

# **NORTHERN CROATIA E-BIKE CRUISE**

This guided electric cycling tour in Northern Croatia starts and ends in Opatija exploring amazing coastlines, medieval towns, old villages and picturesque bays. Highlights include great beaches, vineyards, pine woods, cycling across the historic islands and exploring the islands. Croatia is a land of stunning islands, rich history, Mediterranean vegetation and a mild climate. Without doubt, the best way to explore it is by small ship and bike.



## **ITINERARY**

Saturday: OPATIJA - CRES

E-Bike: Length 27 km - Altitude difference 520 m - Required

time 2 h 30 min

After embarkation in Opatija, lunch on board and departure for Cres. After docking, cycle from Cres to Predoš ica. From the town of Cres, the capital of Cres island, cycle to the northern part of the island, to the crossroad for the ancient town of Beli, the narrowest point of this long island. We will also pass over the 45thparallel, a point that marks exactly halfway between the Equator and the North Pole. Return the same way to the town of Cres for the overnight. (L)





Sunday: CRES - LOŠINJ

E-Bike: Length 56 km - Altitude difference 710 m - Required time 5 h

After breakfast, cycle towards Mali Lošinj. Cres is an island of a bit wild nature, very rarely inhabited, and has numerous flocks of sheep that freely graze aromatic herbs, due to which the lamb meat has a special taste, and in terms of quality, it belongs to the world's top. Further, pass by the Vrana Lake and stop in the old town of Osor. In the afternoon hours, arrive in the town of Mali Lošinj, the largest island town of the entire Adriatic. It became well known and famous at the end of the 19th century due to its mild Mediterranean climate. Lunch on board and free afternoon. We recommend a visit to one of the Lošinj museums or to the fragrant island garden. Overnight in Mali Lošinj. (B, L)

### Monday: LOŠINJ - PAG

E-bike: Length 42 km - Altitude difference 720 m - Required time 4 h

Today cycle through Lošinj, a climatically exceptional island. The combination of the coastal pine forest and sea air makes a unique aerosol with a relaxing effect on our respiratory system, especially for people who suffer from breathing problems. After cycling through the ikat bay, cycle uphill to the top of the island, Sveti Ivan. Then, return to the vessel for lunch and depart for the island of Pag. Overnight in Pag. (B, L)

#### Tuesday: PAG

E-bike: Length 66 km - Altitude difference 600 m - Required time 6 h

After breakfast, cycle along the old road towards the town of

Pag, known for its salt pans since Roman times. Pass by the Pag salt pans where salt has been extracted in an almost unchanged way for over 2000 years. Return to the vessel for lunch, followed by leisure time, a great occasion for walking or swimming. In the evening get ready for the "Captain's dinner" (included on Premium and Premium Superior category. Taste the best of the Adriatic Sea and enjoy a relaxed evening with hosts. (B, L, CD)

#### Wednesday: PAG - RAB

E-bike: Length 34 km - Altitude difference 350 m - Required time 3 h

Mandre, once a small shepherd's place, and today a tourist centre is the starting point to the northernmost point of the island of Pag. After cycling through the Kolan field, arrive in Novalja, the centre of entertainment for youth from all over Europe. Continue further for about twenty kilometres through a unique landscape of sheep pastures and olive groves, out of which some have been planted back in Roman times (the last 5 kilometres of our route). In the port of Tovarnele, board the vessel for lunch followed by departure towards the Rab island. Free afternoon and overnight. (B, L)

#### Thursday: RAB - KRK

E-bike: Length 45km - Altitude difference 660 m - Required time 4 h

Today we will cycle through Rab, in many ways, a unique island. Visit the Dundo forest, the largest holm oak forest in the Mediterranean and admire rocky sandstones in which marine organisms and shells have left traces several thousand years ago. Return to Rab where for a short break for lunch. There is a possibility to cycle to the highest point of the island from which





the entire Kvarner Bay can be seen (optional). Descend to the port of Lopar where the vessel awaits, followed by a cruise towards the last island on the route, the island of Krk. Overnight in Krk. (B, L)

# Friday: KRK - OPATIJA

E-bike: Length 38km - Altitude difference 530 m - Required time 4 h

Due to the fact that it is connected to the mainland by a bridge and its short distance from industrial centres, the island of Krk (the "golden island") is still well populated and extremely well visited in the summer months. In the early afternoon, embark the vessel in Njivice, once a small fishing village, and today a tourist centre. During lunch, cruise towards Opatija, the old lady of Croatian tourism and the final destination of the trip. Overnight in Opatija. (B, L)

## Saturday: OPATIJA

An early breakfast before your final goodbyes to new friends and the crew.

Legend: B - breakfast, L - lunch, CD - Captain's dinner





# YOUR SHIP: CROATIAN 'COMFORT CLASS' CRUISER

YOUR SHIP: Croatian 'comfort class' cruiser

**VESSEL TYPE:** 

LENGTH:

**PASSENGER CAPACITY:** 

**BUILT/REFURBISHED:** 

These 'comfort' cruises are run on a small variety of vessels, all of very similar standard, but the actual vessel isn't usually confirmed until 2 weeks before the cruise. All of the vessels are very comfortable, and the cabins have airconditioning and en-suite bathrooms. All the vessels carry around 40 passengers (maximum). Steel hulled vessels with modern traditional look offer accommodation in air-conditioned, spacious en-suite cabins with double or twin beds, hair dryer and safety deposit box. Ships are from 29to 35m in length with cabins 8 to 14m2 in size. Included services: buffet breakfasts, three course lunches, Captain's dinner, English speaking tour manager on board, one guided tour, daily cabin service, mid-week fresh set of towels and bed linen, luggage handling. The images here are examples of these vessels, and their cabins and decks. Most vessels have a few triple cabins. These either have a double bed and a single bed, or sometimes a double and a single bunk.





# **PRICING**

ADDITIONAL CHARGES: Port fees. From 40 EUR pp