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1. Geographical location

Dubrovnik is a city located in Neretva County in the southern region of Croatia in Adriatic Sea, Dalmatia region. The name of the city is derived from Proto-Slavic in which Dobrava is termed as oak forests. These oak forests were widely spread across towards the northern hills of the city. The old city is planned as a maze of different striking roads. The streets date back to the year of 1292.



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2. Neighbouring cities/countries

Dubrovnik Is Walled City Surrounded By Other Cities, Towns, Suburbs And Localities. Some Of The Major Cities Near Dubrovnik Include Bosnia, Sarajevo And Herzegovina Which Are 136km Away, Bari In Italy 197km, Tirana 204km, Banja Luka 248km, Pristina 252km, Skopje 283km, Belgrade 310km, Naples 374km, Zagreb 390km And Timisoara Which Is 430km Away. Other Close Smaller Town And Suburbs That Are All Approximately 55km Away Include Trebinje, Podi, Neum, Bijela, Stolac, Bileca, Ljubinje, Igalo, Herceg Novi And Risan Among Many Others. Some Of The Countries Near This City Include Bosnia And Herzegovina, Serbia, Montenegro, Hungary, Slovenia And Italy. Some Of The Cities And Towns Mentioned Above Are In These Countries.



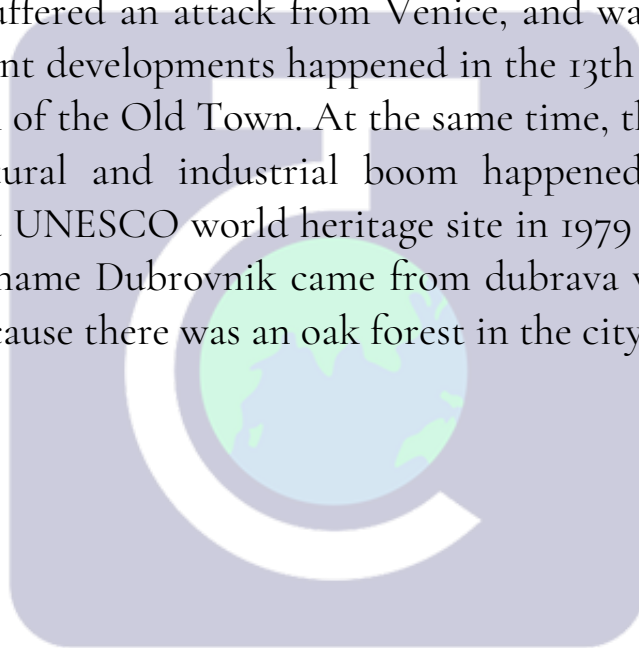
3. Significance

Once a thriving centre of maritime trade, Dubrovnik is now one of the most sought after holiday destinations in the Mediterranean Sea. In the Middle Ages, the city was as prominent as Venice. It also features in the UNESCO World Heritage Sites List. The city suffered great loss during the massive earthquake of 1667 and also through a series of wars and occupations by many forces. Blessed with verdant natural landscape and crystal clear seas, Dubrovnik is also home to a number of historical monuments that attract millions of visitors from around the globe. This picturesque walled city has safeguarded its tradition even when it has opened its gates to the global population. The Most stunning thing in this city is the old city wall that runs 2km around the city, is 25 meters tall and has a thickness of around six meters. The main purpose of the wall was protection. In 1667, the city was damaged by an earthquake but still maintained some of its major tourist site buildings. It is a major tourist attraction site and even referred to as Pearl of the Adriatic.

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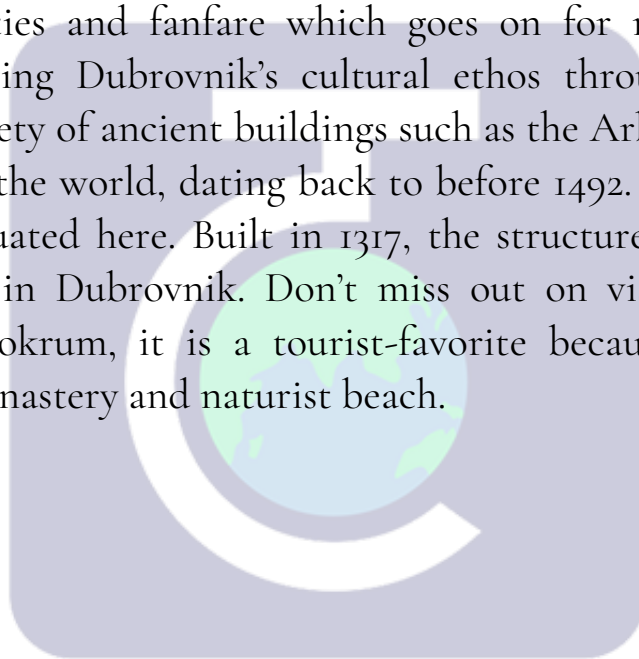
4. History

Dubrovnik's historical origins go back to the 7th century. It had been established an autonomous merchant republic for almost 700 years which was removed by Napoleon in 1806. As a trading region, Dubrovnik has strong business ties with Turkey and India. In the Middle Ages, Dubrovnik also had diplomatic relations with the English court. The story of its growth began in the 19th century, as prior to that Dubrovnik suffered an attack from Venice, and was in its capture from 1205 to 1358. Important developments happened in the 13th century, one of them being the completion of the Old Town. At the same time, the city began to grow politically too. Cultural and industrial boom happened from 14th century onwards. It became a UNESCO world heritage site in 1979 and has a population of over 40,000. The name Dubrovnik came from dubrava which literally means oak grove. This is because there was an oak forest in the city in the ancient times.



5. Cultural identity

Dubrovnik boasts of a very solid cultural fabric. The array of monuments and events it is home to, makes Dubrovnik culturally very strong. The city plays host to the Dubrovnik Summer Festival, a yearly cultural extravaganza which goes on for 45 days. There are live plays, concerts and games. As the patron saint of the city is Sveti Vlaho (Saint Blaise), every year, the holiday gets marked with Mass, parades, and festivities and fanfare which goes on for many days. If you're interested in capturing Dubrovnik's cultural ethos through its architecture, Dubrovnik has a variety of ancient buildings such as the Arboretum Trsteno, the oldest arboretum in the world, dating back to before 1492. Europe's third oldest pharmacy is also situated here. Built in 1317, the structure is situated at Little Brothers monastery in Dubrovnik. Don't miss out on visiting the 72-hectare wooded island of Lokrum, it is a tourist-favorite because it has a fortress, botanical garden, monastery and naturist beach.



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6. Natural resources

It has a large reserve of natural resources that includes mostly of granite and the terrain and high quality of clay and barite. It has a rich reserve of water, soil, iron ore, gypsum, coal, wind, natural gas, petroleum, silica, zinc, salt, lumber, tin, iron ore, limestone, arable land, clay, rocks, slate, chalk, bauxite, uranium, lignite, manganese and coal. The major crops are wheat, barley, rice, maize, potato, etc. It is a home to various species of flora and fauna.



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7. Key site seeing places (paid and free)

7.1. Paid

7.1.1. Synagogue And Jewish Museum

Located in the Old Town of Dubrovnik and established in 1352, it is one of the oldest synagogues associated with Sephardic, the local Jew community. The building also serves as a museum and has several artefacts connected with the Jewish community. The synagogue is looked after by the local Tolentine family for centuries now.

