



SHORE EXCURSIONS

7

nights

ROYAL CLIPPER**Croatia & Montenegro** (28-June; 12-July; 26-July; 09-August 2025)

Sat	Venice, Italy
Sun	Zadar, Croatia
Mon	Hvar, Croatia
Tue	Dubrovnik, Croatia
Wed	Kotor, Montenegro
Thu	Vis, Croatia
Fri	Rovinj, Croatia
Sat	Venice, Italy

What you need to know before booking your shore excursion:

- All our excursions are led by English-speaking guides. A second language may be used, depending on the number of non-English-speaking passengers.
- The length of the tours and time spent on the sites is given as an indication as it may vary depending on weather, sea and traffic conditions and on the group's pace.
- The level of physical fitness required for our activities is given as a very general indication.

How you can book your shore excursions:

- Shore excursions can be booked onboard, using the "sign-up lists" available at the Excursion Desk.
- The price of the excursion will be added to your on-board account.
- Transfers and debark tours ending at the airport can also be pre-paid prior to your cruise.
- In order to provide the best service and to avoid disappointments, please book your shore excursions as early as possible: places are limited and there is a booking deadline for each port.
- Booking deadlines will be indicated on the Daily Program and on the booking forms.
- Cancellation and changes are possible until the booking deadline. After the booking deadline, 100% cancellation fees will be charged.
- A minimum number of participants is required for each tour; if the required number is not attained, the tour may be cancelled.

Important notes:

- Departure times of the tour are mentioned in the Daily Program of each port.
- All information concerning excursions is correct at the time of printing. However, Star Clippers reserves the right to make changes. The latest updated tour descriptions are available onboard the ship in a file at the Excursion Desk and on Star Clippers' website (you can download the file using the QR code).



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ZADAR - Krka National Park



5:00



89 €



moderate



motorcoach

Min 30 / Max 40
participants

Sightseeing | Nature

Experience the unspoilt natural beauty of Croatia on this scenic half-day excursion to Krka National Park. Krka National Park Situated in the Sibnik-Knin County, Krka National Park covers an area of 42 square miles (109 square kilometres) along the Krka River.

Proclaimed a national park in 1985, it is the seventh national park in Croatia. The area has 17 travertine waterfalls along the Krka River, which falls a total of 794 feet (238 metres) from its source in the Dinaric Mountains. Skradinski Buk Falls Depart from the pier in Zadar for the scenic 1.5-hour drive through the hinterland to Krka National Park. On arrival, head for the last set of waterfalls before the river meets the sea. The Skradinski Buk Falls form a spectacular multi-level cascade over travertine cliffs. Stop at the top of the falls for an excellent view.

The whole area is rich in vegetation, birds and fish. Strict conservation laws have preserved this extraordinary area in its original state.

Please note: This excursion involves a lot of walking (approx. 45 minutes). Krka National Park is a mixture of rocky and flat terrain with numerous steps and uneven terrain.

Wear weather-appropriate clothing and comfortable walking shoes and take a sun hat and water with you.

The journey time between Zadar and the national park is approx. 1:15 (each way). You will spend about 2 ½ hours in the park, including 45 minutes guided tour, followed by some free time. Swimming is not allowed.

ZADAR - Zadar's cultural heritage and Maraschino



2:00



39 €



moderate



walking tour

Min 15 / Max 30
participants

History & Culture

Enjoy a guided tour and introduction to Zadar's 3000 year history, from the Illyrians, Romans, Croats, Venetians and Austrians to the modern Croatian state. Zadar was the capital of Dalmatia from the 7th century until 1918 and is a city of great cultural importance, not only for Croatia but also in the wider European context.

The religious architecture from the early Middle Ages is the finest to be found anywhere in Croatia and includes gems such as St. Mary's Church and Benedictine Monastery and its 11th century bell tower, the Church of St. Chrysogonus, the patron saint of the city, and the Cathedral of St. Anastasia, the largest church building in all of Dalmatia.

