

HIDDEN TABLE CROATIA

THE BOURDAIN ODYSSEY

Croatia, one table at a time.

DURATION	8 Days / 7 Nights
GROUP SIZE	Private departures for 6–8 guests
SEASON	May – June 2027
PRICE	€5,500 per person (double occupancy)

Airfare not included. Single-room supplement applies. Price set in euros; USD calculated at the exchange rate applicable at time of booking.

THE PROGRAM AT A GLANCE

DAY	ROUTE	HIGHLIGHTS	OVERNIGHT
1	Venice → Rovinj	Tony's Oyster Shack · Batelina · Puntulina	Rovinj
2	Rovinj → Motovun	Truffle forest · Mondo	Rovinj
3	Istria → Volosko → Pag	Scampi Table · Boškinac light dinner	Boškinac, Pag
4	Pag	Kolan cheese producers · Boškinac	Boškinac, Pag
5	Lun → Rab (by boat)	Konoba Rab · Ancient Olive Grove	Boškinac, Pag
6	Pag → Skradin	Krka waterfalls · Skradinski Rižot	Skradin
7	Skradin → Zadar	Slow morning · BIBICH Winery	Zadar
8	Zadar	Fish market · Tuna · Old town	Depart Zadar

DAY

1

Venice → Rovinj*Arrive. Exhale. Begin.*

Your odyssey begins in Venice. After we collect you at the airport, we head for Rovinj, one of Istria's and Croatia's most beautiful historic coastal towns.

Your first-day schedule is deliberately light. After checking into your hotel, we will have a drink and spend some time relaxing from the road.

IF TIME PERMITS

Tony's Oyster Shack, Limski Channel — *Oysters, Istrian wine and the Adriatic. This was Anthony Bourdain's first stop on his Croatian journey.*

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Batelina — *A family-run seafood restaurant where the day's catch dictates the meal. Just fishermen, fish, fire, wine and the Adriatic.*

*Optional: dinner in **Puntulina**. Perched on Rovinj's old town cliffs, right where the stone drops into the sea. No long drive after a transatlantic flight — just a short walk from your hotel, a table with a sunset view over the harbor, and fresh Adriatic seafood to ease you into Croatia.*

OVERNIGHT Rovinj

DAY

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Rovinj → Motovun*The Forest*

A slow morning in Rovinj: the old town, the harbor, the market, coffee. Rovinj rises straight out of the Adriatic — pastel houses, cobbled alleys, a bell tower over the whole peninsula. It's a fishing town first and a postcard second, one of those rare places that still feels lived-in rather than performed for visitors — the perfect place to begin an Odyssey through Croatia.

Then we leave the coast and head inland.

Motovun Forest. *Depending on season, we follow local foragers in search of black truffles and wild asparagus. It is a walk with someone who actually knows the forest.*

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Mondo, Motovun — *A long lunch built around Istrian ingredients and the rhythm of the season.*

The afternoon is deliberately unstructured: wine, olive oil, a walk, a view. There are a few really nice wineries nearby. We return to Rovinj for the night.

OVERNIGHT Rovinj

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3

Istria → Volosko → Pag*The Adriatic Table*

We leave Istria and follow the coast toward the Kvarner Gulf, stopping at the Limski Channel if we weren't able to on arrival day.

Volosko. *The old fishing village: a tiny harbor, fishing boats, stone houses, narrow streets.*

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The Scampi Table — *Lunch dictated by the sea: Kvarner scampi, local fish, seasonal produce and wine, chosen for the most authentic connection to the local catch. The restaurant also offers meat.*

After lunch, a walk through Volosko and along the coast to Opatija, then south toward Pag — the landscape changes dramatically as green gives way to stone.

Boškinac light dinner — *A family estate on Pag, surrounded by vineyards, olive trees and pine forest, home to a Michelin-starred restaurant where Bourdain himself sat down to a multicourse meal with chef Boris Šuljić, paired with Boškinac's own wines.*

OVERNIGHT Boškinac, Pag

DAY

4

Pag

Stone. Salt. Wind.

Pag is unlike anywhere else on this journey — an almost lunar landscape of stone, salt, wind, sheep and wild herbs.

We leave the polished table behind and head towards Kolan to meet the people who make one of Pag's most iconic products — Pag cheese. We spend the day exploring the island through what defines it, meeting local producers.

The afternoon is free to enjoy Boškinac, the estate and the surrounding landscape.