Address : Zudioska 5, Dubrovnik, Croatia, 20000

Zipcode : 20000

Location : 42.64143559999999, 18.1101868000000065

Entry Fee : 40 Kn

Open & Close Timing : May to October: Daily 09:00hrs-21:00hrs November to April: Daily 09:00hrs-15:00hrs

Time Required : 1

Expected Wait Time : 10 minutes

Buy Ticket : No

7.1.2. War Photo Limited

With the intention of exposing myths of war, War Photo Limited has established as a photo exhibition gallery that displays images related to war locations from around the world. The gallery provides an opportunity to the war reporters and journalists to showcase their work. The upper floor is always covered with permanent exhibitions pertaining to the wars in Yugoslavia whereas the temporary exhibitions cover several conflicts.

Address : Antuninska 6, Dubrovnik 20000, Croatia

Zipcode : 20000

Location : 42.6417162, 18.1087185999999975

Contact : +385 98 367 467

Website : <http://www.warphotoltd.com/>

Entry Fee : Adults: 40 KN Students: 30 KN 10+ group: 30 Kn

Open & Close Timing : May and October: Wednesday to Monday: 10:00hrs-16:00hrs Tuesday Closed June to September: Daily 10:00hrs-22:00hrs

November to April: Closed

Time Required : 1.5

Expected Wait Time : 10 minutes

Buy Ticket : No

7.1.3. Ancient City Walls

While in Dubrovnik, take a walk along the city's famous wall that surrounds the coastal area of the town in southern Croatia. Dating back to the 10th century, the wall belongs to the medieval period and are considered as a defensive barricade for the city. It joined the UNESCO World Heritage List in 1979 and has become a major tourist spot in the city.

Address : Placa ulica 32, (just inside Pile Gate, to the left), Dubrovnik 20000, Croatia

Zipcode : 20000

Location : 42.64170809999999, 18.107376100000001

Contact : +38520-324641

Website : <http://citywallsdubrovnik.hr/>

Nearest Public Transport : Autobusni kolodvor Bus Station (Not recommended)

Entry Fee : Adults: 120 HRK Children: 5 to 18 HRK Children (under 5): Free admission

Open & Close Timing : Daily 09:00hrs-17:30hrs

Time Required : 1.5

Expected Wait Time : 5 minutes

Buy Ticket : No

7.1.4. Dubrovnik Cable Car

Enjoy the breath-taking panoramic views of the surrounding areas of Dubrovnik and the Adriatic Sea from the top of Srd Hill or via the cable car that starts from the Old Town area of the city called Ploce and transports you to a height of 405 meters above sea level in a matter of 5 minutes. The cable car services started in 1969 and still remain very popular among tourists.

Address : Ulica kralja Petra Krešimira IV, 20000, Dubrovnik, Croatia

Zipcode : 20000

Location : 42.6431043, 18.1117251000000058

Contact : +385 20 325 393

Website : <http://www.dubrovnikcablecar.com/>

Nearest Public Transport : Autobusna stanica Bus Station (Not recommended)

Entry Fee : Adult One-Way Ticket: 70 Kn Adult Two-Way Ticket: 120 Kn

Children One-Way Ticket: 30 Kn Children Two-Way Ticket: 50 Kn

Open & Close Timing : Daily 09:00hrs-00:00hrs

Time Required : 1.5

Expected Wait Time : 15 minutes

Buy Ticket : Yes

7.1.5. Dubrovnik Cathedral

A Roman Catholic cathedral in the city, Dubrovnik Cathedral also known as the Assumption Cathedral is the seat of the Diocese of the city and as well as a major landmark. 4 Corinthian columns encircle the main portal of the facade, a large Baroque window with a triangular gable covers the central part and features a grand Baroque dome at the intersection of the nave and the transepts. The cathedral also has several important paintings and a large treasury.

Address : Ul. kneza Damjana Jude 1, 20000, Dubrovnik, Croatia

Zipcode : 20000

Location : 42.6398946, 18.110412300000007

Contact : +385 20 323 459

Open & Close Timing : Monday to Saturday: 08:00hrs–20:00hrs Sunday: 11:00hrs-17:30hrs

Time Required : 1

Buy Ticket : No

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7.2. Free

7.2.1. Gundulić's Square

A former hub for all the locals who went for grocery shopping, Gundulić's Square is now a famous tourist attraction and a place to buy authentic Dubrovnik products. You can choose from a range of products like handcrafted souvenirs, sweet-bitter arancini, lavender bags for closets, dried figs and almonds, or anything else that comes to your mind. A picture-worthy moment in this place is the flight of pigeons during noon when they are being fed; keep your cameras ready as this happens only once a day.

Address : Gundulićeva poljana, 20000, Dubrovnik, Croatia

Zipcode : 20000

Location : 42.6401338, 18.110046399999987

Time Required : 0

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.2. Old Town

This historical city is one of the world's best-preserved trading ports with its beguiling architecture and scenic beauty, specifically that of the jagged limestone mountains. This quaint area is enclosed by a strong stone wall and has several churches, monasteries and palaces, and is also a part of the UNESCO World Heritage Site list.

Address : County of Dubrovnik-Neretva, Adriatic Coast, 20000

Zipcode : 20000

Location : 42.6416987, 18.107237599999962

Nearest Public Transport : Autobusna Stanica Bus Station

Open & Close Timing : Open 24 hours

Time Required : 1.5

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.3. Cavtat cemetery

Decorated by the sculptor, Ivan Mestrovic, Cavtat Cemetery is a well-preserved mausoleum in the small town of Cavtat that belongs to the members of the Racic family. Situated on a hilltop, the graveyard overlooks the Adriatic Sea and

provides stunning views.

Address : Old Town, Cavtat, Croatia, 20000

Zipcode : 20000

Location : 42.58488690000001, 18.213589299999967

Open & Close Timing : Open 24 hours

Time Required : 0.5

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.4. Lokrum Island

Located 600 meters off the coast of the Adriatic Sea, Lokrum is a beautiful island and can be reached by a ferry service that plies regularly from the shore of Dubrovnik for a round trip in 60 HRK. Lokrum Island has a botanical garden, a monastery, and a tiny, yet beautiful salt-filled Dead Sea Lake which is very popular among swimmers. Visit this natural wonder that serves as an ideal spot for quick getaway from the crowded city.

Address : Lokrum, Dubrovnik, Croatia, 20000

Zipcode : 20000

Location : 42.6310979, 18.117667799999936

Nearest Public Transport : By Boat from Old City Harbor

Open & Close Timing : Open 24 hours

Time Required : 4

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.5. Lapad Beach

Lapad is a beautiful peninsula featuring some of the most scenic beaches in its vicinity. The bay has a long boulevard with many coffee bars to keep you refreshed. Sunbathe and enjoy the cool breeze combined with serene views and sound of the waves. There are many adventurous opportunities provided at this sandy shore to give you an adrenaline rush.

Address : Croatia, Šetalište kralja Zvonimira 37, 20000, Dubrovnik, Croatia

Zipcode : 20000

Location : 42.6551039, 18.070179899999997

Website : <http://www.dubrovnik-guide.net/lapad.htm>

Nearest Public Transport : Autobusni kolodvor Bus Station (Not recommended)

Open & Close Timing : Open 24 hours

Time Required : 2

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.6. Franciscan Monastery

Built in the Romanesque style in 1360, Franciscan Monastery is a huge building complex comprising of significant historical structures belonging to the order of Friars Minor. A monastery, a church, a library containing over 200,000 books, and a pharmacy being the third oldest in the world, stand in its premises and is located in Placa, a major street in Dubrovnik.

