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CROATIA COASTAL CRUISING: DUBROVNIK TO SPLIT (LUPUS MARE)

Discover the Dalmatian coast on this 8-day cruising adventure from Dubrovnik to Split. Experience the elegance and old-world charm of Croatia on a small ship adventure cruise offering impressive coastlines, meandering rivers, and the sparkling waters of the Adriatic. Alongside the natural beauty of national parks and stunning beaches, enjoy regular doses of the region's unique culture and tastes. Aboard the M/S Peregrine Dalmatia, specifically built to sail the Dalmatian Coast, cast off from the walled city of Dubrovnik and cruise to islands both chic and ancient. Explore the romantic and evocative old town of Korcula and enjoy tastings at a local winery, board wooden boats and sail up the River Neretva to Bosnia and Herzegovina, stopping in Mostar, a town situated in a beautiful valley in the high mountains. Navigate the Adriatic to the Renaissance facades and jagged limestone cliffs of Hvar, then discover the soul of Croatia – Split. Embark on a memorable cruise that navigates the stunning Dalmatian coast in both style and comfort. Is this trip right for you? This is a small ship adventure cruise, which means you'll be sailing on a yacht with up to 37 other people. The boat is spacious and comfortable, but it focuses more on the destination than on-board activities. Instead of a pool, we have the sea itself. Instead of a casino, we've got board games and a good book. There's also no formal dress code to worry about. Wi-Fi is available for a small charge. Our ship moves under engine power, rather than sailing, so all cabins will experience light engine noise when the ship is moving (and occasionally when we drop anchor). It's probably worth packing earplugs if you're a light sleeper. Unlike other ships that cruise through the night, we'll spend our evenings docked at port. This

will give you more time to dine ashore and enjoy those balmy Croatian evenings. Cruising will mostly take place during the day. Onshore activities and excursions will involve a bit of walking. You'll be visiting ancient sites and historical places, and at times you may have to cross cobbled streets and uneven ground, sometimes in hot conditions. If you have any concerns, please speak to your group leader before taking part. If you're concerned about seasickness, there are seasickness tablets on-board. The ship will experience some roll and pitch in choppy conditions, however all of our ships come equipped with stabilisers to minimise movement. Most of our departures run in peak season, when the seas are calmer. Your crew will do all they can to minimise any discomfort. There are no lifts (elevators) on-board our ships, so you'll have to navigate a few steep flights of stairs. Handrails are always



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Day 1: Dubrovnik

Welcome to Dubrovnik, Croatia. Your luggage can be dropped off at this ship from noon, so feel free to explore Dubrovnik at your leisure before boarding commences at 5 pm, when you'll meet your fellow travellers for a welcome meeting and safety briefing. In the evening, sit down to your first group dinner on board before overnighing in port. Special Information It's very important that you attend the welcome meeting as we will be collecting insurance details and next of kin information at this time.

Day 2: Dubrovnik - Korcula

After breakfast on board, enjoy a mid-morning swim stop in the beautiful clear turquoise waters of Loviste in the Peljesac peninsula. Return to the ship and set sail for Korcula, the birthplace of Marco Polo, with lunch on the way. This afternoon, join your leader for an orientation tour of the town. This evening you'll be spoiled for choice with many restaurants overlooking the waterfront – ask your leader for their recommendations. Overnight in the port of Korcula.

Day 3: Korcula - Badija - Trpani - Opuzen

Depart for Opuzen, enjoying breakfast on board and a mid-morning swim stop in beautiful clear turquoise waters near the small island of Badija, then continue on to Trpani. Transfer to Matusko winery for a tour of the vineyard and a tasting, before returning to the ship and sailing up the River Neretva to Opuzen. Tonight, enjoy a deck BBQ on the Peregrine Dalmatia.

Day 4: Opuzen - Mostar - Opuzen

An early start this morning to make your way to Mostar in Bosnia and Herzegovina by minibus. Take a guided walk through the town, visiting a workshop specialising in traditional coffee sets and copper wall carvings on the way and enjoy some free time to explore the town and have lunch at your leisure. Return to Opuzen in the early afternoon when you'll jump into small wooden boats for a leisurely cruise through the surrounding wetlands (with snacks and music on board). End up at a beautiful local restaurant overlooking the water and enjoy some Peka lamb and other local dishes. Board the boats and return to Opuzen. You may want to venture out to one of the friendly bars around the town square to meet the locals over a beer or two.

Day 5: Opuzen - Hvar - Jelsa - Starigrad - Hvar

Set sail for the island of Hvar, enjoying breakfast on board. Stop to swim in the waters of the Adriatic at a secluded beach close to Stari Grad - Hvar's old town. Arrive in Stari Grad around midday and look across one of Europe's oldest towns while lunching on board the Dalmatia. Next, take a bus to explore the island known as the 'Queen of the Dalmatian Islands'. Visit a nearby farm and try local produce before enjoying a walk through the nearby lavender fields. Afterwards, drive to Hvar town for an orientation walk with your leader, then enjoy free time to explore. Return to Stari Grad and dine at a local restaurant of your choosing. Overnight in Hvar (Stari Grad).

Day 6: Hvar - Split

Spend the morning sailing, arriving in Split in the early afternoon. Meet a local guide who will take you on a walk around Split – explore the laneways and squares that make up the beautiful old town and hear the stories of conquerors and sieges – then enjoy lunch at your leisure in one of the old town's lovely al fresco eateries followed by free time. Special

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Information Sailing times between Hvar and Split are approximately 5.5hrs, depending on the conditions.

Day 7: Split - Krka National Park

After a leisurely breakfast on board, enjoy some more free time to explore Split's old city. After lunch, take a private bus transfer to Krka National Park then board a small boat for some cruising and exploring within the park. The park spans two thirds of the Krka River, and some 142 square kilometres – visit some of the gorgeous waterfalls for which this park is renowned, stopping for a refreshing swim or two along the way. Afterwards, return by bus to Split, in time for a captain's dinner for your final evening. Special Information The wooden jetties and walkways in Krka National Park can be quite slippery. Do ensure take care, ensuring your footwear has a reasonable grip, and the stunning scenery will be well worth it.

Day 8: Disembarkation in Split

Your small ship adventure cruise along the Dalmatian coast ends after breakfast.

Please Note:

Itineraries are subject to change.

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VESSEL TYPE:

LENGTH:

PASSENGER CAPACITY:

BUILT/REFURBISHED:

Lupus Mare - The 'Sea Wolf' was launched in 2011 and extensively revamped in 2022. Built specifically for cruising the coast and islands of Croatia's Adriatic coastline, she is perfect for the small ports and harbours that are inaccessible to other larger vessels. Lupus Mare has 20 cabins and carries a maximum of 42 passengers. Every cabin has an ensuite shower and W/C, and hair dryer, and there is air conditioning in every cabin. She has a large dining room, and outside lounge to the rear and a large sun deck that fills the whole of the top deck of the vessel, which has a shaded area and enough chairs for everyone to enjoy the view and the sun. Cabins: There are two double bedded cabins on the upper deck situated behind the bridge. There are 10 further cabins on the main deck, 2 x twin cabins and 8 x doubles, and a further 8 cabins on the lower deck, 2 of which can be triple cabins if required. Main deck double cabin Lower deck double cabin Swim Platform on Lupus Mare Sun deck on Lupus Mare Dining room



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