



# SPALDING HIGH SCHOOL

EXPLORING Croatia - 5 DAY TOUR

4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> April 2025

# Croatia Location



# Day 1 - Fly to Croatia



# Day 1 – Check into the Porto Hotel, Zadar



# Day 1 – Explore Zadar



Zadar is known for the Roman and Venetian ruins of its peninsular old town, including several Venetian gates in the city walls. Surrounding the Roman-era Forum are the 11th-century St. Mary's Convent, with religious art dating to the 8th century; the grand, 12th-century St. Anastasia's Cathedral; and the round, 9th-century pre-Romanesque Church of St. Donat.



# Day 2 – Kornati National Park



Boat trip to the Kornati National Park. Located in the northern part of the Dalmatia it is an unusual park because it is entirely made from an archipelago with the highest density of islands in the entire Mediterranean; there are 109 islands in total with 76 less than 1 hectare in size! The islands have been pronounced a national park and because of this they maintain their biodiversity and are home to a rich maritime ecosystem.

# Day 3 – Transfer to the Lovran Link Hostel



# Day 3 – Plitvice Lakes



The oldest National Park in Croatia and a UNESCO site, the Plitvice lakes. The Park contains a series of beautiful lakes, caves and waterfalls. These have been formed by processes typical of karst landscapes such as the deposition of travertine barriers, creating natural dams. These geological processes continue today. You will enjoy a walking tour with a guide and a boat ride over the largest lake Kozjak.



# Day 4 – Lungo Mare and Učka Mountain



A morning walk along a portion of Lungo Mare, a sea promenade that extends from Volosko to Lovran

Visit Učka Mountain for a hike to Vela Draga canyon valley - a natural monument and one of the most beautiful geomorphological phenomena in Croatia.

The Učka is a mountain range that rises behind Opatija riviera, on the Istrian peninsula, in northwestern Croatia. It differs from all the other coastal mountains in Croatia because of its abundant vegetation on the seaward side.



# Day 5 – Explore Louvran

Situated on the banks of the Adriatic Sea and surrounded by the tall, thick pine trees and indigenous underbrush of nearby Ucka Mountain, this picturesque town embodies the spirit of the Mediterranean.



# Day 5 - Depart Croatia, Arrive UK



# Summary of main excursions

- • Boat trip to Kornati National Park. Located in the northern part of the Dalmatia it is an unusual park because it is entirely made from an archipelago with the highest density of islands in the entire Mediterranean.
- • A morning walk along a portion of Lungo Mare, a sea promenade that extends from Volosko to Lovran
- • A hike along the Vela Draga canyon valley at Učka Mountain - a natural monument and one of the most beautiful geomorphological phenomena in Croatia
- • A guided walking tour and boat trip on Lake Kozjak. Plitvice Lakes is the oldest national park in southeast Europe and the largest national park in Croatia, it borders Bosnia and Herzegovina.

# Cost

About £1100 which includes -

Transport to airport and around Croatia

5 days exploring

4 nights full board in hotel/hostel

Guides

Entry fees into all visits

# Criteria for being included on trip

- ❑ Current Y9 – Must be studying GCSE Geography in September.
- ❑ Current Y10 - All Geography GCSE students
- ❑ Current Y11 – These who are committed to studying Geography at A Level at SHS.
- ❑ Current Y12 – All geography A level students
  
- ❑ It may also be necessary to take into account student attendance and behaviour at school, so as not to place the safety of students, staff and their peers at risk.
  
- ❑ Please be aware before you commit that this trip, that this trip is very active and a certain level of physical fitness will be needed to take part in the activities.

# Interested -

- ❑ Please fill in the form to show your interest. You will then be contacted about paying a deposit.
- ❑ Priority will be given to current A- level and GCSE students and those who can demonstrate a genuine interest in the subject.