Zadar is a treasure trove of history and architecture. Admire the Roman Forum, built between the 1st and 3rd centuries; on the west side stands a decorative column hung with chains. It was used in the Middle Ages as a "pillar of shame" to punish wrongdoers. Near the ruins of the Forum is the church of Saint Donat, the symbol of the city, built in the 9th century. The Rector's Palace from the 13th century is considered one of the most beautiful buildings in Croatia and, together with the neighbouring Provider's Palace, forms the largest historical complex left in the city after the devastation of the Second World War.

Zadar was once the largest fortified city in the entire Republic of Venice, and its walls and fortifications ensured that the city never fell prey to marauding Turks. Six gates remain in the city walls, the most impressive of which is the Land Gate, the main entrance to the city, built by a Venetian architect in 1543.

At the end of the tour, guests will taste Maraschino, an original cherry liqueur also known as the "King of Liqueurs" due to its popularity with King George IV of England, King Louis XVIII of France and Nicholas I, Tsar of Russia.

It was created at the beginning of the 16th century in the Dominican monastery in Zadar.

Please note: this tour includes moderate walking on uneven surfaces and cobblestones.

Dress for the weather, wear comfortable walking shoes and bring a hat and water.

Appropriate attire is required when visiting religious sites (no bare shoulders or shorts are allowed).

Inside visit: Church and Monastery of St. Michael.

HVAR - Hvar island tour and tasting



4:00



89 €



moderate



motorcoach

*Min 20 / Max 35
participants*



tasting

Sightseeing | Food & Wine

The island of Hvar is a well known tourist destination and thanks to its mild climate and lush subtropical vegetation it has become a must for tourists. The island is rich in cultural and historical monuments, and remains of the ancient times can still be seen in most of the settlements on the island. The coach will take guests from Hvar town to Starigrad, a small town famous for its large bay, which has long inspired artists and poets. Starigrad is a crowning glory in this majestic landscape.

The town of Starigrad was the largest settlement on the island and dates back to Greek times. After a short guided tour, you will have some free time in the town before continuing towards the village of Vrisnik.

A friendly host will welcome you with dried figs and a special tasting of the island's cheeses and wines, produced locally in small quantities. After leaving Vrisnik, you will have a short guided tour of Hvar and a short stop at the fortress from where you can enjoy a magnificent view of the town of Hvar and the Pakleni Islands.

Please note: this tour involves a long panoramic drive on the coach and moderate walking.

Dress for the weather, wear comfortable walking shoes and bring a hat and water.

The drive between Vrisnik and Hvar takes approx. 60 minutes.

HVAR - Sea kayaking expedition to Pakleni islands



3:45



69 €



active (sport)



kayak

*Min 7 / Max 20
participants*

Active & Adventure

Your guide will meet you at the pier and you will walk together to the kayak station.

After a safety briefing and instruction in paddling techniques, you will be ready to set off on your sea kayak adventure along the beautiful Hvar coastline, exploring the small islands that make up the famous Pakleni Archipelago. The name is sometimes translated as Hell's Islands (pakleni means hellish), but its origin is more likely derived from "paklina", an archaic word meaning tar or pine resin, the substance used to coat local boats.

Far from being "hellish", the islands are a little slice of heaven, offering unspoilt scenery, thick pine forests that provide shade even on the hottest summer days and crystal blue waters. The kayak expedition takes us past bays and narrow straits to small pebble beaches where you can swim, snorkel and relax.

Please note: This is a very active tour and is only recommended for guests in very good physical condition.

Participants must be able to swim. This tour is not suitable for guests with reduced mobility, back or neck issues and pregnant women. Min age: 6 years (minors must be accompanied by an adult). Max weight: 264 lbs / 120 kg.

Wear a swimsuit under your clothes and bring sunscreen, sunglasses, hat, water shoes, water, a towel from the ship and extra dry clothes. A waterproof protection for cameras is recommended.

Kayak activity lasts approx. 2 hours (1 hour each way, with 1 hour swim stop), but tour duration depends on the group's pace (approx. 03:30/03:45 hours).

