

Welcome to THE ISLAND OF KORČULA



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Welcome

or 'Dobrodošli' as they say in Croatia!

Dear tourist,

You have come to a beautiful island, and we have made every effort to produce a guide that will give you all the necessary information, so you can to enjoy this island and all its beauty and richness.

We wish you pleasant and fun stay.

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Island of Korčula

The island of Korčula is a beautiful island which will enchant you with its natural beauty and its cultural treasures. Every place on the island is unique and interesting in its own way. The town of Lumbarda is famous for its sandy beaches and excellent assortment of locally grown wines. The city of Korčula is a tourist centre with rich cultural inheritance. Račišće is a sea port and has a long tradition of navigation, it is a place that lives by the sea and with the sea. In Žrnovo you can see natural park *Kočje*. Pupnat is one of the oldest villages on the island where the king of the national army *Kumpanija* had his seat. Čara and Smokvica are famous for their high quality wines, and Vela Luka, although the youngest place on the island, hides the prehistoric secrets of life of this area in its Big Cave. Mild climate, clean air and serene sea, together with springs of liman – medicine mud, contributed to the development of health tourism on the island. Therapeutic mud can be found in several localities on the island, but it is particularly used in a modern spa centre *Kalos* in Vela Luka.





On the island of Korčula you can choose between a calm, romantic vacation and active vacation with cycling, hiking, boat rental or diving. You can also combine all of this into a combination that suits you personally. This is the island that can offer you a different experience every day. We hope that you will discover it and enjoy everything this island has to offer.

Climate

The island of Korčula is a south Dalmatian island situated in parallel with the land in the west-east course. It is long 46, 8 km, the average width is 5, 3 -7, 8 km. It is the sixth largest Adriatic island. Coastal area is 182 km long. The coast is well-indented; it has a lot of bays and coves. It has a population of approximately 16,000 inhabitants which makes

this island second largest in population in the Adriatic. Climate is very mild, of Mediterranean features. The island of Korčula has an average of over 2,700 hours of sunny weather annually. That is the highest number of sunny days in Croatia, therefore the nice weather and warm sea can be enjoyed for the great part of the year. In winter the temperature is rarely below 10 °C. In the summer the average temperature is 26, 9 °C while the maximum temperature rises up to 40 °C. Snow falls very seldom in winter and it becomes a special experience for the inhabitants. The average sea temperature in March



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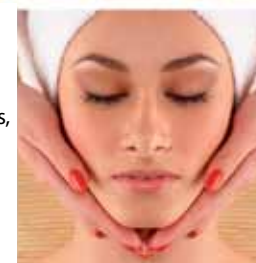


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- post injury states, vascular insults and neurocerebral



In the gulf of Vela Luka, there is a bay named Kale which has a special healing mud-liman. This healing mud liman together with a mild climate was the main prerequisite for the construction of health resort "Kalos".

system diseases
• outjoint rheumatisms
It is also possible to practice preventive rehabilitation for those who work in bad working conditions, following the programs lasting 10 days, 2 weeks or





is 12, 9 °C, and in summer 22, 3 °C. The most frequent wind in summer is the west wind – maestral, in winter southeast – jugo or northwest – tramontana.

Korčula is one of the most forested Adriatic islands. The most frequent are pine trees – Aleppo pine (*Pinus halepensis*), Pinus pine (*Pinus pinea*), Dalmatian black pine (*Pinus nigra Dalmatica*). There are a lot of cypress (*Cypressus*) and thick, wild-grown woods of holm-oak, wild olives, carob and laurel. You can also see palm-trees, eucalyptus, bougainvillea, oleander, Australian laurel and various cacti.

There are also self-grown medical and aromatic plants: sage, rosemary, immortelle, lavender, mint, thyme, oregano, marjoram and a lot of plants that are eatable. At the beginning of the autumn one can pick different sorts of mushrooms, and in the spring asparagus and black bryony.

An endemic plant black orchid can also be found on the island. Vela Luka is mentioned as 'locus classicus' of this orchid. 'Locus classicus' is the place where the

first example of the plant was found and used as a sample for the first description of its kind. The sample is being kept in the Botanic museum in Zürich. The same sample was only found, except on the island of Korčula, in Italy on the peninsula Monte Gargano. This kind of plant is spread on a very restrained area. Of about 25,000 known species of orchids in the world, only about 1% are found in Europe. Only on the island of Korčula 35 different species of orchid can be found. The most interesting animals that can be found on the island are: else rare jackal (*Canis*

aureus Dalmaticus), mongoose (*Mungus mungo*) and a variety of birds and song-birds. Wildlife of the island includes rabbits, pheasants, wild geese, boars and even deer which can be found on a small islet of Badija. The sea is rich with fish, crustaceans, shells and sea-urchins.

People, History, Culture and Customs

Korčula's Greek name is *Korkyra Melaina* (lat. *Corcyra Nigra*). Name *Korkyra* is tied to a legend of beautiful nymph *Kerkyra*, daughter of *Asop*, God of Rivers. *Zeus*, the God of the Sea, fell in love with her, kidnapped her and held her in captivity on the island. This name *Korčula* shares with the Greek island of *Corfu* in Ionian Sea. Epithet black (*melaina*) comes from the dense pine woods which appear black when watched from the sea. *Korčula* is mentioned as *Krkar* by *Konstantine Porfirogenet* in 10th century. The inhabitants of *Korčula*



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today use all the benefits of the modern age, while at the same time they respect the tradition and live in keeping compliance with nature. Almost every family is engaged in agriculture, mostly wine grapes and olives, together with the job that ensures them their existence. Some families live solely from agriculture. It is hard to establish with certainty which place on the island is the oldest. Some say Pupnat, some Blato. What is certain, however, is that the island of Korčula is inhabited from the ancient times. Illyrians were the first inhabitants, they were followed by the Greeks and the Romans. Croats came to the island in the 7th century. They all left their marks on the island; every place keeps secrets of ancient history. It is a part of the beauty of this, for tourists, still undiscovered island.

Archeology

Badija

The tracks of prehistoric life can be found on several localities on the island. The oldest are findings of the stone knives dating from neolith era on the island of Badija, near the city of Korčula.

Big Cave

In Vela Luka there is a Big Cave, one of the most eminent and richest Mediterranean archaeological cave sites. The findings are currently preserved in Vela Luka Centre for Culture.

Žukovica Cave

This cave is situated between the bay of Vaja and the bay of Račišće.

Jakas Cave

Jakas Cave is situated in the area of Žrnovo, south of Podstrana, above the Rasohatica bay.



The Statute of City and the Island of Korčula

It dates from 13th century and it is the second oldest example of legislation among Slavs. Experts believe that it was first drafted in 1214. Two old handwritten copies are preserved, one of which is kept in Rome, and the other in a private collection of the Kapor family in Korčula.

Psephism of Lumbarda

It dates from 3rd century B.C. and shows evidence of the existence of Greek settlement in this area. It is kept in the Archaeological Museum in Zagreb, while the findings from the destroyed necropolis from the area of Sutivan, dating from 3rd century B.C., are kept in the City Museum in Korčula.

Tradition

Korčula cherishes many old customs, some of them are: **Sword dances**

Knight dances are performed on the patron's day of a particular place. Today they are performed more often so numerous tourists can enjoy them.





Mediterranean as it once was



Kumpanija is performed in Blato, Vela Luka, Smokvica, Čara and Pupnat. In Žrnovo Moštra is performed, and Moreška in Korčula. These dances show the battles between the conquerors and national army and present a real spectacle.

Klapa

Klapa is a group of six to nine singers. Klapas used to sing in accapela style in the evening in the centre of the place, in a tavern or by the shore for their own pleasure. Often they used to sing serenades under their loved one's window in night hours. These

way men courted to women. Today, this kind of courtship is a rarity, but klapa singing stayed preserved. In summer you can listen to klapa in taverns, restaurants or on a concert. If you wish to experience real soul of Dalmatia, do not miss a chance to listen to live klapa singing.



Carnival

Carnival time begins the day of The Three Kings and lasts until the beginning of the Lent. It is a period of joy and fun. Each place organizes a costumed dance.

Vrtujci and toretas

'Vrtujci' are dry-wall structures built in a specific way – by round piling of stone panels. They are covered with conic truss. In history they served as a shelter from rain. Also, people used to eat, rest or keep their farm tools there. There are around 15 of them in Vela Luka region. The biggest 'vrtujak' in the Vela Luka region is situated in Gornja Njivica and is 4.23 meters tall. In the Vineyards of Smokvica similar structures can be found which are known as 'toretas'. There are five 'toretas' in Smokvica.

Meje

Meje testify of intense agricultural activity, farming and winegrape cultivation. 'Meje' are stone terraces – dry-walls. These stone terraces have historically prevented the rain or water to take away the land from hilly terrain. The stone for the construction of 'meje' was extracted from the parts where it was required, i.e. extracted from the ground where it was necessary to be taken out. Otherwise, it would have slowed down the growth of plants. In some places 'meje' served as the boundary walls separating the land among the owners. They are incorporated with the surrounding in such a degree that they look like a part of the landscape. Almost every hill on the island is covered with 'mejas', mostly on the south side of the island. It is calculated that with the total length of these stone fences, solely from the Blato area,

the equator could be belted one and a half times. One cannot look at 'meje' without a strong sense of admiration for patience and hard work of the people who used to build them. Today, except for useful purposes, 'meje' also present the natural beauty that will surprise many visitors.

Stone houses

If you decide to explore the hills surrounding any of the places on the island, you will find many stone houses built also in a dry-wall technique. Those houses were used to facilitate working in the fields. For example, during the period of fig harvesting whole family would move to the house on the hill so the work could be done faster and easier. Upon the completion of this work, they would go back to their homes. In some shops you can find miniatures of these houses and 'vrtujaks' and buy them as a souvenir.

Gastronomy

On the island of Korčula delicious and diverse cuisine is developed which, while keeping the genuine and domestic, was also influenced by the incomers.

In Korčula's cuisine, every gourmet will enjoy.

It is primarily an island of olives and wine. Domestic fruits and vegetables are grown, and you can buy fresh fish every day.. Apart from the domestic food, you can buy every other food, which makes the Korčula's cuisine rich, healthy and interesting.

Olive oil is mainly used fat in preparing dishes. Wine is used as a drink, but also as a spice; homemade liqueurs and brandies are used also in cakes. Aromatic plants (rosemary, laurel, lavender, basil, sage, mint, thyme,

marjoram...) are used in dishes, drinks, and as a cure.

On the island meat dishes are mostly made of lamb and kid meat, and one should definitely try a special delicates 'dalmatinski prušć' (dried and smoked pork meat). Nevertheless, on Korčula fish is more frequent dish than any other. It is served grilled or cooked. 'Brodet' is a very delicious dish (fish cooked with vegetables) and 'bojabiš' also. In some of the Korčula's restaurants or local village households salted sardines or anchovy are served as an interesting appetizer. It is made by putting the fish for moths in salt and is afterwards served with spice, olive oil, vinegar and onion; it is Korčula's version of carpaccio which

you must try. Korčula is also known for its 'žrnovski makaruni' – homemade pasta served with meat in sauce. It is more frequently found in restaurants in the city of Korčula or other places on that side of the island.

Traditional

Dishes

- Octopus salad
- Grilled fish
- 'Brodet'
- 'Žrnovski makaruni'
- 'Gruda' (mix of self-grown eatable plants)

Sweets

- dry figs
- 'fritule' and 'pogače'
- 'lumblija'
- 'arancini'
- almonds in sugar
- 'lojenica'
- 'cukarini'
- 'klašuni'
- 'spomilije'
- 'rožata'
- 'mantala'
- 'kodonjata'



Unusual

limpets
sea-urchins
salted sardines



On Korčula some dishes are served only in a particular time of the year. Lumblija is made for the All Saints in Blato, Smokvica and Vela Luka. It is an old cake first made in Blato 200 years ago. Story of its genesis is tied to a love story of a girl from Blato and French soldier at the time when Napoleon's army occupied the island. The word *lumblija* comes from

French 'n' *uoblie pas*, i.e. do not forget me. These are the words the soldier said when saying goodbye to the girl and giving her this cake. This is why *lumblija* is baked at the time when we remember our loved ones. *Lumblija* is sweet bread with a lot of aromatic spices. Today, fritule are served in any time of the year, but before they would be baked when olive oil would

be brought home, in Korčula on Christmas Eve, last day of the Carnival and Good Friday. You can try sea-urchins during summer, but it would be for the best to ask a local for help in collecting them and to show you how to eat them. Gruda or wild cabbage is most frequently made at home in spring and autumn, and you can also find it in some restaurants.

