

Adriatic Odyssey

Duration :16 Days - 11 Paddling Days - 2 Days Hiking -1 Day Rafting/river safari

Distance 200 km

Difficulty: Moderate to Advanced

Our expedition includes visits to 3 national parks, 2 parks of nature, exploration of 2 rivers, and a thrilling adventure in 1 significant cave.

This 16-day expedition offers flexible participation options: you may join the full journey or choose one of two 8-day segments (Day 1–8 or Day 8–16).

Please note that partial bookings will be discussed with the group that has reserved the full trip. Joining the second segment (Day 8–16) may not always be approved, as it could impact group dynamics and the overall experience.

Description

Our adventure begins on the geological island of Rab, where we immerse ourselves in its striking landscapes and rich history. We explore sea caves by swimming, jumping, and diving in and out of them, paddle through hidden passages, climb dramatic cliffs, and discover secluded sandy beaches along the way.

From Rab, we journey beneath the sacred Velebit Mountain, following a hidden coastal route toward the stunning bay of Pag Island. En route, we stop at Nature Park Zavratica — a miniature fjord that shelters a sunken World War II ship beneath its crystal-clear waters.

Our next base is the famous Paklenica National Park, where we spend two days surrounded by dramatic canyon scenery. Here, we hike through the canyon, experience an exciting speleo-adventure in the impressive Modrič Cave, and feel the adrenaline rush of rafting through the spectacular Zrmanja River canyon.

Continuing into the heart of Central Dalmatia, we paddle through a labyrinth of more than 100 islands. Crossing two sea channels, we arrive at Nature Park Telašćica, known for its towering cliffs and the tranquil, healing salt lake Mir (Peace). Our journey then takes us to the iconic

Kornati National Park — a true paddler’s paradise — where we explore some of the park’s most breathtaking locations and fully embrace its raw, untouched beauty.

After exploring Kornati, a boat transfer brings us to the enchanting island of Murter. From there, we continue paddling to the historic Mediterranean town of Prvić, admired for its charming stone architecture and timeless atmosphere.

Our expedition concludes in Skradin, with a visit to the historic town of Šibenik, rich in cultural heritage. On our final day, we experience the unforgettable beauty of Krka National Park and its magnificent waterfalls.

This journey offers a perfect blend of adventure, exploration, and natural beauty — creating lasting memories and adding another extraordinary chapter to our Relaxploration experience.

Itinerary

Our itinerary offers a rough outline of our sea kayak adventure along Croatia's stunning coastline. Please note, that plans are flexible and subject to adjustments due to local weather and unforeseen circumstances. Safety and enjoyment come first, so we adapt to changes in wind and waves. Our experienced guides prioritize your experience, making necessary alterations for a memorable journey. While we've planned each day meticulously, expect exciting detours and spontaneous discoveries.

Day 1 – Arrival to Rab Island

When: The trip briefing is scheduled for 7:00 PM.

Where: The briefing will take place at [our residence](#).

What: We will provide a briefing on the trip details.

Followed by: A welcome dinner featuring native food will be served.

Logistics and Packing:

- Dry Bags: We will distribute dry bags for packing essentials for kayaking.
- Excess Luggage: Any excess luggage not needed for kayaking will be transferred to our residence on the last day of the trip.

Exploration Plan:

- Old City of Rab Tour: A guided tour of the old city of Rab will be arranged, and adjusted to accommodate everyone's arrival time.

Accommodation:

- Overnight Stay: Private rooms are arranged for accommodation.

Please ensure your presence at the trip briefing for essential information and a warm welcome to our adventure!

Meals included: Dinner

Day 2- Sandy Beaches and Prison Island | 10 kms

Meeting Time: We will meet at our base at 9:00 AM.

Transfer: A short transfer will be arranged to Lopar to begin our kayaking adventure.

Location: Lopar is a sandy peninsula, unique in Croatia, known for its sandy coves and beaches.

Activities:

- Paddling: We'll start paddling along the coastline, exploring the beautiful sandy peninsula of Lopar.
- Lunch Break: We will take a break for lunch, enjoying the scenic views and perhaps a picnic on one of the sandy beaches.

Destination:

- After lunch, we'll continue paddling towards the Island of St. Gregory.
- Island Exploration: St. Gregory is a former political prison island. We'll have the opportunity to explore it briefly on foot, learning about its history and significance.

