

# What you need to know before booking your shore excursion:

- All our tours are offered with English speaking guides.
- The length of the tours and time spent on the sites is given as an indication as it may vary depending on weather, sea and traffic conditions and on the group's pace.
- The level of physical fitness required for our activities is given as a very general indication. Passengers should be fit and active to join tours which include hiking, kayaking, snorkeling, boating, or similar activities.

# How you can book your shore excursions:

- You can book shore excursions onboard, using our "sign-up lists" available at the Cruise Director's desk.
- Debark tours ending at the airport and transfers can also be pre-booked prior your cruise.
- In order to provide the best service and to avoid disappointments, please book your shore excursions as early as possible: places are limited and there is a booking deadline for each port.
- A minimum number of participants is required for tours; if the required number is not attained, the tour may be cancelled.
- Cancellation and changes are possible until the booking deadline. After the booking deadline, 100% cancellation fees will be charged.

# Important notes:

- Departure times of the tour are mentioned on the daily program of each port.
- The Captain reserves the right to alter the itinerary in order to suit wind, weather and local conditions.
- All information concerning excursions is correct at the time of printing. However, Star Clippers reserves the right to make changes.
- Last updated tour descriptions are available on Star Clippers' website and onboard the ship in a file at the Cruise Director's desk.

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### **ZADAR - Krka National Park**

Duration: 05:00 approx.

Min 20 participants

Price: 89 €

Transportation: air-conditioned motorcoach

Activity level: moderate

Experience the pristine natural beauty of Croatia during this scenic, half day excursion to Krka National Park. Krka National Park Located within the territory of Sibnik-Knin County, the Krka National Park encompasses an area of 42 square miles (109 square kilometres) along the Krka River.

It was proclaimed a national park in 1985 and is the seventh national park in Croatia. The area has 17 travertine waterfalls along the Krka River and drops a total of 794 feet (238 metres) from its start in the Dinaric Mountains. Skradinski Buk Falls Depart the pier in Zadar for the scenic, approximate 1.5-hour drive through the hinterland en route to Krka National Park. Upon arrival, head for the last set of falls before the river meets the sea. The Skradinski Buk Falls form a spectacular multilevel cascade over travertine cliffs. Pause above the falls for an excellent view.

The whole area is rich with vegetation, as well as birds and fish. Due to very strong laws of preservation, this extraordinary area has been kept in its original state.

Please note: This tour is not recommended to guests with limited mobility since it involves extensive walking / standing over uneven surfaces and inclines.

Helpful hints: wear weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable walking shoes and bring a hat and a bottle of water.

The driving time between Zadar and the National Park is approx. 1:15 (each way).

### ZADAR - Zadar's cultural hotspots and heritage

Duration: 02:00 approx.

Price: 35 €

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Transportation: walking tour

Activity level: moderate

Min 10 / Max 22 participants

Enjoy a guided tour and introduction to Zadar's 3000-year-old history, from the Illyrians Romans, Croats, Venetians and Austrians to the modern Croatian state. Zadar was the capital of Dalmatia from the 7th century until 1918 and is a city of great cultural significance, not only for Croatia, but in the wider European context.

The religious architecture from the early Middle Ages is the finest to be found anywhere in Croatia and includes jewels such as: St Mary's church and Benedictine monastery and its 11th century bell tower, the Church of St Chrysogonus, the town's patron saint and Saint Anastasia's cathedral, the biggest church building in all Dalmatia.

Zadar is a historical and architectural treasure trove. Admire the roman forum built between the 1st and 3rd centuries; a decorative column stands on the west side, hung with chains. It was used in the Middle Ages as a "pillar of shame" to punish wrong doers. Near the forum ruins you will see the Church of Saint Donat, symbol of the city, which dates back to the 9<sup>th</sup> century. The Rector's palace, dating from the 13th century is said to be one of the most beautiful buildings in Croatia and, together with the neighboring Providur's palace, forms the largest historical complex left standing in the city after the devastation of the Second World War.

Zadar was once the largest city fortress in the whole Republic of Venice and the city walls and fortifications ensured that the city never fell prey to marauding Turks. Six gates remain in the city walls, the most impressive being the Land Gate which was the main entrance to the city, built by a Venetian architect in 1543.

