



EXETER  
INTERNATIONAL

A PRIVATE, HISTORICAL  
AND CULTURAL SHORE  
TOUR OF HVAR





*THIS IS JUST A SUGGESTED DAILY TOURING SCHEDULE. SIGHTSEEING MAY BE CHANGED TO REFLECT YOUR EXACT ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE DATES, AS WELL AS YOUR SPECIFIC INTERESTS.*

# WHY EXETER INTERNATIONAL?

## **Our Knowledge & Experience**

At Exeter International we have been creating memories and crafting custom-designed journeys for 27 years. We are a team of specialists committed to providing the best travel experiences in our destinations. Each of our experts has either travelled extensively on reconnaissance trips, or has lived in their area of expertise, giving us unparalleled first-hand knowledge. Because we focus on specific parts of the globe, we return to the same destinations many times, honing our experience over the years.

## **Hand-Selected Guides**

We know that guides are one of the most important components of any travel experience. That is why we only use local experts who have a history of working with our guests and whom we know personally. We are extremely particular in selecting our guides and are confident that they will be one of the most memorable aspects of any of our trips.

## **Authentic & Extraordinary Experiences**

Our Extraordinary Experiences are different, unusual, and not something easily googled. We also know how important it is to remain authentic. Going beyond the obvious is becoming increasingly important to our guests, and we focus on developing experiences that enrich and enhance both head and heart. We also recognize that the obvious sights are still popular, and we make every effort to skip lines whenever possible, therefore maximizing time in each destination.

## **Original Custom Programs, Meticulously Planned**

Our experts speak your language both literally and culturally. Our advice and recommendations are impartial, honest, and always have the individual in mind. We save valuable time in pre-trip research and offer smooth and effortless touring in each destination. Our planning is detailed, and we think of everything, including restaurant reservations. You will also have complete peace of mind on the ground with 24-hour local support.

## **Quality Vehicles**

We use late-model luxury vehicles, often Mercedes, Audi, BMW, or Volkswagen, depending on the size of the vehicle you need. The only exception to this is in some Central Asian countries that use vehicles predominantly from Japan.

# DAY 1



## HVAR

Meet your guide on the pier today.

*Note: Please note that this is based on docking in Hvar Town. Port transfers to and from Stari Grad can be arranged at an extra cost.*

Through the course of history, Hvar Town has been a melting pot of cultures and influences and is still bursting with history, art, and culture. It is also the home of Europe's oldest municipal theater, which was built in the early 17<sup>th</sup> century over an arsenal in a peacemaking attempt by the then ruler of Hvar.

Today you will enjoy a walking tour of the town of Hvar, dominated by the Renaissance Cathedral with its distinctive bell tower dedicated to St. Stephen. The square is surrounded by buildings dating from the 16<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> centuries when the town was an important Venetian trading and seafaring center. Also in this part of town, you may wish to visit the Benedictine Convent, where the nuns spend their lives praying and weaving elaborate laces from the fibers of the agave plant. The convent's museum shows some delicate and intricate lace designs, some dating to the late 19<sup>th</sup> century.

If you like, you can also explore Hvar's fortress. The steep hike to the very top of the fortification is well worth it for the beautiful views over the bay. You will also stop in the Franciscan monastery and the exquisite Church of *Gospa od Milosti* (Our Lady of Charity).

This afternoon your driver will meet you for a journey just outside the city to the small coastal town of Jelsa and a visit to the family winery of Tomic – one of the most famous wine producers in all of Croatia. You will enjoy a tasting of wine and locally-produced olive oil.

### EXETER SERVICES

Guide (8 Hours); Vehicle & Driver (4 Hours)



## WHAT'S INCLUDED:

### Cost of the Program:

Number of Travelers	Per Person Price
2	\$600
4	\$400
6	\$325

- All prices are per person.
- Prices for larger groups available upon request.
- Spanish or Portuguese-speaking guides are possible at a slightly higher rate.
- Prices are subject to change based on customization for each traveler and on port dates.