Address : Placa 2, Dubrovnik, Croatia, 20000

Zipcode : 20000

Location : 42.64172689999999, 18.107470700000002

Contact : +385 20 321 410

Nearest Public Transport : Autobusni kolodvor Bus Station (Not recommended)

Open & Close Timing : Monday to Saturday: 09:00hrs-15:00hrs; 17:00hrs-19:00hrs

Time Required : 1

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.7. Lopud Island

Famed for having the best beach in the Dubrovnik region, Lopud Island is a must-visit place on your trip to this city. Sunj Beach is composed of white sand and has a verdant area encompassing it. The port of Lopud is lined up with numerous cafés and restaurants along its shore that satisfy your taste buds. The island, which is just a ferry ride away from Dubrovnik (High season: 23 HRK; Low season: 19 HRK), comprises of 2 monasteries, several churches, and a palace worth visiting.

Address : Lopud, Elafiti Islands, Dubrovnik, Croatia, 20222

Zipcode : 20222

Location : 42.6855183, 17.9502207000000045

Nearest Public Transport : Ferries leave multiple times from Dubrovnik to the island. However, there are more ferries in summer than in winter. The last ferry is at around 21:00hrs.

Open & Close Timing : Open 24 hours

Time Required : 2

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.8. Dominican Monastery

An architectural marvel, Dominican Monastery was built in 14th century in Gothic-Renaissance style and stands as a famous treasury of cultural and art heritage. The religious complex resembles a fortress due to its design and construction and it also has a remarkable art collection having priceless pieces of art some of the renowned artists. With the interiors richly decorated, the main highlight is the large golden Crucifix fixed in the central arch above the main altar.

Address : Ul. Svetog Dominika 4, 20000, Dubrovnik, Croatia

Zipcode : 20000

Location : 42.641735, 18.111146999999996

Contact : +385 20 322 200

Nearest Public Transport : Autobusni kolodvor Bus Station (Not recommended)

Open & Close Timing : Daily 09:00hrs-17:00hrs

Time Required : 1

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.9. Vlaho Bukovac House

Vlaho Bukovac House is a famous art gallery associated with the famous artist and stationed in the house where he was born. The gallery contains the painter's clothes, brushes, palettes with paints, manuscripts and has been left just the way he kept them while he was alive. The permanent collection of the gallery comprises of Bukovac's works that consist of all the art representing the stages of the artist's life.

Address : Bukovceva 5, Cavtat,, Croatia, 20210

Zipcode : 20210

Location : 42.5831802, 18.2168913000000043

Contact : +385 20 478 646

Website : <http://www.kuca-bukovac.hr/>

Open & Close Timing : 1st November to 30th April: Tuesday to Saturday: 09:00hrs-13:00hrs; 14:00hrs – 17:00hrs Sundays: 14:00hrs-17:00hrs 1st May to 31st

October: Daily 09:00hrs–13:00hrs; 16:00hrs–20:00hrs

Time Required : 1.5

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.10. Franciscan Monastery and Our Lady of the Snows Church

A Renaissance masterpiece from the 15th century, Franciscan Monastery and Our Lady of the Snows Church houses the polyptych of St. Michael by the famous artist, Vicko Lovrin Dobricevic in 1510 under the influence of Byzantine iconography. The painting of Our Lady of Cavtat covers the apse that is shaped in a semi-circular manner which is worth a observing.

Address : 20210, Cavtat, Croatia

Zipcode : 20210

Location : 42.5836882, 18.214653099999964

Contact : +385 20 478 372

Website : <http://www.ofm-sv-jeronim.hr/tko-smo-mi/samostani/cavtat/>

Open & Close Timing : Daily 09:00hrs-18:00hrs

Time Required : 1

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.11. Rector's Palace

A distinguished monument depicting Renaissance art and architecture, Rector's Palace is a Gothic palace with certain Baroque additions. The present structure is a mixture of styles blended, additions made and reconstruction carried out by a number of architects throughout its coarse history. The building houses a famous scientific library of Baltazar Bogisic that has more than 30,000 books and collection of almost 1,000 letters by prominent people.

Address : Ul. Pred Dvorom 3, 20000, Dubrovnik, Croatia

Zipcode : 20000

Location : 42.64033800000001, 18.110642699999997

Contact : +385 20 321 422

Open & Close Timing : Daily 09:00hrs-18:00hrs

Time Required : 2

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.12. St. Saviour Church

St. Saviour Church is a tiny church located in the Old Town area of Dubrovnik. Built by the architect Petar Andrijić in 1528, this beautiful church is dedicated to Jesus Christ. It has lateral Gothic windows with pointed arches and one nave with a Gothic-cross-ribbed vault. The main facade has Renaissance elements on the portal and 3-leaf semicircular top as well as apse.

Address : Poljana Paska Miličevića, 20000, Dubrovnik, Croatia

Zipcode : 20000

Location : 42.6416755, 18.107371100000023

Contact : +385 20 323 887

Website

http://www.tzdubrovnik.hr/get/sakralni_objekti/4918/crkva_svspasa.html

Open & Close Timing : Daily 09:00hrs–17:00hrs

Time Required : 0.5

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.13. DM DOC centar

Wish to visit a mall while exploring Dubrovnik? Look no ahead then DM DOC centar. Be it any popular brand or food joint, everything is located inside this mall. Browse through the shops and then take a break at any of the cafés, pizzerias and the lounge areas in the mall.

Address : Ul. kralja Tomislava 7A, 20000, Dubrovnik, Croatia

Zipcode : 20000

Location : 42.6553897999999, 18.0765367999999

Time Required : 0

Buy Ticket : No

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8. Key sites sports & adventure

Being a sea side town, water sports is the obvious choice of adventure for most tourists. And, there is a wide range to choose from. Some of the popular water sports include sailing, kayaking, fishing, white water rafting, scuba diving, parasailing, jet skiing, canoeing, etc. Other adventures like horse riding, biking, and ATV safaris are also available.

- **Snorkelling -**

Address : Blue Planet, Masarykov put 20, 20000, Dubrovnik, Croatia

Location : 42.6512067,18.0611212

Contact No : +385 91 899 0973

Website : <http://www.blueplanet-diving.com/>

Nearest Public Transport : Autobusna stanica Bus Station (Not recommended)

Entry Fees : 490 Kn to 2244 Kn

Open / Close Time : Daily 09:00hrs-20:00hrs

Time Required : 6

- **Adriatic Kayak Tours -**

Address : Adriatic Kayak Tours, Ul. Zrinsko Frankopanska 6, 20000, Dubrovnik, Croatia

Location : 42.64337599999999,18.105884

Contact No : +385 20 312 770

Website : <http://www.adriatickayaktours.com/>

Entry Fees : varies according to the adventure tour (280 Kn to 500 Kn)

Open / Close Time : Daily 08:00hrs-21:00hrs

Time Required : 3

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9. Adventure sports, Local sports, stadiums

Dubrovnik is a place where you would find a number of adrenaline junkies. People who want to have active and pumped holiday, they ought to enjoy at Dubrovnik. Along with these, football is a favourite sport in the city with its own football club NK GOSK Dubrovnik.

