

ADRIATIC DELIGHTS

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7 days from Dubrovnik to Split, Plitvice, Bled and Ljubljana



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Day 01: Dubrovnik

Dubrovnik is one of the world's best preserved walled cities. This evening, meet your Tour Director for a welcome reception and dinner at your hotel.

Meals: D

Day 02: Dubrovnik

Morning sightseeing tour will focus on the beautifully preserved medieval town with its imposing city walls. Among the highlights is the Rector's Palace, Franciscan Monastery, which houses one of the oldest pharmacies in Europe. The afternoon is free at your leisure to explore the narrow cobbled streets of old city on your own.

Meals: B

Day 03: From Dubrovnik to Split

Heading north along the Adriatic to Split, our goal is to explore the massive palace built by the 4th century Roman emperor Diocletian as his retirement home which is also on the list of UNESCO World Heritage Sites. We see Jupiter's Temple, the Peristyle and the Cathedral as well as Split's many Renaissance and Gothic structures. Over time the city has encroached into the corners and crannies of the palace; shopkeepers and tiny restaurants now make their home within its massive walls.

Meals: B, D

Day 04: From Split via Trogir to Plitvice National Park

After breakfast, we head north along the Dalmatian coast to Trogir, originally founded as a Greek colony in the 3rd century BC. Here we walk along the marble-covered streets to see the portal of the St. Lawrence Cathedral. Then it's on to the beautiful Plitvice Lakes National Park.

Walking through the natural splendor of the Plitvice Lakes National Park this afternoon, we explore the breathtaking scenery of this natural wonder of 16 terraced lakes surrounded by

thickly wooded mountains and lush vegetation. Each of the falls is at a different elevation and feeds into the next through a series of spectacular cascades and frothing waterfalls.

Meals: B, D

Day 05: From Plitvice via Postojna to Bled

We return to the coast to the beautiful Bay of Kvarner and its popular resort Opatija. Then we head North to Postojna, home of the largest caves in Europe. Here we tour a fantastic subterranean world by miniature electric train and on foot. Afterwards our journey continues to Bled in the Julian Alps.

Meals: B, D

Day 06: Bled

In the morning we drive to Slovenia's capital, where we enjoy the tour of the city that is filled with churches and fin-de-siecle palaces – reminders of the town's baroque Austro-Hungarian days. Ljubljana's castle and Roman ruins speak of even earlier rulers. The charming old town nestled between the castle hill and the Ljubljanica River is reached by the Tromostovje "the triple bridge." Here we stroll across the triple bridge and through the local market, offering typical Slovenian foods and everyday products; see City Hall, Robba's Fountain and visit Ljubljana Castle. We also see the famous "Dragon Bridge" – the symbol of Ljubljana. In the afternoon, we return to Bled to tour this lake resort with included visit to the Castle, perched on the cliff high above the lake. In the evening, join your fellow travelers and Tour Director for a farewell dinner in Castle restaurant in Bled.

Meals: B, FWD

Day 07, Bled

Your tour finishes after breakfast in Bled and transport to Ljubljana Airport.

Meals: B



TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:

- **Dubrovnik:** Walking within old City Walls will open up the view to incredible sights of the town, with the Pile Gate, Onofrio's Fountain, Franciscan Monastery, and Rector's Palace
- **Split:** Roman emperor Diocletian palace, Jupiter's Temple, the Peristyle and the Cathedral
- **Plitvice:** walk within unspoiled nature of Plitvice National Park with its 16 cascading lakes
- **Postojna:** visit the amazing underground world of the Europe largest caves
- **Bled:** enjoy the sights of Bled lake and area from the castle perched on the cliff above the lake
- **Ljubljana:** Tromostovje "the triple bridge," the local open air market, the City Hall, Robba's Fountain, the Parliament and the famous "Dragon Bridge" – the symbol of Ljubljana

HOTELS:

- **Dubrovnik:** Ariston, Dubrovnik President
- **Split:** Atrium
- **Plitvice:** Jezero, Plitvice
- **Bled:** Golf, Park, Astoria

INCLUDED FEATURES:

- First class hotels, rooms with private facilities
- Service charges and taxes
- Welcome drink upon arrival with your Tour Director
- Breakfast daily, 3 hotel dinners, farewell dinner in Castle restaurant in Bled
- Touring by modern air-conditioned motor coach
- Professional Tour Director throughout
- Qualified local city guides
- Luggage handling in hotels

