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ISTRIA & THE ISLANDS OF NORTHERN CROATIA

An island hopping discovery aboard the Queen Eleganza
29th June to 7th July & 7th to 15th July* 2022

NOBLE CALEDONIA

Sali fishing village, Dugi Otok



Sveti Ivan beach, Lubenice, Cres Island



Mali Losinj waterfront and harbour



For those who enjoy cruising amongst beautiful coastal scenery, swimming in clear blue waters and exploring charming fishing ports and ancient towns with a small group of like-minded travellers, this eight night journey exploring Istria and the islands of Northern Croatia will surely appeal. Whilst Croatia itself is no longer a secret, Northern 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.

As we make our way along the coast we will visit charming islands such as Krk, Cres with its Italian influence and scenic Medieval harbour and Pula where we will visit one of the best-preserved Roman amphitheatres. We will also experience the untouched nature of the Brijuni islands and visit Losinj, a classic Adriatic island which is still relatively unspoilt. As our journey continues we discover more secret idylls and remote, uncrowded spots such as the sandy beaches of Susak, the flower-filled island of Ilovik with its 170 residents and the island of Dugi Otok, surrounded by hills, vines and ancient olive groves, where we visit the traditional fishing village of Sali.

In addition to our included guided excursions, we have allowed ample time at leisure and, taking advantage of the warm summer temperatures, there will also be opportunities to swim from the ship. With just 36 guests on board, the Queen Eleganza has the advantage of being able to call into secluded bays and hidden coves and, taking advantage of our central moorings, there will opportunities to dine ashore and experience the atmospheric ports in their evening splendour.

The Itinerary

Day 1 London to Opatija, Croatia. Fly by scheduled flight to Zagreb. On arrival we transfer to the Queen Eleganza moored in Opatija where we will embark and enjoy the welcome drinks and dinner. We will moor overnight allowing time for an after dinner walk in this genteel resort. (D)

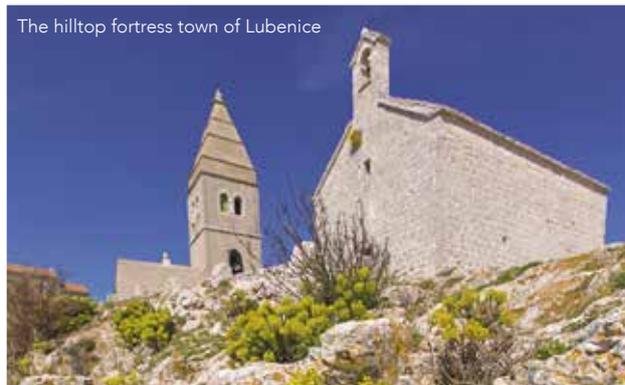
Day 2 Krk. Leaving Opatija after breakfast we sail to Krk where an afternoon walking tour will include the 12th century St Mary's Cathedral, the Frankopan Castle and Church of St Quirinus before we arrive at the main town square. See the walls that once fortified the city and enjoy time to wander the cobbled streets or around the harbour. This evening is free to dine in one of the many restaurants. (B, L)

Day 3 Cres. Spend the morning cruising to the nearby island of Cres. If conditions permit, we will find a spot to swim from the ship before mooring in the sheltered scenic Medieval harbour at Cres Town in the



early afternoon. Enjoy a walk through the atmospheric streets which have a strong Italian feel having been under Venetian rule in the 15th and 16th centuries. Afterwards, we continue on to the former fort city of Lubenice. Situated on a cliff 378 metres above the sea we will explore the fortress, city gates, houses, chapels and winding streets of this evocative site and enjoy the stunning views over the bay below. Dine ashore this evening and perhaps take a stroll along the seaside promenade. (B, L)

Day 4 Pula. Sail this morning for an afternoon arrival to the tip of the Istrian Peninsula and the former Roman settlement of Polensium, now known as Pula. On our afternoon tour we will discover one of the best preserved Roman amphitheatres left in the world. The Arena, built in the 1st century AD, was designed to host gladiatorial contests with seating for up to 20,000 spectators. Exploring the town further we will



see the varied architecture from Baroque palaces, Christian churches and Austrian villas. Enjoy dinner on board as we moor overnight. (B, L, D)

Day 5 Brijuni Islands, Unije & Mali Losinj. The 14 islands of the Brijuni comprise one of Croatia's National Parks and were once the summer retreat of former Yugoslav leader, Tito. Between 1947 and 1980 he spent up to six months a year on the islands. On a morning excursion we will explore Veliki Brijun including the 1st century Roman Villa, the nine hectare safari park created by Tito to house the exotic animals gifted to him by world leaders, and the Church of St Germain. We hope to stop this afternoon for a swim off the island of Unije before we arrive at the island of Mali Losinj, often referred to as the prettiest port in the Adriatic, where there will be the opportunity to dine ashore as we will moor overnight. (B, L)

