

# **Cycling Magical Istria**

Trip Code: SGIS Version: SGIS Cycling Magical Istria





### HIGHLIGHTS

- Delight in delicious Croatian cuisine and sample Istria's world famous truffles
- Discover the history of Porec and admire the mosaics at its UNESCO World Heritage Site, the Euphrasian Basilica
- Cycle through olive groves and vineyards by day then enjoy a glass of excellent local wine in the evening

- Cycle to Oprtalj, the most picturesque hill-top village in Croatia, and admire the views over Istria
- Lose yourself in the narrow, cobbled streets of Rovinj's old town and admire its colourful houses and lavish Baroque architecture

### AT A GLANCE

- Self-Guided
- 6 days cycling and sightseeing
- Luggage transfer
- Bike hire included
- E-bike upgrade available
- Daily departures
- Join at Buje / End in Rovinj

### **ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS**

- 7 Breakfasts
- 7 nights Hotel

### VIEW DATES, PRICES & BOOK YOUR HOLIDAY HERE

# Introduction

Enjoy an explosion of Istrian culture as you cycle the northwestern peninsula of Croatia from Buje to Rovinj, in a region that offers surprises at every turn. Scenic towns rise from the hills, with cobblestone streets overlooking sun-drenched vineyards and rows of spindly olive trees playing host to a day-dreamy Mediterranean life. Sun-soaked coastal towns set alongside shimmering waters offer opulence and charm to rival the French and Italian Rivieras. On this one-week self-guided cycling tour you will ride through the magnificent vineyards of Buje, sample the famed truffles of Motovun first hand, and discover the rich cultural history of Porec with its mix of Roman, Byzantine and Venetian influences. Round off your trip by losing yourself in the charming fishing port of Rovinj, 'the Pearl of the Adriatic', where you can toast to fantastic week of cycling.

Each day you will cycle an average of 50km with around 500m of ascent through picturesque landscapes where the hills are framed by rivers, through vineyards and olive groves, with plenty of time to hop off your bike and the sights enjoy along the way. Staying in a fabulous selection of small 3-star and 4-star hotels, you can be sure of a warm welcome and a comfortable place to rest your head each night. Not to mention, being on a bed and breakfast basis means you can enjoy the many fantastic restaurants the region has to offer each evening. We recommend trying the traditional *Fuzi Tartufima*, a popular Istrian speciality consisting of Fuzi pasta, butter, and shaved white Istrian truffles - yum!

# Is this holiday for you?

If you love the peace of the countryside and the opulence of Venice then you will fall in love with Istria. This trip is the perfect introduction to Istria for anyone who enjoys being out and about on two wheels, with daily rides of around 30 to 50km and a plethora of sightseeing along the way. In addition, you have the option to upgrade to an e-bike which is useful for the sometimes challenging ascents to the hilltop villages. Istria has the perfect blend of Italian and Croatian flair meaning you can look forward to plenty of delicious cuisine and a warm laidback atmosphere as you adopt the idyllic Istrian lifestyle, cycling from one picture perfect hilltop village to another. If you love to be by the sea and enjoy a swim along the way

then you can look forward to the rides along the coast with views across the Adriatic, a perfect setting for a midday swim.

# Itinerary

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#### DAY 1

# Arrive in the region of Buje, settle into your hotel, and receive your bike for exploring Istria on two wheels.

Arrive in the enchanting region of Buje and settle in to your hotel, your home for the next three nights. Depending on the time of your arrival, you might enjoy a stroll to the old town centre of Buje, the region's principal town. Perched atop a small hill this is a perfect place to tune in to your surroundings thanks to the beautiful views over the local countryside. Take a walk around the old town walls, stroll through inviting streets admiring the Venetian architecture, and visit the main square where you will find the 18th-century St Servulus Church and bell tower - one of the town's most iconic sights. You can climb the bell tower and, if it is clear, you will see why this humble town was nicknamed 'The Watchman of Istria' as you take in the far-reaching views across Istria to Pula in the south and to Slovenia, Italy, and Austria in the north. Soak up authentic Istrian life over a coffee in a small cafe or dine at one of the local restaurants. This evening our representative will meet you at your hotel to fit you up with your bike and answer any questions you may have about your route for the week - then you will be ready to set off on your cycling adventures in the morning.



Accommodation Hotel

#### DAY 2

# Discover Croatia's oldest lighthouse, cycle along the coast past grand Venetian houses and through vineyards, with time to visit a wine cellar.

