



CAL DISCOVERIES

# TRAVEL

May 24 - June 4, 2024

#### Dear Alumni and Friends of Cal,

Experience the best of Croatia on this extraordinary 10-night adventure! Soak up absolute serenity aboard your first-class yacht while sailing the Dalmatian Coast, a region celebrated for its natural beauty and timeless charms, then enjoy a stay in the capital city of Zagreb.

Embark in Dubrovnik and spend seven unforgettable nights cruising the Adriatic in an intimately-sized yacht—the ideal way to visit Croatia's islands and ports. Your small ship can reach tiny islets, ports, and remote harbors that larger vessels cannot, allowing you access to some of Croatia's most spectacular destinations. By day, glide from one island to another, explore delightful towns, and enjoy opportunities to swim, snorkel, and sunbathe. Thoughtfully planned excursions introduce you to lauded sites and ancient ruins, local culture and natural wonders. By night, indulge in local gastronomic delights and fall asleep to the gentle rhythm of the sea. The adventure concludes with three nights in buzzing Zagreb, a city full of life and historical landmarks.

This trip combines the security, ease, and value of group travel with opportunities for independent exploration. Enjoy the camaraderie of traveling with a group and, during your free time, feel the thrill of making your own discoveries. Join us, as well as alumni and friends, on this delightful adventure of discovery.

#### Go Bears!

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#### Expand your horizons.

A time-honored tradition since 1969, Cal Discoveries Travel creates learning opportunities for thoughtful travelers. Join great minds on our world-class journeys.



What to expect: These trips feature long touring days with travel via motor coach, ship, zodiac, all-terrain vehicle, or train. Travelers are required to board transportation without assistance as well as stand and walk over uneven terrain for extended periods of time. Some tours may include optional higher-intensity activities and travel at higher altitudes with steep ascents and descents. Outings last four to six hours most days.

Suitable for: Travelers who are able to comfortably walk four to six miles, or 6,900-9,200 steps, each day.

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One traveler per room, whether an alum or friend, must be a current Cal Alumni Association member at the time of departure to participate in Cal Discoveries Travel offerings. Payment of \$60 for seniors 65 years and over and \$75 for others establishes a membership with all Association benefits. Memberships are for individuals only, and are non-refundable and non-transferable. A traveling pair and their children under 21 years of age may travel on one membership. Please enroll online at alumni.berkeley.edu/join.

#### **UNESCO World Heritage**

- Plitvice Lakes National Park
- 2. Historical Complex of Split with the Palace of Diocletian
- ${\tt 3.}$  Old City of Dubrovnik
- 4. Historic City of Trogir
- Cathedral of St James,
   Šibenik
- Venetian Works of Defence between the 16th and 17th Centuries: Stato da Terra — Western Stato da Mar, Zadar





# A World of Discovery



This exhilarating itinerary introduces you to Croatia's familiar gems, such as Zagreb and Dubrovnik, as well as lesser-known fishing towns and unspoiled islets. Get a taste of cruising life as your small vessel glides away from the crowds, pausing at various ports so you can hop off and witness centuries of visible history or sip wine in a café. Back on board, soak up more seascapes before your next port of call! The adventure concludes with three evenings in electric Zagreb!

Top: Plitvice Lakes National Park Cover: Cruising the Dalmatian Coast Mail panel: Walled city of Dubrovnik

# **Inspiring Moments**



- Fall under the spell of the **Dalmatian** Coast, host to glistening blue waters, timeless beauty and alluring islands.
- Relax aboard a private yacht during a glorious seven-night Adriatic cruise.
- Stroll through the unique landscape of Plitvice Lakes National Park.
- Embrace the natural grandeur and well-preserved history of Adriatic island gems: Rab, Hvar and Korčula.
- Stand amid the magnificent Roman ruins of **Diocletian's Palace in Split.**
- Witness Trogir's Romanesque, baroque and Renaissance-style architecture.
- Explore a rich abundance of history and culture in beautiful **Dubrovnik**.
- Uncover the energetic Croatian capital of Zagreb.
- Experience six UNESCO World Heritage Sites.



Waterfront, Split

#### Day 1 | In Transit

Depart for Dubrovnik, Croatia.

#### Day 2 | Dubrovnik, Croatia

Upon arrival, transfer and embark the ship. Take time to unpack and get to know your ship's amenities. Later tonight, gather for a convivial Welcome Reception and Dinner.

#### Day 3 | Dubrovnik | Korčula

Enchanting Dubrovnik. Start the day by discovering this history-steeped city by the sea. Witness the Pile Gate, Europe's oldest working pharmacy and the Franciscan Monastery's cloister. See the medieval Sponza Palace and view a baroque cathedral with its collections of art and religious relics. If you wish, walk along the marble-tiled Stradun to scout some shopping options.

