

# Cycling Europe

## ISLANDS, BAYS & ANCIENT TOWNS OF CENTRAL DALMATIA BY BIKE AND BOAT 2020

8 DAYS/7 NIGHTS – STANDARD & SUPERIOR BOATS

Approx. 140km by Hybrid Bike, Electric Bike or Mountain Bike



Croatia has a beautiful coast with thousands of islands, reefs and bays. Numerous romantic ruins, charming hills, and countless natural beauties are waiting to be discovered. Spend a week cruising between the mainland and the islands, spending your days cycling and relaxing in the sun. You will visit two national parks and the islands of Central Dalmatia. Highlights include: Trogir's Old Town a UNESCO World Heritage site, Primošten, Šibenik with its

famous cathedral, Zadar, National Park Krka-Waterfalls and Kornati Islands. You cycle off after a hearty breakfast. At midday meet the ship at a harbour for lunch. In the evening the ship will be waiting in the next harbour. Enjoy dinner as the sun sets, followed by a stroll through an historic harbour town. Great local cuisine, a friendly crew and knowledgeable tour guides will ensure a memorable holiday.

## ITINERARY

### Day 1: (Saturday) Trogir – Rogoznica

Arrive the picturesque port of Trogir. The closest airport is at Split, only 5 km away. A taxi to the ship will cost you around €20. Check in between 2pm and 2.30pm. At 3.00pm cruise to Rogoznica, a small settlement on an island connected to the mainland by a causway. You will spend your first night in this traditional fishing village.

Participants arriving on flights after 2 pm will need to travel directly to Rogoznica, (approx. 25 km/€30 by taxi at own expense) where the ship will meet them at around 5 or 6 pm.

### Day 2: (Sunday) Rogoznica – Primošten – Šibenik – Skradin

In the morning cycle from Rogoznica to Primošten. From there the boat takes you to the city of Šibenik to the spot where the Krka River flows into the Adriatic Sea. After visiting the famous cathedral and the lovely old town set off again. On the cruise pass the lower course of the Krka River following the river bend until you reach Skradin where you spend the night.

**Cycling: 20km**

### Day 3: (Monday) National Park of Krka - Škradin – Vodice

The magnificent port of Skradin is today's start point for exploring the most famous part of the Krka National Park with its unique waterfalls. In the early afternoon your boat takes you to the harbour of Vodice, a well-known and lively resort on the Dalmatian mainland from where you cycle a circuit route.

**Cycling: 20 km**



### Day 4: (Tuesday) Vodice - Island of Murter - Nature Park Telašćica

In the morning cycle from Vodice to Murter Island that is connected to the mainland by the lift bridge at Tisno. Pass the bridge and cycle along the water front, passing by two very old coastal villages, until you reach a small landing place from where the boat takes you on a cruise through the National Park Kornati, an archipelago of 89 uninhabited islands, islets and reefs in crystal clear water. Your destination is the Telašćica Nature Park. In the evening take a walk through the islands park along the stunning cliffs. The famous Silver Lake – featured in the movie Winnetou - is also located in the Nature Park. Overnight stay on the Island of Dugi Otok.

**Cycling: 27km**





### Day 5: (Wednesday) Island of Dugi Otok – Zadar

After breakfast and a short crossing to Sali, today's bike tour leads along a virtually traffic-free and panoramic road. Ride across the whole island. During the ride you're treated to countless unforgettable vistas of the islands and the surrounding deep blue sea. Meet the ship for lunch. Afterwards the boat takes you to Zadar, which, for centuries, was the political, cultural and spiritual centre of Dalmatia. Your tour guide takes you on an extensive walk through the lanes of the lively old centre. 3000 years of history have left their imprint on the character of this town and there are many things to be admired: the mighty fortified walls with their bastions, the loggia but also the early Romanesque St. Donatus Basilica.

**Cycling: 25 km**



### Day 6: (Thursday) Islands of Pašman and Ugljan – Zlarin Island

During breakfast the boat crosses to the island of Ugljan at the channel of Zadar. Today there is time to explore both of the islands Ugljan and Pašman by bicycle which are connected by a bridge. Cycle along the East Coast, with beautiful views of the mainland and the ocean. Afterwards the boat cruises to the coral island of Zlarin.

