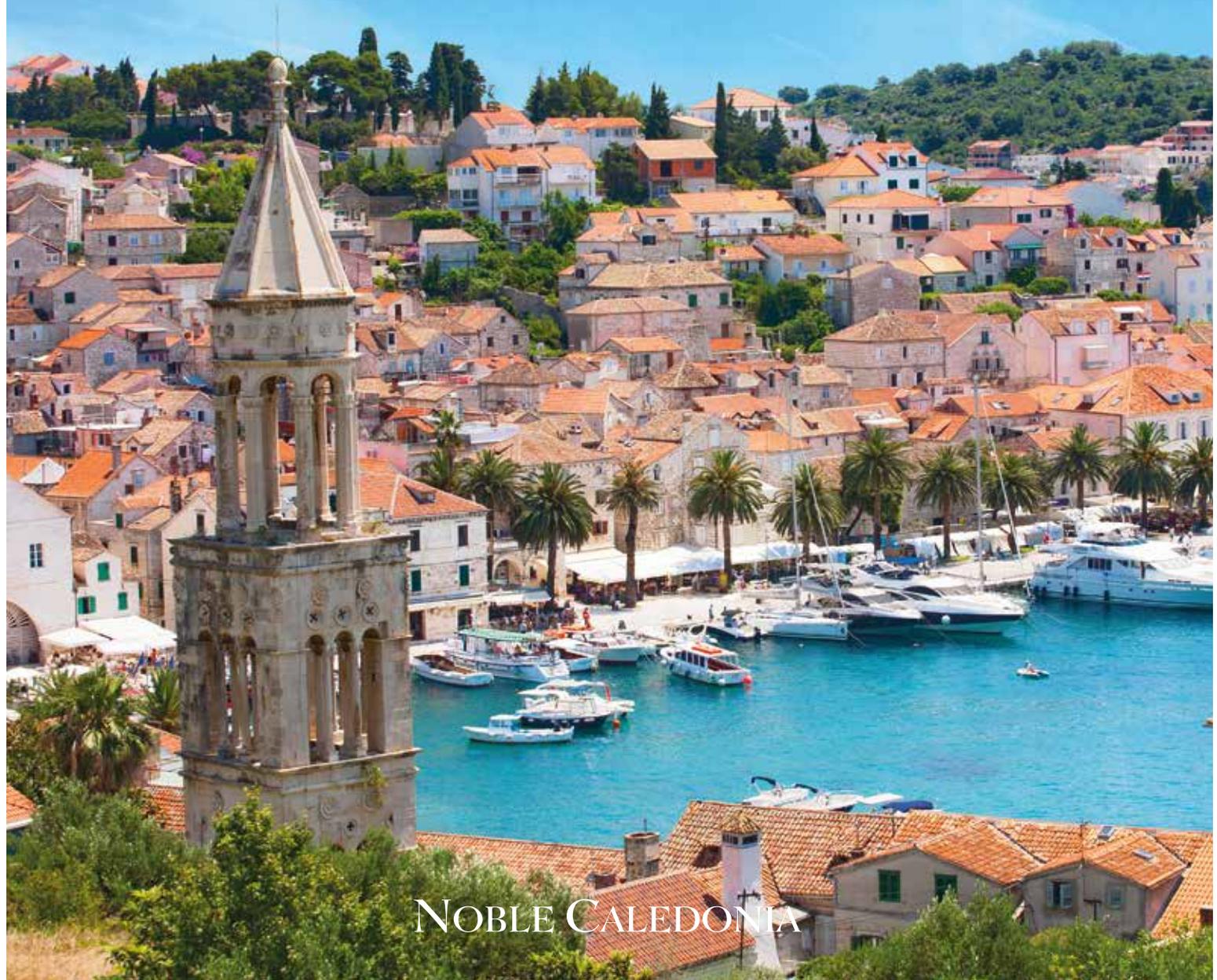


SUMMER SAILING IN THE CROATIAN ISLANDS

Island Hopping aboard the Queen Eleganza

23rd June to 1st July; 16th to 24th July; 24th July to 1st August
& 1st to 9th August 2019



