



Tour Name

Private Split: Wars, Warriors & Reforms Tour

Tour City

Split

Tour Snapshot

Take a trip through time on a history-focussed tour of Split that starts with Diocletian and ends with the fall of Yugoslavia. Chat with a local who saw the 90's conflicts first-hand and share stories about Croatian culture and daily life over a tasty local snack and a coffee.

This tour is priced for a minimum group size of two travellers. A solo traveller may still book this private experience but will be charged the base rate for two travellers.

Highlights

- Learn about the modern history of Croatia from a guide who lived through it
- Hear the stories of political upheaval that led to the fall of Yugoslavia
- Visit Split's most iconic historical site: Diocletian's Palace
- Learn about Roman emperor Diocletian and how his reforms shaped Croatia
- Enjoy a tasty Croatian snack and a cup of coffee as we chat about Split's colourful past

Inclusions: Local English-speaking guide, entrance fees to the cathedral/mausoleum and underground of the palace, local snacks

Exclusions: Additional food and drinks, items of a personal nature, tips/gratuities for your guide.

Schedule details

- Duration: 3 hours
- Meeting point:
Beginning of the Riva (Promenade) near the mock-up model of the city, Split 21000
- Find the exact meeting point with what3words: [///limbs.abruptly.explains](https://www.what3words.com/limbs.abruptly.explains)
- Starting time: 9.00 AM
- Ending point:
Riva (Promenade)

Full Itinerary

From the ancient Roman era to the 1990s fall of Yugoslavia, there's a lot of history to discover in Croatia — and we're cramming it all in on this epic Split tour that takes you time-travelling through more than 2,000 years of history.

The Roman emperor Diocletian landed in the pages of history as a great reformer, and an enlightened mind who was not afraid of changes... or their consequences. Yet some might say Diocletian's most notable move wasn't his many reforms, but the fact that he voluntarily resigned and retired at the end of his 21-year reign, something unheard of among Roman rulers. We'll learn about the legacy left by the emperor with a visit to the monumental Diocletian's Palace. This UNESCO World Heritage site has stood as a witness to many changes in Split's history, and you'll learn surprising facts about the palace grounds — like how the ancient property is still inhabited today.

We'll then fast-forward to Croatia's modern history, with the Yugoslavian break-up and the War of Independence. It was a time when brave people fought for their freedom and weren't afraid of the consequences — much like ancient Diocletian, who had left his mark on the Balkans so many years before. This era brought in a clear vision of what the new state would be, and kick-started deep political reforms that would forever change the future of this region.

But don't worry, we're not going to make this a history lecture! Instead, we're going to chat to a local about their experiences during the wars in the 1990s, over a tasty snack and a coffee.

Your tour ends here but before you go, don't forget to ask your local guide for tips on what else to see, do and eat during your stay in Split.

Additional information

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Dress standard: Both men and women should bring modest clothing that covers your knees and shoulders if they wish to enter the cathedral. Comfortable walking shoes are recommended for this tour.

Confirmation of booking: If you have your voucher, your booking is confirmed. We'll see you at the start point. Get in touch if you have any concerns or require more information via the email address or phone number (business hours only) on your voucher.

Child Policy: This is a child-friendly tour. Children between the ages of 6 and 11 inclusively are permitted on this tour at the rate listed above. Please select 'child' above when booking. Children under the age of 6 are permitted to join this tour free of charge. Please inform us at the time of booking if you'll be bringing a child under the age of 6. You can do so in the special request box on the checkout page.

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