You begin your first ride on a lovely downhill route towards the coast on the northernmost point of the Istrian peninsula, passing Savudrija lighthouse, which according to legend, was built in 1818 by Count Metternich of Austrian as a symbol of his love for a beautiful Croatian noblewoman that he met at a ball in Vienna. This is Croatia's oldest lighthouse, and one of the oldest in the entire Adriatic. Following the stunning coastline south, you cycle your way to Umag where you can enjoy the Mediterranean with a different twist. The town has an interesting past, having been founded by a Roman nobleman who chose to make it his summer residence, and you can still feel touches of opulence and glamour as you cycle past the Venetian houses as you explore the compact old town. Perhaps take a break here to enjoy freshly caught seafood at one of the harbour restaurants before continuing your ride through the vineyards and olive groves that are typical of west Istrian landscape as you make your way back to your accommodation. You might even decide to take a break at a wine cellar along the way to sample the region's excellent Muscat or Malvasia.

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#### DAY 3

# Cycle to sleepy Brtonigla, through olive groves to Novigrad with time to visit an olive oil producer, and ride through charming seaside towns.

Today you will ride into the south of Buje, immersed amongst the many vineyards and olive groves Istria's beautiful interior. Your first goal is the small town of Brtonigla, a sleepy town with 15th-century churches and monasteries that leaps to life for a few days each August for the St Roch Fest - a feast held to celebrate St Roch, the town's patron saint. Leaving Brtonigla behind, you cycle through more vineyards and olive groves until you reach Novigrad where you can visit an olive oil producer and taste some of the best local olive oils. You will then cycle onwards through the charming seaside towns of Dajla and Karigador before arriving at Lovrecica with its Riviera vibe - the perfect place to stop for coffee and enjoy the lovely beaches. It is then time to head inland once more, riding through small villages with traditional Istrian houses along the way. Returning to Buje you can relax after a great ride and in the evening enjoy dinner in one of the welcoming local restaurants. ST. ROCH'S FEST: Each year in mid-August, the villagers of Brtonigla hold a three-day celebration of the town's patron, St Roch. The celebrations include an eccentric Balinjerada contest where locals build non-motorised carts and race them down the hill at lightning speed, hold the annual donkey race, and celebrate late into the night.

#### Meals: **B**



# Discover Groznjan, the town of artists, and the beautiful town of Oprtalj, as you cycle to Motovun.

On today's ride, you will first pedal your way to the hill top town of Groznjan, and as you get closer you will no doubt hear echoes of music from its streets. Known as the 'town of artists', this small Istrian town transforms in May each year when its little streets and squares become a beehive of artistic flare. Summer music academies open and almost every door leads to an art studio or gallery. This is certainly a place to stop for a morning coffee, soak up the atmosphere, and get lost in its creative alleyways. When you are suitably inspired, you can hop back on your bike and continue your ride along quiet Istrian roads to Oprtalj. Unchanged by urban development, this medieval treasure is said to be one of the most picturesque towns in Istria. Visit the huge Venetian Loggia for a marvellous view over the peninsula before you pedal on to Livade, the truffle centre of Istria, where you can enjoy tasting this luxurious

delicacy before reaching your final goal, Motovun, perched above the Mirna River, your home for tonight.

Meals: B

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Hotel	695M	585M	37KM	
DAY 5				

# Immerse yourself in the rich cultural heritage of Visnjan, cycle through vineyards to Tar, and end your ride by the sea in Porec.

Hopping on your bike you will first come to the historical town of Visnjan, steeped in legend. Take time to go beyond the town gate, complete with a watchful Venetian lion, to discover the stories for yourself. Meander through the cobbled streets, observe the Gothic chapel of St Anthony and enjoy the views to the coast including your goal for today - Porec. You continue your ride towards the coast, making your way through vineyards, with multiple wine cellars along the way to stop, learn and sample the lovely Malvasia produced in the region. You soon reach the delightful little village of Tar, situated on a green plateau where olive trees thrive and from where you can be rewarded with views across the Adriatic to the Alps and Venice on a clear day. Continuing, you pass through several small villages before arriving in Porec, frequently named Croatia's top coastal resort by the Croatian National Tourist Office. End you day with dinner in one of the seafront restaurants savouring freshly caught seafood with a glass of wine from the vineyards you have cycled through today.