HVAR - Heritage and curiosities of the city of Hvar



2:00



45 €



moderate



walking tour

Min 10 / Max 30
participants

History & Culture

The island of Hvar, the sunniest Croatian island, with its lavender fields, vineyards and ancient towns, has recently been included in the list of the most beautiful islands in the world.

Twenty-four centuries of urban life have left their mark in cultural and historical monuments, in all fields of art, from antiquity to the Renaissance, creating a true wealth of cultural heritage. Take the opportunity, accompanied by our guide, to experience all the beauty and richness of the thousand-year-old cultural heritage of the town of Hvar.

Your tour will begin with a pleasant walk through the cobbled, narrow streets of the Old Town, smooth and glistening in the sun. St. Stephen's Square, called Piazza, is the central square in the town and is the largest town square in Dalmatia.

During this tour you will visit and learn about the Cathedral of St. Stephen, the Arsenal (renovated in 1612, it was used as a shipyard for galleys), the Franciscan Monastery (which preserves a collection of paintings by Croatian and Italian painters and a fascinating collection of nautical charts, embroideries, documents and books) and the Church of St. Mary of Grace, the Benedictine Church. Mary of Grace, the Benedictine monastery, the baroque church of St. Anthony from the 17th century (with the art collection of lace made of agave threads, which is only made in this monastery and is included in the UNESCO list of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity), the Hvar Town Hall and the town walls built from the top of the hill together with a fortress called "Fortica".

Please note: This tour involves moderate walking on uneven surfaces and cobblestones with many steps.

Dress for the weather, wear comfortable walking shoes and bring a hat and water. Appropriate attire is required when visiting religious sites (no bare shoulders or shorts are allowed).

The tour includes inside visits of the Franciscan monastery, St. Mary of Grace church with the art collection and library, Benedictine Nunnery and Church of St. Anthony with monastery's museum collection of art and lacework made of agave threads. Religious sites could be closed without notice due to religious ceremonies.

HVAR - Sailing tour to Pakleni archipelago



3:30



95 €



moderate



sailing boat

Min 10 / Max 36
participants

Boating & beach

Enjoy sailing in one of the most beautiful parts of the Adriatic; a favorite destination for all those who love the sea and islands. This tour is all about sailing, "poetry in motion", as some people call it. Let the wind and weather be your guide as you set sail from the town of Hvar to the labyrinth of islands that compose the Pakleni archipelago. There will be a stop for swimming in one of the bays.

Please note: This tour is not suitable for guests with reduced mobility, back or neck issues and pregnant women.

Wear your swimsuit under your clothing and bring a towel, sunscreen, sunglasses, water and a hat.

DUBROVNIK - The great Dubrovnik treasure hunt



2:30



49 €



moderate



walking tour

*Min 10 / Max 30
participants*

History & Culture | Unesco

During a leisurely walk through the medieval town, our guide will introduce you to the rich history and artistic heritage through the centuries, as well as the most beautiful and significant examples of architecture, public and sacral objects from the period of the Dubrovnik Republic, and the best selection of museums.

The Rector's Palace with its capital and atrium, one of the architectural pearls of Dubrovnik's rich heritage (and one of the most significant monuments of profane architecture on the Croatian coast), today the Cultural and Historical Museum. Apart from its exceptional beauty and historical value, the Sponza Palace houses all the treasures of the Dubrovnik archives.

The Church of St. Blaise (patron of Dubrovnik since 972), with luxurious altars and a silver-plated statue of St. Blaise from the 15th century.)

The Roman Baroque Cathedral of the Assumption with its treasury, one of the oldest on the Adriatic (11th-18th centuries). The great polyptych of the Assumption was made in Titian's workshop, and you can also admire Raphael's "Madonna della Seggiola".

The Museum of the Dominican Monastery, one of the most important treasures of cultural and artistic heritage and one of the most important architectural complexes in Dubrovnik. The very rich art collection of the Dubrovnik School of Painting from the 15th and 16th centuries, as well as the Venetian School and the works of Titian, the 15th century Flemish paintings and the rich monastery library and archives guard 239 incunabula and precious manuscripts.

