

YACHTING IN ALBANIA & CROATIA

2025

DUBROVNIK TO DUBROVNIK

EXCLUSIVE SHORE EXCURSION PACKAGE

IMPORTANT NOTE:

THE EXCURSIONS IN KORCULA (DAY 2), IN VIS (DAY 3) AND IN BAR (DAY 4) REQUIRE PREBOOKINGS AHEAD OF THE CRUISE.

PLEASE SEE OUR NOTES





DAY 2 **TOUR REQUIRES PREBOOKING 10 DAYS PRIOR CRUISE**

KORCULA – CROTIA

Korcula Guided Walk

Korcula Old Town Secrets & significant landmarks

- Duration approx. 1,5 hours
- Per Person: Euro **55**

The walking tour of this magnificent town begins directly from the pier, as our ship is docked just 50 meters from one of the town gates. The **Old Town of Korčula** is a masterpiece of architecture and urban planning, where everything has been built according to a carefully designed plan. The town's street layout resembles a fishbone, cleverly designed to harness the winds for natural air circulation.

During your walk lead by our local expert, you'll visit the impressive **Cathedral of St. Mark**, a testament to the artistry of Korčula's renowned stone masons and the island's exceptional stone, which has been used in buildings around the world. Korčula is also celebrated as the birthplace of **Marco Polo**, and you'll have the chance to see his alleged birth house from the outside.

The tour concludes in the heart of the Old Town, where you'll have free time to explore at your leisure or join our optional wine tasting.



DAY 2 **TOUR REQUIRES PREBOOKING 10 DAYS PRIOR CRUISE**

KORCULA – CROATIA

Wine tasting at Bire Winery, Lumbarda

- Duration approx. 2,5 hours (mostly as an afternoon tour)
- Incl. Transportation and fees.
- Per Person: **Euro 78**

Leaving the port, our tour takes us through the island to the rural village of **Lumbarda** and the surrounding vineyards, where the family **Milina - Bire** existed for centuries, known for producing some of the island's most distinctive and high-quality wines. While in the past they produced wine for their house needs, half a century ago they decided to use the knowledge they gathered throughout the years of grape and wine production, and they started their own small winery. Now they have a completely automatic system for wine production, while they still try to keep part of the old-fashioned way. Upon arrival guests will go to the wine production venue to see how the wine is produced nowadays, before coming to the intriguing wine cellar nicely decorated with the wine production tools used in the past. Here your host, the owner of the winery, will tell you the history of the family Bire producing wines while you can sample four or their outstanding wines and other products like homemade prosciutto, sheep cheese and fresh local bread.

Note: On Sundays or non-operational days of the Bire winery, we will visit the Zura winery instead



DAY 3 **TOUR REQUIRES PREBOOKING 10 DAYS PRIOR CRUISE**

VIS – CROATIA

Echoes of the Past: Discovering Vis town and its WWII secrets

- Duration approx. 4 hours (mostly as an afternoon tour)
- Incl. Transportation, a professional guide and all fees.
- Per Person: Euro **76**

Begin your adventure lead by our local guide in the charming town of Vis, where Greek and Roman ruins, narrow streets and stone houses tell tales of centuries past. Stroll through the town center, soaking in the peaceful atmosphere and perhaps stopping by a quaint café for a refreshing drink.

Next, head towards Parja Bay, a serene spot known for its crystal-clear waters and stunning views. Here, you'll find the intriguing WWII tunnels, a hidden gem that offers a glimpse into the island's wartime history. Explore these tunnels and listen to the stories they hold, making your way through the cool, shadowy passages.

This excursion combines the beauty of Vis with a touch of historical intrigue, perfect for a short yet memorable outing.



DAY 4 **TOUR REQUIRES PREBOOKING 10 DAYS PRIOR CRUISE**

BAR – MONTENEGRO

Legends of Old Bar and the Majestic Olive Tree

- Duration approx. 5 hours
- Incl. Transportation/guide/ Olive-Oil tasting and fees.
- Per Person: **Euro 78**

After a short drive from the port, in Mirovica you'll have the chance to visit the Old Olive Tree, a symbol of the town, one of the oldest trees in Europe which has stood in the same position for over 2,000 years. This natural monument is older than any written manuscript or site in the city of Bar and as a result, it was protected by law in 1963. The Old Olive Tree still carries olives and is a definite must-see for any visitor keen to learn about the history of Montenegro as legend says that feuding families would come to the tree to make peace with each other.

Your afternoon continues with a drive to an Olive Mill. Explore the world of extra virgin olive oil through the production premises of the Olive oil press and enjoy tasting this valuable product accompanied by local delicacies.

The excitement continues afterwards since "Stari Bar" (Old Bar) waits for you. Prepare yourself and your camera for the Old Town Bar. Located on top of a three-sided protected hill, in a small valley, Old Bar surprises everybody with its thick alleys of everlasting plants and wide pavements of modest streets. The remarkable architecture, untouched by modern influences in comparison with other towns, will allow you to feel the difficulties of the Balkan peninsula's history. Join your guide in this old town's exploration followed by some free time prior to returning to port.

PLEASE NOTE: Order of the visits might vary depending on traffic.



DAY 5

VLORA – ALBANIA

Vlora – The Cradle of Albanian independence

Zverneci Island – Monastery of St. Mary - Vlora

- Duration approx. 4 hours
- Incl. Transportation/guide/ Entry fees.
- Per Person: **Euro 72**

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Enjoy the panoramic ride passing through the main street of **Vlora City** and continue to the northern part of city to **Zverneci Island**. Recognizable due to its grandiose crown of pines covering the entire area, Zvernec is very easy to reach. Situated between the **Narta Village** and the old, spectacular Soda Forest, a paved road and picturesque wooden bridge take you to the entrance of Zvernec. (a 270-meter-long bridge). The small island also hosts the well-preserved 13th century byzantine **Monastery of St. Mary**. The monastery is an impressive object of significant cultural and religious value. The monastery was abandoned during the Communist period in Albania but soon after the system's collapse, its important role in the community was restored.

