

Local Living Croatia - Southern Dalmatia - ECDL

7 days: Dubrovnik to Dubrovnik

What's Included

- Your G for Good Moment: DEŠA Women's Centre Visit, Dubrovnik
- Your Foodie Moment: Wine and Olive Oil Tasting Tour, Konavle
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- Wine and olive oil tasting tour through Konavle
- Hands-on traditional Croatian cooking class
- Full-day excursion by boat around the Adriatic Sea
- Day trip to Dubrovnik and orientation walk in the city
- Half-day cycling tour through the area
- Arrival and departure transfers (to and from airport only)

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VALIDITY: Valid for all trips departing January 1st, 2018 and onwards

Itinerary

NOTE: Accommodations vary per departure and are subject to change until tour start date; they are not final and should be used as examples only. Travellers may login to the G Adventures App to view accommodations specific to their departure.

Day 1 Dubrovnik/Lovorno

Arrive by 5pm at the latest. Included airport transfer to the rural Mediterranean farm property. Enjoy the first homemade, delicious dinner of the trip.

Share a rustic villa with sweeping views of the Konavle Valley and the Adriatic Sea with fellow travellers. This well-equipped and tastefully decorated property has a swimming pool and outdoor terrace for downtime. The Mujo family is our host and lives just next door; they love to share their culture with travellers.

Arrival Day

Begin your adventure today. There are no planned activities so feel free to explore or rest up for the excitement ahead. Gather just before dinner with your CEO and fellow travellers to learn more about your trip and meet your group for the first time.

Private Vehicle

Dubrovnik Airport - Lovorno 15m

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

Meals included: Dinner

Accommodation

Agroturizam Kameni Dvori (or similar)

Hotel

Day 2 Lovorno

Travel the wine route through Konavle, and learn all about wine, prosecco, and olive oil production with some time for samples as well.

Your Foodie Moment: Wine and Olive Oil Tasting Tour

Travel the wine route through Konavle, learning about wine and prosecco production. Sample local wines and snacks from multiple vineyards and taste the local olive oil.

Meals included: Breakfast | Dinner

Accommodation

Agriturizam Kameni Dvori (or similar)

Agriturismo

Day 3 Lovorno

Free morning for hiking, swimming at a local beach or lounging at the villa. Enjoy a hands-on cooking class with the hosts using fresh ingredients from the neighbours and the farm.

Free Time

Lovorno Morning

Do as much or as little as you'd like this morning. Explore the region, or relax by the pool.

Your Foodie Moment: Traditional Croatian Cooking Class

Enjoy a hands-on cooking class with the hosts using fresh ingredients from the neighbours and the farm. Grandma Mujo will lead the cooking class along with her son, who will translate. Savour a delicious dinner afterward made in part by the group.

Optional Activities - Day 3

Swimming

Grab your bathing suit and go for a refreshing swim.

Meals included: Breakfast | Dinner

Accommodation

Agriturizam Kameni Dvori (or similar)

Agriturismo

Day 4 Lovorno

Enjoy a full-day boat trip cruising the Adriatic Sea. Stop to swim in a few spots before an afternoon at a secluded beach.

Adriatic Sea Boating Excursion

Molunat – Prevlaka

Enjoy a full-day boat trip to cruise the waters between Molunat and Prevlaka, stopping to swim in a few spots before an afternoon at a secluded beach only accessible by small boats.

Meals included: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

Accommodation

Agriturizam Kameni Dvori (or similar)

Agriturismo

Day 5 Lovorno

Transfer to Dubrovnik for an orientation walk with the CEO, and enjoy free time to explore this picturesque walled city on the Adriatic Coast. Visit the G Adventures-supported Deša project, a non profit dedicated to empowering and employing women in the community.

Private Vehicle

Lovorno – Dubrovnik 30m

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

Orientation With CEO

30m-1h

Enjoy a brief walk with your CEO. He/she will give you some tips on finding things like supermarkets, main squares, and ATMs. For more specific or in-depth information, an official guided tour is recommended.

Your G for Good Moment: DEŠA Women's Centre Visit

DEŠA is a women's non-profit, founded during the homeland war in Dubrovnik. It is dedicated to empowering and employing women in the area. From their headquarters in Dubrovnik's Old Town, DEŠA runs victim support for survivors of domestic abuse through computer classes, language lessons, cultural preservation activities, and other inspiring programs. During your visit, you will learn about the powerful work undertaken by the women of DEŠA and their network across Croatia working to preserve traditional foods and handicrafts.

Free Time

Dubrovnik Afternoon

Enjoy a free day to explore this beautiful walled city.

