

PEARLS OF SLOVENIA PLUS VENICE

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7 Day Tour from Bled to Portorož and Venice



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Day 01: Bled

You will be met at Ljubljana airport and transferred to your hotel in Bled. The day is at leisure until a welcome dinner in Bled Castle restaurant perched on the cliff overlooking the lake.

Meals: D

Day 02: Bled

A sightseeing tour of Bled features the charming town with the lake shore, and Pletna boat ride to Bled island to visit St. Mary church built on the remnants of previous churches. After your tour, travel to Ljubljana, the capital of Slovenia. Here, view the Central open-air Market, Baroque Town Hall, Robba's Fountain, the Three Bridges and the Parliament. Return to Bled in the evening.

Meals: B

Day 03: From Bled to Postojna and Portorož

Leave Bled and drive south to Postojna, home to the second largest caves in the world. Tour this fantastic subterranean world by miniature electric train and on foot. Then, continue on to Lipica where world famous Lipizzaner horses originate. Tour the stud farm and attend the performance of the white stallions. Finish your day at the Adriatic coast of Slovenia and its resort town of Portorož.

Meals: B, D

Day 04: Portorož

Morning is at leisure in this resort town and in the afternoon join your fellow travelers in the tour of Slovenian Istria. See the salt beds in Sečovelje, the original Istrian house and admire the old frescoes in the fortress church in Hrastovlje. Return to Portorož for overnight.

Meals: B

Day 05: From Portorož to Venice

Leave Portorož and after a short ride cross the border to Italy. Our first stop will be in Trieste to see the remnants of its former glory when it was the most important port town of Austro-Hungarian empire. Then it is off to the city of dreams, Venice.

Meals: B

Day 06: Venice

The day begins with a walking tour of Venice featuring the major highlights: St. Mark's Square, St. Mark's Basilica, the Doge's Palace, the Bell Tower and the Bridge of Sighs. The tour ends with a visit to a glass blowing factory where you may see the demonstration of a traditional Venetian glass blowing. Balance of the day is at leisure. Enjoy Venice at your own pace, shop or join an optional gondola ride. In the evening attend farewell dinner in one of the Venice local restaurants.

Meals: B, FWD

Day 07: Venice

Your tour comes to the end with the transfer to Venice International airport.

Meals: B



TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:

- **Bled:** enjoy the sights of Bled Lake and area from the castle perched on the cliff above the lake and take a boat ride to its island
- **Ljubljana:** Tromostovje "the triple bridge," the local open air market, City Hall, Robba's Fountain, the Parliament and the famous "Dragon Bridge" – the symbol of Ljubljana
- **Postojna:** visit the amazing underground world of the Europe largest caves
- **Lipica:** visit the original stud farm of white stallions which has celebrated its 530 anniversary
- **Sečovelje:** see the salt pans and its national park; Visit the original Istrian house
- **Hrastovlje:** visit the fortified church and see its frescoes from 16th century
- **Venice:** St. Mark's Basilica, the Doge's Palace, and the Bridge of Sighs, visit to a glass blowing factory

HOTELS:

- **Bled:** Park, Golf, Astoria
- **Portorož:** Bernardin
- **Venice:** Principe, Amadeus

INCLUDED FEATURES:

- First class hotels, rooms with private facilities
- Service charges and taxes
- Welcome drink upon arrival with your Tour Director
- Breakfast daily, 5 hotel dinners, farewell dinner in local restaurant in Dubrovnik Old city
- Touring by modern air-conditioned motor coach
- Professional Tour Director throughout
- Qualified local city guides
- Luggage handling in hotels

