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SEPTEMBER 3 TO 16, 2024
ADRIATIC ADVENTURE
FROM LJUBLJANA, SLOVENIA TO DUBROVNIK, CROATIA
14-DAY CRUISE TOUR WITH 7 DAYS ABOARD MS ANTARIS



Walled city of Dubrovnik

Travel along the Dalmatian Coast on a 14-day cruise tour on a private chartered yacht with up to 38-like-minded fellow travellers hosted by our agency owners, Joe and Zaneta Rochemont.



Diocletian Palace, Split



Oysters Tasting in Ston



Plitvice Lakes

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ADRIATIC ADVENTURE 2024

With anticipation and excitement, we are thrilled to share with you our 2024 Adriatic signature tour. Each year we put together an assortment of carefully crafted tours and invite you to join us in our “*To Travel Is To Understand*” quest...

If your Mediterranean fantasies feature balmy days by sapphire waters in the shade of ancient walled towns, the Adriatic coast is the place to make them come true. Venetian palazzos snuggle up to Napoleonic forts, Roman columns protrude from early Slavic churches, and Viennese mansions face off with Socialist Realist sculpture.

Discover medieval towns, celebrated cities, and UNESCO World Heritage Sites on your journey through these enchanting countries. Local guides and historians unveil wondrous natural beauty and enriching histories. See the Roman ruins in Split, and Dubrovnik—two crown jewels of Croatia and the Adriatic coast.

Join Joe and Zaneta and explore this magnificent region on our private charter of the MV Antaris small yacht. This uniquely customized journey is only available to 38 guests and will sell out fast, please reserve early.

No matter what your 2024 travel plans are, we THANK YOU for being such a special part of our lifetime journeys and we look forward to creating new memories with you...

Joe and Zaneta Rochemont
Owners
Cruise Holidays - Clarkson Travel



Joe and Zaneta in the town of Hvar



MS Antaris

ITINERARY MAP AND OVERVIEW



- Day 1: Ljubljana, Slovenija
- Day 2: Ljubljana, Slovenia
- Day 3: Opatija, Croatia
- Day 4: Rovinj - Motovun
- Day 5: Plitvice Lakes, Sibenik - Embarkation
- Day 6: Sibenik - Split
- Day 7: Split - Bol - Hvar Island
- Day 8: Hvar - Vis
- Day 9: Vis - Bisevo - Korcula Island
- Day 10: Korcula - Mljet Island
- Day 11: Mljet - Slano - Dubrovnik
- Day 12: Dubrovnik Disembarkation
- Day 12: Dubrovnik - Kotor - Dubrovnik
- Day 13: Dubrovnik
- Day 14: Tour ends

DAY 1 LJUBLJANA, SLOVENIA

Our tour starts in Ljubljana with a transfer from the airport and hotel check-in.

After check-in and a brief relaxation, we will meet the guide for a walking tour of the medieval city of Ljubljana. The Slovenian capital city is Europe's best kept secret. With its rich history and culture that dates back to the 12th century, it is a feast for any a traveller. Our guide will point out all of the memorable sights: the three 100-year old bridges, Robba Fountain, Preseren Square and Ljubljana Castle. We finish our walk with a dinner and folk entertainment at a local restaurant.

Accommodations: Eurostar UHotel (or similar), 2 nights

Meals: Dinner at a local restaurant



Panoramic shot of the city of Ljubljana with Ljubljana Castle

DAY 2 LJUBLJANA – LAKE BLEĐ – BOHINJ – LJUBLJANA

After breakfast, we embark on a full-day tour of Lake Bled, located 55 km outside of the city. With its emerald - green lake, picture - postcard church on an islet, a castle clinging to a rocky cliff and some of the highest peaks of the Julian Alps as a backdrop, Bled is truly a piece of heaven on earth. We will enjoy a relaxing boat ride in a traditional “Pletna” rowing boat to the islet to visit St. Mary’s Church, where we can ring the church bell for good luck.

