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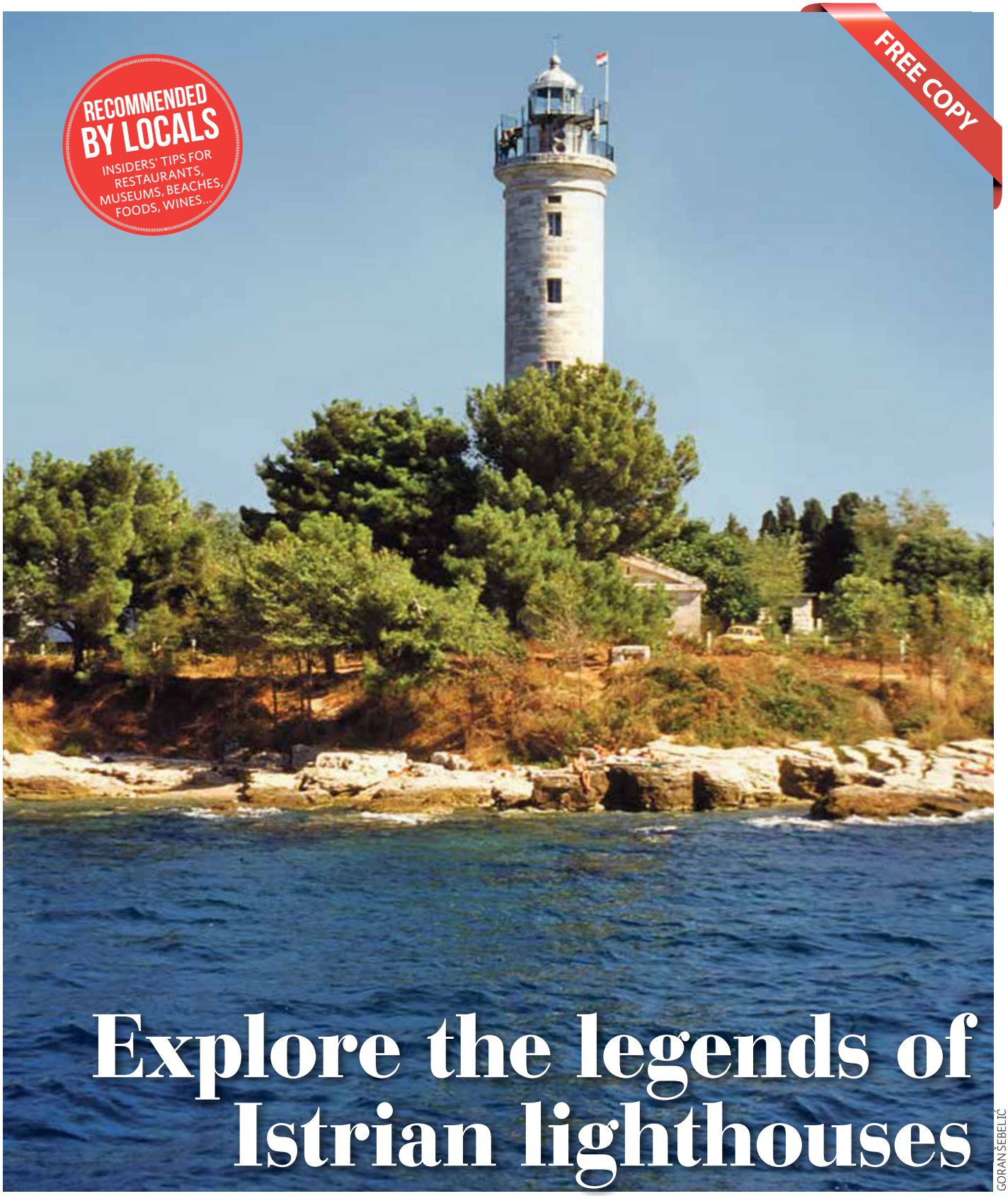

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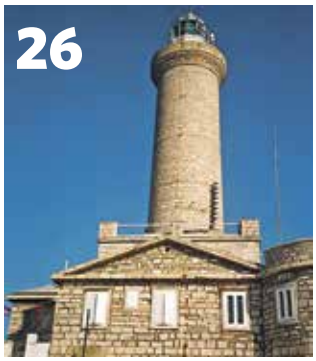

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AUTHOR **EDI JURKOVIĆ**

LIBURNIA JAZZ FESTIVAL

For years, Liburnia Jazz Festival has been a reference point of Croatian and European jazz which traditionally presents established jazz artists during the first weekend in July. The 17th edition of Liburnia Jazz Festival has plenty of concerts in store for all lovers of good music, especially jazz.

Richard Bona Mandekan Cubano will open the Festival on the Big Scene of the Opatija Summer Stage on Friday, 7 July. Richard Bona has been described as one of the world's greatest musical discoveries. An absolute master of his art and a melodist of rare elegance and sensibility, this exciting singer is also a member of the exclusive club of world's best bass players. Journalists describe him as a true gem, which the organizers are proud to display in the crown of this year's Festival.

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With morning and evening jazz performances at hotel terraces overlooking the astonishing sea, as well as with local and world jazz stars, this year Liburnia Jazz will also present the latest guitar line at the Yamaha Showroom together with the long-awaited **Master Guitar Workshop** hosted by Elvis Stanić.

As introduction into this year's Festival, before Richard Bona takes the stage, the young musicians of the Art Music School M.B. Rašan from Labin will hold a concert titled "The Future of Jazz in the Hands of Youth" on the Small Summer Stage.

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Basic info

17TH LIBURNIA JAZZ FESTIVAL

7 - 9 JULY 2017

OPATIJA, SUMMER STAGE CONCERTS AND WORKSHOPS

CONCERT TICKET PRICE: HRK 120 PRE-SALE TICKETS, HRK 150 ON THE DAY OF CONCERT

Programme:

7 JULY, 9.30PM, SUMMER STAGE - RICHARD BONA MANDEKAN CUBANO

8 JULY, 11AM, MARKET -JED BECKER'S BLUES BAND

8 JULY, 11AM, HOTEL KVARNER TERRACE - MEL & BEN

8 JULY, 9.30PM, SUMMER STAGE - CUBISMO

9 JULY, 11AM, KTC - YAMAHA SHOWROOM AND GUITAR MASTER WORKSHOP WITH ELVIS STANIĆ AS HOST

9 JULY, 9PM HOTEL KVARNER TERRACE - ELVIS STANIĆ GROUP

Armonike zad Kaštela

In you find yourself near Žminj on the second Saturday in July, be sure to visit the meeting of Istrian self-taught players of accordion. The event is officially named Armonike zad Kaštela (Accordions behind the Castle), but the locals like to call it "the Accordion Wedding".
The event is not a competition and the only reward the players get are the cheers of many visitors that flock to Žminj. On the day of the event sounds of polka, waltz and balun, the local traditional dance, fill the area behind the Castle. The concert is usually opened by a local player, while the debutants close the event. Most of them are local stars that frequently perform at weddings and celebrations and are welcomed warmly by the audience.

ARMONIKE ZAD KAŠTELA
8 JULY 2017
ŽMINJ, KAŠTEL
23RD MEETING OF SELF-TAUGHT PLAYERS OF ACCORDION
FREE ENTRY

Around forty accordion players that usually take part in the event play together at the closing of the official part of the programme, but don't worry, the party with local songs and music continues long into the night.

3000 Candles in Gradina

The organizers proudly announce that this year more than 3,000 candles will illuminate Trsat's castle Gradina!
The event that has over the last 4 years become the official opening ceremony of Summer in Gradina will feature a thousand flames more than the last year's event, illuminating Gradina with over 3,000 candles. An unforgettable audio and visual experience with three thousand flames in the entire area of Trsat's castle Gradina and the park in front of the castle is set up in collaboration with the PC Group. In addition to the candle installations, the castle will be decorated with 500 hanging flames, candles on poles that, together with ambiance lighting and the musical and performance elements, will once again enchant the visitors and create an unforgettable air.

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One of the most attractive and popular events of Summer in Gradina will include an art programme featuring 36 artists. The visitors will enjoy the performance by the award-winning Josip Kaplan youth choir, which will add a musical dimension to the visual one. The musicians from the Rock Baroque Band and their performance on the violin and the guitar will add on to the atmosphere while on several locations in Gradina the members of Ri Dance Group and their dance moves will enrich this conceptual event, which is sure to impress everyone.