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Boškinac

OVERNIGHT Boškinac, Pag

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Lun → Rab

An Island Between Islands

Today the road becomes the sea. We travel to Lun/Tovarnele, on the northern tip of Pag, and — weather and seasonal boat schedules permitting — cross to the island of Rab, experiencing the Adriatic the way it has always connected these communities: by boat.

Rab — *A completely different island. Where Pag is stone, salt and wind, Rab is green: pine forests, medieval streets, old stone houses and a beautiful historic harbor.*

We walk through the old town, visit the market, have lunch, watch the boats — then return to Pag.

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Konoba Rab

THE ANCIENT OLIVE GROVE (PAG)

After we leave Rab and are back on Pag, we walk among olive trees that have been growing here for more than a thousand years — some estimated at nearly 2,000 years old. The trees grow directly from the stone, shaped by the bura, salt and centuries of island life. We taste Lun olive oil beneath trees that were already here before Croatia, before Venice, before most of the history we know.

Contingency: if the weather turns, we remain on Pag and create another island experience instead.

OVERNIGHT Boškinac, Pag

DAY

6

Pag → Skradin*The Road South*

We slowly have breakfast in Boškinac, then leave Pag and head towards the Dalmatian hinterland as the landscape changes outside the window: stone → mountains → river → green.

By the afternoon we arrive in Skradin, a small historic town where the Krka River meets the Adriatic. First we settle in, then spend the entire afternoon walking along the river and the Krka waterfalls. Then we have dinner.

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Skradinski Rižot. *One of the defining meals of the Odyssey. Cooked especially for us by Ante Pižić, the chef who once cooked for Anthony Bourdain himself. This dish takes hours, so we sit, we drink, we talk, we wait — and somewhere between the first glass of wine and the final spoonful, we understand why some Croatian traditions have survived for generations.*

OVERNIGHT Skradin

DAY

7

Skradin → Zadar*Slow Morning, Last Glass of Wine*

After yesterday's full day on the Krka and the long evening at Pižić's table, the morning is left deliberately open. Coffee by the river, a walk through Skradin — or, for those who want it, a short boat trip on the river. Nothing mandatory, nothing to rush.

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BIBICh Winery. *A family wine story deeply connected to the Skradin region. We're not interested in tasting seven wines and moving on; we want to understand the place that produced them. This is where Bourdain, glass in hand, famously asked: "Why, oh why, is there so much amazing wine in this country?"*

In the afternoon we leave Skradin behind and head toward Zadar, where we'll spend our final night.

OVERNIGHT Zadar

DAY

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Zadar*The Last Table*

Our final morning in Zadar doesn't begin with the monuments. We begin where the city actually lives:

Zadar Market & Fish Market. *We walk the stalls, see what came from the sea that morning, meet local vendors.*

