



Trip description

5 days to discover the wine road in Croatia by bike

In this short tour, discover the wine road of Istria, its perched villages but also the beautiful Adriatic sea.

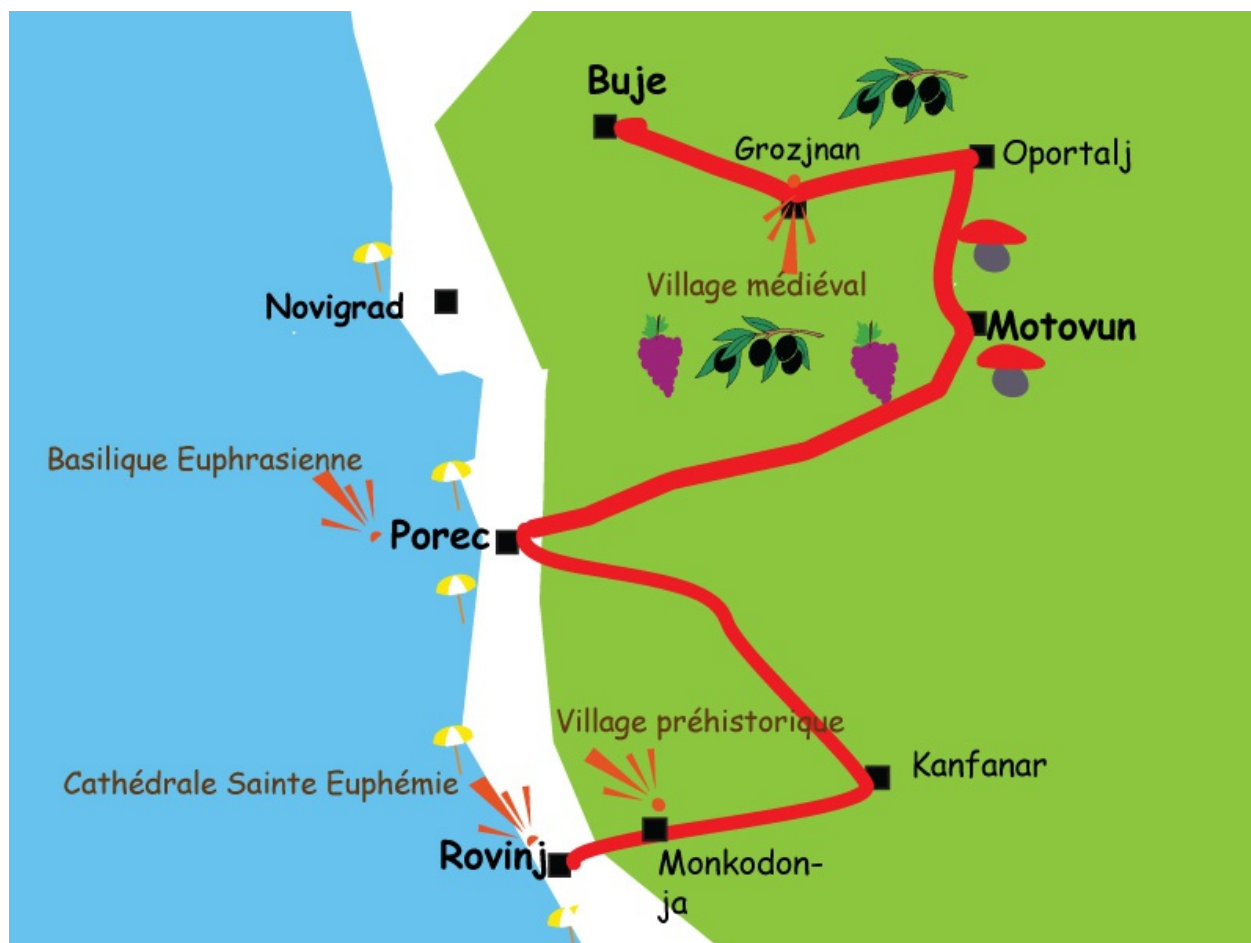


Destination	Europe
Location	Croatie
Duration	5 days
Difficulty Level	Moderate
Validity	March to November
Minimum age	14 years old
Reference	CR0501

Type of stay
itinerant trip



Itinerary



Bike along the wine roads of Istria. Day after day, discover the beauty of typical croatian villages perched in the mountains. Taste some gastronomical specialities such as croatian wines, truffles or olive oil. Ride along the Adriatic sea and reach the beautiful town of Rovinj. Enjoy the mediterranean colours of this city and its relaxing atmosphere.

Day 1

Arrival in Istria

Arrival in Istria and meeting with an agency representative at 7pm at your hotel in Buje.

Day 2

Buje-Motovun

Bike
37km

Apart from enjoying the breathtaking landscape of the terrace - styled vineyards which resemble to an image on the front page of a holiday guide to Tuscany, you can indulge the sensation the area of Buje gives, a real polyphony of fragrances and tastes. Riding through magnificent rolling landscapes and lively Istrian vineyards, it will become obvious why it was also known once it was named as wine railway. After passing through many tunnels, over old bridges we will stop on many fascinating view points from charming medieval town of Grožnjan to Završje until we reach Motovun, town monument, an ancient little Istrian town located atop a 277-meter-high hill, 21 km south-east from Buje. Its present appearance, with the city walls surrounding the centre of the town, dates back to the Middle Ages.

Day 3

Motovun-Porec

Bike
38km

This part of the trail goes from inland to the coast. It follows the road to Višnjan where you will pass by an observatory. It's one of the 5 most famous observatories in the world. The road continues to the town of Višnjan which is on 246m altitude and from there you'll be able to catch a view on west Istrian coast and the coastal town of Poreč. In Višnjan surroundings it is possible to visit many wine cellars with wine from Poreč area, especially malvasia. Tour continues to Tar, a little town on the hill above the sea and to Nova Vas village by the famous cave (which you can visit). After passing a few more villages the trail reaches Poreč.

Day 4

Porec-Kanfanar-Rovinj

Bike
33km

You can choose between taking a car transfer to Kanfanar or reach it on your own on bike. Kanfanar is a small town above the Lim valley. From Kanfanar starts the flattest ride of all in this tour. Passing by Istrian inland villages you will see traditional Istrian tool-houses (kažun).

After reaching Bale you can visit the Bembo palace, city square and museum. Continue to Rovinj and on the way you can visit see "Palud" an ornithological reserve where you can cycle around. After village Kokuletočica you can turn in Monkodonja. Monkodonja is a prehistoric hill-town inhabited about 1800-1200 BC during the Bronze Age.

After Monkodonja you will reach Rovinj, your goal of this tour, the "Pearl of Adriatic". With its church and bell-tower on the hill by the sea it's very recognizable from all sides. Also called Istrian Venice, old town which was once an island and then connected with land, famous for its traditional boat called batana. Restaurants with fresh fish combined with Malvasia will complete this week's atmosphere. It will fascinate you. Everybody can enjoy Rovinj, its charm and magic.

Day 5

Departure from Rovinj

Enjoy your last day in Rovinj before departure.

Accommodation

Category A

You will stay in 3 star hotels or B and B.



** Example of the type of accommodation*

Practical information

To go to the starting point:

By plane: flight for Trieste or Pula . Our partner will meet you at 7pm at your hotel in Buje.

To go back to the starting point:

By bus:

You take the bus if you want to go back to the starting point(there is no connection by train). In summer, we advise you to book the ticket in advance. The journey between Rovinj and Pula is 45 mn and between Rovinj and Trieste 2h55mn.

Price description

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