At the end of the walking tour guests will sample some Maraschino an original cherry liqueur also known as "the King of Liqueurs" because of its popularity with King George IV of England, King Louis XVIII of France and Nicolas 1, Tsar of Russia. It was created at the beginning of the 16th century at the Dominican monastery in Zadar.

Please note: this tour includes moderate walking on uneven surfaces and cobblestones.

Helpful hints: wear weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable walking shoes and bring a hat and a bottle of water.

A proper attire is required when visiting religious sites (no bare shoulders or shorts are allowed).

Inside visit: Church and Monastery of St. Michael



### HVAR - Hvar island tour and tasting

Duration: 03:30 approx. Transportation: air-conditioned motorcoach

Price: 85 € Activity level: moderate

Min 20 / Max 35 participants

The Island of Hvar is a well - known tourist destination, and thanks to its mild climate and lush subtropical vegetation it has become a must for tourist. The island is rich in cultural and historical monuments, and remains of the ancient times can still be seen in most settlement on the island. The coach takes the guests from Hvar town to Starigrad, a small town famous for its large bay, which has long inspired artists and poets. Starigrad is a crowning glory in this majestic countryside.

The town of Starigrad was the largest settlement on the island and it dates back to Greek times. After a short guided tour you will have some free time in the town before continuing your ride toward village of Vrisnik.

A friendly host will welcome you with dried figs and a special tasting of the island's cheeses and wines, made locally and produced in small quantities. Upon leaving Vrisnik, a short, guided tour of Hvar will be done at the end of the tour and a short stop will be made on the Fortress, from where you can enjoy magnificent views of the town of Hvar and Pakleni Islands.

Please note: this tour involves a long panoramic drive on the coach and moderate walking. Guests are advised to wear weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable walking shoes and to bring a hat and a bottle of water.

The drive between Vrisnik and Hvar takes approx. 60 minutes.

# HVAR - Sailing tour to the Pakleni islands archipelago

Duration: 03:30 approx. Transportation: sailing boat Price: 89 € Activity level: moderate

Min 10 / Max 20 participants

Enjoy sailing in one of the most beautiful parts of the Adriatic; a favorite destination for all those who love the sea and islands. This tour is all about sailing, "poetry in motion", as some people call it. Let the wind and weather be your guide as you set sail from the town of Hvar to the labyrinth of islands that compose the Pakleni archipelago. There will be a stop for swimming in one of the bays.

Please note: This tour is not suitable for guests with reduced mobility, back or neck issues and pregnant women. Please wear your swimsuit under your clothing and bring a towel, sunscreen, sunglasses, water and a hat.

# HVAR - Hvar offroad adventure

Duration: 03:00 approx. Transportation: 4WD vehicle
Price: 115 € Activity level: moderate
Min 4 / Max 16 participants

The Island of Hvar boasts a mild climate and lush subtropical vegetation. With this guided tour you will visit the most beautiful parts of our island. You will get to see places rarely visited by tourists as even some of the locals don't know they exist -all completely inaccessible by regular tour buses or rental cars.

Off Road Tour is suitable for people of all ages and is one of the best ways of discovering our island's hidden charms. Drivethrough typical old villages, see outstanding scenery and capture the authentic Dalmatian charm of the island! Experience the untouched nature, climb the hills for beautiful panoramic views and then descend through olive groves and vineyards to the coast! Hvar is renowned for its beautiful valleys and picturesque bays but also for the indulgent lifestyle it has to offer. This tour is the best possible way for you to discover the most precious hidden corners of Hvar, enjoy breathtaking scenery and taste some of that Mediterranean 'chill'.

Please note: This tour is not suitable for guests with limited mobility, pregnant women or anyone suffering from conditions (back, neck or other) which may be affected by bumpy roads. 4WD vehicles are closed vehicles and can accommodate 4 passengers. The 4WD will be driven by English speaking drivers. The drivers are not guides: there will be no live commentary during the drive, but commentary will be provided for the whole group at certain designated stops during the tour. Helpful hints: wear weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable walking shoes and bring a hat and water.



