



13 DAYS / 12 NIGHTS

DAY 1 ZAGREB – ARRIVAL, TUESDAY

Upon arrival at Zagreb Airport, transfer to hotel. Meet the tour guide, dinner and overnight.

DAY 2 ZAGREB – BLEĐ – LJUBLJANA, WEDNESDAY

Morning city tour of Zagreb, including the fortified Upper Town, city's historical centre, St Mark's Church with its multicolored roof, the Cathedral, the Croatian National Theatre and the University. Free time, then departure towards Slovenia. Explore Lake Bled and it's mountainous environs and stunning topography. Continue to Ljubljana. Dinner and overnight.

DAY 3 LJUBLJANA – PLITVICE, THURSDAY

Morning city tour of Ljubljana, the capital of Slovenia and a home to one of the oldest Philharmonics in the world; Explore the baroque town buildings and stroll beside majestic Ljubljana River. Departure for Plitvice and then tour the Plitvice Lakes National Park on the UNESCO's List of World Natural Heritage. Sixteen lakes, each at a different level, are connected in a series of cascading waterfalls. Surrounded by dense wood, Plitvice Lakes are a natural phenomenon of a rare and unique beauty. Dinner and overnight in Plitvice region.

DAY 4 PLITVICE – TROGIR – SPLIT, FRIDAY

Morning departure for Trogir, where we visit the Cathedral of St. Lawrence. Continuation to Split; city tour of Split, including the Diocletian's Palace on the UNESCO's List of World Cultural Heritage with the Peristyle, the Jupiter's Temple and the Cathedral. Dinner and overnight in Split.

DAY 5 SPLIT – MOSTAR – DUBROVNIK, SATURDAY

After breakfast, departure for Dubrovnik, via Bosnia & Herzegovina. Short stop in Mostar, recently included in the UNESCO's List of World Cultural Heritage with its elegant Bridge. Continuation to Dubrovnik. Dinner and overnight in Dubrovnik.

DAY 6 DUBROVNIK, SUNDAY

Day at leisure in Dubrovnik. Dinner and overnight.

DAY 7 DUBROVNIK – BUDVA / MONTENEGRO – SHKODRA / ALBANIA – TIRANA, MONDAY

Morning city tour Sightseeing tour of Dubrovnik, included on the UNESCO's List of World Cultural Heritage. You will visit the Franciscan Monastery with Europe's third oldest pharmacy, the Rector's Palace and the Cathedral. Departure for Tirana; we drive inland to Budva known for its Old City encircled by walls from the Venetian period. Continuation to Shkodra, once the capital of the Illyrian Kingdom (3rd century B.C.). Dinner and overnight in Tirana.

DAY 8 TIRANA – OHRID / MACEDONIA, TUESDAY

Morning sightseeing tour of Tirana, the capital of Albania, including Skender Bey Square, the Mosque of Ethem Bey, and a visit to the National Museum representing the flow of Albanian history, also housing the finds from archeological sites across the country. Afternoon departure for Ohrid, driving via Elbasan and crossing the Macedonian border at Cafasan. Dinner and overnight in Ohrid.

DAY 9 OHRID, WEDNESDAY

Full day in the lakeside resort of Ohrid, classified as UNESCO's World Cultural Heritage site. Through the activity of St. Clement and St. Naum of Ohrid, the first pan-Slavic University in Europe, the famous "Ohrid Literary School", was founded here. Morning sightseeing tour includes the Church of St. Sofia (11th century), the most eminent mediaeval monument in Macedonia with magnificent Byzantine fresco paintings and St. Clement Church with its icon of Annunciation. Afternoon short drive to St. Naum Monastery, built on the shores of Ohrid Lake in 900 A.D. and dedicated to the Slavic missionary

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and educator St. Naum of Ohrid. Dinner in a local restaurant. Return to hotel for overnight.

DAY 10 OHRID – SKOPJE, THURSDAY

Morning departure for Skopje. Sightseeing tour of Skopje, including the Kale Fortress, Church of the Holy Savior with its iconostas, one of the finest samples of traditional walnut woodcarving, Old Bazaar and Stone Bridge. We drive to the slopes of the Vodno Mountain where we visit the Monastery of St. Panteleimon with its 12th century iconostas and frescoes ranking among the highest achievements of Byzantine art of this period. Dinner and overnight in Skopje.

DAY 11 SKOPJE – KOLAŠIN / MONTENEGRO, FRIDAY

Morning departure for Kolašin, driving via Peć and Berane and along the impressive Morača River Canyon. Afternoon arrival at Kolašin, the town spreading on the left bank of the river Tara, situated at the altitude of 954m. The whole area is surrounded by the thick pine forest of the Bjelasica Mountain and is a popular skiing and air spa resort. Dinner and overnight in Kolašin.

DAY 12 KOLAŠIN – CETINJE – KOTOR – DUBROVNIK, SATURDAY

Morning departure for Cetinje where we visit King Nikola's Museum, once the residence of the Montenegrin King Nikola I Petrović. Continuation to Kotor, classified as UNESCO's World Cultural Heritage site, where we visit its Romanesque Cathedral dedicated to St Triphon, the city's patron saint. We



KOTOR

continue to Dubrovnik, driving along the picturesque Bay of Kotor. Dinner and overnight in Dubrovnik.

DAY 13 DUBROVNIK – DEPARTURE, SUNDAY

Breakfast followed by departure transfer to Dubrovnik Airport.

PRICES AND DEPARTURE DATES

PRICE PER PERSON. DOUBLE OCCUPANCY IN €
(LOWER DECK CABIN ON A SUPERIOR BOAT)

GRAND BALKAN TOUR

May 5, 26	1675 EUR
Jun 16	1675 EUR
Jul 7, 28	1750 EUR
Aug 18	1750 EUR
Sep 8	1750 EUR
Single supplement	450 EUR

HOTELS

ZAGREB: International 4*

LJUBLJANA: M 4*

PLITVICE: Park 4* Otočac

SPLIT: President 4*

DUBROVNIK: Ivka 3*

TIRANA: Sky Tower 4*

OHRID: Metropol 4*

SKOPJE: Karpoš 4*

KOLAŠIN: Bianca 4

TOUR INCLUDES:

- Arrival transfer from Zagreb Airport to hotel and departure transfer from hotel to Dubrovnik Airport on the first and the last day of the tour
- Accommodation in 4* hotels (except in Dubrovnik 3*) on half board basis, except in Ohrid on Day 9 (bed and breakfast)
- Dinner in a local restaurant in Ohrid
- ATLAS air-conditioned motor coach throughout
- ATLAS tour escort throughout (English-Spanish speaking)

SIGHTSEEING TOURS INCLUDED:

- Local guides for sightseeing tours of Zagreb, Ljubljana, Split, Dubrovnik, Tirana, Ohrid, Skopje and Kotor (English/Spanish)
- Entrance fees to the Bled Castle; the Plitvice Lakes National Park; St. Lawrence Cathedral in Trogir; Diocletian's Palace and St. Duimus Cathedral in Split; Franciscan Monastery and Rector's Palace in Dubrovnik; National Museum in Tirana, St. Sofia, St. Clement and St. Naum in Ohrid; Church of Holy Savior and Monastery of St. Panteleimon in Skopje; Residence of King Nikola I Petrović in Cetinje; St. Triphon Cathedral in Kotor



DUBROVNIK

NOTE

Hotels listed in this brochure will be used on almost all departures. If changes become necessary for any reason, substitute hotels will be similar to those in the brochure.