

CROATIA

Feel the amazing atmosphere of the holy places that we discover from Medjugorje to the national sanctuary of Marija Bistrica

Eurolynx can also assist with arrangements pre and post tour accommodation, rail, ferries and other travel arrangements.

MARIAN SANCTUARIES TOUR

9 days, 8 nights

DAY 1 DUBROVNIK

Arrive at Dubrovnik airport and transfer to the hotel.

DAY 2 DUBROVNIK - MEDJUGORJE

Morning sightseeing of Dubrovnik, a city on UNESCO's list of Protected World Cultural Heritage. After lunch departure for Medjugorje. Arrive in the late afternoon, in time for the evening mass at the parish church of St. Jacob.

DAY 3 MEDJUGORJE

Since the first apparition of Our Lady on 24th June 1981, Medjugorje has become one of the most famous and most visited sanctuaries in the Catholic world (over 10 million pilgrims have visited Medjugorje). Climb the Apparition Hill by the way of the rosary, marked by wooden crosses and bronze reliefs. Evening service.

DAY 4 MEDJUGORJE - SINJ - SOLIN - SPLIT

Morning drive to Sinj, well-known for the miraculous icon of Our Lady of Sinj, believed to have saved its citizens several times from the Turkish attacks. In 1752 Pope Benedict XIV granted a plenary indulgence to those who visit the church of the Holy Virgin Mary in Sinj. Lunch in Sinj. Continue our drive to Split, via Solin where we visit the remains of the oldest Croatian sanctuary to Mary, built by the Croatian queen Jelena in the 10th century. Dinner and overnight in Split.

DAY 5 SPLIT - TROGIR - ZADAR

Sightseeing of the Diocletian's palace, under UNESCO's protection of World Cultural Heritage, including the Cathedral of St. Dismas, patron saint of Split. After lunch, continue to Trogir for a visit of the Cathedral, a masterpiece of Romanesque Art. Dinner and overnight in Zadar.

DAY 6 ZADAR - RIJEKA - TRSAT

City tour of Zadar including the Museum of Zadar's Gold and Silver. Lunch followed by departure to Rijeka. The legend of Trsat sanctuary began with transferring of Mary's house from Nazareth to Trsat in 1291 and three years later to Loretto, Italy... The church of Our Lady of Trsat was named basilica minor by the Pope Pius XI in 1935. We will tour the church housing the miraculous picture of St. Mary, the Franciscan cloister and the Chapel of votive offerings. Dinner and overnight in Rijeka.

DAY 7 RIJEKA - ZAGREB - REMETE - MARIJA BISTRICA

City tour of Zagreb including St Stephen's Cathedral and St Mark's Church. Lunch and departure for Remete to visit the church of St. Mary, labeled Celestial Pharmacy thanks to the miraculous events, witnessed by church medallions. Drive to Marija Bistrica for the evening service. Dinner and overnight in Donja Stubica.

DAY 8 MARIJA BISTRICA

Finding of the statue of St. Mary with the child, followed by numerous miracles in the past centuries, turned this village into the largest and most visited Croatian sanctuary. In 1924 Pope Pius XI proclaimed the church Basilica minor. We shall pray on the Way of the Cross, marked by stone and bronze sculptures. Dinner and overnight in Donja Stubica.

DAY 9 ZAGREB Departure

Transfer to Zagreb airport for your flight home.

TOUR INCLUDES:

- Arrival and departure transfers
- Accommodation in 3-star hotels and private accommodation in Medjugorje
- Full board on tour (except on Day 3 Medjugorje and Day 8 Donja Stubica half board)
- Sightseeing tour of Dubrovnik, Split, Zadar and Zagreb (local guide and entrance fees included)
- air-conditioned motorcoach throughout
- Tour Escort

EXAMPLE GROUP RATES: (per person, double/twin basis) - please enquire for further information

15 - 19 pax from NZD 1,650 30 - 35 pax from NZD 1,350

*Information and rates based on information as at November 2004.
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