Wines of the Island of Korčula

Wines from Korčula are: Plavac, Pošip, Rukatac and Grk. Korčula is the island which can be commended for its long tradition of winegrowing and wine making. Inhabitants are engaged in this activity since the time of Greeks (4th C B.C.). Much evidence is found to confirm this. For example,

2,500 years old part of the squeezer found near the wine-cellar in Smokvica. Also, *Psephism of Lumbarda* mentions 'division of the land convenient for wine-growing'. This proves that people were growing wine grape at least 2,300 years ago. Despite the occasional emergence of wine grape diseases, and often unfavorable political circumstances, wine growing continuously developed on Korčula through the centuries, the result of which are high quality wines. Therefore, do not buy wines in supermarkets, but rather visit some of many wine-cellars which can be found in any part of the island. As opposed to the rest of Dalmatia, the Island of Korčula is famous for its white wines. Grk is grown in Lumbarda, while in the central part of the island (Čara and Smokvica) Pošip and Rukatac are grown. Plavac Mali is the most spread of the red variety. It is interesting to mention that Plavac Mali is grown in



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Lumbarda, not only for the production of quality wine, but also to facilitate Grk growing. Grk is special because, as opposed to most of other varieties, it has only functional female flower, so in the blossom period it needs pollinator, i.e. wine grape that blossoms at the same time so impregnation would be possible.

Grk is a high quality dry wine produced from the autochthonous variety. It flourishes greatly in the sandy plantations of Lumbarda, while it has almost disappeared on other locations. This wine is golden-yellowish, of crystal clarity and the incomparable taste. Its taste bares liveliness and freshness, with a pleasant bitter finishing. The alcohol strength is 12-15%. Grk suits the best with everything that can be caught in the sea, also with the best white meat dishes, and it can be served as an aperitif. It is served cooled at temperature of 12-13 °C.

Pošip is a kind of world rarity; its origin, place of the first encounter



Menu 2

Aperitif: herb brandy, dry figs
Appetizer: salted sardines
Main course: lobster
Wine: Pošip
Dessert: cake

Treat yourselves with our homemade dishes, sweets and wine in one of the restaurants, taverns or local village households

and the name of the founder is registered. It is one of the first white wines in Croatia with the protected geographic origin; it is protected since 1967. It prospers the best in Čara and Smokvica, where it always gives the highest quality. The wine is of bright, straw-yellowish color, it is heavy and wobbles thickly in a glass in which it always leaves a thick trace. It has high

alcohol strength (13-14,5%), it is rich and of peculiar taste with the characteristic dry apricot and fig aroma. Due to its moderate acids it suits perfectly with all fish dishes, seashells and white meat. It is the best in taste when served cooled at 12-14 °C. As the autochthonous Croatian variety, it stands side by side with the world's most famous white varieties.

Rukatac is also high quality white wine produced from the autochthonous grape cultivar 'maraština' which found its ideal environment in the forested island of Korčula, in Smokvica and Čara. This wine has high alcohol strength (~13%) and is one of the top quality wines in Croatia. It is bright yellow in color, richness and harmony

Menu 1

Aperitif: carob liqueur with dry figs
Appetizer: Dalmatian cheese and pršut with olives
Main course: grilled fish and mangold
Wine: Grk
Dessert: fritule



Gastronomic recommendation

Marko Bračot, main chef
 in hotel Korkyra, Vela Luka

Cold appetizer: cool fish plate
Warm appetizer: prawn cream soup
Main course: grilled tuna steak with mangold risotto in tomato sauce
Dessert: rožata



ROŽATA

12 eggs
 11 milk
 15 spoons of sugar
 Small quantity of grated orange and lemon peel
 Maraskino

Make caramel from 5 spoons of sugar and divide it into 10 moulds. Grate lemon and orange peel in a pot; add eggs, milk and 10 spoons of sugar. Mix well and pour into mould. Cook covered on steam for 40 min.

of it illustrates the best this climate in which it originated. Its variety aroma is well pronounced; it has floral scent and is rich in taste that is kept in mouth for a long time. Rukatac will not leave you uninterested. This elegant south wine suits the best with sea food and all sorts of grilled dishes, cooled on 12°C.

Plavac is high quality red wine. This 'fiery'

south wine, purple-red in color, is mostly dry and strong. Plavac has always been the food and drink of the common peasant and fisherman, but also could always be found on the most luxurious table. It is best in taste when served at temperature of 18-20°C with fish, sea food, but also prosciutto, cheese, dark meat and spicy dishes.

Prošek is specific dessert wine, especially if made from Pošip variety. It is traditionally made in Dalmatia and on the islands of over-dried grapes of autochthonous cultivars. It generally has high alcohol strength, beautiful bouquet and is distinctively sweet. It is served cooled and as an aperitif with cakes.

Liqueurs

As a souvenir in which you can enjoy upon your return home you can take some of the Korčula's liqueurs or prošek (sweet wine). Homemade liqueurs are made of various fruit and herbs, for example: carob, figs, almond, rose. Every household knows how to make herb-brandied and prošek.

Sport and recreation

HIKING

If you want to relax and enjoy the nature you can choose hiking through the beautiful local scenery. There are hiking trails along the island. Those trails differ by their difficulty, some are suitable for more experienced and fitter hikers while others offer just a relaxed walk by the sea, in and out the small coves and through the pine forest. Those that are more difficult have steep sections and sometimes lead through the tricky terrain that has to be walked with care. Their attractiveness lies in the untouched nature, rich island flora and many beautiful views on the landscape and breathtaking Korčula archipelago. For those that enjoy these activities, we suggest coming in the spring and autumn when the tourist crowd are less and the



weather is beautiful. Enjoying in the smell of aromatic plants while passing through untouched nature is a pure pleasure especially if along the way you stop in a winery or a restaurant, visit localities of historical and cultural importance. Your holiday will be unforgettable.

BICYCLING

More than 140 km of bicycle trails and the beautiful landscapes will satisfy even the most passionate cyclists. Bicycle trails are part of the island's offer for a long time and many visitors come to enjoy them. According to them, it is hard to say what path is more beautiful and more attractive. But they all agree that the experience of riding the bike on the island of Korčula is unique and memorable.



WINDSURFING

The summer wind Maestral brings refreshment to the bathers and pure joy to the windsurfers. During the summer it is possible to rent sailing equipment or attend a windsurfing school.

FISHING

Tradition of fishing is old. Fishing preserved the life of the inhabitants of the island. You can fish on your own or you can join the local fishermen leaving at dawn. Real joy is to sail with a boat while the seagulls follow you and return with the catch which you can prepare and share with your host. For recreational sport-fishing it is necessary to have a licence which can be obtained online through web site of the Directorate of Fisheries of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development or in the certified stores on the island. You can go fishing by trawler boat two. Such an excursion is very interesting and it includes helping casting the net and preparing the catch on the boat, swimming in beautiful bays and sightseeing to the nearby island, enjoying the vine and Dalmatian songs.

DIVING

There are several equipped diving clubs on the island which will take you to the best localities. If you have the diving exam you are on the right place, and if you never dived but you want to – diving centres organize the beginners courses. The diving centres offer diving in the islands of Korčula and Lastovo. One can visit shipwrecks, beautiful walls, magic caves and canyons. This area is known for its rich flora and fauna and special underwater rock formations. The huge walls filled with red and yellow gorgonians, soft sponges and corals, with colourful animals make diving in the waters of Korčula very interesting and exciting. With the experienced instructor you will learn and have a lot of fun. Your experiences become unmemorable, and the acquired

skills you can use anywhere in the world. We invite you to experience the beauties of the world of the silence. Dive into the picturesque images of Adriatic underwater, the hidden world is waiting just for you.

RENT-A-BOAT

You can rent various types of boats or a scooter to explore the island by yourself. Some parts of the coast you can approach only from sea so if you are adventureses or you are searching for your own peaceful place to enjoy sun and sea or to fish, this might be just for you. But always be careful and before you do it check the weather report because it is said „Praise the sea, but stay on the ground“

TENNIS

Some hotels and camps have a tennis and volleyball court for those who enjoy this sport

Other activities

PAINTBALL
JET-SKIING
ORGANIZED
EXCURSIONS BY BOAT
Etc.

All informations and different maps are available in the Tourist Offices and tourist agencies of the island of Korčula.

GRAPE AND OLIVE HARVEST

Grape and olive growing have always been the main trade of the population of the island especially in the area of Smokvica nad Brna. The grapes are harvested in September and the olives in October and November. All those who enjoy the nature and active vacation can accompany the hosts in the vineyards or olive grows. As well you can visit the taverns and oil mills and learn about the traditions of these Mediterranean cultures and experience the real island life.

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Vela Luka

Vela Luka is situated on the west side of the island of Korčula in a deep, sheltered bay. In the middle of the bay there is the island Ošjak, while at the very entrance beautiful island of Proizd is situated. If you are coming by boat you will be sailing in for about half an hour and you will feel that this place is embracing and calling you. Vela Luka will enchant you with its natural beauties and with a song. This place is home to many talented and famous musicians and artists.

The name Vela Luka means 'big harbor'. Due to its position it is a safe anchorage and a nautical harbour. The place began to develop only in the 19th century, although archaeological findings prove that people habited here already in late Palaeolithic, more than 20,000 years ago. In the past, people were mostly occupied with olive growing, grape growing and fishing. A piece of this history can be experienced while visiting ethnographic collection of olive and grape growing in *Zlokić* oil mill.

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Today, Vela Luka has a population of about 4,500 inhabitants, it is rich with natural beauty and cultural inheritance and has a well developed health tourism. In the bay of Kale there is a special healing mud-liman which, together with a mild climate, was the main prerequisite for the construction of the health resort *Kalos*. The *Parish Church of St. Joseph*, dominates the centre of Vela Luka, while there are 15 more small churches and chapels scattered around. The oldest one is the church of Saint Vincent, near the Elementary School Vela Luka. The streets in Vela Luka, as in the neighboring Blato, are not 'named' but rather numbered, ex. Street 2 number 5. Many of the public areas of Vela Luka are paved with mosaics, and in the park, near the gas station, there is a large mosaic board set upright. They can also be seen in the atrium of the Center for Culture.

These mosaics were made during the manifestation 'First International Artist's Meeting of Painters - Vela Luka - 1968'. The theme of the meeting was collaborative work in mosaics. 70 mosaics have been created during this manifestation. After the tidal wave that hit Vela Luka in the summer of 1978 (you can see the mark of the height of this wave on the wall of the elementary school), artists showed their gratitude to Vela Luka's hospitality by forming a special gift - The International Art Collection of drawings, graphic arts, and smaller statues. This collection is kept in the Center for Culture. This Center also holds and presents a variety of Vela Luka's historic, cultural and art inheritance with several more museum collections: archaeological collection, collection of graphics and small sculptures and the collection of ship models carved in wood. Among many valuable art

works one should single out two sculptures by famous British sculptor Henry Moore. It is believed that those are the only works of this respectable artist in Croatia. Archaeological collection is interesting and rich, it contains ceramic residues and other artefacts found in Big Cave. Cultural and social life in Vela Luka is rich thanks to numerous associations like, for example, *Kumpanija* that performs the sword dance and other traditional dances. Then, there is *Vela Luka Folk Theatre Association* that celebrated its 100th birthday last year; *Vela Luka Brass Band* founded in 1893, *klape* (a cappella style singing), *Trtajun* association that cherishes carnival customs, and some others. Vela Luka is the most 'sang' place on the island. Its inhabitants and the song are inseparable, as if the song is woven in them. Traditional singing is nurtured by Vela



Luka's *klape* (*Klapa Vela Luka* and *Klapa Ošjak*). Two of the most popular and successful Croatian singers also come from Vela Luka (Oliver Dragojević and Jasna Zlokić). Many songs are dedicated to this place,

but 'Sjećanje na Vela Luku' (Remembering Vela Luka) holds a special place for all its inhabitants. It is one of the most beautiful and most famous Croatian songs, written by Branko Žuvela Doda 50 years ago. It is a song of all who

were touched and charmed by Vela Luka, and who miss this lovely place and the island of Ošjak. Vela Luka is the place that lures you to come back, it is the place in which people fall in love with.



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Beaches

Gradina

Gradina is a bay located on the western end of the island of Korčula, 5km from Vela Luka. The first data of this settlement date back to 15th century, while archaeological indicate that Illiric settlements – 'gradinas' existed here. Today Gradina is a small village of weekend houses and many people love to visit this bax because you can reach it by acr and it is suitable for small children, the sea is shallow and the coast is mildly rocky with sand points.