### HVAR - Pakleni Archipelago Sea Kayaking expedition

Duration: 03:45 approx. Transportation: kayak Price: 65 € Activity level: strenuous

Min 4 / Max 10 participants

Your guide will be waiting to greet you on the pier and together you will walk to the kayak station.

After a safety briefing and instruction on paddling techniques you will be ready to set off on our sea kayak voyage of discovery along the beautiful Hvar coastline, exploring the little islands which form the famous Pakleni Archipelago. The name is sometimes translated as Hell's Islands (pakleni means hellish) but its origin is more likely to be derived from "Paklina" an archaic word meaning tar or pine resin, the substance which was used for coating local boats.

Far from being "hellish", the islands are a little taste of heaven offering unspoiled scenery, thick pine woods providing shade even on the hottest summer day and crystal blue waters.

The kayak expedition will take us past bays and narrow straits to small pebble beaches where you can swim, snorkel and relax.

Please note: This is a very active tour and is only recommended for guests in very good physical condition. Participants must be able to swim. This tour is not suitable for guests with reduced mobility, back or neck issues and pregnant women.

Minimum age to participate is 6 years old (minors must be accompanied by an adult). Max weight is 264 lbs / 120 kg.

Helpful hints: wear a swimsuit under your clothes and bring sunscreen, sunglasses, hat, water shoes and t-shirt (if sun sensitive), water, a towel from the ship and extra dry clothes. A waterproof protection for cameras is highly recommended. There is a 10-minute walk to reach the kayak departure point. Depending on the final number of participants, the tour may leave from a different location.

Kayak activity lasts approx. 2 hours (1 hour each way, with 1 hour swim stop), but tour duration depends on the group's pace (approx. 03:30/03:45 hours).

### HVAR - Heritage highlights of the city of Hvar

Duration: 02:00 approx. Transportation: walking tour Price: 45 € Activity level: moderate

Min 10 / Max 25 participants

Island of Hvar, the sunniest Croatian Island with its lavender fields, vineyards, ancient towns, recently placed on the list of the worlds then most beautiful islands.

Twenty-four centuries of urban life left their mark in cultural and historical monuments, in all fields of art, from antiquity to Renaissance, which gave birth to a real wealth of cultural heritage. Take advantage of the opportunity accompanied by our guide and experience all the beauty and richness of the thousand-year-old cultural heritage of the town of Hvar.

Your tour begins with a pleasant walk through stone- paved, narrow streets, worn smooth and glistering in the sun of the old town. St. Stephan's square called Piazza, is the central square in the city is the largest town square in Dalmatia.

During this tour you will visit and learn about the Cathedral of St. Stephen, the Arsenal (renovated in 1612, it was used as a shipyard for galleys), the Franciscan Monastery (that conserves a collection of paintings made by Croatian and Italian painters and a fascinating collection of nautical charts, embroideries, documents and books) and the church of St. Mary of Grace, the Benedictine Convent, the baroque 17<sup>th</sup> Century church of St. Anthony (with the art collection of lace made of agave threads, only carried out in this monastery, inscribed in the UNESCO's List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity), the City Lodge of Hvar and the city walls, built from the top of the hill together with a fortress called "Fortica".

Please note: This tour involves moderate walking on uneven surfaces and cobblestones with many steps.

Helpful hints: wear weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable walking shoes and to bring a hat and water. Proper attire is required to visit religious sited.

The tour includes inside visits of the Franciscan monastery, St. Mary of Grace church with the art collection and library, Benedictine Nunnery and Church of St. Anthony with monastery's museum collection of art and lacework made of agave threads. Religious sites could be closed without notice due to religious ceremonies.



**KOTOR - Perast and Kotor** 

Duration: 04:00 approx.

Price: 59 €

Min 20 / Max 70 participants

Transportation: air-conditioned motorcoach, boat

Activity level: moderate

Upon disembarkation you will drive through the beautiful bay of Kotor to Perast, a small baroque village hidden behind the islet of the Lady of the Rocks. The most outstanding buildings here are from the 17th and 18th centuries. It is a tranquil place which abounds in sacred monuments such as the Church of St Nicholas, built between the 15th and 17th century. You will also get to visit the Maritime Museum. Afterwards there will be some free time so you can explore Perast on your own before we take a boat to the islet Gospa od Skrpjela or Lady of the Rocks, and its church of the same name.

