

# PRINCETON JOURNEYS



## Cruising Croatia

aboard *Queen Eleganza*

June 28—July 7, 2024

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DUBROVNIK

## Dear Princetonian,

Did you know that the Croatian coast boasts over 1,000 islands, islets and crags? Join Princeton Journeys on an island-hopping adventure as we learn about the civilizations that swept across the Eastern shores of the Adriatic Sea over the course of many millennia. From the Byzantine and Ottoman Empires to the Crusades and the Renaissance, these civilizations left a wealth of architectural and cultural treasures behind. In a region well worth exploring for its natural beauty alone, you will visit spellbinding archaeological sites, impressive cathedrals, dramatic palaces, and ancient city centers that illuminate the layered history of the Dalmatian Coast.

Begin in Croatia's capital city, Zagreb, for a one-night stay at the 5-star Hotel Le Premier. Continue to Zadar for a 7-night Adriatic cruise aboard *Queen Eleganza*, an 18-cabin yacht chartered exclusively for Princeton Journeys. Sail along the Croatian coast calling on Trogir, Split, Hvar, Korčula, Mljet, and Dubrovnik along the way. A leisurely cruising pace allows for ample free time in town to sample regional cuisine and mingle with locals.

For those wishing to dive deeper into this fascinating region, a pre-cruise extension to Slovenia to will be offered. Though this journey is exclusive to Princeton Journeys travelers, space is limited. Register today by contacting our tour operator, Criterion Travel, at 888-328-2089 or [res@criteriontravel.com](mailto:res@criteriontravel.com).

With kind regards,

*Bridget*

Bridget St. Clair  
Director, Alumni Education and Travel  
Princeton University

KORČULA



MLJET



# Itinerary



ST. MARK'S CHURCH, ZAGREB

FRIDAY—SATURDAY, JUNE 28-29

## HOME / ZAGREB, CROATIA

Depart home on an overnight flight to Zagreb, Croatia. Upon arrival on June 29, transfer to the centrally located Hotel Le Premier. Gather in the evening for a welcome reception and dinner at the hotel.

Hotel Le Premier (R,D)

SUNDAY, JUNE 30

## ZAGREB

Begin the morning with a walking tour of the Upper Town of Zagreb which features the mosaic-roofed **St. Mark's Church, Stone Gate, Stossmayer Promenade, and Lotrscak Tower**. In the afternoon, drive to Zadar, with lunch en route, and take a walking tour of the Old Town of Zadar. Here, admire the ancient **Roman Forum** and the cylindrical-shaped **Church of St. Donat**. Zadar boasts a rich history that dates as far back as the Neolithic Era. The streets of the old town are paved with shining white marble, and the inviting waterfront is a magnet for art lovers. Embark *Queen Eleganza* in the late afternoon and enjoy a welcome reception followed by dinner in the evening.

*Queen Eleganza* (B,L,D)

MONDAY, JULY 1

## TROGIR

Following a morning lecture, relax on the sun deck, and swim in a sheltered cove (weather permitting), en route to **Trogir**, a UNESCO World Heritage Site located on a tiny island, surrounded by medieval walls. After a guided walking tour, wander the charming Old Town of Trogir and dine at one of its excellent locally recommended restaurants for dinner on your own.

*Queen Eleganza* (B,L)

TUESDAY, JULY 2

## KRKA NATIONAL PARK / SPLIT

Travel by motorcoach to **Krka National Park**, one of Croatia's most-loved national parks, and walk on wooden pathways amongst cascading waterfalls, picturesque pools, and lush vegetation. Return to Trogir and enjoy lunch en route to sophisticated Split, Croatia's second largest city. In the afternoon tour **Roman Emperor Diocletian's Palace**, an imposing ancient structure spread along the waterfront. In the evening, dine at leisure and take the opportunity to try local delicacies.