Meals: B



# Explore Porec's Euphrasian Basilica, sample the local fare, and cycle the picturesque coast from Vrsar to Porec.

We recommend taking time to explore Porec before your ride today - after all, the town has been named Croatia's top coastal resort for good reason. Situated on a peninsula, the town was once enclosed by defensive walls and towers, and today its historic landmarks are both beautiful and fascinating. Visit the UNESCO Euphrasian Basilica, built in the 6th century, and admire its spectacular classical and Byzantine architecture. Then, hopping onto your bike, you head off on a circular ride that begins with an ascent to the high point of today, the village of Bacva with its expansive views over Istria and home to a lovely little restaurant serving traditional fare - the perfect reward for your pedalling! From here your route is largely downhill as you make your way to the coastal town of Vrsar where you are greeted with commanding views along the coastline. With the town's fantastic vantage point it is hardly surprising that it has played an important role in the region's defences throughout the centuries. We recommend taking the time to

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visit the fortress-castle, used as the summer residence of the Porec bishops. Leaving Vrsar you hug the coastline north back to Porec, making your way through the small relaxed seaside resorts of Funtana and Laguna where you might decide to pause on one of the sandy beaches or even take a drink or enjoy dinner in one of the many inviting restaurants before making your way back to Porec.

Meals: B



# Learn about the legends of Kanfanar, visit the Palud bird reserve, explore Rovinj the Pearl of the Adriatic - and toast a fantastic week's cycling in one of its lovely harbour restaurants.

Your final day of cycling in this magical region begins with either a challenging ride (adding an additional 34km and 680m ascent) or a vehicle transfer to the village of Kanfanar, depending on how energetic you are feeling. Nestled above the Lim Channel - a sunken karst valley some 10km long, 600m wide, and with canyon sides up to 150m high in places - Kanfanar assumes a strategic position. The town is steeped in the legend of Captain Morgan's lost - or hidden? - treasure, and is home to the ruins of Dvigrad, the remains of a medieval fortified town giving you an excellent insight into how these fortifications worked in times gone by. From here your route is fairly flat as you pass by rural Istrian villages and kazun (traditional round dry-stone huts used as shelters by peasant farmers for hundreds of years) to reach Bale, a delightful hilltop village. At its heart, you will find the Soardo-Bembo Castle with its splendid Gothic-Renaissance exterior. The village produces award-winning olive oils, so a tasting here is a must! Pedalling on, you make your way past Palud bird reserve to which you might want to take a detour entry is free. Further along your route you might decide to turn off and visit the Bronze Age hill-town of Monkodonja before pedalling on towards your final goal of the week, Rovinj, dubbed the 'Pearl of the Adriatic'. As you approach, you will see Rovinj's recognizable church and bell-tower sat proudly upon the hill beside the sea. The town very much retains an Italian feel with its traditional little batana fishing boats sailing by, plenty of seafood restaurants, and an abundance of Venetian and Baroque architecture. Wander through the narrow winding streets of the old town, enjoy dining at one of the excellent harbour restaurants, and make a toast to a fantastic week of cycling. LONGER ROUTE WITHOUT VEHICLE TRANSFER: 66km / 860m ascent / 855m descent SHORTER ROUTE WITH VEHICLE TRANSFER: 32km / 180m ascent / 455m descent BALE JAZZ FESTIVAL: in August each year musicians from around the world come together to play at a 4-day festival, with live concerts often held in the town's main square.

Meals: B



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#### DAY 8

#### Departure Day.

Relax over breakfast and perhaps do a final bit of exploring in Rovinj before making your onward journey. With so much to enjoy about Rovinj we recommend booking additional nights' accommodation so you can linger a little longer in your Istrian dream - please ask our Sales Team for more information.

Meals: B

# **Holiday Information**

### What's Included

- All accommodation as described
- Meals as described in the Meal Plan
- Self-guided information pack containing your route notes
- Istria guide book
- Luggage transfers
- 27 gear bike hire including helmet
- Bike accessories hire (pannier, saddle bag, milometer, bike lock, pump, repair kit, inner tube)
- Welcome briefing
- Navigation App and GPX tracks available

### What's not Included

- Travel insurance
- Bike helmet
- Travel to Buje
- Travel from Rovinj
- Public buses and taxis
- Visas (if applicable)
- Tourist taxes may apply and are usually 1-2 Euros per person per night
- Some meals as described in the Meal Plan
- Personal equipment
- Any additional activities/excursions indicated as optional

### Your Self-Guided Pack & Route Notes

Each self-guided holiday comes with comprehensive route notes and a map or pocket guidebook of the area you are exploring. The route notes contain information about the places you will visit and the local transport you might need, along with the detailed route notes for your daily walks or cycle rides. We even include some tips for the best places to stop for lunch.