The Franciscan monastery with its church is one of the most beautiful Roman-Gothic buildings in Croatia. Its pharmacy dates from 1317 and is the third oldest pharmacy still in use in the world. The library contains an exhibition of liturgical artefacts, one of the most valuable European music archives and paintings by old masters.

Please note: this tour involves extensive walking on uneven surfaces, inclines, cobblestones.

Dress for the weather, wear comfortable walking shoes and bring a hat and water. Appropriate attire is required to visit the religious sites (no bare shoulders or shorts are allowed).

The price of the excursion includes entry to the Treasury of Dubrovnik Cathedral, the Dominican Museum, the museum of the Franciscan monastery and its pharmacy.

DUBROVNIK - Legend and curiosities



1:30



35 €



moderate



walking tour

*Min 10 / Max 30
participants*

Sightseeing

Discover the secrets locked within the walls of the Old Town and join us on a journey of legends and curiosities. Discover the present day life of the citizens living within the walls of the Dubrovnik Old Town, experience the spirit of the past, walk through a maze of narrow streets and small squares, the oldest parts of the town, beyond the usual tourist paths, where fascinating views will open up to you in an unexpected way, discover the churches and highlights that you will not find in the travel guides, meet one of the most famous and world-renowned scientists, Bosković. All this will be illustrated by interesting stories, legends and curiosities about life in the Old Town of Dubrovnik and the history of the centuries-old Republic of Ragusa, told by your guide.

Please note: this tour involves moderate walking on uneven surfaces, inclines, cobblestones.

Dress for the weather, wear comfortable walking shoes and bring a hat and water.

DUBROVNIK - Flavours of Dalmatia



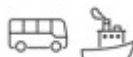
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99 €



moderate



motorcoach, boat

Min 20 / Max 35
participants



tasting

Sightseeing | Food & Wine

Enjoy a pleasant coach ride along the Adriatic Road to the town of Mali Ston, known as the "oyster capital of Croatia". This small town is often seen as a smaller version of Dubrovnik, with magnificent walls surrounding the town. The walls are 5 km long and construction began in 1317 and was not completed until the 16th century. There are also the old salt pans that were used during the Dubrovnik Republic.

After arriving in Mali Ston, you will board a local boat that will take you to the oyster and mussel beds. Your host will welcome you on board and introduce you to the oyster and mussel growing in this area. You will have a unique opportunity to learn about oyster and mussel production and taste freshly prepared oysters and mussels, including mussel bouzara (mussels cooked with wine, garlic and olive oil).

After returning to Mali Ston, you will board a motorcoach for the return journey to Dubrovnik for a brief orientation tour of the Dubrovnik old town, followed by free time to explore Dubrovnik on your own.

Please note: this tour involves moderate walking on uneven surfaces, inclines, cobblestones.

Dress for the weather, wear comfortable walking shoes and bring a hat and water.

The drive between Dubrovnik and Mali Ston takes approx. 60 minutes (each way). There is a 15 minute walk through the old town from the tender pier to the coach park.

KOTOR - Perast and Kotor



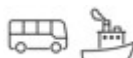
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69 €



moderate



motorcoach, boat

Min 25 / Max 40
participants

Sightseeing

Meet your local guide and drive through the beautiful Bay of Kotor to Perast, a small baroque village on the shores of the Kotor Fjord. The most outstanding buildings here date from the 17th and 18th centuries. It is a tranquil place, rich in sacred monuments such as the Church of St Nicholas, built between the 15th and 17th centuries. There will be some free time to explore Perast on your own before we take a boat to the islet of Gospa od Skrpjela (Lady of the Rocks) and the church of the same name.

Lady of the Rocks is a baroque church situated on one of the two islets in the Bay of Kotor, just opposite Perast. The church contains 68 magnificent paintings by Tripo Kokolja, a famous 17th century artist from Perast. His masterpiece is undoubtedly a 10m long painting depicting the Death of the Virgin.

