



THE SHIMMERING ADRIATIC COAST OF ITALY, SLOVENIA & CROATIA

Join host Chef Matt McMillan and his lovely wife, Susan, as the Wine Club sets out on a fabulous eleven-night journey along the Adriatic Coast for the first time. We'll start in the beautiful and historic city of Venice, Italy, known for its canals, gondolas, unique architecture, and enchanting nearby islands. As we travel out of Venice, we'll see and taste the finest Slovenia has to offer. Excursions to the capital of Ljubljana and its medieval Old Town, the world-famous Postojna Caves, and picture-perfect Lake Bled will be complemented with delightful and tasty local winery and restaurant visits.

We'll continue down the exceptionally beautiful coast into Croatia, where we'll encounter stunning national parks, charming cobblestoned villages, and historic cities rich in culture. You'll be awed by beautiful beaches, incredible waterfalls, vineyards, olive groves, truffl farms, figs, shellfish, and more. In Old Town Dubrovnik, we'll take a walk on the centuries-old and UNESCO-protected walls that surround the city. This tour is sure to exceed your imagination!



MAY 15 - MAY 27, 2024



wednesday, may 15, 2024

DEPART U.S.

Board your overnight flight from your home city.

thursday, may 16, 2024

ARRIVE IN VENICE, ITALY

Welcome to Italy! Meet your Tour Director at your hotel for a guided walking tour with visits to St. Mark's Square and Basilica, Doge's Palace, and the Bridge of Sighs. Then, celebrate the start of your tour with a Welcome Dinner at a popular restaurant.

Meals Included – Dinner

Hotel – Avani Rio Novo Venice Hotel or similar

HIGHLIGHTS

Arrive in Venice

St. Mark's Square

Doge's Palace

Welcome Dinner



VENICE – EXCURSION TO TORCELLO & BURANO

Begin the day with a water tour for an enchanting cruise through the splendor of Venice. As we leisurely cruise the Grand Canal, you can admire the historical palazzi as our guide shares interesting facts about this stunning city on water. Then, we'll visit a winery on the island of Torcello to enjoy lunch and a winery tour, followed by a stop at picturesque Burano, renowned for its lacemaking and brightly painted buildings. Enjoy free time to explore the island on your own before returning to St. Mark's Square by boat.

Meals Included – Breakfast, Lunch

Hotel – Avani Rio Novo Venice Hotel or similar

HIGHLIGHTS

Canal Boat Tour

Torcello Winery

Burano Visit



VENICE – KARST REGION, SLOVENIA – POSTOJNA CAVES – LJUBLJANA

We'll visit a local winery for a wine and prosciutto tasting, then take a scenic drive into Slovenia to visit Postojna Cave Park, an incredible masterpiece of nature with magnificent halls and stalactites. We'll explore this captivating cave with a local guide as we enter the surreal subterranean world of shiny white stalagmites shaped by millions of years and millions of drops of water. We'll even see the baby dragons (olms, a type of salamander) who call these mysterious underground caverns of Slovenia home. Dinner will be in Ljubljana at a local restaurant.

Meals Included – Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Hotel – Grand Plaza Hotel or similar

HIGHLIGHTS

Winery & Prosciutto Tasting

Postojna Cave Park with Cave Tour



LJUBLJANA – EXCURSION TO LAKE BLED

Visit the beautiful Lake Bled with a local guide and tour the medieval Bled Castle. Lunch is included at a local restaurant before we return to Ljubljana for a city sightseeing tour with a local guide, during which we'll see Ljubljana Castle and its funicular. This afternoon, we'll visit a wine cellar for a tasting before dinner at a local restaurant.

Meals Included – Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Hotel – Grand Plaza Hotel or similar

HIGHLIGHTS

Lake Bled & Bled Castle

Ljubljana Tour

Wine Cellar Tasting



LJUBLJANA – MOTOVUN, CROATIA – LIVADE – OPATIJA

Travel into Croatia for a walking tour of the small village of Motovun with a local guide, before continuing into Livade to experience a truffle-hunting adventure with a local forager, which includes a demonstration and truffle tasting. We'll overnight in Opatija, where a tour, tasting, and dinner at a local winery are included.

Meals Included – Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel – Hilton Rijeka Costabella Beach Resort & Spa or similar

HIGHLIGHTS

Motovun Visit

Truffle Hunting

Winery Visit with Dinner



OPATIJA– PLITVICE LAKES NATIONAL PARK

Today will be filled with scenic travels as we head to Plitvice Lakes National Park, Croatia’s first national park, and the oldest and largest national park in the Republic of Croatia. Lush forests, pristine lakes, and wondrous waterfalls comprise this natural paradise, which also holds a wealth of wildlife, including wolves, bears, bobcats, and bountiful species of birds. Words can’t do justice to this spectacular natural wonderland, so see this spectacle of pure nature for yourself during a guided tour of the mountainous region. We’ll overnight nearby, with dinner included at the hotel.

