

## CROATIA

Croatia is a country in the Balkans on the east side of the Adriatic Sea, to the east of Italy. It is bordered by Slovenia to the northwest, Hungary to the north, Bosnia and Herzegovina to the southeast, Serbia in the east, and Montenegro to the south. Croatia has the privilege of offering a rich architectural heritage. Those who travel to come to this country will discover a unique and fascinating transition between Central Europe and the Mediterranean, a crossroads of cultures and influences quite exceptional!



And then we discovered a wonderful Croatian coast, protected by nearly 1,185 islands and islets about 1750 km. Multiply by 5 beaches and coves, with 10 ... Gins coast of architectural gems whose names Pula, Zadar, Sibenik, Trogir, Split and the pearl of the Adriatic, Dubrovnik.

**Capital:** Zagreb

**Population:** Less than a million

**Languages:** Croatian and English

**Entry Requirements:** A Canadian passport valid for the duration of your stay in Croatia is required. For more information, visit [www.travel.gc.ca](http://www.travel.gc.ca)

**Time Change :** GMT + 1

**Currency:** Kuna

**Electricity:** Electricity is 230 volts; therefore, an adapter and/or converter will be required

**Best Buys:** Croatian crafting, Croatian Embroidery, Crystal Samobor and alcohol.



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## CITIES IN CROATIA



### Zagreb

Zagreb is a fascinating destination on its own, combining the best of Eastern and Western Europe. As the political, economic and cultural capital of Croatia, the city throbs with energy but has retained a good deal of old-world graciousness. The sober Austro-Hungarian buildings in the town centre house elegant restaurants and fashionable boutiques along with scruffy pubs and rowdy beer halls. A proliferation of galleries display the works of the artistic community, a parade of international stars perform in the concert halls, and local DJs fill clubs with the latest sounds.

### Split

The second-largest city in Croatia, Split is a great place to see Dalmatian life as it's really lived. Always buzzing, this exuberant city has just the right balance of tradition and modernity. Step inside Diocletian's Palace you'll see dozens of bars, restaurants and shops thriving amid the atmospheric old walls where Split life has been going on for thousands of years. To top it off, Split has a unique setting. Its dramatic coastal mountains act as the perfect backdrop to the turquoise waters of the Adriatic. You'll get a chance to appreciate this gorgeous cityscape when making a ferry journey to or from the city.



### Dubrovnik

Regardless of whether you are visiting Dubrovnik for the first time or the hundredth, the sense of awe and beauty when you set eyes on the Stradun never fades. Indeed it's hard to imagine anyone becoming jaded by the city's marble streets, baroque buildings and the endless shimmer of the Adriatic, or failing to be inspired by a walk along the ancient city walls that have protected this civilized, sophisticated republic for five centuries. Although the shelling of Dubrovnik in 1991 horrified the world, the city has bounced back with characteristic vigor to enchant visitors again. Take the revamped cable car up to Mt Srđ. Marvel at the Mediterranean lifestyle and the

interplay of light and stone. Trace the rise and fall of Dubrovnik in museums replete with art and artifacts. Exhaust yourself retracing history, then plunge into the azure sea.



For additional information, visit the official tourist website of Croatia: [www.visit-croatia.co](http://www.visit-croatia.co)