After visiting the island you will board your boat again for a short trip back to Perast where you will board your coach and travel from Perast to Kotor. This charming medieval town on a beautiful fjord is the ancient maritime centre of Montenegro and is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. You will find monuments, shops, cafes and restaurants. The 12th century Cathedral of St Tripun and the Orthodox Church of St Luka are visited from the outside.

Please note: This tour involves extended walking on cobblestone surfaces with some inclines and some steps.

Dress for the weather, wear comfortable walking shoes and bring a hat and water. Appropriate attire is required when visiting religious sites (no bare shoulders or shorts are allowed).

The drive between Kotor and Perast takes approx. 20 minutes (each way). The order of the visits is subject to change.

KOTOR - Boka Kotorska speedboat adventure (with beach stop and Blue Cave)



3:30



95 €



strenuous



speedboat

Min 10 / Max 30
participants

Boating & beach

A scenic speedboat ride past the villages and countryside of the Montenegrin coast takes you to the Blue Cave, located just outside the bay. The Blue Cave is one of the most attractive in the series of caves along the Lustica Peninsula, which separates the Bay of Kotor from the Adriatic Sea. The sun's rays are reflected inside the cave, creating a beautiful shade of blue water for which this cave is best known. If the sea conditions allow, you will make a SHORT visit by boat to this natural hall with a 9-metre high vault and the 13-metre deep seabed of the cave. Then you will go to the pebble beach of Zanjice where you will have free time to swim before boarding the speedboats for the return to Kotor. You will have a chance to swim in this enchanting setting before heading to Rose Beach on the tip of the Lustica Peninsula.

Please note: This tour is operated by speedboat and is not suitable for guests prone to motion sickness, guests with back or neck problems, guests with limited mobility and pregnant women. Speedboats can accommodate max 10 passengers.

Wear a swimsuit under a cover-up and bring sun protection, sunglasses, a towel from the ship, water shoes and a change of dry clothes. Expect to get splashed! Do not take valuables with you.

The speedboat trip between Kotor and the Blue Cave lasts approx. 60 minutes (each way).

There will be approx. one hour of free time at the beach in Zanjice. The passage inside the cave takes approx. 5 minutes, depending on the number of the boats inside the cave. In case of rough sea conditions, it will not be possible to enter inside the Blue Cave (no refund will be given). The order of the visits is subject to change.

KOTOR - Kayaking through the Bay of Kotor



3:15



59 €



active (sport)



kayak

Min 8 / Max 16
participants

Active & Adventure

Explore the Kotor Fjord coastline from the water as you paddle a sea kayak on a guided 6.25 mile exploration. Take breaks from paddling to stop for a swim in the refreshing waters of the Adriatic or to take in the stunning views of the mountainous Montenegrin countryside and the picturesque medieval walled town of Kotor.

Please note: This is a very active tour and is only recommended for guests in very good physical condition.

Participants must be able to swim. This tour is not suitable for guests with reduced mobility, back or neck issues and pregnant women. Min age: 6 years (minors must be accompanied by an adult). Max weight: 264 lbs / 120 kg.

Wear a swimsuit under your clothes and bring sunscreen, sunglasses, hat, water shoes, water, a towel from the ship and extra dry clothes. A waterproof protection for cameras and mobiles is recommended.

Kayaks have two seats. Before the tour starts, practical instructions on how to maneuver the kayaks will be given. Kayak activity lasts approx. 2 hours (1 hour each way, with 1 hour swim stop), but the duration depends on the group's pace.

VIS (Kumiža) - The Blue Cave on Biševo Island



1:40



89 €



strenuous



speedboat

Min 10 / Max 35
participants

Active & Adventure

The island of Biševo leaves everyone breathless. The combination of natural phenomena, sandy coves and friendly islanders will stay in your memory forever. The island of Biševo is located 5 nautical miles from the town of Komiža (on the island of Vis) and is best known for its rare natural phenomenon, the Blue Cave. The interior of the cave and the sea inside it are illuminated by an indescribable silvery blue light. The sun's rays, which enter the cave through a small crack in the ceiling, are reflected in the sea, creating incredible light effects.

