

Modern Sailing Global Destinations is Proud to Present:



CRUISING CROATIA – 2018

Leg 1: July 21 to July 31, 2018

Leg 2: August 1 to August 11, 2018

For full trip information packet: modernsailing.com/article/cruising-croatia-2018

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Modern Sailing Global Destinations returns to the Mediterranean in 2018 for two 10-day legs through the stunning islands of Croatia. Join Modern Sailing as we explore the jewels of the Adriatic Sea!

For the first leg, we will board at Agana Marina and sail down the Adriatic coast, through the Dalmatia and Eliphite islands, hopping and exploring small coastal villages, national parks, spectacular beaches, and excellent restaurants.

The trip will blend quiet bays surrounded by shimmering pine forests to exciting nightlife along the waterfront. We will explore some of Croatia's numerous ports of call as we sail to the islands of Brac, Hvar, Korkula, Lastovo, Mljet, and Sipan.

A yacht charter here takes in sleepy fishing villages, ancient harbors, coastal cities and breathtaking scenery in some of Croatia's most exceptional cruising grounds. At night we will Med-moor to discover the people, food and culture of these small quaint coastal towns.

On Leg 2, we will depart the historic and fascinating city of Dubrovnik and explore the Eliphite Islands and Dalmatian Islands along some of Croatia's most beautiful coastline. The islands are renowned for their natural beauty and the crystal-clear waters which surround them.

Whether you join us on the first leg from Split to Dubrovnik, or on the second leg from Dubrovnik, each leg promises beautiful sailing, with an ideal blend of history, stunning scenery and excellent dining. Modern Sailing has planned a wonderful vacation with ideal sailing conditions, scenic anchorages, historic sites, balancing charming sleepy fishing villages, and cosmopolitan cities.

THE BOATS—Sunsail47+



Length overall 14.43 m / 47'4"

Hull length 13.65 m / 44'9"

Hull beam. 4.49 m / 14'8"

Standard keel draught 2.24 m / 7'4"

Fuel capacity 240 l / 63 US gal

Water capacity 615 l / 162 US gal

Engines Yanmar 57 HP / 40 KW

Description of the Boat

- Large cockpit table with storage compartments and icebox
- Double helm, each equipped with a steering compass
- 6'4" headroom in galley and salon
- 4 cabins with hanging lockers and storage cabinets
- Ensuite heads
- 2 110/220v AC power outlets in each cabin. US electrical outlets 110 v 60 cycle two prong.
- LED lighting throughout
- Outdoor shower on transom swim steps
- A Yanmar 57hp engine with 3 blade fixed prop and 63 gallon fuel capacity
- Raymarine Instrument Panel: TriData (wind, speed, depth), VHF radio, autopilot, chartplotter with GPS in cockpit
- Bow thruster

Sleeping Accommodations

- Wall-mounted fan
- Hanging locker
- Storage with shelving
- LED Reading Lamps and LED Overhead Lights
- 6'1 to 6'5 Maximum Head Room
- Bed linens and pillows included



TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

You are responsible for booking your own airfare. Based on our research, airfare will likely be about \$1500 to \$1800 per person. If you would like to use a travel agent to book your flights, we suggest Sandra Marron at Millennium Travel. Her number is (415) 898-7974. If you plan on arriving early, there is a small hotel in Trogir, 20 minutes from the airport in Split. Hotel Concordia is located in the centre of Trogir only three miles from the airport. There are three single and 11 double rooms with shower/WC, telephone, satellite TV and air conditioning. All rooms have sea views over Trogir's waterfront. Demand for beds is high in July and August, so you should book reservations in advance. Telephone: [+385 21 885 400 400](tel:+38521885400400). Dubrovnik has many accommodations, but make reservations early.

WHAT TO BRING

Luggage

We suggest traveling light. Your gear should fit in a medium duffel bag and small carry-on bag. Your carry-on should be less than 15 pounds – we recommend using a dry bag or backpack. Both bags should be collapsible for easy storage on the boat in a small space. Please do not bring bags with hard frames or rolling wheels as they are difficult to stow.

