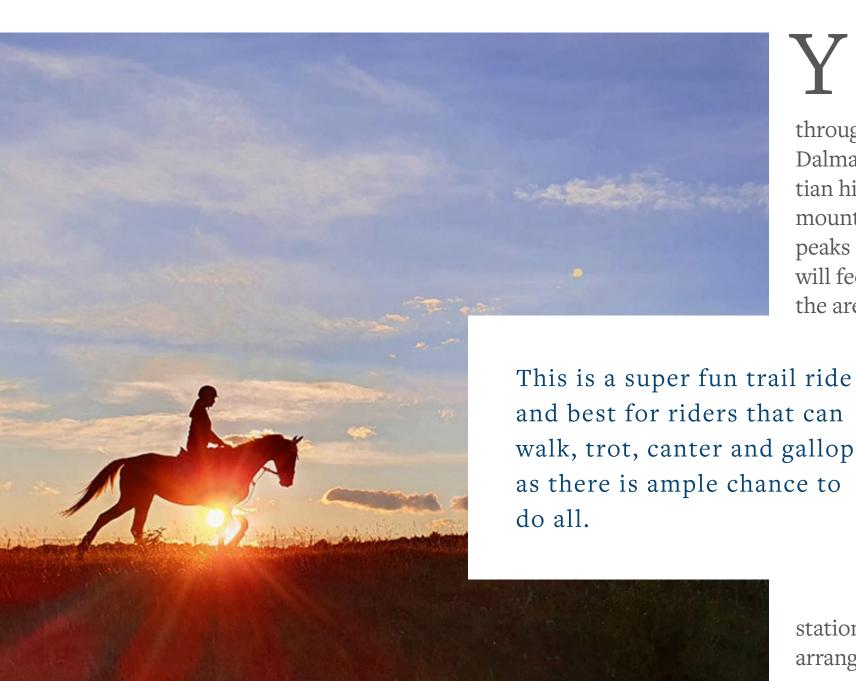


CROATIA'S DALMATIAN HINTERLAND TRAIL RIDE





historical ancient Roman roads and cattle paths through beautiful rural parts of Dalmatia known as the Dalmatian hinterland. Riding next to the mountains Svilaja and Mose and peaks of untouched nature, you will feel like the original settlers of the area as it looks much the same

as past years.

You will also explore the local culture as you pass through small villages full of friendly and hospitable people.

Transfers from Split airport, bus or railway station to the ranch can be arranged upon request.

Optionally, you can visit the city of Split with the UNESCO-protected Diocletian's Palace over 1700 years or a small town of Trogir, which is also under UNESCO protection.



duration: 7 DAYS



2-10 MEMBERS



country CROATIA



airport



accommodation FARMHOUSE



all meals
INCLUDED





Suggested ITINERARY

Day 1 - Saturday

At the ranch, on arrival you can relax with a small snack before dinner. You will also have time to get to know other guests, your host, make new friends and enjoy dinner with homemade wine.

Day 2 - Sunday

Morning starts with breakfast and a hot cup of coffee or tea. After breakfast you will get to know the horses and ride from 2-3 hours discovering the surrounding nature. You will have time to get to know your horse while grooming and/or change horses, if desired. You'll go through the fields where you will canter and gallop through natural pathways. During lunch you will be staying at the ranch and then enjoy downtime to rest, read a book, relax. After your rest you will again ride for another 2-3 hours. After an afternoon of riding you return to the ranch where you can expect a delicious dinner before retiring for the evening.

Day 3 - Monday

After breakfast you will get ready for the trail. You will groom and saddle your horse before riding up the hill Zelovo. This ride lasts just over two-hours where you will have a pleasant lunch and time to relax. After the break you will continue to ride for about 3 to 4 hours through the countryside and to villages where you will have an amazing view of the fields, forests and nearby mountains. After the trail you will return to the ranch for a nice dinner and drinks with your hosts.