Gradina is protected from almost all winds. It faces west so in the summer afternoons you van enjoy a soft breeze of maestral and beautiful sunset. Close to the waterside there is a nice walking path and dense meditearneau vegetation. From the south and southwest side the bay is protected by a little islet Gubeša

and small peninsula Glavica Sv. Ivana on which a chapel is situated and from which one can enjoy a nice view of the open sea.

Gradina is an ideal anchorage for small boats (up to 4m of draught).

There is also a restaurant in this bay offering delicious food, that is open in the evening hours.

Gabrica i Pičena

These coves are situated about 2,5 km away from Vela Luka. In front of them is the island of Ošjak. The bays are shallow and pebbly and therefore suitable for children and non-swimmers. They are protected from all the winds, except for the south-east wind. In Pičena bay there is a mole so docking with boat is possible, and also a small restaurant. You can reach Pičena by car, bike or on foot.

Martina bok

You can reach this beach by car, bike or motorcycle, but the last part of the way you need to walk. The beach itself is rocky, there are often big waves. If you want to enjoy the wild waters, go to the Martina Bok beach. Nearest facility to this beach is camp Mindel in which you can play tennis or choose some other activity.



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Plitvine

The bay faces south, 500 m from Vela Luka. You can reach it by road or on foot by beautiful path by the sea or by taxi-boat that drives very often because in this bay Adria hotel is situated. The bay is protected from all the winds and is an anchorage for small and larger boats. Adria hotel has 2 tennis grounds. If you decide to take a walk a little bit more further, you will come across the Sokolić bay in which a nice pebble beach is situated.

Proizd

Proizd is an islet located at the entrance to Vela Luka. It is famous for its beautiful beaches and clear blue sea. You can get there from Vela Luka by a taxi boat (about 30 min ride) which

docks in bay Perna, or you can come with your private boat and anchor in one of many beautiful bays. In Perna there is a restaurant and a bar in which you can have lunch, drink coffee or refreshing drinks. Near the restaurant there is also 'buće' field. 'Buće' is a traditional game of the locals in which two teams compete in throwing balls (buće) as close as possible to the smallest ball (bulin).

On the western part, near Perna, a sandy bay Batalo is situated, which is perfect for families with small children.

There is also a nudist beach on the island. The beach is rocky, with some pebbly parts, and the sea bottom is covered with small white stones.

You can walk around the island

and find a spot for yourself.

There is a walking path across the island that leads through the pine wood and also has signs that will lead you to the beaches.

On Proizd a scent of pines and clarity of the sea will enchant you together with the white pebbles, smooth rocks and intense cricket song.

Proizd is very special experience, don't miss it.

The beach of Proizd was awarded „The best Beach of the Year“ in 2007 by the Ministry of Sea, Travel and Transportation. European Bait Fishing Championship also takes place on Proizd.

When you go to Proizd make sure that you bring sun protection (at least factor 50), and also enough water to drink.



Ošjak

If you want to enjoy in untouched nature, peace and silence without the traces of urban life, come to Ošjak. A scent of Mediterranean, clear sea, sun and warmth awaits you here.

Island of Ošjak is an inhabited island in the center of the Vela Luka gulf.

It is an unavoidable destination for all Vela Luka's visitors. The distance from the town center is just 10 min by boat. There is a taxi-boat service organised several times a day.

You can reach Ošjak by yourselves, by boat or speed boat that you can rent in Vela Luka.

Around the entire island, through the pine forest, there is a footpath which leads to the beautiful swimming and sunbathing spots. On the western end, just by the path, there is a beautiful cave surrounded by the sea and rocks. Another name for Ošjak is The Island of Love.

Posejdon hotel

In front of Posejdon hotel there is a nice and very attended pebble beach. The beach is suitable for children. You can reach it on foot, by car or a taxi-boat that drives from the gas station to the hotel. On the beach there is also fashionably decorated cafe.

City resort – Vranac

City bathing resort Vranac is new and modern, with additional facilities such as rooms for daily rest, showers, children facilities, restaurant, bar and many other amusement facilities. Taxi boat drives regularly.

Vela Luka yellow pages



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the island of Proizd

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Blato

Blato is one of the oldest settlements on the island of Korčula, situated in the centre of the west part of the island. It was named after a karst field called *Blato field*. Blato field was a lake until 1911 when it was dried out during the tunnel construction. Today, with its spring, Blato supplies more than half of the island with water, while at the place of the old spring an authentic old well has been reconstructed. The settlement is set amphitheatrically on the slopes of three hills.

Long linden tree avenue with 117 linden trees along the main road is what makes Blato special. The alley was planted in 1911, and in June, during the blossom time, it

creates a distinct atmosphere in this place. Stretching for a kilometer it is the second longest linden tree avenue in Europe, right after the famous Unter den Linden in Berlin.

Blato is situated inside the island, away from the seaside, but has 40 km of beautiful coastline on the south and north of Blato with nice bays and beaches. This location kept Blato safe from pirate attacks, and the army *Kumpanija* was being gathered for defensive purposes. *Kumpanija*, with time, became a part of the folklore and an attractive knight's sword dance which is performed during the summer every week in front of the parish church. The main performance of *Kumpanija* is on 28th of April, on

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Saint Vincent's Day, the patron of Blato. Every summer there is also a staged reconstruction of the famous battle between the pirates and the army of *Kumpanija* that took place in 1571 on the Giča hill. If you want to know the story, check out the performance of Blato amateur actors.

In Blato you can find a place called *Etno kuća Barilo* (Ethno House Barilo) where you can feel the spirit of the past and see artifacts which were used by our ancestors, from clothing, to tools and furniture. It is indeed a house, and not a museum. The owner of Ethno house has tried to keep everything in period so that

today's generation sees how people used to live before.

The hosts will guide you through the kitchen, living room and economy rooms filled with historic objects: costumes, clothes, kitchen gadgets, handicraft, tools etc. The house is surrounded by the garden and courtyard in



which autochthonous medical and decorative plants grow. Farm tools, fisherman tools and stone objects are exhibited in the garden. Homemade liquor, brandies, 'arancini', fried almonds and dried figs prepared by traditional recipes together with unique handmade souvenirs are offered to every visitor. The Sanctuary of Blessed Marija of Jesus Crucified Petković is a place that is definitely worth visiting. Marija was born in a wealthy family in Blato, but spent her life in dedication to the poor. In 1920 Marija Petković founded Congregation of the Daughters of Mercy, the only genuine Croatian congregation. Upon the return from her missions in South America, she set up the Congregation's headquarters in Rome in 1952. For 40 years she was a supreme warden, leaving behind a rich cultural tradition and spiritual heritage. Blato's parish church of All Saints is mentioned in the

documents from the 14th century, and some sources state that it comes from the 10th century. It is set in the centre of the town, on the spacious square. Next to it there are the bell-tower and the loggia. Municipality of Blato has 33 churches and chapels scattered around on the surrounding hills.

As in Vela Luka, the streets in Blato are not 'named', but rather numbered, e.g. 2nd Street no 3. Many wonderful artists come from Blato including the famous singer Meri Cetinić, the painter Nataša Cetinić, and a poet and journalist Momčilo Popadić.

It is an interesting fact that in 1920s Blato was the biggest village in former Yugoslavia and that today there are three times more people from Blato in Australia than in the very place.

Beaches

Although it is positioned in the inland, Blato has 40 km of beautiful coast on the northern and southern side of the island. There are chains of islets, smaller or bigger, forested or rocky...each special and romantic in its own way. The coast is mostly rocky, but in Prigradica and Prižba there are pebble beaches suitable for small children.

Some of the Blato's coves are: Prižba, Grščica, Karbuni, Prigradica, Črnja Luka, Žukova and Poporatak. Yet, the most popular for swimming and sunbathing are Prigradica and Priščapac peninsula in Prižba. You can always explore along the northern and southern side of the coast by yourselves and find a private place, whether you decided to go by car or by a rental boat.



Prigradica

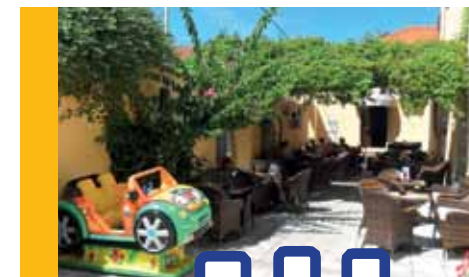
Prigradica is an inhabited bay situated about 4 km from Blato on the northern side of the island. There is a big pebble beach which is gladly visited by everyone, from the youngest to the oldest. In Prigradica you can find a shop, restaurant and a cafe. Historically, Prigradica was a very important

naval port that was used for exporting local wine and olive oil. From this port immigrants left in times of crisis and went into the unknown to ensure their livelihood.

Priščapac

Priščapac is a small peninsula in Prižba on the southern side of the island, between Blato

and Smokvica. There are two pebble beaches on Priščapac, and by the coastline there is a nice walking path with benches and rocks on which you can sunbathe or jump from them into the sea. On the islet there is a playground with swings for children and a restaurant. With a car you can come in a very close vicinity of the beach.



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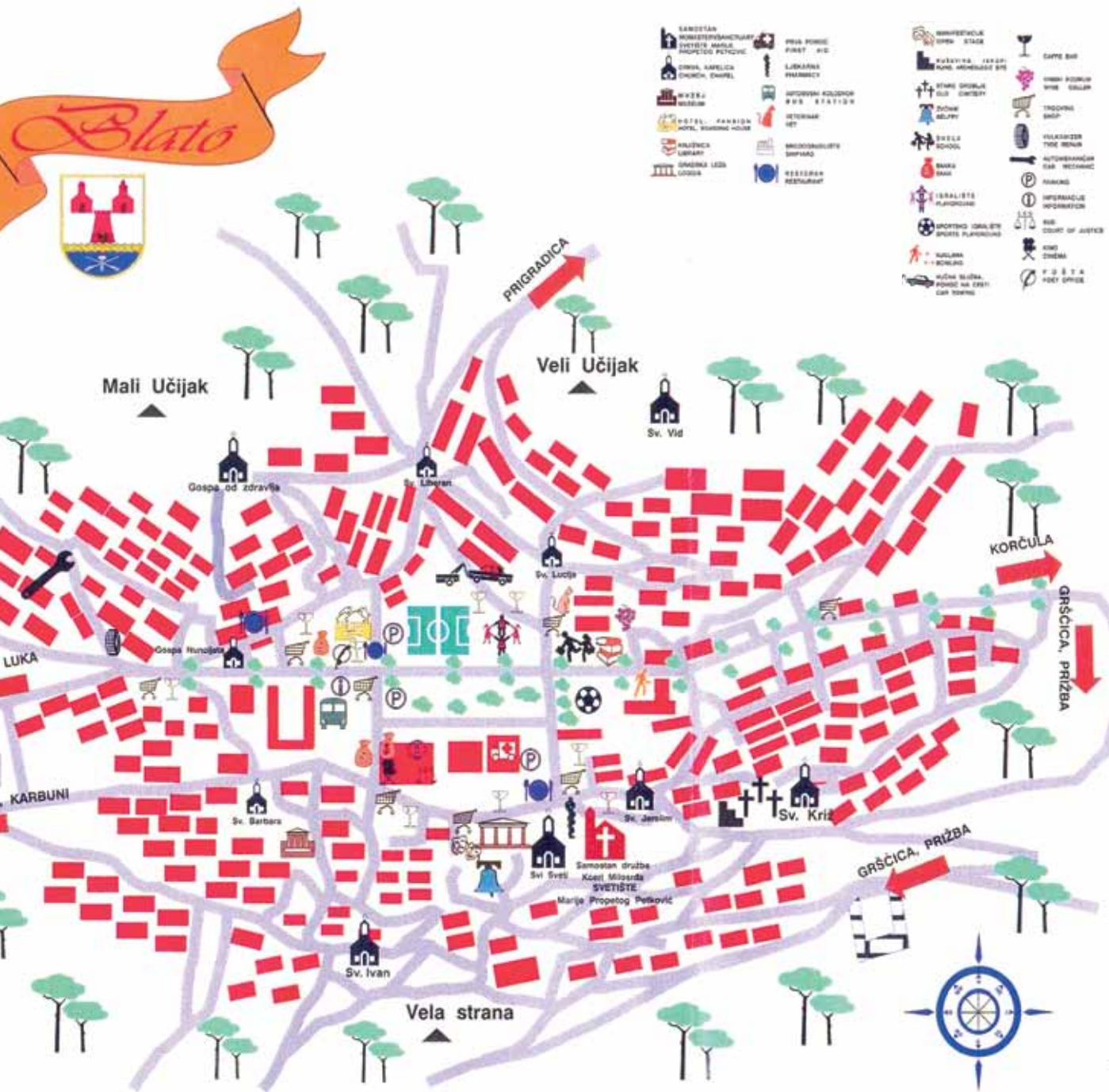
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Smokvica & Brna

SMOKVICA

Smokvica is situated at the foothills of Vela and Mala obala, sheltered from the winds and open to sun and sea, on the place where the island is the widest and of the most variety in relief. It is rugged with prehistoric cloughs and antic paths, surrounded by beautiful nature, vineyards and olive groves.