NOBLE CALEDONIA

Even the most jaded of travellers cannot fail to be won over by the beauty of the Adriatic Coast. The sea is an intense blue and the islands are amazingly picturesque. Mountains sweep down to the sea, islands lace the coast creating endless inviting waterways and channels and on shore there are great historic villages, towns and cities. Whilst Croatia itself is no longer a secret, this unique cruise steers clear of the well-trodden tourist trail and instead heads 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 witness a range of scenic delights from the world-famous Kornati Islands to Mljet where we explore the National Park including its beautiful lakes, and the delightful islands of Rab, Hvar and Korcula. 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 and, taking advantage of our central moorings to dine ashore and experience the atmospheric ports in their evening splendour.



THE ITINERARY

23RD JUNE, 16TH JULY & 1ST AUGUST 2019 DEPARTURES

Day 1 London Gatwick to Dubrovnik, Croatia. Fly by scheduled flight. On arrival transfer to the Queen Eleganza and enjoy dinner on board as we moor overnight.

Day 2 Jakljan & Mljet. We sail this morning towards Mljet and if weather permits will make our first swimming stop at the uninhabited island of Jakljan in the Elafiti Islands. We will find a suitable anchorage for a relaxing morning before continuing our journey over lunch arriving in Mljet in the early afternoon. This is one of the few Dalmatian islands that was never ruled by Venice, which is apparent in the architecture and the absence of any sizeable historic town. What it lacks in terms of great architecture it more than makes up for in natural beauty as we will see on our tour to the National Park including its beautiful lakes. Moor overnight in the small port of Pomena and dine in one of the local restaurants.

Day 3 Korcula & Vis. Spend the morning cruising to Korcula arriving in the late morning. If weather and sea conditions allow we hope to stop at the island of Badija for a swim on the way. Korcula boasts crooked Medieval streets and elegant squares. Enjoy free time to explore before returning to the ship for lunch. In the early evening we arrive at the beautiful island of Vis which sits far out in the Adriatic, well away from the conventional

cruise routes. Enjoy the opportunity to dine ashore.

Day 4 Vis, Bisevo & Hvar. One of the furthest of the main Croatian Islands from the coast, in recent years Vis was used as a military base for the Yugoslav army and only opened up to tourism in 1989. From the port of Komiza we will board local boats to the neighbouring island of Bisevo where we will visit the Blue Grotto. This coastal cave shines an amazing blue when the sun's rays pass through an underwater opening. Should sea conditions not allow for this visit, an alternative tour of the beautiful island of Vis will be arranged. We return to the ship for lunch and sail to Hvar this afternoon where we enjoy dinner on board as we moor overnight.

Day 5 Hvar & Zlarin. From our berth in Stari Grad we take a short coach ride across the island to the attractive Old Town of Hvar for a guided walk. We begin in the main square which is the largest piazza in Dalmatia, see the cathedral, the Franciscan Monastery and the Benedictine Nunnery, where we hear about the aloe lace still produced today by the nuns. After some free time, return to the ship and enjoy lunch on board as we sail arriving at the small island of Zlarin this afternoon where we can enjoy a swim in the clear waters. Tonight we will dine on board the Queen Eleganza.



Day 6 Kornati Islands & Zadar. Spend the day amongst the 140 islands that make up the Kornati archipelago a wonder of natural beauty, coves and clear blue waters. George Bernard Shaw fell in love with the islands saying "On the last day of Creation God desired to crown His work, and thus created the Kornati Islands out of tears, stars and breath." Today we will cruise around the islands and will find a location to swim from the ship. We will sail to Zadar for an overnight mooring and the opportunity to dine ashore.

