

Greendale Friends Club Presents...



Veneto, Italy



Rijeka, Croatia

New! Allure of the Adriatic: Italy, Slovenia & Croatia

Croatia: Zagreb, Rijeka, Cres, Pula, Rovinj | **Slovenia:** Piran | **Italy:** Trieste, Ravenna, Venice

17 days starting from \$5,645

including international airfare from Boston

Single Supplement: **FREE**

Departure Date: DECEMBER 31, 2026

Return Date: JANUARY 16, 2027

Activity Level:

① ② ③ ④ ⑤ Moderately Easy



ITINERARY SUMMARY

DAYS	DESTINATION
1	Depart U.S.
2-4	Zagreb, Croatia • Embark ship
5-6	Rijeka
7	Cres
8	Pula
9	Trieste, Italy
10	Piran, Slovenia
11-12	Rovinj, Croatia
13	Ravenna, Italy
14-16	Venice
17	Return to U.S.

OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS

Slovenia & Austria:
Lake Bled to Salzburg

PRE-TRIP: 7 nights from **\$2,095**

Romantic Landscapes of Verona
& Lake Como

POST-TRIP: 6 nights from **\$1,795**

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ITINERARY

DAY 1 • Depart U.S.

DAY 2 • Zagreb, Croatia

Upon arrival in Zagreb, you'll be met at the airport and assisted to your hotel. This evening, enjoy a Welcome Drink with your fellow travelers arriving from our *Slovenia & Austria: Lake Bled to Salzburg* pre-trip extension.

Palace Hotel Zagreb or similar

DAY 3 • Explore Zagreb

Embark on a tour of Zagreb, including a visit to the historic Lower Town and a funicular ride to its medieval heart. Your tour concludes at the local open-air market.

Meals: B,D | Palace Hotel Zagreb or similar

DAY 4 • Zagreb • Explore Karlovac • Embark Ship

Set out for the seaside city of Rijeka, where our small ship awaits. Along the way, we'll stop in Karlovac to visit the Museum of the Homeland War. After embarking the ship, you will be invited to the dining room for your Captain's Welcome Dinner.

Meals: B,L,D | M/V Artemis

DAY 5 • Rijeka • Istrian cooking class

Take a walking tour of the city center of Rijeka with a local guide, including the central market. Then enjoy a hands-on Istrian cooking class.

Meals: B,L,D | M/V Artemis

DAY 6 • Rijeka • Optional tour to the hilltop towns of Istria

You have a full day to make your own discoveries in Rijeka. Or, take an optional tour to the hilltop towns of Istria. Your explorations include a visit to Motovun forest, known for its truffles and oak trees; the quaint town of Motovun; and the village of Hum. Your day concludes with a visit to the Museum of Old Crafts, as well as a *rakija* (spirits) and jam tasting.

M/V Artemis

DAY 7 • Cres • Griffon Vulture Rescue Center

Explore the island of Cres with a local guide, eventually making your way to the Griffon Vulture Rescue Center. Cres is one of the last natural habitats of the griffon vulture; as such, the center focuses on both the education and preservation of these birds.

Meals: B,L,D | M/V Artemis



Zagreb, Croatia

IT'S INCLUDED

- 15 nights accommodation, including 10 nights aboard our privately owned, 50-passenger M/V Artemis
- International airfare, airport transfers, government taxes, fees, and airline fuel surcharges, unless you choose to make your own air arrangements
- 38 meals: 15 breakfasts, 11 lunches, 12 dinners—including 1 Home-Hosted Lunch—plus all onboard house beer & wine, as well as soft drinks
- 17 guided tours and cultural experiences
- Gratuities for local guides and motorcoach drivers
- All port charges
- Baggage handling for 1 piece of luggage per person, including tips
- 5% Frequent Traveler Credit toward your next trip

DAY 8 • Explore Pula • Croatia Yesterday and Today conversation

Upon arrival in Pula, learn about Croatia's tumultuous history and hear firsthand experiences during a conversation with a local expert about *Croatia Yesterday and Today*. Then, step ashore in Pula to take a tour of the Roman Amphitheatre with a local guide.

