

Brava Danube Sava



River cruising in Croatia

Anyone eager to be swept away by magnificent sights, powerful nature, and tasteful delights, this way, please!

River Trinity and a Pinch of History

Oh-so-mighty Danube, the longest river in the EU, is not the only navigable river in this part of the hood. Rivers Sava and Drava are also here to claim that title, while the confluence of the latter and the Danube wins a beauty award as well. Speaking of confluences, you should also visit the one between the Kupa and Sava River, under the 500-year-long supervision of the mighty 16th-century Sisak Fortress. A bit younger is the Fortress of Slavonski Brod, built in the 18th c. Traffic Report Along with Osijek Fort and one in Stara Gradiška, they were part of the defense system on the Austrian-Ottoman border. Reaching much further into history, you should check out The Vučedol Culture Museum, where one of the earliest Neolithic Indo-European cultures is cherished. All of the spots along the three great rivers of Croatia are also part of popular cycling routes.

The Heart of Danube and Beyond

Beautiful nature's artwork can be found in one of the largest wetlands in Europe, one and only Kopački rit. Another treat of this kind waits for you on the Sava River – Lonjsko Polje

Nature Park. Rich in biodiversity, it is also one of the last European pasturelands managed in the old ways, as it was done until the late 1800s.

> You don't need to worry about the wine thirst while you're here, there have been no recorded cases of it since the Romans brought grapevine to this region. The land of wine is spread across vineyards in Baranja, Erdut, Ilok, Moslavina, Stupnik... In a word, you can't miss it.

If combining a cruise with a plane fare, know that the airports of Osijek, Zagreb, Budapest, and Belgrade are not far from any of our river piers (e. g. Zagreb is often adjoined to Croatian cruise itineraries). The same goes for their connection to the European highway network, which in this area consists of international corridors Vc and X.



Osijek-Baranja County

Osijek-Baranja County, the region of wine, homemade food, friendly folk, beautiful nature, and abundant tradition, will surely enrich your cruise, no matter whether you step on land in Batina, Osijek, or Aljmaš berth.

I Heard It Through the Grapevines

The land of long wine history, dating back to Roman times, has a lot to offer in that regard. You don't have to go far from the Danube to experience it. The Erdut vineyards, biggest plantation in Croatia, lie just above the mighty river. And these are not the only big boys around! In Erdut vinery you can find one of the biggest barrels in the world, measuring 75.000 liters! So, pour yourself a glass, take a walk, and enjoy the view of medieval Erdut tower and the Danube hugging the sky. Peaceful beauty at its finest!

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Baranja Calling

North of Osijek, in the subregion of Baranja, stroll over the gentle fertile slopes, feast your eyes on vast sun-kissed vineyards, walk through fascinating surduk gullies between the hills, and – with a glass of fine wine – take a peek inside cellars called gatori, in the village of Zmajevac. Not far from here, nor from any of our docks, is the 500-year-old wine cellar in the village of Kneževi Vinogradi. Don't worry, you won't be left thirsty because the cellar is still up to its job.



Locals and Food, please!

Looking for some local experiences? Book a visit to one of our family farms, and you will get the taste of local par excellence. Our rustic restaurants will also do the trick. Local hosts are renowned for their hospitality, treating guests like family, welcoming them with homemade rakia in one hand and a platter of cured meat delicacies such as kulen, kulenova seka ("kulen's sister"), čvarci, and cheese in the other. While everyone is amused with delish welcome, a rich paprika-flavoured freshwater fish stew aka fiš-paprikaš is patiently simmering in the cauldron, leaving but a trail of savory spices in the air, unveiling food hedonism that awaits.

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Walking in the Footsteps of Royals

It was love at first sight when, back in 1970, Queen Elizabeth II laid her eyes on beautiful white Lipizzan horses. The Queen wasted no time booking a trip to Đakovo – the home of Slavonian Lipizzaners. She visited State Stud Farms and stables at Ivandvor, but also a must-see Đakovo St. Peter's Cathedral. A few decades later, then Prince, now King Charles III visited Kopački rit Nature Park, one of the largest wetlands in Europe, known for its beautiful nature, and biodiversity. Don't miss out on these jewels that even jeweled-up royals couldn't resist.

