INSIDE CROATIA & SLOVENIA
With Dubrovnik & the Island of Hvar
May 7-21, 2018

15 days from $4,184 total price from Boston, New York
($3,695 air & land inclusive plus $489 airline taxes and fees)
Independent, democratic Croatia welcomes visitors eager to absorb its remarkable history and culture – and its beautiful and unspoiled Dalmatian coastline. As our small group travels from historic Zagreb and beautiful Lake Bled to the Habsburg resort of Opatija, the island of Hvar, and beloved Dubrovnik, we see why this cherished region lays such a claim on the hearts of all who visit.

Day 1: Depart U.S. for Zagreb, Croatia
Day 2: Arrive Zagreb After a connecting flight in Europe, we arrive in Zagreb and transfer to our hotel. Tonight we meet our fellow travelers and learn about the journey ahead as we gather for a briefing and welcome dinner. D

Day 3: Zagreb This morning's tour of the Croatian capital by coach and on foot reveals a gracious city of culture and hospitality. Highlights include Mirogoj Park Cemetery, St. Stephen's Cathedral, and the colorful Dolac open-air market. We have the remainder of the day at leisure. Tonight we dine at a local restaurant. B,D

Day 4: Zagreb/Ljubljana, Slovenia Departing by coach this morning, we arrive in the Slovenian capital in time for lunch on our own. An afternoon walking tour reveals the heart of this friendly city of romantic bridges, ornate façades, pedestrian zones, and abundant parkland. We dine tonight at our hotel. B,D

Day 5: Ljubljana/Lake Bled This morning we visit Bled, Slovenia's popular resort town whose namesake lake with its emerald-green waters is the stuff of fairy tales. We tour the castle then enjoy a leisurely boat ride around the placid mile-wide lake. We return to Ljubljana in time for lunch on our own and the remainder of the day is at leisure for independent exploration. B

Day 6: Ljubljana/Postojna/Opatija, Croatia En route to Opatija today, we stop to explore Postojna Cave, the almost 13-mile-long karst cave system where an electric train takes us deeper than is possible in any other cave in the world. Then after free time here for lunch on our own, we continue on to Opatija, the seaside resort where Habsburg princes once vacationed. B,D

Day 7: Opatija/Istrian Peninsula Today's tour of the Istrian Peninsula reveals the multicultural roots of this alluring spit of land jutting into the Adriatic. At various times a vassal of Venice, the first Austro-Hungarian Empire, Fascist Italy, the Yugoslav...

Cover photo: We enjoy a pleasing mix of guided touring and time on our own in Dubrovnik.
Federation, and finally, Croatia, Istra, as it is known, boasts an interesting history, mild Mediterranean climate, lovely scenery, and good wines. Our first stop is in the port of Pula, where we visit the well-preserved remains of a Roman amphitheater (c. 177 CE). Next is Rovinj, a charming old Venetian port where we are free to explore on our own and perhaps enjoy lunch at an outdoor café. After returning to Opatija late this afternoon, we dine together tonight at a local restaurant.

Day 8: Opatija
We explore the “Opatija Riviera” this morning, beginning here with a walking tour in the former Habsburg vacation retreat – and modern-day resort town – nestled between green forested hills and the cobalt Adriatic. Then we continue on to nearby Moscenicka, a former fishing village that now draws visitors to its tranquil port and beautiful pebble beaches. After lunch together we return to Opatija where the remainder of the day is at leisure.

Day 9: Opatija/Plitvice Lakes/Trogir
We travel south this morning for an excursion to Plitvice Lakes National Park. Famed for its string of 16 turquoise-colored lakes connected by a series of waterfalls and cascades, separated by distinctive travertine deposits, and surrounded by dense forests, Plitvice counts as one of UNESCO’s first natural sites and Croatia’s largest national park. Late afternoon we depart for Trogir, arriving early this evening in time for dinner at our hotel.