Day 7 Zadar, Pag & Rab. Once a dominant city on the Adriatic Coast rivalling Venice, Zadar is today a treasured city which has preserved its historical core. Enjoy a morning tour, strolling around the old town with its Roman columns and portals, Romanesque churches and Renaissance and Baroque palaces. Sail in the late morning

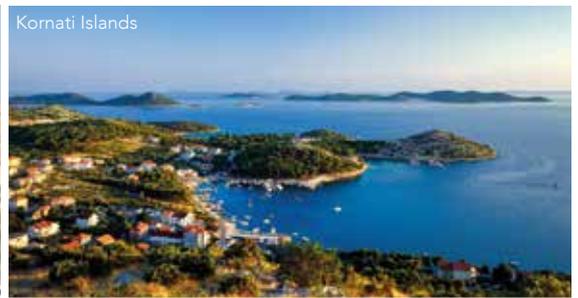
and if weather allows we will drop the anchor and stop for a swim from the ship as we pass the island of Pag on our way to the island of Rab. This evening we will enjoy some time to meander through the narrow old alleys of the picturesque Old Town, a perfectly preserved late Medieval Adriatic settlement. Tonight is free to dine ashore.

Day 8 Opatija. Our final day begins with a cruise to Opatija. We hope to enjoy one final opportunity to swim from the ship before arriving in Opatija in the early afternoon. Here we will enjoy a guided walk through the town and some time at leisure before returning to the ship for the Captain's Farewell Dinner.

Day 9 Opatija to London Heathrow. Disembark this morning and transfer to Zagreb airport for our scheduled flight to London Heathrow.



Korcula



Kornati Islands



Rab



Mljet

THE ITINERARY – 24TH JULY 2019 DEPARTURE

Day 1 London Heathrow to Opatija, Croatia. Fly by scheduled flight to Zagreb. On arrival transfer to the Queen Eleganza moored in Opatija. Enjoy dinner on board and perhaps an after dinner stroll as we moor overnight.

Day 2 Opatija & Rab. After breakfast we will enjoy a guided walk through the town before sailing in the late morning. We hope to find an opportunity to swim from the ship before arriving in the late afternoon at the island of Rab. This evening we will enjoy some time to meander through the narrow old alleys of the picturesque Old Town, a perfectly preserved late Medieval Adriatic settlement squeezed into a slender peninsula along which are dotted a sequence of Romanesque campaniles. Tonight is free to dine ashore.

Day 3 Rab, Pag & Zadar. Sail from Rab over breakfast and if weather allows we will drop the anchor and stop for a swim from the ship as we pass the island of Pag. This afternoon we arrive in Zadar. Once a dominant city on the Adriatic Coast rivaling Venice, Zadar is today a treasured city which has preserved its historical core. Enjoy an afternoon walking tour strolling around the old town with its Roman columns and portals, Romanesque churches and Renaissance and Baroque palaces. This evening dine in one of the many restaurants in Zadar as we moor overnight.

Day 4 Kornati Islands. Spend the day amongst the 140 islands that make up the Kornati archipelago a wonder of natural beauty, coves and clear blue waters. George Bernard Shaw fell in love with the islands saying "On the last day of Creation God desired to crown His work, and thus created the Kornati Islands out of tears, stars and breath." Today we will cruise around the islands and will find a location to swim from the ship. This afternoon we continue to Hvar where we have dinner on board as we moor overnight.

Day 5 Hvar & Vis. From our berth in Stari Grad we take a short coach ride across the island to the attractive Old Town of Hvar for a guided walk. We begin in the main square which is the largest piazza in Dalmatia, see the cathedral, the Franciscan Monastery and the Benedictine Nunnery, where we hear about the aloe lace still produced today by the nuns. After some free time return to the ship and enjoy lunch on board as we sail arriving at the small island of Vis this evening where you can dine ashore in one of the restaurants.