You can expect to receive your Self-Guided Pack containing your route notes, a map or guidebook, and all your relevant documents, no later than 3 weeks before your holiday start-date. We will send your documents using a signed-for courier so that you can track your package and know that it is safely on its way to you. For bookings of more than 4 people we will send an additional Self-Guided Pack. If you do not need this additional pack please inform our Sales Team. Your pack will be sent to the lead booker, so please remind them to pack it before setting off.

Should your self-guided trip be part of a longer adventure requiring you to leave home more than three weeks before your holiday start-date, please inform our Sales Team so that we can make alternative delivery arrangements.

## **Self-Guided Families**

Our Self-Guided Holidays are perfect for your next family holiday and are suitable for children of all ages.

Our partner hotels and accommodations are able to provide cots for young children, and some offer family rooms. We can also arrange hire of children's bikes and tag along bikes for most of our self-guided cycling trips and with trips such as Lake Constance and the Danube offering routes on designated cycle paths you can rest assured in keeping your family safe.

As a parent we trust that you know your own child's capabilities, so please read the itinerary details to ensure the distances covered each day are suitable for your family. If this is a first time walking or cycling holiday for your family, a centre-based trip is a fantastic option as it allows you to easily opt out of a day's walking if a day of building sand castles, swimming in the pool, or visiting museums is calling instead.

Please discuss this further with our Sales Team who will be happy to assist in picking the best trip for your family.

### Joining Arrangements & Transfers

Your trip starts at your hotel in Buje. All of our self-guided holidays are sold on a Land Only basis, allowing you the flexibility to choose the travel method that best suits you. The nearest airport is Trieste Airport, however you may find that Venice Marco Polo Airport has better flight connections from some UK regional airports. Please note, you may wish to fly into one of these airports and then fly out of Pula Airport.

If you are flying into Trieste Airport you can take a train from the airport to Trieste Centrale station (departures every 30 minutes, taking around 30 minutes) and then travel onwards by bus to Buje.

If you are flying into Venice Marco Polo Airport you can take the bus from the airport to Venezia Viale Statione (departures every 20 minutes, taking around 20 minutes), then a train from Venezia Mestre Stazione to Trieste Centrale station (departures hourly, taking around 1.5 hours), then travel onwards by bus to Buje. It is just a few minutes' walk between the Viale and Centrale stations in Venice.

Important: whilst it is possible to travel from Trieste Centrale to Buje on public transport (bus), departures are often limited to just once daily, taking around 1 hour. We find that www.rome2rio.com provides useful up-to-date information when planning journeys abroad on public transport.

With this in mind, we recommend adding a private transfer (takes around 1.5 - 2 hours) to your trip to help provide a more relaxing start to your holiday. Please ask our Sales Team for details.

Your trip ends in Rovinj, with Pula being the nearest airport. From Rovinj you can take the bus to Pula Central Bus Station (several departures daily, taking around 45 minutes), then from there take the shuttle bus to Pula Airport (several departures daily, see <u>https://airport-pula.hr/en/passenger-info/shuttle-bus/</u>, taking around 45 minutes). Please see <u>www.rome2rio.com</u> to find the latest timetables.

Alternatively, we can arrange a private transfer at the end of your trip. Rovinj to Pula Airport takes around 45 minutes - please ask our Sales Team for details.

### Meal Plan

This trip is on a bed and breakfast basis to allow you the most flexibility during your trip.

# Food & Water

Water from the taps is perfectly drinkable on this holiday - please use this to fill your personal bottles for your daily activities. We do not encourage the purchase of single-use plastic bottles.

In Istria you'll find a harmonious blend of flavours from Central Europe and the Mediterranean - and from Italy in particular due to its close proximity just across the Adriatic Sea. There is something to tantalise everyone's taste buds and from a bounty of fresh seafood thanks to the country's vast coastline to pizzerias in most towns along the coast, you can also look forward to tasty stews, goulashes, pasta dishes, as well as plenty of fresh salads.

Istria is famed for its truffles, with most dishes incorporating some element of truffle such as *Fuzi Tartufima*, a simple yet very tasty truffle pasta dish. Other Istrian specialities include *Istarska Jota*, a hearty pork stew, perfect after a busy day exploring.

