscan Monasteries, and the Sponza Palace. Return to the vessel for our farewell dinner. (B, L, D)

#### Day 8 Dubrovnik to London.

Disembark this morning and transfer to Dubrovnik Airport for our scheduled flight to London. (B)

#### Please Note:

Itineraries are subject to change.

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## YOUR SHIP: QUEEN ELEGANZA

**YOUR SHIP:** Queen Eleganza

**VESSEL TYPE:**

**LENGTH:**

**PASSENGER CAPACITY:**

**BUILT/REFURBISHED:**

For our cruises along the Adriatic coast, we are delighted to have the newly built Queen Eleganza. This beautifully crafted vessel is one of the finest Croatian flagged vessels of her kind and we believe she is the perfect vessel from which to explore the Croatian coast. Carrying a maximum of just 36 guests, there is the added benefit of a relaxed and intimate atmosphere on board. The Sun Deck, with its comfortable sun loungers, is the perfect place to watch the passing scenery and the team of friendly Croatian crew will provide you with excellent service and hospitality throughout the ship. To enhance your voyage further there is also a Cruise Director on board. Dining on board is a casual affair and the menus feature locally sourced fresh food including fish. When dining ashore independently, your knowledgeable Cruise Director will recommend popular local restaurants. **AIR-CONDITIONING** All cabins and public rooms have air-conditioning. **BAR/BEVERAGES** Wine, beer and soft drinks at lunch and dinner are included in your holiday price. For other drinks consumed throughout your journey you will receive a final bill to settle at the end of your journey. Complimentary bottles of mineral water will be placed in your cabin daily and near reception before an excursion. **CABINS** The 18 cabins are

equipped with air conditioning/heating, a wardrobe, drawers, radio, a flat screen television, a hairdryer and safety deposit box. Most cabins also feature a dressing table and chair. The cabins on the Lower Deck all have two portholes whereas on the Main Deck, the category 3 cabins have three portholes and the category 5 cabin has four portholes. The category 2 and 4 cabins on the Main Deck benefit from a large picture window offering wonderful views. Cabins measure between 12 and 18 square metres, with Category 5 measuring 26 square metres. The cabins have fixed twin or double beds and the configuration cannot be changed. Each cabin also has an en-suite bathroom with shampoo /shower gel dispenser. Please note that the movement of the ship can cause small amounts of water to collect on your bathroom floor. Please note that bathrobes and slippers are not provided. **DINING, DRINKING & DIETARY REQUIREMENTS** Meals on board are either buffet style or served and there is one sitting with an open seating arrangement. When the weather permits, lunch and dinner may be served in the covered outside area of the Sun Deck. Please be advised that, as there is not always a choice at meal times it is imperative that you advise any special dietary requests, such as vegetarian, gluten free, low salt etc. to Noble Caledonia (in writing) in advance. Please also advise if you do not, or cannot, eat fish and shellfish as these feature regularly on the lunch and dinner menus. We regret that the ship is unable to guarantee special requests and is not equipped to prepare or serve kosher or halal cuisine. Complimentary self-service tea and coffee, with fruit and biscuits, are available in the restaurant 24 hours a day. On nights when you are free to dine independently ashore, if

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instead you wish to stay on board for dinner, this is possible at a rate of €25 per person each time, which will be added to your onboard account. 24 hours advance notice is required. **DISABLED FACILITIES** The ship does not have facilities for disabled or wheelchair dependent passengers. The stairs between decks are steep and there is no lift or chair lift on board. **DOCTOR** There is no doctor on board. Should you be in need of medical assistance, please contact a member of the crew who are first aid trained, or the Cruise Director. **ELECTRICITY** The cabins feature 220 volt current, with sockets accepting 2 round-pin (European style) sockets. There are no sockets in the bathrooms. We recommend taking a universal adaptor. **INTERNET** The ship offers a free Wi-Fi connection in the public areas, but not in the cabins. Depending on the ship's location, there may be times when the connection is very slow or is disrupted and the same level of connectivity that you enjoy at home cannot be expected on board. **LANGUAGE** All members of the crew speak English. **LAUNDRY SERVICE** Due to the size of the ship there is no laundry service on board. **PUBLIC AREAS** Main Deck: Reception is located on the Main Deck. Upper Deck: On the Upper Deck you will find the bar, restaurant, lounge, and public restrooms. The lounge has a small library of books, games and DVDs. The tea/coffee station is located in the restaurant here. Sun Deck: The Sun Deck has sun loungers and seating for outdoor dining (weather permitting). **SMOKING** Smoking is restricted to the designated open areas only. Smoking is prohibited in all other areas including cabins and the



restaurant.

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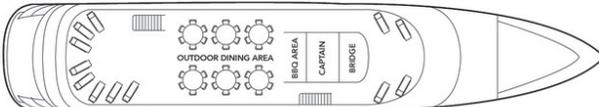
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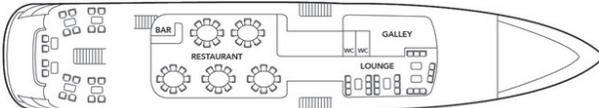
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## INSIDE YOUR SHIP

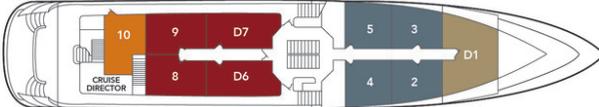
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UPPER DECK



MAIN DECK



LOWER DECK



- CATEGORY 1
- CATEGORY 2
- CATEGORY 3
- CATEGORY 4
- CATEGORY 5
- CATEGORY 6

Please note that D indicates cabins which have a fixed double bed



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## PRICING

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