Lady of the Rocks is a baroque church situated on one of the two islets in the Bay of Kotor, just opposite Perast.

The church contains 68 magnificent paintings by Tripo Kokolja a famous 17th century artist from Perast. His masterpiece is without doubt a painting 10m long depicting the Death of the Virgin.

After visiting the island board your boat again for a short ride back to Perast where you will board the coach and drive from Perast to Kotor, a charming medieval town lying beside a beautiful fjord. This UNESCO heritage site is the old maritime center of Montenegro; it abounds in monuments shops, cafés and restaurants. The 12th century Cathedral of St Tripun and the orthodox church of St Luka will be viewed from the outside.

Please note: This tour involves extended walking on cobblestone surfaces with some inclines and approximately 50 steps. Helpful hints: wear weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable walking shoes and to bring a hat and water. A proper attire is required when visiting religious sites (no bare shoulders or shorts are allowed).

The drive between Kotor and Perast takes approx. 20 minutes (each way). The order of the visits may vary.

# KOTOR - Boka Kotorska speedboat adventure (with beach stop and Blue Cave)

Duration: 03:30 approx.

Price: 95 €

Transportation: speed boat Activity level: strenuous

Min 10 / Max 30 participants

You will experience a scenic speed boat ride past the villages and countryside of Montenegro's coastline to reach Blue Cave, located just outside of the bay. Blue Cave is one of the most attractive in series of caves along the Lustica peninsula which separates the Bay of Kotor from the Adriatic Sea. Sun rays reflect inside the cave and cause a beautiful shade of blue water for which this cave is best known. You will do a SHORT visit by boat of this natural hall with 9-meter-high vault and the cave's 13meters deep seafloor. Next, you will head to Zanjice pebble stone beach where you can enjoy free time to swim before boarding speed boats for return ride back to Kotor.

You will have the opportunity to swim in this enchanting setting before zipping off to Rose Beach on the tip of the Lustica Peninsula.

Please note: This tour is operated by speedboat and is not suitable for guests prone to motion sickness, guests with back or neck problems, guests with limited mobility and pregnant women. Speedboats can accommodate max 10 passengers.

Helpful hints: wear a swimsuit under a cover-up and bring sun protection, sunglasses, a towel from the ship, water shoes and a change of dry clothes. Expect to get splashed! Do not take valuables with you.

The speedboat trip between Kotor and the Blue Cave lasts approx. 60 minutes (each way).

There will be approx, one hour of free time at the beach in Zanjice. The passage inside the cave takes approx. 5 minutes, depending on the number of the boats inside the cave. In case of rough sea conditions, it will not be possible to enter inside the Blue Cave (no refund will be given). The order or the visits may vary.



**KOTOR** - Sea kayaking

Duration: 03:00

Transportation: kayak

Price: 55 €

Activity level: strenuous (active tour)

Min 8 / Max 16 participants

Discover Montenegro's Adriatic coastline from the water, as you paddle a sea kayak on a guided 6.25-mile journey of exploration through Kotor Bay and along the shore. Take breaks from paddling to stop and swim in the refreshing waters of the Adriatic Sea or to enjoy stunning views of the mountainous Montenegrin landscape and the picturesque medieval walled town of Kotor.

Please note: This is a very active tour and is only recommended for guests in very good physical condition. Participants must be able to swim. This tour is not suitable for guests with reduced mobility, back or neck issues and pregnant women. Minimum age to participate is 6 years old (minors must be accompanied by an adult). Max weight is 264 lbs / 120 kg. Helpful hints: wear a swimsuit under your clothes and bring sunscreen, sunglasses, hat, water shoes and t-shirt (if sun sensitive), water, a towel from the ship and extra dry clothes. A waterproof protection for cameras is highly recommended. Kayaks have two seats. Before the tour starts, practical instructions on how to maneuver the kayaks will be given. Kayak activity lasts approx. 2 hours (1 hour each way, with 1 hour swim stop), but tour duration depends on the group's pace.

