

WALKING CROATIA NATIONAL PARKS AND MEDJUGORJE



15TH- 24TH MAY 2017

GROUP WALKING HOLIDAY-PILGRIMAGE

*3 Nights in Sibenik, 3 Nights Cavtat, Dubrovnik
& 3 Nights in Medjugorje*



with Group Leader Jean Reynolds



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Day 1 – Monday, 15 May

Check-in at Dublin airport for flight to Zadar. Coach transfer to transfer to 3* Hotel Jakov on Halfboard basis in Solaris Beach Resort in Sibenik. Welcome meeting with Croatia Tours representative and the guide.

Day 2 – Tuesday, 16 May

Walking distance - 14km

Walking in **Krka River National Park** and visit to the monastery on Visovac Lake- We will spend the day visiting one of Croatia's most popular national parks: the Krka River National Park. A short boat ride will take us from Skradin to the 44-meters high Skradinski Buk Waterfall. Fantastic karst formations and travertine waterfalls make it a beautiful swimming area. This is the famous place where the second hydroelectric power plant in the world was built, just three days after the first hydroelectric power plant on Niagara Falls. There will be time for lunch and a swim. You will be able to admire the Krka River National Park abundant wildlife, particularly birds – more than 200 different species can be seen.



Day 3 – Wednesday, 17 May

Walking distance - 15km

Paklenica Walking Tour - Trekking Paklenica Park will lead us into the most famous trekking and rock climbing national park in Croatia. It covers the area of torrent flows of Velika and Mala Paklenica and their distinctive canyons carved vertically into the southern slopes of Velebit, and the broader surrounding area. This relatively small area has an abundance of exceptional diversity of geomorphologic phenomena and forms,

diverse flora and fauna, attractive landscapes and intact nature. Having adapted to the geographic and climatic environment, the residents mostly engaged in nomad stock herding, which is confirmed by mountain shepherd residences. The fact that many people stayed in mountain residences in summertime is reflected in the ruins of numerous sacral buildings: churches, chapels, altars, holy hills and measures.

Day 4 – Thursday, 18 May

Walking distance - 13km

Split Old Town - Transfer from Sibenik to Cavtat with stop-over in Split. Stroll up leafy Marjan Hill, a verdant peninsula that is just a short walk away from the centre of the city. Enjoy the splendid views of the city and the Adriatic Sea. The leisurely paced hike goes up the southern slopes of Marjan Hill all the way to the top. Once reaching the peak, descend the hill to Bene Beach. Transfer from Split to Cavtat and check-in into 3* Hotel Epidaurus on Half board basis.



Day 5 – Friday, 19 May

Walking distance - 15km

Dubrovnik/Srdj walking - Visit Dubrovnik, the most beautiful of all Mediterranean towns and hike to Srd, the mountain protecting Dubrovnik from the north, offering a great view of the area. In the afternoon take an optional trip to the nearby Lokrum Island and enjoy its botanical garden and olive groves, or take the walking tour of Dubrovnik's famous city walls.



Day 6 – Saturday, 20 May

Walking distance - 13km

Lopud Island walking- Lopud is an island with lots of sunshine, sandy beaches and palm trees, free of traffic. The only town on the island has no more than a couple of hundred permanent residents, old houses of beautiful architecture and abundance of flowers everywhere, which contribute to an easy going lifestyle. The sandy beach of Sunj Bay on Lopud's southern side is the most popular beach of the Dubrovnik area where we will walk to. However this island's true treasures are its tiny churches and a fort strategically located at one of its highest points. In the past it served as an observation point and was used to protect the island's safety. Today it offers stunning views of the Elaphiti Archipelago and Mljet Island.

Day 7 to Day 10 - Sunday, 21st May to

Wednesday, 24 May

Walking distance - 5km/day

After breakfast, transfer to Dubrovnik port and onward to Medjugorje where you will be spending the last 3 nights of your holidays.

Here you can take part in the religious programme operated by Marian Pilgrimages. Along with daily walks though the surrounding countryside, we will take an optional trip to Mostar during one of the days.



Day 10 – Wednesday, 24 May

Transfer from Medjugorje to Split Airport for your flight back home.

Marian Pilgrimages is dedicated to providing a professional and personalised service. It is our intention to follow the itinerary as outlined above and the 'distances walked' are only approximate. However due to group abilities and preferences, weather conditions, special events and interest it may be necessary to alter the itinerary without prior notice.



Special Group Price: £ 895 per person sharing

Your package includes:

- Dublin – Zadar - Split - Dublin flights
- Transfer from Dubrovnik airport to Cavtat
- Three nights in Hotel Jakov in Solaris Beach Resort Sibenik on a half board basis
- Three nights in the Hotel Epidaurus on a half board basis
- All transfers as per itinerary
- Ferry tickets as per itinerary
- Representative and guides
- Transfer to Medjugorje
- 3 Nights in Medjugorje on half board basis
- Religious programme in Medjugorje
- All taxes and charges
- Check-in bag of 15 kg and carry on of 10 kg.
- Comprehensive Holiday Insurance

Price does not include:

- Single room supplement £190 (limited availability)
- In-flight catering & meals where not stated

For more information contact Marian Pilgrimages or Group Leader

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