Begin cruising along the Dalmatian Coast, a dreamy landscape of towering limestone cliffs.

**Korčula.** The spectacular "Emerald Isle" juts into the Pelješac Channel and brims with natural beauty. Join a guide for a walk through the old town, filled with enduring architecture.

#### Day 4 | Hvar | Split

Hvar Island. Your day begins at sunny Hvar, known for its lavender plantations, olive groves and beaches. Uncover Hvar's sites, including the Renaissance cathedral and a timeworn community theater. Visit a Benedictine convent dedicated to Hvar's storied agave lace tradition. Croatian lacemaking is on the UNESCO list of Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity.

Continue sailing beneath blue skies to Split.

**Split.** Behold Split's many riches, including a walk through the courtyards and chambers of Diocletian's Palace. See the Cathedral of Saint Domnius, the Golden Gate and the Peristyle.

#### Day 5 | Trogir | Šibenik

**Trogir.** Fall under the spell of Trogir, a well-preserved Romanesque-Gothic town. See the Cathedral of St. Lawrence, the intricate Cipiko Palace and the Fortress Kamerlengo, built in the 15th century. Plus, admire the Benedictine Monastery, founded by St. Ivan of Trogir.

After lunch in Trogir, continue to Šibenik.

#### PYJ | Choose one of these excursions:

- Cultural Šibenik. Visit the UNESCO-listed Cathedral of St. James, one of Europe's most significant monumental churches. Enjoy a wine, cheese and prosciutto tasting!
- Krka National Park. Delight in the waterfalls, walking paths and more of this top-rated park.
   The park features seven waterfalls, including the Skradinski Buk. (Active)

Cathedral of St. James, Šibenik





#### Ban Jelačić Square, Zagreb

#### Day 6 | Zadar

Zadar. This university town is home to an impressive Roman Forum and the Church of St. Donatus. Walk along the waterfront promenade to see modern attractions, including the sea organ. Listen to the melody of this musical art installation, which is fueled by the ebb and flow of the currents. During your outing, sample some unique Maraschino cherry liquor and other locally made sweets. The first recipes of the Maraschino liquor emerged from Zadar during the 16th century!

#### Day 7 | Rab Island

Settle in for a morning of cruising, passing lovely islands and tranquil coves.

**Rab Island.** Uncover some of the island's marvels, from medieval walls to ancient stone lanes and bell towers. Spy local artists and taste Rapska torta, or Rab cake. Legend claims that the cake was first served in 1177 to Pope Alexander III.

Korčula



#### Day 8 | Krk Island | Opatija

Depart Rab and sail to Krk Island, which lies in the middle of Kvarner Bay. Enjoy lunch on board while docked in this charming port. Spend a final afternoon sailing to Opatija. Raise a toast to your cruising adventure at a Farewell Reception and Dinner on the ship.

#### Day 9 | Opatija | Plitvice Lakes National Park | Zagreb

After breakfast, disembark in Opatija. Head inland to tour Plitvice Lakes National Park.

Plitvice Lakes National Park. This park features 16 crystal-clear terraced lakes linked by a series of waterfalls. Wander planked walkways and trails amid a fragrant forest. The area is also home to nearly 160 species of birds and numerous plant species.

After a lunch of regional dishes, continue

to Zagreb and check in to the hotel.

Sea organ, Zadar





#### Day 10 | Zagreb

Free time: Make your own discoveries today. Flective | Croatian Countryside. Visit the Antun Augustincic Museum and Gallery in Klanjec before continuing to Kumrovec. The village features an open-air museum with houses from the end of the 19th century and the beginning of the 20th century.

#### Day 11 | Zagreb

Enrichment: Contemporary Croatia.

Zagreb Panoramic Tour. Zagreb weaves European elegance with a vivacious Balkan spirit. After a panoramic tour of the lower town, drive to Mirogoj Cemetery, designed by architect Hermann Bollé. Tour the cemetery, then return to Zagreb's beautifully preserved upper town, home to St. Mark's Church. Gather for a Farewell Reception and Dinner.

#### Day 12 | In Transit

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for the return flight to your gateway city.

PYJ experiences are included.

Elective experiences available at an additional cost.

# ACTIVE TRAVEL が

This **Active Program** is designed for people who are in good health and can comfortably participate in a demanding daily schedule of physical activities. For more details, please call or visit our website.

