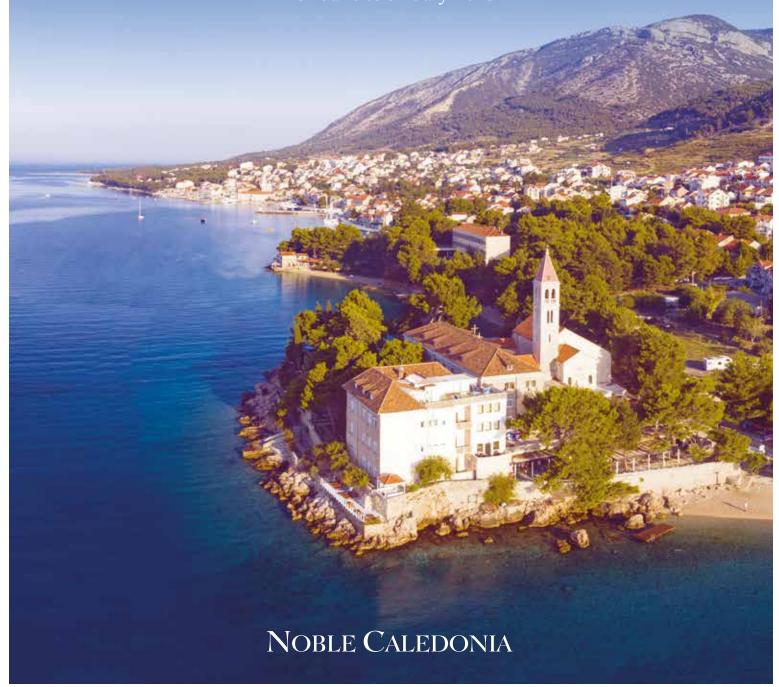


# COASTAL CROATIA

A cruise from Dubrovnik to Split aboard the 36-passenger Queen Eleganza 28th June to 5th July 2025



For those who enjoy cruising amongst beautiful coastal scenery, swimming in clear blue waters and exploring little-known fishing ports and ancient towns with a small group of like-minded travellers, this seven night journey through Croatia's Dalmatian islands will surely appeal. Whilst Croatia itself is no longer a secret, Dalmatia offers a great concentration of the country's highlights and this unique cruise steers clear of the well-trodden tourist trail. Instead we will head to some of the quieter spots and out-of-the-way beaches and islands which the Croats themselves escape to; places where you can wander the streets away from crowds and where nightlife means a nightcap by the harbour.

Our voyage begins in the enchanting walled city of Dubrovnik where after some time to explore we set sail to Mljet where we will tour the National Park including its beautiful lakes and witness some of Croatia's natural beauty. We then head to the island of Korcula and our first stop will be in the Old Town with its wonderful Medieval atmosphere and charming waterfront restaurants that can be enjoyed on our overnight mooring. Continuing on to the western end of the island we will visit Vela Luka which, although meaning "big harbour" in Croatian, is a peaceful and relaxing spot to explore. Our next few days will be spent visiting some of the quieter ports in the Dalmatian islands, with plenty of opportunities for swims in secluded bays and from pristine beaches. Discover Jelsa on the island of Hvar, surrounded by pine forests and Bol, close to the stunning Zlatni rat beach before spending some time in tranquil Maslinica with just 208 inhabitants. Our final afternoon will be spent exploring the historic city of Split, with its Diocletian Palace built by the Romans, and a fitting end to our voyage.

With just 36 guests on board we will be able to explore parts of the coast that most cruise ship passengers in the region rarely get to visit and, taking advantage of our central moorings, you will be able to sample the wonderful gastronomy and experience the enchanting towns and harbours in their evening splendour. In addition to our included guided excursions, we have allowed ample time at leisure and there will also be opportunities to swim from the ship as we call into secluded bays and hidden coves.













### The Itinerary

**Day 1 London to Dubrovnik, Croatia.** Fly by scheduled flight. On arrival transfer to the Queen Eleganza. Enjoy a welcome dinner on board this evening as we moor overnight. **(D)** 

Day 2 Dubrovnik & Mljet. Spend the morning in Dubrovnik, the "Pearl of the Adriatic". After a short drive to Pile Gate, we will begin our guided walk through the unique Medieval Old Town of Dubrovnik, which was added to the UNESCO World Heritage List in 1979. See the major attractions such as the Rector's Palace, the Romanesque-Gothic Dominican and Franciscan Monasteries and the Sponza Palace. Return to the vessel for lunch as we set sail to Mljet. There will be the opportunity to dine ashore this evening as we moor overnight. (B, L)

Day 3 Mljet & Korcula. Mljet is one of the few Dalmatian islands that was never ruled by Venice and this is apparent in the architecture and the absence of any sizeable historic town. What it lacks in great architecture it more than makes up for in natural beauty and there will be a tour to the National Park including its beautiful lakes. Over lunch we sail to Korcula, the reputed birthplace of the explorer Marco Polo, arriving later this afternoon. On our tour enjoy some time walking along the crooked Medieval streets to the elegant squares which are flanked with palaces of the old nobility. We will moor overnight and you will be able to dine ashore in the Old Town this evening. (B, L)

Day 4 Korcula. There will be some free time this morning to explore the Old Town before we sail along the coast of the island to our next port of call, Vela Luka, where we will arrive later this afternoon. Occupying a large bay at the western end of the island, the name Vela Luka means "big harbour" in Croatian. Spend some time strolling the charming harbourside promenade or take an uphill walk to visit the Vela Spila cave, one of the most important prehistoric cave dwellings in Europe, inhabited since the Stone Age. Enjoy dinner on board this evening. (B, L, D)