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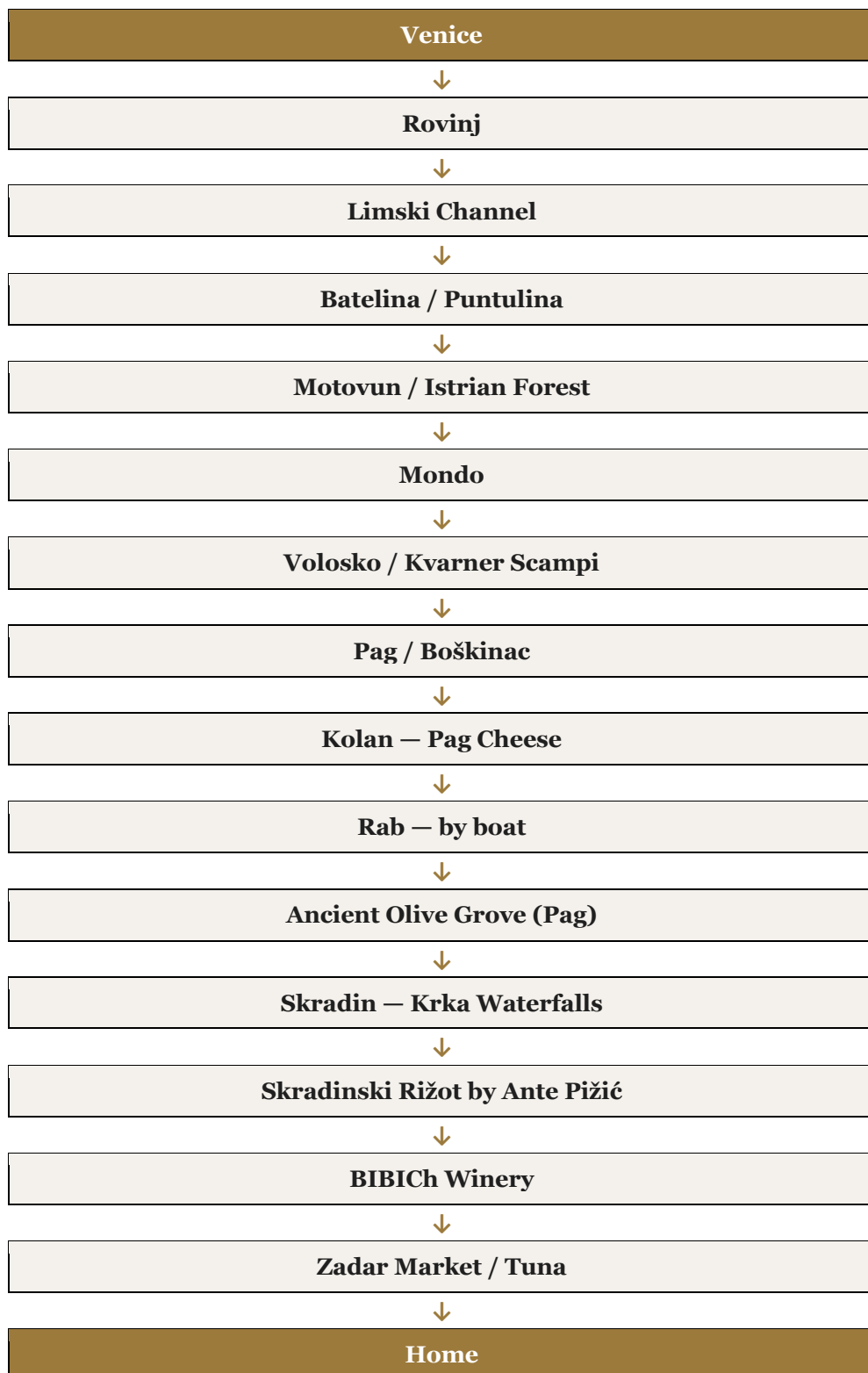
Tuna. *Our final Hidden Table. A celebration of the Adriatic, its fishermen and the people who make a living from it.*

Only afterwards do we walk through the old city: the Forum, the waterfront, the Sea Organ. Then, depending on your flight schedule, transfer to Zadar Airport.

The Odyssey ends where the Adriatic meets the light.

THE ROUTE

Venice to Zadar, one stop at a time.



WHAT'S INCLUDED

- ✓ 7 nights in carefully selected boutique hotels
- ✓ Private transportation throughout Croatia
- ✓ Hidden Table host throughout the Odyssey
- ✓ Venice airport pickup
- ✓ Tony's Oyster Shack, Limski Channel
- ✓ Batelina
- ✓ Motovun and seasonal forest experience
- ✓ Mondo
- ✓ Volosko seafood / Kvarner scampi experience
- ✓ Boškinac light dinner and estate stay
- ✓ Kolan cheese producers and Pag culinary experiences
- ✓ Rab island crossing, weather and seasonal schedule permitting
- ✓ Konoba Rab experience
- ✓ Ancient Olive Grove tasting, Pag
- ✓ Krka waterfalls walk
- ✓ Skradinski rižot experience
- ✓ BIBICH Winery
- ✓ Zadar Market & Fish Market
- ✓ Final tuna experience
- ✓ Selected wines and beverages with included meals
- ✓ Local hosts and guides where appropriate
- ✓ All domestic transportation and road logistics

NOT INCLUDED

- Airfare
- Travel insurance
- Personal purchases
- Meals and drinks not specifically included
- Private boat charter, if chosen as an alternative to the scheduled Rab connection
- Single-room supplement

THE HIDDEN TABLE PHILOSOPHY

We don't want you to leave Croatia knowing that you have seen Croatia.

We want you to leave knowing that you have tasted it, met it and sat at its tables.

You will eat fish with people who catch it. Drink wine with people who make it. Walk through forests with people who know them. Cross between islands by sea. And spend enough time at the table to understand why the meal matters.

Six to eight guests. One private Odyssey.

€5,500 per person

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Come for the food. Stay for the people.