- **Gradski stadion Lapad:**

Address : 20000, Dubrovnik, Croatia

Location : 42.6547139,18.078683899999987

Contact No : +385 20 333 288

Website : <http://sportskiobjektidu.hr/dogadanja.html>



10. Spas and relaxation

As Dubrovnik is a very active and adventurous place to visit, the city offers some of the boastful spa and relaxing therapies such as the Steam Sauna, Bio Sauna, Finnish sauna, Turkish bath and much more.

- **Villa Spa:**

Address : Vlaha Bukovca 6-Dubrovnik, Croatia, 20000

Location : 42.638078,18.126969000000003

Contact No : +385 20 500 300

Website : <http://www.villa-dubrovnik.hr/villa-spa>

- **Dubrovnik Sun Gardens:**

Address : Ul. na moru 1, 20236, Croatia

Location : 42.69499,18.015217000000007

Contact No : +385020361970

Website : <https://www.radissonblu.com/en/resort-dubrovnik/spa>

- **Hilton Imperial Dubrovnik:**

Address : Ul. Marijana Blažića 2, 20000, Dubrovnik, Croatia

Location : 42.642794,18.104847999999947

Contact No : +385 20 320 320

Website : <http://www3.hilton.com/en/hotels/croatia/hilton-imperial-dubrovnik-DBVHIHI/spa/index.html>

11. Events calendar

Month

Events

Night of the museum @ the museums (29th)

This is a day where the museums and other similar institutions are open from 6 am to 1pm to locals and other residents for free

Festival of St Blaise @ Dubrovnik (3rd)

This day is also known as City of Dubrovnik Day where the residents celebrate in remembrance of Saint Blaise since his martyrdom.

The Mediterranean Fair @ Dubrovnik (17th to 20th)

During this period, there are usually talks about medicinal herbs, healthy foods and green entrepreneurship by various great speakers.

Aklapela Festival @ various locations (8th to 10th)

This is a period where the town celebrates the old a capella singing and the concerts are usually free.

Lindjo show @ Dubrovnik (the whole month)

This is famous traditional folk dancer has concerts scheduled for the whole month at various places in the city.

Ana in The City Festival @ Mount Srd (mid June)

This festival is of one famous Croatian cellist Ana Rucner who performs at various concerts during the summer period.

Dubrovnik Summer Festival 2017 @ Dubrovnik (10th to end month)

This is festival will be the 68th edition in the city. The festival has opera, music, dance and theater events at various open-air venues around the city.

The Maraton Ladja @ Neretva River (mid August)

This is an annual boat race that takes place at the Neretva River where people compete using the traditional type of boats (Ladja) Dubrovnik in Late Summer @ Dubrovnik (1st to 22nd)

This is an annual musical event that takes place in various places

**of the town with top musicians
gracing the concerts.**

**Dubrovnik Film Festival @
Dubrovnik (mid October)**

**This is an annual festival that
mostly targets the youth and
children of the Mediterranean
countries and is always filled
with many fun activities.**

**Veteran Car Rally @ Stradun (late
November)**

**This is an annual rally that sees a
collection of classic tours tour
the town.**

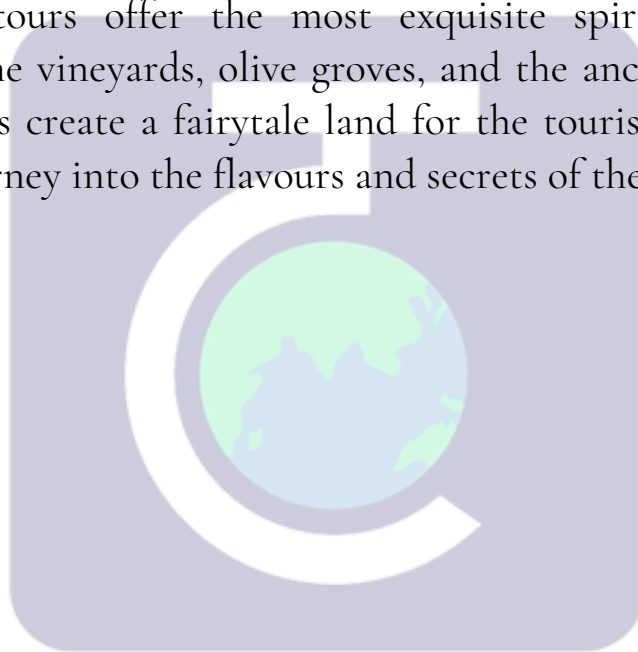
Christmas @ Dubrovnik (25th)

**This is a Christian holiday held
to celebrate the birth of Jesus
Christ where there a lot of gastro
events, music and carols and
events involving Santa.**

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12. Key local guides and tours

Dubrovnik offers endless opportunities to explore and enjoy the beautiful land and its attractions. Tours are arranged according to the tastes of the visitors. Walking tours are probably the most enjoyable way to see and understand local life and culture along with sightseeing. Touring through the narrow lanes and quarters of the city and the Old Town area can transport the visitors to a bygone era. Wine tasting tours offer the most exquisite spirits of the Croatian countryside where the vineyards, olive groves, and the ancient villages together with the heady wines create a fairytale land for the tourists. A food tour is an exciting culinary journey into the flavours and secrets of the local cuisine.



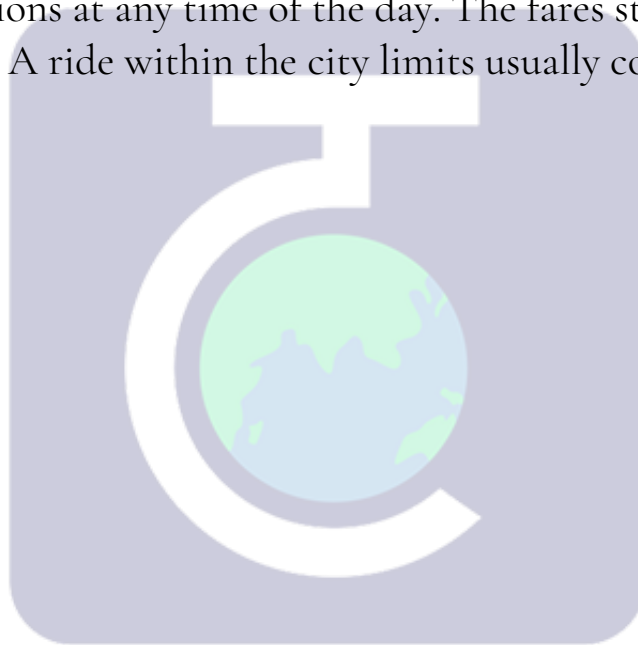
Index**13. Transportation hubs**

Dubrovnik Airport serves the city of Dubrovnik. The airport is about 15.5 km away from the city centre. Buses from the airport take 45 minutes to reach the Old Town area and the journey costs about 35 Kn. The fare for a taxi ride from the airport is around 320 Kn. The major bus station in the city is located at Kantafig. Port Gruz is the main port of the city where cruise ships and ferries dock. There is no train service in Dubrovnik. The nearest railway station is at Split which is a 4 hour bus ride away from the city.



Index**14. Transportation cost**

Dubrovnik is a completely pedestrianised city that can be easily covered by walking. The Old Town area is accessible by local buses. A single journey ticket costs about 12 Kn if bought from kiosks and around 15 Kn if bought on board. Out of town routes have slightly higher rates. The ticket is valid for 1 hour. Day passes are available at select kiosks for approximately 30 Kn. Taxi services can be found at the taxi stations at any time of the day. The fares start at 27 Kn and each kilometre costs 9 Kn. A ride within the city limits usually costs about 100 Kn.