OPENING CEREMONY
8 JULY 2017
RIJEKA, TRSAT'S CASTLE GRADINA OPEN FOR VISITORS FROM 9.30PM, THE PROGRAMME STARTS AT 10.15PM.
FREE ENTRY

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SPECTACVLA ANTIQVA

The enticing gladiator fight held in the Arena as part of the history and entertainment programme, Spectacvla Antiqva, is a unique program in this entire region. In gladiator fights, the goal is to entertain the audience, rather than immediately defeat the opponent. In ancient times, gladiator's entry to the arena was a magnificent performance in gold-plated armours, burgundy wine cloaks, and quadrigas adorned with peacock feathers, accompanied by the sounds of trumpets. Today, their successors will also appear in armour and helmets to praise strength and create an impression of fearlessness. In addition to the tradition and heritage, the revival of Roman history and civilization is presented in the Arena. Everyone interested can also enjoy the gladiator fights with real weapons. Visitors to the Arena can buy original souvenirs, replicas of antique ceramics and mosaics. The Pula Arena is the sixth largest preserved building of this kind in the world, built to accommodate about 23,000 spectators.

SPECTACVLA ANTIQVA
PULA, ARENA
6 and 10 July 2017 - 8.30 pm
GLADIATOR FIGHTS
Ticket price: HRK 70, children HRK 30

tip! Gladiator fights in the Pula Amphitheatre are a unique open-air experience

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Great international carnival

The traditional International Summer Carnival usually marks the start of the high tourist season in Novi Vinodolski. A large number of masked groups from all over Croatia and abroad participate in the great carnival parade passing along the Avenue of Croatian War Veterans and then continuing to the centre where they have fun singing and dancing until the early morning hours with live music on three stages. About fifty masked groups with several thousand participants pass through the city centre in this cheerful procession. The International Summer Carnival is modelled after a traditional, local winter carnival custom which has been practiced for centuries by the citizens of Novi Vinodolski. It owes its origin to a carnival celebration aimed at driving away evil spirits and invoking fertile spring. Children's Carnival, which is traditionally held on the first day of the festival, starts at 8pm with the masked parade followed by an entertainment programme for children and adults. From 5pm until 11pm, all children will be able to enjoy the Great Masked City for free.

GREAT INTERNATIONAL CARNIVAL
7 July 2017
CHILDREN'S MASKED PARADE
8 July 2017

GREAT INTERNATIONAL CARNIVAL PARADE
NOVI VINODOLSKI
Parades start at 8pm

Great Gatsby Night by Milenij Hotels

For the third year in a row, the square in front of the Royal Hotel becomes for one night a place of decadent and wild fun inspired by the roaring 1920s! Be part of this spectacle – dress up in the twenties style clothing – a tuxedo or a top hat for gentlemen, and pearls, crystals and feathers for ladies! Add some shiny ornaments to your bob hairstyles, put on necklaces and ribbons, drink sparkling wine, and enjoy yourselves! Footmen will take you on a ride in an old-timer and enchanting charleston dancers will invite you to the dance floor! Josip Pepi Forembacher Big Band will create good atmosphere, and famous faces such as Charlie Chaplin, Al Capone, Albert Einstein and the inevitable Gatsby are expected to make an appearance! On this evening, there are no boundaries for anyone who loves sophisticated and glamorous style inspired by this film and fashion trend of the 1920s! Have fun and dance in the spirit of the golden age of jazz, swing, and charleston!

GREAT GATSBY NIGHT BY MILENIJ HOTELS
7 July 2017
OPATIJA, IN FRONT OF THE ROYAL HOTEL
FROM 9PM
DANCING AT A COSTUMED SPECTACLE
FREE ENTRY

Concerts in the Euphrasiana

AT Beer Party in Medulin you can enjoy a variety of different beers while listening to the Koktels band and their version of world hits in "oberkrainer" style. Dancers dressed in local costumes will dance with you in the rhythm of popular songs and the sea is there to remind you that you're on holiday on the „blue planet" of Medulin Riviera. If you want to check how fast you can down a beer, the organizers have a beer drinking contents in store for you, with international teams of players.

OPENING OF THE 56th FESTIVAL CALLED „CONCERTS IN THE EUPHRASIANA"
CADENZA STRING QUINTET
7 July 2017
POREČ, THE EUPHRASIUS BASILICA
9PM
Ticket price is HRK 50
CLASSICAL MUSIC FESTIVAL

CONCERT
S.A.R.S.
7 July 2017
Pula, Kaštel
9.30pm
Rock concert
Ticket price: HRK 110

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CONCERT
TRANCE EXPRESS PARTY
8 July 2017
Štinjan (Pula), Fort Punta Christo
From 11pm
MUSIC (TRANCE) EVENT
Labin Jazz Festival
Labin, the old town
13. July 2017
Ratko Zjača & Vid Jamnik: 9.30pm
14 July 2017
Elma Burnić Quartet: 9.30pm
Jazz Collective (quintet): 11pm
15 July 2017
Asaran Earth Trio: 9.30pm
After Labin Jazz Festival: 11pm

FAIR
HAND MADE FAIR
6 - 27 July 2017
Premantura (Medulin), Placa
Thursdays from 8pm - 11pm
Fair of original Istrian souvenirs and handicrafts on Thursdays
Antiques and Arts Fair on Fridays
7 July 2017
Poreč, tree-lined alley
7am - 5pm
FAIR FOR INTERNATIONAL ANTIQUES DEALERS

GASTRONOMY
FISHERMEN'S FESTIVITY
7 July 2017
Funtana, Marina
6pm - 1am
Entertainment programme, including dishes made of seafood from fishermen's daily catch
DAYS OF BLUEBERRIES
8 July 2017
Ravna Gora
Blueberry dishes on offer in the restaurants in Ravna Gora, with an educational and entertainment programme
DAYS OF ŠURLICE (LOCAL PASTA)
9 - 16 July 2017
Vrbnik
Traditional pasta making, with tasting
DAYS OF ANCIENT TIMES
14 - 15 July 2017
Omišalj
Revisit to the rich food table from the ancient times

KIDS
EVENING OF STREET WIZARDS
14 July 2017
Novigrad, old city centre
An evening programme with performances by street artists, circus performers, jugglers

SPORT
ISTRAŽIMO SVETICU (EXPLORE SVETICA)
8 July 2017
Svetica (Šišan)
9pm
FULL MOON BIKE & TREK
Umag Mermaid
9 July 2017
Umag, Stella Maris Resort
Mermaiding. Come, see, and swim like a mermaid!
EUROPEAN YOUTH CUP W POREČ 2017
9 - 14 July 2017
Poreč, Zelena laguna (Green Lagoon)
ARCHERY CHAMPIONSHIP
Risnjak Trail
8 July 2017
Crni Lug
TRAIL RUNNING RACE THROUGH RISNJAK NATIONAL PARK
Start at 10am
GORSKI KOTAR BIKE TOUR
14 - 16 July 2017
Fužine
3 thematic circular cycling routes dedicated to Winnetou, forest fruits and the Frankopans
28TH PLAVA LAGUNA CROATIA OPEN
14 - 23 July 2017
Umag, Stella Maris
ATP Tennis Tournament + ATP Party Nights + Istria Gourmet Festival

ETHNO
IN THE COLOURS OF TRADITION...
9 July 2017
Brtonigla
Presentation of old crafts and gastronomic offer
Start in the evening

MAIN ATRACTIONS IN ISTRIA & KVARNER

ISTRIA

1. ATP Tour, Umag
2. Istralandia, Novigrad
3. The Euphrasian Basilica, Poreč
4. Park of Sculptures, Vrsar
5. Toen of Romance, Rovinj
6. National Park, the Brijuni Islands
7. Arena, Pula
8. The medieval town of Labin
9. (central Istria - frescoes, Beram)

KVARNER

10. The Riviera of Austrian Emperors, Opatija
11. Risnjak National Park, Crni Lug
12. Torpedo, Rijeka
13. Glagoljica, the Island of Krk
14. Birdwatching - griffon vulture, the island of Cres
15. Rajska plaža, the island of Rab
16. Plitvice Lakes National Park
17. Apoxyomenos, Mali Lošinj

INFOGRAFIKA/ZORAN SKORIĆ

ISTRIA
BASIC INFO

SURFACE
2820 km2
INHABITANTS
244.278 (2011)
ADMINISTRATIVE CENTRE
Pazin (8638 inhabitants)
BUSINESS CENTRE
Pula (57.460 inhabitants)
Important telephone numbers:
Istria Tourist Board Call Centre: +385 (0)52880088
BINA Istra (Istarski Ipsilon Road): 0800 600 601
Pula Airport: +385 (0)52 - 530-105
Pula Port Authority: +385 (0)52 - 217 - 662

KVARNER
BASIC INFO

SURFACE: 3600 km2
INHABITANTS: 305.000
ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUSINESS CENTRE
Rijeka - 144.000 inhabitants
Important telephone numbers:
Kvarner Info - Vrata Jadrana +385 (0) 51 623 333
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DICTIONARY

Hello - Bok [bohk]
Coffee with milk - Kava s mlijekom [kah-va s mlee-ye-kom]
Please - Molim vas [moh-leem vas]
What's the price of... - Koliko ovo košta...? [KOH-lee-koh oh-voh koh-shtah?]
Can you help me? - Možete li mi pomoći? [MOH- zheh-teh lee mee poh-motch-ee?]
Is there someone who speaks english? - Govori li ovdje netko engleski? [goh-voh-ree lee oh-vdyeh neh-tjo en-gless-kee]

TOP 5 Sights you have to visit in Istria& Kvarner

Start your Istrian adventure in the largest istrian town of Pula, explore Arena, the historical quarter, and admire the famous Brijuni Islands National Park

tip! On the Great Brijuni you will see a 1st century BC Roman villa

BORIS KOVAČEV/HANZA MEDIA

Pula – Ar

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FLAVIJEVSKA BB

OPENING HOURS
Jul & Aug 8am-midnight, May-Jun & Sep to 9pm, Oct-Apr to 7pm

TICKET
adult/children HRK 50/25

Pula is the largest Istrian town, and its impressive Arena is a proof that it is one of the oldest one as well. The Amphitheatre in Pula is the biggest preserved architectural monument of the antiquity, built in mid-1st century BC. At the time it was the venue for gladiator and wild beasts fights, later on it was the place of knights' battles and other popular shows – some of the most important social events of the times past. The Arena could seat 25000 visitors, and it was built outside the city walls, by the main road Via Flavia leading from Pula to Aquileia and Rome.