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Without History We Are Nothing...

For some "History 101" make sure to visit Osijek and its historical landmarks, such as Tvrđa (the Fort), the baroque Holy Trinity Square, the Osijek Cathedral – second highest in Southeast Europe, and some fine museums too. Also, don't miss out on experiences on the Drava River: a ride on Kompa – river ferry operating since 1916 – and a visit to the watermill. For all the science lovers in the house, visit The Cultural and Scientific Center "Milutin Milanković", a scientist behind one of the "most significant theories relating Earth motions and long-term climate change", according to NASA. If you're up for more rural history lessons, ethno-village Karanac in Baranja is your cup of tea. This place takes you back to some more simple times, with authentic houses, traditional cuisine, and its "Street of Forgotten Time". Sounds unforgettable, doesn't it?









Brod-Posavina County

After you dock in the river port of Slavonski Brod, take a short stroll, and you will reach the town's lifeblood, the Korzo – the largest square in Croatia. It is named after the most famous inhabitant of Brod, the celebrated children's author Ivana Brlić Mažuranić, also known as the Croatian Andersen.

On the Brod Waterfront

It is a must to have coffee on Korzo, as well as to visit one of the most beautiful and authentic houses in Brod, the Brlić House. Here Ivana wrote her most beautiful stories, and nowadays it's a multimedia interpretation center, adjoined by a nice souvenir shop, and located very close to the Sava waterfront. By the way, did you know that in Croatian "brod" means a ship, or a river cross?

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From Korzo you can easily reach many of the town sights – the Baroque Franciscan monastery, the Church of the Holy Trinity, and the Museum of Brod-Posavina region (Muzej Brodskog Posavlja). Further down the river, you can reach Splavarska Street (Splav – Raft), where all the folks live on lovely rafts and boats.

While all these are located from the town center to the east – reachable by a beautiful riverine promenade – roaming to the west will bring you to the gates of Festung – the giant





baroque fortress Austrians built during the 18th century as a stronghold on the border with the Ottoman Empire. Today, the Brod Fortress is more into culture than war. It houses the unique Museum of tamburica (a traditional folk instrument of the Middle Danube area), and the Modern Art Gallery inspired by the work of Brod-born sculptor Branko Ružić.

Roam the Sava Region

If you want to enjoy nature and the irresistible flavors of Sava region, head to one of the ranches – or salaši, as we call them – in the rural area. If you love horses, visit the Ramarin Ranch in the village of Garčin. A deep love for these noble animals, nature, and hedonism is woven into every inch of this stunning estate. A riding arena, a wine cellar, a

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restaurant, a pond, a sports aircraft runway, and opulently furnished bungalows where you can sleep over – you name it. this place has it!

Up the river, some 10 km in the hinterland, lies the town of Nova Gradiška. In a local "Slavonian Shop" you can buy the best Slavonian gourmet delights – kulen sausage, homemade cheese, wines, cakes... You can also explore the unique Baroque town center. In the nearby Cernik, you will be delighted by the Franciscan monastery, which houses a rich exhibition of biblical history with a large archaeological and paleontological collection. Along with the impressive St. Petrer church, this little town is also home to the Kulmer fortress. The distinctive Cernik ćupteti, a spicy finger food with a Slavonian twist, is a must-try.

A true paradise awaits you in the eco-ethno village of Stara Kapela, with traditional Slavonian houses, stables, gazebos, weaving workshops, ethnological collections, etc. Not far are the Stupnik vineyards, spread out on the slopes of the Dilj hills, offering an exquisite gourmet experience. This especially goes for the hotel and restaurant "Stupnički dvori", where traditional organic ingredients form the basis of delicious dishes paired with top-quality wines.

Before you head back to the Brod port and continue your journey, stop by the Bebrina Adrenaline Forest. Zip-line, climbing, and climbing the lookout are only a pinch of adventures this place can offer you!











Sisak-Moslavina County

Croatian towns by the sea are often labeled as a 'must-see' location, unjustly so, since it will deprive visitors of the adventures that lie hidden in the mainland.

