

Travel Tips

CHARMING CROATIA

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Please check your own country's international travel advice as well as the airline requirements before travel.

US guests, please see the Travel State website;

https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/croatia-travel-advisory.html and https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/International-Travel-Country-Information-Pages/Croatia.html for current advice

PASSPORTS

Your passport should be valid for at least 6 months beyond the period of stay. It is advised to have 1 blank page in your passport. Please be sure to fill out the "Emergency Next of Kin" section in your passport.

VISAS

The Schengen Agreement allows U.S., Canadian, Australian and European citizens to enter the countries of the Schengen Agreement for up to 90 days for tourist or business purposes without a visa.

All other nationalities must check the visa entry requirements before your departure. You need sufficient funds and a return airline ticket. Further information can be found here

It is your responsibility to ensure you have the necessary travel documentation prior to departure.

TRAVEL INSURANCE

All passengers must have valid travel insurance before traveling, including health and cancellation insurance. Please ensure you have a copy of your insurer's 24-hour emergency telephone number and your policy number.

MEDICAL CONDITIONS & PERSONAL MEDICATION

Please advise us before travel if you have any medical conditions requiring special attention during your trip. If you have a specific medical condition, it is wise to carry the relevant doctor's prescription with you.

TRAVELLING WITH CPAP OR OTHER MEDICAL DEVICES

If you require CPAP or similar medical equipment, please notify The Big Journey Company at the time of booking. If distilled or ionised water is required, please let us know in advance so that our ground agents can prepare. Additional charges may apply.

LUGGAGE

What to Pack and Wear:

The weather in Croatia in June is typically warm, sunny, and ideal for exploring—though occasional showers can still occur. We recommend packing:

- Lightweight, breathable clothing for warm days
- A light jacket or cardigan for cooler evenings or breezy coastal areas
- Comfortable walking shoes or sandals suitable for cobbled streets
- Swimwear and a beach towel for coastal stops or hotel pools
- A sun hat, sunglasses, and high-SPF sunscreen for sun protection
- A compact umbrella or light rain jacket, just in case
- Smart-casual attire for evening meals or special occasions
- Don't forget your camera, charger, spare batteries, and memory cards

Luggage Allowances:

International airlines are often strict about the size and weight of checked in baggage and carry-on luggage. Prior to your departure, please contact your airline or visit their website for specific luggage requirements, as size and weight limitations may

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vary according to the airline and destination.

LANGUAGE

The main language of Croatia is Croatian. English is spoken widely in tourist destinations across the country, especially by younger generations.

WEATHER

The weather in Croatia in summer is generally very hot, with temperatures often soaring above 30C. In summer months, most days will be sunny with little shade and temperatures dropping only slightly in the evenings. Temperatures are more pleasant in Spring/Autumn. Spring brings the mistral winds across the Adriatic and in Autumn, the sea is a great temperature for swimming.

ELECTRICITY

In Croatia, the standard voltage is 230V and the frequency is 50Hz. You will need a European plug adapter, and/or converter depending on which electrical appliances you bring with you.

MOBILES & INTERNET COMMUNICATION

Moblie coverage is widely avaliable across Europe, be sure to check with your mobile provider for coverage and rates, as data roaming can be extremely expensive.

MONEY

Currency:

The official currency of Croatia is the Euro (\in). Croatia adopted the Euro on January 1, 2023, replacing the Croatian Kuna (HRK). Credit cards are widely accepted in cities, especially at hotels, restaurants, and shops, but it's a good idea to carry cash for smaller purchases or in rural areas. Many smaller businesses may not accept cards, particularly foreign ones. ATMs are common in cities, but less so in smaller towns.

Visa and Mastercard are the most commonly accepted credit cards, while Diners Club and American Express may not be accepted everywhere. Contact your bank before traveling to avoid any issues with your cards.

Important: Croatia uses chip-and-pin cards, so cards with magnetic strips may not work at certain machines. Carry some cash just in case and be prepared to show ID if needed.

Gratuities:

After feedback from previous guests, we offer a group tipping package for this tour, more information on this will be shared in the 'Pre-Tour Emails'.

WATER

The tap water in Croatia is generally of good quality. Unless otherwise advised, you can drink the local tap water. It is not advisable to drink the tap water on board boats. Bottled water can be bought at supermarkets, kiosks and many shops.

SAFETY & SECURITY

As visitors, tourists may be more vulnerable to petty crimes like pickpocketing and scams, so we recommend staying aware and taking simple precautions.

RELIGION

Croatia is mostly Christian, however there is a small percentage of Muslim Serbs living to the south and east of the country.

PHOTOGRAPHY

Croatia offers photo opportunities one after another. You will return with many photos that can never be repeated. Remember to pack your camera, along with the charger, spare batteries and a spare memory card!

ARRIVAL IN CROATIA

Please note, standard hotel check-in is around 3pm, so should you arrive earlier than this, your room may not be available upon arrival. For those arriving early morning, we will do everything we can to work with the hotel to get you an earlier check-in subject to availability.

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