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Poreč – Euphrasiana

THE EUPHRASIAN BASILICA IS A HISTORICAL CULTURAL MONUMENT BUILT IN MID-6TH CENTURY, AT THE TIME OF BISHOP EUPHRASIUS. THE COMPLEX INCLUDES THE BASILICA, THE ATRIUM, THE BAPTISTERY, THE BISHOP'S PALACE, WALLS RICH IN MOSAICS AND THE REMAINS OF SACRAL CONSTRUCTIONS FROM EARLIER TIMES – 3RD AND 4TH CENTURY. VISITORS CAN CLIMB UP THE BELL TOWER AND ENJOY THE VIEW OF THE TOWN AND ITS SURROUNDING. THE ENTIRE OLD TOWN IS A LIVING MONUMENT OF POREČ'S RICH HISTORY.

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EUFRAZIJEVA ULICA 22

OPENING HOURS
Jun, Sep, Oct 9am-6pm, Jul-Aug 9am-9pm,TICKET HRK 40

mphitheatre

Compared to more than 200 Roman amphitheatres, the outer walls of the Arena have four side towers, which is a rare, preserved example of unique technical and technological solution.
Amphitheatres used to have covers to protect spectators from the rain and the sun, for which we find evidence in preserved construction elements in Pula. Precisely due to its specific architecture, the Pula Amphitheatre is a perfect place for studying construction methods and techniques, which makes it unique among other such buildings around the world.
Walking around Pula is a special experience – apart from the Arena, you can see the Temple of Augustus, the Triumphal Arch of the Sergi – the Porta Aurea, the Gate of Hercules, and the Double Gate. Finally, you can rest at the ancient Forum which has played the role of the central city square for two thousand years.

BRIJUNI – NATIONAL PARK

info

Boats from Fažana from 6.45am to 10.15pm

TICKET
Adults HRK 170-210, children HRK 85-105

TEL. +385 (0) 52 525 883

THE ONLY NATIONAL PARK IN ISTRIA. THE YEAR-LONG RESIDENTIAL STATUS HAS HELPED PRESERVE THE 14 ISLANDS, A TREASURY OF CULTURAL AND HISTORICAL HERITAGE, AS WELL AS THE FLORA AND FAUNA. YOU CAN REACH THE ISLAND BY BOAT FROM FAŽANA THROUGHOUT THE DAY, AND THE TICKET INCLUDES ELECTRIC TRAIN RIDE ON THE BRIJUNI. ANIMALS LIVE MOSTLY FREELY ON THE ISLAND – DOES AND DEER, AN ELEPHANT AND BIRDS.

Mali Lošinj

Apoxyomenos

A unique bronze statue of an ancient athlete, made in 1st century BC, based on the 4th century BC original, had been lost for nearly 2000 years. This outstanding artistic achievement of the Hellenic art and one of the most preserved ancient bronze monuments was found at the bottom of the sea near the island of Lošinj in 1999.

HEIA MARKIČEVIĆ/HANZA MEDIA

Rijeka

Torpedos

The exhibition marking the 150th anniversary of the torpedo, one of the greatest technical achievements of the 19th century invented in Rijeka, includes the collection of torpedoes, torpedo pipes, gyroscopes, and unique factory invention prototypes. Meet the of history of the invention which made Rijeka famous around the world.

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MUSEUMS
Where history meets tomorrow

Priceless works of the world's greatest artists, thematic exhibitions, or the world of childhood -Istria & Kvarner museums have it all

Istria and Kvarner boast numerous museums. You can find archaeological or local museums in nearly every town, preserving the memory of near or distant past. Art lovers will appreciate a unique Dušan Džamonja's Park of Sculptures, or the Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art in Rijeka. If you want to learn about new things, go to the Museum of Sheep Farming in Lubenice on the Island of Cres, the Museum of Childhood and the Computer Museum in Rijeka, or the Museum of Tourism in Opatija, that will take you back to the 19th and the 20th century.

THE TEMPLE OF AUGUSTUS

PULA

WORKING HOURS:
9AM-9PM, SAT/SUN 9AM-3PM

TICKET PRICES:

ADULTS: HRK 10;
PUPILS AND STUDENTS: HRK 5

Exhibition of Roman Portrait Sculpture
IT'S LOCATED ON THE NORTH-WESTERN SIDE OF THE FORUM. A COLLECTION OF ROMAN STATUES FROM ISTRIA, SUCH AS MARBLE STATUES DEPICTING EMPERORS, ARE DISPLAYED IN THE TEMPLE.

DUŠAN DŽAMONJA'S PARK OF SCULPTURES

VALKANELA 5, VRSAR

WORKING HOURS:
JUN-AUG: 9AM-8PM, SEP-OCT: 9AM-7PM, CLOSED ON MONDAY

TICKET PRICES:

ENTRY: FREE

Monumental, abstract sculptures of the world renowned sculptor Dušan Džamonja (1928-2009) are displayed in the natural ambience of his home and atelier, not far from Vrsar. This unique park is a home to a part of Džamonja's collection.

KONSTANCA MITROVIĆ

DAVOR ŽUNIĆ/HANZA MEDIA

CROATIAN MUSEUM OF TOURISM

PARK ANGIOLINA 1, OPATIJA

WORKING HOURS:
1 APR-20 JUN: 10AM-8PM
1 JUL-30 SEP: 10AM-10PM

TICKET PRICES:

ADULTS: HRK 15, PUPILS AND STUDENTS: HRK 7, FAMILY TICKET: HRK 30, FIRST SUNDAY IN MONTH: FREE ENTRY,

A 170 years old villa in the centre of Park Angiolina in Opatija is the home to the museum which tells the history of tourism in Croatia, and its importance in the present day.

PEEK+POKE MUSEUM OF CHILDHOOD

IVANA GROHOVCA 2, RIJEKA

WORKING HOURS:
MONDAY-FRIDAY: 10-1PM, 5PM-8PM SATURDAY: 11AM-4PM; ON SUNDAY AND OUTSIDE WORKING HOURS TOURS CAN BE ARRANGED ON TEL.: +385 91 780 5709.

TICKET PRICES:

HRK 20

TEA ČIMAŠ/HANZA MEDIA

The first Croatian museum dedicated to childhood exhibits games, books and toys used by generations, before they decided to become serious adults. There are over 600 exhibits, and the oldest toy dates back to 1900. The Museum consists of the Creation Park, Fossil Zone, Social Circle, Advertising Passage, Book Corner, Dolls' Empire, Sand Arena, Street Calling, and in Front of the Screen.

DON'T MISS

Wheather you like arts or history, Istria & Kvarner have a lot museums for you

ISTRIAN ETHNOGRAPHIC MUSEUM

PAZIN KAŠTEL
WORKING HOURS: 15 Apr-15 Oct: 10am-6pm, closed on Monday
1 Jul-31 Aug: 10am-6pm
TICKETS: Adults: HRK 25, Pupils, students, pensioners: HRK 18, Children under 5: free

PEEK&POKE COMPUTER MUSEUM

IVANA GROHOVCA 2, RIJEKA
WORKING HOURS: Working day: 10am-1pm, 5pm-8pm, Saturday: 11am-4pm; on Sunday and outside working hours advance arrangements need to be made.

MUSEUM OF MODERN AND CONTEMPORARY ART

DOLAC 1/II, RIJEKA
WORKING HOURS: Tuesday-Saturday: 11am-6pm , Sunday: 11am-1pm, 5pm-8pm, Closed on Mondays and holidays.