Index**15. Baggage allowance**

Buses allow luggage that you can carry and will depend if there is available space for it. Some buses will also charge you an extra fee. If you have a lot of luggage, you might consider using a taxi that will charge reasonably depending on the distance covered. You can rent a car or alternatively seek delivery services from one of the delivery companies.



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16. Must try food and local savouries

Some of the best and the must try food dishes here are the sea foods, Pasticada and Mediterranean cuisine.



17. Restaurant & Nightlife

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- **Poklisar Restaurant:**

Address : Ribarnica ul. 1, 20000, Dubrovnik, Croatia

Location : 42.6411266,18.111023499999988

Contact No : +385 20 322 176

Website : <http://www.poklisar.com/>

Open / Close Time : Daily 10:00hrs-23:00hrs

- **Restaurant Kopun:**

Address : Poljana Ruđera Boškovića 7, 20000, Dubrovnik, Croatia

Location : 42.639481999999999,18.109669800000006

Contact No : +385 20 323 969

Website : <http://www.restaurantkopun.com/>

Open / Close Time : Daily 11:00hrs-23:00hrs

- **Taverna Otto Restaurant:**

Address : Ul. Nikole Tesle 8, 20000, Dubrovnik, Croatia

Location : 42.653152,18.085788999999977

Contact No : +385 20 358 633

Website : <http://www.tavernaotto.com/hr/>

Open / Close Time : Daily 12:00hrs-16:00hrs, 19:00hrs-23:00hrs

- **Nishta Restaurant:**

Address : Prijeko bb, 20000, Dubrovnik, Croatia

Location : 42.6418395,18.108625699999948

Contact No : +385 20 322 088

Website : <http://www.nishtarestaurant.com/>

Open / Close Time : Monday to Saturday 11:30hrs-23:00hrs, closed on Sundays

- **Pizzeria La Luna:**

Address : Ul. Andrije Hebranga 60, 20000, Dubrovnik, Croatia

Location : 42.6540864,18.091867699999966

Contact No : +385 20 419 736

Website : <http://pizzeria-la-luna-dubrovnik.com/>

Open / Close Time : Daily 07:30hrs-00:00hrs

- **Barba Restaurant:**

Address : Boškovićeva ul. 5, 20000, Croatia

Location : 42.641455,18.109942999999993

Contact No : +385 91 205 3488

Website : <https://www.facebook.com/dubrovnik.barba>

Open / Close Time : Monday to Saturday 10:00hrs-02:00hrs, Sunday 10:00hrs-00:00hrs

- **Buza Bar:**

Address : Crijevićeva ul. 9, 20000, Dubrovnik, Croatia

Location : 42.639022,18.1087310000000034

Contact No : +385 98 361 934

Open / Close Time : Open 24hrs.

- **D'vino Wine Bar Dubrovnik:**

Address : Palmotićeve ul. 4A, 20000, Dubrovnik, Croatia

Location : 42.6417186,18.108616999999998

Contact No : +385 20 321 130

Website : <http://www.dvino.net/>

Open / Close Time : Daily 10:00hrs-02:00hrs

- **Buzz bar:**

Address : Prijeko ul. 21, 20000, Dubrovnik, Croatia

Location : 42.6417293,18.109389500000002

Contact No : +385 20 321 025

Website : <http://thebuzzbar.wixsite.com/buzz>

Open / Close Time : Daily 08:00hrs-02:00hrs

- **Golden Sun Casino:**

Address : Liechtensteinov put 3, 20000, Dubrovnik, Croatia

Location : 42.6452825,18.0894329999999985

Contact No : +385 20 638 588

Website : <http://www.goldensuncasino.hr/>

Open / Close Time : Daily 16:00hrs-04:00hrs



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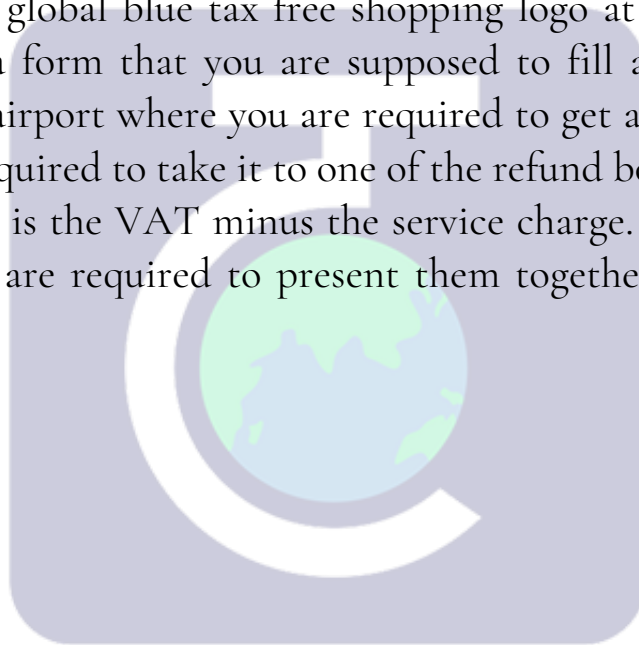
In an inexperienced restaurant a normal meal costs 72.51 Kn. A three-course meal at a mid-range restaurant for two people costs 275.05 Kn. You can have a fresh cappuccino at 13.00 Kn. A combo meal at McDonald's can be purchased at 40.00 Kn. 11.2 oz small bottle of water can be purchased at 11.00 Kn.



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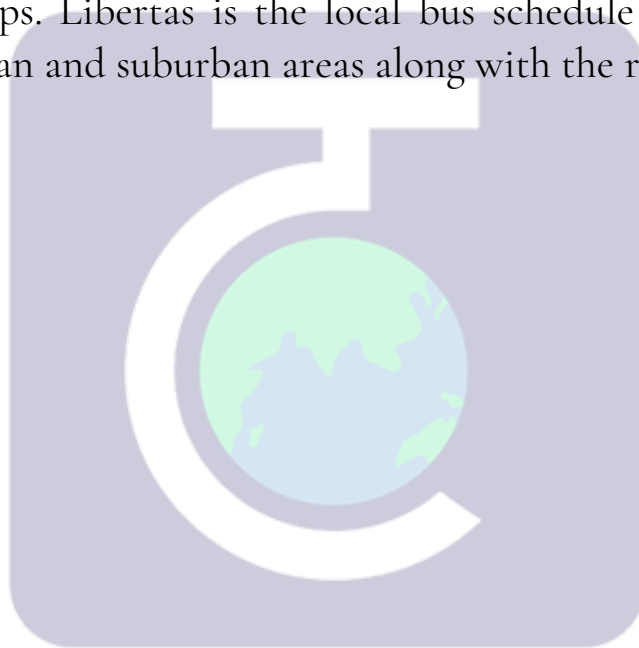
19. Tourist benefits

Tourists and visitors who are not nationals of European Union (EU) countries can enjoy duty free prices at the Dubrovnik Airport. There is a small duty free shop that sells newspapers, travel accessories, souvenirs, spirits and tobacco. Dubrovnik's VAT rate is 13% and tourists outside EU region can apply for tax refund. To claim for tax refund, you must have shopped from tax free stores which always have a global blue tax free shopping logo at their entrances. You should also ask for a form that you are supposed to fill and present it to the customs desk at the airport where you are required to get a stamp. After getting the stamp, you are required to take it to one of the refund booths where they give you your money that is the VAT minus the service charge. You should not park the items far as you are required to present them together with the receipt of payment.