Smokvica is one of the five oldest settlements on the island of Korčula, in which continuous human presence from prehistoric times up to the present has been confirmed.

The village, together with its borders, is mentioned in The Statute of Korčula dating from 1214, but Illyrian Gradina dating from the second millennium B.C. and the remains of the Old Croatian cemetery, not far from the present cemetery, prove that life on this area existed even before.

A variety of cultures were present in the area of Smokvica

in the past. Remains of the antic ceramics, wine squeezer dating from Ancient Greece and a medieval church prove this. Remains of rustic villas and noble castles also prove that. Due to its fertile land and beautiful nature, Smokvica has always attracted much attention. This was the place where noblemen built their farmyards and weekend resorts.

Stone houses, idyllic streets, rich cultural heritage, centuries old vineyards and olive groves form a sense of magic that will take you back in some far away, ancient times.

Parish church of Blessed Virgin of Purification with its big bell tower, Velika and Mala Pijaca and loggia from year 1,700 dominate the place, while the old core of the place is situated on the hill in a close vicinity to the church of Saint Michael. From the ancient times residents of Smokvica were farmers, wine growers and wine makers, but also stone-masons, shipbuilders and fishermen.



Fertile land has always been the foundation of their living. Here you will not find uncultivated vineyard, the land is kept through generations, and field work is a way of life. It is a hard job, but people do it with love and pride.

Smokvica is a homeland of Pošip, one of the most famous white Croatian wines. Therefore, Smokvica is a top-destination on all Croatian wine maps/charts. In Smokvica, a monument is built to Pošip and his finder on Pinčaluša. Cultural and social life of Smokvica is enriched by numerous associations who

try to preserve customs and tradition of Smokvica. Ceremonies and festivals are respected and celebrated, those of religious character the most. Processions that are held through the entire year are especially interesting, while the biggest procession takes place on Good Friday. Apart from Kumpanije (sword dance) in Smokvica there are other organizations that cherish and perform old dances, klapa singing and church singing. There is also the brass band and many other cultural organizations. Many famous artists, poets and

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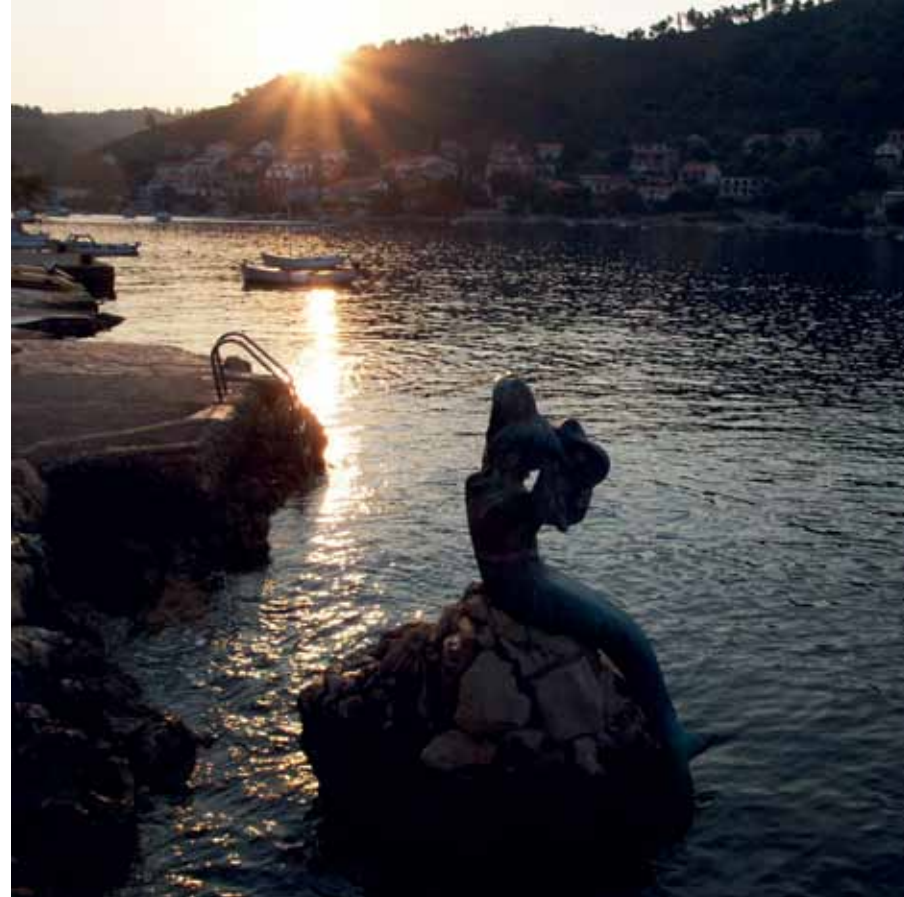
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priests come from Smokvica. The most known legends in Smokvica are those dealing with fairies, beautiful maids who dance in forests and bathe in coves in eve. Numerous stories have been told about fairies, the most famous being a tale about the Vilin dol when a peasant set off to his field and found a fairy sleeping in the shade of pines. Smokvica today invites you to enjoy its natural beauties, visit cultural and historic localities, explore some of the walking and bicycle lanes, taste high quality wines in one of its wine-cellars and try gastro specialties.

BRNA

Brna is situated on the south side of the island of Korčula in a beautiful bay surrounded by green vegetation and open to the sun. On the west side there is a small peninsula Mali Zaglav that separates Brna from Istruga bay. On the southeast side there are several pebble coves surrounded by pine woods and azure sea. In summer, a refreshing west wind - maestral blows very often so it is ideal for sailing. Deep and protected, Brna bay is safe for boats and yachts docking, and is yachtsman's favorite harbor.

Crystal clear sea, beaches, hidden coves, nudist islets, beautiful sunsets, aromatic herbs, clean nature and fresh air...all this is Brna. It offers a unique combination of astonishing nature and fun, while local people will host you with gastro specialties and genuine wines, you will make friends very fast and wish to come back again... In the vicinity of Brna there is Istruga bay known for its therapeutic mud-liman. Brna started to develop in the 19th century as a harbor from which Smokvica wine was taken further to other

Mediterranean and Adriatic harbors. Its name is derived from the Latin word *taberna* which means ship workshop. In the middle of the bay, at the hill, the church of Saint Steven, built in 1971, is situated. According to a legend, Odysseus visited Brna and decided to anchor his boat in front of the bay for a few days and enjoy its beauties. Mermaids that hide underwater and sit in the sun in nearby coves kept him company. Today Brna is a tourist resort with a rich tourist offer.

Beaches



Žal

In the centre of the Brna bay there is a small pebble beach 'Žal' equipped with a slide for children. In the vicinity there is a restaurant and a shop.

Hotel Feral's beach

Hotel Feral's beach offers facilities such as sailing school, kayak rental and similar activities. Along the entire bay the shore is low, therefore enjoying in the sun and sea is possible in the vicinity of your accommodation.

Istruga

Half of the beach is covered with 6m thick therapeutic mud- liman layer. Therapeutic mud is a sort of peloid mud whose process of development lasts for at least a thousand years. Whole area is surrounded by pine wood and Mediterranean plants, so hiking through this area is a real pleasure.

There is a small sport centre near the beach so one can play tennis, table tennis or volleyball. There is also a small restaurant in Istruga. In the vicinity of Istruga there is a cave to which a nice walking path leads. This prehistoric cave is specific because it is positioned in a niche of a tall rock.



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Čara & Zavalatica

Čara is an old village with about 700 inhabitants where the main industry is wine production. The village is situated 25 km away from Korčula. Below the village there are large, fertile vineyards. Vines have grown here since time immemorial. Čara is known for a particular type of grape - Pošip. The parish church of St. Peter is situated in the centre of the village

while on the square in front of the church one can see more than a century old cypress, the oldest known trees on the island. The church of Our Lady of the Čara Fields stands in the field, in the middle of a vineyard. According to the tradition, in 1686 Our Lady showed herself

to a little shepherdess, called Tasovac. Every July 25, from that year on, the people of Čara celebrate the occasion with the feast of its patron St. James. There is also a small St. Mary's church where the pilgrimage to Our Lady takes place on the 25th of July and on the 9th of September. In Čavića port there is a Chapel of Čavića Port where local boats are being blessed. Cultural and social life is reflected through folk music and local traditional performances. The bay of Zavalatica, a small tourist town, and is only a few kilometres south of Čara. The beach Žitna is situated about 300m from the centre of Zavalatica.



Pupnat

Pupnat is the smallest village on the island with some 280 inhabitants. It is situated at an altitude of over 300m, where the island is narrowest and the most mountainous. It is located 13 km from the town of Korčula and is one of the oldest settlements on the island. Originally, Pupnat was located further north than it is today so that local people could monitor the arrival of passengers and enemies from the sea. For greater security and because of a better climate and economic conditions, the people of Pupnat moved over time to today's current location. Although the population is not numerous, there are people engaged in agriculture and vine-growing and it has kept its, centuries old, customs and religious traditions and a sword dance *Kumpanija* that is similar to those of Čara, Smokvica, Blato and Vela Luka. Pupnat also has its share of old churches and celebrates the feast of Our Lady of the Snow on the 5th of August because many years ago in the midst of a hot summer Pupnat had a snowfall. Pupnat and its surrounding area have become a favourite destination for hikers who can easily get to Bačva, Smokova and Ripna bays, and the beautiful Pupnat harbour.

Pupnatska Luka

Beneath the place called Pupnat, on the southern side of the island the most beautiful bay of the island is located, Pupnatska Luka. A deep bay is surrounded with Mediterranean vegetation. The pebbly beach is ideal for families with kids. The coast around the beach is rocky and offers you many small and rocky romantic beaches. There is couple of restaurants in the bay offering food and refreshments. Macadam road leads to this bay. It is situated 15 km from the town of Korčula.

If you don't have your own car, there is a bus service few times a day from Korčula to Pupnat (village nearby) which one can use to reach this popular swimming spot. Alternatively, you can rent a car, scooter or a bicycle to go for a day trip in Pupnatska Luka.



BAČVA BAY

This is a nice bay with a pebble beach suitable for children, pine wood and rocks. You can reach it by car or on foot. On the very beach there is a tavern in which exclusively domestic food and drinks are served. In the vicinity there is a cave to which one can swim to.



Račišće

Račišće is a village with a bay on the north coast of the island, located 12 kilometers from the town of Korčula, with a population of about 420 residents. It was founded in the 17th century, which makes it one of the youngest settlements on the island. In Kneža, a small fisherman's village, tracks of the roman mosaics were found, while the tracks of roman buildings were found in Banja. The population is mainly engaged in seafaring and fishing. There is a church dating from 1682. The present parish church of St. Nicholas was built in the late 19th century. In the vicinity there are several bays with beautiful beaches. People usually visit the Vaja bay which has a pebble beach and is located 1 km from Račišće.

Vaja bay

Beach in the Vaja bay is located about 1 km north of the village of Racisce. It is a small beach with white pebbles and azure sea water. It is a picturesque and romantic place, isolated and rarely visited. Once there was a famous stone quarry and many well known



buildings in Croatia and abroad were built of this solid stone. One can reach this beach by tarmac road that leads from the far end of the Racisce harbor. Walking up the hill and taking the path down the cliff to the beach is the way to come to this beautiful spot.



Žrnovo & Kočje

Žrnovo has approximately 1,300 inhabitants and is located 4 km from the town of Korčula, toward the inside of the island. It consists of number of hamlets: Postrana, Kampuš, Prvo selo and Brdo, bays Medvinjak, Žrnovska Banja, Vrbovica, Tri Žala and Oskorušica on the northern part of the island while the southern has Orlanduša, Gostinja vala, Rasohatica and Pavja Luka. Žrnovo is a place of artists, mostly painters and sculptors. The hamlet of Postrana is a birth place of the famous writer Petar Šegedin and the traditional sword dance *Moštra* takes place there. In front of the Church of St. Roko there is an old tree „Koštili“. In Kampuš, there is an elementary school and the local church of Saint Martin in front of which a centuries-old holly oak grows, which belongs to a group of protected plant species. Prvo selo is a central part filled with charming stone houses and narrow streets. In the center there is the Church of the Nativity of the Virgin, which has an interesting unfinished look due to its design. Brdo is a small hamlet which boasts with a nature reserve *Kočje*,

surrounded with beautiful scenery, high cliffs and trees. There one can see massive rocks of cretaceous formation, composed of chains of rocks of unusual shape and mysterious caves. The centuries old forest is a beautiful area which is also famous for 'Vilino korito' located under a big cliff face at the beginning of the reserve. When you arrive in Kočje you'll feel like you've wandered into a fairytale. According to a legend people used to meet with fairies there. If you decide to go to Kočje, we recommend you to take some kind of a mosquito protection. Medvinjak is a populated bay with a view of the Peljesac peninsula. Žrnovska Banja is a distinctively beautiful bay. Vrbovica is a small bay with a quarry and a camp site. Žrnovo is not only known for its natural beauty but also for its local tradition and Žrnovski Macaroni (pasta). This is an authentic dish prepared according to traditional recipes, which you can try in local village households and traditionally during the 'Macaronada' festivity.