Private Vehicle

Dubrovnik – Lovorno 30m

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

Meals included: Breakfast | Dinner**Accommodation****Agriturizam Kameni Dvori (or similar)**

Agriturismo

Day 6 Lovorno

Enjoy a leisurely half-day cycling excursion through the region, stopping off for a picnic lunch at the host's vineyard. Free time in the afternoon.

Cycling Excursion

Lovorno

Enjoy a half-day cycling excursion along mostly flat roads with vineyards and small houses dotting the countryside scenery. Stop to visit a local artist, a 15th-century monastery, and local water mills used for producing flour.

Free Time

Lovorno Afternoon

Enjoy a final afternoon in the region. Free time is yours to spend as you'd like.

Optional Activities - Day 6**E-bikes Rental**

Agriturizam Kameni Dvori

Upgrade to an e-bike rental for your half-day cycling excursion through Lovorno's picturesque countryside.

Meals included: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner**Accommodation****Agriturizam Kameni Dvori (or similar)**

Agriturismo

Day 7 Lovorno/Dubrovnik

Depart at any time; departure transfer to the airport is included.

Private Vehicle

Lovorno – Dubrovnik Airport

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

Departure Day

Not ready to leave? Your CEO can help with travel arrangements to extend your adventure.

Meals included: Breakfast**What's Included**

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Highlights

Relax at a rustic farm villa with friendly Croatian hosts, sample local wines and olive oil, cycle through the rural countryside, cook traditional fare alongside a Croatian family, explore the walled city of Dubrovnik.

Dossier Disclaimer

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Itinerary Disclaimer

While it is our intention to adhere to the route described below, there is a certain amount of flexibility built into the itinerary and on occasion it may be necessary, or desirable to make alterations. The itinerary is brief, as we never know exactly where our journey will take us. Due to our style of travel and the regions we visit, travel can be unpredictable. The Trip Details document is a general guide to the tour and region and any mention of specific destinations or wildlife is by no means a guarantee that they will be visited or encountered. Aboard expedition trips visits to research stations depend on final permission.

Additionally, any travel times listed are approximations only and subject to vary due to local circumstances.

Important Notes

It is important to note that in Europe, all guiding is based around local guides all of whom are licensed to work only in a particular city. As such, our leaders are able to provide orientation walks which will show you the layout of each town and city as well as the location of local services such as post offices and laundromats, but are unable to legally share historical facts and figures in public places.

OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES NOTE:

During high season in Europe (May-October) we highly recommend booking reservations for any popular optional activities/museum tickets etc. in advance to avoid encountering sold-out activities on the ground while on tour.

Group Leader Description

This G Adventures group trip is accompanied by one of our group leaders. The aim of the group leader is to take the hassle out of your travels and to help you have the best trip possible. They will provide information on the places you are travelling through, offer suggestions for things to do and see, recommend great local eating venues and introduce you to our local friends. While not being guides in the traditional sense you can expect them to have a broad general knowledge of the countries visited on the trip, including historical, cultural, religious and social aspects.

Group Size Notes

Max 10, avg 8.

Meals Included

6 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 6 dinners

Meals

Eating is a big part of traveling. Travelling with G Adventures you experience the vast array of wonderful food that is available out in the world. Generally meals are not included in the trip price when there is a choice of eating options, to give you the maximum flexibility in deciding where, what and with whom to eat. It also gives you more budgeting flexibility, though generally food is cheap. Our groups tend to eat together to enable you to taste a larger variety of dishes and enjoy each other's company. There is no obligation to do this though. Your CEO will be able to suggest favourite restaurants during your trip. The above information applies to G Adventures group trips. Please refer to the meals included and budget information for included meals and meal budgets.

This particular tour has a strong focus on food and the majority of meals provided are homemade with locally sourced ingredients. Special meal requirements can be catered to with some advance notice, so please provide details of any special meals during the booking process. Coffee and tea are provided with breakfast, and all other beverages during your stay are at your own cost including soft drinks and locally produced wine (except for samples provided during the wine tasting activity).

Transport

Minivan, walking, cycling, boat.

About our Transportation

Private vehicle, walking, cycling.

Solo Travellers

We believe solo travellers should not have to pay more to travel so our group trips are designed for shared accommodation and do not involve a single supplement. Single travellers joining group trips are paired in twin or multi-share accommodation with someone of the same sex for the duration of the trip. Some of our Independent trips are designed differently and solo travellers on these itineraries must pay the single trip price.

Accommodation

Rural Croatian farm villa (6 nts).