Flag Square in Vlora is your next stop, where you will visit “**The Albanian Independence Monument**”. See from outside the **Muradie Mosque**, built in 1537 by the famous Ottoman Turkish architect Mimar Sinan during the rulership of Sultan Suleiman the Magnificent.

Next you will have free time on the long beach promenade of Vlora (Lungo Mare). Drive back to port.



DAY 6

DURRES – ALBANIA

Tirana – The vibrant capital of Albania

Scanderbeg square – Ethem Bey Mosque – National Boulevard – Bllok Area

- Duration approx. 6.5 hours
- Incl. Transportation/guide/ Entry fees/light local lunch
- Per Person: **Euro 115**

Depart from the pier and make the one-hour drive along Durres' scenic main thoroughfare toward Tirana, which lies due east between Dajti Mountain and the coastal plains. Upon arriving in Albania's dynamic capital, you will visit the Scanderbeg Square and Ethem Bey Mosque, the oldest building in the square.

Scanderbeg is the Albanian national hero who repulsed numerous Turkish invasions in the 15th century.

You will take a walk in the main Boulevard and visit the Pyramid, once meant to be a mausoleum for ex-dictator Enver Hoxha and continue further to the Block Area, where the communist leaders made their fairytale living while the rest of the people were forbidden to cross the line. It is now the most vivid neighborhood in Tirana, a business area as well as a place of entertainment for the youth.

You will visit from outside the house of ex-dictator Hoxha.

A remarkable area to visit is Tirana castle, with coffee and souvenir shops. Here you can enjoy a short refreshment break and have free time to shop for items such as ornamental filigree and silver jewelry or go shopping at nearby "Toptani Shopping center". Sample local delicacies at a traditional restaurant prior returning to our ship.



DAY 7

KOTOR MONTENEGRO

Njegusi village treasures, tastes and views

Lovcen Road – Viewpoint – Njegusi visits and tastings

- Duration approx. 4.5 hours
- Incl. Transportation/guide/ Prosciutto degustation at Njegusi
- Per Person: **Euro 104**

We depart from Kotor and journey along the steep slopes of **Lovcen Mountain**, an area of striking contrasts and breathtaking views. On one side rise the cold, rugged Montenegrin Mountains, while on the other lies the warmth and beauty of one of the most stunning bays in the world. Our route takes us along the serpentine “**Lovcen Road**,” renowned as one of the most scenic drives in both the country and the world.

On the northern edge of the park, we’ll arrive at the charming mountain village of **Njegusi**. The atmosphere here is quite different from that of Kotor Bay, as we now enjoy the refreshing coolness of the Alpine climate. This picturesque cluster of stone houses is known as the birthplace of the Petrovic dynasty, Montenegro’s most influential rulers. Njegusi is also celebrated for producing the country’s finest *Pršut* (smoke-dried ham). We’ll visit a traditional “smoked Ham” house, where authentic Montenegrin artifacts are displayed, and see hams hanging from the rafters, filling the air with the tempting aroma of prosciutto.

We’ll enjoy a taste of the renowned prosciutto and smoked cheese, accompanied by homemade bread and local wine. Afterward, enjoy some free time at the charming Kotor Old town before rejoining our ship.



DAY 7

KOTOR MONTENEGRO

Old town Chronicles: a Unesco World Heritage site

- Duration approx. 1.5 hours (morning guided walk)
- Incl. Kotor guide/ Entry fees
- Per Person: **Euro 58**

Step back in time as you pass through **Kotor's Sea Gate**, the iconic entrance to the enchanting Old Town. Meet your guide and embark on a captivating journey through the city's rich history and architectural splendor.

Begin your exploration at the lively **Square of Arms**, home to the historic Clock Tower, where Gothic and Baroque styles blend harmoniously. Take in the vibrant atmosphere and admire the square's timeless charm.

Wander through Flour Square, flanked by the impressive Pima and Buca palaces, before arriving at the magnificent **St. Tryphon Cathedral**. Enjoy a guided tour of its interior and marvel at the exquisite craftsmanship. Continue your stroll through the Old Town's picturesque streets, discovering hidden treasures such as Boka Navy Square, with the renowned Karampana Well, and St. Luke Square, where ancient churches stand in quiet elegance.

Conclude your journey back to the bustling Square of Arms, leaving with lasting memories of Kotor's rich heritage and timeless beauty.



IMPORTANT NOTE:

To help us prearrange our excursions, **we kindly ask you to pre-book your tours at least 14 days before your cruise.** No prepayment is required, but please note that pre-bookings will be binding. Prices are valid for a minimum of 11 guests; for smaller groups, a 10% surcharge may occur depending on the tour. Cancellation fees apply for cancellations received less than 48hrs before each tour.

REMARKS:

The tours are exclusively run for our Variety small groups and are led by our expert licensed guide, who at times may add an impromptu visit or activity..

Operations and pricing require a minimum of 11 guests.

They are subject to changes due to site restorations, weather, heavy traffic or other conditions. Should sites or museums be closed on our visiting days, alternative visits will be offered instead.

The tours are **quite active** and require good physical condition. Due to slippery or uneven sites we recommend comfortable shoes, a suntan lotion, a hat and water. Dress code for Church and Monastery visits.

Gratuities for drivers and guides are not included.