# KOTOR - Hike and picnic at Lovcen National Park

Duration: 05:00 approx.

Transportation: minibus

Price: 79 €

Activity level: strenuous (active)

Min 12 / Max 18 participants

From Kotor, you'll travel along a scenic and pretty steep road to the base of Lovcen National Park. The road features 16 hairpin turns and rises over 420 meters, offering jaw-dropping views over Kotor. Lovcen National Park stretches out over 23 forested miles, dominated by Mount Lovcen. Overlooking Kotor, the mountain boasts two imposing peaks, the 1748mt tall Stirovnik and the 1656mt tall Jezerski vrh. An invigorating guided hike begins at the base and travels through verdant meadows and along rocky paths. As you make your way along well-worn trails, you'll have grand vistas of the Bay of Kotor and some spectacular 360-degree views of the Montenegrin coast.

Enjoy a picnic style lunch during your hike before your return drive to Kotor.

Please note: The hike is on uneven paths, with uphill portions and steps. Participants must be in very good physical conditions.

The road to Lovcen is winding, so this is not the ideal tour for guests suffering from vertigo or motion sickness.

Helpful hints: wear weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable walking shoes and bring a hat and water. Please also bring a jacket to be ready for any change in temperature.

Enjoyment of panoramic views from viewpoints depends on weather conditions.



### **DUBROVNIK - Great Dubrovnik Treasure Hunt**

Duration: 03:00 approx. Transportation: walking tour Price: 45 € Activity level: moderate

Min 10 / Max 22 participants

By a leisure walk through the medieval town our guide will introduce you to rich history and art heritage through the centuries as well as the most beautiful and most significant examples of architecture, public and sacral objects from the period of the Dubrovnik Republic and the best selection of Museums.

Rector's Palace with capital and atrium, one of the architectural pearls of the rich heritage of Dubrovnik (and one of the most significant monuments of profane architecture on the Croatian coast), today the Cultural Historical Museum.

Sponza Palace, which besides to its exceptional beauty and historical value, protects all treasures of Dubrovnik's archives.

St. Blaise Church (patron of Dubrovnik since 972), with luxurious altars and a 15th century silver-plated statue of St. Blaise).

The Roman Baroque Cathedral of the Assumption of the Virgin with its treasury, one of the oldest on the Adriatic (11th to 18th century). The big polyptich of the Assumption of the Virgin made in the Titian workshop, Raphaels Madonna della Seggiola.

The Dominican Monastery Museum, one of the major treasuries of cultural and art heritage and the most important architectural complexes of Dubrovnik. The very rich art collection of the Dubrovnik School of Painting from the 15th and 16th centuries as well as the Venetian school and work of Titian, the 15th century Flemish paintings and the rich monastery library and archives guard 239 incunabula and precious manuscripts.

The Franciscan Monastery with its church, one of the finest Roman-Gothic buildings in Croatia. Its pharmacy dates from 1317 and is the third oldest still functioning pharmacy in the world. The library includes an exhibition of liturgical artifacts, one of the most valuable European music archives and paintings of old masters.

Please note: this tour involves extensive walking on uneven surfaces, inclines, cobblestones.

Helpful hints: wear weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable walking shoes and bring a hat and water.

Proper attire is required to visit the religious sites.

The price of the excursion includes entry to the Treasury of Dubrovnik Cathedral, the Dominican Museum, the museum of the Franciscan monastery and its pharmacy.

# **DUBROVNIK - Legends & Curiosities Walking Tour**

Duration: 01:30 approx. Transportation: walking tour Price: 29 € Activity level: moderate

Min 10 / Max 18 participants

Beyond the well-known tourists' paths. Discover the secrets locked inside the walls of the old town and join us for a journey of legends and curiosities.

Discover today's life of the citizens living within the walls of Dubrovnik's old town, experiencing the spirit of the past, through a maze of narrow streets and small squares, the oldest parts of the town, beyond the usual tourist paths, where fascinating views will open up to you in an unexpected way, discover the churches and highlights that you will not find in travel guides, meet one of the most famous and world-renowned scientist Bosković. All this is illustrated by interesting stories, legends and curiosities of Dubrovnik's old town life and the history of the several centuries-old Republic of Ragusa, told by your guide.

