A bike cruise around Kvarner Bay

8 days/ 7 nights

A cruise-Bike to discover the Bay of Kvarner and its splendid islands. Guarded by the towering Velebit mountain range in the east and hugged by the Istria Peninsula in the northwest lie the Kvarner bay islands. Quiet coves of crystal clear water surround the dramatic landscapes of the Kvaner bay islands; green hills and rocky moon landscapes give way to small harbour towns rich in history and culture. Discover the charm of the Adriatic Sea for yourself by bike and boat on board one of our romantic motor yachts.

YOUR PROGRAM

Day 1 - Omišalj (Embarkation) – Cres

Individual arrival in Omišalj, a nice little harbor village on the island of Krk. If you’re planning to arrive by car, we will organize a safe parking space for you. Check-in on the motor yacht between 2 and 2:30 pm. At aprx. 3 pm the ship takes us to the island of Cres in about four hours. On Cres we take a walk through the Venetian old town in the evening.

Day 2 - Islands of Cres and Lošinj
Day 3 - Islands of Lošinj and Molat

We cycle along the seaside promenade to the south of Lošinj and visit the picturesque small harbor town of Veli Lošinj before we meet the ship for lunch. In the afternoon we cross over to the island of Molat where we can do another short cycling tour. Finally we stay overnight in the quiet harbor of Molat.

(aprx. 20 + 10 km)

Day 4 - Islands of Dugi Otok and Olib

During breakfast the ship leaves Molat and takes us past many small islands to the "spice island" of Dugi Otok. Our bike tour starts in the bay of Božava which is surrounded by pine woods, agaves and tamarisk trees, and we ride on a road almost free of traffic. Our tour leads us at first to the northern most point of the island where the light house of Veli Rat stands proudly since 1849 fulfilling its duty in guiding sailors safely on their way. A ride along the islands “Road in the Sky” brings us to the peaceful harbor of Savar or Bribinj. There will be ample time for a swim break in the afternoon before continuing to the small island of Olib for the night.

(aprx. 32 km)

Day 5 - Island of Pag - Rab

After a crossing in the morning we reach the island of Pag. In the harsh but delightful landscape of the island we come across many fig and olive trees. Over the centuries the inhabitants have built numerous stone walls for protection against the wind. Starting from Mandre we cycle on the narrow peninsula until we reach the sea from where the ship takes us to Rab. The island
Day 6 - Island of Rab

We cycle along the coast to the east side of the island, an area with virtually no vegetation, which’s rough and cliffy rocks remind us of a lunar landscape. The road leads us to a bay with a sandy beach which is rather atypical for the islands of the Kvarner Bay. At lunchtime the ship awaits us in the harbor directly in front of the old town of Rab. After a swim-break the ship takes us over to the neighboring island of Krk where we spend the evening in the historical town of Krk.

(aprx. 25 km)

Day 7 - Island of Krk

We cycle over the ridge of the island which is covered by fragrant macchia to a valley of vineyards and then onwards to the small museum town of Vrbnik in the northeast. The town built on a 50-meter-high cliff and surrounded by vineyards is the home of the famous white wine Žlahtina. Another peculiarity that Vrbnik has to offer is the second narrowest alley in the world. The way leads us across the island through old villages and rich vegetation to Omišalj. On our way we have a chance to swim in the bay of Soline. A cheerful evening meal on board the boat gives you time to celebrate the success of the week with fellow travellers and tour guides.
Day 8 - Your trip ends here - Omišalj
After breakfast disembarkation until 9 am and individual trip home or extended stay in Croatia.

Additional information

TARIFFS
Price from 990 euros per person.

OPTIONS
High season supplement for any departure between August, the 30th to October, the 04th : 100 euros per person.
Cabin above deck : 100 euros per person.
Single cabin below deck : 400 euros per person.
Single cabin above deck : 600 euros per person.
Reduction for a third person in cabin : -495 euros per person.
Reduction for children (10 up to 16 years-old) : -245 euros per person.
Hybrid bicycle rental : 80 euros per person.
E-bike rental : 180 euros per person.
Collecting transfer from Rijeka train station to Omišalj : 20 euros per person.
Transfer from/to Rijeka airport : 15 euros per person.

INCLUDED
8-day trip on a motorized yacht with crew
7 nights in a twin cabin below deck with shower/toilet
4 x full board and 3 x half board
Guided cycling tours and sightseeing as described in the itinerary
Overview-maps for the daily cycling tours (on board)
Bed linen and towels
English speaking tour guide

NOT INCLUDED
Journey to Omišalj/Krk Island
Flat rate for bottled water, Visitor’s tax and local charges 50 euro or 25 euro for children up to age 16 (to be paid to the captain)
Beverages on board (tally sheet; to be paid to the captain)
Meals and beverages ashore
Tips for crew and tour guides

LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY
Easy. Accessible to everyone. Distances: from 20 and up to 45km a day. Road surfaces: hillside roads with very few height gains.

ACCOMMODATION
Comfort Ship LINDA (all cabins with shower/toilet)
At 31 x 6 m the Linda is a sleek wooden motor sailer built in 1955 and fully refurbished in 2006. She hosts 14 friendly guest cabins each with own shower and WC. The spacious and tastefully furnished salon with its wooden tables and cushioned benches provides a welcoming atmosphere. The large rooftop sundeck is laid out with padded sunning mats offering you a great space to switch off and relax in. The captain and his united crew are eager to welcome you on board for a recuperative vacation.

SIZE OF GROUP
From 14 participants

DEPARTURES
Every Sundays, from 03/05/2020 to 18/10/2020

DEPARTURE
Omišalj

DISPERSION
Omišalj

HOW TO GET THERE
Omišalj is a village in the bay of Rijeka. Rijeka airport is accessible by plane from main European cities (Berlin, London, Paris, München, Stockholm, Warsaw...)
Possibility to arrive at Zagreb or Pula airports

EQUIPMENT TO TAKE
Gear List

This gear list has been created to help you in choosing your equipment for the trip. Try to bring only what is necessary, this will help you and the field staff. In addition to your usual clothing you should consider bringing along some other items which will make your activities more enjoyable. Required gear for paddling and cycling is provided.
*Clothing*
Few lightweight, casual, easily washable items for travel and daily wear.
Hiking shorts, synthetic.
T-shirts (at least 1 synthetic).
Swimmwear.
Brimmed sun hat.

*Outerwear*
Lightweight rain jacket, waterproof and breathable.

*Footwear*
Lightweight hiking shoes.
Water shoes for kayaking/rafting (stiff sole sandals).

*Travel Accessories*
Water bottle or hydration pack.
Sunglasses.
Sunblock and lip balm.
Personal first aid kit.
Small backpack.
Beach towel.

*Optional Accessories*
Camera (waterproof), film/memory cards and spare batteries.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION**
Price for collective transfers from/to Zagreb on day of embarkation/disembarkation only (11:30 am from Zagreb Center or 12:15 pm from Zagreb Airport / return transfer from Omišalj to Zagreb Airport starts at 8 am: 30 euro person/way and 30 euro bicycle/way (reservation required two weeks in advance, booking incl. complete transmission of flight details)

The captain reserves the right to alter the route in case of bad weather conditions. Guests are obliged to follow ship rules (found in written form on the ship) especially with regards to bringing drinks onboard. In case of bad behavior, the captain or your cycling guide reserves the right to ask clients to disembark.