Gear

We have found that people often only use about half of what they bring. A great way to bring only what you use is to lay all your items out and reduce it by 50%. Lay them out again and then reduce again.

Gear weight depends on weather conditions of course, but lightweight clothing that is layered and wicks well to dry fast is essential. Avoid cotton. Your total gear weight should be less than 55lbs including carry-on.

Sun conditions can be very different than in San Francisco bay. You should consider lightweight clothes that cover exposed areas without adding bulk or weight. There are a variety of lightweight pants/slacks, shirts/blouses that are UV-protected. Sunscreen and hats are essential.

Suggested Packing List

<u>Clothing</u>	<u>Non-Clothing</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Quick-dry T-shirts, sun shirt• Shorts w/zipper pocket• Swim suits• Sweater or fleece jacket• Foul weather gear• Inflatable PFD with harness• Deck shoes, water shoes, reef shoes, or sandals (they will get wet)• Hiking shoes for exploring beyond the shore• Long-sleeved shirt for snorkeling• Rain gear for boat & ashore• Sailing gloves• Extra towel (microfiber quick dry)• Long pants• One nicer outfit for evenings ashore	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Passport (copies)• Cash• Sunscreen• Insect repellent• Sunglasses (2 pairs)• Camera• Personal hygiene items• Medications with prescriptions• Special dietary items• Flashlight/Batteries• Clothes pins• Dry bag & backpack• ZipLock bags• Bio-degradable soap/shampoo• Electronics with chargers• European & 12 volt adapters

What not to bring:

Different states and countries have different travel rules, regulations, and considerations. If you have specific questions about an item, ask us. Some general items you should **not** bring are illegal drugs, weapons, hair dryers, expensive jewelry, pets, rigid suitcases, surfboards (it has happened), fireworks and dive tanks.

Linens, towels, and pillows are provided on boat and not necessary to bring.

Considerations

There are lifejackets on board the boat, however, you are more than welcome to bring your own.

The charter base will have a variety of snorkel gear and equipment to choose from. These items are included in the cost of the trip. Again, you are more than welcome to bring your own. Keep in mind that these items tend to be bulkier and heavier. A reasonable compromise may be to bring your own mask and snorkel and use the fins provided on board.

WEATHER

The months of July and August are the warmest months of the year. Characterized by daily highs of about 81°F to lows around 70°F, exceeding 90°F or dropping below 70°F only one day in ten.

Most days are clear with the median cloud cover ranging from 21% (mostly clear) to 40% (mostly clear). The most common forms of precipitation are thunderstorms and light rain. Rain averages are from 6 to 8 days over the course of the month and are characterized by afternoon showers lasting only a few hours. Relative humidity typically ranges from 52% (mildly humid) to 77% (very humid) during this time period, rarely dropping below 38% (comfortable). Away from the water during the day temperatures may climb to the 90's. The weather data are based on the average temperatures in July and August from historical records from 1998 to 2012 for the island of Korcula.

Average sea water temperature is from 72°F to 75°F.

WIND and TIDE CONDITIONS

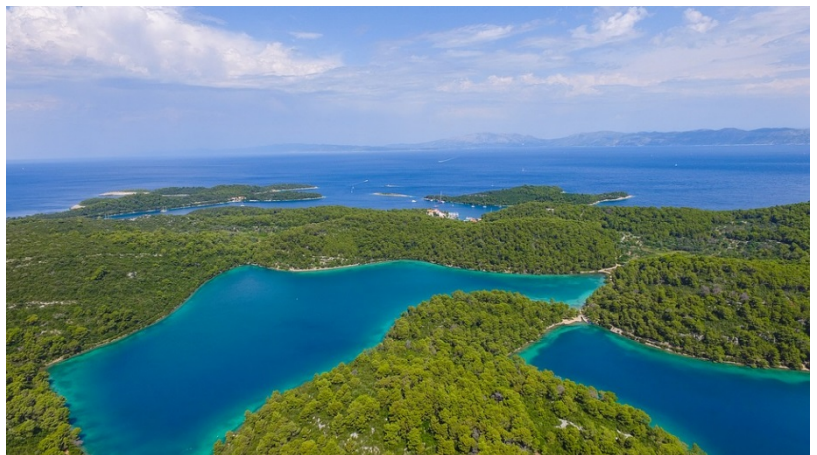
Typical wind speeds vary from 10 knots to 20 knots (light breeze to fresh breeze), rarely exceeding 30 knots (high wind).