After lunch at a local restaurant, we return to Ljubljana and enjoy an evening at leisure.

Meals: Breakfast & Lunch

DAY 3 LJUBLJANA – POSTOJNA CAVES – OPATIJA

We check out of the hotel after breakfast, and transfer to Opatija. But before we get there, we will stop for a tour of Postojna Caves followed by lunch. To best experience this spectacular dwelling of caves, we will take an unforgettable ride on an underground train and marvel at the fascinating subterranean paradise.

After a stop for lunch at a local restaurant, we will continue to Opatija where we will check in at our hotel. Enjoy a free evening in this beautiful and quiet seaside town.

Accommodations: Hotel Admiral(or similar), 2 nights

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch



Postojna Caves, Slovenia

DAY 4 OPATIJA – ROVINJ – MOTOVUN – OPATIJA

Our tour of the Istria region takes us to Rovinj, a charming, picturesque town situated on the western Istrian coast. The Upper Town is situated on the Monte Rosso hill and is the most attractive part of the town which is filled with narrow, shady streets and secret passages, numerous traditional restaurants, art galleries and arts and crafts shops. After our guided walking tour, we will enjoy free time for lunch on our own.

We will then visit Motovun, a hilltop town with a magnificent view of the surrounding hills and river valleys. Take a walk along the Town Walls which date back to the 11th and 12th centuries when the tall and mighty bulwarks were built.

By mid-afternoon, we will make our way back to to Opatija.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

DAY 5 OPATIJA – PLITVICE LAKES – SIBENIK

After breakfast we will check-out and depart for a our of Plitvice Lakes, which according to many is the most beautiful national park in Europe and a must-see attraction. This UNESCO World Heritage site boasts 16 small cascading lakes joined by waterfalls created by the sedimentation of travertine. We will enjoy breathtaking views as we walk the trails around the Lower Lakes area. After free time for lunch, we continue to Sibenik and embark our yacht. After we settle in, we will enjoy a Welcome Dinner onboard. We overnight in Sibenik.

Accommodations: MS Antaris

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner onboard



Plitvice Lakes, Croatia



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DAY 6 SIBENIK - SPLIT

This morning we will enjoy a walking tour of the fortified town of Sibenik, founded by the Croats. The city was first mentioned in documents in the 11th century at the time of progress of the medieval Croatian state. Sibenik was also under the Venetian rule for 400 years, and from that period remains the most significant historical and cultural site of Sibenik – the Cathedral of St. Jacob. After our guided tour of Sibenik, we will have free time to explore the town before we return to our yacht for lunch as we set sail for Split.

The largest town in Dalmatia and the second-largest in all of Croatia, Split is a quintessential Mediterranean city, with a small-town vibe, vibrant streets, and easy-going locals. Located within emperor Diocletian's Palace, Split's historic old town dates back to the Roman times. It is literally an open-air living museum. On our guided walking tour of this UNESCO World Cultural Heritage site, we will see the remnants of Split's Roman heritage, its Renaissance and Gothic structures, Jupiter's Temple, the Peristyle and much more. And in the evening, we will explore the town on our own, and find our favourite restaurant for dinner.

Overnight in Split.

Meals: Breakfast and Lunch onboard



SPLIT



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DAY 7 SPLIT - BOL / BRACH ISLAND - HVAR

In the morning, we sail from Split to Bol, a little tourist town said to have the most attractive beach in Croatia called “The Golden Horn”. It is a vast, golden pebble beach some 530 meters long, quite unique as it changes shape and position depending on the winds. After leisure time in Bol, we will continue sailing to the island of Hvar. The town of Hvar gained glory and power during the Middle Ages while being an important port within the Venetian naval empire. Thus Hvar Town has preserved an intricately carved Venetian architecture. Admire the views from the hilltop Spanjol Fortress, where you will look out over the red-tile-roofed town below. On our walking tour, we will pass by the first public theatre in Europe and have an evening free to explore the town on our own and dine at one of the many local restaurants.