Streams and Shore. Paths of Now and the Ones Before

Merely 50km from the capital city of Croatia, the town of Sisak should be a mandatory stop in the exploration of the County. What might surprise visitors is that the roads they stroll are steeped in history, which can be traced back to the 4th century BC. Emphasis on the word 'traced' since the oldest inhabitants from prehistory left little behind, only the remains of tools and statuettes of idols, and a whole lot to fill with our imagination.

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It is said you can only understand someone once you have walked a mile in their shoes. Well, think of A Historical Walk in the town of Sisak as a store that offers you to try on a variety of shoes worn through centuries, from traditional peasant shoes called opanci to airy sandals worn by Romans, which will serve as a guide through time, architecture, and tradition.

From metaphorical sandals to the real ones that can, if you visit Sisak during the summer, march to the complex rhythm of the Jazz Days of Damir Kukuruzović, held in the atrium of the City Museum. Even though traveling through time and swaying in unique rhythm patterns is fun, it might not paint



the 'active holiday' you envisioned. That will all change by embarking on the Kupa River kayak safari and cycling routes depicting the landscape from different angles, leaving visitors in awe even when they pass the scenery they have already seen.

Go With the Flow!

While cycling, you might as well visit the Lonjsko polje (aka the Lonja Field), a nature park located in the vicinity of Sisak. Whether you experience the Park by solar-powered boat, on a ferry ride, or through hiking or cycling trails, lush nature will reflect its vivid creations by playing the game of shadow and light through floodplain oak and ash tree treetops. However, not all like looking beneath

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their feet in the search for beauty – the sky above the Lonjsko polje offers as much life and scenery as the ground does. Branded as an Important Bird Area, it homes 250 types of birds, especially within the Krapje dol, the oldest ornithological reserve in Croatia.

Some May Ask, 'Why?' We Say, 'Wine Not?'

After all sightseeing and becoming one with nature, you will most definitely be parched. Here is where the second part of the County name comes to light – Moslavina. The picturesque landscape will captivate your eye, but your palate will be seduced and catered through wines with a pedigree dating back to Roman times. To travel is to see al the wonders a place can offer, but to taste is to experience the culture, tradition, climate, and people. So, there is no better way to do that than to try original grape varieties: Moslavac, Dišeća ranina, and most famous of them all –







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Vukovar-Srijem County

A new world appears before you in all hues of gold, generously offering you everything it can: a laid-back lifestyle, renowned hospitality, an outstanding culinary tale, praised wines, ambiance-enhancing architecture, museums, castles...

Pearls of Croatian Danube

In Ilok you are in the heart of the Srijem wine region, famous for its high-quality wines, particularly the traminer that yields the greatest results here. A tour of the protected historical part of the town should not be missed: medieval walls, the church and sanctuary of St. John Capistrano, the unique Ottoman structures, the Odescalchi Castle, and an antique wine cellar... So much history in such a small place! The Danube — a short but powerful word, depicting a powerful and long river. On its middle course lies Vukovar, a

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town of powerful symbolics and – museums. Three of them, like pearls lined up along the Danube, and all awarded – the Museum of Vučedol Culture, the Franciscan Museum, and the Vukovar Municipal Museum, located in the imposing building of the Eltz family castle. Visit them and discover the mystical world of Vučedol Culture, discover mysterious stories from the past, as well as those from the Vukovar Nocturne, a memory mosaic describing the proudest days of recent Croatian history.





Did you know that with its 58 m of length, the church of St. Philip and James is the third longest in Croatia? It is yet another heritage site contributing to the fact that the destination Vukovar-Vučedol-Ilok was proclaimed a European Destination of Excellence in cultural tourism (EDEN).

Touring Vukovar

Upon leaving the cruiser in Vukovar, you directly enter the Baroque historical part of the town. Here, on the bridge over the Vuka River, only a step is needed to exit the historical region of Srijem, and enter Slavonia, and vice versa. Don't forget to visit the birth house of the first Croatian Nobel laureate, Lavoslav Ružička. Stroll along the lovely promenades, take a bike ride along the Vuka and Danube

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When hunger pays you a visit, look for the restaurants and a wine cellar where you may sample the best delicacies this well-known eno-gastronomic region has to offer. It's all easier afterward, especially if the top sights are still ahead of you. The Vukovar Water Tower's viewpoint is certainly among them. A stunning horizon will for sure burst your curiosity.