The Sirocco wind can blow any time of year which is warm humid wind from ESE to SSE and blows between 16-20 knots usually in the afternoons.

The Maestral we would describe as a sea breeze usually blowing between 9 am and 2 pm and provides a nice steady wind for sailing.

Weather forecasts are 24 hours a day on VHF channel 73 out of Split and VHF Channel 85 out of Dubrovnik.

Tidal range is from 1 to 2 feet.



PROVISIONING AND GALLEY

- 2 burner cooker and oven with grill function
- 46 US gal. / 175 l fridge with front access, 12 v compressor
- 21 US gal. / 80" icebox with front access
- Upper storage cabinets with storage
- Microwave



Provisioning will be discussed at the crew meeting and initial menus will be made for staples. Depending on the crew preferences, provisioning for basics will be done in advance through the charter company. Provisioning for breakfasts, lunches and snacks will be done by the group as a whole and the cost for the initial provisioning is included.

Once you arrive in Croatia the crew will complete supplemental provisioning on the day of arrival. There are several markets and small shops for provisioning needs. Each Skipper will work with the participants to select items for individual tastes on board and final provisioning in Croatia will be split between everyone. It is a great bonding experience to wander through a grocery store and see what specialty items they have.

There will be opportunities to provision other necessities en-route at small stores on various islands. Once you leave the mainland, recognize that all commercial goods must be ferried to the islands, which decreases availability and increases costs.

The crew will decide on how many meals they plan on eating ashore and provision accordingly. Costs for meals ashore vary based on individual crew desires and types of restaurants visited. Average costs are between \$25 and \$50 for dinners per person.

Global Destinations recognizes that people have different experiences and tastes in personal beverages (alcohol) and provisioning time will be provided for members to make their own purchases.

One or two crew members are assigned to stowing the provisioning items. This does not mean they will have galley duty the whole trip, but will help guide others to find items without unpacking everything.

Special Dietary Needs

Skippers will be consulting with participants regarding provisioning at the crew meeting. This is your opportunity to let them know if you have specific dietary needs or restrictions. If there are unique items you desire you should pack them with you, or you will have time to purchase them during the provisioning trip.

Breakfast

Breakfast for the most part will be around 7:00 to 9:00 based on each days schedule each day, group and individual desires. We have enjoyed full course breakfasts, complete with bacon, eggs, etc. We have also enjoyed granola bars and fruit, depending on the crew and daily schedule.

The goal is to meet your needs so you can enjoy the rest of your day.

Lunches

Lunches are casual with no set schedule underway. They can be soup and sandwiches, veggie sticks, or local fare. Lunch under way will depend on conditions and may be dictated when it is prepared and what we have on a particular day. If the schedule permits, crew is in agreement, and a nice lunch spot is found, we can dinghy to a meal ashore eating at a tavern or picnic on the beach.

Snacks

Snacks are always a very personal thing and whatever the crew desires. Sometimes they can be chips and salsa, or cheese and crackers. Fresh fruit and nuts are always good (and delicious) as they are easy snacks and help maintain energy.

