

Itinerary suggestions from Jezera - Sibenik region - 14 days of sailing

SUN Jezera – Marina Piškera in the Kornati archipelago ca 15 NM

Sail right towards and through the beautiful Kornati Islands spending a night in the pitoresque scented Piškera marina. After a cooling swim don't miss the opportunity to climb up the hill and take some photos from the top – the view is breathtaking. Please note that the National Park Kornati entrance fee is included in the marina berth price. Explore the unique National Park made of 90 islands, islets and rocks with total area of 220 km². The national park is home to many species - especially birds, fish but also some small mammals and a vast number of plants. On Kornat island you can find the 6th century Byzantine fort Tureta remains and The church of Our Lady of Tarac. A divine service and a blessing of the fields are held on the first Sunday of July. Hundreds of boats then hasten to Tarac - this votive procession of boats is one of the most beautiful religious events in Croatia.



ACI Marina Piškera

MON Marina Piškera in the Kornati archipelago – Uvala Mir in PP Telašćica on Dugi Otok ca 13 NM

Sail up the Kornati archipelago to Nature Park Telašćica which is located in the southeastern part of the island Dugi Otok. The Telašćica bay is one of the safest, most beautiful and largest natural ports in the Adriatic. You can spend the night calmly on anchor in some part of this large and safe bay. While here don't miss the opportunity to climb the famous cliffs of the island Dugi Otok vertically falling down 90 m into the sea and visit the salt lake "Mir". This area has a rich and interesting flora and fauna. On the cliffs under the sea level, live different corals including the already reduced red coral.



Bay "Mir"

TUE Uvala Mir in PP Telašćica on Dugi Otok – Veli Iž on Island of Iž ca 16 NM

The Island of Iž, an island of fishermen, seamen, potters and olivegrowers is one of the most picturesque islands of the Zadar archipelago, situated between Dugi Otok and Ugljan. Veli Iž is a small tourist village with a hotel, a marina with good berthing facilities, a few restaurants and cafés. A special summer attraction is the Festival of Iž - "Iška Fešta", a manifestation of folklor where the ancient ceremony of village king choosing can be seen along with traditional costumes and crafts, sports and other events. It is covered with typical Mediterranean plants and cultivated with approximately 70.000 olive trees who give excellent olive oil. A unique phenomenon is the pottery of Veli Iž, which once supplied a large part of the Adriatic coast with clay pots for cooking and household use. About 70 families were specialised in this craft in the past. They could sell or exchange their pots only in the territory assigned to them by casting lots. Today there is only one pottery left on the island – the famous „Iška keramika“.



Veli Iž

WED Veli Iž on Island of Iž – Veli Rat on Dugi Otok ca 17 NM

On the way from Iž to Veli Rat make a swim stop at the Pantera bay near Veli Rat – it is a large laguna like shallow bay with crystal turquoise waters. Veli Rat is the northernmost place of the island Dugi Otok and is located in the Čuna bay. There is a marina for boats in the place as well as a tourist office and post office. Southeast of Veli Rat is the sandy beach Sakarun, one of the most beautiful beaches on the Adriatic. The pearl of Veli Rat is the lighthouse Punta Bianca, located three kilometres northwest of the village. Punta Bianca was built in 1849 and is the biggest lantern in the Adriatic. It owes its impressiveness to its yellow facade, for which, according to oral tradition, 100 000 yolks were used. In the courtyard of the lighthouse is the chapel of St. Nicholas, a place increasingly in demand for organization of a romantic wedding. In the village of Veli Rat you can rent bikes or scooters to visit Veli Rat lighthouse and the Saharun beach.



Veli Rat

THU Veli Rat on Dugi Otok – Žut ca 28 NM

Enjoy some first class sailing in the summer maestral down to the island of Žut situated between the island of Pašman and the island of Kornat. Geographically it belongs to the Kornati group of islands but isn't a part of the National Park. This longitudinal island has a steep and very indented coast with many bays such as Luka, Hiljača, Saruščica, Žut, Bizikovica and other secluded bays one can reach with small sailing or fishermen boats. There are no permanent settlements on the island with only fishermen, shepherders, and olive and fig growers visiting the island occasionally from the island of Murter. In Bizikovica bay there is an ACI marina with berths and anchoring buoys, toilettes, restaurants and a small grocery store. In the bay there are several famous restaurants serving traditional fish food.



**ACI marina
Žut**

FRI Žut – Borovnjaci Islands ca 18 NM

Time to spend a night on anchor - and this is the perfect spot (caution in case of bora). Borovnjaci on the island of Kakan is a popular anchorage among yachtsmen. The anchorage is protected by the small islands of Veli and Mali Borovnjak with depths between 4 and 20 m, good ground for anchoring. The anchorage is under concession with anchoring fees around 200 kuna. Borovnjaci anchorage is especially nice at the shallowest point between Borovnjak Veli and Kakan Island because of its turquoise water. It is possible to organise transport by boat free of charge to neighbouring Tratica Bay and its popular restaurant.