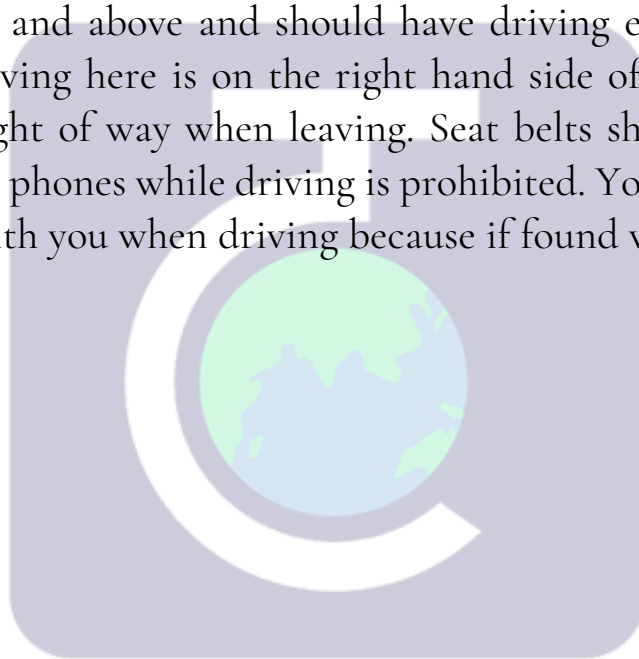
20. Essential local apps

There are many travel apps that save time and energy wasted in finding the best places to eat or the nearest public transport system. Restaurant Dubrovnik is a restaurant search app to find out the best hotels and restaurants near you. The app features a list of the restaurants with address and facilities. Taxi Client Dubrovnik is a taxi booking app for the city. The app also helps in finding routes with the help of maps. Libertas is the local bus schedule app to see the local transport for the urban and suburban areas along with the routes and bus stops.



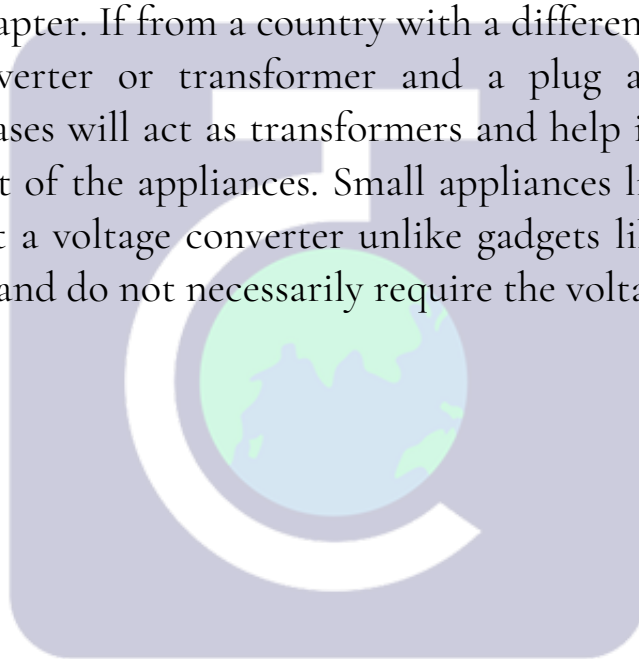
21. Driving

A valid home driving license is the only requirement needed for you to drive in this city. Rarely will the police ask for the International Driving Permit (IDP) though there is no harm in getting one. It is important to note that you can only get it from the state that issued you your driving license. You however should have insurance and registration documents of the car. To rent a car here, you must be 21 years old and above and should have driving experience of not less than three years. Driving here is on the right hand side of the road and school buses always have right of way when leaving. Seat belts should always be worn and the use of mobile phones while driving is prohibited. You should always carry the driving license with you when driving because if found without it, you can be charged and fined.



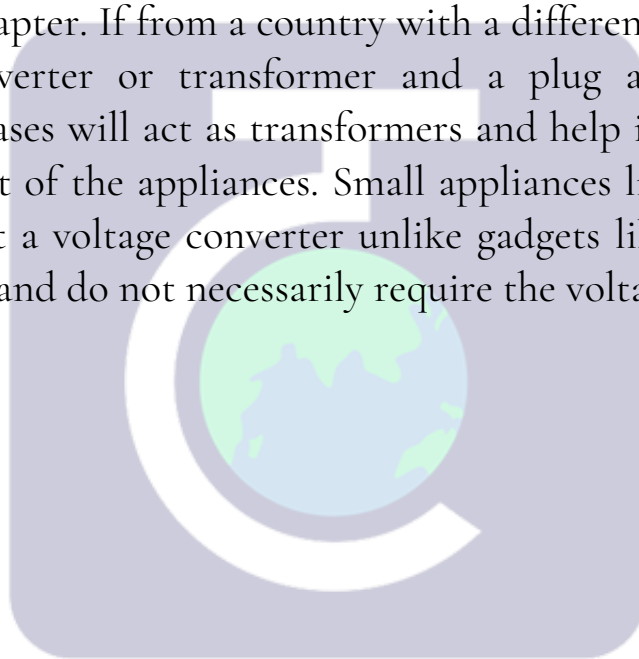
22. Travel essentials

Dubrovnik has a standard voltage of 230 volts with a frequency of 50 hertz. The type of sockets found here are the type C that is the two round pins and type F which are almost the same with type C only that they have earth clips. Type C sockets work well with type E and F plug adapters and type F sockets work well with type C and E plug adapters. If from a country with this type of voltage, you only need a travel adapter. If from a country with a different type of voltage, you need a voltage converter or transformer and a plug adapter. The voltage converters in most cases will act as transformers and help in stepping down the voltage to match that of the appliances. Small appliances like hair dryers might not function without a voltage converter unlike gadgets like the laptops which have in built voltage and do not necessarily require the voltage converters.



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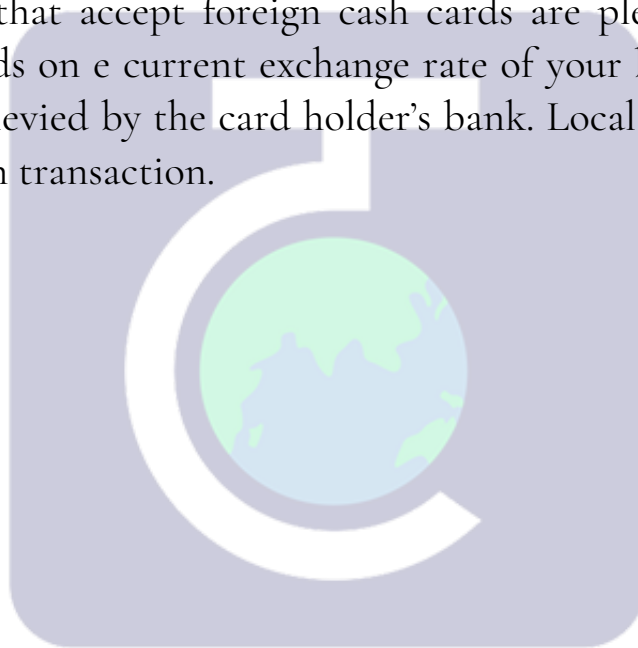
Index**24. Local currency**