Overnight in Hvar.

Meals: Breakfast and Lunch onboard



BOL BEACH ON BRACH ISLAND



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DAY 8 HVAR ISLAND – VIS ISLAND

After breakfast, we will depart for Vis Island, the furthest Croatian island from the mainland. Vis island has a complicated, multicultural history, having been ruled by the Ancient Greeks, Romans, Venetians, Austrians, and Italians. Vis Town has Venetian-style architecture with roads of the characteristic white limestone from nearby Brač Island. We will explore this breathtaking gem of island with beautiful beaches, hidden coves, a fascinating history, and a rich cultural heritage.

Overnight in Vis

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Captain Dinner

DAY 9 VIS - BISEVO ISLAND - KORCULA ISLAND

After breakfast we will depart for Bisevo Island and we will visit the beautiful Blue Caves. Korcula, the acclaimed birthplace of the famous explorer Marco Polo. The Old Town is a cluster of remarkable Venetian-gothic architecture on a narrow peninsula. Lustrous Korcula stone formed the basis for a highly refined stone-carving tradition evident in the balustrades and reliefs of Korcula town. Join our walking tour that will take you through narrow, cobbled streets and will include visit to the majestic Gothic-Baroque Cathedral of St. Mark.

Overnight in Korcula

Meals: Breakfast and Lunch onboard

DAY 10 KORCULA - MLJET

This morning we will sail to the island of Mljet where we will visit Mljet National Park. The park includes two deep bays which, due to their extremely narrow links with the sea, are regarded as the Great Lake and the Small Lake. Mljet is also very rich in cultural heritage, the most prominent example being the complex of the 12th century Benedictine monastery, located on a small island in the middle of The Great Lake.

Overnight in Mljet.

Meals: Breakfast and Lunch onboard and Dinner in a local restaurant on St. Mary's islet



HVAR ISLAND



KORCULA ISLAND

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DAY 11 MLJET ISLAND – DUBROVNIK

We will take a magnificent trip along the shores of Elaphiti archipelago consisting of fifteen islands stretched northwest of Dubrovnik. On route to Dubrovnik, we will stop for oyster tasting in the village of Ston, and in the afternoon hours we will reach Dubrovnik, rightfully named “The Pearl of the Adriatic”. We will enjoy a guided walking tour of the Old town that everyone comes to see when visiting this jewel city; its buildings with narrow alleyways, red-bricked roofs and a smattering of churches all encased by high city walls. Overnight in Gruz port, Dubrovnik.

Meals: Breakfast and Lunch onboard

DAY 12 DUBROVNIK – DISEMBARKATION - KOTOR - DUBROVNIK

Today our beautiful Adriatic Adventure ends, and we say goodbye to our friendly crew and staff onboard MS ANTARIS. Our group will disembark and continue with a coach tour to Kotor, Montenegro. Kotor is a UNESCO World Heritage Site located on a scenic bay on the Adriatic coast. Built between the 12th and 14th century, it displays beautifully preserved medieval architecture and historic monuments. We will meet our local guide for a walking tour of the old historic town and we'll sail to the man-made islet of Our Lady of the Rocks, topped by a lone church and steeped in legends. Back on shore, we will enjoy lunch and return to Dubrovnik in the early evening where we will check-in at our hotel. Free evening in Dubrovnik.

Meals: Breakfast and Lunch in a local restaurant

Accommodations: Hilton Hotel (or similar), 2 nights

DAY 13 DUBROVNIK

Today we will explore the beautiful old town on our own, and we will meet our group again in the early evening for a Farewell Dinner in the Konavle Valley just outside of Dubrovnik.

Meals: Breakfast and Farewell Dinner in a local restaurant

Accommodations: Hilton Hotel , or similar

DAY 14 DUBROVNIK - END OF TOUR

This morning we have breakfast and say good bye to our beautiful hotel and the amazing town of Dubrovnik. Transfers to the airport will be provided.