Accommodation: Camping on the beach

Please be prepared for a day filled with adventure, exploration, and the breathtaking beauty of Rab's coastline!

Meals included: Lunch, Dinner

Day 3- Geo Park Rab | 22 km

Paddling Along the High Cliffs of Grgur:

- We'll navigate the high cliffs of Grgur, known for their majestic views and as a perch for Griffon Vultures, the largest Eurasian birds.

Exploration and Break:

- Upon reaching the southernmost point of the island, we'll take a brief break to rest and enjoy the scenery.

Return to Lopar for Lunch:

- We'll paddle back to Lopar, where a delicious lunch awaits us on one of the sandy beaches.

Paddling to Geo Park Rab:

- Continuing our journey, we'll paddle to Geo Park Rab, enjoying the picturesque coastline along the way.

Exploring Medova Cave:

- Within Geo Park Rab, we'll have the thrilling opportunity to paddle into and explore Medova Cave, perhaps even taking refreshing jumps into the crystal-clear waters of this cave.

Camping Under the Stars:

- Tonight, we'll set up camp under the starry sky on a serene pebble beach with an enchanting view of the Velebit Mountain range.

Accommodation: Camping

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 4- Rab- Zavratica Fiord- Pag Island | 25 Km

Breakfast with a View:

- We'll start the day with a delicious breakfast overlooking the magnificent Velebit Mountain, soaking in the stunning scenery.

Paddling in Geo Park (Second Part):

- Following breakfast, we'll embark on the second part of our journey through Geo Park, exploring its fascinating terrain and possibly entering one of its caves by kayak.

Exploration Stop:

- We'll make another stop along the way to further explore and appreciate the natural wonders surrounding us.

Paddling to Zavratica Bay:

- Our next destination is the breathtaking Zavratica Bay (locally called a fjord due to its shape), located in the Nature Park Velebit. Here, we'll have the opportunity to snorkel around a sunken ship from World War II, immersing ourselves in history and marine life.

Lunch Break:

- Following our exploration and snorkeling adventure, we'll enjoy a hearty lunch, replenishing our energy for the remainder of the day's journey.

Continuing to the Bay of Svetojanj:

- After lunch, we'll resume paddling, making our way to the Bay of Svetojanj on the Island of Pag. Here, we'll encounter the 6th-century fortification, a testament to the region's rich history and cultural heritage.

Camping on a Remote Beach:

- Just beyond the bay, we'll find a remote beach where we'll set up camp for the night, surrounded by the tranquility of nature and the soothing sounds of the sea.

Accommodation: Camping

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 5- Moonscape Island of Pag | 23 Km

We'll start the day paddling towards the Bay of Žigljen, then continue exploring the dramatic and rugged eastern coastline of Pag. Along the way, we'll stop for lunch in one of the sheltered coves, surrounded by the island's striking, lunar-like landscape.

In the afternoon, we'll keep following this wild and barren stretch until we reach the entrance to the Bay of Pag, from where we'll paddle toward the stunning and picturesque **Gomilica Beach** — a perfect spot to relax and take in the scenery after a rewarding day on the water.

Accommodation: Camping

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 6- Pag and Paklenica National Park | 12 Km

Paddling to the "New" Renaissance City of Pag:

- Today, our journey continues as we paddle towards the "new" renaissance city of Pag, established in the year 1443. This city is known for its rich history, cultural heritage, and stunning architecture.

Lunch and Tour of Pag Town:

- Upon arrival, you'll have time to enjoy **lunch on your own** in one of Pag's local restaurants, where you can taste traditional island dishes at your own pace. After lunch, we'll embark on a **guided tour of Pag Town**, exploring its charming streets, historical landmarks, and unique attractions that reflect the island's rich cultural heritage.

Transfer to Paklenica National Park:

- After our exploration of Pag, we'll transfer close to Paklenica National Park, renowned for its rugged landscapes, towering cliffs, and diverse wildlife.

Two Nights near the National Park:

- We'll spend the next two nights in private accommodation where we'll have a chance to rest and have a shower.

Accommodation: Private rooms

Meals included: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 7- Paklenica Canyon and Cave Modrič

Exploring Paklenica National Park:

- Today is dedicated to exploration and adventure in Paklenica National Park. We'll embark on a day of walking and cave exploring, delving into the park's rugged landscapes and natural wonders.