About Accommodation

The accommodation for the week will be in a rustic village located approximately 15 minutes by car from the Dubrovnik airport. The 2-floor villa has four bedrooms for our travellers and one for our CEO. The rooms have a variety of configurations including double and twin beds and en suite or shared bathrooms, so please review your options while booking. Also on site are a fully equipped kitchen, a living room with television, outdoor swimming pool, outdoor terrace and barbecue.

Note that most accommodation in Europe, including this villa, does not have air conditioning units in rooms. Air conditioning is not routinely installed in European homes and workplaces. However, in this particular place that the group will be staying does include air conditions in its rooms.

Joining Instructions

For details of your joining hotel please refer to your tour voucher, G Account, the G Adventures App or contact your travel agent.

Upon arrival to the city on day 1, an arrival transfer to the start location is included. When you arrive at the airport, look for the driver holding a G Adventures sign. Please approach them, and ask them who they are supposed to be picking up (do not tell them your name, they should have this information already). Once they give you the correct name, have your passport ready to show them and you will be on your way!

If you arrive in Dubrovnik before day 1 you will have to make your way back to the airport for the arrival transfer. Please contact G Adventures or your travel agent to assist in providing you with the details of this transfer.

Please note that there is a welcome dinner around 19:00 on day 1.

Arrival Complications

We don't expect any problems, and nor should you, but if for any reason you are unable to commence your trip as scheduled, please refer to the emergency contact details provided in this dossier and contact us as soon as possible. If you have a pre-booked transfer, and you have not made contact with our representative within 30 minutes of clearing customs and immigration, we recommend that you make your own way to the Starting Point hotel, following the Joining Instructions. Please apply to your travel agent on your return for a refund of the transfer cost if this occurs.

Emergency Contact

Should you need to contact us during a situation of dire need, it is best to first call our G Adventures Local Office. If for any reason you do not receive an immediate answer, please leave a detailed message and contact information, so they may return your call and assist you as soon as possible.

EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBER

G Adventures Berlin office: +441858378000

If you are unable for any reason to contact our local office, please call the numbers listed below which will connect you directly with our Sales team who will happily assist you. Hours of operation by region can be found [here](#).

Toll-free, from calls within North America only: 1 888 800 4100

Calls from within UK: 0344 272 0000

Calls from within Germany: 0800 365 1000

Calls from within Australia: 1 300 796 618

Calls from within New Zealand: 0800 333 307

Outside North America, Australia, New Zealand, Germany and the UK: +1 416 260 0999

Finishing Point Instructions

The property is located about a 30 minute drive from the airport. Passengers catching flights departing after 12pm are recommended to check out before 9am on the departure day.

What to Take

We recommend using a backpack for your convenience, or a medium-sized suitcase if you prefer. A daypack is also essential for carrying everyday items. Space is limited on transportation, so there is a limit of one main piece of luggage per person. You will be responsible for carrying your own luggage. You must be prepared to carry your luggage up and down stairs, on and off transportation, and to hotels (max 15-20 mins.)

Packing List

Documents:

- Flight info (required) (Printouts of e-tickets may be required at the border)
- Insurance info (required) (With photocopies)
- Passport (required) (With photocopies)
- Vouchers and pre-departure information (required)
- Visas or vaccination certificates (With photocopies)

Essentials:

- Toiletries (required) (Shampoo, bodywash, soap, etc.)
- Binoculars (optional)
- Camera (With extra memory cards and batteries)
- Cash, credit and debit cards
- Day pack (Used for daily excursions or short overnights)
- Ear plugs
- First-aid kit (should contain lip balm with sunscreen, sunscreen, whistle, Aspirin, Ibuprofen, bandaids/plasters, tape, anti-histamines, antibacterial gel/wipes, antiseptic cream, Imodium or similar tablets for mild cases of diarrhea, rehydration powder, water purification tablets or drops, insect repellent, sewing kit, extra prescription drugs you may be taking)
- Flashlight/torch (Headlamps are ideal)
- Fleece top/sweater
- Footwear
- Hat
- Locks for bags
- Long pants/jeans
- Moneybelt
- Outlet adapter
- Personal entertainment (Reading and writing materials, cards, music player, etc.)
- Reusable water bottle
- Shirts/t-shirts
- Sleepwear
- Small travel towel
- Sunglasses
- Swimwear
- Watch and alarm clock
- Waterproof backpack cover
- Windproof rain jacket

Health & Safety:

- Hand sanitizer (required)
- Face masks (Clients will be only be required to wear a face mask where it is mandated by local regulations.)
- Pen (Please bring your own pen for filling out documents.)
- Quick Covid Test/Antigen Test (optional)

Warm Weather:

- Sandals/flip-flops
- Shorts/skirts (Longer shorts/skirts are recommended)
- Sturdy water shoes/sandals
- Sun hat/bandana
- Swimwear

Laundry

There is a laundry machine at this facility, with complimentary detergent provided by the hosts. Guests will use the line outside to try their clothing.

