



trip overview

The jewel of the Adriatic Sea, Croatia's rugged mountainous coast rises from sparkling turquoise waters. Featuring over a thousand islands, archaic trails and coastal civilizations, Croatia has been inspiring adventure for centuries. This trip combines immersion of the old world with wilderness travel, and the experience of the road less travelled. You'll trek the ancient footpaths and mountains overlooking the Adriatic Sea, and explore cities nestled among waterfalls and lakes. You'll climb spires of limestone, raft torquoise waters, and sea kayak through remote islands off the Dalmatian Coast. This leadership trip is for those looking to expand their wilderness skills, and connect with the culture of this ancient coastline.



JUNE 9 - JUNE 22, 2020

JUNE 25 - JULY 8, 2020 JULY 11 - JULY 24, 2020 ZAG

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highlights

- Spend 4 days trekking the peaks of Paklenica, staying in mountaineer huts only accessible by foot.
- Learn to rock climb on the limestone crags of Paklenica National Park.
- Paddle the the Zrmanja River and navigate the emerald waterfalls.
- Sea Kayak the remote Elephani islands off the Dalmatian Coast.

"I loved this trip more than anything I have ever done in my life. I experienced some of my highest highs and low lows but this whole experience completely changed my outlook on life as it always does"

Hugh Trotter, 14, Atlanta, GA







DEPART >

DAY 1-2

DAY 3

DAY 4-7

day by day

Fly from the USA and arrive in Venice, Italy. Once you arrive and meet your group, you will drive east to the quaint Korana Village for your first night together as a group.

Get oriented to the Adriatic and spend the day exploring Plitvice Lakes National Park. Featuring 16 lakes and naturally formed dams and waterfalls, this park is an incredible introduction to the crystal clear waters of Croatia. Spend the afternoon travelling to where you'll begin preparing for your trekking section.

Spend the next 4 days tracing the ridgelines of the Adriatic coast on a trek through vast valleys and canyons of Paklenica National Park. From your home base at a remote mountain hut, each day you'll walk through sweeping views and passes. Hot peka, (traditional dish) and Croatian cuisine will be waiting for you at the end of these long mountain days. Away from civilization, this section will be a highlight for you and your group as you learn the art of wilderness travel.

^{*}Itineraries and order of activities is subject to variation.





DAY 8

Exit your backcountry section and spend the day exploring a different vantage point of Paklenica. Spend the morning rock climbing and rappelling the limestone spires you've been surrounded by for the last 4 days. Once you get your vertical fix, fill up on a tasty lunch and spend the evening travelling south to the Zrmanja River.

DAY 9

Spend your day today on an aquatic expedition on the Zrmanja River. Using inflatable kayaks, you and your group will learn to navigate the clear turquoise channels of this stunning river. Spend the day cruising through the deep canyons and waterfalls of the Zrmanja. Camp at a beautiful riverside campsite, with the sound of rushing water lulling you to sleep.

DAY 10

Today you will travel south, passing the Croatian countryside as you make your way to Dubrovnik. Hop on a quick ferry and make your way out to the ancient Elaphiti Islands you'll call home for the next few days!

day by day





DAY 11-13

Spend the next three days exploring the Elaphiti islands from the belly of an ocean kayak and hiking the picturesque ridgelines. Paddle the bright blue Adriatic Sea and explore the cliffs and farmlands of the Dalmatian coast. You'll spend two days cruising the waterways and hiking on Lopud Island. Spend your last night in Croatia strolling through the streets of Old Town Dubrovnik. Enjoy a final banquet dinner with your group in Dubrovnik reliving and recounting the adventures that you've had. Prepare for the travel day ahead.

DAY 14

Depart for Zagreb with your group and savor the memories you've made in Croatia. Fly from Zagreb back to the United States.

day by day



COST

LENGTH

CURRENT GRADES

CHALLENGE LEVEL

Group Flight Meets In Atlanta (ATL)

AVERAGE AIRFARE FROM EAST COAST

BEGINS/ENDS

GROUP SIZE





EXPECTED WEATHER CONDITIONS

AVERAGE HIGHS

\$5295

14 Days

9th-10th

Challenging

12-13 Students

\$1600

Venice, Italy (VCE) /

Zagreb, Croatia (ZAG)

AVERAGE LOWS

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Two dynamic trip leaders
- All group gear
- Professionally outfitted activities
 - Backpacking
 - Rock Climbing
 - · River Kayaking
 - · Sea Kayaking
- Lodging
 - Camp sites
 - Hostels
- Transportation
 - Private ground transportation throughout trip
 - · In-country flight from Dubrovnik to Zagreb
- All Meals
- Park entrance fees
- Photos taken during your trip

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

- Airfare to and from Zagreb, Croatia (ZAG)
- Baggage fees
- · Personal clothing + equipment (full clothing + equipment list provided upon acceptance)
 - 1) Hiking boots
 - 2) Duffel bag
 - 3) School sized day backpack
 - 4) Rain jacket with hood
 - 5) Passport
- Personal spending money (we recommend
- · Trip insurance (highly recommended)

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