Day 6 Vis, Bisevo & Korcula. One of the further of the main Croatian Islands from the coast, in recent years Vis was used as a military base for the Yugoslav army and only opened up to tourism in 1989. From the port of Komiza

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Day 7 Korcula, Badija & Mljet. Spend the morning on Korcula walking along the crooked Medieval streets to the elegant squares which are flanked with palaces of the old nobility arriving. We sail in the late morning and if weather and sea conditions allow we hope to stop at the island of Badija for a swim. This afternoon

we continue our journey to Mljet where we moor overnight and will have the chance to dine ashore.

Day 8 Mljet, Jakljan & Dubrovnik. 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. We will sail over lunch and hope to stop for a swim on the island of Jakljan before arriving in Dubrovnik this afternoon. Enjoy dinner on board this evening.

Day 9 Dubrovnik to London Gatwick. Disembark this morning and transfer to the airport for our scheduled flight to London.

PRICES PER PERSON

Based on double occupancy

Cat	Cabin Description	Price
1	Twin/Double cabin on the Lower Deck	£2895
2	Twin Cabin on the Main Deck	£2895
3	Twin Cabin on the Main Deck	£3195
4	Twin/Double cabin on the Main Deck	£3395
5	Double cabin on the Main Deck	SOLD OUT
6	Double cabin on the Lower Deck for sole use	£2695

PRICE INCLUDES: Economy class scheduled air travel • Eight nights aboard the Queen Eleganza • Breakfast & lunch daily • Dinners as mentioned in itinerary • House wine, beer & soft drinks with lunch & dinner on board • Noble Caledonia Cruise Director • Shore excursions • Gratuities • Transfers • Port taxes • Airport taxes.
Not Included: Travel insurance, dinners ashore as described.



Cat 4 Twin Cabin



Queen Eleganza



Restaurant

QUEEN ELEGANZA

For our cruises along the Adriatic coast, we are delighted to have chartered the newly built, 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, 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

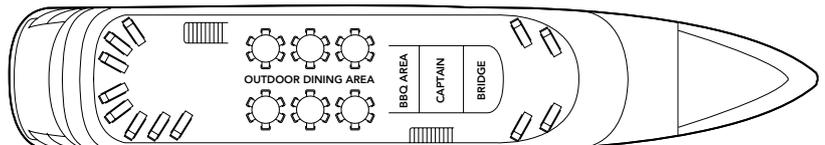
Meals on board are a casual affair. Breakfast is buffet style with eggs cooked to order. Lunch and dinner feature locally sourced fresh food. In good weather, there will be the opportunity to dine al-fresco. House wine/ beer and soft drinks are included with lunch and dinner and there is a 24 hour tea/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



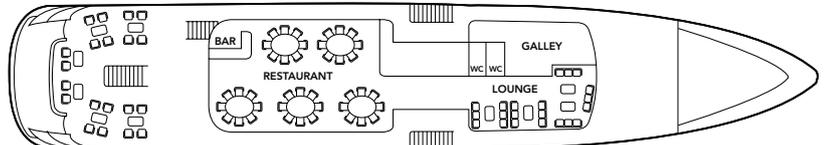
Sun Deck

QUEEN ELEGANZA DECK PLAN

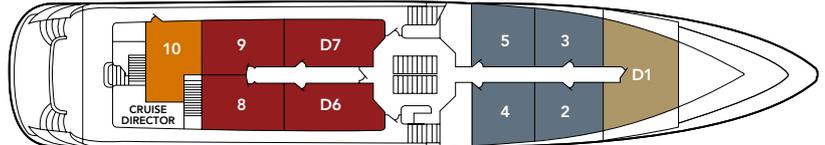
SUN DECK



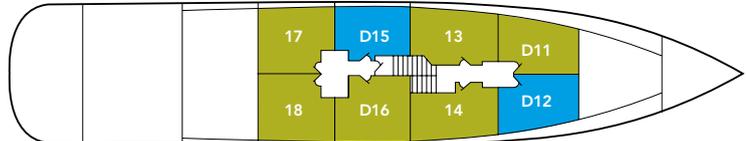
UPPER DECK



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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