



## TREASURES OF CROATIA - A LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEY (2025)

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Small Group Journeys, Luxury Small Group Journeys



Europe, Croatia



8 days from AU\$13,905 pp



18 Guests

## Journey Overview

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### Journey Highlights

- Stroll Split's lively daily market to experience life as locals do, and ponder history on a visit to the majestic ruins of Diocletian's Palace
- On a Chef's Table culinary experience in Hvar, visit a family-owned winery for a tasting accompanied by a variety of locally produced foods
- Explore the charming fishing town of Ston and sample some of its famous oysters
- Soak in the ambiance of historic Dubrovnik, walk the ramparts of its medieval walls and view the city by water on a private cruise



## Itinerary

### **Day 1: Arrive Split, Croatia**

Arrive in Split, where you are met and transferred to your hotel. This evening, join your Resident Tour Director and fellow guests for a welcome dinner.

***Hotel Ambassador / Meals: D***

### **Day 2: Split | Palace of Diocletian**

Explore Split, starting with the Palace of Diocletian and its synagogue, and view St. Domnius Cathedral. Stroll Split's old town and harbour-front promenade. Visit the daily market, and then enjoy your afternoon at leisure before dinner.

***Hotel Ambassador / Meals: BD***

### **Day 3: Hvar | Wine Tasting at a Family-Owned Winery**

Rise early for a ride by ferry along the stunning Dalmatian coastline to picturesque Hvar, a lush, mountainous island where Venetian palaces grace narrow backstreets and secluded coves beckon. Upon arrival, visit the old town of Stari Grad, before heading to the family-owned winery of renowned winemaker Andro Tomic for a Chef's Table experience that includes a wine tasting. Later, on the scenic drive to Hvar Town, stop to view the gleaming limestone Spanjol Fortress. Tonight, enjoy fine dining while overlooking the waterfront.

***Palace Elisabeth / Meals: BLD***

### **Day 4: Hvar | A Stroll Through Historic Streets**

This morning, walk the historic centre of Hvar Town, pausing to take in the Cathedral, the Arsenal and the Benedictine Nunnery where resident nuns produce the world-famous agave lace. Afterward, enjoy your afternoon at leisure, free to enjoy this beautiful town and its island lifestyle.

***Palace Elisabeth / Meals: B***

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### **Day 5: Dubrovnik | Oysters & the Old City**

Head to Dubrovnik, the “Pearl of the Adriatic,” stopping en route in Ston, renowned for its oysters, which you may wish to sample when you enjoy lunch in a typical Dalmatian restaurant.

***Hotel Excelsior Dubrovnik | Meals: BLD***

### **Day 6: Dubrovnik & Konavle | Walking Tour & Silk Weaving**

Stroll through Dubrovnik with your local guide to see the Dominican Monastery, the Rector’s Palace and Dubrovnik Cathedral. Mingle with local traders and craftspeople in its markets. Later, on a fascinating artisan visit in Konavle watch silk weavers at work, carrying on a tradition practiced in the region since at least the 16th century. Learn how the threads from silk-worm cocoons are teased out into the long single strands used to create a variety of garments, from dresses to decorative waistcoats. Return to Dubrovnik for a private cruise, enjoying a Scenic Sundowner and taking in the fantastic city views.

***Hotel Excelsior Dubrovnik | Meals: BL***

### **Day 7: Dubrovnik | Design Your Day**

Today, enjoy one of these **Design Your Day** activities.

- **Take Part in a Cooking Class with Wine Tasting**, and then savour what you created for lunch.
- **Embark by Sea Kayak** on a refreshing, tranquil paddle around Dubrovnik’s Old Town and Lokrum Island.
- **Seek Out the City’s Hidden Gems** on a guided walking tour to several of Dubrovnik’s less-visited historic sites.

Tonight, gather for a farewell dinner in a fine local restaurant.

***Hotel Excelsior Dubrovnik | Meals: BD***

### **Day 8: Depart Dubrovnik**

After breakfast, transfer to the airport to depart.

***Meals: B***

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## **Journey Details**

This journey contains some active elements.

Minimum age is 10 years.

First group event: welcome briefing at 6:30 p.m. on Day 1.

Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:30 p.m. on Day 7.

Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

## **Included with every Luxury Small Group Journey**

- English-Speaking Resident Tour Director® and Local Guides
- Hand-Selected Luxury Accommodations
- Airport Meet and Greet with Private Transfers
- Travelling Bell Boy® Luggage Handling
- Full Breakfast Daily; Select Lunches and Dinners
- Traveller's Valet® Laundry Service
- Internet Access
- Entrance Fees, Taxes and All Gratuities Except Resident Tour Director
- 24/7 A&K On-Call Support
- Guaranteed Departures with Just Two Guests

## **Customise this Journey**

**Talk to one of our expert Journey Designers** or your travel agent about booking this tour as a private journey for your own small group with family or friends. Or, if you would prefer to travel privately, find out more about creating the perfect bespoke Tailor-Made Journey based on this itinerary.



## Map



## Extensions



Slovenia & Zagreb Pre-Tour  
Extension - A Luxury Small  
Group Journey (2025)

**See Details**



Montenegro Post-Tour  
Extension - A Luxury Small  
Group Journey (2025)

**See Details**

## Accommodation

### Palace Elisabeth, Hvar



Located near the city's most iconic landmarks, Palace Elisabeth is Hvar's oldest five-star hotel, a 19th century beauty which gracefully melds the charm of its historical past with the splendour of modern luxury. Framed by St Stephen's Cathedral and the famous Hvar Theatre, the hotel is situated right in the hub of Hvar's centre with myriad bars, cafés and restaurants on its doorstep. It is also an easy stroll to where catamarans depart and arrive from Split and the islands of Korčula and Vis.

The hotel features 45 designer-chic guest rooms and a fine-dining restaurant. All guest rooms overlook Pjaca, Dalmatia's grandest square, with awe-inspiring vistas of Hvar Bay and the sunsets over the Paklinski Islands. Guests can indulge in cocktails and jazz on the terrace of the Arsenal Bar, while looking out on the coastal promenade, and the delightful terrace is also the perfect place to savour Mediterranean treats.

Indulge with a visit to the spa, which offers massages, body treatments and facials, and take advantage of recreational amenities such as an indoor pool, a sauna, and a 24-hour fitness centre.



## Hotel Excelsior, Dubrovnik



Hotel Excelsior with its 158 rooms is just a short walk from the heart of the ancient city of Dubrovnik. The rooms and suites are tastefully furnished with understated décor counter-pointed against local colour in the form of original paintings by Croatian artists. With the fabulous Energy Clinic & Spa and heated indoor swimming pool opening onto the sunbathing terrace, the Excelsior is an oasis of calm. Try the relaxed beach restaurant for fabulous Mediterranean cuisine.

### Why we like it

- Perfectly located near the Old City of Dubrovnik, only a short walk from the cultural and heritage centre of the city
- Three restaurants serve authentic local, national and international cuisine - including the signature fine dining restaurant Sensus
- The Energy Clinic Spa and Wellness Centre at the Hotel Excelsior. It offers an extensive range of high quality health and beauty services
- The hotel has an indoor pool and a number of Jacuzzi pools
- Sea view rooms with a balcony are a must to admire the lights of Old Dubrovnik at night whilst suites have their own terrace

# Dates & Pricing

Prices are in AUD, per person, based on double occupancy

## May 11, 2025 - May 18, 2025

Price	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
<b>AU\$13,905 pp</b>	AU\$6,115	AU\$0	Call for Availability

## May 18, 2025 - May 25, 2025

Price	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
<b>AU\$13,905 pp</b>	AU\$6,115	AU\$0	Call for Availability

## May 25, 2025 - Jun 1, 2025

Price	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
<b>AU\$13,905 pp</b>	AU\$6,115	AU\$0	Call for Availability

## Jun 8, 2025 - Jun 15, 2025

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## Jun 15, 2025 - Jun 22, 2025

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## Jun 22, 2025 - Jun 29, 2025

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## Jul 6, 2025 - Jul 13, 2025

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**Jul 20, 2025 - Jul 27, 2025**

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**Aug 31, 2025 - Sep 7, 2025**

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**Sep 7, 2025 - Sep 14, 2025**

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**Sep 10, 2025 - Sep 17, 2025**

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**Sep 14, 2025 - Sep 21, 2025**

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**Sep 21, 2025 - Sep 28, 2025**

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**Sep 28, 2025 - Oct 5, 2025**

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**Oct 5, 2025 - Oct 12, 2025**

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Oct 12, 2025 - Oct 19, 2025

Price	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
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Oct 19, 2025 - Oct 26, 2025

Price	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
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