MARITIME AND HISTORY MUSEUM OF HRVATSKO PRIMORJE

MUZEJSKI TRG 1, RIJEKA
WORKING HOURS: Monday: 9am-4pm, Tuesday-Saturday: 9am-8pm, Sunday: 4pm-8pm

NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM

LORENZOV PROLAZ 1, RIJEKA
WORKING HOURS: Monday-Sunday: 9am-8pm

MUSEUM OF SHEEP FARMING

LUBENICE 26, LUBENICE, THE ISLAND OF CRES
FREE ENTRY

CITY LAPIDARIUM RAB

BOBOTINE B.B., RAB
WORKING HOURS: 1 Jun-31 Aug: 10am-1pm, 7pm-9pm

Wine & Dine

Try best fine food restaurants in Istria & Kvarner

Enjoy in superb local food, olive oils and wines

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tip! Don't miss local food from all Croatian regions

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BEVANDA, OPATIJA

ZERT 8, OPATIJA

Andrej Barbieri, who runs the restaurant, is one of the leading Croatian chefs and a real connoisseur of Kvarner and Istrian ingredients. Respecting their exquisite quality he has made his name by creating perfectly clear tastes and aromas. The wine list offers the best Croatian and foreign wines, complementing the menu perfectly. There is a separate, intimate area where guests can enjoy a cigar with a glass of liquor.

WORKING HOURS
MON-SUN: NOON-MIDNIGHT
MUST TRY
SCAMPI RISOTTO

KONOBA BATELINA, BANJOLE

ČIMULJE 25, PULA

A small fish restaurant has become a global sensation after its chef David Skoko fascinated Anthony Bourdain with his innovation, friendly attitude and love of fish. The best thing is to let David prepare fun, small dishes he calls zezalice, such as flounder and maja squinado rolls, raw mullet, or boiled catfish belly. Make sure you book a table, even during off-season.

WORKING HOURS
MON-SAT: 5PM-11PM
MUST TRY
FISH STEW WITH POLENTA, FISH ZEZALICE

Monte Restaurant, Rovinj

MONTALBANO 75, ROVINJ

WORKING HOURS
MON-SUN 6.30PM-11.30PM
MUST TRY
DEGUSTATION MENU: ESSENCE (HRK 694) AND TENDENCE (HRK 774).

The first and still the only restaurant in Croatia with a Michelin star. The owners, Tjitske and Danijel Đekić, insist on local seasonal ingredient and state of the art cooking. The restaurant, located at the foot of the church of St. Euphemia, does not cling to tradition, it is rather turned to contemporary innovative techniques in order to bring out the original taste in ingredients. The menu changes frequently – a la carte menu four times a year, and the degustation one even more often. There are around 20 fish and meat dishes on offer. It is advisable to book a table at tel. +385 52 830 203, after 3pm.

SAN ROCCO, BRTONIGLA

SREDNJA ULICA 2, BRTONIGLA

The food in this restaurant is prepared in a modern way, but still firmly rooted in local tradition. The owner, not interested in glamour and extravagance, offers five- to six-course degustation menu that changes with seasons. The most popular dishes are potato cream with black Istrian truffles on a bed of cuttlefish, home-made tortellini filled with boškarin meat (Istrian cattle), home-made white fish and truffles ravioli, foamy wild bass soup, and scampi on a bed of lentils.

WORKING HOURS
MON-SUN: 1PM-10PM
MUST TRY
HOME-MADE WHITE FISH AND TRUFFLES RAVIOLI

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Plavi podrum, Opatija

OBALA FRANA SUPILA 12, VOLOSKO

WORKING HOURS
MON-SUN: NOON-MIDNIGHT
MUST TRY
HOME-MADE COLOURFUL TAGLIOLINI WITH SHRIMPS, PRAWNS, PEACHES AND TRUFFLES

BERISLAVA PIĆEK/EPH

This sophisticated, consistently elegant restaurant striving for perfection, always putting the guest first. Eating at Plavi is so much more than consuming food – it is an experience, a perfection of pairing superb food, wines and olive oils. Modern Kvarner cuisine is the definition of what Plavi podrum offers, with emphasis on seasonal ingredients. Its wine list has been the best in the country for years.

GORAN ŠEBELIĆ/EPH

KONOBA MARINA, NOVIGRAD

NOVIGRAD, SV. ANTONA 38

This konoba was named after Marina Gaši, who creates unbelievable combinations, such as scampi in puff pastry, by giving the ingredients - octopus, squid, and shells - an entirely new character. There is a sommelier who will make sure the wine list contains all the best wines from the Novigrad area.

WORKING HOURS
MON-SUN: NOON-3PM, 7PM-11PM, CLOSED ON TUESDAY
MUST TRY
CUTTLEFISH CRUMBLE

DAMIR I ORNELA

ZIDINE 5, NOVIGRAD

High-quality, fresh raw fish coming from the sea directly to the table(only six of them, seating the max of 22) W this is the philosophy behind a charming, small restaurant opened in late 1990s in the very heart of Istrian Novigrad. Make sure you try the Istrian sashimi seasoned with traditional Istrian herbs. The fish will be filleted in front of you.

WORKING HOURS: TUE-SUN: NOON-3.30PM, 7.30PM-11PM, CLOSED ON MONDAY
MUST TRY RAW SQUIDS WITH BELIĆ OLIVE OIL AND CAVIAR

JOHNSON

MAJČEVO 29B, MOŠĆENIČKA DRAGA

Two brothers, Dragan and Dean Jurdana, run this restaurant, finding inspiration in the nature and the sea, while their mother Ana helps in the kitchen. The daily offer depends on what local fishermen catch in the waters around the islands of Cres and Lošinj. Fresh fish will find its place on the tables, prepared with great care and love of ingredients.

WORKING HOURS
MON-SUN: NOON-11PM
MUST TRY SCAMPI

DRAGA DI LOVRANA

LOVRANSKA DRAGA 1, LOVRAN

Draga di Lovrana restaurant stands on Lovranska Draga cliffs, with a magnificent view of the entire Kvarner Bay. The restaurant applies the highest traditional cuisine standards, with a few modern hints. Renowned chef Zdravko Tomšić has come up with dishes such as marinated scampi on skuta (cottage-type cheese from the Island of Pag) and many more.

WORKING HOURS: TUE-SUN 1PM-11PM, MON 6PM-11PM
MUST TRY: FISH AND SCAMPI FROM FISHING BOATS

RIVICA, NJIVICE

RIBARSKA OBALA 13, NJIVICE, THE ISLAND OF KRK

WORKING HOURS
MON-SUN: 11AM-11PM
MUST TRY
FISH CARPACCIO

DAVOR ŽUNIĆ/EPH

The story of Rivica is the story of family dedication to the restaurant business, as it has been run by three generations of Lesica family. Mediterranean cuisine puts emphasis on ingredients from the Island of Krk and the Kvarner area. Sitting in the shade on the terrace overlooking the port, you can almost feel the presence of nona Mara, who opened the restaurant in 1934.

INSIDER GASTRO TIPS:

BADI, UMAG

UMAŠKA 12, LOVREČICA / Mon-Sun: noon-11pm

Badiwas opened in 1986 and it is well known both in Croatia and abroad for its high-quality service and rich offer, which its loyal guests from Croatia, Italy and Slovenia have the highest regard for.

KONOBA DORIJANA

LIVADE 4A, LIVADE/Thu-Tue: 11am-10pm, closed on Wednesday

A true Istrian konoba with a lovely terrace. Enjoy local, home-made food, fritajas and pasta with meat and truffles. You will get excellent value for money.

NA SUŠAKU

RADNIČKA 21, RIJEKA/Mon-Sat: 9am-11pm, Sun 1pm-5pm

This restaurant is situated next to the Tower Shopping Centre. You can enjoy their well-known home-made food, excellent grilled meat and original, gluten-free sweets.

BUKALETA

LOZNATI 9A, THE ISLAND OF CRES /Working hours: noon-midnight

Cres lamb specialties, including lamb soup, lamb in stone oven, on grill or lamb goulash, lamb liver on grill, and home-made skuta (dry curd cottage cheese).

KONOBA POD PREVOLT

MILOHNIĆI 21B, THE ISLAND OF KRK/ 12noon-10pm

This authentic konoba offers autochthonous home-made dishes like local makaruni pasta with dry octopus stew or lamb baked under a baking bell (peka).

Wine roads OF ISTRIA

The best wineries are scattered outside the main towns, so you will need a car and a map to visit them. Explore the most exciting wine region of New Europe

Istria, the land of malvasia and white truffles, is confidently heading toward the title of the most exciting wine region of New Europe. The best wineries are scattered outside the main towns, so you will need a car and a map to visit them all. Wine divides Istria not by coastal or inland location, but by height and type of soil (red and white), as these are crucial parameters for the aroma and structure of wine.

DON'T MISS

KOZLOVIĆ

VALE 78 /
Momjan

Kozlović's cellar is the only Croatian cellar in the list of 66 best wine cellars in the world as rated by Sommeliers Heaven - The Greatest Wine Cellars of the World, by Paolo Basso, the best world sommelier in 2013. The criteria for rating cellars were the wine itself, but also the architectural design, and the wine tourism programmes offered to the guests.

