



Rovinj, Croatia

OUR PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ Executive coach travel
- ✓ Door to door pick up
- ✓ Return short sea ferry / shuttle crossings
- ✓ 4 overnights half board in minimum three star accommodation
- ✓ 2 nights half board in Bled
- ✓ 4 nights buffet dinner and breakfast in Opatija
- ✓ Walking guided tour of Ljubljana (approx 2 hrs)
- ✓ Entry to the Postojna caves
- ✓ Guide for a full day excursion to Porec, Rovinj and Pula
- ✓ Guided city tour of Rovinj (approx 1 hr)
- ✓ Entrance to the Amphitheatre of Pula
- ✓ Guide for a full day excursion to Krk, the isle of Kosljun and Vrbnik
- ✓ Guided city tour of Krk (approx 1 hr)
- ✓ Boat trip from Punat to the Franciscan Isle of Kosljun
- ✓ Entrance to the Franciscan monastery in Kosljun
- ✓ Cheese, ham and wine tasting in Vrbnik
- ✓ Excursions as described in the itinerary

Entry fees not included unless otherwise stated

Park Hotel Lake Bled ★★★★★ **EEE**

Located in the centre of Bled • Near the famous Bled promenade • En-suite bedrooms • Balcony • Hairdryer • Satellite television • Direct dial telephone • Mini bar • Lake view rooms have a safe and air conditioning • Restaurant • Bar • Coffee shop • Terrace • Lift • Large indoor pool with heated thermal water • Whirlpool • sauna • Fitness centre. www.sava-hotels-resorts.com/en/bled/hotel-park

Grand Hotel Opatija ★★★★★ **EEE**

Beautifully restored • Located near the town centre and promenade • En-suite bedrooms • Satellite television • Mini-bar • Hairdryer • Safety deposit box • Elegant restaurant • Bar • Lift to all floors • Spa • Indoor swimming pool. www.milenijhoteli.hr

Departure Dates

Sunday	24th June	11 Days	£899
Sunday	23rd Sept	11 Days	£899

Single room supplement £136. For Door to Door terms & conditions please refer to Page 141.

Slovenia & Croatia

Lake Bled and Opatija



Croatia is home to some of the most magnificent coastal scenery in Europe. Istria is a large peninsula with secluded beaches, historic cities, ancient remains and unspoiled countryside. Its landscape and architecture make it comparable with Tuscany and Provence, and the two resorts of Porec and Rovinj have a strong Venetian character. With a good four star hotel in the wonderful resort of Opatija, the combination of a friendly welcome plus ancient history add up to make it a holiday to remember.

ITINERARY

Day 1 Following your door to door pick up we travel to Dover / Folkestone for the short sea ferry / shuttle crossing to Calais and continue to our overnight half board accommodation.

Day 2 We continue through Germany into Austria and our second overnight half board accommodation in the Salzburg area.

Day 3 Enjoy the stunning alpine scenery as we travel through Carinthia and into Slovenia arriving at our two night's half board accommodation in Bled with time to relax before dinner.

Day 4 A day at leisure to relax and explore this delightful resort with its many souvenir shops, cafes and bars. Lake Bled lies in the foothills of the Julian Alps and enjoys a magical mountain setting. There is a little white church on an enchanting island in the centre of the lake and a castle dominating the north shore from the top of a sheer cliff face. You can enjoy a stroll around the lake or take a boat trip to the island in a traditional 'pletna' boat. On the island, moss covered stone stairways lead up to the Church of the Assumption with its 16th-century bell of wishes.

Day 5 We depart after breakfast and travel to the capital of Slovenia, Ljubljana. This beautiful compact city is situated on the river Ljubljanica that divides the city centre below the castle hill. We include a short walking tour taking in the major sights of the old part of Ljubljana. We continue to the famous Postojna Caves where an electric train takes you deep into the caves for your 1 hour, guided walk amongst its magnificent creations of nature. We complete our journey into Croatia arriving at our 4 night's half board accommodation in time for dinner.

Day 6 A day at leisure in Opatija to relax and explore your new surroundings. This elegant and charming resort overlooking the gulf of Kvarner has colourful public gardens, elegant villas, a long promenade and a variety of chic shops, bars, cafes and restaurants.

Day 7 A full day discovering the historical and cultural heritage of the Istrian Peninsula. We travel to Pula, once a key

centre for the Roman Empire and a busy port. Pula has many surviving ancient Roman buildings including the sixth largest amphitheatre in the world, the Temple of Roma and Augustus. We travel to Rovinj; one of the most 'photogenic' towns in the Mediterranean, once a fishing town, today is a tourist resort and has a welcoming feel with narrow streets and pavement cafes before finishing at Porec with its old quarter and magnificent basilica famed for its beautiful gold mosaics.

Day 8 Today we have a full day tour to the Island of Krk. connected to the mainland by, what was once, the biggest cement bridge in the world. The Island roundtrip begins with a visit to the town of Krk and its old quarter full of narrow streets, churches and towers. Our next stop is Punat from where one goes via boat to the small isle of Kosljun to visit the Franciscan monastery. After Punat we continue to the famous small town of Vrbnik, situated high on the cliffs above the sea. Vrbnik is the hometown of well-known white wine Zlahtina and we include a cheese, ham and wine tasting.

Day 9 Sadly its time to leave Opatija and travel via Trieste to our overnight's half board accommodation on the shores or very near to Lake Garda.

Day 10 Enjoy the scenery as we travel to our last overnight's half board accommodation in northern France.

Day 11 After breakfast we continue our journey to Calais and complete the journey home.