Day 10: Trogir/Split/Hvar
This morning we travel to Split, the main city of the central Dalmatian Coast and home of 3rd-century Diocletian’s Palace. As we see on our guided tour, the palace, and eventually its ruins, formed the historic heart of picturesque Split. After time for lunch on our own, we board a ferry for the two-hour cruise to Hvar, “queen” of the Dalmatian islands. Upon arrival we travel by coach to lively Hvar town, where we spend the next two nights. We dine tonight at a local restaurant just a short walk from our hotel.

Day 11: Hvar
With captivating natural beauty and a strategic Adriatic location, Hvar has prospered since antiquity. We discover some of its charms this morning, first with a walking tour of Venetian-tinged Hvar town then with a walking tour of nearby Stari Grad, one of Croatia’s oldest cities and where we also have time to wander on our own. Nestled between fragrant fields of lavender and the sea, Stari Grad dates to 385 BCE when it was founded by Greeks from the island of Paros. We return to our hotel for lunch and an afternoon and evening at leisure.

Your Tour Price Includes
- 3 nights’ accommodations at Hilton Imperial Hotel Dubrovnik (Superior First Class)
- 3 meals: 3 breakfasts
- Transfer to airport

May 21-24, 2018
DUBROVNIK – ON YOUR OWN
4 days/3 nights for $495 total price
Single Supplement: $295

Enjoy more of this beloved city on your own, and at your own pace.

Post-Tour Extension

A typical stone farmhouse we’ll see along the Istrian peninsula
Day 12: Hvar/Dubrovnik  We continue our journey south today, leaving Hvar for the mainland then traveling along the scenic Dalmatian coast to popular and beloved Dubrovnik. Perched on the edge of the Adriatic Sea, Dubrovnik’s walled, red-roofed Old City is one of the most recognizable downtowns in all of Europe. After reaching our hotel late afternoon, this evening is at leisure for us to get our first look at this medieval gem.  

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Day 13: Dubrovnik  Today we discover the city whose ancient walls have withstood both time and tide for hundreds of years. We begin with a walking tour around the city walls, whose original ramparts and bastions date to the 12th and 13th centuries (Dubrovnik itself was founded in the 7th century). We stop to visit the Minceta Tower; completed in 1464, this highest point in the city’s impressive wall system is seen as a symbol of the city’s invincibility. Then we continue through the Old City, paying a visit to the stately Baroque Cathedral (c. 1672). We also see the Treasury, whose gilded shelves and historic relics sit behind locked wooden doors; and the Franciscan monastery with a 14th-century pharmacy. We return to our hotel for an afternoon at leisure or time for independent exploration.  

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Day 14: Dubrovnik  Today is free to explore on our own. From the medieval Old Town to the contemporary city with its Mediterranean accent, Dubrovnik offers discoveries aplenty. Then we enjoy a small group highlight as we set out late this afternoon for a farewell dinner with a local family whose home overlooks Dubrovnik. Our menu features produce from their garden, homemade olive oil, and local wine. 

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Day 15: Depart for U.S.  This morning we transfer to the airport for our return flights to the U.S.  

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Your Tour Price Includes

• Round-trip air transportation from listed cities
• 13 nights’ accommodations in Deluxe, Superior First Class, and First Class hotels
• 25 meals: 13 breakfasts, 4 lunches, 8 dinners
• Extensive sightseeing as described, including all entrance fees
• Services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director
• Tufts faculty host contingent upon a minimum number of guests
• Private motorcoach transportation throughout your trip
• Luggage handling for one bag per person
• Gratuities for local guides, dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers
• $100 frequent traveler credit towards your next Tufts/Odysseys tour ($200 after 3 completed tours)

On Day 9 we visit Plitvice Lakes.

Tufts Faculty Host

On this program a Tufts University faculty host will present lectures and lead discussions that will enhance your educational experience. As this brochure goes to press, the faculty representative who will accompany the program has not yet been confirmed, but we wanted to mail this brochure in time for you to make plans to participate.