When you arrive at Mezoporat bay on the island of Biševo, get off the boat and the skipper will take you to a small wooden boat (owned by a concessionaire) that will take you to the cave. The entrance to the cave is very small, so at a certain point you will have to crouch in the middle of the boat while the skipper steers the boat into the cave. After visiting the Blue Cave, you will return to the speedboat for a scenic ride back to Komiža.

Please note: this tour is not suitable for guests prone to motion sickness, guests with back and/or neck problems, guests with limited mobility and pregnant women.

Wear weather-appropriate clothes and bring sunscreen, sunglasses, water and a hat. Expect to get splashed! Do not take valuables with you.

In case of rough sea conditions, it will not be possible to enter inside the cave and the tour might be cancelled with short notice. The speedboat ride to the Blue Cave takes approx. 20 minutes (each way).

VIS (Kumiža) - Views of Vis Island and tasting



3:15



125 €



moderate



minibus

Min 10 / Max 24
participants



tasting

Sightseeing | Food & Wine

Your journey begins in the charming coastal town of Komiža. You'll board a comfortable vehicle and set off on a scenic exploration of the island. Our first stop is the historic Fort George, perched high on a hill overlooking the sea. Here you'll be treated to panoramic views as far as the eye can see. Take in the beauty of the island's coastline and the rich history of this 19th century fort.

Next, we'll take you to a spot where you can enjoy panoramic views of the RAF airport on Vis. This historic airfield played a crucial role during the Second World War and you'll have the opportunity to learn about its fascinating history while taking in the scenic surroundings. Indulge in the flavours of the island of Vis as we stop at a traditional local tavern. Here you'll have the opportunity to sample a variety of local delicacies that showcase the island's culinary heritage. Our final panoramic stop takes us to the stunning Hum Hill, where you can take in the panoramic views of the rugged coastline, azure waters and the charming town of Komiža in the distance. This viewpoint is the perfect photo opportunity to capture the beauty of the island.

Please note: This tour involves extensive walking and standing over cobblestone and uneven surfaces with inclines and steps to negotiate. The order of the visits is subject to change.

Dress for the weather, wear comfortable walking shoes and bring a hat and water.

VIS (Kumiža) - 4WD Military Vis discovery



4:00



95 €



strenuous



4WD vehicle

Min 6 / Max 24
participants

Active & Adventure

Due to its geo-strategic position in the Adriatic Sea, the island of Vis has been the site of some of the most important naval battles in history and played an important role in the resistance movement during the Second World War, hosting the resistance leader Tito.

During the Cold War, until 1989, the island was a heavily guarded military zone with a "shoot on sight" policy that kept foreigners and outsiders at a distance. There were up to 30 army bases on the island and many of the installations remain: underground passages, rooms, bunkers and barracks bear witness to its military past, and there is even a submarine tunnel accessible by boat. This long period of isolation has helped to preserve the natural beauty of the island.

Starting from Komiža, a short 20-minute boat ride will take you to Cape Stupisce.

Here we'll discover the remains of a former Yugoslavian gun and missile base. As we venture into the intricate maze of underground tunnels, we'll see the echoes of abandoned warehouses and the impressive relics of cannons. Our exploration of the Stupisce missile base promises to be a thrilling experience.

After our visit to Stupisce, we'll continue to the next military tunnel, ARK Vela Glava. A guided tour of this tunnel will provide an insight into its history and purpose. From there we'll climb to the highest point on the island of Vis, Hum Peak, which rises to 587 metres above sea level. From this vantage point we'll be treated to a breathtaking panoramic view of the surrounding archipelago and the picturesque town of Komiža.

Please note: This tour is not suitable for guests with limited mobility, pregnant women or anyone suffering from conditions (back, neck or other) which may be affected by bumpy roads.

Tour includes strenuous walking activities over mostly gravel and paved terrain with many stairs.

4WD vehicles are closed vehicles and can accommodate 6 passengers.

Dress for the weather, wear comfortable walking shoes and bring a hat and water.

