

ISTRIA: POREČ - PULA

Crystal clear water and idyllic coastal towns

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DESCRIPTION

Start of this bicycle tour is Poreč, one of the most important coastal towns along the west coast of the peninsula Istria in Croatia. This sunny peninsula in the Mediterranean Sea is characterised by little picturesque fisher villages, small towns on the karst hills, vineyards and valleys. Let yourself be surprised by the charms of a landscape rich in contrasts and the various colours of Istria.

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE ROUTE

This bicycle tour through Istria is slightly hilly. The tour is suitable for children over 14 years.

We suggest you this tour as an additional after one of the following cycling tours:

• Venice – Trieste – Istria

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A DAY BY DAY ACCOUNT OF THE ROUTE

Day 1: Arrival to Poreč (approx. 35 km, if you have time)

Individual arrival at the starting-hotel in Poreč.

If you arrive early we have a few suggestions for your first day in Croatia: either you visit the Brijuni islands by boat or the Limski channel, or you enjoy your day off by the sea or visit the hinterland of Porec. The Brijuni-islands are twelve smaller and 2 bigger islands; the main island Veli Brijun was used by the Yugoslav statesman Tito as summer residence. Today the islands are a National Park and only Veli Brijun is open to the public.

Going by boat to the fjord-alike Limski channel you might be lucky and see some dolphins. The Limski-channel is National Park too and on the coast you find mussels and oyster farms.

Day 2: Poreč – Rovinj (approx. 55 km)

Have a last view over the picturesque seaport on Istria's west coast before you leave to Rovinj. The city is surrounded in the west and the south west by the Adriatic Sea. Afar the high bell tower of the Euphemia Church built on the highest spot of Rovinj, greats you. Go ahead, if you would like to cycle to Zlatni rt (also known as Golden Cape), a peninsula, where you find a park in a nature reserve.

Day 3: Rovinj – Pula (approx. 45 – 55 km)

The last day on your "expedition" in Istria leads you to Pula on Istria's south west point. Pula is the oldest town of Istria and its commercial and cultural centre. Enjoy your last day of your trip amongst various antiquities and the mighty Roman amphitheatre in the centre of Pula.

Day 4: Departure

Individual departure or possibility to extend your stay.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Classification of the cycle tour: self-guided tour

Duration: 4 days/3 nights
Distance: approx. 100 - 145km

Starting point: Poreč

ARRIVAL

By car: Over the Tauern motorway to Villach and over the border crossing Arnoldstein to Udine and Trieste. From Trieste on the motorway to Koper (toll charge!) and over the E751 through Slovenia to Croatia – Poreč (toll charge!).

By train: Via Salzburg and Villach to Trieste (Trieste centrale). Timetables: www.deutschebahn.de, www.oebb.at, www.trenitalia.com

By plane: Airports Ronchi dei Legionari (Trieste) or Pula. There are good bus connections (airport shuttle) from the airport Ronchi dei Legionari to Trieste. From there you continue by bus.

By boat: From Venice to Poreč with Venezia Lines – www.venezialines.com.

ACCOMMODATION

Hotels in 3-, partly 4-star-category // Attention: Tourist tax – if requested – has to be paid on the spot.

PARKMÖGLICHKEIT

Car parking on the hotel premises or nearby; no reservation possible; to be paid on the spot.

TRANSFER

Every Wednesday and Saturday: Return transfer by shuttle bus from Pula to Poreč – €40.00 per person (bicycle included). Reservation required, payment upon booking.

RENTAL BIKES

21-gears women's or men's bicycle // E-bike (unisex bike, 500 W battery; range up to 100 km)



INCLUDED SERVICES

- Accommodation in hotels in 3-, partly 4-star-category
- Breakfast buffet or full breakfast
- Personal tour information
- Luggage transfer from hotel to hotel
- Well planned routes
- Detailed documents (maps, route description, places to visit, important telephone numbers)
- Telephone service hotline for the entire tour

NOT INCLUDED SERVICES

- Arrival to the starting point of the tour
- Departure at the end of the tour
- Drinks, tourist tax and all extras
- Lunch, Dinner
- Not mentioned entries
- Rental bikes and travel insurance
- All not expressly mentioned under the item "Included services"

STARTING DATES 2022

ARRIVAL

Every Wednesday and Sunday: 06/04/2022 (first available date) to 09/11/2022 (last available date)

DISABLED DATES (NO START POSSIBLE!)

30/07/2022 up to and including 21/08/2022

NON SCHEDULE ARRIVAL DATES

Minimum of 5 persons upon request!

PRICES 2022

SELF-GUIDED TOUR	
Package price per person in a double room incl. breakfast – Season 1*	€ 359.00*
Package price per person in a double room incl. breakfast – Season 2**	€ 398.00**
Single room surcharge, per person	€ 79.00
ADDITIONAL SERVICES	
Rental Bike	€ 69.00
E-bike	€ 129.00
EXTRA NIGHTS IN POREČ	
Per person and night in a double room incl. breakfast	€ 69.00
Single room surcharge, per person	€ 35.00
EXTRA NIGHTS IN PULA	
Per person and night in a double room incl. breakfast	€ 69.00
Single room surcharge, per person	€ 35.00

We suggest travel insurance. Changes in the offer as well as errors, printing errors and arithmetic errors reserved!

^{*} Season 1: arrival dates from 06/04/2022 up to and including 17/06/2022 and from 12/09/2022 up to and including 09/11/2022

^{**} Season 2: arrival dates from 18/06/2022 up to and including 11/09/2022