Day 4 - Tuesday

After breakfast you will continue to ride to the Svilaja Mountain where you will gallop across the field and go through the Dalmatian villages of Ogorje, Leskur and Milesina. After passing through the villages you will continue on ancient Roman roads to the mountain where you can relax over lunch. After a well-deserved break you mount back up and continue to ride over the mountains to the village Buzov and then through the village Pribude to the ranch where you will enjoy a delicious dinner with the other guests and your hosts.



HORSES
Lipizzaner
European Warmbloods
Arabians

TACK
English (riders tack/untack
their own horses)







Suggested ITINERARY

Day 5 - Wednesday

Today after breakfast you will ride through the fields at the foot of the mountain Svilaja the old villages Crivac and Čavoglave. You will ride the spectacular ancient Roman roads where you have the opportunity to trot, canter and gallop. In the village of Marinići you will pass old wells with clear cool waters and stop to have lunch. After lunch, you can explore the hill above the village which is famous for its caves and underground waters. Later that afternoon riding continues to the field where you will trot and gallop. You will continue over Crivac fields and then return to the ranch through the glades and forest roads.

Day 6 - Thursday

In the morning after breakfast you will get ready for yet another fun trail. The day begins with a gentle trot, riding through the field towards the top of the mountain Svilaja on natural paths. Half way through you will have a delicious lunch and a beverage (1300 meters above sea level). You will then continue to the mountain top Svilaja (1508 m above sea level) where you will enjoy the view of the Perucko, lake Cetina river, Adriatic Sea and nearby islands! This panoramic view is truly breathtaking. After the break you will re-tack your horse and continue down the mountain to the ranch where you will have dinner.

* This itinerary may be changed if necessary due to weather, conditions or other factors out of our control.

Day 7 - Friday

After breakfast we will have you riding the mountain Moseć. You will ride through beautiful fields and pastures at the foot of mountains and streams, and will ride on a gravel road to your lunch destination. After lunch you will ride through the mountain canyon and later return to the ranch where you can rest after the trail and have a delicious dinner and conversation, remembering good experiences during the trail.

Day 8 - Saturday

Departure is scheduled after breakfast or if you want you can visit Split.







RIDING LEVEL

Confidence at the walk, trot and long canters on the trail.

TERRAIN

Open fields, trails, forests, orchards, dry river banks.

The trail may be adjusted from the written itinerary if needed.

INCLUDED:

7 nights accommodation
6 days of guided trail riding
All meals
Drinks with meals
(1 beer or wine with each meal)
Horse and all tack
Guiding services
All local taxes

NOT INCLUDED:

International or domestic flights
Travel insurance
Gratuities for the team
at the end of the stay
Airport transfers to/from the farm
Alcoholic beverages over
the allowed amount

Rider REVIEWS





he week was one on the best riding weeks ever. We had fast & long canters and gallops. This ride is for a rider who is accustomed to riding on trails of varying difficulty. This would not suit a paddock or ring rider. The horses are in great shape and well cared for. It is heart warming to see how much Stipe cares for his horses and attends to their welfare. It is evident all the staff and riders at this center love the center and there is a strong sense of community among them.

The terrain is quite varied, from rocky dry expanses with low level scrubs to lush green fields to forests. We rode through a herd of cattle wandering the countryside. There are beautiful stone walls all throughout the countryside and remnants of historic stone houses.

Stipe anticipates your needs and desires. He goes above and beyond in making you comfortable, welcomed and feel a part of the family. Videos and pictures are posted daily of your rides. He is fun and always in a jovial mood. His mom cooks homemade meals and Stipe cooks breakfast to meet your individual tastes. There is more food than you could possibly eat.

The whole family contributes to make your stay a great experience. His grandmother made fresh cheese and butter. His sister made jelly preserves for us. All meals included fresh vegetables from their garden. One meal was fresh trout caught that morning and cooked over an open fire. I will definitely do a repeat visit to this magical place! **Louise G.**