Visas and Entry Requirements

All countries require a valid passport (with a minimum 6 months validity). Contact your local embassy or consulate for the most up-to-date visa requirements, or see your travel agent. It is your own responsibility to have the correct travel documentation. Visa requirements for your trip will vary depending on where you are from and where you are going. We keep the following information up to date as far as possible, but rules do change and sometimes without warning. While we provide the following information in good faith, it is vital that you check the information yourself and understand that you are fully responsible for your own visa requirements.

Visa information specific to your destination and nationality can be found in our Important Pre-Departure Information page [here](#)

For other nationalities, travelling in Europe has been simplified with the introduction of the Schengen visa. As a visitor to the Schengen area (Austria, Germany, Netherlands, Belgium, Greece, Norway, Denmark, Iceland, Portugal, Finland, Italy, Spain, France, Luxembourg, Sweden, Czech Republic, Hungary, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia, Slovenia and Switzerland) you will enjoy the many advantages of this unified visa system. Generally speaking with a Schengen visa, you may enter one Schengen country and travel freely throughout the Schengen region during the validity of your visa. There are limited border controls at Schengen borders, if any at all.

Please note that the UK and Ireland are NOT part of the Schengen agreement.

A Schengen visa is applied for at the Embassy or Consulate of the Schengen country in which you will be spending the most nights on your trip to the Schengen space. If you are only visiting one country on your trip then you apply for your visa at the Consulate of this Schengen country.

Spending Money

Every traveller is different and therefore spending money requirements will vary. Some travellers may drink more than others while other travellers like to purchase more souvenirs than most. Please consider your own spending habits when it comes to allowing for drinks, shopping and tipping. Please also remember the following specific recommendations when planning your trip.

Emergency Fund

Please also make sure you have access to at least an additional USD \$200 (or equivalent) as an 'emergency' fund, to be used when circumstances outside our control (ex. a natural disaster) require a change to our planned route. This is a rare occurrence!

Tipping

While conventions can vary from country to country, tipping is customary in Europe. A general rule is 10% of the bill for wait staff, and a smaller amount (€1 or €2) for other service providers.

Tipping is an expected - though not compulsory - component of your tour program, and an expression of satisfaction with the persons who have assisted you on your tour. Although it may not be customary to you, it is of considerable significance to the people who will take care of you during your travels. There are several times during the trip where there is opportunity to tip the local guides. You may do this individually, or your CEO will offer to collect the money and tip as a group. Recommendations for tipping local guides would range from €3-5 per day, depending on the quality and length of the service; ask your CEO for specific recommendations based on the circumstances and culture.

At the end of each trip, if you felt your G Adventures CEO did an outstanding job, tipping is expected and appreciated. The precise amount is a personal preference, however €30-€40 per person, per week can be used as a guideline.

Optional Activities

Lovorno
- Swimming

Agriturizam Kameni Dvori
- E-bikes Rental

Health

Please note inoculations may be required for the country visited. It is your responsibility to consult with your travel doctor for up to date medical travel information well before departure.

You should consult your doctor for up-to-date medical travel information well before departure. We recommend that you carry a First Aid kit and hand sanitizers / antibacterial wipes as well as any personal

medical requirements. Please be aware that quite often we are in remote areas and away from medical facilities, and for legal reasons our leaders are prohibited from administering any type of drug including headache tablets, antibiotics, etc. When selecting your trip please carefully read the brochure and itinerary and assess your ability to cope with our style of travel. Please refer to the Physical and Culture Shock ratings in this dossier for trip specific information. For travellers over 70 years a completed Medical Form is required. G Adventures reserves the right to exclude any traveller from all or part of a trip without refund if in the reasonable opinion of our CEO they are unable to complete the itinerary without undue risk to themselves and/or the rest of the group.