Korčula

The town of Korčula is one of the best preserved medieval cities in the Mediterranean and is traditionally the tourist and cultural center of the island. Today it has about 3,400 inhabitants. Located at the north-eastern end of the island, it consists of the old city with the suburbs in front of city walls and new parts by the coast, which are east and west of the old center. The old city is located on a small peninsula.

The town of Korčula has lots of interesting characteristics, places and events. Some of them are:

- A model of the Old Town in fish bones
- Moreska - sword dance
- Marco Polo's house - tower
- Churches, museums and galleries
- Half of the New Years festivity

A model of the Old Town in fish bones

In the old part of town Korčula, the main street spreads through the middle of the city from south to north. It separates the eastern and western part of town. The streets that belong to the western side of town are steeper, while on the eastern side of town, the streets are

curved due to winds. This structure reminds one of fishbone, so a light wind from the sea always passes through the city. But the urban planners of Korčula took care of other details as well - the streets are set so that during the summer there is an easy refreshing breeze from the west while the streets on the east side of town are curved to stop cold winter winds from the northeast.

City walls and towers

The city of Korčula was surrounded by high walls and towers both from the land and the sea side. The walls have been raised in 13th, 14th, 15th centuries. However, with time the walls declined in importance and they started to deteriorate, and finally they were removed. Only a part of the south defense wall and eight towers have been preserved.

The towers are:

Big Revelin (*the tower of south land gate*)
 Duke's Little tower
 Duke's Big tower
 The tower of west sea gate
 The Kanavelić tower
 The Zakerjan tower
 The tower of All Saints
 Little Revelin

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Moreška

Moreška is the sword dance in which a white and black king, Osman and Moro, struggle for a girl's love. This is a great spectacle which you have to see. Regular performances are organized so that all visitors can enjoy this show.

Marco Polo

Marco Polo was a Venetian trader, who is famous for the records of his journey through China. He was born in 1254 in Korčula. At the age of seventeen he began his journey with his father and uncle. They traveled along the Silk Road deep into Asia. They returned to Korčula 24 years later and brought rice, silk, pasta, spices, ice cream and porcelain. Later, Marco Polo took part in a naval battle, 7th September 1298 between Venice and Genoa, and after the battle he was captured

and held in Korčula prison. He spent a year in captivity in Genoa where he wrote his first book 'Miracles of the World' in Italian 'Il Million'. His book described his travels but, whilst he was dying he said: 'I have not written even half of what I saw and experienced because I knew that I will not be believed.' Marco Polo was buried in Venice in 1324 in the church of St. Lawrence. People of Korčula celebrate the life of Marco Polo, and in the last week of May they organize events showing the times when he returned from Asia to Europe. Entertainment programs last until late at night. They also organize the naval battle, in which the sea in front of Korčula is transformed into a stage. This spectacle is called 'The Battle of Marco Polo'. When walking through the old medieval city you can see Marco Polo's ruined house,

which was built after his life. In this way Marco Polo reveals a story about himself, his life and travels to the modern world, but also shows the island of Korčula as a vital part of his life.

Churches, museums and galleries

The cultural life of the town takes place in various galleries and museums. A well known gallery is Maximilian Vanka which is on the way to St. Nicholas. It is arranged to represent the collection of Maximilian, and shows a selection of his work from his twenties until his death. 'Vapor Gallery' is located at the western entrance to the Old Town. It is used for exhibitions and also sells art works by various artists. 'Sylvia Gottwald Gallery' is located in Old Town. Sylvia Gottwald is a world renowned architect who completed her studies at

Harvard. Her works of art can be found in the Louvre, in Paris, and other cities in the world. In addition to galleries in the town of Korčula there are several museums and treasuries. Most famous is the Municipal Museum of Korčula which is located on the main square next to the cathedral of St. Marc. The museum's collection contains everything from the ancient to the modern. It also has displays on how the people of Korčula lived through history. In the museum you can find a replica of Psephisme from Lumbarda, the Statute of Korčula from 1214, ancient Greek pottery, family coats of arms of Korčula and old models of ships, etc. The second museum is the Museum of icons located in the Contrafraternity of All Saints (1301) at All Saints square. The Museum of icons

contains icons from the era of the Candian Wars in the 17th century. The icons are on wood or gold. In the hall you can find the contrafraternity regulation-matriculata, candlesticks, processional paraphernalia, church silver and other valuable items as well. There are also many churches in the town of Korčula as well. The largest is the Cathedral of St. Marc on the main square in Korčula, which is also the most beautiful monument in Korčula. It was built in the 14th and 15th centuries, in the form of an irregular shaped three-aisled basilica. In 1525, St. Rok votive chapel was added to the side of the cathedral. It was created as a testament to the people of Korčula during the plague that was raging at the city. On the south side of the cathedral is the Abbot's Treasury named St. Marc's

treasury. This was a former bishop's palace in the mid 17th century and was renewed by Bishop Frano Manola. This Treasury is one of the most famous collections of art in Dalmatia.

Half of the New Years festivity

For the people of Korčula it is too long to wait entire year for their New Year celebration since they love to share their joy with others, so they thought of a carnival for half of New Year. If you happen to find yourself on the island on June 30th, put a mask on and join the festivity. The party is held on the Plokata square with live music until dawn.

In Korčula you can also see one of the oldest cypress – alleys through which you have to pass over 102 steps and get to the St Anton's church.

Beaches



Island of Badija

Between the town of Korčula and Lumbarda is situated the island Badija. Badija is connected with Korčula by regular boat line that departs from the east dock, while the traveling time is 10 min. Badija is filled with rich natural and cultural beauty. In less than 45 minutes, you can walk through the whole island. It has both rocky and pebble beaches and is therefore a popular place for day trips. The island is famous for its Franciscan

monastery built in 14th century and the chapel of St. Cross. There is also a restaurant and a café.

Stupe

Stupe is another islet of the Korčula archipelago. There you can find nice little tavern run by the local family who cooks fantastic food and serves cold wine and beer. There is also a small pebble beach with places in shade, shallow and suitable for children.

Koločep

Koločep is a small island in the Elafit Archipelago, rich with Mediterranean vegetation and beautiful sandy and pebbly beaches. On the island there are no vehicles, and you can reach the beach by taxi boat that sails away when a group of several people is gathered. Here two romantic places in two different bays are placed, Gornje i Donje Selo. They are special for their long sandy, pebbly and rocky beaches and rich tourist offer of shops,

bars and restaurants. The sea is crystal clear and rich with shells and fish, so the island is often visited by many sea lovers.

Planjak

The island of Planjak is situated 120 m east of Badija. You can reach this island by private or rented boat. On this island you can enjoy clean and clear sea, and there are also many flat stones suitable for sunbathing. There are pebble beaches.



City beach and Hotel Park's beach

The beach is situated about 200 m from the city of Korčula towards the Liburnija Hotel, Park Hotel and Marco Polo Hotel. This pebble beach has several cafés in its vicinity. On the near-by beach of Park Hotel one can rent a boat and sailboards.

KORČULA - Luka Korčulanska

Sandy beach in the bay of Luka Korčulanska, about 15 minutes of pleasant walk from the Korčula Old Town, or short taxi - boat ride from the main Korčula harbor. Beach is crowded with families with small children who spend hours playing and paddling in shallow water. There are a couple of cafes nearby, so refreshments are easily accessible.

KORČULA - Sveti Nikola

Nice little swimming spot, locally called 'Mandrac' (small

boat marina) right next to the church and monastery of Saint Nikola, about 5 minutes walk from the Old Town. There are couples of tiny patches with pebbles - ideal for small children, while the rest of the area is rocky with crystal clear water.

This is very popular spot for locals, though still undiscovered by most tourists. No local cafes, so bring your own refreshments!

KORČULA - Banje

Town beach right in the center of Korčula Town, close to Hotel Marco Polo and local swimming and water polo club 'KPK'. This popular pebble beach is very busy in the summer time, crowded with tourists and locals. There are a few cafes and restaurants close by, so one can have some refreshment without need to get fully dressed again. Good for children if you are based in Korčula Town.

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Kaleta.hr, 020 711 282
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Agency Korkyra Info
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Ulica 29 br.10
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020 711-202

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Restaurant Doris
Punta Jurana bb, Korčula,
020 711 596

Restaurant Petar Kanavelić
020 71-18-00

Restaurant - pansion "Hajduk"
020 71-12-67

Tavern "Maslina"
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Tavern Ježina,
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Tavern "Morski Konjic"
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020 71-51-14, 098 243-307

Hotel Korčula terace
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www.abordadayachting.hr

Restaurant Adriatic
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Restaurant Badija, Badija

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Country household "Grubinjac"
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Kneža, 020 71-08-74
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Lumbarda

Lumbarda is a village located at the end of the island, 6 kilometres east from the town of Korčula. It has a little over 1,000 inhabitants. It consists of several hamlets scattered along the coast, small coves and hills that are surrounded by vast fields of vineyards. It is believed that the first inhabitants of Lumbarda were farmers from the town of Korčula, which used to stay overnight in Lumbarda. However, archaeological remains show that Greeks were first to establish these agricultural settlements and there are artefacts dating from the 4th century BC which you can see in the City Museum of Korčula. In Lumbarda you can see beautiful castles like Nobilo, Milina and Kršinić dating from the 16th century, built as the summer residences of wealthy families from

Korčula. The town is also famous for its many churches and chapels, some dating from the year of 1774. For centuries, residents of Lumbarda are engaged in fishing and agriculture, particularly vine growing. There are two distinct varieties of cultivated grapevine - Plavac and Grk. Therefore, when you come to Lumbarda treat yourself with these famous wines. Lumbarda is also famous for stone cutting and was the birth place of two famous sculptors, Frano Kršinić and Ivo Lozica. The Lumbarda music, singing, folk dancing and amateur acting ensemble is named after Ivo Lozica as well. Today, people of Lumbarda are tourism orientated. Lumbarda will most certainly delight you with its beauty, especially its sand beaches.



Beaches

TWO OF THE MOST BEAUTIFUL AND MOST VISITED BEACHES ARE LOCATED IN LUMBARDA: BILIN ŽAL AND VELA PRŽINA. YOU CAN REACH LUMBARDA BEACHES BY CAR OR TAKE A BUS FROM KORČULA TOWN.

Vela Pržina

Vela Pržina is the biggest natural sandy beach on the island of Korčula. Vela Pržina is situated in a big bay on the southern side of Lumbarda, which is opened to the sea and protected from the northern winds, overlooking the island of Lastovo. Vela Pržina is very popular and well visited beach during the summer. It is a favorite beach even for the local people, who come here to have fun and hang out. There is an open-air cafe/restaurant right on the beach offering simple dishes and refreshments. You can also rent parasols and deck chairs there.

The beach is suitable for all ages, it is ideal for families with kids. You can also play beach volleyball on the courts above the beach or in the sea. This area is ideal for all lovers of sailing and other water sports.

Bilin žal

Sandy beach Bilin Žal is located on the northern side of Lumbarda. This is a favorite one of the local people. One part of the beach is paved and pleasant for walking and sunbathing.

The sea is crystal clear and diving in the rich offshore around the coast of the beach is a real pleasure. From the beach you can see peninsula Peljesac and the islands of the Korčula archipelago.

There is a small cafe and a restaurant situated in a building that is built in a traditional Dalmatian style. There you can order sea specialties (salads, grilled fish...).

The beach is suitable for all ages, couples and singles and families with children.

Near the beach there is a parking lot. You can play volleyball on the sand.

Uvala Tatinja

Sand beach Tatinja is situated on the northern side of Lumbarda, about 300 m from the centre. There is a beautiful view of the Korčula archipelago, Pelješac peninsula and the city of Orebić. Near the beach there are restaurants, pizzerias and cafes.