Hiking through Deep Canyons:

- Our journey will take us through deep canyons carved into the Karstic limestone, offering breathtaking vistas and unique geological formations.

Visiting Modrič Caves:

- Our highlight for the day is the stunning Modrič Caves. Led by our experienced speleologist guide, we'll navigate through secret labyrinths and narrow passages to discover spectacular halls adorned with fascinating formations. From pipe organs to cuttlefishes, and crabs to fairies, the caves are a treasure trove of natural wonders and surprises.

Carbide Lamp Exploration:

- With the aid of carbide lamps, we'll illuminate our way through the caves, allowing us to witness the enchanting beauty of these underground marvels in all their glory.

Back to comfort:

- After a day filled with exploration and wonder, we'll return to our accommodation, where we'll relax after our adventures. Dinner at your own expense.

Accommodation: Private rooms

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 8- Zrmanja River Rafting or Safari

Early Breakfast and Transfer to Zrmanja River:

- We'll start our day with an early breakfast before transferring to the Zrmanja River, a beautiful jewel known for cutting through a deep canyon and offering delightful paddling opportunities.

Paddling on Zrmanja River:

- Using 2-person kayaks, we'll navigate the twists and turns of the Zrmanja River, aided by its current. The river's stunning travertine barriers create picturesque waterfalls, while the lush surroundings provide a stark contrast to the landscapes we encountered during our sea kayak trip.

8-Day Option Conclusion:

- For those on the 8-day option, our journey concludes here with a transfer to the town of Zadar.

Transfer to Camp at Sukošan (16-Day Option):

- Participants opting for the 16-day option will transfer to our camp at Sukošan, where they'll have the opportunity to continue their adventure and explore further.

Accommodation: Camping

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 9- Mainland To Kornati | 20 Km

Paddling towards Kornati National Park:

- With the majestic backdrop of the Velebit massif behind us, we set our course towards the 89 islands that comprise the stunning Kornati National Park. Established in 1980 for its breathtaking scenic beauty, unique geomorphology, and pristine coastal lines, Kornati has since become one of Croatia's premier paddling destinations.

Paddling through the Upper Kornati Archipelago:

- As we paddle through the upper Kornati Archipelago, we'll navigate across several straits, each offering its captivating views and experiences. The azure waters, rugged coastlines, and myriad islands create a paddler's paradise unlike any other.

Night on the Island of Žut (Yellow):

- Our day's journey culminates as we arrive at the island of Žut, aptly named for its vibrant yellow hues. Here, amidst the serene beauty of Kornati National Park, we'll set up camp for the night, surrounded by the tranquility and natural splendor of our surroundings.

Accommodation: Camping

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Note: Today we'll have a few crossings from island to island, with the longest stretch being **about 4 kilometers**.

Day 10- Salt Lake and National Park | 18 Km

Early Start for a Long Paddling Day:

- Today, we embark on one of our longer paddling journeys, beginning early from Žut and heading towards Levrnaka
- En route, we'll pass by the Roman ruins of villae rusticae in Mala Proversa, offering a glimpse into the ancient history and heritage of the region.
- Our journey continues as we visit the salt lake, Lake Mir, situated within Telascica Nature Park. Surrounded by stunning landscapes, we'll paddle under the towering cliffs that rise up to 168 meters high, and take refreshing swims in the crystalline waters.

- Before reaching our camp on Levrnaka, we'll pass by several other cliff islands, each offering its own unique charm and beauty. We'll also encounter a historic lighthouse, built in 1871, which stands as a testament to the maritime history of the region.

Arrival at Levrnaka Camp:

Our day's journey concludes as we arrive at our campsite on Levrnaka, where we'll rest and recharge amidst the tranquility of the island's natural surroundings.

Accommodation: Camping

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 11- National Park Archipelago | 17 Km

Morning Hike to the Highest Peak of Kornati Islands (237 m):

- After breakfast, we'll embark on a refreshing morning hike to the highest peak of the Kornati Islands, standing at 237 meters. From this vantage point, we'll be treated to breathtaking panoramic views of the surrounding islands and azure waters.

Lunch and Continued Paddling:

- Following our hike, we'll enjoy a delicious lunch before continuing our paddling journey.
- As we paddle, we'll pass by the impressive cliffs of Mali and Veli Rasip, marveling at their sheer beauty and grandeur.
- Along the way to the island of Lavsa, we'll make several stops to explore historical sites and landmarks. Our knowledgeable guides will regale us with tales of the island's rich history and cultural significance.
- Lavsa is renowned for its historical significance, with remnants dating back to the 1st century, including villae rusticae and the remains of an ancient river and salt pan. Our guides will provide fascinating insights into the island's past and its importance throughout the centuries.