Tour Departs: May 7, 2018

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Please call if your city is not listed. Prices are per person based on double occupancy and include airline taxes, surcharges, and fees of $489, which are subject to change until final payment is made. Single travelers please add $1,195. All tour prices above (excluding airline taxes, surcharges, and fees) are guaranteed.

Airline upgrades on round-trip Trans-Atlantic flight:
• Business Class – $3,595 per person; Premium Economy – $895 per person (upgrades are subject to availability and pricing is subject to change). Upgrade costs are in addition to the costs above.

Please note: This trip involves considerable walking uphill and on uneven or cobblestone streets. You should be in good physical condition to enjoy this tour to the fullest.

For reservations and information, please call Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. toll-free at 888-370-6765

Monday-Friday, 9:00 AM-7:00 PM, Eastern Time

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www.tuftstravellearn.org

“Once the travel bug bites there is no known antidote …”

– Michael Palin
Dear Tufts Travelers,

Join us for a special exploration of the beautiful, unspoiled Dalmatian coast. Our 15-day journey begins in Croatia’s gracious capital, Zagreb, with visits to historic Old Town as well as the colorful Dolac open-air market and St. Stephen’s Cathedral. In Bled, we enjoy a tranquil boat ride on the fairytale lake, and in Ljubljana we revel in romantic views of archetypal bridges and plentiful meadows. Then we continue to Opatija, “the jewel of the Adriatic,” where Habsburg royalty once vacationed. Among the final stops on our Dalmatian adventure, we visit the enticing medieval town of Hvar, situated on one of the most beautiful islands along the Adriatic coast; and beloved Dubrovnik, a UNESCO site.

There’s limited availability for this small-group Tufts journey, so seize the moment and make your reservations now. Call our tour operator, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., at: 888-370-6765.

Warm regards,

Mary Ann Hunt
Associate Director, Tufts Travel-Learn Program
travel-learn@Tufts.edu

P.S. As the group’s size grows, we expect a Tufts host to join the program and add a uniquely Tufts perspective to the experience. For our updated 2018 itineraries, please visit our website at: www.tuftstravellearn.org.

TUFTS TRAVEL-LEARN PROGRAM RESERVATION FORM: INSIDE CROATIA & SLOVENIA

Enclosed is my/our deposit for $______($500 per person) for ____ person(s) on Inside Croatia & Slovenia departing May 7, 2018. I/We understand the final payment is due at least 95 days prior to departure. Payment may be made by American Express, Discover, MasterCard, VISA, or by personal check. Please make check payable to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., and send, with completed reservation form, to: Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., Attn: Special Interest Groups, One Newton Place, 275 Washington Street, Suite 300, Newton, MA 02458. Or you may call Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. toll-free at 888-370-6765, or fax your reservation to 617-454-9199.

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Home Phone (______)____________________________ Cell Phone (______)__________________________________

E-mail(s) _______________________________________ Badge Name(s) _____________________________________

Please book my/our air from ________________________________ I/We request an air upgrade to _____________

I will share a room with _____________________________________ I request a single room (limited availability) ❑

Post-Tour “Dubrovnik – On Your Own” Extension: Please sign me/us up ❑

Please Note: The undersigned has read the schedule of activities for Inside Croatia & Slovenia, May 7-21, 2018, and agrees that their signature below represents their acceptance of the General Terms and Conditions.

Signature(s) ________________________________________________________________ Date________________

Method of Payment ❑ Check ❑ American Express ❑ Discover ❑ MasterCard ❑ VISA

For your security, DO NOT E-MAIL credit card details. Please call, fax, or mail your credit card information directly to our tour operator.

Account # ________________________________________________________________ Security Code _________ Exp. Date _______________

Name of Cardholder ____________________________________________________________________________

Signature ______________________________________________________________________________________

Final invoicing will be sent by the tour operator, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. The balance of the program price must be paid to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. Final payment is due 95 days prior to departure, and is payable by check or credit card.
GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Please read this information carefully, as payment of a $500 deposit per person represents your acceptance of the following Terms and Conditions.