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HERE'S WHAT OUR GUESTS ARE SAYING ABOUT THEIR ADRIATIC ADVENTURE EXPERIENCE ON OUR PREVIOUS JOURNEYS:

"We had very high expectations of Croatia & the tour group. They were met & exceeded. A very memorable trip, great people, great experience."

- Ted and Betty W. Toronto, ON

"The Adriatic Cruise was a fantastic adventure well organized by Cruise Holidays of Clarkson."

- Beverley and Douglas P. Orangeville, ON

"Croatia is a beautiful country steeped in a very complicated history. It was a lovely trip where friendships were made and fun was enjoyed by all. I would like to return to spend more time in a couple of places that we visited."

- Shiela B. Etobicoke, ON

"Clarkson Travel provided an excellent, comprehensive land and sea journey to Croatia, which I would highly recommend for anyone interested in travel to this beautiful area. We had many outstanding dining and touring experiences with excellent guides and I look forward to traveling with them again in the near future. Congratulations on the quality of touring that your company provides and the personalized service"

- Carol S. Toronto, ON

" Thank you Clarkson Travel for organizing such a memorable tour of Croatia, one of our best trips to date, and we have taken a few"

-Luis and Gloria, Brampton, ON



Our group walking the trails in Plitvice Lakes



Enjoying free time in town of Hvar

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MS ANTARIS



The stylish **MS Antaris** Luxury small cruise ship offers passengers the opportunity to see Croatia's coastline among a small group of like-minded travellers. She has the latest state-of-the-art equipment and comprehensive amenities.

Built for the 2019 season, the 54m long luxury vessel has the latest state-of-the-art equipment and amenities. The maximum capacity of 38 passengers, in 19 twin or double cabins, guarantees an intimate setting for all guests.

Due to their small size and limited passenger numbers these Croatian cruise ships allow for an intimate cruise to some of the most popular destinations along the spectacular Adriatic Coast.

Modern, spacious cabins comprise double or twin beds, private facilities, full air-conditioning, portholes or windows, safe, LCD TV, sound-proofing, as well as the latest in safety systems.

Public areas include a Main Deck air-conditioned restaurant/bar with panoramic windows, with a covered outdoor seating lounge area outside the restaurant

The topmost deck is the "Sun Deck" with sun loungers and a Jacuzzi. There is another small salt-water pool on the back of the Main Deck near the swimming platform.

MS ANTARIS features 11 Upper Deck cabins each with a small private balcony!

CABINS: 19 cabins for up to 38 passengers (no triples)

- Upper Deck – 11 balcony cabins
- Lower Deck – 8 porthole cabin
 - Cabin size between 11 and 15 sqm