### Meals

No meals included. Your final documents will include our top recommendations. *Your guides will recommend restaurants that fit your exact needs daily.*

### Services

Private vehicle, driver and guide at your service as described. A full day is generally eight hours in duration. A half-day is generally three hours in duration. The timing for each day is noted in your program.

Exeter International's local offices are available for your assistance 24 hours per day while you are traveling. Our local staff may also assist you with restaurant reservations and purchasing of additional theater and museum tickets at your request.

### Transportation

In general, drivers have limited English-speaking skills. They are professional drivers, not guides. Timing for each day is noted in your program.

## Guides

Hand chosen for their knowledge on local history, art & architecture. Guides are at your disposal as noted in your itinerary.

## Tickets

All entrance tickets as described in the program.

## Exeter International Travel Information

### SIGHTSEEING

Sightseeing arrangements have been made with your special interests in mind. Your drivers and guides are at your disposal for full or half-day sightseeing programs as indicated in the itinerary. Within those time and mileage guidelines, your driver and guide are at your disposal, so you are free to modify your program as you please. Should you require additional time or mileage, the costs will be quoted on request and may be paid for locally in the local currency or U.S. Dollars.

Every effort has been made to confirm that scheduled sightseeing venues will be open at the time you plan to visit them. However, individual estates, museums, gardens and other points of interest can change their hours of operation at short notice. In the event that a particular attraction is closed on the day or time of your visit, your guide will offer alternative arrangements or rearrange your sightseeing to accommodate these unexpected events.

### OPTIONAL EXPENSES

Charges for extra meals, transport, sightseeing services or other optional additions to your established itinerary are your responsibility and must be paid locally in the local currency.

### GRATUITIES

Gratuities are not included in your tour price and are at your own discretion. We recommend \$50 - \$60 (or equivalent in local currency) per day for your guide for a full day of touring. For a half-day, half of this amount is recommended. For your driver, we recommend \$30 - \$40 (or equivalent in local currency) per day for a full day of services. For a half-day, half of this amount is recommended.

### DINING WITH YOUR GUIDE

On days when dinner and lunch costs have not been included in your itinerary (or in your tour cost), you may, at your discretion, choose to invite your guide to dine with your party. You are under no obligation to do so but, if you do extend such an invitation, the guide is your guest and you will be responsible for the cost of his/her meal.

## Booking Conditions

### PAYMENTS

Exeter International must receive a deposit of 25% of the total program cost before reservations for your independent travel program can be initiated. The balance of payment is due 60 days prior to departure. *No reservations are made on your behalf until this deposit has been received.* Availability and pricing is subject to change until this deposit is received. **All deposits are nonrefundable.**

### CANCELLATION

Written cancellations received less than 60 days prior to departure are subject to the following forfeit of tour cost

- 59-14 days prior to departure, 50% of total tour cost
- 14 or less days prior to departure, 100% of tour cost

## REFUNDS

We regret that refunds cannot be issued for arrangements confirmed on your itinerary but unused once your tour has begun.

## INSURANCE

Exeter International strongly recommends the purchase of travel insurance to protect your investment. You will find insurance costs noted on your invoice and insurance coverage information in your original booking packet.

## PRICES AND ARRANGEMENTS

Once an itinerary is finalized and final payment has been made, a \$100 revision fee will be charged if the itinerary is changed.

The tour price includes planning, handling and operational charges. Rates are quoted in US Dollars on the current rate of exchange and tariff as of 2020. Exeter International reserves the right to increase tour prices to cover increased costs, tariffs and taxes, and to reflect fluctuations in foreign exchange markets. Devaluation of a foreign currency will be weighed against any tariff increases imposed. Exeter International does not breakdown costs involved in any Small Group or Individual Travel Program.

*All arrangements are subject to availability and modification if necessary.  
Prices are subject to change if necessary until paid in full.*

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