

NORTHERN ROUTE – ISTRIA AND KVARNER

Day 1, Saturday, (Funtana-Brioni Islands*)

Towards the afternoon we head south from marina in Vrsar/Funtana along the western istrian coast. We pass by Rovinj and in the evening reach Natural Park Brioni, which is altogether a wildlife reserve and a safari park worth a visit. Here you can rent bicycles and explore the entire island. On the northern beach we can see well preserved dinosaur footsteps in the stone. After returning to the boat, delicious dinner aboard will be served. Upon a request of the crew, we can also visit the nearby city of Pula.

(Marina in Funtana)



Day 2, Sunday (Brioni Islands -Unije)

Early in the morning we navigate Kvarner bay, which curves into the mainland all the way to the port of Rijeka. In the afternoon we reach isolated island Unije, where we anchor and enjoy in a beautiful sunset over Kvarner bay. You can walk up to a half an hour distant cliffs, shaped through the millions of years by forces of the sea. This picturesque setting in the densely forested surrounding hills with its white stone houses and gardens makes it an impressive site.

(Picture of Brioni)



Day 3, Monday (Unije-Mali Lošinj)

On the route to Mali Lošinj we visit beautiful sandy beaches of the island Susak, which was geologically formed by an ancient river. With accumulation of the sand from mainland is entirely covered in sandstone. We overnight nearby in the harbour of Mali Lošinj, the largest town of all the Kvarner bay islands, that contains numerous coffee bars and many colorfully painted house fronts. Mali Lošinj is one of the sunniest places in Europe.

(Picture of Mali Lošinj)



Day 4, Tuesday (Mali Lošinj-Rab)

In the morning we can visit a local well-stocked fish market and buy some fresh fish for the lunch. Then we cruise through the narrow passage towards "the island of love" - Rab. You can spend the whole day swimming and snorkeling in one of its many deep coves surrounded with crystal water. Later on, we moor in the center of the town Rab. The crew can admire the beautiful city walls, Romanesque churches or later visit one of the night bars or just join the city promenade, where many painters and artists exhibit their works.

(Picture of Rab)



Day 5, Wednesday (Rab-Osor)

After breakfast we set sails towards the southern part of the island Cres, where we anchor in a cove surrounded with wild animals and beautiful pine forest flora. We navigate north to the ancient city of Osor, where we berth for the night. Osor is situated between the islands of Mali Lošinj and Cres. You can dine in one of the local taverns and visit the architectural and gastronomic attractions of this city-museum.

(Picture of Osor)



Day 6, Thursday (Osor-Medulin)

In the morning at 09:00 we wait for a drawbridge that connects Islands Lošinj and Cres to open. Cruising through a narrow ship canal dividing Osor on 2 sides is a sight you can't miss. A slightly longer sailing across, Kvarner, towards the southernmost part of Istria, Cape Kamenjak can often be rewarded with nosy dolphins crossing our path. Midday snack or refreshment in a Safari Bar on Cape Kamenjak and later on anchoring in Medulin Bay for overnight.

(Picture of cruising in Kvarner)



Day 7, Friday (Medulin-Rovinj)

On our last day aboard we sail north, along Brioni Islands towards the world-famous city of Rovinj. This picturesque and explicitly vivid touristic Istrian city is surrounded with beautiful buildings, narrow medieval streets and various artists from around the world. If you still have enough energy, you can visit one of the night clubs where you can taste the night life. You may encounter a familiar face from the world's showbiz. Necessarily try the famous Istrian truffles.

(Picture of Rovinj)



Day 8, Saturday (Rovinj-Vrsar)

End of the cruise in marina Funtana at 09:00 Am