

Croatia Itinerary April 14 - 26, 2026



This itinerary is being specially designed for TahoePhil, and is subject to change.

We hope that you will join us on this thrilling musical journey and thank you for your support!

Tuesday, April 14: Fly to Trieste, Italy, closest Italian city to Croatia!

<u>Wednesday, April 15</u>: Arrive in Trieste, where Central Europe meets the Mediterranean Sea. Transfer to our well equipped hotel & relax before a Welcome Dinner.

<u>Thursday, April 16</u>: Each day starts with a healthy breakfast. This morning, musicians rehearse. Then a walking tour of Trieste's magnificent center including a visit to stunning Miramare Castle on a rocky crag overlooking the Sea.

<u>Friday, April 17</u>: Enjoy a free day in Trieste or an optional excursion to Postojna, site of the longest underground cave system in Europe! Tonight Concert #1 in a magnificent venue such as Cattedrale di San Giusto Martire an early medieval church with soaring bell tower or possibly a collaboration with the Opera House!

<u>Saturday, April 18</u>: Onto Croatia! Drive down the Istrian Peninsula shared by three countries: Croatia, Slovenia, and Italy, 90% being part of Croatia. Visit Rovinj, a fishing village and artisan town dominated by the legendary St. Euphemia church. Sample olive oil and get yourself a tasty lunch. Then, to Pula to walk to the Amphitheater and other highlights. Arrive at the hotel in Opatija and have dinner together.

<u>Sunday, April 19</u>: Perform a concert today in Opatija or possibly Motovun high above sea level where your music will soar over vineyards and forests. Go to the small town of Paladini to learn about truffles and taste them.

Monday, April 20: Enjoy an excursion to Krk, an island connected to the mainland by a bridge. Spend time in the historic heart with narrow cobblestoned streets, medieval buildings and a charming blend of architecture. Stop in a vineyard for Zlahtina wine tasting with a fresh local lunch. Return to Opatija for the night.

<u>Tuesday</u>, <u>April 21</u>: Today is a day of leisure, possibly for Plitvice Lakes!

<u>Wednesday, April 22</u>: Leave Istria and move south to Split in Dalmatia. Stop in Zadar to admire the musical Sea Organ and break for lunch. Check into our lovely hotel in Split. Musicians may want to rehearse tonight.









<u>Thursday, April 23</u>: Split is a lively port town built around the fabulous Roman era Palace that emperor Diocletian built for himself. A local guide will recount the legends and lead us through the storied streets. This evening, perform a concert in Split in a unique local theater or cultural space. The entire city is a living museum with a thriving arts scene.

<u>Friday, April 24</u>: On the way to Dubrovnik, see the Walls of Ston, known as Europe's Great Wall (like China) and learn about the region's oyster and mussel farms. Glide on a boat through Mali Ston Bay and board an "Oyster Bar" for a firsthand look at the cultivation and harvesting process. Taste fresh mollusks straight from the sea and wash them down with Croatian wine. Reach Dubrovnik and check into the beautiful accommodations. This evening, take a stroll to see the city lit at night.

<u>Saturday, April 25</u>: Since the 13th century when it was completed, Dubrovnik has remained basically unchanged. Medieval ramparts surround the Old Town accessed through one of two gates. Cross a stone bridge and you'll be on the broad Stradum promenade. We will work on a final concert here for TahoePhil followed by a festive farewell dinner!

<u>Sunday, April 26</u>: Fly home or extend your stay in Europe. We'll send you off with new friends, fond wishes, and many happy memories of touring with us in Croatia!

