

PRINCETON JOURNEYS



Cruising Croatia

aboard the 30-guest
Queen Eleganza

Featuring Jennifer Brush *99, Ambassador (retired),
Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe

May 30—June 8, 2026

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ST. MARK'S CHURCH, ZAGREB

Dear Princetonian,

Join PRINCETON JOURNEYS on an island-hopping adventure through the 1,000 islands, islets and crags of Croatia. 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. From the Byzantine and Ottoman Empires to the Crusades and the Renaissance, the civilizations of the Adriatic's Eastern shores left a wealth of architectural and cultural treasures behind.

Begin with a night in Croatia's capital city of Zagreb, then continue to Zadar to board the *Queen Eleganza*, an 18-cabin yacht chartered exclusively for PRINCETON JOURNEYS. Sail along the Croatian coast to Dubrovnik, calling on Trogir, Split, Hvar, Korčula, and Mljet along the way. A leisurely cruising pace allows for ample free time in town to sample regional cuisine and explore independently.

For those wishing to dive deeper into this fascinating region, a post-cruise extension to Mostar and Sarajevo, Bosnia-Herzegovina, will be offered. Space on this exclusive PRINCETON JOURNEYS adventure is limited and we encourage you to secure your place today.

With kind regards,

Budget

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

STUDY LEADER

Ambassador Jennifer Brush *99

is a Solon, Ohio, native who has served her country for 30 years for the US State Department, Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE), United Nations Peace-Keeping and the Office for Democratic Initiatives and Human Rights (ODIHR). She was a Senior Foreign Service Officer, OSCE Ambassador to Moldova, Deputy Representative of the Secretary General for the United Nation at the Kosovo Peace-Keeping Mission, and Head of Mission for the 2024 ODIHR Elections Monitoring Mission In Mongolia. With the State Department, she served in Yugoslavia, Poland, Turkey, Bosnia-Herzegovina, the US Mission to the UN in Vienna, the Marshall Islands, Turkmenistan and Serbia. She speaks Russian, Bosnian-Croatian-Serbian, Polish, Turkish, Turkmen, French, Mongolian and enough German to order a meal.

Before joining the Foreign Service, Ambassador Brush was a Thomas J. Watson Fellow researching workers self-management in the former Yugoslavia. She studied for two years at the Political Science Faculty of the University of Zagreb, and one year in the graduate department of Workers Self-Management and the Socio-Political System of Yugoslavia at the Political Science Faculty of the University of Sarajevo.



Itinerary

DUBROVNIK

SATURDAY-SUNDAY MAY 30, 31

HOME / ZAGREB, CROATIA

Depart home on an overnight flight to Zagreb, Croatia. Upon arrival on May 31, transfer to the centrally located Hotel Esplanade. Gather in the evening for a welcome reception and dinner at the hotel.

Hotel Esplanade (R,D)

MONDAY, JUNE 1

ZAGREB / ZADAR

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, where the streets of the Old Town are paved with shining white marble and the inviting waterfront is a magnet for art lovers. Admire the ancient **Roman Forum** and the cylindrical-shaped **Church of St. Donat** on an Old Town walking tour. Embark *Queen Eleganza* in the late afternoon and enjoy a reception and dinner.

Queen Eleganza (B,L,D)

TUESDAY, JUNE 2

ZADAR / TROGIR

Following a morning lecture, relax on the sun deck en route to **Trogir**, a UNESCO World Heritage Site located on a tiny island, surrounded by medieval walls. Enjoy a traditional peka dinner – meat and potatoes slowly roasted over coals under an iron bell – at family-owned tavern.

Queen Eleganza (B,L,D)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3

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

THURSDAY, JUNE 4

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)

FRIDAY, JUNE 5

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, grown primarily on the island.

Queen Eleganza (B,L)

SATURDAY, JUNE 6

MLJET

Relax on the sun deck while cruising to the beautiful island of Mljet. Walk or e-bike amongst forests of Aleppo pine or swim in a saltwater lake at **Mljet National Park**. Weather permitting, enjoy a swim this afternoon followed by exploration and dinner on your own.

Queen Eleganza (B,L)



KORČULA



MLJET

SUNDAY, JUNE 7

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. 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)

MONDAY, JUNE 8

DUBROVNIK / HOME

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

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MOSTAR, BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA

OPTIONAL
Bosnia-Herzegovina
Post-Tour Extension

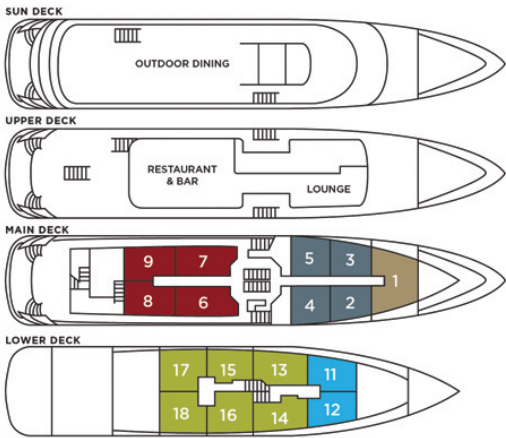
JUNE 8-12, 2026

Extend your travels into Bosnia and Herzegovina and immerse yourself in a tapestry of history, culture, and resilience. Highlights include a visit to Mostar's historic bridge and city center, restored in 2004; the Museum of the Battle for the Wounded at the Neretva, which focuses on the WWII battle; and a visit to the US Embassy. In Sarajevo, learn about religious and cultural diversity on a walking tour and explore the Tunnel of Hope Museum. More information will be sent to travelers registered for the main program.

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



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 <small>(per person, sharing)</small>	DOUBLE <small>(per person, sharing)</small>	SINGLE
A	Lower Deck • 161 sq. ft.	—	\$6,490	\$9,590
B	Lower Deck • 156-177 sq. ft.	\$6,990	\$6,990	\$10,390
C	Main Deck • 156-172 sq. ft.	\$7,990	—	—
D	Main Deck • 151 sq. ft.	\$8,490	\$8,490	—
E	Main Deck • 242 sq. ft.	—	\$10,490	—

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** • 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 30 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 Reserve your space online at https://account.criteriontravel.com/Booking/RefStart/PJ/260530_ADR_PJ/tour or return the completed reservation form with your \$1,000 per person deposit to: PRINCETON JOURNEYS, P.O. Box 5256 Princeton, NJ 08543.

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 (January 30, 2026) 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 PRINCETON JOURNEYS 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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Please reserve your space online at: https://account.criteriontravel.com/Booking/RefStart/PJ/260530_ADR_PJ/tour. You may also complete and return this reservation form with your deposit of \$1,000 per person, payable to Criterion Travel, to PRINCETON JOURNEYS, P.O. Box 5256 Princeton, NJ 08543. For questions or more information please call **609-258-8686**.

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

CREDIT CARD NUMBER

EXP. DATE

CARDHOLDER SIGNATURE

SECURITY CODE

I/we understand that final payment is due January 30, 2026, 120 days prior to departure. Registrations after January 30, 2026: full payment is due.

NAME #1 (AS ON PASSPORT)

DOB

E-MAIL

PRINCETON AFFILIATION

NAME #2 (AS ON PASSPORT)

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E-MAIL

PRINCETON AFFILIATION

STREET ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP

HOME PHONE

WORK PHONE

ACCOMMODATIONS

Cabin category preference: **1st** _____ **2nd** _____

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

I/we have read the tour information and agree to the Terms & Conditions therein.

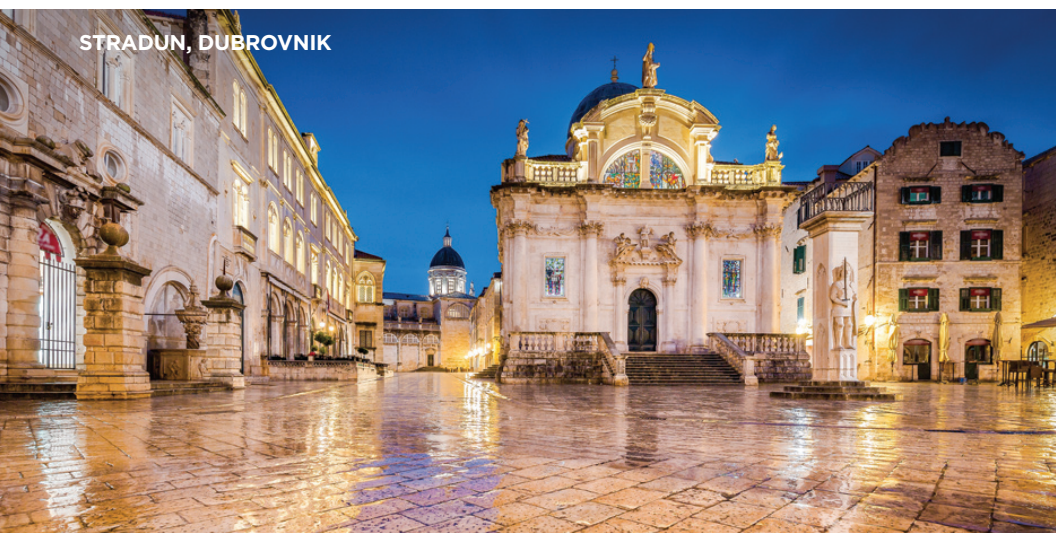
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STRADUN, DUBROVNIK





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."
- **SWIM** in secluded coves in the pristine waters of the Adriatic Sea.
- **ENJOY** a small-ship cruising experience exclusive to PRINCETON JOURNEYS travelers.
- **MOOR** at or near town centers with easy walk-off access for independent exploration.

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