



EXPLORE ISTRIA AND TRUFFLES ADD-ON

3 DAYS 2 NIGHTS

Autumn and early Winter is the season of truffles. This is the only period when you can taste the elusive white truffle, one of World's most exclusive delicacy. Spend 3 days in Istria and enjoy the truffles, quaint little towns in the inland area and picture perfect Venetian style towns dotted along the coastline. Istria is heaven for food lovers – here you will find not only truffles, but also oysters, some of World's best olive oil, all kind of fish, ...

WHEN: Most operators only offer white truffles on the menu and truffle hunting from September 15 until December 15, because this is when white truffles can be guaranteed.

DAY 1: POREC - ROVINJ

Arrive to Istria from either Slovenian side or from Zagreb or Opatija. Today we will visit coastal cities in the North part of the peninsula. Your first stop will be **Porec**, a small coastal town which is famous for Euphrasian Basilica, which is under UNESCO protection. Afterwards head towards **Rovinj**, which is often said to be the most beautiful town in Istria. Make a city tour of Rovinj and enjoy your truffles meal for dinner (pasta with truffles). Stay overnight in Rovinj or other nearby coastal town.



DAY 2: ROVINJ – LIVADE (TRUFFLE HUNTING) – MOTOVUN – LIM CANAL (OYSTERS) - ROVINJ

Today will be a gourmet day. In the morning we will head towards **Livade** where we will enjoy truffle hunting with a specialized dog and expert guide. After truffle hunting we will enjoy truffle meal in one of Michelin recommended restaurant – where you will be able to taste white truffle and all three courses (including desert) will include truffle component.



Next head towards **Motovun**, a quaint little town perched high up on the hill. You will take a shuttle bus up to the top of the hill and visit this pretty little town. Next head towards **Lim canal**, often nicknamed as fjord because of resemblance to fjords in Scandinavia. Lim canal is famous for oysters and you will taste oysters and enjoy a boat ride through the canal. Afterwards head back to the hotel and enjoy dinner at hotel and relaxing evening.



DAY 3: ROVINJ – PULA (OPTIONAL BRIJUNI NATIONAL PARK) - HUM

Our last day in Istria. In the morning head towards **Pula**, the largest city in Istria. You will visit one of the largest Amphitheaters and walk through the old part of the city. After the city tour of Pula enjoy your lunch. You could also make a trip to **Brijuni National Park**, archipelago just a short boat ride away from Pula. There are no cars on the island, but there is an electric 'train' that will take you around the main island. The island used to be summer residence of former Yugoslav president Tito and used to host a wide variety of famous politicians as well as Hollywood stars. Islands are an open air zoo, where zebras, deers and other animals roam around freely. You will also find many old roman ruins here. Return back to the land by a short boat ride and then proceed on in direction to Slovenia, Opatija and on towards Plitvice National Park or Zagreb. In case you are short of time you could visit **Hum** (the smallest village in Croatia) and have truffle meal there before heading on to your next destination.