Safety and Security

Many national governments provide a regularly updated advice service on safety issues involved with international travel. We recommend that you check your government's advice for their latest travel information before departure. We strongly recommend the use of a neck wallet or money belt while travelling, for the safe keeping of your passport, air tickets, travellers' cheques, cash and other valuable items. Leave your valuable jewelry at home - you won't need it while travelling. Many of the hotels we use have safety deposit boxes, which is the most secure way of storing your valuables. A lock is recommended for securing your luggage. When travelling on a group trip, please note that your group leader has the authority to amend or cancel any part of the trip itinerary if it deemed necessary, due to safety concerns. Your Chief Experience Officer (CEO) will accompany you on all included activities. During your trip you will have some free time to pursue your own interests, relax and take it easy and explore at your leisure. While your CEO will assist you with options available in a given location, please note that any optional activities you undertake are not part of your itinerary, and we offer no representations about the safety of the activity or the standard of the operators running them. Please use your own good judgement when selecting an activity in your free time. Although the cities visited on tour are generally safe during the day, there can be risks to wandering throughout any major city at night. It is our recommendation to stay in small groups and to take taxis to and from restaurants, or during night time excursions.

Water based activities have an element of danger and excitement built into them. We recommend only participating in water based activities when accompanied by a guide(s). We make every reasonable effort to ensure the fun and adventurous element of any water based activities (in countries with varying degrees of operating standards), have a balanced approach to safety. It is our policy not to allow our CEOs to make arrangements on your behalf for water based activities that are not accompanied by guide(s).

Swimming, including snorkeling, is always at your own risk. [Read more about travel safety](#) for ways to further enhance your personal safety while traveling.

A Couple of Rules

Illegal drugs will not be tolerated on any trips. Possessing or using drugs not only contravenes the laws of the land but also puts the rest of the group at risk. Smoking marijuana and opium is a part of local culture in some parts of the world but is not acceptable for our travellers. Our philosophy of travel is one of respect towards everyone we encounter and in particular the local people who make the world the special place it is. The exploitation of people in the sex trade is completely contrary to this philosophy. Our CEOs have the right to expel any member of the group if drugs are found in their possession or if they utilize the services of paid sex workers, in any capacity.

Travel Insurance

Travel insurance is compulsory in order to participate on any of our trips. When travelling on a group trip, you will not be permitted to join the group until evidence of travel insurance has been sighted by your leader, who will take note of your insurance details. When selecting a travel insurance policy we require that at a minimum you are covered for medical expenses including emergency evacuation and repatriation. A minimum coverage of USD200,000 is required. G Adventures can provide you with the appropriate coverage. We strongly recommend that the policy also covers personal liability, cancellation, curtailment and loss of luggage and personal effects. Some tours include adventure activities that require extra coverage (e.g. crampon use); please review your itinerary and make sure that you are covered for all included activities. If you have credit card insurance we require proof of purchase of the trip (a receipt of credit card statement) with a credit card in your name. Contact your bank for details of their participating insurer, the level of coverage and emergency contact telephone number.

Planeterra Foundation - the non-profit partner of G Adventures

Planeterra International Foundation is a non-profit organization committed to turning travel into impact by helping local communities earn an income from tourism. Planeterra connects underserved local communities to the benefits of tourism by developing and supporting small community-owned businesses. These businesses support Indigenous people, empower women, grant youth access to employment opportunities, and protect the environment. Planeterra also works to ensure these businesses have a thriving customer base by integrating their projects into G Adventures' itineraries.

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G Adventures is Planeterra's largest corporate donor, covering all operating costs, so 100% of your donation will bring opportunity to people in need.

G Adventures Dollar-a-day Program - Make Every Day Count - Turn your travel into impact with [Planeterra Foundation](#).

Did you know? Most communities around the world do not benefit from tourism. Give back to the places you visit on your travels by creating opportunities for local people to earn an income, and protect the environment.

Make every day count by donating \$1/day for the length of your trip, and join us in empowering the communities you will visit when you travel. 100% of your donation goes directly to Planeterra projects.

Feedback

After your travels, we want to hear from you! Your feedback information is so important to us that we'll give you 5% off the price of your next G Adventures trip if your feedback is completed on-line within 30 days of finishing your trip. Your tour evaluation will be e-mailed to you 24 hours after the conclusion of your trip. If you do not receive the tour evaluation link in the days after your tour has finished, please drop us a line at customersolutions@gadventures.com and we will send it on to you.

Newsletter

Our adventure travel e-newsletter is full of travel news, trip information, interesting stories and contests. To avoid missing out on special offers and updates from G Adventures, subscribe at www.gadventures.com/newsletters/

Stay current on how our company invests in our global community through our foundation - Planeterra. Sign up for [Planeterra's monthly news](#) to learn more about how to give back and support the people and places we love to visit.

Minimum Age

You must be 18 to travel unaccompanied on a G Adventures tour. For minors travelling with a guardian over 21 years old, the minimum age is 12.

International Flights

Check-in times and baggage allowances/restrictions vary by airline and can change at any time. For the most up-to-date information for your flight, please contact your airline. We recommend checking in online in advance to avoid potential delays at the airport.