KABOLA

KANEDOLO 90 /
Momjan

A special feature of the Kabola winery run by the Markežić family are huge terracotta amphorae dug into the ground, used for wine maceration. This is an old wine producing technique, used by the ancient Romans and Greeks.

MATOŠEVIĆ

KRUNČIĆI 1 /
Krunčići

Ivica Matošević, a pioneer of Istrian wine renaissance, will gladly tell you the story of how great wine is made from grapes in vineyards. His cellar is in Krunčići, above Limski kanal, fifteen kilometres from Poreč, Rovinj and Vrsar.

KEY FOR THE MAP:

1. Degrassi; 2. Cuj; 3. Coronica; 4. Veralda; 5. Kabola, Kozlović; 6. Clai; 7. Cattunar; 8. Arman F., Arman M.; 9. Geržinić; 10. Cosseto, Pilato, Rossi; 11. Tomaz; 12. Benvenuti; 13. Poletti; 14. Radovan; 15. Roxanich; 16. Agrolaguna; 17. Damjanić; 18. Matošević; 19. Meneghetti; 20. Marčeta; 21. Trapan.

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tip!
The leading Istrian variants are malvasia, teran and muscat momiano

Red soil is dominant along the coast and in central lowlands; white is characteristic for the eastern part, a part of central Istria and west Istrian heights. It is generally considered that white soil is better for white wines, and red soil for red ones, but there are exceptions. The leading Istrian variants, Istrian malvasia, teran and muscat momiano, are entirely autochthonous, which is a real treat for wine lovers, especially in today's globalised world.

Malvasia is convincingly the leading variety, taking up more than half of the vineyards on the peninsula. Malvasia is a pleasantly mineral, fresh wine with rich smells of fruity and flowery aromas that you absolutely must try, as it is one of the most typical Istrian flavour. Apart from fresh malvasia, winemakers will also offer you aged malvasia, which has matured in wooden barrels and is so much more than mere refreshment.

Teran is the most represented red wine, of dark red colour with purple reflexion, with cherry-like fruity flavour enriched with herbal tones. Blended with the Bordeaux variants of merlot and cabernet sauvignon, teran gives excellent wines of international character with specific Istrian flavour. Muscat momiano is the third Istrian wine attraction. Mildly sweet muscat with fresh notes and intensive scent has always been an ideal end to a tasty meal. Žlahtina is the only economically significant, autochthonous variant in the region of Kvarner. It is produced on the island of Krk, in the fields around the town of Vrbnik, where all the wineries are concentrated, making it a wine centre of Kvarner.

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The very best OLIVE OILS in one place

Olive is the symbol of the Mediterranean so it is fair to say that where there are no more olive trees is where the Mediterranean ends

AUTHOR E. JURKOVIĆ PHOTO GORAN ŠEBELIĆ/HANZA MEDIA

Earlier this year Pula saw the opening of the Museum of Istrian Olive Oil. Located in the very centre, the museum will take you on journey through the history and present days of Istrian olive-growing. Although this unusual museum opened its doors in May, only two months ago, it has already welcomed many foreign visitors from Australia, New Zealand, Canada, the USA and Europe.

The first museum dedicated to olive-growing in Croatia is the right place to learn why Istrian olive oil was highly regarded back in the Roman days and about the evolution of olive oil producing from the ancient times to the present. You will also get an insight into the secrets of producing high-quality extra virgin olive oil.

Museum Olei Histriae will guide you through the various scents, tastes and the composition of Istrian extra virgin olive oil, presenting the nutritional and health benefits of olive oil and Mediterranean cuisine.

Covering an area of 500 square meters, the pleasant light-filled space housing the museum includes exhibition space, a shop, kids' corner and a tasting area.

In the shop, where some of the best local producers have their varietal oils and best oil selections on display, you can choose from a broad selection of Istrian extra virgin olive oils. The shop also offers Istrian brandies, truffles, products based on lavender and other Mediterranean plants, objects made of olive wood and a wide variety of gift packages.

The essential part of the visit to the Museum of Istrian Olive Oil are the tasting sessions guided by an olive oil expert where you'll learn to recognize a high-quality extra virgin olive oil, how to properly taste the oil and what scents and tastes to look for.

Tastings sessions last from 60 to 90 minutes. Depending on the selected tasting session, the prices range from HRK 90 to 130 for adults and HRK 45 to 65 for children under 15, respectively.

Olive Oil Times

Did you know?

PRESTIGE

THE MUSEUM OF ISTRIAN OLIVE OIL HAS RECENTLY BEEN FEATURED ON THE PRESTIGIOUS NEW YORK WEB SITE OLIVE OIL TIMES

Local WINES

Croatia is well known for great wines that receive awards all over the world. These are a few authentical sorts that you just have to try while in different Croatian regions

AUTHOR **SAŠA ŠPIRANEC I EDI JURKOVIĆ**

Wine is one of the most valuable elements of the Croatian tradition and gastronomic heritage. For as long as these parts have been inhabited, wine has been an inseparable component of both daily routine and festivities. Over centuries, each Croatian wine region has developed its own distinctive wine varieties that fully adapted to the climate, soil and expectations of their residents. When you find yourself in Istria, make sure you try Istrian varieties (malvasia, teran, muscat), but do not forget to taste some of the favourite wines from other wine regions of Croatia (Dalmatia, Hilly Croatia or Slavonia).

OTHER REGIONS

Žlahtina is a fresh white wine from the Island of Krk, ideal for summertime. Slavonia and Danube Region are an empire of graševina, the most important and representative white variety in Croatia. Plavac mali is the most important red variety in Croatia, recognised also beyond the borders of our country as a powerful, warm, strong red Dalmatian wine.

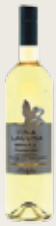
Category:
AFFORDABLE
PLAVAC MALI
Žlahtina, Ivan Katunar, Vrbnik, the Island of Krk

Category:
GOOD VALUE FOR MONEY
Krauthaker Graševina, Kutjevo

Category:
PRESTIGIOUS
PLAVAC MALI
Plavac mali, Saints Hills, Dingač

ISTRIAN WHITE

When in Istria, malvasia is the most important variety to try. A white wine full of freshness and pleasant aromas of ripe fruits, such as peaches and hints of blossoming acacias. In addition to this basic edition, malvasia can also be found in more ambitious forms after ageing for a long time and developing a complex aromatic set.



Category:
AFFORDABLE
Laguna Malvazija, Poreč

Category:
GOOD VALUE FOR MONEY
Kozlović Malvazija, Momjan

Category:
PRESTIGIOUS, AGED MALVASIA
Benvenuti Malvazija, Anno Domini, Kaldir

ISTRIAN RED

Category:
AFFORDABLE
Terra Rossa, Vina Laguna, Poreč

The leading red Istrian wine is an autochthonous variant - teran. It goes ideally with traditional Istrian dishes - manestra, sausages and grilled meat. Merlot and cabernet sauvignon also thrive in Istria, and combined with teran they give excellent results.

Category:
GOOD VALUE FOR MONEY
Grimalda 2013, Matošević, Krunčići

Category:
PRESTIGIOUS
Gran teran, Coronica, Umag

ISTRIAN SWEET

Muscat momiano and other muscat variants are the third Istrian wine attraction. Istrian muscat wines have an intensive smell of muscat grapes and flowers, especially roses, and they usually have a mild, sweet taste. The colour of the sweet muscat momiano is intensive gold, and it is an ideal end to your meal, to go with a local desert.

Category:
AFFORDABLE
Muškat Geržinić, Vižinada

Category:
GOOD VALUE FOR MONEY
Muškat Kozlović, Momjan

Category:
PRESTIGIOUS
Muškat San Salvatore 2011, Benvenuti, Kaldir

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GUIDE FOR Little Kva

Bridge Krk is 1430 meter long arch, Griffon vulture are inhabited on Island of Cres and Island of Lošinj has tradiciton of health tourism lasting more than 125 years

A for Apoxyomenos, a bronze statue of a young athlete, an original Greek work of art discovered at the 45-meter-deep sand bottom near the Island of Lošinj.

B for the Krk Bridge, a 1430-meter-long arch bridge made of reinforced concrete which connects the Island of Krk with the mainland and which carries a million vehicles per year.

C for Cres which is the largest island in the Adriatic and a well-known paradise for the lovers of pristine nature. It has a greater variety of species of plants compared to Great Britain.

D for diving in the crystal clear sea; dive into the beauty of the Kvarner Gulf and find popular wrecks and caves above sea level.

E for the 2020 European Capital of Culture. Rijeka won this prestigious title with the Port of Diversity programme which aims to create a city of culture and creativity.