*Queen Eleganza* (B,L)



OLD TOWN, TROGIR



KRKA NATIONAL PARK



HVAR

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 3

#### HVAR

Cruise to lavender-scented Hvar Island, known as the *queen of the Dalmatian islands*. Stroll along the elegant main square, visit a **Benedictine Monastery** to see lace made by nuns from aloe threads, and visit the **15th-century Franciscan Monastery**, whose refectory contains a 1524 edition of Ptolemy's Atlas. Explore the waterfront and enjoy an evening at leisure in the city center.

*Queen Eleganza (B,L)*

### THURSDAY, JULY 4

#### KORČULA

Cruise to the fortified town of **Korčula**, perched on a promontory on its namesake island. Rich in vineyards and

olive groves, Korčula's glorious old town has one of the best-preserved medieval centers in the Adriatic.

Following an insightful walking tour, sample local delicacies and some of Croatia's most famous wines, including white wine made from pošip grapes, grown primarily on the island.

*Queen Eleganza (B,L)*

### FRIDAY, JULY 5

#### MLJET

Today walk or e-bike amongst forests of Aleppo pine or kayak in a saltwater lake at **Mljet National Park**. Visit an agrotourism home and savor a traditional peka: meat and potatoes slowly roasted over coals under an iron bell.

*Queen Eleganza (B,L,D)*



KORČULA



MLJET

**SATURDAY, JULY 6**

**DUBROVNIK**

Noted for its expansive walls and red tile rooftops, Dubrovnik is perhaps the most-visited destination on the Adriatic coast. On a guided tour explore the sites along the marble-clad **Stradun**, including **Onofrio's Fountain**, **St. Blaise's Church**, and the **Franciscan Church and Monastery**, a large complex belonging to the Order of the Friars Minor and consisting of a monastery, church, library, and pharmacy, the latter of which dates from A.D. 1317. Take advantage of free time in the afternoon to explore the maze of alleyways and Renaissance-era architecture before a farewell dinner on board.

*Queen Eleganza* (B,L,D)

**SUNDAY, JULY 7**

**DUBROVNIK / HOME**

Following breakfast, disembark *Queen Eleganza* and transfer to the airport for flights home.

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(B) Breakfast / (L) Lunch / (D) Dinner / (R) Reception



LAKE BLEED, SLOVENIA

Optional Pre-tour Extension

JUNE 26-29, 2024

**SLOVENIA**

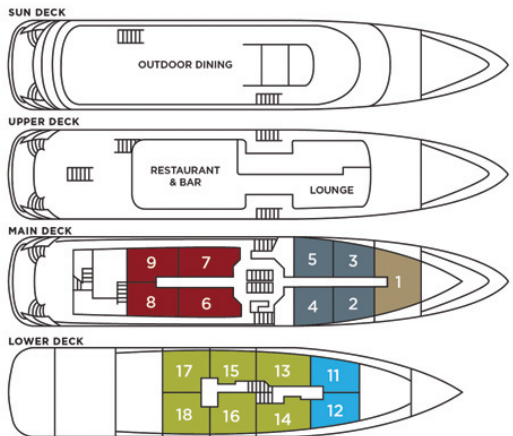
Begin the journey with a two-night pre-cruise extension in Slovenia. Tour Slovenia's capital city, Ljubljana, and discover magical Lake Bled. Continue to Zegreb, Croatia to meet fellow travelers for a 7-night Adriatic cruise.

**Extension rates:**

\$1,590 - Per Person, Double Occupancy  
Single Supplement - \$450



The yacht-like **Queen Eleganza**, launched in the Spring of 2018, was beautifully crafted in Croatia specifically to cruise the Adriatic coastline. With its small number of travelers, there is a relaxed and informal atmosphere on board. The 18 cabins are finished to high standards with sleek lines and neutral colors. The bar/restaurant and lounge boast comfortable seating areas, large windows, and complimentary tea/coffee. Meals are served in a single seating and feature fresh and tasty Mediterranean cuisine.