If, like us at KE, you have a sweet tooth you can also look forward to *Fritule* - small doughnut-like treats - with your coffee, or perhaps a Kremsnita, a tasty custard and vanilla slice. After all, part of the fun of a self-guided trip is stopping for tasty delights whenever you wish.

# **Special Diets**

Whilst we can cater for vegetarians, albeit sometimes with a more limited choice, we cannot always provide for special diets. Due to the nature of some of the trips that we operate and the countries in which we operate them, it can be very hard (and sometimes impossible) to cater for a wide range of dietary choices and you may have to supplement your meals with food/snacks from home. If you have specific dietary requirements please do speak to our sales team and they will be able to advise you whether or not we will be able to offer your specific choice. Please note that we are unable to provide separate menus and cannot accept liability for any problems arising from special dietary requirements or intolerances.

## Accommodation

For this trip we have hand-picked a great selection of small 3-star and 4-star hotels, many of which are in the traditional lstrian style to help immerse you into the wonderful culture of this region. Each has been chosen for its great location and warm hospitality to help you relax at the end of a busy day exploring. Your accommodation is in double or twin rooms on a bed and breakfast basis, with each hotel offering a great buffet breakfast to fuel you for the day ahead, and giving you the flexibility to eat lunch and dinner out at one of the many excellent restaurants according to your tastes.

It is possible to arrange additional nights' accommodation if you would like to enjoy this enchanting region a little longer. Please speak to one of our Sales Team for more information.

During high season you may be booked into an alternative accommodation of a similar standard in the area.

## **Bike Hire**

Standard hybrid bikes come with 27 gears and 28" wheels, and all come equipped with a pannier for your daily essentials, a saddle bag with repair kit and inner tube, a milometer, bike lock, and pump. We include a rental helmet with your bike on this trip however we strongly recommend that you bring your own helmet with you for the best comfort.

The bikes provided for this trip come in two different frame types - male bike frame (sizes 49cm / 52cm / 55cm / 58cm / 61cm) and female bike frame (sizes 43cm / 48cm / 53cm). Please request the specific bike frame and size that you would like via our Sales Team.

We also recommend packing a gel seat for extra comfort, or a pair of padded cycling shorts, as whilst there are plenty of opportunities to stop and explore it is always nice to have some padding for a comfortable ride.

## Upgrade to an E-bike

If you are looking for a bit of extra support whilst in the saddle, you can upgrade to an e-bike to make your ride even more leisurely.

Equipped with a battery and motor, these electric bikes give you a helping hand whilst you are pedalling, making it easier to climb hills, and travel further with less effort and more comfort.

E-bikes are available on this holiday at an additional supplement of £220. Please request this upgrade option from our Sales Team at the time of booking.

# Baggage Allowance

Your main luggage will be transferred between each of your hotels while you are out on your ride. We ask that you please ensure that each piece of your luggage is under 20KG and that your luggage is ready for collection in the morning on the day of each hotel change. You will also need a daypack to carry your daily essentials with you whilst you are riding.

# **General Information**

# **Passport & Visas**

#### Europe

Your passport must meet 2 requirements. It must be:

- less than 10 years old on the day you enter (check the 'date of issue')
- valid for at least 3 months after the day you plan to leave (check the 'expiry date')

For the latest details on visiting countries within the EU or the European Economic Area (EEA), please check the UK Government website

#### The information that we provide is for UK passport holders.

A passport with 6 months remaining validity at the end of your stay is generally required, and you should have at least 2 blank pages for each country that you visit.

For other nationalities, please refer to your own Government website for the latest information.

It is your responsibility to ensure that you have the correct travel documents including vaccinations and health certificates (see Health & Vaccinations below), and visas for your holiday. Please ensure that you check the <u>FCDO</u> for the latest advice for **each country visited** before travel.

## **Health & Vaccinations**

## Vaccinations

You should contact your doctor or travel clinic to check whether you require any specific vaccinations.

## GHIC / Medical cover

UK residents should carry a free Global Health Insurance Card (GHIC). This entitles you to state provided medical treatment when you're visiting an EU country or Switzerland. This is not a substitute for medical travel insurance which is vital when travelling overseas.

## **Severe Allergies**

Please inform our KE Sales and Support team of any severe allergies you may have before travel. We will always do our best to help but we are unable to guarantee an allergy free environment on our KE trips. We advise that you always carry your own treatment for the allergy with you such as 'adrenaline autoinjectors' if required. We also recommend that you discuss this with your accommodation on arrival so that they can better assist you.

