

## **WING COMMANDER HANKS CROATIA BIKE CRUISE**

This guided cycling tour in Dalmatia starts and ends in Split exploring amazing coastlines, medieval towns, old villages and picturesque bays. Highlights include great beaches, vineyards, pine woods, cycling across the historic islands and exploring Mljet National Park. Croatia is a land of stunning islands, rich history, Mediterranean vegetation and a mild climate. Without doubt, the best way to explore it is by bike. Bike rental possible on request - 100 EUR per week or E-bike rental -150 EUR per week. 10% of the proceeds will go to The Peace and Hope Trust NB Pete Allman is required to dress for dinner.



## **ITINERARY**

Saturday. Split -Supetar -Pu iš a

Bike Course:-BIKE: Supetar -Pu iš a Length: 25 km Total ascent: 380 m Highest point: 90 m Surface: 100% paved road Difficulty level: 2/5

Arrival in Split and check in till 13:00. Departure with lunch and meet your fellow passengers and the crew. Upon arrival in Supetar you will cycle the coastal road to the northern part of the island of Bra . We are passing the fishing villages Splitska and Postira and arrive in one of the most beautiful small settlements in Europe -Pu iš a. Free afternoon for sightseeing this charming place well known for its long stonemason tradition. Overnight in Pu iš a.

Sunday. Pu iš a -Pokrivenik -Su uraj -Lovišta





Bike Course: Pokrivenik -Su uraj Length: 32 km Total ascent: 450 m Highest point: 350 m Surface: 100 % paved Difficulty level: 3/5

Breakfast and morning sail towards the longest Croatian island -Hvar with the view on Biokovo mountain. Our starting point is a small picturesque bay Pokrivenik. Starting with ascend to the highest point of the route and descend to the eastern point of Hvar island -Su uraj, where the boat is waiting. After lunch on board, sail towards the second biggest Croatian peninsula Pelješac and a charming settlement Lovišta. Optional Captain's dinner on board. Overnight in Lovišta.

Monday. Lovišta -Trstenik

Bike Course: Lovišta -TrsteniK Length: 45 km Total ascent: 800 m Highest point: 411 m Surface: 100% paved Difficulty level: 4/5

The third-day ride we can call the wine-panoramic route. After breakfast we start riding towards Orebi , the city of seafarers and captains. First few kilometers of ascending and then descending with the unique viewpoints on Kor ula archipelago. After Orebi ascend to the area where the most famous varieties of Croatian wine succeed. We cross the tunnel Dinga to the south side of Pelješac and continue riding through vineyards to Trstenik. Overnight in Trstenik.

Tuesday. Trstenik - Mljet -Kor ula

Bike Course:National park Mljet Length: 18 km Total ascend: 120 m Highest point: 45 m Surface: 80 % paved, 20% macadam Difficulty level: 1/5

Cruise during breakfast from Trstenik to Mljetisland, the lush green island also known as Honey-island. Mljet National park (entrance fee to be paid on the spot approx. 16 EUR per person) is a beautiful area of unique charm featuring two connected salt water lakes, a lush flora, a unique appearance of indented coastline, cliffs and numerous islets as well as always green plants of the surrounding hills. We cycle around the saltwater-lake, inside which there is another island with the Benedictine monastery from the 12th century. Refreshment in saltwater lakes and return to lunch on board. Sail to Kor ula. Free afternoon for exploring the town of Marco Polo. Overnight in Kor ula.

Wednesday. Kor ula -Vela Luka

Bike Course: Kor ula -Pupnat -Smokvica -Prižba -Blato -Vela Luka Length: 55 km Total ascend: 750 m Highest point: 340 m Surface: 100 % paved Difficulty level: 4/5

After breakfast we start with the longest route of the week in which we will cycle the whole island of Kor ula. Ascend to Žrnovo village and then to the oldest settlement on the island -Pupnat, where is the highest point of the route. Descend to the south side of Kor ula and road ride between one of the most beautiful bay on the island and the steep cliffs above it. We continue the



ride through numerous olive groves and vineyards, one of the most famous grape variety Pošip. Short break in the charming place Smokvica on half the way. Descend to the sea and refreshment in one of the numerous pebble hidden beaches. Ascend towards the viewpoint above town Blato and final descend towards our goal -Vela Luka. Dinner on board and overnight in Vela Luka.

Thursday. Vela Luka -Hvar -Stari Grad

Bike Course: 1.Hvar -Stari Grad 2. Stari Grad-Jelsa-Vrboska-Stari Grad BIKE 1: Length: 23 km Total ascent: 450m Highest point:410m Surface: 100% paved Difficulty level: 3/5

BIKE 2: Length: 22 km Total ascend: 110m Highest point: 85m Surface: 85% paved 15% macadam Difficulty level: 1/5

Early morning sail from Vela Luka to the town of Hvar, breakfast. Short sightseeing of Hvar, a fairy tale city with its architecture, beautiful nature and mild climate. Cycle from Hvar to the other side of the island -Stari Grad. We pass through numerous lavender plants and enjoy the view towards the neighboring islands and mainland. Lunch on board in Stari Grad. Easy afternoon ride up to two Hvar's pearls -Jelsa and Vrboska and through Stari Grad Plain where the ancient Greek land division has been preserved to these days like the system of road and plots. Overnight in Stari Grad.

Friday. Stari Grad - Stomorska - Split

450 m Highest point: 135 m Surface: 100 % paved Difficulty level: 2/5

The last day we start with cruise from Stari Grad to the island of Šolta. After breakfast, we start cycling from Stomorska to the highest point of the island -Gornje selo, enjoying the views on both sides of the island and the scents of Medditeranean plants. Continue to Maslinica on the west part of the island. Short break andreturn to Stomorska. Lunch on board and sail to Split. Free afternoon for sightseeing the Diocletian's city. Overnight in Split.

Saturday - Split

Disembarkation in Split. Breakfast followed by check out at 9:00 am.

Bike Course: Stomorska-Maslinica Length: 36 km Total ascent:





## **YOUR SHIP: MAJESTIC**

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**VESSEL TYPE:** 

LENGTH:

**PASSENGER CAPACITY:** 

**BUILT/REFURBISHED:** 

coastline. We had so much fun on the night of the Captain's Dinner, that even neighbouring boat passengers joined us for a dance. Spectacular!!! We will be back.....

.. Chris M\_

MS Majestic is a premium ship built in 2015. There are 18 fully equipped cabins and modern on board facilities. Majestic is a compact 37 metre long vessel that can easily access all the small ports along Croatia's Adriatic coastline and the islands off the coast too. She has a bright airy dining room and a sun deck with plenty of space for all passengers, and a swim platform at the rear to allow easy access to and from the sea. Cabins Majestic has 8 lower deck cabins and 10 main deck cabins and all have air-conditioning, ensuite shower and W/C. Main deck cabins measure 11 sq. metres, and lower deck cabins measure 12-13 sq. metres. Recent reviews of Majestic cruises \_I went on the cycle cruise in Croatia from Split to the islands in the Majestic.\_ \_The whole experience was excellent and many thanks to Powell and Caroline for their attention to detail in the planning this cruise. Mike Н

\_Croatia, Dubrovnik to Split, on the Majestic. Wow, what a trip. We had the best time possible with the best bunch of people, the best ever crew and the best host. The lovely Irena and the staff on this boat could not have done a better job of keeping us entertained, fed and in absolute awe of their beloved Croatian





## **PRICING**

Port fees & Bike handling fee 55

ADDITIONAL CHARGES: G

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