Plaža Lenga Brendana

Lenga Brendana is an ideal place for those who enjoy in 'wild' and isolated beaches. The beach is 1 km long; it is spread from Biliž žal beach to the end of the eastern part of the island, Cape Ražnjić. The sea is exceptionally clean, while the offshore is ideal for diving. Near the beach there is a dense pine wood. There are many isolated places on which you can leave your belongings and enjoy in an untouched nature. You can reach the beach by car which you can park in the wood.

Lumbarda yellow pages

Tourist agencies

Poladin (Hotel Borik)

Pelorus

Post Office

Pošta Lumbarda

020 712 181

Exchange office

Boana

020 712 517

Community office Lumbarda,

020 712 042

Gallery

Lujo Lozica, Island of Vrnik

(by appointment, 020 712 517)

Taxi car

Car MT promet

091 5793294, 712 053

Taxi Boat

Lugo

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Boana, 712 571

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Boana, 712 571

Boat excursions

Boana, 712 517

www.stonac-dubrovnik.com

Diving centers

Diving center MM-sub

020 712-321

Sokol – diving

098 344 182

Internet connection

Hotel Borik, Hotel Lumnbarda,

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Mechanics

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Restaurants

Restaurant Borik

www.hotelborik.hr

020 712 188

Restaurant BARAKOKULA

Lumbarda 327a

091 7818184

Restaurant Natura

091 5702703

Restaurant Lina, www.lina.hr

020 712 150, 020 712 346

Pizzeria Poladin

www.hotelborik.hr, 020 712 488

Pizzeria TORKUL

092 288 6125

Konoba DUŠICA

020 712 330, 020 712 179

Restaurant -tavern FERAL

www.korcula-holidays.com

020 712 090

Tavern MORE, 020 712 068

Agro tourism ZURE

www.zure.hr,

020 712 334, 091 512 8712

Agro tourism LOVRIĆ

www.lovric.info, 020 712 052

Agro tourism Bire, 098 344 712

Gril Bilin žal

020 712 338, 098 192 1042

Grill Galeb, 091 5734037

Grill Pržina, 020 713 402

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Café bar Maestral

Café bar Prvi žal

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EVERY SUMMER VARIOUS CULTURAL AND ENTERTAINMENT EVENTS TAKE PLACE, MOSTLY IN KORČULA, VELA LUKA AND BLATO, BUT ALSO IN OTHER PLACES ON THE ISLAND. THOSE ARE CONCERTS OF POP AND CLASIC MUSIC, FOLKLORE NIGHTS, FISHERMEN'S NIGHTS, CHILDREN FESTIVALS, VARIOUS EXHIBITIONS, PROMOTIONS, THEATRE NIGHTS, SPORTS MANIFESTATIONS ETC. GUIDES FOR ALL THESE EVENTS CAN BE FOUND IN TOURIST ASSOCIATIONS OF VELA LUKA, BLATO, SMOKVICA, KORČULA AND LUMBARDA. ALSO, KORČULA CENTRE FOR CULTURE ALWAYS HAS ITS OWN SPECIAL PROGRAM SO THOSE WHO ARE INTERESTED CAN VISIT THE WEB PAGE WWW.KULTURAKORČULA.HR.

FISHERMEN'S NIGHTS

If you wish to experience true Dalmatia with fish specialties, homemade wine and music for reasonable prices, join the Fishermen's nights in Vela Luka, Brna or Lumbarda.

ST. JOHN'S REGATTA IN VELA LUKA

This special event is held on St. John's Day, June 24th. It is a paddle-boat regatta. There are five crew members. Four of them row and one is the cox which commands and steers. Before the race they practice and decorate the boat. The event starts with the mass in medieval church of St John of Gradina. Then the blessing of herbs (lavender, rosemary and 'dešpij') and boats takes place after which regatta starts. The race starts in Gradina bay

and ends at the waterfront of Vela Luka. Locals follow competitors with their boats and support them by cheering and singing. Traditionally, all boats are decorated with flowers and flags, while during the whole event one can enjoy in the sound of accordion and the Dalmatian song. Regatta dates from the 19th century. The regatta was paused in 1942 due to the war and it took a lot of effort to revive it, to maintain its authenticity, despite current lifestyles. But after 52 years of pause, the regatta was revived in 1994. The reaction of the locals was positive, and they started organizing crews and seeking for good vessels. The first place award is a lamb and 10 liters of wine. Second place prize is roasted

turkey and 10 liters of wine. Third place award is 5 roasted chickens and 5 liters of wine. The rest of the competitors get medals, but they all celebrate together as if they all are the true winners.

THE BATTLE OF GIČA IN BLATO

The reconstruction of the Battle of Giča will take you back in time like a time machine, entertain you and jolly you. The Battle of Giča took place in 1571 on Giča, the site above Blato. This is what happened: Turkish conquerors came and captivated women and children. The men from Blato organized in Kumpanija, national guard, caught them on Giča, liberated the prisoners and defeated the enemy. Reconstruction takes place in the evening hours in front of

the parish church. The members of Kumpanija and amateur actors from Blato participate in this reconstruction.

DAYS OF POŠIP IN SMOKVICA

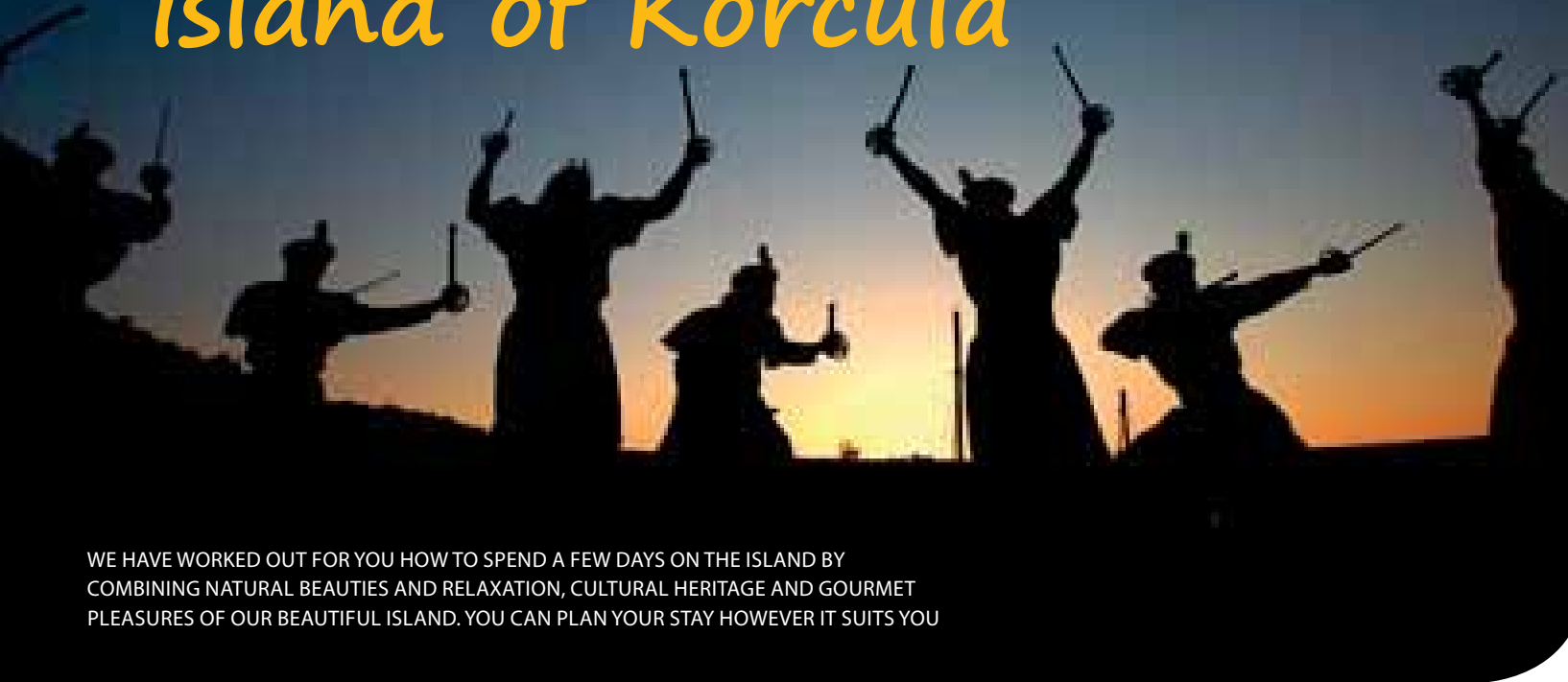
First Sunday in August the Open Day of Wine Cellars take place. During the day, from 10.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m. you can see wine cellars of Smokvica and Čara and taste wines. Around 9.00 p.m. The Festival of Wine commences in Brna. You can taste wine and gastro specialties and listen to Dalmatian song there.

FESTIVAL OF BAROQUE MUSIC IN KORČULA

This is a newly founded international music festival. The first is to be held from 7th to 16th of September 2012. Most prestigious world and domestic ensembles and soloists, experts in baroque music, will perform. You can find out more about this on www.korkybaroque.com.

MONTH	DATE	EVENT	PLACE
JANUARY	6 th January	'Navišćivanje' (carol singing)	Vela Luka, Blato and Smokvica
	7 th January to the Lent	Carnival	In all places
FEBRUARY	2 nd February	Blessed Lady of "Kandalora" procession with ceremonial performance of <i>Kumpanija</i> sword dance	Smokvica
	Until the Lent	Carnival customs and dances	All places
	Beginning of February	„Zmajeva noć“ – entertaining evening (concert)	Blato
MARCH	19 th March	St. Joseph's day procession with ceremonial performance of <i>Kumpanija</i> sword dance	Vela Luka
APRIL	20 th April	Planet Earth Day Elementary School <i>Petar Kanavelić</i>	Korčula Program na „Spomeniku“
	25 th April	St Mark's Day procession	Korčula
	28 th April	St Vincent's Day procession with ceremonial performance of <i>Kumpanija</i> sword dance	Blato
	28 th April	Triathlon	Korčula
	Last week in April	"The week of Blato'2012" (cultural, religious and sports events)	Blato
MAY	Last week in May	The night of popular compositions of Festival of Dalmatian Klapa Singing Omiš	Blato
	Last week in May	Return to the times of Marco Polo	Korčula
JUNE	13 th June.; 23 rd June and 'Tjelovo'	Fire leaping	Vela Luka
	24 th June	St John's regatta	Vela Luka
	25 th June	St John's day – firing of the 'baldakin' in front of the church	Žrnovo
	29 th June	Ceremonial performance of <i>Kumpanija</i> for St Peter's and St Paul's Day	Čara
	30 th June	Masked 'Half of the Year's' celebration	Korčula
JULY	30 th June – 9 th July	'Devetnica' on the eve of Blessed Marija of Jesus Crucified Petković's Day	Blato
	2 nd July	Blessed Mary of the Island (worshippers go to the island of Vrnik with their boats for the ceremony, procession and celebration)	Korčula
	9 th July	Blessed Marija of Jesus Crucified Petković's Day	Blato
	9 th -11 th July	Marco Polo festival of song and wine, international festival of music with tasting of domestic and foreign wines	Korčula
	16 th July	Ceremonial opening of the XX Blato Summer	Blato
	21 st July	Carnival night	Smokvica
	25 th July	Blessed Mary of Carsko Polje's Day – procession and the blessing of the boats in Cavica port; ceremonial performance of <i>Kumpanija</i> sword dance.	Čara
	29 th July	Ceremonial mass and procession for St Theodor's Day and the City of Korčula's Day; ceremonial performance of Moreska knight's game	Korčula Smokvica
	Every Thursday Every Wednesday Every Friday	Fisherman's night	Vela Luka Gršćica, Prizba or Prigradica Brna Lumbarda
	At the beginning of August	The Battle of Giča	Blato
AUGUST	2 nd August	Liturgic ceremony on the island of Badija, Perdun. Procession of decorated boats that sails from Kočula to Badija, while the first boat carries the picture of miraculous Lady of the Island who saved Korčula from Turks by causing a storm on the sea in 1571.	The island of Badija, Korčula
	First Sunday in August	Open Days of Wine Cellars and Celebration of Wine - Days of Pošip	Smokvica, Čara, Brna, Zavalatica
	3 rd August	Carnival night	Vela Luka
	5 th August	Ceremonial mass for Blessed Mary of Snow's Day and ceremonial performance of <i>Kumpanija</i> sword dance.	Pupnat
	5 th August	Klapa singing festival of Dubrovnik-neretva's county	Blato
	7 th , 8 th , 9 th August	Jazz festival	Vela Luka
	12 th – 14 th August	Film festival	Blato
	15 th August	Ceremonial closing of XX Blato Summer Festival of Blato's folklore Procession and mass for Vela Gospa Traditional festival	Blato Blato All places Brna
SEPTEMBER	16 th August	Procession for St Rok's Day, performance for folk dances and celebration	Lumbarda and Žrnovo
	16 th August	Klapa singing concert	Vela Luka
	1 st August	The night of "Kupus na Tabak". (The festival of local cabbage dish.)	Vela Luka
7 th – 16 th September	International festival of baroque music	Korčula	
NOVEMBER	11 th November	St Martin's Day; tasting of wine of St Justine's square, competition in 'lojenica' baking, children sing in front of the houses the song of St Martin	Korčula
DECEMBER	24 th December 24 th , 31 st of December and 6 th of January	Yule-log firing and 'Navišćivanje' (carol singing)	Lumbarda, Žrnovo, Smokvica Vela Luka, Blato, Smokvica

9 days on the island of Korčula



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Day 1

In the morning have a cup of coffee in a café in the city of Korčula. Take a taxi boat to the islet of Badija where you can see an old monastery and a church. Also, you can walk around the island along a walking path by the sea, pick a place for relaxation and enjoy. After the morning swim you can have lunch in a restaurant on Badija or in Korčula and then take a taxi boat to the island of Stupe. This island has a nice beach and is overlooking all the other islets and Pelješac peninsula. There you can have an early dinner,

then return to the place of your stay, get ready for an evening out or just rest.