F for Fjera (the Island of Rab), the first and largest medieval summer festival in Croatia. The so-called Rapska Fjera is based on a tradition that started on 21 July 1364.

G for the griffon vulture population whose last Croatian habitat is on the Island of Cres where an eco-research centre for the protection of these birds is located.

H for honey from Gorski kotar or honey from the islands; whichever honey you choose, each captures the taste of Kvarner.

I for islands around Lošinj: the fertile Unije, the unique sandy Island of Susak with its distinctive culture, the solitary Vele and Male Srakane, and the flower-studded Ilovik.

J for hidden jewels: small beaches only accessible on foot or by boat, such as Klančac (Brseč), Oprna (Krk), Lubenice (Cres), etc.

K for Krk which is only one among the 1185 Croatian islands. It is called the Insula Aurea (the golden island). Discover its charms and treasures in every season.

L for Lošinj, an island with a tradition of health tourism lasting more than 125 years. Thanks to its mild Mediterranean climate, pinewoods and air, it is an ideal place to recreate your body and spirit.

M for the mountains in the Gorski kotar region, the green heart of Kvarner. Visit its clear lakes, sunny meadows, numerous water sources, streams, rivers and wondrous hills.

N for the National Park of Risnjak – a natural bond between the Alps and the Balkan Mountains and a habitat of the three large European animals.

O for Opatija known as the 'Pearl of the Adriatic', which has well-maintained public gardens and the illu-

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minated 12-km-long coastal promenade "Lungomare".

P for Plitvice, the national park located 180 km from Rijeka. It is world-famous for its lakes arranged in cascades.

Q for the designation of the Island Quality Product. The products include foodstuffs, cosmetics, clothing and souvenirs.

R for Rijeka, the main seaport and the third largest city in Croatia (after Zagreb and Split). Rijeka means 'river' so welcome to the 'city that flows'.

S for Susak, a unique island in the Adriatic Sea. Susak is a natural phenomenon because it is covered with thick layers of fine yellowish sand.

T for torpedo, one of the greatest technical achievements of the 19th century invented in Rijeka where you can visit the exhibition marking the 150th anniversary of the invention.

U for Učka, the highest peak on the Istrian peninsula. It is 1,401 metres above sea level and offers wonderful panoramic views of Istria and the Gulf of Kvarner with the islands.

V for Vinodol, the magical valley with a string of quaint villages only a few kilometres from the Novi Vinodolski Riviera and the Crikvenica Riviera.

W for Wakeboard Cable Krk at the west entrance to Punat on the Island of Krk. It is a 400 m^2 facility with a ski lift start line for beginners and experienced boarders.

X for Xtreme sport activities performed by people such as the professionals from Paragliding Kvarner based in Crikvenica. This crew offers tandem flights with a starting point 770 m above the Kvarner Gulf.

Y for yacht tourism based on thirty ports in the Kvarner, 16 of which are marinas with a total of 5,000 berths (more than 3,100 of which are sea berths).

Z for Žlahtina Vrbnička, a dry white wine of high quality, produced from an autochthonous grape variety called the white žlahtina only grown in the fields of Vrbnik.

GRADELE or how to grill a fish

GRILL BRIEFLY

THE FISH IS QUICKLY DONE, DO NOT GRILL IT TOO LONG BECAUSE IT WILL LOSE JUICINESS

DO NOT PLACE FISH IN THE CENTER OF 'GRADELE'

ALWAYS GRILL FISH ON THE OUTER EDGES OF 'GRADELE', AND NOT IN THE MIDDLE OF THE GRID BECAUSE THAT POINT IS VERY HOT

PREVENT STICKING

DRY THE FISH AND 'DROWN' IT IN OLIVE OIL TO PREVENT STICKING TO THE GRID

BE CAREFUL WHILE TURNING

FISH WILL EASILY FALL APART IF NOT CAREFULY TURNED OVER

IS IT OVER ALREADY?

NOT TO RAW AND NOT TOO OVERDONE THAT IS THE POINT. INSERT THE FORK INTO THE FLESH OF FISH. IF THE MEAT IS EASILY SEPARATED - IT IS OVER.

HOW TO GET A REAL DALMATIAN TASTE

SPICE IT UP WITH THE MOST COMMONLY USED DRESSING: COMBINATION OF LEMON JUICE, OLIVE OIL, ROSEMARY AND GARLIC.

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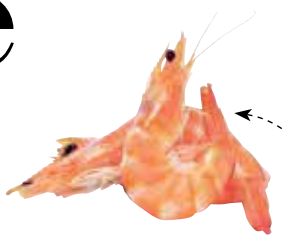
ADRIATIC FISH & how the locals call them



škampi

LANGOUSTINES SHRIMPS

Buzara. That is the only word you have to know when ordering shrimps in Croatia.

srdele

SARDINES

Blue fish that raised generations of people in Dalmatia. There can not be a fishermans night without frying them

brudet

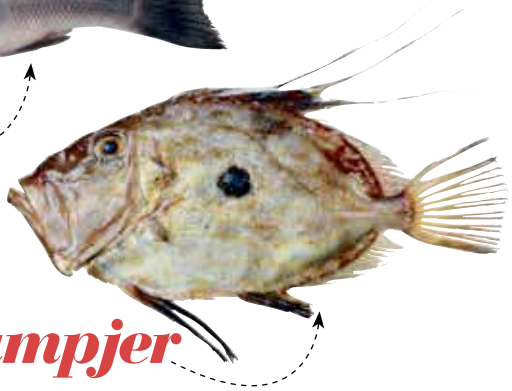
FISH STEW

Use a minimum of three types of fish. Make sure you don't pick something with delicate flesh as it will fall apart when cooking. Serve it with polenta.

brancin

SEABASS

We say: fish must swimm three times. In the sea, in olive oil and then in wine.



šampjer

PETER'S FISH

This white fish is favourite theme for painters. Maybe the most drawn Adriatic fish. Best for stews.

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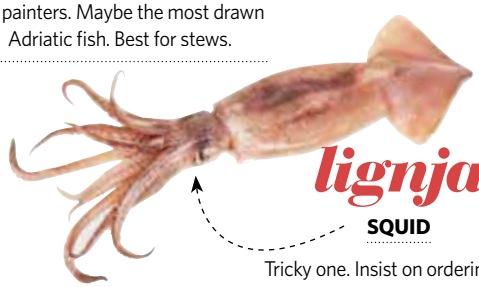
SEABREAM

Like seabass most easily found fish in all restaurants. A non barainer.



lignja

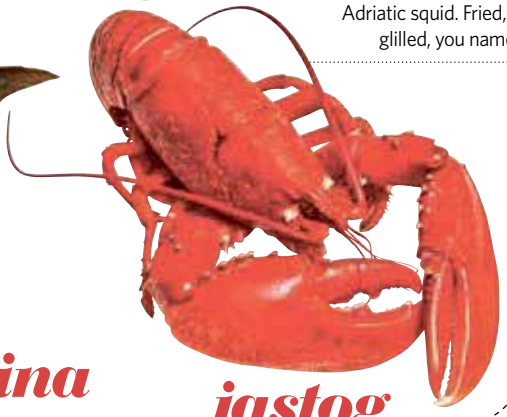
SQUID

Tricky one. Insist on ordering only Adriatic squid. Fried, stuffed, glilled, you name it.

zubatac

DENTEX DENTEX

Most wanted white fish in Adriatic. A gourmans choice for sure. Best for grilling.



škarpina

GROUPER FISH

No stew is a stew without it. Enough said.

jastog

LOBSTER

Any restaurant with a good name will have a few in an aquarium. A must have salad.

The best fish is the fresh fish! Don't forget that. In our restorants you can have a diverse selection of Adriatic fresh fish prepared according to unique and traditional recipies, try it - it will certainly not leave you indifferent. Almost all restaurants on the Croatian side of Adriatic have their own fisherman who provides a fish for them. That way you can be certain that the meal on your plate just came from the sea.

kamenice

OYSTERS

No description needed. You know it all. Is it a myth or not?

dagnje

MUSSELS

For a portion of cleaned mussels (150g), it takes to clean about 1 kg of them.

kunjka

CLAM

One of the most widespread seashells in the Adriatic Sea.

BEST beaches in RIJEKA

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Rijeka has 22 beaches, and two of them, Ploče and Kostanj, are Blue Flag beaches. Also, Rijeka has dog friendly beaches, Brajdica and Kantrida where you can take your dog for swim

Skalete

A small beach primarily for young people and those who prefer sports activities at sea and by the sea. Water polo fans will especially enjoy the well-kept playing area. The Skalete Beach is surrounded by a buoy line and is equipped with showers and toilets.

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Rijeka, the largest city in Kvarner, is famous among tourists primarily due to is rich cultural offer, but also due to its status of a shopping Mecca. The guests are always pleasantly surprised upon learning that Rijeka formally has 22 beaches, of which two (Ploče and Kostanj) are Blue Flag beaches, meaning that the highest standards of sea cleanliness are guaranteed. For those who like solitude, this area is also home to numerous unnamed hidden bays and beaches, some of which are accessible only by sea.