**Cycling: 33km**

### Day 7: (Friday) Island of Solta

In the morning the boat takes you to the island of Solta. Olive and fig trees and farmland surround the streets. The spicy smell of rosemary will follow you throughout the whole tour around the quiet island until you reach the village Grohote. After mid day the boat returns to Trogir. Here you have enough time to visit the UNESCO World Heritage Old Town. After dinner it is time to say goodbye to crew and travel guides. **Cycling: 15 km**

### Day 8: (Saturday) Departure in Trogir

Disembark after breakfast at 9 am.

**Alterations:** We reserve the right to make alterations to the itinerary, depending on wind and weather conditions, or organisational requirements.

### TERRAIN /GRADE – Level 1-2

A basic level of fitness is needed, acquired from daily cycling. The daily routes, of 15 - 35 km, cover hilly terrain and can be completed without time constraints. There are some steep climbs that can reach 100 – 300 metres. The roads are mostly asphalted and there is little traffic outside of

holiday-periods. The tour is primarily a guided group tour. If you prefer to cycle individually, consult with your guide who will recommend suitable routes when the opportunity arises. Maps will be provided on these occasions. You are able to spend half or a full day on the boat instead of taking the planned bicycle tour. Helmets are mandatory on all cycle tours. It is recommended to bring your own however there are a limited number on board for hire. E-Bikes are available for hire.

### **TERRAIN /GRADE – mountain biking**

Mountainous stages of 32 – 55 km and 200 – 900m of elevation per day. The terrain is very diverse as the islands are different from one another, hilly to mountainous with some steep ascents. It requires good physical condition. Biking is on wide nature trails, small side roads, great promenades and narrow paths that cross the islands. The tour is primarily a group guided tour however there may be opportunities, in consultation with your guide, to cycle on your own. Trail Classification for mountain biking: loose surfaces, large stones and roots, steps and shallow stairs, gradients of up to 70%, light hairpins, permanent braking readiness, displacement of centre of mass to overcome obstacles, accurate braking, permanent body tension.

### **OUR SHIPS**

#### **Standard Ship - KAPETAN JURE (all cabins with ensuite)**

"Kapetan Jure" is a 27-metre-long and 7-metre wide comfortable and spacious wooden motor yacht that was built in 2000. 11 of the 15 cabins are on the upper deck. Ten of these are furnished with two single beds arranged side by side, and one cabin has bunk beds. The remaining 4 cabins below deck are furnished with a double bed (140 cm wide) and a porthole. Cabins are simple and functional with two beds and a small wardrobe or an open shelf. Due to the shape of the ship's hull, the size of the cabins may vary, however, a price differentiation is made only with respect to cabins "upper deck" and "below deck". All cabins are air conditioned with an ensuite. A spacious living room suite and sundeck on the quarterdeck provide a welcoming space.

- Hairdryers are available on request
- WiFi is available on the boat





## Superior Ship - ROMANTICA (all cabins with ensuite)



The two mast motor yacht Romantica was launched in May 2007 and is 32 m long and 7,6 m wide. The Captain pays a lot of attention to the appearance of his ship. It has 17 comfortable cabins with a size of 9-10 square metres, and some cabins are large enough to accommodate three passengers, with a double bed and single bunk above. The forward sun deck offers mats for sun bathing and relaxing, and there is a platform at the stern for swimming.

- Above deck: Total 9 cabins - 4 Twin cabins with 2 single beds & 5 double bed cabins
- Below deck: Total 7 cabins – 2 cabins with double bed, 3 cabins with 2 single beds, and 2 triple cabins with a double bed and a single bed.
- Hairdryer
- WiFi





### Superior Ship – SAN SNOVA (all cabins with shower/toilet)

The MS San Snova was launched in spring 2009, construction taking 3 years and is the last of its wooden kind to be built in Croatia. The ship is 31 m long and 8 m wide. The San Snova has 14 guest cabins which are all air-conditioned with an ensuite. There is a roomy sun deck with comfortable mats for relaxing and lounge chairs on the afterdeck. The salon provides a comfortable and friendly atmosphere.