Meals Included – Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel – Ethno Houses Plitvice Lakes Hotel or similar

HIGHLIGHTS

Plitvice Lakes National Park

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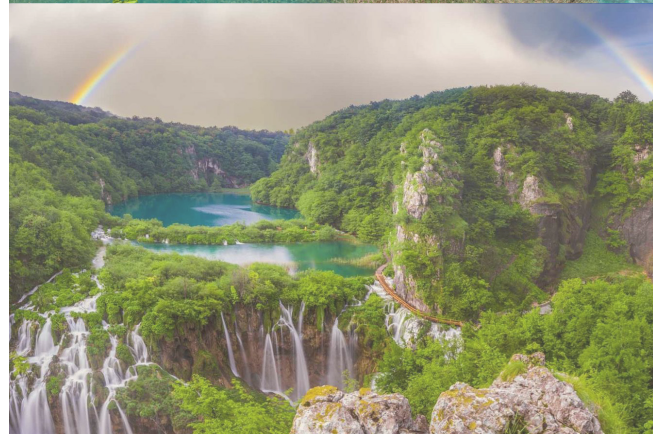
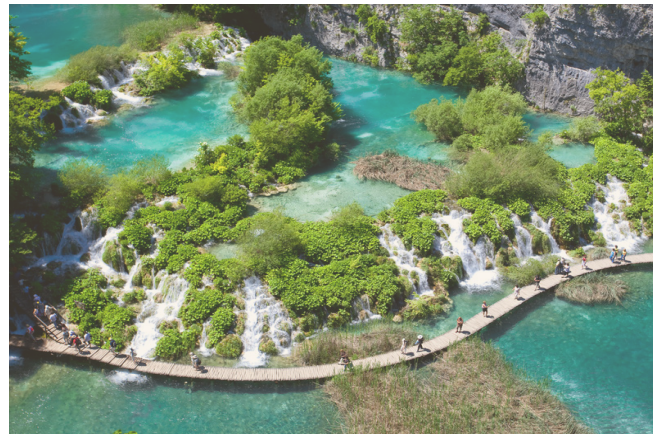
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PLITVICE LAKES NATIONAL PARK – ZADAR

Today, we'll travel to Zadar for a guided walking tour through the Old Town and main square, including a visit to the Zadar Fish Market (not guaranteed). Then, we'll visit a local ecological fig farm to explore the grove, learn about production, and taste the products. Enjoy dinner in a local restaurant.

Meals Included – Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel – Falkensteiner Hotel & Spa Iadera or similar

HIGHLIGHTS

Old Town Zadar Tour

Fig Farm



ZADAR – SPLIT

Travel to Split for a city sightseeing tour with a local English-speaking guide. We'll visit the Cellars of Diocletian's Palace, where the dragons were kept in hit series "Games of Thrones". Wander through the cellars and gardens, which today are home to artist exhibitions, fairs, plays, and cultural events. For lunch, we'll visit a local olive oil estate and enjoy an olive tasting.

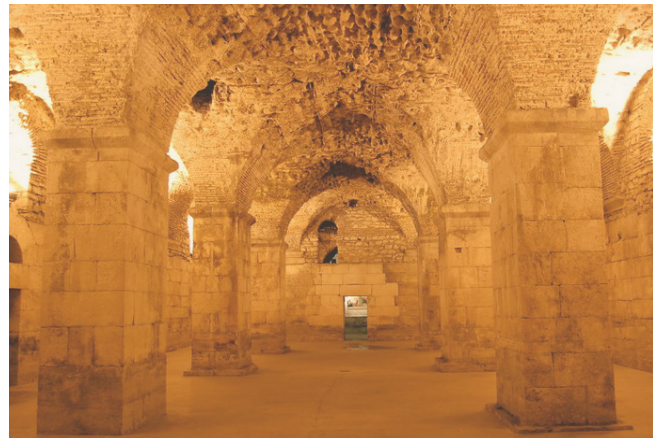
Meals Included – Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Hotel – Cornaro Hotel or similar

HIGHLIGHTS

Cellars of Diocletian's Palace
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Olive Oil Estate
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SPLIT – EXCURSION TO HVAR

Take a ferry to Hvar for city sightseeing with a local English-speaking guide. The island is home to gorgeous red wines and beautiful lavender fields. We'll visit a local agritourism business for a presentation on the history of lavender, with lunch and a wine tasting included. Return to Split for an evening at your leisure.

