

11D8N INSIGHTS OF BALKANS

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This insightful trip takes you past the tumultuous history behind Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia and Slovenia to uncover their wealth of hidden beauty and historical gems.

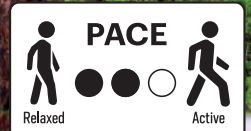
PLITVICE LAKES NATIONAL PARK, CROATIA



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HIGHLIGHTS

BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

SARAJEVO

- Emperor's Mosque
- Sarajevo War Tunnel
- Eternal Flame

MOSTAR

- Old Bridge
- Old Bazaar

CROATIA

DUBROVNIK

- Pile Gate
- Onofrio Fountain
- Sponza Palace
- City Bell Tower
- Orlando's Column
- Church of St. Blaise

SPLIT

- Diocletian's Palace
- Peristil Square

ZADAR

- Western Quay
- Sea Organ
- Monument to the Sun
- St. Donatus' Church
- Roman Forum
- St. Anastasia's Cathedral
- St. Mary's Church
- Lion's Gate

PLITVICE LAKES NATIONAL PARK

- Electric Boat Ride
- Great Waterfall

ISTRIA

- Truffle Hunting & Tasting

ZAGREB

- King Tomislav Square
- Stone Gate
- St. Mark's Square
- St. Mark's Church
- Strossmayer Promenade
- Zagreb Cathedral
- Ban Jelačić Square
- Dolac Market

SLOVENIA

LJUBLJANA

- Old Town
- Central Market
- Town Hall
- Robba Fountain
- Triple Bridge
- Dragon Bridge

POSTOJNA CAVE

- Electric Train Ride

LAKE BLEĐ

- Bled Castle



DELICACIES

Meal Plan

8 Breakfasts, 6 Lunches, 7 Dinners

Specialities

- Traditional Bosnian Beef Sahan
- Istrian Truffle
- Western + Bled Cream Cake @ Bled Castle
- Homemade Suckling Pig

4-5★ HOTELS

ZAGREB Double Tree by Hilton

SARAJEVO Hills

DUBROVNIK Croatia

ZADAR Kolovare

ISTRIA Paris

LJUBLJANA Radisson Blu Plaza

*Note: Hotels subject to final confirmation. Should there be changes, customers will be offered similar accommodations as stated in this list.



DUBROVNIK

01 HOME ▶ ZAGREB

Meals on Board
Assemble at the airport for your flight to **Zagreb** – the capital of **Croatia**.

02 ZAGREB

Meals on Board, Dinner
Upon arrival, transfer to **Zagreb** and start off with a guided walking tour of the Upper and Lower Town – catch a glimpse of top attractions like **King Tomislav Square**, the **Stone Gate**, **St. Mark's Square** and **St. Mark's Church**, the **Strossmayer Promenade**, **Zagreb Cathedral**, **Ban Jelacic Square** and **Dolac Market**. Enjoy the rest of the day free at leisure to do some souvenir shopping or simply bask in the lively street atmosphere of the city.

03 ZAGREB ▶ SARAJEVO

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner – Beef Sahan
Journey to Bosnia and Herzegovina and head for its capital, **Sarajevo**. Enjoy a walking tour of the city's Old Town – stroll past the **Emperor's Mosque**, the largest mosque in the Balkans; the **Eternal Flame** and the **Sarajevo Roses** that are scattered throughout the city. Visit **Sarajevo Tunnel**, also known as the Tunnel of Hope, which was an underground tunnel constructed during the Siege of Sarajevo during the Bosnian War.

04 SARAJEVO ▶ MOSTAR ▶ DUBROVNIK

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Proceed to **Mostar** today, where you will follow your tour guide to the magnificent **Old Bridge** for an extraordinary panorama over the river. Bask in the lively atmosphere of the **Old Bazaar**, which winds along one of the oldest parts of Mostar. Next, travel to Dubrovnik, the Pearl of the Adriatic. Starting from **Pile Gate**, walk along the elegant **Stradun Street** and soak up the buzzing atmosphere. Stroll past **Onofrio Fountain** for a look at the Romanesque-Gothic architecture of the Franciscan Monastery. Wander along the limestone-clad promenade until you reach the beautiful Renaissance-era **Sponza Palace**, which houses the state archives. Other highlights you'll come across include the **City Bell Tower**, **Orlando's Column**, and the **Church of St. Blaise**, which is dedicated to the patron saint of Dubrovnik.

05 DUBROVNIK

Breakfast
Enjoy a free day of leisure for some shopping or sightseeing at your pleasure in **Dubrovnik**. You may wish to embark on an optional half-day tour of **Montenegro Blue**. Surrounded by high mountains reflected in the blue waters, the fjord-shaped Bay of Kotor is one of the most spectacular landscapes on the Mediterranean. Drive along the bay past **Risan** and the picturesque Perast to reach the UNESCO World Heritage Site.