Day 2

Visit the old town of Korčula – an open museum. In the close vicinity there are also The City Museum, Saint Mark's Cathedral and a few spectator areas. After that you can go to Lumbarda to one of its sandy beaches. In Lumbarda you can have a lunch and continue to sunbathe until the evening hours. A traditional sword dance *Moreška* is performed on Mondays and Thursdays at 9:00PM, so we

recommend you to buy tickets and enjoy rare this spectacle.

Day 3

Rent a car or a motorcycle and visit Pupnat, Pupnatska luka, Žrnovo and Račišće. You should certainly take a walk through the nature reserve *Kočje*. After that you can try 'žrnovski makaruni' (special homemade pasta) in one of the restaurants or local village households. We recommend you to go to *Kočje* in early morning hours while the sun is still low. Find some time to sunbathe in one of the picturesque bays as for example Pupnatska luka

where with the beach bar and a tavern on the north side of the island.

Day 4

In the morning hours have a drink or coffee in one of the bars in Blato. Take a walk to the Ethno house *Barilo* which will take you back in time. You can also buy nice souvenirs there. See the church of All Saints and sit in the loggia in front of the church. Walk through the lime alley back to the Blato centre. You can go to Prišćapac – interesting peninsula with two small beaches. When you get

hungry you can have a lunch in one of the restaurants in Prižba and continue sunbathing. If this day is by any chance Thursday you can watch the *Kumpanija* sword dance performance in the evening hours.

Day 5

Rent a car and search for the Istruga bay which is rich with therapeutic mud- liman. Go along a walking path to the cave. In Brna you can rent a boat and explore the coast and the islands nearby all by yourselves. Have a lunch in one of the restaurants in Brna or Smokvica.

After lunch take a cyclist or walking path to the Pinčaluša – place where the first grape wine of Pošip cultivar was discovered, find at least one toreta, take a look at the Gradina – one of the three most famous fortresses on Korčula, church and a loggia that date from 1,700 A.C. After that make sure to visit one of the wine cellars in which you will enjoy the best wines, meet the tradition of wine growing and winiculture, and the island way of life. If this day turns out to be Friday, you can watch *Kumpanija* sword dance performance, or if it is Wednesday, you can go to



Brna and enjoy in *fisherman's night* having homemade food and drink and listening to Korčula's traditional music.

Day 6

Check the departure and return time of the taxi-boat for the island of Proizd. Take a sun

cream, put a hat, put some water and fruit in your backpack and you are ready for a special whole-day experience. There are several walking paths leading through the dense pine wood to the beautiful beaches. We recommend *Bili Boci* beach. Most of the beaches do not

have a shelter from the sun, so make sure you oil yourself often with the protective factors you brought. If you like to be alone, find a smooth rock with which the island is abundant and enjoy the untouched nature and crystal clear sea. You can have lunch in a restaurant and also try to play traditional game 'balote' on a field behind the restaurant. Take a taxi-boat back, rest and get ready for a night out.

Day 7

In the morning have a drink in one of the cafés in Vela Luka and decide where to go sunbathing. You can rent a boat and set off a search of your own for a nice place or take a taxi-boat to the island of Ošjak. If you are a walking type, take a walk to Posejdon hotel. Behind the hotel there is a nice walking path

following the coastline. In front of the little chapel on which you will come across very soon you can see interesting mosaics. Continue your walk by the sea and find a little beach or nice rocks to swim and sunbathe. After that return to Vela Luka for lunch after which you can visit the Centre for Culture. Enquire about the Big Cave and the mosaics and then walk around Vela Luka in search for the mosaics. Make sure to visit the Big Cave. It can be reached by car, but it doesn't take too long to walk there either. Look at the interior of the Big Cave and enjoy in a beautiful view of Vela Luka and the island of Ošjak and the sunset. If this is, by any chance possible, watch the sword dance performance on the streets of Vela Luka. Ask around when and where you

can listen to 'klapa' singing. Make sure you don't miss that because only then you can feel Vela Luka entirely. Every Thursday there is a *fisherman's night* organized in Vela Luka so you can enjoy in domestic food, drink and music at the waterfront.

Day 8

At least for a day let yourself be guided by one of the tourist agencies that offer interesting tours and trips.

Day 9

For a day just enjoy in peace and beauty of a hidden beach. A good day for this could be your last day of stay on the island. That way you will absorb all the essences and tastes of this island and store every experience deep in yourself so you can take it back home with you.

Not to miss

- The island of Proizd near Vela Luka
- Wine tasting in Toreta, Smokvica
- Klapa singing
- Ethno house in Blato
- Knight' game (sword dance) (*Moreška* in Korčula or *Kumpanija* in Vela Luka, Blato or Smokvica)
- Sand beach in Lumbarda
- Natural park *Kočje*

Visit Glavica of Saint Anton in Korčula, with a more than one hundred years old cypress alley. Climb to the top where the church is and enjoy the peace, bird songs and a view of the coronal of the islets of this part of the Korčula archipelago.



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TRAFFIC CONNECTIONS WITH LAND AND ON THE ISLAND

You can reach Korčula by ferry, catamaran or bus. Catamaran does not transport cars.

In summer, traffic connections are more frequent than in winter.

Winter timetable

valid from Jan 1st - May 31st and from Oct 1st - Dec 31st

Summer timetable

from Jun 1st - Sep 30thA

ARRIVAL BY CAR

If you are coming by car, you have four possibilities:
Ferry Split – Vela Luka
(3 hours voyage)

Ferry Drvenik – Korčula
(2 and a half hours journey)

Ferry Orebić – Dominče (Korčula) (15 minutes journey)

Ferry Rijeka – Korčula
(Only in summer, 18h30minutes)

Ferry Ploče – Trpanj (Pelješac)
(Only in summer, 60 minutes)

If you are travelling by car from Split to Pelješac, it is necessary to carry a passport because you have to cross Bosnian border (Neum).

ARRIVAL WITHOUT A CAR

If you are travelling without a car, you can use all ferry lines from above, and also catamaran lines and bus lines.

You can travel with catamaran during the entire year.

In summer season catamaran lines Split-Prigradica-Korčula and Dubrovnik-Korčula are introduced.

Korčula is connected with Zagreb, Dubrovnik, Sarajevo and Beograd with bus lines.

DEPARTURE

by ferry or catamaran from Vela Luka to Split

by bus from every place on the island to Dubrovnik, Zagreb, Sarajevo and Beograd

by ferry from Korčula (Dominče) to Orebić

by ferry from Trpanj to Ploče

by ferry from Korčula to Rijeka (only in summer)

by ferry from Korčula to Drvenik

You can also go on excursions to Mljet, Lastovo or Hvar from Korčula.

You can reach Lastovo by catamaran or ferry from Vela Luka, and Hvar by catamaran.

You can get to Mljet by ferry line Prapatno (Pelješac) – Sobra (Mljet).

Traffic connections on the island: bus, taxi, rent-a-car.

There is a network of local bus lines on the island, bus goes from Vela Luka and visits all other places on the island to the town of Korčula.

Taxi

In Vela Luka, Blato and Korčula taxi and rent-a-car services are at your disposal. For any additional information, contact tourist agencies and tourism associations.

You can check traffic lines by yourselves at:

Ferry and catamaran lines: "Jadrolinija",

www.jadrolinija.hr,

phone: Vela Luka: 020 812 012,

phone Korčula: 020 711 101,

phone Split: 021 338 333

Bus lines: "Autotrans":

www.autotrans.hr,

Blato: 020 851 288,

Korčula: 060373060

Timetable

for 2012 / 01.06. - 30.09.

From Vela Luka

Vela Luka-Lastovo (Ubli)

8.45	10.45
13.45	15.45
20.45	22.00

Vela Luka-Split

6.15	9.00
13.45	16.30

To Vela Luka

Lastovo (Ubli)-Vela Luka

4.30	5.45
11.00	13.00
19.00	21.00

Split-Vela Luka

10.15	13.00
17.30	20.15

Ferry RIJEKA - SPLIT - STARI GRAD (Hvar) - KORČULA - SOBRA (Mljet) - DUBROVNIK and vice versa

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TUE 07:00	SAT 07:00	SPLIT	THU 19:30	SUN 19:30
07:30	07:30		18:40	18:40
09:15	09:15	STARI GRAD	17:00	17:00
09:45	09:45	(otok Hvar)	16:40	16:40
13:30	13:30		13:00	13:00
14:00	14:00	KORČULA	12:40	12:40
16:15	16:15	SOBRA	10:40	10:40
16:30	16:30	(otok Mljet)	10:25	10:25
TUE 18:30	SAT 18:30	DUBROVNIK	THU 08:30	SUN 08:30

Time table for ferry **KORČULA – DRVENIK – KORČULA**
check on www.korculainfo.com

CATAMARAN VELA LUKA-HVAR-SPLIT

Vela Luka Hvar Split Days in week

5.30	6.25	7.40	Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat
8.05	9.00	10.20	Sunday/holiday

CATAMARAN VELA LUKA – LASTOVO (Ubli)

Vela Luka Ubli (Lastovo) Days in week

17.20	18.05	Every day
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CATAMARAN SPLIT-HVAR-VELA LUKA

Split Hvar Vela Luka Days in week

15.00	16.05	17.10	Every day
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CATAMARAN LASTOVO-VELA LUKA

Ubli (Lastovo) Vela Luka Days in week

4.25	5.20	Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat
7.00	7.55	Sunday/ holiday

PLOČE-TRPANJ every day

I	05:00 (01.07.-02.09.)	06:15
II	07:30	09:00
III	10:15	11:30
IV	12:45	14:00
V	15:15	16:30
VI	17:45	19:00
VII	20:00	21:00(30.06.-01.09.)

