



Natural Croatia

Your Adventure in Nature!

Croatia: Medieval Zagreb, White rocks, Green Lakes and Adriatic Blue Sea

Guided Walking Tour

Experience three different natural beauties of Croatia: lakes, mountains and islands! Starting from Zagreb – city of million hearts, and especially popular European capital. On the list is a hike to medieval castle Medvedgrad above the city and tasting local specialties of continental Croatia. Further on program is hiking an off-the-beaten-path natural beauty – strict nature reserve “White rocks” – Bijeke stijene. Accommodation is in magical fantasy-driven city Ogulin just near “Kula” tower. Next day hike is in UNESCO natural heritage – “National Park Plitvice Lakes” – *Plitvička jezera*, an outstanding natural beauty and combination of lakes and waterfalls. Next destination of the trip is Zadar – magical city on the coast, special for the most beautiful sunset (by A. Hitchok), a Sea Organ, Roman and Venetian ruins and many more. Hiking adventure continues in National Park Paklenica, famous for its climbing areas and beautiful walks. The last hike departs from Zadar harbour with motorboat to the Long island (*Dugi otok*), and Nature park Telašćica with magnificent cliffs and views. This is also a crown and end day of this trip – as tomorrow is a goodbye day!

Highlights

- Zagreb!
- White rocks hike!
- UNESCO Plitvice Lakes!
- Hiking NP Paklenica
- Sunset in Zadar
- Motorboat Long island
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Includes

- 2 National parks
- 7 nights hotel
- 7 breakfasts
- 5 lunches
- 5 dinners
- Group size from 2-11
- 5 days hiking tours
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In Short/Days

1. Zagreb arrival
2. Medvedgrad fortress hike
3. Ogulin - White rocks hike
4. NP Plitvice hike
5. Rest/ tour in Zadar
6. NP Paklenica hike
7. Long island Telašćica hike
8. Goodbye in Zadar

Day 1 Zagreb arrival

Single group transfer from Zagreb airport to accommodation. Evening briefing and dinner in the city centre restaurant.

Depending on arrival time, rest of the day free to enjoy Zagreb. **(D)**

Day 2 Medvedgrad fortress

After breakfast short transfer to the Medvedgrad fortress, visit to Medvedgrad and further hike to Mountain lodge Grafičar to feel classic hiking trail and have a tasty mountaineer lunch as local people do!

After lunch hike back and transfer to the city, with the rest of the day free to explore the city. Optional city tour. **(B, L)**

Day 3 White rocks trek

After breakfast 1,5h transfer to the starting point of hike to wild strict natural reserve White rocks (hr. *bijeke stijene*).

After a 2h hike and a short technical climb, a rewarding view from the top of White rocks awaits. Just below the top is a mountain lodge and a place to have picnic lunch and gain the strength for return (2h hike back).

As this is an off-the-beaten path trail, there is a high chance to see a deer or some other wild animal! Total walking around 5h.

Short transfer to hotel in Ogulin, and after settling down and before dinner opportunity to explore this fantasy-driven city. **(B, L, D)**

Day 4 National Park Plitvice

After breakfast, 1h transfer to National Park Plitvice. National park Plitvice is Croatian most famous UNESCO Natural World Heritage site. It consists of several lakes connected with waterfalls. Plitvice hike includes breath-taking views on the park, astonishing photos under the waterfall, a boat ride that connects two parts of lakes, and a train ride back. Total walking is around 5 hours. After leaving the park, 1,5h transfer to the seaside in Zadar park, lodging and dinner. **(B, L, D)**

Day 5 Rest day/ Zadar city tour

Today is a rest day, needed after few days of intensive hiking.

Recommended is a walking tour near the sea to the city centre, which takes around



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1h, and gives a great way to get to know the city.

Do not miss visiting "The greeting to the Sun", "Sea organ" and the sunset from that place!

Option is to take a guided city tour. **(B)**

Day 6 National Park Paklenica

After breakfast 45 min transfer to National Park Paklenica. Paklenica is a magnificent Croatian park famous for rock climbing! Canyon *Velika Paklenica* is impressive with its steep cliffs, alive and full of rock climbers climbing and hanging on the cliffs. The trail goes through climbing area and further into the park, by the river, which gives opportunities to see the rocks from the higher elevation, and enjoy the nature in a leisure walk. Total walking is around 4 hours. **(B, L, D)**

INFO

No of persons: Min 4 Max 11

Available departures: Every week

Price is based on double occupancy.

Single Supplement possible.

NOTE! Available private group option!

From 1-3 persons!

Included

- 7 nights Hotel (3 nights 4*, 4 nights 3*)
- All transfers
- All meals noted in program (B-breakfast, L-Lunch, D-dinner)
- Meals are typical delicious Croatian food, served in top selected Croatian restaurants, or on top locations with views in case of picnic/mountaineer lunch
- All tickets and entrances
- Professional guides / instructors
- Water for tours
- Insurance

Not included

- Flights
- Meals not stated in program
- Drinks (if not stated in program)
- Optional city tours
- Transfers not stated in the program
- Gratuities (optional)

Day 7 Long Island

09:00 after breakfast boarding to motorboat at 10:00 for Long Island (*Dugi otok*), 1:10 min boat ride. Boat ride goes from Zadar centre, directly to Long island, between two islands Pašman and Ugljan and under the famous bridge "Ždrelec" connecting them.

Small city where boat stops – Sali has its special peaceful magic that is hard to describe. From there after a short transfer starts a hike to Nature Park Telašćica, with its special sea-cliffs (called locally "Stene") and salt lake "Mir" (Peace). Lunch break with the view awaits, before heading back to catch a boat to Zadar. Day finishes with delicious dinner in the city. **(B, L, D)**.

Day 8 Goodbye

After breakfast, one transfer to airport is provided.

-- End of services.--

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Gear checklist

- High trekking shoes
- Long hiking pants
- Windproof jacket
- Hat and Sunglasses
- Sunscreen
- Small packable raincoat
- Bathing suit (summer tours)
- Backpack (available on request)
- Photo camera - for your memories!

NOTE

Please check your visa requirements for Croatia. EU citizens do not require visa, only identification card.

It is possible to organize accommodation and transfer for day earlier /later in the case of earlier arrival or longer stay – please request this in advance.

IMPORTANT

Hiking - Walking activities are performed outdoor, and are subject to weather conditions. If your guide evaluates that there is too high risk to perform activity, the schedule might change, or activity might be cancelled if impossible to replace.

Please note in advance any special diets (vegetarian, vegan or similar) and also possible allergies!

ACTIVITY LEVEL: 2 - "Easy to Moderate"