Dinners

Dinners provide the most flexibility. We can choose to relax on board, cook and watch the sunset, or go ashore and sample the local culture and cuisine. When we make provisioning plans, one dinner meal on board needs to be included in case we find a secluded anchorage and decide not to move, but enjoy the peace and serenity. Most stops along the way will have a variety of restaurants. The islands are most noted for seafood.

Dinner Ashore

If we choose to go ashore in the evening, meal costs will be the responsibility of each person. Usually most establishments will not be willing to split checks. Be sure to carry some cash with you as small family businesses are sometimes on a cash-only basis, or add a significant service fee for credit cards.

Perishables

Over the years, we have discovered that some items do not particularly like a marine environment and seem to have a very short shelf life. We will try and anticipate and get the fewest possible perishables and restock in route. Often times we come across baked goods in local bakeries, fresh fish on the docks and fresh produce at open markets. There is something special and nothing as delicious as fresh seafood caught that very day.

Things to Know about Croatia

Communication

Typical of sailing destinations, Internet service may be spotty in some locales. There are Internet cafes, or wi-fi available in most ports, but it may slow and unreliable. International calling plans are available from most major carriers and text messaging is fairly reliable. Several people have used the “wazup app” and had success in making international calls.

You should bring a European adaptor for electronic plugs and also a 12 volt charger. The boats are equipped with 110/120 when connected to shore power and will have a 12 volt adapter at the nav station. The time difference is UTC + 2 hours and so the time difference between the west coast and Croatia is eight hours during the Summer with daylight savings time.



Customs and Passports

Make sure your passport is up to date. Passports must be valid for 3 months beyond the date of departure and are required for American, Australian, English and Canadian travelers. We recommend if your passport is going to expire within 6 months of your travel dates renew it now. No visa is required for stays under 90 days for Australian, Canadian and US citizens, but you must have a return ticket in possession upon entering Croatia. Croatia allows EU nationals to enter the country with a valid national identity card (no passport or visa required). Make sure you purchase your plane tickets and have your travel papers lined up well in advance. Talk to us to make sure you have the correct documents before you travel.

Transportation

On the mainland there is a great bus networks. In the islands there will be local buses with published schedules usually available. In most ports there will be bicycle and scooters available for rental. If you want to explore ashore and are unsure you can hire a private car for a fixed fee. Make sure you are clear on the fee in advance. Roads are well marked, in good condition for the most part, and the layout is easy to understand. Hotels and restaurants can arrange transportation. Taxis are expensive with fixed fares.

Money and Banking

There will be exchange places in both of the airports and there will be ATM's at banks and larger resorts. The national currency is the Kuna. The current exchange rate is \$1.00 to 6.38 Croatian Kuna, or 1 euro to 7.51 Kunas. Most restaurants will prefer cash and while they will usually accept Visa or American Express there will probably be a service fee. Travelers cheques are difficult to exchange.

Trip Insurance

It is highly recommended that you obtain trip insurance in the event you may have to cancel the trip. There are a variety of carriers that provide trip insurance and you should select one that fits your level of comfort and coverage you desire. There are several options that you may have with existing accounts for example; through your Credit Card Company, insurance, auto clubs, or financial institutions.

While MSC does not recommend which carrier you choose several past participants skippers have chosen from one of the following carriers:

Travelex Insurance Services - travelexinsurance.com
Travel Guard Insurance (AIG) - travelguard.com
Allianz Global Assistance - allianztravelinsurance.com
Travel Safe Insurance – travelsafe.com

DETAILED PROPOSED ITINERARY*

LEG 1 July 21 to 31, 2018

Split to Dubrovnik

DAY 1– July 21, Agana Marina

We will start our adventure at Agana Marina about 20 minutes from the airport in Split. We recommend you arrive a day or two early in Split to acclimate and explore the ancient city of Trogir.

Check in at the marina in the afternoon at 1:00 and meet with the skipper to do final preparations and provisioning. In the late afternoon we will have a welcome reception and then board the boats at 6pm. Enjoy dinner on your own, or with your group after settling in and spend your first night aboard.

