

Lakes and Mediterranean Harmony from Mestre to Split



SMALL GROUP TOURS



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Overview



Explore the best of Italy, Slovenia, Austria, and Croatia over 8 nights in this small group tour. Experience the divine alpine fresh air, world-famous Plitvice Lakes and 4 more mesmerizing lakes, and Mediterranean historic towns, all wrapped in the exquisite taste of unique gastronomic experiences. A great tour to combine with a Croatian cruise from Split.



Route

Mestre | Venice | Bled | Bohinj | Klagenfurt | Wörth Lake | Postojna Cave | Predjama Castle | Rovinj | Pula | Opatija | Lake Bajer | Plitvice Lakes National Park | Split

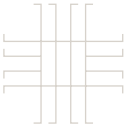
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Lake Bled

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Itinerary



Day 1 Mestre

Individual transfer to Mestre Hotel from Venice airport. Time to settle in and free day.

Day 2 Mestre - Venice - Bled

Meet and greet at hotel reception from 9:00 a.m. - 9.30 a.m. Depart towards Venice, followed by sightseeing in this unique floating city. Enjoy a walking tour with an English-speaking guide before continuing toward Slovenia. Dinner and overnight in the Bled Lake area. **(B, D)**

Day 3 Bled - Bohinj - Bled

Enjoy a relaxing tour of Lake Bled, one of the most popular destinations in Slovenia, famous for its picturesque settings. After the Bled boat ride, time at leisure on the island. Afterward, visit the Bled castle to admire the wonderful historic city, lake, and surrounding mountains. On a clear day, you can see Slovenia's highest mountain, Mount Triglav. Our final stop of the day will be Lake Bohinj, one of the best-kept secrets in Slovenia, which will give you an abundance of photo ops, as will the entire day. Overnight in the Bled Lake area. **(B)**

Day 4 Bled - Klagenfurt - Wörth Lake - Bled

Today we visit the neighboring country of Austria. Experience plenty of views of the Alps, impressive at any time of the year. Enjoy a panoramic tour of the popular vacation spot in the historic county of Carinthia, the 20km long Lake Wörth. We continue to the charming town of Klagenfurt, a university town with its beautiful Lindworm fountain dominating the old city square, the Altplatz. After the visit, and before returning to the Bled Lake area, lunch in the Klagenfurt area. Overnight in the Bled Lake area. **(B, L)**

Day 5 Bled - Postojna Cave - Predjama Castle - Rovinj

Today we continue our trip toward Croatia and stop at Postojna Caves. One of Europe's largest underground cave systems hides wondrous geological creations and is home to the olm. The next destination, Predjama Castle, situated on a high cliff, tells the 700-year-old story of its predecessors and Postojna. Arrive at the enchanting coastal town of Rovinj in the late afternoon. Overnight in Rovinj. **(B, D)**

Day 6 Rovinj - Pula - Rovinj

Our day will begin with sightseeing the most precious jewels of the Istrian Coast. A walk through labyrinths of cobbled streets will lead you through some of the most picturesque streets in Istria, revealing this stunning peninsula's rich history. Depart towards central Istria for a sample of one of Istria's tastiest treasures, the truffle. The rest of the day offers a unique sensory experience. Experience olive oil tasting rich in green scent and flavor of various sorts of extra virgin oils at one of the most renowned local producers. Afterward, visit one of the best-preserved amphitheatres in the world, the jewel of Pula, a 3,000-year-old city. Overnight in Rovinj. **(B, T)**

Day 7 Rovinj - Opatija - Lake Bajer - Plitvice Lakes National Park

Traveling from Croatia's largest peninsula, we drive through Opatija. You will have time at leisure to enjoy this wonderful town, full of magnificent villas and old hotels, once a famous winter resort of the Austrian elite. Stroll along the Lungomare promenade, visit Angiolina Park, or enjoy a coffee break at Wagner's terrace. After we pass the Gorski Kotar region, we arrive at a picturesque place, Fuzine, to explore the Vrelo Cave. With everlasting impressions from

Croatia's green lungs, lunch awaits us at the heart-warming restaurant Bitoraj will blend the traditional, homemade food of the region. Through the lush green scenery, the trip continues to Plitvice Lakes. Overnight in the Plitvice area. **(B, L, D)**

Day 8 Plitvice Lakes National Park - Split

After breakfast, let yourself be carried away by the fascinating labyrinth of evergreen woods and lakes interconnected with stunning waterfalls. The UNESCO-protected oldest Croatian national park proudly carries the title of one of the world's most impressive national parks. After spending time in the park, the journey continues towards Split for a short evening walk through the UNESCO World Heritage site, the largest city on the Adriatic coast. Explore Diocletian's Palace, built by the Roman emperor Diocletian at the turn of the 4th century, and visit the Grgur Ninski Statue, Cathedral, and Bell Tower of St Dominus. Overnight in Split. **(B, D)**

Day 9 Split

After breakfast, it's time to say goodbye to your new friends. Transfer to Split Airport or onwards to your Croatia cruise. **(B)**

Lakes and Mediterranean Harmony Places



Wörth Lake



Rovinj



Opatija



Predjama Caste

Lakes and Mediterranean Harmony Inclusions



Included

- All transfers as per itinerary, including arrival transfer from Venice airport to hotel and departure transfer from hotel to Split airport or your Croatia cruise.
- English-speaking tour manager
- 5 overnights with breakfast and 3 overnights with half board (breakfast and dinner) in 4* hotels
- 2 unique gastronomical experiences, including truffle tasting and olive oil tasting
- Guided walking tours of towns: Venice, Bled, Klagenfurt, Opatija, Plitvice Lakes, Split
- Entrances including Venice Vaporetto, Bled boat ride, Bled island and church, Bled Castle, Postojna Cave and Castle, Plitvice Lakes National Park including boat ride and Amphitheatre Pula
- 2 restaurant lunches in the Klagenfurt area and Bajer Lake area
- Porterage & city taxes

Hotel Examples

- Mestre:** Hotel Antony Palace or similar
- Bled:** Hotel Kompas or similar
- Rovinj:** Hotel Eden or similar
- Plitvice Lakes area:** Hotel Palcich or similar
- Split:** Hotel Cornaro Split or similar

Tour Dates

- April 19 - April 27, 2024
- May 3 - May 11, 2024
- June 7 - June 15, 2024
- September 6 - September 14, 2024
- September 20 - September 28, 2024
- September 27 - October 5, 2024

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