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MS ANTARIS CABINS



Balcony cabin, Upper Deck



Port-hole cabin, Lower Deck

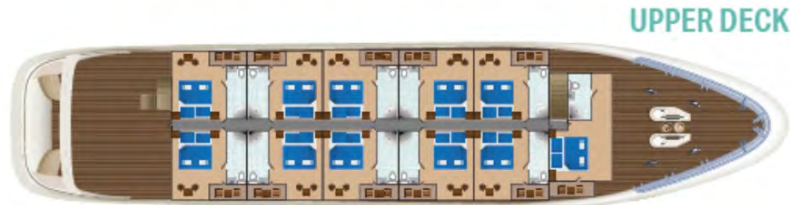


Cabin bathroom, Lower and Upper Deck

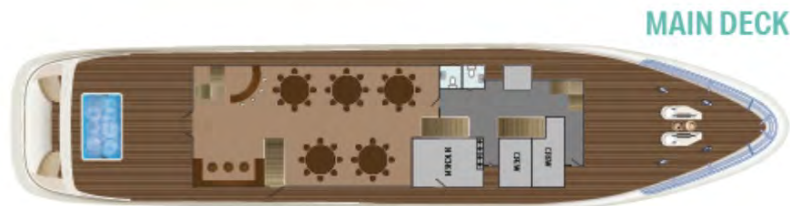
MS ANTARIS DECK PLAN



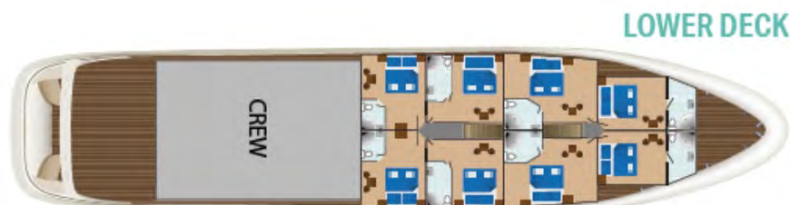
SUN DECK



UPPER DECK



MAIN DECK



LOWER DECK



Indoor Bar Lounge



Indoor Dining Room



Outdoor Lounge



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YOUR FARES IN CAD\$ AND INCLUSIONS

CABIN CATEGORIES:

- **LOWER DECK (port hole windows)** : \$10,200 pp in double and \$12,900 in solo occupancy
- **UPPER DECK (balcony)**: \$11,200 pp in double and \$13,900 in solo occupancy

PAYMENTS AND TERMS & CONDITION

- PAYMENTS:
 - DEPOSIT: \$1,500 pp
 - FINAL PAYMENT DATE: June 1, 2024

TERMS & CONDITIONS:

Cancellation requests must be made in writing

- Up to May 31: \$250 pp
- June 1 to June 30: \$1,500 per person
- July 1 to July 31: 50% of full fare
- Aug 1 to departure: 100% of full fare
 - No-show and or without written notice: 100% of full fare
 - Voluntary termination by the guest of a cruise in progress will result in no refund

INCLUSIONS:

- Private limo ride to Pearson Airport on departure for GTA guests or \$80 limo credit
- Airport to hotel transfers in Ljubljana
- 2 nights at the Eurostar uHotel in Ljubljana (or equivalent), with breakfast
- 2 nights at Hotel Admiral in Opatija (or equivalent), with breakfast
- 7 nights private group cruise on charter yacht MV ANTARIS (or equivalent)
- 2 nights at the Hilton Hotel in Dubrovnik (or equivalent), with breakfast
- Excursions as per the itinerary
- Meals as per the itinerary
- Unlimited local alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages (between 11 am and midnight) on board the yacht
- Pre-paid gratuities for cruise crew and staff, and local guides
- Entrance fees in national parks as per the itinerary
- Audio -whispers on tours

We strongly recommend purchasing travel insurance coverage and we'll be happy to provide you with a quote upon request.

**PLEASE RESERVE YOUR STATEROOM NOW FOR BEST FARES AND AVAILABILITY.
SPACE IS LIMITED, YACHT IS SMALL WITH ONLY 19 CABINS**

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TOUR BOOKING TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Travellers must report any disability that would require special attention while on tour at the time the reservation is made. CH Clarkson is not responsible for any denial of services by air carriers, hotels, restaurants, or other suppliers as a result of such disability. A qualified and physically able companion must accompany travellers who need such assistance and must assume full responsibility for their well being. Travellers accept by virtue of this booking, that Cruise Holidays of Clarkson has the right and authority to accept or reject any tour participant and to remove such participant if in the judgement of CH Clarkson the participant's behaviour interferes with the well being and enjoyment by the other participants. Cruise Holidays of Clarkson will not refund or cover any cost or expenses incurred for such termination of vacation arrangements. The tour participant agrees that Cruise Holidays of Clarkson shall not be liable for any damage, loss (including personal injury, death, and property loss), or expenses occasioned by any act or omission of any supplier providing services. Cruise Holidays of Clarkson shall not be responsible for any changes to the itinerary as outlined in the brochure by the tour suppliers. If the yacht is not in condition to sail, the supplier may decide to replace the originally chartered yacht with another and operate the same itinerary in which case the customers have to accept the change. If the standard of the yacht is of a lesser quality, compensation may be offered, but this is not obligatory.



OPATIJA