Day 6 Mali Losinj, Susak & Ilovik. Spend the morning in Mali Losinj which sits at the foot of a protected harbour on the southeast coast of Losinj Island. It is the island's mild climate and rich flora that give Mali Losinj its reputation as one of the most fragrant islands in Croatia; its air is scented with lavender, sage and rosemary. The seafront of old town Mali Losinj is lined with a string of imposing 19th century houses and villas and is a pleasant place to wander. Sail over lunch to the island of Susak where we hope to enjoy a swim at one of the picturesque beaches before arriving at Ilovik. Known as the island of flowers with oleander, palms and roses growing around every house and with only 170 residents, Ilovik is well off the traditional tourist route. Enjoy dinner ashore this evening and take the chance to sample the fresh seafood and local wines. (B, L)



Day 7 Dugi Otok. We continue our journey south cruising past numerous islands as we make our way to Sali, a traditional fishing village on the island of Dugi Otok surrounded by hills and ancient olive groves. On a walking tour of the town we will see the Church of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary with a gorgeous wooden altar from the 17th century. We also hope to visit the nearby Telascica Nature Park, a beautiful area of islands, islets, rugged cliffs and coves. Return to the ship for dinner. (B, L, D)

Day 8 Zadar. Cruise this morning to Zadar. Once a dominant city on the Adriatic coast rivalling Venice, Zadar is today a treasured city which has preserved its historical core. Later today we will enjoy a walking tour strolling around the old town with its Roman columns and portals, Romanesque churches and Renaissance and Baroque palaces. Return to the ship for our farewell dinner this evening. (B, L, D)

Day 9 Zadar to London. Disembark this morning and transfer to Split airport for our scheduled flight to London. (B)

***Please note** that the 7th July departure operates in the reverse direction to that shown. Full details can be viewed online at www.noble-caledonia.co.uk

PRICES PER PERSON

Based on double occupancy

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Cat	Cabin Description	Brochure Price	Special Offer Price
1	Twin/Double cabin on the Lower Deck	£2995	£2795
2	Twin Cabin on the Main Deck	£2995	£2795
3	Twin Cabin on the Main Deck	£3195	£2995
4	Twin/Double cabin on the Main Deck	£3395	£3195
5	Double cabin on the Main Deck	£3595	£3395
6	Double cabin on the Lower Deck for sole use	£2995	£2795

PRICE INCLUDES: Economy class scheduled air travel • Eight nights aboard the Queen Eleganza • Meals as indicated (B - Breakfast, L - Lunch, D - Dinner) • Beer, wine & soft drinks with lunch and dinner served on board • Shore excursions • Noble Caledonia Cruise Director • Gratuities • Transfers • Port taxes • Airport taxes.

Not Included: Travel insurance.



Cat 4 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 vary in shape and size, from 12m² to 22.5m², adding to the vessel's overall charm. Facilities include air conditioning/heating, a spacious shower, large sink with under sink drawer space, a wardrobe, drawers and spacious under bed storage, flat screen television, radio, hairdryer and safety deposit box. Each cabin also has an en-suite bathroom with a shower and toiletries with a small window.

Your Space

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 lounge on the Sun Deck, the ship has many perfect spots from which to relax and watch the passing scenery.

Your Dining

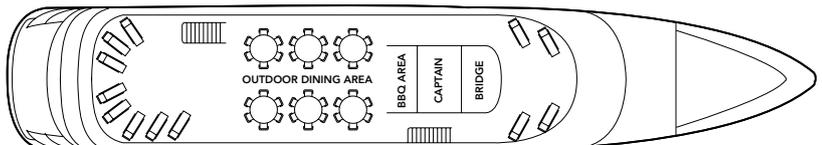
Meals on board are a casual affair. Breakfast is buffet style with eggs cooked to order. Lunch and dinner feature locally sourced fresh food. In good weather, there will be the opportunity to dine al-fresco. House wine/ beer and soft drinks are included with lunch and dinner and there is a 24 hour tea/ coffee station.



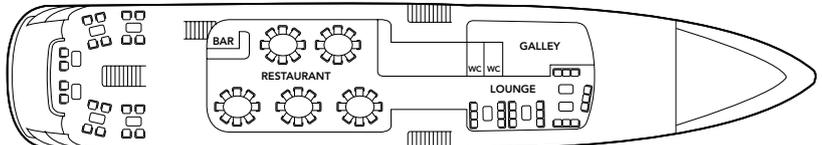
Sun Deck

QUEEN ELEGANZA DECK PLAN

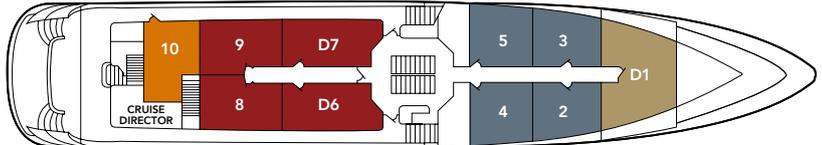
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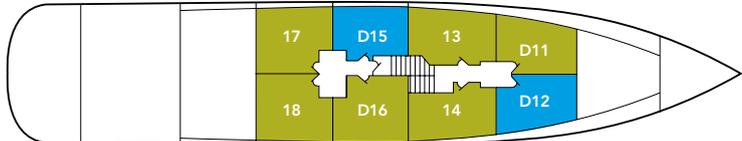
UPPER DECK



MAIN DECK



LOWER DECK



- CATEGORY 1
- CATEGORY 2
- CATEGORY 3
- CATEGORY 4
- CATEGORY 5
- CATEGORY 6

Please note that D indicates cabins which have a fixed double bed

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