Please note: this tour involves moderate walking on uneven surfaces, inclines, cobblestones.

Helpful hints: wear weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable walking shoes and bring a hat and water.



### VIS (Komiža) - The Blue Cave on Biševo Island

Duration: 01:40 approx. Transportation: speed boat Price: 85 € Activity level: moderate

Min 10 / Max 24 participants

Biševo Island leaves everyone breathless. The combination of natural phenomena, sandy bays and friendly islanders will remain in your memory forever. The Island of Biševo is 5 nautical miles from the town of Komiža (on Vis Island), and it is best known for its rare natural phenomenon, the Blue Cave. The interior of the cave and the sea inside it are illuminated with an indescribable silver-blue light. The rays of sun passing into the cave through a small crack in its ceiling are reflected in the sea, creating incredible light effects. When you arrive on Biševo at Mezoporat bay, you get off the boat and the skipper will take you to a small wooden boat (owned by a concessionaire), which takes you into the cave. The cave entrance is very small, so at a certain point you need to crouch in the center of the boat while the skipper manages the boat into the cave. Upon visiting Blue Cave, rejoin your speed boat for scenic ride back to Komiža.

Please note: this tour is not suitable for guests prone to motion sickness, guests with back and/or neck problems, guests with limited mobility and pregnant women.

Please wear weather-appropriate clothes and bring sunscreen, sunglasses, water and a hat. Expect to get splashed! Do not take valuables with you.

In case of rough sea conditions, it will not be possible to enter inside the cave and the tour might be cancelled with short notice. The speedboat ride to the Blue Cave takes approx. 20 minutes (each way).

# VIS (Komiža) - Panoramic Views of Vis Island and tasting

Duration: 03:00 approx. Transportation: air-conditioned minibus

Price: 119 € Activity level: moderate

Min 10 / Max 18 participants

Your journey begins in the charming coastal town of Komiža. You'll board a comfortable vehicle, and we'll set off on a scenic exploration of the island. The first stop is at the historic Fort George, perched high on a hill overlooking the sea. Here, you'll be treated to panoramic views that stretch as far as the eye can see. Capture the beauty of the island's coastline and absorb the rich history of this 19th-century fort. Next, we'll take you to a spot where you can enjoy panoramic views of the RAF Airport on Vis. This historic airfield played a crucial role during World War II, and you'll have the opportunity to learn about its fascinating history while taking in the scenic surroundings. Indulge in the flavors of Vis Island as we make a stop at a traditional local tavern. Here, you'll have the chance to savor a variety of local delicacies that showcase the island's culinary heritage. Our final panoramic stop takes you to the stunning Hum Hill, where you can soak in the panoramic views, marvel at the rugged coastline, azure waters, and the charming town of Komiža in the distance. This vantage point offers the perfect photo opportunity to capture the island's beauty.

Please note: This tour involves extensive walking and standing over cobblestone and uneven surfaces with inclines and steps to negotiate. The order of the visits may vary.

Helpful hints: wear weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable walking shoes and bring a hat and water.



### **ROVINJ - Pula and its Roman amphitheater**

Duration: 04:15 approx. Transportation: air-conditioned motorcoach

Price: 75 € Activity level: moderate

Min 15 / Max 35 participants

Explore a treasure of ancient Rome buildings during this captivating, half day excursion to Pula.

Depart the pier for the scenic, approximately 50-minute drive to Pula, located on the southernmost part of the Istrian Peninsula.

Upon arrival, take a guided walking tour of this ancient town. Pula is best known for its many surviving ancient Roman buildings, the most famous of which is its 1st century Amphitheatre. Known locally as the 'Arena', it is the sixth largest amphitheater in the world. One of the best-preserved amphitheaters from antiquity, the Arena is still in use today for summer film festivals. Your walking tour includes visits to other renowned, well preserved ancient Roman structures, including the Sergius Arch and Temple to the Apollo, built in honor of the 1st century Roman emperor Augustus. Other sites to be seen include the Roman city gates and walls, and a Byzantine chapel.

Following your walking tour, you will have some free time for independent exploration.