The swimming season in Rijeka starts in spring and lasts until late fall. The beaches are very diverse and thus suit everyone. The Rijeka swimming zones are situated in the westernmost (13 beaches) and easternmost (9 beaches) parts of the city because a large port is located in the city centre.

If you are not a fan of sea water, you can swim and sunbathe at the Kantrida Pools, the largest and most beautiful pool complex in Croatia.

Grčevo

THE BEACH IS EQUIPPED FOR WATER BASKETBALL AND IT HAS SHOWERS, TOILETS AND A CATERING FACILITY.

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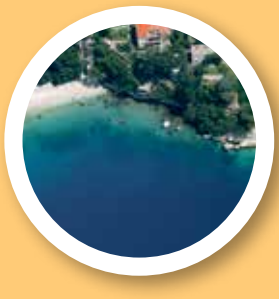
You can reach all Rijeka beaches via city buses and free parking is available



GLAVANOVO

A pebble beach that is ideal for families with children.

IGRALIŠTE

Everyone can enjoy the large pebble beach near the Kantrida Football Stadium.

KOSTANJ BAY

A city beach primarily intended for people with disabilities.

BIVIO

A beach in a rocky bay with showers and toilets.

PRELUK

Due to wind in morning hours, this beach is a paradise for surfers and yachtsmen.

VILLA NORA

A small beach near the Kantrida pool complex.

SABLIĆEVO

One of the oldest beaches in Rijeka.

PLOČE

A large beach surrounded by a buoy line.

DOGS WILL LOVE

BRAJDICA DOG FRIENDLY BEACH This pebble beach is located in Pećine, and is equipped with a bench, a waste basket, running water, a faucet, showers and a hose for washing dogs. You can access the beach on foot via the stairway from Šetalište XIII. divizije promenade.

KANTRIDA DOG FRIENDLY BEACH Covering about 500 m^2, it is located on a bank east of the auxiliary field of the Kantrida Football Stadium. Next to the entrance to sea, there is a shower with a faucet and a rubber hose for washing dogs. There is also a basket with special dog waste bags.

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Cape Zub lighthouse (Engl. tooth)

LEGEND: The legend of Cape Tooth and its unusual name has it that the wife of a local fisherman sat on a rock near the lighthouse while she was waiting for her old husband. He had gone to the sea by boat and had not returned with other fishermen.

TZISTRIA

Everyone thought that he was in trouble, as the storm was raging. She sat on a rock for three days waiting for him to return. When her husband reached the land, he saw in disbelief his wife looking 30 years younger, smiling and showing off her new teeth. This is how the rock got its name.

FACT: The lighthouse was built in 1872 on the Lanterna peninsula, 13 km from Poreč. The signal light is automated and there is no one working at the lighthouse.

TZISTRIA

Crna punta cape lighthouse

LEGEND: There is a legend related to Black Punta about hidden gold and treasure seekers who discovered the mysterious underwater corridors. Unfortunately, no gold was found in the corridors, only stones with strange and mysterious symbols. These mysterious corridors leave many questions unanswered...

FACT: The lighthouse was built in 1873 on the cape off east Istrian coast. It is located about 1 km south of Skitača village, in Raša municipality.

Legends of Istrian LIGHTHOUSES

Mystical, isolated on reefs like forgotten giants, lighthouses have always been objects of fascination. Myths make them even more intriguing

There are 9 lighthouses in Istria, large and small. They are scattered from the northwest coast towards the south end of the peninsula, and along the eastern coast. Lighthouses are used to indicate dangerous coastline, shallow waters and reefs, as well as to point to safe entrances in harbours. They can also be used as help in air navigation.

Each lighthouse has its own characteristic and permanent lights - white, red or green, and the precise alternation of darkness and light, so that sailors can know with certainty which lighthouse the light comes from. They are made of stone, as fortification-type buildings, with visible lighthouse towers and small windows around.

The tallest lighthouses in Istria are Porer and Savudrija-Salvore (36 m).

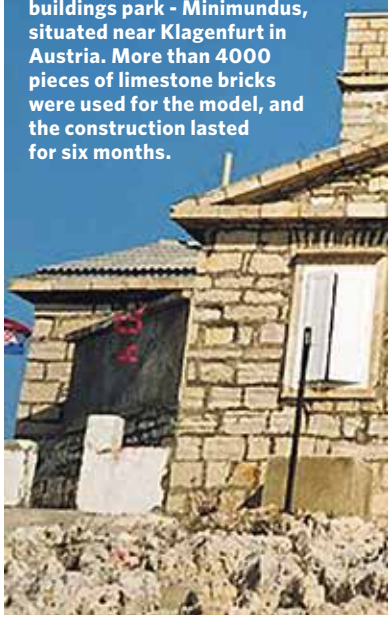
Lighthouses are very special places for a unique and different holiday. Choose one near the tourist centre, or a lighthouse in the open sea - a real paradise which will momentarily separate you from the rush of everyday activities. You can spend your holiday at lighthouses Savudrija-Salvore, Zub, Sv. Ivan, Verudica, the lighthouse of Porer cliff, and Marlera.

Mystical and majestic, isolated on reefs like forgotten giants, lighthouses have always been objects of fascination. Many are famous for stories and myths which make them even more mysterious and intriguing.

Porer lighthouse

LEGEND: How did the builders of Porer manage to build this lighthouse, considering the changeable mood of turbulent sea surrounding it? The legends of Porer are hidden in the sandy waters, hiding many ancient remains. In the shallow waters surrounding Kršin, Fenoliga and Large Balkun there are ship wrecks that had sunk in a storm around Porer. Fenoliga is known for dinosaur footprints.

FACT: The lighthouse was built in 1833 on the rocky Porer islet, and it is situated a mile and a half southwest of the southernmost cape of Istria - Kamenjak. It is a round stone tower, 35 meters high. The Porer lighthouse was included in the miniature buildings park - Minimundus, situated near Klagenfurt in Austria. More than 4000 pieces of limestone bricks were used for the model, and the construction lasted for six months.



Sv. Ivan lighthouse (St. John)

LEGEND: Legend has it that a Venetian doge was sailing in bad weather toward Rovinj-Rovigno. His crew spotted dangerous cliffs of St. John, and changed the route. The doge vowed to St. John that if he sailed alive to Rovinj, he would light up a candle as tall as a tower of a cathedral. Having arrived to Rovinj safely, the doge regretted the promise he had made and started thinking about lighting a smaller candle. Finally, as he was rushing back to Venice, he did not light a candle on St. John at all. A few months later a sudden storm surprised him in the same place. His ship was thrown on the rocks of St. John and the entire crew disappeared in the stormy sea.

FACT: St. John lighthouse was built on a cliff bearing the same name, in front of Rovinj. It is a 70-meter long bare rock, 50 meters wide. The lighthouse was built by Austro-Hungarian authorities in 1853. The octagonal stone tower of the lighthouse, from which you can enjoy a breathtaking view, is 23 meters high.

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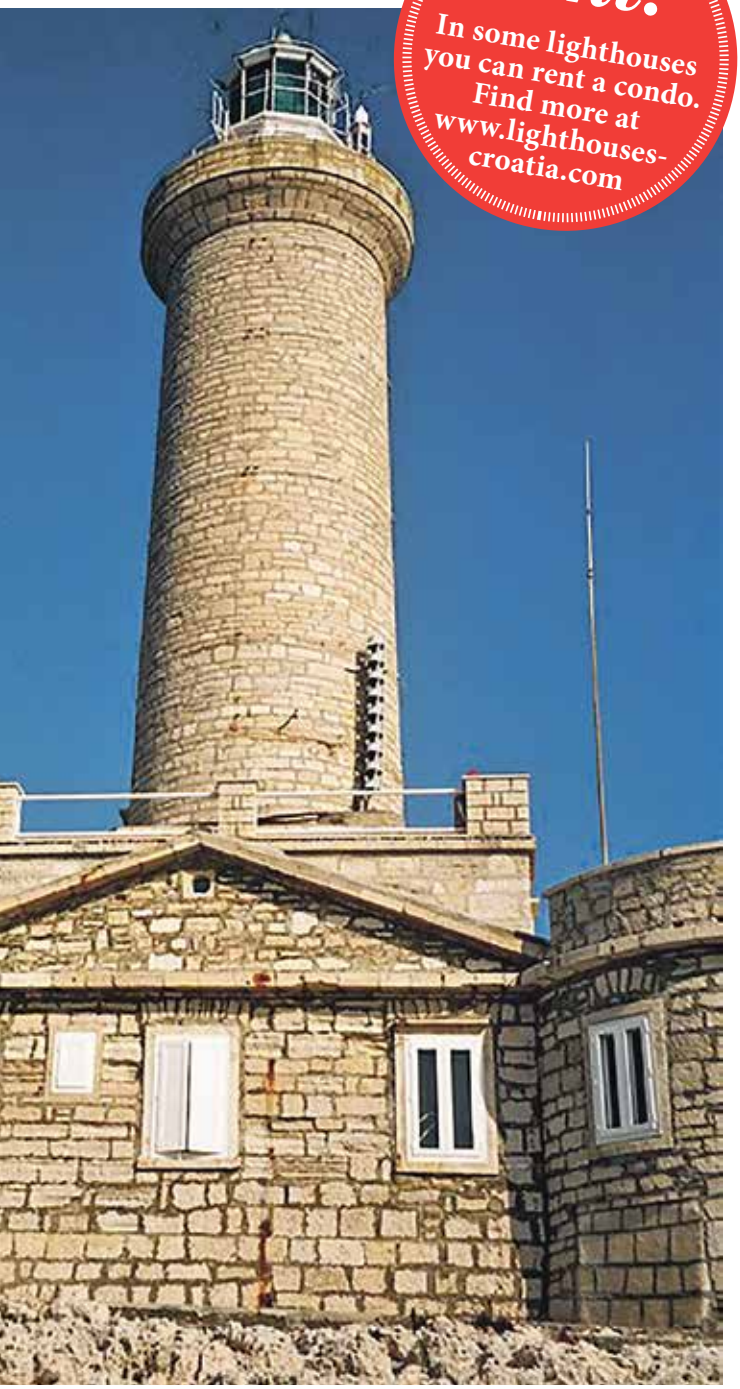