OREBIČ-DOMINČE (KORČULA)

every day		
I	00:30	00:01
II	04:00*	03:30*
III	05:30	05:00
IV	06:30	06:00
V	07:20	07:00
VI	08:30	08:00
VII	09:30	09:00
VIII	10:30	10:00
IX	11:30	11:00
X	12:30	12:00
XI	13:30	13:00
XII	14:30	14:00
XIII	15:30	15:00
XIV	16:45	16:00
XV	18:00	17:30
XVI	19:30	19:00
XVII	21:00	20:00
XVIII	22:30	22:00

*Not going on Sundays and holidays

Bus lines

Polasci iz VELE LUKE / Departures from Vela Luka

ZAGREB, Zadar, Split, Ston	18:30 - svakodnevno / every day
DUBROVNIK, Ston	05:15 / 14.30 - svaki dan osim nedjelje / except Sunday 13:30 - nedjeljom / Sunday
SARAJEVO, Mostar	07:15 - utorak/srijeda/četvrtak / Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday 13:30 - nedjeljom / Sunday
BLATO-SMOKVICA-ČARA PUPNAT-ŽRNOVO KORČULA	05:15 / 06:30 / 10:00 / 13:45 / 17:00 / 18:30 - radni dan / daily 05:15 / 06:30 / 17:00 / 18:30 - subota / Saturday 13:30 / 17:00 / 18:30 - nedjelja / Sunday
BEOGRAD	14:30 - utorak / subota / nedjelja - Tuesday / Saturday / Sunday

Polasci iz BLATA / Departures from Blato

ZAGREB, Zadar, Split, Ston	18:40 - svakodnevno / every day
DUBROVNIK, Ston	05:30 / 14.35 - svaki dan
SMOKVICA-ČARA PUPNAT-ŽRNOVO KORČULA	05:30 / 06:40 / 10:10 / 13:55 / 17:00 / 18:40 - radni dan / daily 05:30 / 06:40 / 17:00 / 18:40 - subota / Saturday 13:40 / 17:15 / 18:40 - nedjelja / Sunday
VELA LUKA	05:00 / 05:55 / 07:40 / 11:05 / 13:05 / 13:55 / 15:00 / 15:50 / 18:00 / 19:30 - radni dan 05:00 / 07:40 / 11:05 / 15:50 / 18:00 / 19:30 - subota / Saturday 07:40 / 15:50 / 18:00 / 22:20- nedjelja / Sunday
SARAJEVO, Mostar	07:20 - utorak/srijeda/četvrtak / Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday 13:40 - nedjeljom / Sunday

Polasci iz KORČULE / Departures from Korčula

ZAGREB, Zadar, Split, Ston	19:45 - svakodnevno / every day 06:45 - svaki dan osim nedjelje
BEOGRAD	15:30 - utorak / subota / nedjelja - Tuesday / Saturday / Sunday 08:45 - četvrtak / Thursday
VELA LUKA Blato, Smokvica, Čara	06:40 / 10:15 / 12:15 / 14:10 / 15:00 / 18:30 / 20.15 - radni dan / daily 06:45 / 10:15 / 15:00 / 18:30 / 20.15 - subota / Saturday 06:45 / 12:15 / 20.15 / 21:30- nedjelja / Sunday
LUMBARDA Dominče	07:00 / 08:00 / 10:00 / 11:10 / 12:05 / 13:15 / 14:00 / 15:00 / 18:45 - radni dan / daily 07:00 / 10:00 / 13:00 / 14:00 / 15:00 - subota / Saturday 10:00 / 14:00 / 17:00 / 18:45 - nedjelja / Sunday 06:40 / 10:15 / 12:15 / 13:15 / 14:10 / 15:00 / 18:30 - radni dan / daily
PUPNAT-ŽRNOVO	06:45 / 10:15 / 13:00 / 15:00 / 18:30 - subota / Saturday 06:45 / 15:00 / 21:30 - nedjelja / Sunday
RAČIŠĆE Kneže	05:45 / 06:40 / 11:10 / 13:15 / 15:00 / 19:15 - radni dan / daily 05:45 / 14:00 - subota / Saturday

Dictionary

- An ambulance** (hitna pomoć)
The fire brigade (vatrogasna pomoć)
The police (policija)
Search and rescue at the sea (traganje i spašavanje na moru)
Yes (da)
No (ne)
Please (molim)
Thank you (hvala)
Excuse me (pardon)
Hello! (bok)
Good evening (dobra večer)
Good morning! (dobro jutro!)
Good night (laku noć)
Goodbye (zbogom/doviđenja)
Cheers! (živjeli/ u zdravlje!)
My name is (moje ime je..)
What is your name (kako se ti zoveš)
How are you (kako si?)
How much (koliko)
Where can I find secure car park (gdje mogu naći sigurno mjesto za parkiranje)
I have a reservation (imam rezervaciju)
How much is it (koliko košta)
Breakfast (doručak)
Lunch (ručak)
Dinner (večera)
Meat (meso)
Vegetables (povrće)
Cash (gotovina)
Keep the change (zadržite ostatak)
It was excellent (bilo je izvrsno)
Where can I buy ferry ticket (gdje mogu kupiti trajektnu kartu)
Where is the hotel (gdje je hotel)
Where is the ferry (gdje je trajekt)
No problem (nema problema)
Can I have the recipe please (mogu li dobiti recept molim)
A nightclub (noćni klub)
To go fishing (ići pecati)



Souvenirs OF THE ISLAND OF KORČULA

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If you wish to take a memory with you or a piece of the island of Korčula which you will share with your loved ones upon your return home, here's what we recommend as a souvenir:

1. Music of our singers and klapa's: klapa Kumpanji, Klapa Vela Luka, Klapa Ošjak, Oliver Dragojević, Meri Cetinić, Jasna Zlokić. You can buy CDs on gas stations in Vela Luka and Korčula, in Lido shop in Vela Luka, in Blato in Blato Tours, in Korčula in Kantun Tours, in some other souvenir shops, news-stands and elsewhere.
2. Island products: as worthy and interesting island products we recommend: olive oil, prosecco, homemade liquors, dried figs, almonds in sugar, orange peel in sugar ('arancini'), lavender in a bag. You can buy them on stands in Vela Luka or Korčula and also in some shops as, for example, Marco Polo shop in Korčula.
3. Stone and wood souvenirs: stone house, 'vrtujak' made of stone or wood can be found in Vela Luka in Lido shop, in Blato in Blato Tours, in Korčula in souvenir-shops and on stands.
4. Find your own souvenir – a nice rock or a shell from your favorite beach.

Our training firm project

Training firm is a fictive firm which is founded and led by students. The main goal of this program is to enable students to apply their theoretical knowledge to practice, show their creativity, learn to take responsibility, feel the importance of team work and gain independence and experience in work. First training firm in High School Vela Luka was founded by 13 students of third grade of Bussines School in academic year 2010/2011. Those were: Ivana Bikić, Katarina Brčić, Marin Farac, Ana Franić, Tea Golić, Ana Kurtović, Josipa Lovričević, Ivona Mrkonjić, Josipa Padovan, Adriana Pecotić, Natali Razlog, Ines Žuvela and Ivana Žuvela. Their mentors were professors of economic subjects: Tomislava Stipković, Ivana Škoro and Maja Tičinović Žuvela. They called their firm Travelino and were the first one to make a real product in the training firm

programme in the Republic of Croatia. It was a tourist guide Welcome to Vela Luka. A big support to this project came from Tourist Association Vela Luka, Municipality of Vela Luka, but also from many others who recognized the value of this project and gave donations to help its realization. Those were: DUNEIA Ltd, Ministry of economy, work and entrepreneurship, Ministry of Tourism, County of Dubrovnik-Neretva, Tourist Association Blato and Croatia osiguranje. The success of Travelino was an inspiration for new generation and set great ground for continuation of work.

New generation of third grade students of bussines school in the academic year of 2011/2012 named their company Odisej and decided to unite all Tourist Associations of the island of Korčula in the project of making a tourist guide for the entire island. The result of this successful collaboration of the Tourist Associations of the island and High School Vela Luka is this guide. Students: **Ana Bačić, Ante Blitvić, Tomislav Cetinić, Ivan Katić, Anamarija Pecotić, Pavao Sardelić, Petra Sardelić and Maja Šeparović.** Mentor: Maja Tičinović Žuvela



First training firm 'Travelino' and their guide



Students of the 'Odisej' training firm producing this guide

Survey

Please fill in this short questionnaire and take it to the Tourist Association bureau of Kočula, Lumbarda, Smokvica, Blato or Vela Luka.

Please mark with grades 1 to 5 Welcome to the island of Korčula tourist guide.

1 2 3 4 5

Did this tourist guide met your needs with its content?

Yes, entirely Yes, but not entirely
No

Please write down anything you feel this guide misses.

With marks 1 to 5 mark the front page of the Guide.

1 2 3 4 5

Do you think this guide helped you to spend your time on the island in a quality manner?

yes no

Is there anything else you would like to state?

Basic info for Croatia

Time zone:

GMT + 1 in the winter and GMT + 2 in the summer

Tap water is drinkable.

Voltage: 220 V, frequency 50 Hz.

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS

The passport or other internationally recognised identification document. Tourists can stay in Croatia for up to three months. Additional information is available at the embassies of the Republic of Croatia abroad or the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Croatia. Phone: +385 (0)1 4569 964 - www.mvp.hr

REGISTRATION

When you check in a hotel, apartment or any other objects, you will automatically be registered with the police. If you are staying with friends please do it yourself in a 24 hour period, in Tourist office or nearest police station and be sure to bring your passport. This procedure is helping you overcome any inconvenience that may occur while you are on a holiday.

POSTAL AND TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES

Public phones are used with the phone cards that can be bought at post offices and newsstands.

There are mobile networks operating in Croatia:

T Mobile (098 i 099) www.t-mobile.hr

VIPnet (091) www.vipnet.hr

TELE2 (095) www.tele2.hr

TOMATO (092) www.tomato.com.hr

BON BON (097) www.bonbon.com.hr/home

All operators offer roaming service. Vouchers for mobile phones can be purchased at post offices, newsstands and shops.

CURRENCY, PAYMENTS, TAX FREE

Croatian currency is kuna (HRK/kn). 1 kuna (kn) = 100 lipas.

Payments: You can use only kunas as means of payment, and money can be exchanged in banks, exchange offices, post offices and hotels.

Credit cards: Most hotels, restaurants and shops will accept credit card payments (Eurocard/Mastercard, Diners, American Express, Visa).

Customs duties: Foreign currency can be freely transferred to Croatia to the amount of 40,000.00 HRK. Customs must be notified of any amounts exceeding this number. Home currency can be freely transferred to and from Croatia to the amount of 15,000.00 HRK.

Tax return: The right of tax return encompasses all foreign citizens for purchased goods (except petroleum derivatives) to the amount of 501.00 HRK per receipt. The purchaser must have a VAT (PDV-P) form filled by the seller, which must be verified upon leaving Croatia on the border crossing. Tax return is possible six months after the purchase of goods.

Additional info about

customs duties:

Republic of Croatia Customs Directorate, phone: +385 1 6102 333, www.carina.hr

FOREIGN LANGUAGE

RADIO NEWS

During the summer season, Croatian National Radio Channel 2 regularly broadcasts news and Croatian Automobile Club reports on traffic conditions on a daily basis in several languages: English, German, Italian and Czech. This station also broadcasts news and traffic conditions reports from several foreign radio stations (Bavaria Radio Channel 3, Austria Radio Channel 3, RAI Uno, British Virgin Radio and Czech Radio). There are also specialized daily news broadcasts for boaters in Croatian and English.

PETS

Pets must be accompanied by the owner and have the International certificate by an authorized veterinarian not older they then six months.

MEDICAL HELP

Guests from countries which have signed a health-care agreement with the Republic of Croatia do not have to pay for medical services. If that is not the case, the services are charged directly to the user.

SAFETY, FIRE AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

A special European emergency number has been also established in Croatia: 112. You can dial it from all mobile and fixed phones in case you need any emergency service.

Please, act responsibly in natural areas, take notice of fire restriction signs and do not throw burning or inflammable objects in the surrounding countryside. The sea water in this area is of high quality, so please help us in keeping it so.

IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Country calling code for Croatia is 385

For island of Korčula and Dubrovnik-Neretva county dialling code is 020. If you are calling from abroad or using your mobile phone you do not have to dial the first 0 so the dialing code is 385 20.

During your stay you can need some of these numbers:

General information 18981
Information on phone numbers in Croatia 11888

Public holidays

New Year's Day	1 Jan
Epiphany	6 Jan
Easter Monday	9 Apr
Labour Day	1 May
Corpus Christi	7 Jun
Anti-Fascist Struggle Day	22 Jun
Statehood Day	25 Jun
Victory and Homeland Thanksgiving Day	5 Aug
Assumption of Mary	15 Aug
Independence Day	8 Oct
All Saints' Day	1 Nov
Christmas Day	25 Dec
St Stephen's Day	26 Dec

Information on international phone numbers 11802

Weather Forecast and Road Conditions: 060 520 520

Road assistance: 987 (if calling from abroad or your mobile phone dial +385 1 1987)

Croatian Auto Club (HAK) 01 4640 800; www.hak.hr;

Unique National number for all emergency situations 112
Croatian center for search and rescue at sea 9155

Croatian Mountain Rescue 091 212 3003
Police 192
Fire brigade 93
Ambulance : 94

Croatia Airlines 413 777
Airport Dubrovnik 773 377
Airport Split 021 203 555
Jadrolinija Dubrovnik 418 000
Jadrolinija Split 021 338 333

Dubrovnik-Neretva county 351 400

County department of tourism 351 182

Department of tourism inspection Dubrovnik 351 103

Useful Links

Exchange rate list: www.hnb.hr
Weather: www.dhmz.hr

Road conditions: www.hak.hr
Ferry lines: www.jadrolinija.hr

Airlines: www.croatiaairlines.hr
Dubrovnik Airport: www.airport-dubrovnik.hr

Airport Split: www.split-airport.hr
Dubrovnik-Neretva County

Tourist Board: www.visitdubrovnik.hr

HTZ - Croatian National Tourist Board: www.croatia.hr

Ministry of Tourism: www.mint.hr

Ministry of Foreign Affairs : www.mvp.hr





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