

## **DUBROVNIK DELUXE DISCOVERY CRUISE (DELUXE SUPERIOR SHIPS)**

Explore Dubrovnik and stunning Dalmatian islands and coastline. Spend your mornings admiring the spectacular scenery, enjoying swimming in crystal clear Adriatic sea and your afternoons and evenings exploring old historical towns or having fun till morning hours. Embarking in Dubrovnik we head to Mljet National Park, with the beautiful St Mary's Monastery on an island in the lake on an island. You can visit the monastery or explore the paths of the park by foot or bike. Then we head to Korcula, birth place of the great explorer Marco Polo and a mini Dubrovnik in its own right. We continue to Split, Croatia's second largest city where Roman Emperor Diocletian built himself a retirement palace, now under UNESCO protection, that still dominates life in central Split to this day. A warren of ruins, cafes, museums, hotels, restaurants, shops and houses. Split waterfront is a happening place and there's a buzz along the beautiful wide promenade. A local guide meets us on arrival for a walk through the heart of the bustling old town and the market. We spend the last few days cruising the islands: The jetset town of Hvar, the beautiful small fishing port of Bol, and the extraordinary nearby beach of Zlatni Rat. These are very relaxed cruises, generally cruising for around 4 hours in the morning with a swim stop on the way. The afternoons are free to explore or you can join a guided walk of the towns and ports we moor in, and in the evening and in the evening you can try some of the many fantastic restaurants that abound here.



### ITINERARY

Day 1 - DUBROVNIK - SLANO (L, D)

Check-in from 13.00h at the Gruž harbour (late arrivals can join in Slano), departure at 14.00h for the small village of Slano on the mainland, a peaceful fishermen's village. Enjoy an authentic village dinner in Smokovljani and taste all the specialties this

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rural area has to offer. As part of their property, there is a ranch with animals and the old stone threshing floor surrounded by olive trees, figs and other autochthonic plants in all the beauty of nature, where you can hear the voice of crickets and birds chirping. Overnight in Slano.

#### Day 2 - SLANO - MLJET (B, L)

Morning departure towards the island and National Park of Mljet. Lunch on board. Free time to enjoy the salt lakes in the National Park and enjoy the sun and sea on this tranquil island. The large lake is situated inside the Mljet National Park (entrance included), and in the middle one can visit an old abbey and church, or just use a canoe to roam around the lakes in the National Park. Bicycles can also be rented to cycle around the paths surrounding the lakes. Overnight in the port.

#### Day 3 - MLJET - MAKARSKA (B, L, CD)

Early morning departure towards Makarska, the famous tourist destination with many restaurants and bars and a beautiful promenade along the famous beach. Enjoy the magic of Makarska Riviera and be sure to take a walk along the city streets - there's an abundance of churches and other cultural sites. Afternoon swimming at one of the wonderful beaches. In the evening, the Captain's dinner with live entertainment on board. Overnight in Makarska.

#### Day 4 - MAKARSKA – PU IŠ A / SPLIT (B, L)

After breakfast, cruise towards Pu iš a, a typical Mediterranean place, situated on the northern side of Bra island at the bottom of a deep bay. This village is home to the world-famous white stone of Bra . Visit one of the few stone masonry workshops left in Europe. Afterwards, cruise towards Split and arrive in the afternoon in a busy university and maritime town and the capital of the Dalmatia region. Join a guided tour of the city upon arrival. This historical town under UNESCO world heritage protection will knock you off your feet with its abundance of things to see and do and with its unique lively atmosphere. Overnight in Split.

#### Day 5 - SPLIT - BOL / HVAR (B, L)

Early morning departure towards the island of Bra and the town Bol, best known for its famous Zlatni rat beach (Golden horn), a natural phenomenon that with its distinct shape and form dominates other beaches of Croatia. Directional winds and waves cause the shape of the beach to often change. Afterwards, the next destination is Hvar, the longest island in the Adriatic. While joining the guided tour, visit the magnificent Renaissance cathedral with its original tower, the oldest community theatre in Europe which was founded here in 1612 and other sites. Hvar offers plenty of restaurants, bars cafes and clubs, open long into the night. Hvar is often referred to as the sunshine and jet-set island. Overnight in Hvar.