DAY 2– July 22, Agana Marina to Milne on Brac- 8nm

In the morning after breakfast we will then do our shakedown cruise to the island of Brac. We will Med-moor in this tranquil community under the church cupola, where the city wraps around the Harbour. You may spend the afternoon exploring, then plan on enjoying a wonderful evening enjoying the water front taverns and shops as we settle into a 2000 year old city full of old world charm. The island of Brac is one of the most picturesque in Croatia. Take the afternoon and get away from the coast, the landscape of the island's interior is starkly beautiful, dotted with olive groves, vineyards, and citrus trees.

DAY 3– July 23, Brac to Hvar, 15 nm

We will shift gears with an early morning sail to the Island of Hvar. Prepare to have your senses overwhelmed with the scent of lavender as this is the main crop on this beautiful island. Enjoy a late lunch on the quay, then venture along the narrow streets exploring the small boutique shops.

DAY 4– July 24, Hvar (Layover Day)

Hvar is a beautiful island – “a slim, green slice of land punctured by jagged inlets and a steep central ridge streaked with long grey lines of limestone.” Hvar Town is the Dalmatia island's capital and a well-preserved historic town with classic Venetian architecture of the 15th century. Its development as a tourist resort has been sensitive and tasteful. Explore the city and hike up to the ancient fortress that towers above the bay and town. Enjoy the day taking a tour, exploring museums, diving, or heading out to one of the many beaches of this European resort. In terms of sight-seeing, visit the town's cathedral, wander through the streets of Groda – the grid of narrow lanes that backs up the hillside north from the main square, or climb to the Citadel and visit the Franciscan monastery.

Hvar Town is the capital city in the Dalmatia Islands, cosmopolitan in nature with many fashionable boutiques, charming European feel and a vibrant night life filled with charming restaurants and late night club venues. After Dubrovnik, Hvar Town is the most fashionable of the Adriatic resorts. The medieval town is largely pedestrianized and has an elegant air about it. In the early evening stop at one of the many cafes that surround the harbor and spend an hour or two watching the people as they wander by.

DAY 5– July 25, Hvar to Vela Luka, Korkula 25nm

We will anchor up in the picturesque harbor of Lumbardara and enjoy beach combing and sightseeing along one of the beaches at the head of Uvala Prvi Zal or Prizna Bay. Each beach has a few casual cafes where you can enjoy the local dish of octopus in red wine sauce. In the evening we will dig our toes into the sand and enjoy a beachside meal while watching the boats gently sway as the sunlight fades into evening. Wake up to the sounds of the marina and venture out to get a warm pastry at one of the many bakeries before bidding farewell to this marvelous city.

DAY 6 – July 26, Vela Luka to Brna Korkula 12nm

From Vela Luka we will sail along the coast of Korkula enjoying the green shoreline with extensive pine forests. The village of Brna is located in a small cove on the southern coast. The cove is divided into two parts by the peninsula Mali Zaglav. It is famous for the stretch of small pebble coves, located on the south-eastern part of the village, surrounded by a pine tree forest and the blueness of the clear sea. In the past Brna was a port for ship building and wine export. This beautiful location has enabled this small village to evolve into a charming tourist destination. The numerous beaches, coves, clear sea, aromatic plants, natural medicines, clean nature and traditional values are good reasons to spend an afternoon and evening ashore.

DAY 7– July 27, Brna Luka, Korkula to Luka Polace Miljet 25nm

A hearty day of sailing as we head South toward Dubrovnik. We will tie up stern first to the pier or anchor up in the well protected bay. This beauty of this long narrow island has a variety of options for our layover day.