Not included in Tour Price
Airfare when purchasing a Land Only package; costs of passports and visas; personal expenses such as beverages, laundry, room service, and meals not specified; airport transfers when purchasing a Land Only package; communication charges; gratuities to your Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director, which are at your discretion (suggested gratuities: $10-$15 per traveler, per day; optional sightseeing; and travel protection insurance. Additional baggage fees may apply and are subject to change at any time. You should confirm directly with your airline(s) prior to departure.

Cancellations, Refunds, and Changes
If you must cancel your trip, the effective date of cancellation will be upon Odysseys Unlimited, Inc.’s receipt of your written notification. Refunds for cancellations are subject to the following per person charges:
- cancel 95 days or more before departure: $200 charge;
- cancel 94-65 days before departure: 25% of tour price;
- cancel 64-45 days before departure: 50% of tour price;
- cancel 44-30 days before departure: 75% of tour price;
- cancel 29-0 days before departure: no refund.
If you make any changes to your reservation from 94 to 30 days prior to departure, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. will apply a $100 per person administrative fee, in addition to any fees or penalties imposed by third parties. Changes are subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed. If your reservation changes from double occupancy to single occupancy for any reason, you will be charged the single supplement. No changes are allowed within 30 days of departure. Upon making your reservation, you must provide your full legal name as it appears on your passport, as well as your date of birth and gender. In the event an airline ticket is issued with incorrect information you have provided, you will be responsible for charges associated with the ticket’s reissue.

Responsibility
The liability of the Tufts University Alumni Association, as sponsor, and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., as tour operator, is strictly limited. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., purchases transportation, hotel accommodations, and restaurant and other services from independent suppliers not under our control. We serve only as agents for these suppliers in securing tour arrangements, and therefore will not accept responsibility for wrongful, negligent, or arbitrary acts or omissions of these independent contractors, or of their employees, agents, servants, or representatives. The Tufts University Alumni Association and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., are not liable for injury, damage, loss, accident, or delay that may be caused by events not within our control, including, without limitation, acts of terrorism, war, strikes, the defect of any vehicle, or the negligence or default of any third party. All coupons, receipts, and tickets issued are subject to the terms and conditions specified by the air carriers, cruise lines, and other independent suppliers. We will make every effort to operate our tours as planned, but we reserve the right to make itinerary changes as necessary. If unforeseen circumstances require us to change a hotel, we will select alternative accommodations of the same or better quality.

Health and Medical Issues
We request that you be in good health to participate in this tour. There is a considerable amount of walking, and you must be able to get on and off motorcoaches and boats on your own. We regret that we cannot offer individual assistance; in such cases you must be accompanied by a companion who will assist you. Please note that many of our tour itineraries, for reasons beyond our control, do not accommodate wheelchairs. Please call or e-mail us to inquire and we will do our best to answer any questions you may have. We reserve the right to remove anyone whose physical or mental condition, in our opinion, compromises the operation of the tour or detracts from the enjoyment or safety of the other passengers. In that event, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., and the Tufts University Alumni Association assume no financial responsibility for any unused portion of the tour.

Air Transportation – Important Information
Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., includes in its tour price round-trip economy air from designated gateway cities as shown, and contacts with airlines the company fees provide the level of service, routings, and value necessary for your entire trip. While another airline may offer a more direct connection, it may be at a price unavailable at the lower group rates. You will receive your preliminary air schedule approximately 2½ months prior to departure. Please note that seat assignment on your international flight is usually done at airport check-in. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., is unable to guarantee any seat assignments. Due to the nature of tour operator tickets, other restrictions apply, including, but not limited to, frequent flyer mileage accrual, stopovers, alternate travel dates, upgrades, and airline taxes and fees. If you prefer to make your own travel arrangements, Land Only is available on most tours. Since international and domestic air schedules are subject to change at any time, we recommend that if you choose to make your own airline reservations, you do not purchase non-refundable tickets or those with high penalties for changes. If you choose to make your own air arrangements, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., shall not have any liability for any loss resulting from cancellation of this tour or changes in this tour.