#### Day 6 - HVAR -KOR ULA (B, L)

The journey continues towards the Kor ula island best known as

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the birthplace of Marco Polo. Stop for lunch in one of the secluded bays en route. Early afternoon arrival in Kor ula followed by a guided walking tour of the enchanting town fortified by walls. Kor ula treasures more legends, tales and monuments than any other place, discover some wandering along the herringbone pattern streets. Kor ula has an abundant choice of restaurants for a great gourmet experience and there are many bars and clubs for those looking for evening entertainment. Overnight in Kor ula.

Day 7 - KOR ULA - DUBROVNIK (B, L)

Departure towards Dubrovnik with breakfast en route. Enjoy the unforgettable natural beauty along the coast towards Dubrovnik which was referred to as "heaven on earth" by the famous writer George Bernard Shaw. Lunch on board and arrival in Dubrovnik in the early afternoon. Join the guided tour of the city. Meander through the narrow, car-free limestone streets - worn smooth under the soles of centuries of pedestrians, exploring the Gothic, Renaissance and Baroque architecture. Take the cable car from the Old Town to the Sr Mountain to enjoy scenic views of the mighty ramparts and of the Elaphiti Islands (ticket included). In the evening enjoy the traditional and authentic Croatian song and dance performance by the Lin o Folklore Ensemble. Overnight in Dubrovnik.

Day 8 - DUBROVNIK (B)

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One last breakfast onboard followed by goodbyes with the crew and new friends, before they see you off. Transfer to the airport. Legend: B - breakfast, L - lunch, D - dinner, CD - Captain`s dinner



### YOUR SHIP: AVE MARIA

YOUR SHIP: Ave Maria VESSEL TYPE: LENGTH: PASSENGER CAPACITY: BUILT/REFURBISHED:

The MV Ave Maria, a sister ship of MV Infinity, is a new deluxe superior vessel that made her maiden voyage in 2018. With the latest technology, comfort, and trends in small ship construction, Ave Maria offers the best possible Croatia cruise experience. She has a maximum capacity of 38 passengers in 19 twin or double cabins, guaranteeing an intimate setting for all guests. Modern cabins, fully equipped with air conditioning, safe deposit box, fire alarm, emergency lights and audio system for announcements by the captain or Tour Director. In addition each cabin has life jackets, desk and chair, wardrobe, night stand, small sofa and a porthole or window. Bathrooms are equipped with toilet, shower, wash basin and hair dryer. All cabins have indside passage access to the bar and restaurant area. The spacious fully air-conditioned main deck dining has a bar area with LCD TV and a corner buffet breakfast table and there is a lounge area on the rear of the upper deck. The kitchen is built to the latest HACCP standards. The large sundeck has a total surface of 250 m2 (2690 sq ft) with partial sun-shade cover of 70 m2 (753 sq ft) and comfortable deck-beds for all passengers and easy access to Jacuzzi tub. The vessel has a rear platform with mini pool with ladders for easy access into

the water and offers two outdoor showers and two deck lavatories. CABIN SPECIFICATION: Size: 15 - 17 m2 / 161 - 183 sq ft Total 19 cabins:  $\cdot$  11 cabins on upper deck each with private balcony (VIP cabins)  $\cdot$  8 lower deck cabins with inner communication to restaurant and portholes All twin bedded cabins have the possibility to be put together as a



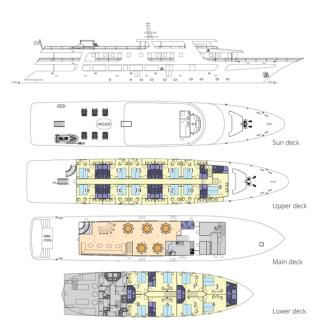
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## PRICING

**ADDITIONAL CHARGES:** 

2026 Onwards - Port Fees to be Paid Onboard 60 EUR pp

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