Croatian kuna is the local currency of Dubrovnik. It is denoted as Kn. 1 USD = 6.89 Croatian kuna



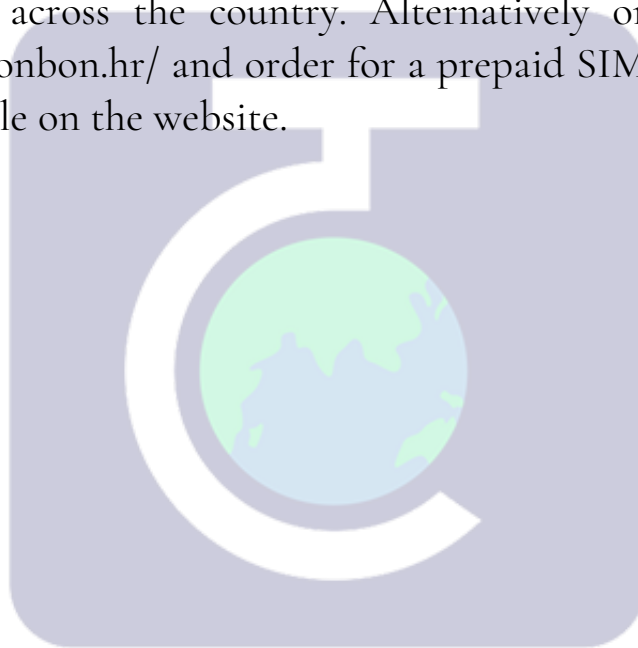
25. Change vendor's commission, ATM charges

Apart from the exchange counters at the airport, there are many currency exchange offices in Dubrovnik located mostly in the Old Town and port areas. Banks and post offices also provide exchange service. Almost all hotels have exchange desk. The commission for the transaction can vary for the different exchange offices. Normally a 3-4% of the total value of transaction is charged as commission. ATMs that accept foreign cash cards are plenty in the city. The exchange rate depends on the current exchange rate of your bank. There will be a small service charge levied by the card holder's bank. Local banks also charge an operating fee for each transaction.



26. Staying connected

Upon arrival in Croatia, one of the first things which travelers must do is get hold of a local SIM card. Ideally a prepaid SIM card is the best option – regardless of the duration of your stay. Bonbon is the most popular and most serviceable telecom service provider in the country. Travelers can easily buy a Bonbon SIM card at the airport itself, or Bonbon outlets are widespread in supermarkets, gas stations and kiosks across the country. Alternatively one could also go to <http://www.tourist.bonbon.hr/> and order for a prepaid SIM card online. Top-up facility is also available on the website.



27. Time Zone

Dubrovnik follows Central European Time Zone with UTC + 01:00 hours.



28. Languages

Croatian is the main language spoken here. Slavic and English are the following languages.



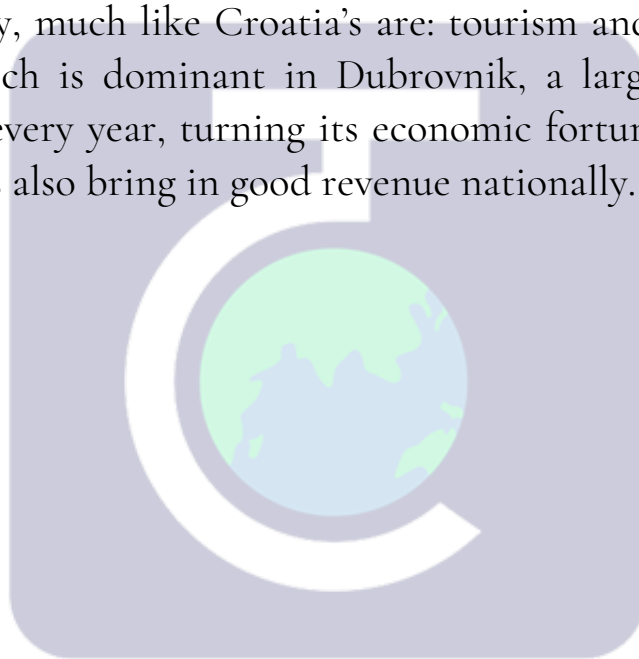
Index**29. Political Scenario**

The political system practiced in Croatia is a parliamentary, representative democratic republic. The Prime Minister is the Head of the government. The country has a legislature, executive and a judiciary. The legislature of Croatia is centered on the Parliament where all the key political action takes place. All government-related decisions are taken by the legislature.



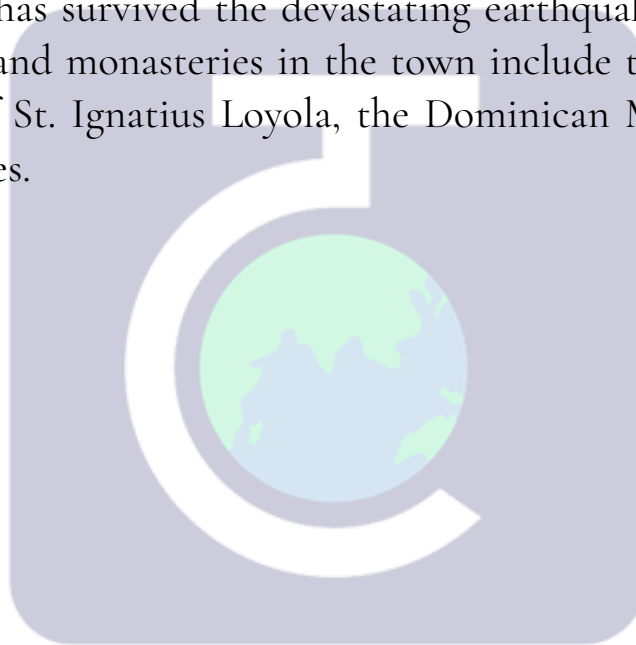
30. Economic Scenario

The economy of Dubrovnik is serviced-based, much like the rest of Croatia. Although the country's economy is largely interdependent on the economies of the nations in the European Union, the Croatian economy has myriad sectors contributing in a big towards the national economy. After the downfall in 2009, the Croatian economy has uplifted itself quite well. At present the mainstays for Dubrovnik's economy, much like Croatia's are: tourism and agriculture. Thanks to the naturism which is dominant in Dubrovnik, a large tourist population comes into the city every year, turning its economic fortunes very significantly. Organic food exports also bring in good revenue nationally.



Index**31. Religious belief**

Christians form the largest majority of population in Dubrovnik. Among the Christians, the most number of people follow Roman Catholicism. A large number of Christian churches and monasteries of various denominations of Christianity can be found across the city. The Franciscan Monastery at the west end of the town is a marvel in architecture. The Church of the Saviour is the only ancient church that has survived the devastating earthquake of 1667. The other important churches and monasteries in the town include the St. Blaise Church, the Jesuit Church of St. Ignatius Loyola, the Dominican Monastery, and many other smaller churches.



