

Premium Boat



Tour description and distances

Day 1	20 km
Pula - Medulin	
Day 2	35 km
Vrsar - Poreč	
Day 3	51 km
Porec-Višnjan– Umag	
Day 4	55 km
Umag - Grožnjan - Novigrad	
Day 5	35 km
Novigrad - Poreč	
Day 6	20 km
Rovinj	
Day 7	35 km
Rovinj - Barbariga - Pula	
Day 8	
Pula	

Floating Adventures: Istrian Peninsula

“The heart of Europe“ is what the Istrians call their peninsula, inspired by its shape and position at the crossroads of European cultures and nations. This is where Central Europe and the world of the Mediterranean meet. On this tour, you will explore the most popular part of the Croatian coast.

Starting in Pula, the motorized yacht will take you a bit further north every day, and our tour guides will show you the most beautiful routes of the whole coastal region. You will visit the paradise of nature on the islands of Brijuni, the Lim Channel with its caves, the coastal cities of Poreč, Rovinj and Vrsar, as well as the Istrian hinterland, a famous wine and truffle region.

Pula, the starting port of the trip, can easily be reached by bus. The trip always starts and ends on Sundays, which allows you an unhurried and comfortable arrival. The bicycle routes are not too challenging, and the tour is particularly suitable for beginners.

Tour Details 2019

Dates: Sunday sailings from April 14 to October 13

Cost: \$2095 per person

Bike Rental: \$175

Length: 8 days / 7 nights

Single Cabin Supplement: Add 50%

Grade: Moderate

Starts / Ends: Pula



Fact Sheet

Includes:

- 7 nights accommodation, with breakfast and lunch or dinners included
- Daily maps, transfers, guide and support

E-Bike Info:

- E-bike rental: \$350
- Limited supplies on boat, so reservations recommended
- Cube Hybrid or i:SY Flyer models available (depending on tour)



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Day 1 Pula 20 km

Individual arrival and embarkation from 2 pm at Pula, a town full of impressive remains of its Roman past. Your first bike tour at approx. 3 pm takes you from the harbour for a circular ride around Pula along beautiful bays to the southern tip of Istria. After the cycle you are taken for the first cruise just a couple of miles north to a quiet bay for your overnight stay.

Day 2 Vrsar - Poreč 35 km

After breakfast you start on a morning cruise to Vrsar, the town where lady killer Casanova found temporary refuge from lovers pursuing him. After a break your route takes you to Poreč. On a walk after dinner with your town guide, you encounter at every step along the way the evidence of the town's eventful past, strolling through the charming historical centre.

Day 3 Poreč - Višnjan - Umag 51 km

Today's bike tour takes you from Poreč through miles of vineyards to Višnjan, home of the famous white Boskarin cattle. After a lunch break you continue cycling back to Poreč through the gentle hills of the hinterland to visit Baredine Cave. It leads us 60 m under ground to a subsurface lake and if we are lucky we'll meet a native – the famous amphibia (*Proteus anguinus*); the olm. This little cave dweller is a unique one. It is endemic to this karst area. Back at the ship we hop on our boat and enjoy a lovely cruise to Umag.

Day 4 Umag - Grožnjan - Novigrad 55 km

This morning you undertake a trip from Umag along the coast and then a climb to the artist's village of Grožnjan. After a long relaxing stop in Grožnjan we continue cycling to Novigrad along the Mirna river valley. It is well known as an area where white truffles can be found, a gourmets' delight. Novigrad is a picturesque old town with its centre located on a promontory as well as some remains of a medieval city wall. Around the pretty harbour there are many cafes and bars, where you can end the day.

Day 5 Novigrad - Poreč - Rovinj 35 km

After breakfast we leave Novigrad and cycle along the coast all the way to Poreč. There is time to take a stroll through this beautiful old town and to enjoy some regional cuisine for lunch. The boat awaits you in the harbour of Poreč and will take you to Rovinj often called the "Pearl of Istria", a real Adriatic gem.

Day 6 Rovinj 20 km

Your morning cycle tour allows plenty of time for a refreshing dip in the Adriatic Sea. After a revitalizing lunch on board the boat a local guide leads us on a walk through the maze of narrow lanes of this picture perfect town.

Day 7 Rovinj - Barbariga- Vodnjan - Pula 35 km

A longer crossing this morning takes you to Barbariga. We go ashore to enjoy a beachside lunch and to take in the fresh sea breeze. Time to leave and hop on our bicycles. Our cycle tour leads us via Vodnjan back to Pula our port of departure. You have time to stroll around or to explore the cultural heritage of this ancient town. The last evening aboard our boat follows a nice tradition while enjoying your last communal dinner with your new friends, crew and your tour guides.

Day 8 Pula

After breakfast disembarkation at 9 am and individual trip home or extended stay in Croatia.



What to Expect

What will the weather be like?

The weather should be nice and warm during the day, definitely t-shirt weather, but you should bring a jacket or fleece for cooler morning and evenings.

How many hours of cycling a day?

You will cycle up to 6 hours a day. We do not return back to the boat for lunch, so you must plan to be out all day, or simply take the whole day off.

How fit do I need to be?

The fitter the better. Istria is hilly, so you will have a combination of short and longer ascents and descents.

What are the accommodations like?

Cabins are small, twin bedded cabins with a toilet, sink and shower facilities in each room. Meals are served either in the main lounge or outside on deck. There is ample room to move about.



Getting There

You can fly into Pula, and the harbour is located 10 km/20€ away by taxi.

From Rijeka - 2 hours

From Ljubjana - 3 hours

Collective transfers between Zagreb airport (12:15) to Pula on embarkation day. Return to Zagreb airport (07:00) can be arranged for 60€ person/way. Reservations required upon booking.

Good To Know

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All of the guest cabins of the boat are above deck and each has a large exterior window. Each cabin has a bathroom with toilet and all-in-one shower. Fans provide a pleasant cooling effect during the warm season.

The comfortable sleeping mats on the sundeck and also the living room suite on the shadowed part of the upper deck promise a relaxing break on board.

Some Extras

- Unlimited bottled water and Visitor's Tax 40€ per person to be paid to Captain
- Meals ashore
- Tips for crew and guides

How to book your holiday

- Contact our office to make sure there is space available. One of our travel planners will walk you through the entire process.
- Download the reservation form from our site and send in completed form by fax or email. Once this is done, your space is confirmed and a pre-departure packet will be sent.
- A deposit is required immediately, and final payment is due 60 days prior to the trip departure. Terms & conditions are outlined in our Reservation Form.
- Plan your air travel as soon as possible.
- We encourage you to purchase travel insurance, either through us or a travel insurance provider directly.
- Ensure you are in proper health for the trip chosen. Contact us, for more information on vaccinations, inoculations, and fitness requirements.