DAY 8– July 28, Polace Miljet (Lay Over Day)

Our second layover day in Luka Polace is nearly landlocked and therefore very well protected. You will be able to choose from a variety of options for your layover day. You may book a Land Tour, go shopping, spend the day on the beach, visit Archeological Ruins, go to a 12th century Monastery, book a diving expedition, swim in the clear waters, or merely relax. The most noted option is to explore the Mljet National Park. The main feature are two deep, forest-shrouded saltwater lakes. It is about a forty-five-minute walk over to the lakes, or you can rent a bicycle. The two lakes Malo jezero (Small Lake) and Veliko jezero (Big Lake) are surrounded by cycling and walking paths. Alternatively, you can visit the ruined castle overlooking the bay that dates from the 3rd or 4th century AD. Plan a dive trip in the crystal-clear waters through Aquatica Mljet, where you can dive in the inland salt water lakes.

DAY 9– Jul 29, Polace Miljet to Okuklje Mljet to 10nm

The bay near Okuklje is a popular anchorage spot for sailors and a quaint haven on our way through the islands and coast to Dubrovnik. This relaxed seaside small and quiet village offers several restaurants and cafes. There are a lot of good swimming spots to enjoy the clear waters and we may stop along the way and anchor up in one of the secluded bays for lunch and a swim. Hills around the bay are excellent hikes into the nearby hills that offer great views over the channel across to the mainland.

DAY 10 – July 30, Polace Miljet to Sudurad, Sipan 25nm

The small village and harbor of Sudurad lies on the south-east coast of the island of Sipan, the largest of the populated Elaphite Islands. It's an attractive sleepy village – just the kind of place that you might be looking to visit on a Dubrovnik yacht charter. The tower in the village dates from 1577 and was built to protect the inhabitants from attacks by marauding pirates. Today most of the villagers are mainly dependent on agriculture and fishing. You can buy locally made wine, cheese and ham in the two shops on the island. The small island of Ruda lies just a half a mile off shore and there are many good snorkeling and scuba-diving sites to explore.

DAY 11 – July 31, Sudrad, Sipan to Dubrovnik 9nm

End your journey with a short sail to the historic city of Dubrovnik.
Pack and disembark boats at 1200.
Transport to hotel or airport

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LEG 2 August 1 to August 11, 2018

Dubrovnik to Agana Marina, Split

DAY 1– August 1, Arrive at Base in Dubrovnik

We will start our adventure at the SunSail Marina on the outskirts of the Old City. We recommend you arrive early in Dubrovnik and spend a day or two in advance adjusting from the travel. The city of Dubrovnik is a wonderful blend of the Old City with a very cosmopolitan feeling and is bustling in the Summer. The SunSail base is situated in ACI marina Dubrovnik, which lies near Komolac, lies 2nm from the entrance to the port of Gruž and only 6 km from the old city nucleus. Check in at the marina in the afternoon at 1:00 and meet with the skipper to do final preparations and provisioning. In the late afternoon we will have a welcome reception and then board the boats at 6:00pm. Enjoy dinner on your own after settling in and spend your first night on board.

DAY 2– August 2, Dubrovnik to Sudrad, Sipan 12nm

Enjoy your shake down sail to Sipan and the port city of Sudrad. The small village and harbor of Sudrad lies on the south-east coast of the island of Sipan, the largest of the populated Elaphite Islands. It's an attractive sleepy village, which is a perfect place to spend the afternoon and evening to discover the culture of the islands. The tower in the village dates from 1577 and was built to protect the inhabitants from attacks by marauding pirates. In the past there was a shipbuilding industry on the island, but these days the villagers are mainly dependent on agriculture and fishing. You can buy locally made wine, cheese and ham in the two shops on the island. The small island of Ruda lies just a half a mile off shore and there are good snorkeling and scuba-diving sites to explore.