CATEGORY/DECK		TWIN	DOUBLE	SINGLE
		(per person, sharing)	(per person, sharing)	
A	Lower Deck • 161 sq. ft.	—	\$5,490	\$8,890
B	Lower Deck • 156-177 sq. ft.	\$5,990	\$5,990	\$9,640
C	Main Deck • 156-172 sq. ft.	\$6,990	—	—
D	Main Deck • 151 sq. ft.	\$7,490	\$7,490	—
E	Main Deck • 242 sq. ft.	—	\$8,490	—

## PROGRAM RATES

**Program Rates Include** All accommodations, meals, and excursions as specified in the itinerary, including **one hotel night and seven nights aboard *Queen Eleganza*** • Comprehensive program of briefings, lectures, and presentations • Transfers for all participants on group arrival and departure dates • Baggage handling • **Gratuities to shipboard personnel, porters, wait staff, guides, and drivers for all group activities** • Entrance fees and port charges • Welcome and farewell wine receptions • **House wine, beer, and soft drinks with group lunches and dinners and on board *Queen Eleganza*** • Filtered water on motorcoaches • Complete packet of pre-departure information • Professional tour manager throughout the program

**Air Arrangements** U.S. domestic and international airfare is not included in the program rates. Valerie Wilson Travel, Inc., can help with airline arrangements for this trip and can be reached at 877-376-1754. You are also welcome to book your air transportation through your local travel agent, an online travel site, or the airline of your choice. Further information about making flight arrangements will be sent to confirmed participants.

**What to Expect** The pace of this tour is moderately active, with considerable walking each day, often over slippery, cobblestoned terrain. Participants should be in good health, physically fit, and capable of undertaking this level of activity without assistance from tour staff. By forwarding the deposit, the participant certifies that he/ she does not have any physical or other condition or disability that would create a hazard for him/herself or other participants. Up-to-date COVID-related protocols and procedures will be communicated in pre-trip documents.

**Group Size** is program is exclusive to Princeton Journeys travelers and can accommodate up to 32 participants.

**A Note About Rates** Tour rates are based upon current fuel prices, taxes, tariffs, and a minimum number of participants. While we will do everything possible to maintain the listed prices, they are subject to change. If there are significant changes, details and costs will be advised prior to departure.

**Program Rates Do Not Include** U.S. domestic and international airfare • Passport/visa expenses • Medical expenses, immunizations, and Covid-19 testing if required at the time of travel • Private airport transfers or airport transfers outside of group arrival and departure dates • Travel and trip cancellation insurance • Excursions that deviate from the scheduled tour options • Airline baggage charges • Meals not specified in the itinerary; dishes and beverages not part of the included meals; liquor or soft drinks except as noted • Laundry or dry cleaning • Telephone, fax, Internet, and email charges • Room service • Other items of a personal nature

**Travel Insurance** Travel insurance for trip cancellation and interruption, medical problems, baggage loss and delay, etc., is highly recommended. Trip cancellation policies that apply to this expedition are included in this brochure. Information about travel insurance will be sent to confirmed participants.

## TERMS & CONDITIONS

Complete Terms and Conditions including Statement of Responsibility will be made available to you at time of registration, or in advance upon request. A signed "Terms & Conditions, Release from Liability, Assumption of Risk and Binding Arbitration Clause" is required from each applicant prior to participation on the tour.

**Reservations & Payments** To reserve space, please call (888) 328-2089 or return the completed reservation form with your \$1,000 per person deposit to: Criterion Travel, 4250 SW Hall Blvd., Beaverton, OR 97005, fax to (650) 560-6400 or email [res@critteriontravel.com](mailto:res@critteriontravel.com). Balance of payment is due February 29, 2024. After February 29, 2024 full payment is due upon registration. Final payment must be made by check or bank transfer.