SAT Borovnjaci Islands – Prvić Luka ca 11 NM

This little island is still considered a hidden gem. Not very touristic and crowded it kept the charm of a small Adriatic island town. There are two places on the island Prvić Luka and Šepurine, with Prvić Luka offering safer berthing options. They are car free and a beautiful 10 min walk away through scented mediterranean vegetation. The whole island is under protection of the Croatian Ministry of Culture since the island is considered a cultural heritage. Famous Croatian bishop, inventor (his biggest invention is the parachute) and polymath Faust Vrančić is buried in a church in Prvić Luka. In Šepurine his family owned a big baroque-style summer residence. The very interesting modern Faust Vrančić memorial centre can be visited in the port of Prvić Luka. Prvić island has been the summer vacation and plague escape spot for the noble families from Sibenik since the 15th century. End of August every year a traditional latin sail regatta "Burtiž" takes place in Prvić Luka.

WED Prvić Luka – Skradin ca 18 NM

Leave Prvić Luka behind and sail up the sv. Ante channel towards the town of Šibenik, passing by the impressive Saint Nicholas fortress built in the 16th century by the famous Italian army engineer Michele Sanmicheli. Admire the magnificent view of Šibenik town from the sea. Sail up the Krka river to the town of Skradin where you can find a berth in the ACI marina. Skradin is a romantic Mediterranean town with narrow paved streets, passages, vaults and stairs. The entire town core represents a protected cultural monument. It contains houses dating from the 18th and 19th century which are stuccoed in the manner typical for Venice and areas under her influence. On the streets of Skradin you will find the pleasant atmosphere of a small Dalmatian town, especially during the Skradin festival of klapa singing (a capella singing typical for the Croatian Adriatic) or during the celebration of the Nativity of the Virgin Mary. Climb up the hill to a belvedere and early medieval fortress of ban Pavao Šubić of Bribir from the 13th or 14th century and visit the baroque Catholic Church of the Parturition of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Skradin is also the starting point for the excursion (plan ca 3 hours) to the National Park Krka - a natural karst phenomenon with its travertine waterfalls, opulent green vegetation and clear blue river – a true must see of the region. The national park can be reached via excursion boat (price in ticket included - 110 kuna per person, every full hour 08 - 18 h) or via bike on a nice near the river one hour ride. There are some bike rentals at the seafront of the village.



Skradin

MON Skradin – Šibenik ca 10 NM

Šibenik is a medieval Croatian town offering lots of sights and good mooring options – one in town itself (water, electricity but not recommended for berth in case of strong jugo wind) and the other one in the modern new Marina Mandalina which offers all weather safe berths. Šibenik is the only still existing town on the Croatian Adriatic Coast who was not founded by the Romans but by the Croats themselves upon their arrival in 7th century AC. Šibenik's most famous sight is the St. James' Cathedral which is unique in European renaissance church architecture for being entirely built of stone with no other material used. It is unique in its brave structure of stone slabs and ribs, with no binding material and has trefoil front facade and the row of 71 realistic sculptural citizen portraits around the apses. Therefore it is listed in the UNESCO list of World Cultural Heritage. The cathedral and the nearby renaissance town hall, other churches, palaces, and the Prince's Palace which currently houses the County Museum, make up probably the most beautiful town square of Croatia's urban heritage. There are many other churches, fortresses, museums and galleries well worth a visit. There are moorings with water and electricity in the old town (beware in case of jugo) and in Marina Mandalina nearby.



Šibenik

TUE Šibenik – Primošten ca 15 NM

Primošten is a picturesque small town situated on an islet close to the mainland which is now connected to the mainland. Primošten is famous for its huge and beautiful vineyards in which the famous red-grape sort "Babić" is grown. As a symbol of hard human work throughout centuries, a picture featuring Primošten's vineyards is permanently exhibited in the building of the United Nations in New York. Apart from its vineyards, Primošten is also known for the traditional donkey race that takes place there every summer. You can admire Parish Church of St Juraj, St Roko's Church and the beautiful promenade around the peninsula. There are some berthing options in the village and a big quiet marina „Kremik“ placed inbetween the vineyards in the south of Primošten with good shuttle connection to the village of Primošten.



Primošten

WED Primošten – Zlarin

From Primošten sail NE, stop for a refreshing swim in the Nozdra bay on the S of Kaprije island. Refreshed continue to the port of Zlarin where there is plenty of mooring place with water and electricity. The place itself is car free with plenty of mediterranean village charm – picturesque stone houses, large waterfront with all of the life going on at it, beautiful beaches and lots of vegetation along the “lungo mare”. The island is famous for its corals and its six centuries long coral tradition. Coral jewelry is also a great idea for an original souvenir.

THU Zlarin – Tribunj ca 13 NM

The charming picturesque Dalmatian village is located is divided into the urban, mainland part and the peninsular historical core which now houses the municipal buildings, the Tourist Board office, post, rectory, cultural centre and a few hospitality establishments. The authentic image of compact houses and narrow streets is completed by a beautiful view of the two islands of the Tribunj archipelago - Lukovnjak and Logorun. There are good berthing options in the village and a modern marina.



Tribunj

FRI Tribunj – Jezera ca 6 NM

After you've enjoyed a very Croatian long lasting coffee time in the morning in one of the many cafes in Tribunj, use your last day of vacation for some relaxed sailing through the Sibenik archipelago. Take a stop for a swimming in one of the numerous bays or have a fresh fish lunch in a seaside konoba. In case of good weather and no damage on your boat feel free to spend the last night on anchor in some bay near Jezera, but please make sure you are back in marina Jezera by 08 h on Saturday morning.

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