### CATERING

The on board cook prepares a hearty breakfast and one or two hot meals a day. Catering starts with dinner on the first night, and ends with the breakfast on the departure day.

4 Days Full Board (3 meals/day) & 3 Days with "Half-board" (2 meals/day)

### GUIDED TOUR

The tour will be guided in English & German.

Group size: Minimum: 14 participants / Maximum: 30+ participants

### 2020 CRUISE PRICES & DATES- COST PER PERSON IN EUROS

The prices below are for a **LOWER DECK** double or twin cabin with ensuite

25 Apr – 02 May	€1150	San Snova
25 Apr – 02 May	€1150	Romantica
02– 09 May	€ 950	Kapetan Jure
09 – 16 May	€1250	Romantica
16 – 23 May	€1050	Kapetan Jure
23 – 30 May	€1350	Romantica
30 May – 06 June	€1050	Kapetan Jure
06 - 13 June	€1350	Romantica
13 - 20 June	€1050	Kapetan Jure
20 - 27 June	€1350	Romantica
27 June – 04 July	€1350	San Snova
04 - 11 July	€1350	Romantica
18 - 25 July	€1350	Romantica

08-15 August	€1350	Romantica
22 - 29 August	€1450	Romantica
29 August – 05 September	€1150	Kapetan Jure
05– 12 September	€1450	Romantica
05– 12 September	€1450	San Snova
12 – 19 September	€1150	Kapetan Jure
19 – 26 September	€1450	Romantica
26 September – 03 October	€1150	Kapetan Jure
03 – 10 October	€1350	Romantica
10 – 17 October	€1050	Kapetan Jure

On the 'blue' dates above, hybrid and e-bike and mountain bike tours will be operated from the same boat. There will be a separate guide for hybrid and e-bike tours and another guide for mountain bike tours. On the 'black' dates above there will be no mountain bikes.

**Upper Deck Cabin ADD:**    **Romantica & San Snova €150 per person**  
**Kapetan Jure €100 per person**

**Single cabin ADD:**                **Romantica & San Snova Upper Deck €700, Lower Deck €500**  
**Kapetan Jure Upper Deck €600, Lower Deck €400**

#### **COSTS PER RENTAL BIKE:**

- Rental bike are available: Hybrid trekking bike with pannier:                **€ 80 for week**
- E-Bike (electric assisted bike) with 8 gear hub-shifting and pannier:        **€180 for week**
- Mountain bike full suspension    **€180 for week**
- Mountain E Bike (limited availability)    **€240 for week**

Optional Bike insurance for theft/damage (deliberate damage is not insured), please let us know at time of booking €10/bike or €20 for E-bike and mountain bike. Please note: Travel insurance does not usually cover rental bikes.

#### **HELMETS:**

Helmets are compulsory, and must be requested in advance because numbers are limited. You are encouraged to bring your own, well fitted helmet.

#### **TOUR COST INCLUDES**

- 7 night's accommodation in cabin with own shower/toilet
- 4 days full board on the ship (3 meals a day) & 3 days half board( 2 meals/day)
- English-speaking tour guide
- Guided cycling tours as described in itinerary
- Overview-maps for the daily tours on board
- Entrance fees to the National Parks (group visits only)
- Bed linen & towels

#### **NOT INCLUDED IN TOUR COST**

- **Visitor's tax and unlimited bottled water charge €50 per adult, or €25 per child up to age 16** to be paid on board
- Flights to Trogir/Split
- Airport Transfer from the Split airport to the ship. It is only 5km, so a taxi from Split airport will cost approx. €20 Euro)
- Drinks on board (tally sheet, paid to the captain)
- Entrance fees for sights – (individual visits)
- Meals ashore
- Beach towels
- Bike rental
- Tips for crew and tour guides

## DISCOUNTS

- A triple cabin can be reserved on the lower deck of the Romantica, and the third person will receive a 50% discount. These cabins are furnished with a double bed and a single bunk bed above. These cabins are not available on the Kapetan Jure.
- Children under 16 years occupying their own cabin will receive a 25% discount off the basic cruise price (not combinable with 50% discount).

**PRE & POST TOUR HOTELS** – in Trogir, close to where the boat docks. Costs available on request.



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