Explore the Plain

What lies beyond? In a plain inhabited for many millennia, a lot. Did you know that the town of Vinkovci (a 20-minute drive from Vukovar) has the longest continuity of human presence in Europe? Orion, the first Indo-European calendar, was discovered here. The landmarks of the Baroque town center will also astound you. From here, a stroll along the

Bosut River will take you to the Krnjaši, a genuine Slavonicstyle street where time appears to be standing still. A bit more to the southwest and you reach another river beauty – the Sava. The riverine town of Županja will provide you with a totally new experience and enable you to enjoy the atmosphere of distinctive rural architecture.









Among its other landmarks is the promenade along the Sava River, and especially a unique border tower from the 19th century, the last of its kind in Croatia. Locally known as čardak (tschardak), nowadays it houses a local Stjepan Gruber Heritage Museum.

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RIVER CRUISING IN CROATIA

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Position of the passenger terminal	rkm 1333 + 000 right bank of the Danube river
Purpose	Berthing of passenger vessels
Embankment	Entirely
Bank type	Sloped
Pontoon type	Floating facility – steel
The number of berths	1 berth
The permitted number of vessels	3 vessels
The length of the floating facility	75,20 m
The maximum width of the floating facility	10,00 m
Additional services at the passenger terminal	Watter supply Electricity supply Waste disposal
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Purpose	Berthing of passenger vessels
Embankment	Entirely
Bank type	Sloped
Pontoon type	Floating facility – steel
The number of berths	1 berth
The permitted number of vessels	2 vessels
The length of the floating facility	57,22 m
The maximum width of the floating facility	7,93 m
Additional services at the passenger terminal	Watter supply Electricity supply Waste disposal
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Technical information	
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Purpose	Berthing of passenger vessels
Embankment	Entirely
Bank type	Sloped
Pontoon type	Floating facility – steel
The number of berths	1 berth
The permitted number of vessels	1 vessel
The length of the floating facility	14,53 m
The maximum width of the floating facility	8,02 m
Additional services at the passenger terminal	Watter supply Electricity supply Waste disposal
Managing authority	Port Authority Vukovar





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Purpose	Berthing of passenger vessels
Embankment	Entirely
Bank type	Sloped
Pontoon type	Floating facility – steel
The number of berths	1 berth
The permitted number of vessels	1 vessel
The length of the floating facility	14,53 m
The maximum width of the floating facility	8,02 m
Additional services at the passenger terminal	Watter supply Electricity supply Waste disposal
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Position of the passenger terminal	rkm 21+560 right bank of the Drava river
Purpose	Berthing of passenger vessels
Embankment	Entirely
Bank type	Sloped
Pontoon type	Floating facility – steel
The number of berths	1 berth
The permitted number of vessels	3 vessels
The length of the floating facility	60,16 m
The maximum width of the floating facility	8,37 m
Additional services at the passenger terminal	Watter supply Electricity supply Waste disposal
Managing authority	Port Authority Osijek





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Technical information	
Position of the passenger terminal	rkm 369+975 – 370+115 left bank of the Sava river
Purpose	Berthing of passenger vessels
Embankment	Entirely
Bank type	Sloped
Pontoon type	Floating facility – steel
The number of berths	1 berth
The permitted number of vessels	3 vessels
The length of the floating facility	85 m
The maximum width of the floating facility	9,5 m
Additional services at the passenger terminal	Watter supply Electricity supply Waste disposal
Managing authority	Port Authority Slavonski Brod





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Position of the passenger terminal	rkm 3,900 - 4,000 left bank of the Kupa river
Purpose	Berthing of passenger vessels
Embankment	Entirely
Bank type	Sloped
Pontoon type	Floating facility – steel
The number of berths	1 berth
The permitted number of vessels	1 vessel
The length of the floating facility	52,50 m
The maximum width of the floating facility	8,00 m
Additional services at the passenger terminal	Watter supply Electricity supply Waste disposal
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