DAY 3– August 3, Sipan to Ston 12nm

Sail back to the coast and up the Koston canal toward Ston. We may stop at the Broce, a small community with quiet anchorages and a quaint restaurant. The fortified town of Ston lies further north from Dubrovnik on the mainland Adriatic coast, at the north-west end of the Stonski Kanal. At one stage it was Dubrovnik's most important fortress, built to protect the city's northern borders and its 14th century wall still stretch for 1 mile (3 km) across the rugged hillside behind the town. The town itself is a maze of narrow streets with Renaissance- and Gothic-style houses. A fifteen minute walk to the northeast across the isthmus brings you to the sleepy village of Mali Ston – once the outermost bastion of Ston's defensive system - which overlooks Mali Ston Bay. There are several excellent seafood restaurants to choose.

DAY 4– August 4, Ston to Polace, Mljet 25nm

The lush, forested island of Mljet is a thin strip of land approximately 20 miles (32 km) long and 2 miles (3 km) wide that runs parallel to the mainland north of Dubrovnik. Okuklje is an attractive, land-locked anchorage surrounded by green, wooded slopes. The locals make a decent wine out of grapes grown in the island's vineyards and it may be worth picking up a few bottles while you're here.

DAY 5– August 5, Polace Mljet (Layover Day)

You will be able to choose from a variety of options for the layover day. You may book a Land Tour, go shopping, spend the day on the beach, visit Archeological Ruins, go to a 12th century Monastery, book a diving expedition, swim in the clear waters, or merely relax. The most noted option is to explore the Mljet National Park. The main feature are two deep, forest-shrouded saltwater lakes. It is about a forty-five-minute walk over to the lakes, or you can rent a bicycle. The two lakes Malo jezero (Small Lake) and Veliko jezero (Big Lake) are surrounded by cycling and walking paths. Alternatively, you can visit the ruined castle overlooking the bay that dates from the 3rd or 4th century AD. Plan a dive trip in the crystal-clear waters through Aquatica Mljet. Here you can dive in the inland salt water lakes.

DAY 6 – August 6, Polace, Mljet to Skirvena, Lastova 30nm

Lying to the south of Korcula, the tiny island of Lastovo sits at the center of an archipelago of forty-five uninhabited islets. Isolated Lastovo was out of bounds to foreigners for many years and

remains charmingly unspoiled by tourism. The main settlement on the island is the amphitheatrical-shaped Lastovo Town. The town is a maze of narrow streets and flights of steps that bend their way between the old houses which are notable for their unusual chimneys shaped like miniature minarets. You can expect great grilled fish wherever you go.

DAY 7– August 7, Lastova to Vela Luka, Korkula 22nm

We will start our day early and spend the day under sail enjoying the fresh breeze of the outer islands. We will anchor up near Vela Luka and enjoy beachcombing and sightseeing along one of the beaches at the head of Uvala Prvi Zal or Prizna Bay. Each beach has a few casual cafes where you can enjoy the local dish of octopus in red wine sauce. In the evening we will dig our toes into the sand and enjoy a beachside meal while watching the boats gently sway as the sunlight fades into evening.

DAY 8 - August 8, Vela Luka, Korkula to Hvar Town, Hvar 25nm

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DAY 10 – August 10, Hvar to Trogir 22nm

Our last night on board in Croatia. Take in the sounds and sights of this ancient city. The old town of Trogir is built on an oval-shaped island squeezed between the mainland and the larger island of Ciovo. Unbelievably picturesque, a cluster of palaces, belfries, and cobbled streets fan out from the central square and St Lawrence’s Cathedral, a squat Romanesque structure began in 1213 and only completed some three hundred years later. It is considered to be one of the finest on the Adriatic and a visit here is one of the highlights of Trogir. After exploring the city’s plaza and shops stop at one of the many cafes along the Riva, Trogir’s seafront promenades and enjoy the local hospitality. On your last evening ashore, you and your crew mates will be spoiled at the number of choices for eating out as the town has dozens of restaurants tucked away in the courtyards of the old town.

DAY 11 – August 11, Trogir to Agana Marina 4nm

End your journey with a short sail from Trogir to the base where we will pack our bags and disembark boats at 0900. Saying good-bye to our new friends with lots of wonderful memories of Croatia as we transport to hotel or airport.

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