Meals Included – Breakfast, Lunch

Hotel – Cornaro Hotel or similar

HIGHLIGHTS

Hvar City Tour

Lavender Agritourism Presentation

Lunch and Wine Tasting



SPLIT – STON – DUBROVNIK

Travel to Ston to visit a local shellfish farm during a boat tour that includes a welcome drink and traditional homemade sweets of sugared orange peel and sugared almonds. Enjoy a presentation about the farm to learn more about its cultivation and history, then taste oysters and mussels with a glass of house wine and mineral water. We'll continue to Dubrovnik for a group dinner at a local restaurant.

Meals Included – Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel – Hotel Dubrovnik Palace or similar

HIGHLIGHTS

Shellfish Farm



DUBROVNIK - EXCURSION TO KONAVLE VALLEY

Take a city sightseeing tour to learn why Dubrovnik is known as the “Pearl of the Adriatic.” The old town is surrounded by remarkable city walls and is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Over the centuries, this breathtaking city has been an inspiration to many artists. “Game of Thrones” fans may recognize this formidable setting and the Rector’s Palace as film locations for the epic television series. After a walking tour with a local guide that includes the Rector’s Palace, we’ll then set off to discover the bounty and beauty of Konavle, the “Golden Valley of Dubrovnik,” on an exciting excursion to the southernmost point of Croatia. As we travel through the Župa Dubrovačka valley, we’ll see its tiny villages and stunning assembly of vineyards, olive groves, and vegetable fields. Foodies and wine connoisseurs alike flock here, and you’ll visit a local winery before heading to Močići to celebrate with a Farewell Dinner of homemade specialties, including a tasting of locally produced liqueurs at a historic agritourism business/site.

Meals Included – Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel – Hotel Dubrovnik Palace or similar

HIGHLIGHTS

Dubrovnik City Tour

Rector’s Palace

Konavle Valley



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monday, may 27, 2024

DEPART DUBROVNIK, CROATIA

After breakfast, your Globus custom tour comes to an end with your transfer to the airport.

itinerary changes

While we do our best to outline the planned itinerary, all events listed are subject to change. Whenever adjustments are needed, our Tour Director will ensure appropriate alternative plans. Impromptu changes can occur due to local issues.

mobility guidelines

We often tour wineries, cellars, and other historic locations, which at times include walking tours in locations that may have uneven cobblestones and stairs. We've endeavored to find a balance so there is ample time to relax and enjoy lunch or a unique site; however, there are many visits that will require guests be on their feet and mobile for extended periods of time.

inclusions

INCLUDED

11 nights' accommodations at superior first-class hotels as shown or similar

Sightseeing, tours, activities & attractions as shown

**Breakfast daily, 5 lunches, 9 dinners
Lunches & dinners include two glasses of wine**

Tour Director, local guides

Private coach throughout

Taxes

NOT INCLUDED

International airfare

Meals when not mentioned as included

Room service & personal room charges

Excess baggage & portorage

Local guide gratuities

Trip cancellation & travel insurance

Additional pre/post nights



rates

\$9,997

Double occupancy (per person)

\$11,447

Single occupancy

Space is limited on this tour, and it will be sold on a first-come basis upon receipt of deposit. You must have a valid passport for travel to Italy, Slovenia, and Croatia. Your U.S. passport must be valid for six months beyond your return dates and have at least two blank visa pages. This tour requires a minimum of 20 people to operate. Wineries, hotels, dinners, activities, and attractions are subject to change. Please read through the attached booking terms and conditions for further details and important information.

deposit & final payment

\$2,000 DEPOSIT (NON-REFUNDABLE)

per person, due upon making reservations

FINAL PAYMENT

due by March 5, 2024

This tour requires a minimum of 20 participants to operate at the costing shown. Falling below 20 participants might create additional cost. A non-refundable deposit of \$2,000 per person is due upon making reservations. Final payment will be due March 5, 2024. Forms of payment include MasterCard, Visa, and American Express.

airfare

Airfare is not included, but we are happy to assist with your air tickets. You need to arrive in Venice, Italy, on May 16, 2024, which means you would need to depart the U.S. on May 15, 2024. An arrival transfer will be included. Your first event will be a late afternoon walking tour of Venice on May 16, so we recommend you land by 12 p.m. Your departure home from Dubrovnik is on May 27, 2024, at a convenient time for your flight itinerary.

land cancellation policy

This tour is non-refundable. Trip cancellation and travel insurance are recommended and will be quoted at the time of booking. If we have a waitlist, we may be able to assist with a name change instead of a cancellation on land only. Name changes have a \$200 per person administrative fee. There is no guarantee we will have someone to take your spot, in which case full cancellation fees will apply. Air tickets are non-refundable from the time of ticketing. No name changes are allowed on air tickets.

reservations



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