The 4WD will be driven by English speaking drivers. The drivers are not guides: there will be no live commentary during the drive, but commentary will be provided for the whole group at certain designated stops during the tour.

ROVINJ - Pula and its Roman Amphitheatre



4:00



85 €



moderate



motorcoach

Min 20 / Max 40
participants

History & Culture

Explore a treasure trove of ancient Roman buildings on this fascinating half-day excursion to Pula. Depart from the pier for the scenic 50 minute drive to Pula, located on the southernmost part of the Istrian peninsula.

On arrival take a guided walking tour of this ancient city. Pula is best known for its many surviving ancient Roman buildings, the most famous of which is the 1st century amphitheatre. Known locally as the Arena, it is the sixth largest amphitheatre in the world. One of the best preserved amphitheatres from antiquity, the Arena is still used today for summer film festivals. Your walking tour includes visits to other famous, well-preserved ancient Roman structures, including the Arch of Sergius and the Temple of Apollo, built in honour of the 1st century Roman Emperor Augustus. Other sites include the Roman city gates and walls and a Byzantine chapel. After your walking tour, you will have some free time to explore on your own. At the end of your visit, reboard your coach for the return journey to the pier.

Please note: this tour involves a moderate amount of walking.

Dress for the weather, wear comfortable walking shoes and bring a hat and water.

The journey between Rovinj and Pula takes approx. 50 minutes (each way).

ROVINJ - Rovinj walking tour



1:30



35 €



*moderate to
strenuous*



walking tour

*Min 10 / Max 60
participants*

History & Culture

Discover one of the most romantic and photogenic towns in the Mediterranean.

Once a fishing port, Rovinj is now one of Croatia's most famous tourist destinations and is known as the "Blue Pearl of the Adriatic". The old town is rich in Romanesque, Gothic, Renaissance and Baroque buildings.

The Church of St. Euphemia was built at the beginning of the 10th century on the foundations of the Romanesque Church of St. George. Today's monumental church, the main sight of Rovinj, was built in the 17th and 18th centuries in the Baroque style. Its bell tower is over 62 metres high, the highest in Istria, and was modelled on the bell tower of St Mark's Basilica in Venice, and dominates the old town of Rovinj.

Today Rovinj is a town of artists. The beauty of the town has attracted artists to spend their summers in Rovinj and to settle there permanently. This is best seen in Grisia Street, a beautiful winding staircase with galleries and studios leading to the plateau of the Church of St. Euphemia. One of the most representative streets in Rovinj is Carrera ulica - urbanised in the second half of the 17th century, today it is the busiest street with many small shops, boutiques, galleries and tempting cafes.

Please note: this tour is entirely on foot and involves an extensive amount of uphill walking.

Dress for the weather, wear comfortable walking shoes and bring a hat and water.

ROVINJ - RIB boat adventure



4:00



145 €



strenuous



RIB boat

*Min 8 / Max 10
participants*



tasting

Boating & beach | Food & Wine

The Rovinj archipelago and coastline are listed as "Landscapes of Outstanding Value", and once you have seen them, you will understand why. The rugged coastline with its holm oak and pine forests is enchantingly beautiful. The protected area stretches from St. John's cape to Barbariga and includes all twenty of Rovinj's islands and islets, as well as the coastal area up to 500 metres from the coast.

Red Island consists of two artificially connected islands in the Adriatic Sea. This is a popular destination for day-trippers, as these car-free islets, covered with pine forest and Mediterranean scrub, also boast several pebble beaches and rocky coves.

The Lim Fjord, a sunken karst canyon valley, is one of the most beautiful natural sites in Istria and one of the most impressive fjords outside Norway, with many secluded spots to delight visitors. The water in the fjord is more brackish and less salty than the open sea due to the many freshwater springs, and the temperature fluctuates. The water is rich in plankton and oxygen, so flora and fauna are abundant. The area is a natural breeding ground for many species of fish, but is best known for its oysters, which have been praised by celebrity chef Anthony Bourdain.

There will be time to swim and sample some of the delicious local shellfish.

