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TREASURES OF THE ADRIATIC: CROATIA'S DALMATIAN COAST AND MONTENEGRO CRUISE

National Geographic-Lindblad Expeditions and Food & Wine magazine have combined their expertise to deliver a stimulating and satiating exploration of Croatia and Montenegro's enchanting riviera. Savor exclusive culinary experiences against spectacular backdrops, such as the walled medieval cities of Kotor and Dubrovnik, and experience pristine nature reserves, including the waterfall-laced Plitvice Lakes National Park. Discover the region's cultural and culinary traditions--from oyster farming and olive oil production to sword dancing and silk embroidery--as we learn about their importance from the people dedicated to preserving these timeless traditions. A wine expert joins us throughout the voyage, offering accessible insights and nightly tastings to guide you through the region's rich terroirs.



ITINERARY

Day 1 Zadar, Croatia / Embark Ship

Arrive in Zadar and transfer to the hospitality space at the Westin Zadar (or similar). In the early evening, transfer to the Gaženica port and embark the ship. Settle into your cabin, enjoying your first Dalmatian sunset as you set sail.

Note: A transfer will be offered from the Split airport to the Zadar hospitality room at 1:00 p.m.

Meals Included: Dinner

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Day 2 Šibenik / Krka National Park

This morning, the National Geographic Orion tucks into a narrow cut of St. Anthony's Channel and sails past the UNESCO World Heritage site of St. Nicolas Fortress en route to Šibenik, a labyrinth of steep backstreets and alleys waiting to be explored. Join local guides on an excursion to Krka National Park and walk along the boardwalk trail to visit Skradinski Buk falls, which cascade through the countryside. Go birding at Vransko Lake or hike along St. Anthony's Channel.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 3 Mljet National Park / Kor ula

With one-third of its land designated a national park, the island of Mljet is one of the most heavily forested isles in the Adriatic--and the perfect place to experience Croatia's rich shades of blue and green. This morning, go for a swim in the Great Lake, stretch your legs on a hike or take a boat trip to the monastery on St. Marija Island. After lunch, experience all that the nearby island of Kor ula has to offer, from wine tasting to a walking tour. Later, take in a Moreska sword dance performance, a celebrated Kor ula tradition that dates to the 15th century.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 4 Kotor, Montenegro

Tucked into a bay in the shadow of craggy mountains lies the Montenegrin city of Kotor. Wrapped in medieval walls and dotted with Venetian palaces, churches and red-tiled roofs,

Kotor is widely considered one of the most beautiful ports in the Adriatic. Spend the day visiting Our Lady of the Rocks or hiking along the old city walls in search of the perfect photo op.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 5 Dubrovnik, Croatia

Wake up at the ancient walls of Dubrovnik's Old City--a UNESCO World Heritage site that is considered one of the best-preserved medieval towns in the world. Choose from several experiences to customize your day. Participate in a guided walk of the fortified walls, go oystering and enjoy a seafood lunch in the neighboring town of Ston, take part in an interactive cooking class in a quaint rural home.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 6 Komiža / Hvar

One of the outermost Croatian islands, Vis was ruled successively by the ancient Greeks, Romans, Venetians, Austrians and Italians. It became a central Yugoslav military base during World War II and only opened to tourists in the 1990s, making it less developed and less populated than many of its neighbors. On arrival in Komiža, a beautiful coastal town that weaves history and natural wonders, embark on your choice of several optional experiences, including a tour of the headquarters of Yugoslav resistance leader Josip Broz Tito, where he hid troops and weapons in extensive underground tunnels at the end of World War II and into the Cold War. Venture to hillside barracks and hidden bunkers or spend the morning enjoying the charming downtown.

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Itineraries are subject to change.

This afternoon, visit the vibrant town of Hvar--the region's most prosperous port at the height of Venetian rule. See the area as you wish: enjoy an island tour or choose from several incredible hiking options.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 7 Zadar / Plitvice Lakes National Park

The old town center of Zadar is the perfect jumping off spot to explore what this region has to offer. Enjoy a full-day excursion to the stunning waterfalls of Plitvice Lakes National Park or visit the village of Pag for a walking tour and stop at the lace workshop and museum that showcases some remarkably intricate designs. Alternatively, join a mountain guide and hit the trails of Paklenica National Park. Or simply soak in Zadar's many charms. After a day of exploring, enjoy the captain's farewell dinner.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 8 Zadar / Disembark Ship

Enjoy a farewell breakfast on board before disembarking in Zadar and transferring to the Zadar airport for your flight home.

Note: A transfer will be offered from Gaženica port in Zadar to the Split airport, arriving at Split airport at 10:30am.

Meals Included: Breakfast

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YOUR SHIP: NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ORION

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VESSEL TYPE:	Luxury Expedition
LENGTH:	103 metres
PASSENGER CAPACITY:	102 (in 53 cabins)
BUILT/REFURBISHED:	2003 / Refurbished 2014

Engineered for maximum comfort and safety, *Orion* is equipped with the latest technology including large retractable stabilizers, sonar, radar, and an ice-strengthened hull. A shallow draft plus bow and stern thrusters provide the convenience of being able to maneuver close to shore. 14 Zodiacs ensure quick disembarkation and offer the ideal transport for up-close exploration. *National Geographic Orion* meets strict specifications for environmental protection and the on board waste management systems meet the stringent Antarctic operational standards enabling us to travel to the most pristine environments. A host of advanced design features and technology ensures sustainable marine environmental practices. *National Geographic Orion* accommodates 102 guests in 53 cabins, including several with balconies. She is spacious and modern, with a variety of public rooms that offer panoramic views of the passing landscape. Friendly and informal, *Orion* fosters a welcoming atmosphere where like-minded guests share in exceptional experiences and enrichment. Her public rooms include a dramatic window-lined main lounge, as well as an observation lounge and library perched at the very top of the ship, with plentiful observation decks. The spacious lounge is

the heart of our expedition community, and is suited for spirited cocktail hours, informative presentations and our nightly tradition of Recap. In addition, a dedicated theater provides a unique setting for specialist presentations or films and slideshows. Both the main dining room and outside buffet easily accommodate all guests at once for open seating dining. On selected nights, weather permitting, our dining room menu is also available on the outside deck. While *Orion* interiors are elegant, life aboard is always casual, with no need for formal clothing. And you'll find shipboard services like laundry, in-room cabled internet, and public-area wifi make packing and traveling more



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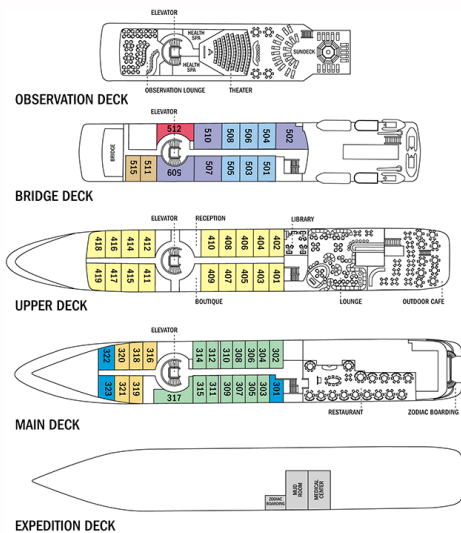
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