**Cancellations & Refunds** Upon payment of a deposit, all reservations are subject to the cancellation provisions set forth below and by which the passenger agrees to be bound. Cancellations shall not be effective until they are received in writing and confirmed by Princeton Journeys. Deposits are refundable less \$250 per person administrative fee if written notice of cancellation is received within 30 days of reservation, and after that, deposits are 100% nonrefundable. Cancellations within 120 days of departure (February 29, 2024) are 100% nonrefundable, regardless of booking date. For this reason, we strongly urge participants to purchase trip cancellation insurance. No refunds will be made for any part of this program on which you choose not to participate. **NOTE:** Neither the Office of Alumni Affairs of Princeton University nor Criterion Travel, the tour operator, accepts liability for any airline cancellation penalty incurred by the purchase of a nonrefundable ticket in conjunction with this tour.

**Itinerary Changes** The itinerary presented for this tour is subject to modification and change by Princeton Journeys and Criterion Travel, the tour operator. Every reasonable effort will be made to operate the program as planned; however, should unforeseen world events and conditions require the itinerary to be altered, Princeton Journeys and the tour operator reserve the right to do so for the safety and best interest of the group. Any extra expenses incurred in this situation are the responsibility of the participant.

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# Cruising Croatia

The Land of a Thousand Islands  
aboard the 30-guest *Queen Eleganza*  
**June 28—July 7, 2024**

Please make your deposit check payable to Criterion Travel and mail to:  
4250 SW Hall Blvd., Beaverton, OR 97005. You may also fax your credit card  
information to (650) 560-6400 or email [res@criteriontravel.com](mailto:res@criteriontravel.com).  
For more information or to reserve by phone, contact Criterion Travel  
at [res@criteriontravel.com](mailto:res@criteriontravel.com) or **(888) 328-2089**.

## PAYMENT

- Enclosed is my check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (\$1,000 per person, payable to  
Criterion Travel), to reserve \_\_\_\_\_ place(s) on *Cruising Croatia* OR
- Please charge my deposit to:
- VISA    MasterCard    American Express    Discover

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*/We understand that final payment is due February 29, 2024, 120 days prior to departure.  
Registrations after February, 2024: full payment is due.*

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## ACCOMMODATIONS

Cabin category preference: **1st** \_\_\_\_\_ **2nd** \_\_\_\_\_

Bed preference in hotel (not guaranteed):  Two beds    One bed

*/We have read the tour information and agree to the Terms & Conditions therein.*

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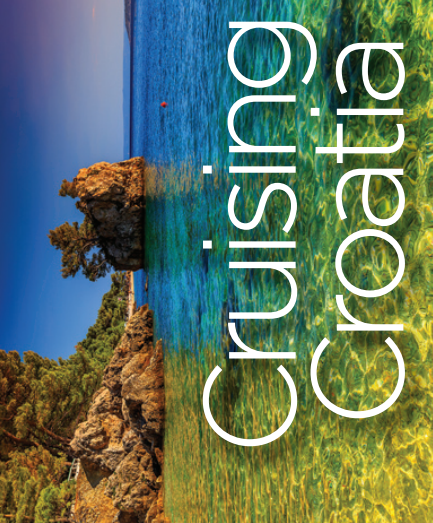
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**STRADUN, DUBROVNIK**





# Cruising Croatia



- **MARVEL** at the well-preserved Roman ruins of Emperor Diocletian's palace at Split.
- **STROLL** Krka National Park's wooden walkways and bridges on guided walks through the magical landscape of cascading waterfalls, picturesque pools, and lush vegetation.
- **DELVE** into the historic sights of Dubrovnik, *Pearl of the Adriatic*.
- **ENJOY** a traditional *peka*, meat and potatoes slowly roasted over coals under an iron bell, for dinner at an agrotourism home.
- **SWIM** in secluded coves in the pristine waters of the Adriatic Sea.
- **MOOR** at or near town centers with easy walk-off access for independent exploration.

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