Please note: This tour is not suitable for guests prone to motion sickness, guests with back and/or neck problems, guests with limited mobility and pregnant women. Guests must be at least 12 years old and must be able to swim to participate on this tour.

Wear a swimsuit under a cover-up with beach or boat shoes and bring sun protection, sunglasses, a towel from the ship and a change of dry clothes.

The tour includes a cruise around Rovinj archipelago and Lim fjord, a swim stop and some time at leisure at Red Island.



VENICE

Star Clippers offers the following transfer services (optional, on request):

- Shared Transfer to Venice "Marco Polo" airport.

Guests who have purchased a shared transfer cannot choose their own pick up time.

There is a fixed departure from the port at approximately 08:45.

This transfer is suitable for guests whose flight departs after 11:30.

- Private transfers to Venice "Marco Polo" airport (VCE).

Pick up from the pier for private transfers is no later than 10:00.

Private transfers are operated by private cars (1-2 passengers) or private vans (3-4 passengers).

Transfers can also be booked prior to your cruise.

Bookings made onboard during the cruise are always subject to availability.

If you wish to book a private transfer, we recommend that you pre-book it well in advance prior to your cruise, as the number of vehicles may be limited at certain times of the year.

For information and reservations please contact our reservations department or your travel agent.

The ship will be alongside at "San Basilio" passenger terminal, located in the city center of Venice.

All guests must leave the ship before 10:00 am.



EXCURSIONS ACTIVITY LEVEL:

- ✓ **Easy:** excursion accessible to all participants, as it mainly takes place by bus or boat. Any footpaths and stairs that need to be negotiated are short or easy.
- ✓ **Moderate:** a certain basic level of fitness is required; excursion involving moderate walking - sometimes over uneven or unpaved paths and stairs.
- ✓ **Moderate to strenuous:** active participation is required; excursion involving walking long distances over uneven or steep terrain. May involve several flights of stairs or extended staircases.
- ✓ **Strenuous:** a good level of fitness is required; an excursion involving extensive uphill walking on inclines, uneven terrain with many steps. Excursion involving off-road driving, not suitable for pregnant women or anyone with a medical condition (back, neck, etc.) that could be affected by bumpy roads.
- ✓ **Active (sport):** Very good physical condition, stamina and skill are required. Passengers should be fit and active to participate in tours involving hiking, kayaking, snorkeling, cycling or similar activities.

The level of physical fitness required for our activities is given as a very general indication.

MAIN EXCURSIONS CATEGORIES:

- ✓ **Culture & History:** it explores places of historical significance and visits ancient ruins or historic buildings, gives a deeper understanding of the region's heritage.
- ✓ **Sightseeing:** it gives a quick but enriching overview, visiting and seeing the main attractions, landmarks and places of interest in a particular area, often including popular spots and sometimes hidden gems.
- ✓ **Food & Wine:** it explores the culinary traditions of a region, from visiting local markets and vineyards to cooking classes or wine tastings.
- ✓ **Panoramic:** it involves a limited number of long drives with commentary by the guide, no internal visits and - generally - limited walking between stops.
- ✓ **Active & Adventure:** Hiking, kayaking, cycling, ATV, 4x4 off-road.

WHAT TO WEAR AND BRING WHEN GOING ASHORE ON EXCURSION:

- ✓ Unless special clothing suggestions are included in the excursion description, we recommend functional clothing and comfortable footwear.
- ✓ Comfortable shoes to help with any steep paths and uneven cobbles.
- ✓ A hat or cap and sun lotion.
- ✓ Water.
- ✓ For boat excursions or excursions including beach stop: swimsuit, beach towel, sunglasses, sunscreen, water shoes, snorkel mask.
- ✓ Mobile phone or camera to capture the moment.
- ✓ Ship card to get back on board.
- ✓ Some cash in local currency.
- ✓ A copy of the Daily Program, to check last tender or last gangway time, tender schedule, lunch time, etc.
- ✓ For ports with tender service (ship at anchor), bring a rucksack or fanny pack so that your hands are free to hold on to the safety grip when boarding the tender.