Day 5 Hvar. After a morning sailing, we will arrive on the island of Hvar after lunch, mooring in the picturesque town of Jelsa. This small harbour town is surrounded by pine forests and is the perfect place for an afternoon stroll or maybe take a walk to one of the nearby beaches that can be found in the secluded coves that dot the coastline. Dine ashore this evening in one of the many harbourside restaurants and moor overnight. (B, L)

Day 6 Brac & Solta. Over breakfast we will make the short sail over to the island of Brac where we will moor in the small town of Bol. Spend some time exploring this attractive old town, or head to one of the nearby beaches for a swim, including Zlatni rat, arguably one of the most beautiful beaches in Croatia. Return to the ship for lunch as we sail on to the island of Solta, where we berth in the small village of Maslinica. This tranquil place, home to just 208 inhabitants, is well off the beaten track and is an idyllic spot for a late afternoon wander or a swim. Enjoy dinner on board as we moor overnight. (B, L, D)

Day 7 Solta & Split. There will be the opportunity for another swim this morning before we sail over lunch to our final port of call, Split. Upon arrival take a guided walk through the city which includes the Palace of Diocletian which was built by the emperor in 295-305 AD as his retirement villa. Much of this large building is well preserved and the palace contains Split's Old Town within its walls, making it the only Roman palace that has been continuously inhabited since Roman times. This evening enjoy our farewell dinner on board. (B, L, D)

**Day 8 Split to London.** Disembark this morning and transfer to Split Airport for our scheduled flight to London. (B)

#### **PRICES PER PERSON**

Based on double occupancy

## SPECIAL OFFER – SAVE £300 PER PERSON FOR A LIMITED TIME ONLY

C	at	Cabin Description	Brochure Price	Special Offer Price
	1	Twin/Double cabin on the Lower Deck	£3095	£2795
	2	Twin Cabin on the Main Deck	£3095	£2795
	3	Twin Cabin on the Main Deck	£3395	£3095
	4	Twin/Double cabin on the Main Deck	£3695	£3395
	5	Double cabin on the Main Deck	£3895	£3595
	6	Double cabin on the Lower Deck for sole	use <b>£3095</b>	£2795

PRICE INCLUDES: Economy class scheduled air travel • Seven nights aboard the Queen Eleganza • Meals as indicated (B -Breakfast, L - Lunch, D - Dinner) • House wine, beer & soft drinks with included lunches and dinners • Shore excursions • Noble Caledonia onboard team • Gratuities • Transfers • Port taxes • Airport taxes.

Not Included: Travel insurance.







Cat 3 Twin Cabin

Queen Eleganza

Restaurant

## QUEEN ELEGANZA

For our Croatian Coastal cruises, we are delighted to have chartered the beautifully crafted Queen Eleganza which was launched in April 2018. Built by Croatian hands, this modern and stylish vessel is one of the finest Croatian flagged vessels of its kind and, with a maximum of just 36 guests, there is the added benefit of a relaxed and informal atmosphere on board. The team of friendly Croatian crew members all speak English and their excellent service and hospitality will do much to add to your enjoyment. Meals served on board have a home cooked feel and feature wholesome, fresh and tasty Mediterranean cuisine and, when dining ashore independently, your knowledgeable Cruise Director will recommend popular local restaurants. This is the perfect ship to escape the formalities of larger vessels and enjoy the casual nature of small ship cruising along the most beautiful of coastlines.

#### Your Cabin/Suite

The 18 cabins are attractively designed with neutral décor and stylish furnishings. There are six different grades of cabin arranged over two decks; all cabins feature either portholes (all lower deck cabins), small windows (categories 3 & 5) or picture windows (categories 2 & 4) and are spacious with a well-designed layout, comfortable seating and all the mod cons. The cabins range in size from 13m² for the category 2 cabin to 25m² for the category 5 cabin. Facilities include air conditioning/heating, wardrobe, drawers and spacious under bed storage, television, radio, hairdyer and safety deposit box. Each cabin also has an en-suite bathroom with a shower, a large sink with under sink drawer space and toiletries including shower gel, soap, shampoo and conditioner. All bathrooms feature a small window.

#### Your Space

If you prefer a peaceful life at sea and a casual, laid-back ambience then you need look no further than the Queen Eleganza. The vessel has been designed with spacious outside public areas including a large Sun Deck with an excellent shaded area. Whether you choose to spend your time indoors in the lounge or bar area, or on a comfortable lounger on the Sun Deck, the ship has many perfect spots from which to relax and watch the passing scenery.

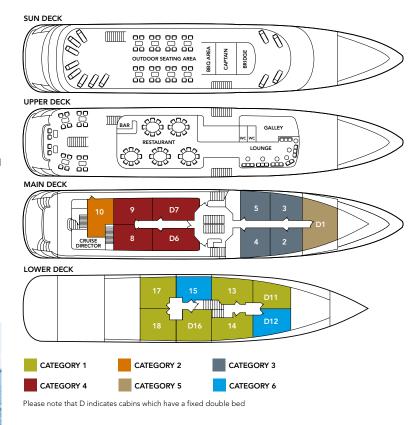
#### Your Dining

Meals on board are a casual affair featuring locally sourced produce and a selection of regional specialities. Breakfast and lunch are buffet style and feature both hot and cold dishes, whilst dinner is a set menu. House wine, beer and soft drinks are included with lunch and dinner and there is a 24 hour tea/coffee station.



Sun Deck

#### QUEEN ELEGANZA DECK PLAN







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