## Currency

The unit of currency in Croatia is the Euro.

## Preparing for your Holiday

The advantage of a self-guided cycling holiday is that you decide the pace. Having said this it is always sensible to get some additional exercise before going on an active holiday. After all, the fitter you are the more enjoyable your cycling will be. You should be comfortable with cycling 35 to 55km and up to 700m ascent a day on quiet country lanes and roads. We advise you to dust off your bike and head out on a few rides before your holiday to help make your holiday more enjoyable. We also offer e-bike upgrades for those seeking to make the journey more leisurely.

## Climate

Istria has warm dry summers, mild winters, and a mostly dry climate, making it an excellent place to go exploring by bike. Temperatures average 20 - 25 degrees centigrade in spring and autumn, and summers are quite hot with temperatures averaging 30 - 35 degrees centigrade from mid-June to mid-August.

### **Travel Aware**

As a reputable tour operator, KE supports the British Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office's 'Travel Aware' campaign to enable British citizens to prepare for their journeys overseas. The 'Travel Aware' website provides a single, authoritative source of advice for all kinds of travellers and we recommend that before travel, all KE clients visit the official UK Government website at travelaware.campaign.gov.uk and read the FCDO Travel Advice for their chosen destination. North Americans can also check out the U.S. Department of State website: www.travel.state.gov for essential travel advice and tips.

KE treat the safety and security of all clients as the most important aspect of any trip we organise. We would not run any trip that we did not consider reasonably safe. Should the FCDO advise against travel for any reason, we will contact everyone booked to travel to discuss the situation. We receive regular updates directly from the FCDO and are in constant touch with our contacts on the ground. If you have any questions about government travel advice, please call our office.

# **Single Use Plastic**

KE do not encourage the use of single use plastic items. We are ensuring that our agents all over the world are working together to reduce the problem and educate those around them. We are leading by example in our KE office by reducing our plastic use.

## **Travel Insurance**

It is an essential condition of joining a holiday with KE Adventure Travel that you have a valid travel insurance policy to cover the cost of medical treatment and to protect the value of your holiday in the event of cancellation. When taking out insurance please ensure the policy you choose covers you for the activities and altitude included in your itinerary.

For appropriate insurance cover we recommend Campbell Irvine Direct. Please go to our <u>Travel</u> <u>Insurance</u> page for further information and to get a quote.

# **Equipment Information**

# SelfGuided Cycling Equipment List

- Cycling shorts
- Cycle helmet
- Functional base layer
- T-shirts

- Scarf
- Hat
- Windproof jacket
- Fleece / extra layer
- Rain protection
- Rucksack (approx. 20 l)
- Small first aid kit for your rucksack
- Sunscreen
- Water bottle or hydration pack
- Camera (batteries/memory card)
- Mobile Phone (ensure your data package covers your destination)
- Handlebar mount that is compatible with your smartphone
- Power bank
- Waterproof phone cover
- Sun glasses
- Personal wash kit
- Reusable cloth bag for shopping to avoid the use of plastic bags
- Tupperware for picnics

# Land Only Information

Please note that our 'from' price listed is based on 4 persons on twin or double occupancy, however we can quote for any number of travellers including solo travellers - contact our Sales Team for a quote.

All of our self-guided holidays are sold on a Land Only basis allowing you the flexibility to choose the travel method which best suits you. You may even wish to make this holiday part of a bigger adventure or pair it with one of our other holidays. We can arrange additional nights' accommodation before or after your self-guided trip - please ask our Sales Team to find out more about this.

Our Sales Team will be happy to provide you with a quote for scheduled flights, or alternatively you may wish to book your own flights with a low cost carrier from your nearest regional airport.

Please DO NOT book your flights before you have received your booking confirmation and your deposit has been taken.

We offer some transfers to your accommodation from the nearest airports - please refer to the 'Joining Arrangements & Transfers' section for further details for this trip.

# Why Choose KE

# Why KE?

Lose yourself in the Istrian dream on this one-week self-guided cycling holiday, safe in the knowledge that we have taken care of all the arrangements for you. We have included standard bike hire in the cost of your trip so you can relax knowing that this is all taken care of for you. E-bike upgrades are available.

Please Note This document was downloaded on 15/07/2025 and the trip is subject to change