At the conclusion of your visit, re board your coach and drive back to the pier.

Please note: this tour involves a moderate amount of walking. We recommend wearing comfortable walking shoes and weather-appropriate clothes and bringing a bottle of water.

The driving time between Rovinj and Pula is approx. 50 minutes (each way).

# ROVINJ - Poreč and wine tasting

Duration: 04:30 approx. Transportation: air-conditioned motorcoach

Price: 89 € Activity level: moderate

Min 15 / Max 40 participants

You will drive in air-conditioned comfort to one of Croatia's best loved tourist resorts. Porec is a historical and cultural jewel, dating from Roman times (50 BC). It is a typical example of Roman town planning with two main intersecting streets, Cardo and Decumanus, forming the backbone to the old town.

The tour includes an outside visit to the 6TH century Episcopal complex of the Euphrasian Basilica, an important monument which is a designated Unesco World Heritage site.

There will then be some leisure time so that you can explore the oldest part of town called Marafor, where you can find the remains of two temples dedicated to Neptune and Mars, the House of Two Saints, the Istrian Parliament Building and the Leoni and Zuccato Palaces.

After a short drive through the Istrian countryside, we will arrive at Kruncici village and the Matosevic wine cellar.

You will spend some time with the Matosevic family and get the opportunity to sample the fruit of their labours: red and white wine accompanied by homemade cheese and Istrian Prsut (smoked ham), before returning to the port.

Please note: This tour includes moderate walking activities. Walking Surface in Porec is mostly over lever and cobblestone terrain with very few steps involved. Walking at Matosevic Winery is over gravel terrain with several steps to visit the Cellar. Guests are advised to wear weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable walking shoes and to bring a hat and water. Driving time is 45-minute drive from Rovinj to Poreč, 30-minute drive from Poreč to Kruncici, 30-minute drive back to Rovinj. In Poreč there is a 15 minutes' walk to reach the center from the bus parking. The order of the visits may change.



### ROVINJ - Rovinj walking discovery tour

Duration: 01:45/02:00 approx. Transportation: walking tour Price: 35 € Activity level: moderate

Min 10 / Max 25 participants

Discover one of the most romantic and photogenic cities of the Mediterranean.

Once a fishing port, today Rovinj is one of the most famous tourist destinations of Croatia and is known as the "Blue Pearl of the Adriatic." The old town is rich in Romanesque, Gothic, Renaissance and Baroque buildings.

The church of St. Euphemia was built on the fundament of the Romanesque church of St. George at the beginning of the 10th century. Today's monumental church, the main sight of Rovinj, was built during the 17th and 18th centuries in the Baroque style. Its bell tower is over 62 m/200 ft. high and is the tallest in Istria, modeled on the bell tower of St. Mark s in Venice and dominates the old town of Rovinj.

Today, Rovinj is a city of artists. The beauty of the city has attracted artists to spend the summer in Rovinj and to settle there permanently. This is best experienced in Grisia street, which is a beautiful winding staircase with galleries and studios, that leads to the plateau of the church of St. Euphemia.

One of the most representative streets of Rovinj is Carrera ulica- urbanized in the second half of the 17th century, today it is the most frequented street with many small retail spaces, boutiques, galleries and tempting cafés.

Please note: this tour is entirely on foot and involves an extensive amount of walking.

We recommend wearing comfortable walking shoes and weather-appropriate clothes and bringing a bottle of water.

### VENICE

Star Clippers offers also the following services (optional, upon reservation):

✓ Shared transfer to "Venezia - Marco Polo" airport (VCE).

Guests who have purchased a shared transfer cannot choose their pickup time.

There will be one fixed departure from the port at about 09:00am.

This transfer is suitable for guests whose flight leaves after 12:30.

Passengers will be dropped off at the coach parking lot at the airport (approx. 300 mt walk to the terminal building).

✓ Private transfers to "Venezia - Marco Polo" airport (VCE).

Latest pick-up from the pier for private transfers is at 10:00 am.

Private transfers are operated by private cars (1-2 passengers) or private vans (3-6 passengers).

Transfers can be pre-booked prior your cruise.

For information and reservations, please contact our reservation department or your travel agent.