Cape Marlera lighthouse

LEGEND: The lighthouse is situated on the cape associated with the Greeks colonizing from Cyprus in the 16th century.

FACT: It was built between 1865 and 1880. It is situated about 6 km from Ližnjan, at punta Grkova.

Cape Verudica lighthouse

LEGEND: Legend has it that Emperor Vespasian did not pay his debt to the builders who had built the amphitheatre. To avoid a potential curse and to repay the debt, he had his confidants take golden coins and bury them into the shore in front of the lighthouse, so that the builders' descendants would find it in future.

FACT: The lighthouse was built in 1877 on the Verdurica Cape, on the island of Veruda, south of Pula. It consists of an 8-meter high foursquare stone tower and a ground building.

Cape Peneda lighthouse

LEGEND: Still waiting for the legend.

FACT: The lighthouse was built in 1877 on the southernmost cape of impressive Veli Brijun island, one of fourteen Brijuni islands. The Peneda lighthouse consists of a 15-meter high foursquare stone tower.

Cape Savudrija lighthouse

LEGEND: According to available information and legend, the Savudrija-Salvore lighthouse was built in 1818 by Count Meternich for a beautiful Croatian noble woman he fell in love with at a Viennese ball. Unfortunately, the building in which they planned to live together never got to see its owners. The noble woman died right before the lighthouse was completed, and the Austrian Count never visited it again.

FACT: Savudrija-Salvore is the oldest active lighthouse in the Adriatic and the northernmost Croatian lighthouse on the north-western cape of the Istrian peninsula. It was opened on the night of 17 April 1818, one year after the beginning of construction, in the presence of the Austrian emperor Francis I, who was visiting Trieste at the time and, included Savudrija-Salvore into his itinerary. This was the first lighthouse in the world to derive its light from coal distillation.

Sv. Nikola lighthouse (St. Nicholas)

LEGEND: This lighthouse on the eastern coast of the Adriatic was the highest at the time (in the 15th century), visible from great distance.

FACT: In 1403 the Venetians built a 15-meter lighthouse on the highest part of the island of St. Nicholas, near Poreč. After the fire in the 17th century, the lighthouse was replaced by a large lantern.

The breathtaking DALMATIAN COAST

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Central Dalmatia has some of the most beautiful islands and beaches in Croatia, but also extraordinary gastronomy, wine and olive oil offer

Natural beauty abounds in Central Dalmatia – some of the most beautiful Croatian islands, beaches and natural phenomena, easily accessible from all parts of the country. The centre of the region is the city of Split, where the reminders of its rich history are on every corner. This Mediterranean city is 1700 years old, protected by UNESCO, the same as the town of Trogir some thirty kilometres away. Trogir is a pearl of medieval architecture, with every stone and every alley telling an exciting story. The most important monuments are the Cathedral of St Lawrence (Sv. Lovro) with magnificent 1240 portal, and the Kamerlengo fort. Here are some of the places you can choose for your dream holiday in Central Dalmatia. We invite you to discover many more.

The River Cetina and Omiš

Exciting rafting adventure

Surrounded by rocks, the town of Omiš is situated in the place where the crystal clear Cetina River flows into the sea. This small town used to be famous for pirates, but today it is well known for its long sandy beach and a capella bands, and it is a favourite summer destination for those who want adventure and adrenalin rush on holidays. The pristine canyon of the river Cetina, which was awarded the status of protected natural environment in 1963, provides great opportunities for active holiday. Along its 100 kilometres the river Cetina has something for everyone - adrenalin lovers shouldn't miss zipline, canyoning, kayaking or rafting, and if you are not adrenaline junkie, go for long walks by the river, take boat rides, or simply sit back and enjoy Dalmatian specialties in one of the most beautiful Croatian canyon, providing unforgettable experience.

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be active!
Rafting adventure usually starts at 9am and ends in the afternoon

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Sinj

Alka - the oldest knights' tournament

Not more than 10 kilometres from the coast lies the green heart of the region, rich in natural beauties, centuries-old forts, beautiful river and impressive history. One of the places worth visiting is Sinj, the home of the Sinjska alka knights' tournament, traditionally held for more than 300 years on every first Sunday in August, honouring Our Lady of Sinj. This is the most important event in the region - a spectacle of colours, with participants (*alkari*) wearing original uniforms, preserved for centuries in the region, accompanied by their helpers. The tramping of horses, the clang of spears against the *alka*, the spirit of competitiveness and the dignity of knights - Alka is recognised by UNESCO as intangible cultural heritage.

The Island of Brač

Zlatni rat - the most photographed beach in Croatia

Zlatni rat beach on the island of Brač, near the town of Bol, will leave you breathless. This unique beach is shaped daily by the waves and the wind, turning its elongated tip either left or right. The wind creates perfect conditions for water sports, and sandy bottom and gravel beach in the crystal clear sea are pure pleasure. The island of Brač is famous for its high-quality hard stone with the range of 20 colours, used for building the Diocletian's Palace in Split, the Parliament building in Vienna, and the White House in Washington.

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Split

Enter the Game of Thrones

Fairy-tale sites abound in the region, which has been chosen as the setting of the fourth season of the Game of Thrones. The basements of the ancient Diocletian's Palace in Split, the beautiful Žrnovnica river, green inlands, Biokovo mountain near Baška Voda, and Klis, the strongest and one of the most beautiful Croatian medieval forts create a perfect, natural setting for fights, intrigues, betrayals, and revenge in this fantastic TV series. If you visit Split between 15 and 17 July, do not miss the biggest electronic music festival in Europe - Ultra Europe, held at Poljud stadium.

The Island of Vis

The most beautiful silver reflection in the Blue Cave

The Island of Vis is one of the farthest inhabited islands in Croatia. It is an oasis of pristine nature, authentic ambiance, rich history and exquisite local food and wine. It is an ideal holiday destination for those who want peace and quiet in this picturesque environment. The islet of Biševo next to Vis has the most beautiful natural phenomenon - the silver-blue sea in the Blue Cave is the sight you will never forget. When you enter the cave by a small boat, light is reflected on the surface of the sea, giving it a silver reflection of unreal beauty.

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Hvar

The oldest theater in Europe

Hvar is the island with the longest tourist tradition in Croatia, but also an island with the greatest number of sunny days in the whole country. It has been listed in the top 10 most attractive islands in the world. Known as an island of lavender and sailors, it is also famous for the Hvar Theatre which is ithe first theater in Europe, founded in 1612.

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10 THINGS TO take home

You've had a blast visiting Istria and Kvarner attractions and now it's time to search for the perfect souvenir, preferably an edible one

FIGURES WEARING TRADITIONAL SUSAK CLOTHES, JADRANKA SUVENIR SHOP, MALI LOŠINJ, **HRK 100**

TRUFFLES, BIJELA TARTUFATA ZIGANTE, 80 G, **HRK 72**

KAŽUN, A MODEL OF ISTRIAN FIELD STONE SHELTER, **HRK 20+,** DEPENDING ON SIZE

MOOR FROM RIJEKA - JEWELLERY APPENDAGE, BRUKETA, **HRK 100**

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OLIVE OIL - OL ISTRIA, EXTRA VIRGIN OLIVE OIL, 0.5 L, **HRK 90**

TRADITIONAL ISTRIAN RAKIJA - BISKA ŠTIFANIĆ, 1L, **HRK 129**

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