Meals: B,L,D | M/V Artemis

DAY 9 • Trieste, Italy • Conversation about the Foibe Massacre • Risiera di San Sabba

Examine Trieste from different angles today, beginning with Risiera di San Sabba, a former rice-processing factory that was used by the Nazis as a concentration camp and detention center. Next, explore the heart of Trieste on a walking tour. Later, we'll meet a local expert to learn about tensions between Italy, Slovenia, and Croatia, which are said to have worsened with the Foibe Massacre in 1943.

Meals: B,L,D | M/V Artemis



Venice, Italy

DAY 10 • Piran, Slovenia • Tartini Memorial Room • Farm & vineyard visit

Witness the highlights of Piran, Slovenia, during a walking tour that includes a visit to the Tartini Memorial Room, a museum dedicated to the violin virtuoso and composer who called Piran his home. Then, we'll drive to a local farm and vineyard for a tour of the grounds, followed by a farm-fresh lunch and wine tasting.

Meals: B,L,D | M/V Artemis

DAY 11 • Rovinj • A Day in the Life of a rural Croatian farm

See what life is like on a rural Croatian farm during our **NEW A Day in the Life** experience. We'll try our hands at some day-to-day activities before joining members of our host family for a farm-fresh lunch.

Meals: B,L,D | M/V Artemis

DAY 12 • Explore Rovinj • Home-Hosted Lunch • Bale village and olive oil tasting

Uncover the timeless appeal of Rovinj, Croatia during a walking tour. Then, drive to the home of a local family to partake in a **Home-Hosted Lunch**. We'll next visit an olive oil mill in Bale, where you'll learn about olive oil production and sample the products. Our discoveries conclude with a walking tour through Bale.

Meals: B,L,D | M/V Artemis

DAY 13 • Porto Corsini • Ravenna • Balera music performance

During today's tour of Ravenna, you'll witness its architecture and expansive mosaic work, which reflect its history as a papal city. Plus, discover the bustling Piazza del Popolo and visit the San Francesco Basilica and the tomb of the writer, Dante. This evening, enjoy a performance of traditional *balera* music onboard.

Meals: B,L,D | M/V Artemis

DAY 14 • Disembark ship • Venice

After disembarking in Venice, set out on a walking tour to explore the famed "Floating City." After checking into your hotel, the balance of the day is yours.

Meals: B | Palazzo Barocci or similar

DAY 15 • Explore Venice

Visit one of only two remaining traditional gondola-building businesses in the city for a behind-the-scenes look at this traditional art. Then, continue on to a workshop that specializes in handcrafted oars. Afterwards, discover the fascination with these vessels firsthand when you set off on a gondola ride.

Meals: B | Palazzo Barocci or similar

DAY 16 • Venice • Controversial Topic: The impacts of the MOSE Dam with local experts

Take part in conversation with local experts about the **Controversial Topic** of the MOSE Dam project, a scandal plagued barrier designed to protect Venice from rising waters.

Meals: B,D | Palazzo Barocci or similar

DAY 17 • Venice • Return to U.S.

Transfer to the airport for your flight home. Or, join our post-trip extension to *Romantic Landscapes of Verona & Lake Como*.

Meals: B

Please note: Museums and select churches are closed on December 25 and January 1, and the affected departures will feature a slightly modified itinerary.

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2026 Departure Dates & Prices

Additional departure cities are available

Deck		DEPARTURE DEC 31, 2026 RETURN JAN 16, 2026
A	Upper Deck	\$4,795
B		\$4,695
C	Main Deck	\$4,595
D		\$4,395

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Boston	\$1,250
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Additional departure cities are available. Call for details.

Deposit: \$750 Deposit per person.

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