06 DUBROVNIK ▶ SPLIT ▶ ZADAR

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Wander through the Croatian countryside to wind up in **Split**, a town on Croatia's Dalmatian Coast that was founded by

07 ZADAR ▶ PLITVICE ▶ ISTRIA

Breakfast, Lunch - Homemade Suckling Pig, Dinner
A drive through the Croatian highlands reveals the splendid alpine scenery as you arrive in one of Europe's most impressive national parks – the **Plitvice Lakes National Park**. Take pleasure in a guided tour of the beautiful landscapes within the UNESCO National Heritage Park, adorned with sixteen lakes that are interconnected by a series of waterfalls and deep woodland populated by deer, bears, wolves, boars, and rare bird species. Savour the riveting beauty of nature from a different perspective on the waters as you join an **Electric Boat Ride**.

Note: In the event of bad weather conditions where the boat ride is unable to proceed, there will be no replacement activity.



POSTOJNA CAVE

Emperor Diocletian in AD 305 to construct his retirement palace. Tour this seaside city with a guide, who will bring you to enter the massive **Diocletian's Palace** and explore all its nooks and crannies, including the remains of the original palace, and the **Peristil Square**. Visit Stella Croatica, a family-run traditional estate, as you learn more about olive oil production and its different varieties as well as the local ingredients and Mediterranean delicacies. Then continue to **Zadar**, a city built in the centre of the Croatian Adriatic that's steeped in three thousand years of tumultuous history. Embark on a guided promenade of the city and visit the **Western Quay** for an close-up look at the **Sea Organ** and the Monument to the Sun, followed by **St. Donatus' Church**, **the Roman Forum**, **St. Anastasia's Cathedral**, **St. Mary's Church**, and the **Lion's Gate**.

08 ISTRIA ▶ POSTOJNA CAVE ▶ LJUBLJANA

Breakfast, Lunch - Istrian Pasta, Chinese Dinner
After breakfast, brace yourself for a thrilling **truffle hunting** experience in the captivating forests of the Istrian peninsula. Join expert truffle hunters and their dogs as you embark on a quest for these hidden culinary treasures. Indulge in a delightful **truffle tasting** session, savoring the exquisite flavors that make them so highly prized. Your adventure continues as you journey to **Postojna**, where an extraordinary experience awaits in the renowned **Postojna Cave**. Hop aboard the **Electric Train** and be transported into a mesmerizing underground world. Traverse the dark passages, cross the captivating **Russian Bridge**, and marvel at the breathtaking halls and formations along the way. Witness the majestic stalagmites in the Brilliant

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OLD BRIDGE, MOSTAR



LAKE BLEED IN SLOVENIA

Passage and catch a glimpse of the remarkable **Vivarium Proteus**, also known as the human fish. Conclude your day by heading to **Ljubljana**, the vibrant capital of Slovenia.

09 LJUBLJANA ▶ BLEED ▶ LJUBLJANA

Breakfast, Lunch in Bled Castle with Bled Cream Cake, Dinner
After breakfast, embark on an optional excursion to Lake Bohinj, the largest glacial lake in Slovenia. Capture stunning photos at the world-renowned **Lake Bled**, home to a captivating island. Explore **Bled Castle** and savor a delicious local lunch. Continue to Ljubljana for a guided tour of the **Old Town**,

where you'll discover well-preserved medieval houses, the lively **Central Market**, the elegant **Town Hall**, and the impressive **Robba Fountain**. Admire the iconic **Triple Bridge** and **Dragon Bridge**, concluding your day with a sense of awe and delight.

10 LJUBLJANA ▶ ZAGREB ▶ HOME

Breakfast, Meals on Board
After breakfast, indulge in a shopping spree at **BTC City**, the ultimate shopping destination in Ljubljana. Explore the wide array of stores and boutiques, satisfying your retail desires to the fullest. For some last-minute shopping, make a pit-stop at the **Designer Outlet**, where you can find exceptional deals on high-end brands. Finally, bid farewell to Ljubljana as you head to the airport, taking with you the memories of a wonderful journey.me.

11 HOME SWEET HOME

We hope you enjoyed your trip with our company and we look forward to seeing you again for your next trip.



TRUFFLE

Suggested Excursions:

Additional activities that complement your holidays will be at your own discretion and is entirely optional.

*Minimum group size may apply.

- Montenegro – Kotor Day Tour + Boat Ride: €100
- Hill Srdj Panorama Tour: €30
- Lake Bohinj & Vogel Cable Car: €60
- Lake Bled Pletna Boat ride: €30

Service Fee Guideline: (based on 11D8N)

- €88 per person

Notes:

- A minimum group size of 15 passengers is required for a confirmed departure.
- The sequence of the itinerary, flight schedules and hotels are subject to change without prior notice in the event of unforeseen circumstances.
- Activities are subject to prevailing weather conditions.
- During major events, accommodation may be relocated without prior notice.