

FAMILY ACTIVITY WEEK

Starting a Croatia activity holiday in Dubrovnik means that you not only get to make the most of this stunning coastline, but also the cultural magnificence of its finest medieval city, Dubrovnik. A city that has two of the most beautiful backdrops: The Konavle Valley and the archipelago, in particular the Elaphiti Islands, with three nights of this holiday spent on the island of Lopud. This holiday starts with a total immersion in the Adriatic, as sea kayaking in Croatia is the way to see both the archipelago and of course the mainland from a very different perspective. You will stay on Lopud Island where you will not only be able to kayak from one beach to another, but also enjoy the stunning through woodland, lemon groves, traditional villages, and fine local food. The village where we stay dates to the 16th century, with Renaissance churches and ancient mansions making this one of the archipelago's prettiest locations. For the rest of the trip, you will be based in Dubrovnik, but spending the daytime in the Konavle Valley, very much off the tourist trail. With its rocky coastline, lush hills and red roofed traditional stone houses overlooking the azure Adriatic, you will see why it has become known as the Dubrovnik Riviera. Albeit a very natural and peaceful one.

DAY-BY-DAY ITINERARY

Day 1: Transfer from the airport to Dubrovnik

Meeting and transfer by minivan from airport to Dubrovnik Ferry* Dubrovnik-Lopud, where you will be welcomed by your guide and your local host. (Free time to visit Dubrovnik is depending on your arrival flight schedule. We will assist you with luggage storage and transfers). Lopud: overnight Dubrovnik - Lopud ferry timetable:

*July, August:

Saturdays: 10 am; 2 pm; 4,30 pm; 8 pm

Sundays: 09, 30 am; 11, 45 am; 06, 15 pm; 08, 30 pm

*May, June, September, October:

Saturdays: 10 am; 2 pm; 4,30 pm; 8 pm

Sundays: 09, 00 am; 08, 00 pm

Overnight: Island of Lopud, family-owned B&B

Day 2: Kayaking: Lopud - Sunj

After the instructions in shallow protected bay we paddle from Lopud to Sunj beach. In the afternoon we will explore the island on foot. Traditional stone architecture, lemon and orange trees, natural sandy beaches, small churches, and a lovely promenade with the palm trees will delight you.

Overnight: Lopud, family-owned B&B

Day 3: Kayaking: Sunj - Kolocep

After a pleasant walk to Sunj beach we paddle to the island of Kolocep. Kolocep is known for its steep impressive cliffs and stunning rock formations. If the weather permits, we will visit the Blue Cave on the outer side of the island Lunch: fish restaurant on the island of Kolocep

Overnight: island of Lopud, family-owned B&B

Day 4: Kayaking: Lopud - Trsteno

Kayaking from Lopud to Trsteno gardens. Visit the arboretum and 15c summer villa, once a residence of Ragusian patrician family Gozze. Trsteno is famous as one of the locations where the Game of Thrones was filmed.

Overnight: Island of Lopud, family-owned B&B

Day 5: Cycling: Island of Sipan

We paddle (or take the ferry – it is 5 minutes ferry ride) from Lopud to Sudjuradj, on the island of Sipan. Sudjuradj is a fishermen's village nested in a scenic bay, with numerous historical monuments, castles, churches, and Renaissance summer manors. We cycle along 5 km long scenic road to Luka Sipanska, once the center of Authority of Dubrovnik Republic.

In the afternoon we return to Sudjuradj and we either paddle back to Lopud or we take the ferry.

Overnight: Lopud, family-owned B&B

Day 6: Paddle Board Day

Sup is the fastest growing water sports for a reason coupling balance, paddling technique and lots and lots of fun. It also is great for your core stability and overall fitness. After the instructions we paddle along the protected bay. For those who are not confident standing, this board can also be paddled on the knees.

Overnight: Hotel in Dubrovnik

Day 7: Quad biking in Konavle Valley

After the instructions we drive through beautiful olive groves, pine forests, along the amazing Konavlian rocky coast to the picturesque village of Cilipi, where we offer to make our first stop and visit Konavle Country House. The tour continues through Konavle Polje, unique Dalmatian bush and where we cross river Ljuta and we visit 16c water mill, a cultural monument of Dubrovnik region. On our way back we take the route overlooking the Konavle Polje, the old train path (famous "Chiro" steam engine).

Overnight: hotel in Dubrovnik Day

8: Departure Transfer to Dubrovnik airport