#### Excursions on this program require:

- walking distances of up to  $3-5\ miles$
- walking on cobblestones, unpaved terrain and/or uneven and slippery surfaces
- getting on/off motor coaches and boats

#### Included Features



#### **Accommodations** (with baggage handling)

- Cruise for 7 nights aboard the first-class MV Infinity.
- -3 nights in Zagreb, Croatia, at the deluxe Esplanade Zagreb Hotel.

#### Transfers (with baggage handling)

 Deluxe motor coach transfers during the Land | Cruise Program.

#### **Extensive Meal Program**

 10 breakfasts, 7 lunches and 4 dinners, including Welcome and Farewell Dinners; tea or coffee with all meals, plus wine with dinner.

#### Your One-of-a-Kind Journey

- AHI Travel Assurance plan covers
   Accident and Sickness Medical Expense,
   Trip Delay and Emergency Evacuation for U.S. residents.
- Enrichment by expert speakers enhances your insight into the region.
- Engaging excursions showcase the local culture, heritage and history.
- Personalize Your Journey | PYJ |

  A choice of excursions in selected locales.
- Electives and free time to pursue your individual interests.
- NAHI Sustainability Promise:
   We strive to make a positive impact wherever we travel.
- Welcome and Farewell Receptions to mingle with fellow travelers.
- A personal VOX headset to hear your English-speaking guide clearly.
- -Tipping of guides and drivers.
- Complimentary travel mementos.

Bell towers of Rab Island



#### Accommodations





#### Esplanade Zagreb Hotel | Zagreb



Built in 1925 as a stylish art nouveau sanctuary for passengers of the grand Orient Express, the Esplanade Zagreb Hotel upholds its reputation for impeccable service and sumptuous decor. Enjoy the hotel's romantic Old World charm and classic style and appreciate your tastefully decorated guest room, featuring a luxurious marble bathroom. Dine on fine Mediterranean cuisine at the hotel's celebrated Zinfandel Restaurant. The property also features a health club, spa and gift shop. Wi-fi is complimentary.

Tripadvisor

# **MV** Infinity



Sail the Adriatic on the MV Infinity! Your sleek yacht features state-of-the-art amenities, beautifully appointed furnishings and warm Mediterranean colors. With just 19 cabins, guests are guaranteed an intimate setting and personalized service. Take advantage of expansive gathering spaces, inviting social areas and quiet nooks. Play in the water using complimentary sports equipment or just relax in the hot tub. Fuel your adventures with wholesome breakfasts and three-course lunch menus. Cabins are fully air-conditioned with en-suite bathrooms and Wi-Fi is complimentary (may be limited).





# Reserve your trip today!

To book your journey, please visit alumni.berkeley.edu/croatiacruise

If you cannot access the online reservation link above, please contact Cal Discoveries Travel at **510.900.8222.** 



#### **Program Dates**

#### Travel dates

#### May 24 - June 4, 2024

★ Travel dates include any overnights required for international travel. These dates may vary depending on air schedules.

#### **Tour dates\***

#### May 25 - June 4, 2024

\* Tour dates begin on the scheduled arrival date at your destination and end on the scheduled departure date from your destination.

### **Cruise Program**

Category-Deck	Full Price	Special Price*
D-Lower	\$5,545	\$5,295
C-Lower	\$5,745	\$5,495
B-Main	\$6,645	\$6,395
A-Upper	\$7,545	\$7,295

A category features a private balcony and large window. B category features a large window. Categories C and D feature a porthole. \*Special Price valid if booked by the date found on the address panel. VAT is an additional \$395 per person.

All prices quoted are in USD, per person, based on double occupancy and do not include air transportation costs (unless otherwise stated). Special offers, promotions and discounts cannot be combined.

Single supplement waived for solo travelers! This offer is limited, capacity-controlled and tends to sell out quickly.

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- price guarantee to protect you from fuel surcharge increases after ticket purchase
- arrival and departure **transfers** on group dates
- flexibility to change or cancel your reservation without penalty up to 60 days before departure on most flights
- assistance in the event of schedule changes or delays



St. Mark's Church, Zagreb

# AHI Travel Expertise

From your reservation to your return home, we are here to ensure you have the adventure of a lifetime.

#### Before you go:

**Travel Consultants** stand ready to answer your questions as they guide you through the reservation process.

**Passenger Service Representative** offers personalized assistance with flights, electives and special requests.

**Travel Information** provides pre-departure details and enrichment about your destination.

#### Once you arrive:

Your Travel Director, a seasoned, multilingual professional, manages daily logistics so you enjoy a seamless experience.

**Handpicked Expert Guides** offer fascinating insights and share their passion for their country with you.

**Knowledgeable Lecturers** deepen your appreciation for the region and its history, culture and current events.



Lacemaking, Hvar



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