*Overnight arrangements on Lavsa depend on permit approval. If permits are not granted, we will stay an additional night on Levrnaka. Either way, we will paddle through an extensive part of Kornati National Park.

Accommodation: Camping

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 12- Murter Island | 12 Km

Morning Paddle to the Island of Ravni Žakan*:

- After a hearty breakfast, we'll embark on a morning paddle towards the picturesque island of Ravni Žakan. Along the way, we'll pass under the impressive 82-meter cliff, marveling at its sheer height and natural beauty.

Boat Transfer to Murter:

- Upon reaching the island of Ravni Žakan, we'll arrange for a boat transfer to Murter. This transfer will offer us a chance to relax and enjoy the stunning views of the Adriatic Sea as we make our way to Murter.

Continued Paddling to Camp:

- Upon arrival in Murter, we'll resume our paddling journey for another hour until we reach our campsite. This final leg of paddling will provide us with an opportunity to soak in the serene coastal scenery and reflect on the incredible experiences of our journey.

*The boat pick-up may take place from an island other than Žakanj, depending on the captain and the type of boat. Please note that there is no fixed transfer option for this segment, as it depends on boat availability.

Accommodation: Camping

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 13 – Island of Prvić | 18 Km

Paddling Past Murter and Tribunj:

- Today, we begin our journey back towards the mainland, paddling past the scenic islands of Murter and the charming town of Tribunj. As we paddle, we'll admire the coastal landscapes and soak in the tranquility of the Adriatic Sea.

Lunch in Tribunj:

- Our midday stop will be in the town of Tribunj, where we'll enjoy a delicious lunch. Tribunj offers a picturesque setting and authentic Croatian charm, providing the perfect backdrop for a relaxing meal.

Continued Paddling to Island of Prvić:

- After lunch, we'll paddle for another hour to reach our beach camp on the Island of Prvić. This historical stone town exudes a unique charm and offers a glimpse into Croatia's rich cultural heritage.

Restaurant Dinner with Traditional Dish:

- As the day winds down, we'll gather for a restaurant dinner (Dinner at your own expense) featuring traditional Croatian dishes. This culinary experience will allow us to savor the flavors of the region and indulge in local delicacies.

Accommodation: Camping

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 14 – Krka River Canyon | 27 Km

Early Start for Long Paddling Day:

- Today marks our longest paddling day, so we'll begin early to make the most of the day's journey.

Paddle to Historic Town of Šibenik:

- Our route takes us to the historic town of Šibenik, where we'll paddle past the fortress at the entrance of the canal and the military tunnel. Šibenik is known for its rich history, stunning architecture, and vibrant culture.

Lunch in the Old City:

- Upon arrival in Šibenik, we'll take a break for lunch in the charming old city, soaking in the atmosphere and exploring the local sights and flavors.

Continue through the Channel of St. Ante:

- After lunch, our journey continues through the channel of St. Ante. We'll paddle under the two bridges—the Šibenik Bridge and the Skradin Bridge—situated in the picturesque Krka River canyon.

Finish Paddling in Skradin:

- Our sea kayak paddling adventure concludes in the town of Skradin, where we'll disembark and prepare for our overnight stay.

Overnight in Rooms:

Tonight, we'll enjoy a well-deserved rest and relaxation in private rooms, reflecting on the memorable experiences of our journey and the stunning landscapes we've encountered along the way.

Accommodation: Private room

Meals included: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 15 – National Park Krka

Visit to Krka National Park and Skradinski Buk Waterfalls:

- After enjoying breakfast at our hotel in Skradin, we'll embark on a visit to the magnificent Krka National Park, renowned for its spectacular waterfalls, including the famous Skradinski Buk.

Exploration of Skradinski Buk Waterfalls:

- Skradinski Buk is a karstic phenomenon, where travertine barriers create hundreds of cascades and waterfalls, forming a mesmerizing natural spectacle. We'll have the opportunity to explore the trails, admire the cascading waters, and immerse ourselves in the pristine beauty of the park.