32. Visa requirements

Visitors and tourists from EU countries, Canada, New Zealand, the U.S and Australia travelling to Dubrovnik, Croatia, do not need a visa but a passport with a validity of three months. It is however important to note that you can only stay for 90 days with the passport, after which you should apply for a residence permit. Staying beyond this period of time without the residence permit can lead to deportation. People with Schengen visa are also allowed in to the country. Citizens from all other countries need to get a visa before travelling and you can consult with Croatia embassy in your country. Nationals from Europe Union states are allowed to use their national identity cards at any entry level. Passports are not required of them but it is advisable to carry the passports with you for identity purposes. You can have more information at <http://www.visit-croatia.co.uk/index.php/information-on-croatia/visa-requirements-for-croatia/>. It is advisable to keep 2 pages free in your passport for arrival and departure stamps. In certain cases, it has been observed that applying and receiving a visa can be a process of 20-30 days. Hence, it is essential that you check the timeline with the relevant authority in the country where you intend to make the visa application.

33. Essential vaccination

If you are traveling to Dubrovnik, then you are recommended to be vaccinated for Japanese Encephalitis, Hepatitis A, Rabies, Tetanus, Meningitis, Cholera, Typhoid, Hepatitis B, Malaria, Measles, Mumps, Rubella, Diphtheria and routine vaccines.



Index**34. Theft and Safety**

Dubrovnik is a very safe place for foreign tourists. However, usual precautions against pick pocketing and stealing must be taken by the visitors. Be careful while travelling in crowded public transport or on busy streets or popular tourist destinations. Do not keep money in the back pockets, and wear your bag across your body to prevent snatch-and-run incidents. Apply extreme caution while walking as the streets can be slippery in many parts of the city.



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35. Embassy/Consulate

Dubrovnik is not a big city and therefore has only three foreign consulates. These consulates include United Kingdom Honorary Consulate located at Vukovarska 22/1 Mercante centa, Italy Honorary Consulate located at Hotel Libertas, Rixos and Netherlands Honorary Consulate located at Atlanska Plovidba d.d, Dr. Ante Starčevića 24 / 2nd floor. For more information, check out this website <http://embassy.goabroad.com/embassies-in/croatia>.



36. Accessibility

The authorities in Dubrovnik offers free transporters for people with limited mobility. These special wheelchairs can overcome stairs within the city limits. Some of the buildings and tourist spots also offer wheelchair friendly facilities.



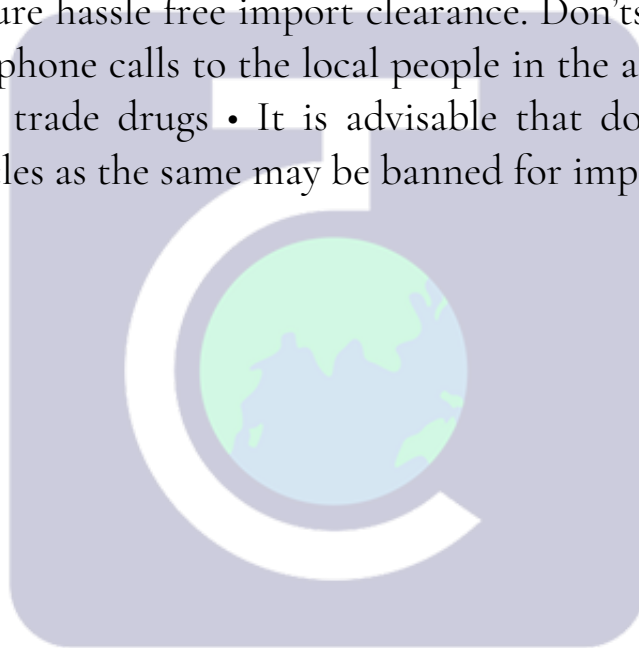
37. Emergencies

In case of emergencies you can call 192 for police, for ambulance you can dial 195 and for fire 193. You are provided with a top notch services. There are hospitals that help you with the travel insurance such as Opca Bolnica Dubovnik Hospital.



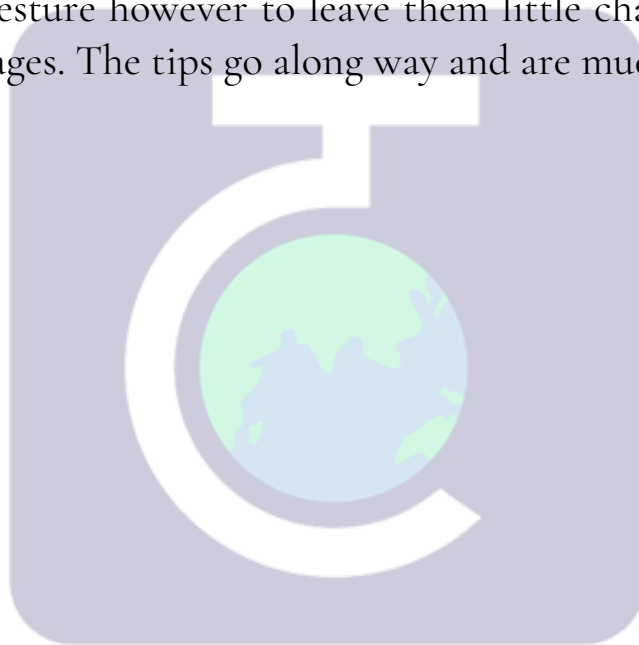
Index**38. Do's and Don'ts**

It is easier to move around and communicate with the local people if you know the regional rules and regulations as well as the customs and traditions prevailing in that area. Do's - • Dress modestly when away from the beaches • Bring gifts for your host • Keep the headlights on for your vehicles during winter daylight savings time • It is advisable to carry a certified doctor's prescription along with the medicines to ensure hassle free import clearance. Don'ts - • Do not make too much noise or make phone calls to the local people in the afternoon between 2-5 pm • Do not use or trade drugs • It is advisable that do not carry unsealed/unbranded food articles as the same may be banned for import.



39.Tipping basics

Tipping is not mandatory but it is always expected in Dubrovnik. At the restaurants and hotels, you can just round up the bill or leave some change if you are satisfied with the service. Most people tip 10% of the total bill. It is however not a must to tip the 10%, you can tip whichever amount you feel like. The same applies to service providers such as taxi drivers, hair dressers, porter boys and others. It is a good gesture however to leave them little change as most of them earn very minimal wages. The tips go along way and are much appreciated.



40. Pet info

In order to bring your pet animal to Dubrovnik, it has to be first micro chipped at the country of origin. This should be followed by a vaccination against rabies more than 21 days before entry into Croatia. If the animal is coming from a high-rabies country, a blood titer test must be performed 30 days after the vaccination. This test is to be done at a licensed lab to verify the level of rabies antibodies. All the pets arriving from a European Union member country must have an updated pet passport completed by an authorised veterinarian. For the pets coming from non-European Union country, a valid health certificate is necessary.



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Conclusion – Why to select this destination

Whether it is the vivid emerald waters of the Mediterranean or the walls and structures of the city that lend it an old world charm, Dubrovnik has every kind of attraction for the holidaying tourists from all over the world. The city is blessed with loads of sunshine almost all parts of the year, and the beaches offer the best of sunbathing and water sports for the ocean lovers. The remote cave and coves are hidden treasures to be explored by the adventure minded. The beautiful harbors themselves are a vision to behold. The old churches and the buildings in the city are not just architectural marvels; these offer a slice of the glorious past the city had witnessed in the olden days, long before tourism had opened the charms of this pretty city to the rest of the world. The sights are as enchanting during the night as they are on day time. The magnificent buildings become all the more alluring when illuminated at night. The experience becomes complete if accompanied by a classical concert or a live jazz performance at a bar. The ‘Game of Thrones’ locations are a popular attraction for the TV show fans. There are many Thrones tours that take you through each of the locations in the show.

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