Last Day for Swimming and Reflection:

- Following our visit to Krka National Park, we'll have our final day for swimming, relaxation, and reflection on the diverse experiences of our Croatian adventure. It's a

time to cherish the memories we've created and appreciate the natural wonders that have surrounded us throughout our journey.

Farewell Dinner:

- In the evening, we'll come together for a farewell dinner (dinner at your own expense), sharing stories and memories of our time spent exploring the Croatian coastline. It's a time to celebrate the friendships we've formed and the unforgettable moments we've shared.

Accommodation: Private Room

Meals Included : Breakfast, Lunch

Day 16 – Trip Ends

Departure Day Transfer Options after breakfast by 9 am:

Group Transfer to Zadar Airport at 10:20 am

- For those departing from Zadar Airport, a group transfer will be provided after breakfast. We'll ensure that everyone reaches the airport promptly to catch their flights.

Group Transfer to Šibenik City Center at 9 am

- Alternatively, for those continuing their travels or departing from Šibenik, a group transfer will be arranged to Šibenik City Center. From there, individuals can proceed with their onward journeys as needed.

These transfer options are designed to accommodate the varied travel plans of our participants, ensuring a smooth and convenient departure process.

Meals Included: No meals

INCLUSIONS

Included in Your Package

Meals

- 13 breakfasts
- 12 lunches
- 11 dinners
- Drinking water throughout the trip

Accommodation

- 5 nights in private rooms
- 10 nights camping (beach camp)
- Single room supplement: +200€ (applies to 5 private-room nights)

Transfers

- All transportation from Day 1 to the final day of the tour
- Boat transfers as outlined in the itinerary

Equipment

- Single or double sea kayak
- PFD (life vest)
- Lightweight paddle
- Spray skirt
- Dry bags
- Tent and sleeping bag
- Caving suit with head torch
- Neoprene suit and boots for river rafting/safari
- Personal camping dining set (mug, plate, bowl, and cutlery)
- Toilet paper for camping use

Guided Experience

- Services of a certified and experienced English-speaking guide
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Not Included in the Package

Meals

- Breakfast on Days 2 and 16
- Lunch on Days 6 and 14
- Dinner on Days 7, 8, 13, and 15
- Additional orders at bars or restaurants (including beverages)

Other

- Air mattresses (available for rent from our company)
- Airport transfers
- Accommodation before and after the tour

Entrance Fees (2026)

Entrance fees are not included, as itinerary changes may affect which attractions are visited.

- Zavratica (Mini Fjord): 7€
- Nature Park Telašćica: 7€
- National Park Kornati: 7€ per day (2 days)
- National Park Krka: 20€

OTHER INFORMATION

Hassle-Free Luggage Management

To keep your journey light and streamlined, we provide complimentary storage for any excess luggage throughout the expedition. Should you need access to your belongings, we can arrange delivery on Days 6 and 7 during our private-room stays. All luggage will be returned to you in Skradin on Day 15, at the conclusion of our final paddling stage and overnight stay.

Additional Costs to Budget For

While many elements are included in the expedition package, participants should budget for the following:

- National and Nature Park entrance fees (approximately €50 total)
- Restaurant meals not included in the itinerary (typically €10–30 per meal)
- Personal snacks and beverages
- Souvenirs and personal purchases
- Gratuities (not mandatory, but appreciated for excellent service)

Camping Conditions

This expedition includes multiple nights of beach camping in remote locations.

- Wild camping on secluded beaches
- Limited or no shower facilities on camping nights
- Basic toilet arrangements in natural settings
- Commitment to Leave No Trace principles to preserve the environment

Participants should be comfortable with simple, expedition-style camping.

Food & Dietary Policy

Meals during the expedition are prepared collaboratively by the guide and participants, fostering a team-based expedition atmosphere.

- Dietary requirements (vegetarian, vegan, gluten-free, allergies, etc.) can be accommodated with prior notice
 - Drinking water is available throughout the tour
 - Alcohol is not permitted during paddling activities for safety reasons
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Insurance Requirement

Participants are responsible for their personal medical and evacuation coverage.

Weather & Risk Disclaimer

This expedition takes place in dynamic marine and outdoor environments.

Routes, daily distances, and activities may be adjusted due to weather conditions, sea state, or safety considerations. Flexibility, cooperation, and a positive team spirit are essential elements of this journey.

Liability Waiver

All participants are required to read and sign a participation agreement and liability waiver prior to the start of the expedition.