
Makarska

Makarska is a city, a port and the tourist center of Makarska riviera. It is situated at the foot of the mountain Biokovo, in a vast bay which is enclosed on south-east by Osejava cape, and on north-west by St. Peter peninsula. This city, surrounded by gorgeous pinewood is one of the most famous touristic destinations of Croatian coast. It attracts tourists not just with its nature beauties but also with an extremely mild climate and rich touristic offer. The city consists of the old Mediterranean core and of the newer part with different hotels, restaurants and stores. In Donja Luka, there is a 1500 m long pebble beach and lot of sand lagoons.

Along the port and the city beach there is a wide sand beach surrounded with lots of stores, cafes, restaurants, pastry shops and live music playing.

Makarska has a rich cultural and historical heritage. There is the Franciscan monastery celebrating 500 years of existence located in the area of former Benedictian abbey. There is the Malakoloski museum with unique and rich collection of shells (around 10,000 pieces). The monastery has a library, an archive and a big collection of Baroque arts and paintings. The Baroque church of St. Mark is situated in the town square. There is also the most beautiful Baroque building in town- the Ivanisevic palace. By the coastline you can find the City museum and St. Philip's church. In the nearby park of St. Peter, the renewed church of St. Peter is located, from there you can enjoy a beautiful view of the city, Biokovo and the sea.

For everyone interested in sports and recreation, sea and land sports practicing is available. There is also a modern tennis center where the world tournaments are held.

For all of those interested in extreme sports there are: paragliding (parachute and kite flying), rock climbing, hiking, mountain biking, tracking (on bike), speleology, wind surfing, diving...

The recreational-health tourism is developed in Makarska.

Makarska is well known for its numerous cultural and entertaining events and its cheerful night life. Makarska summer culture festival is a traditional event that (within 50 days during the summer) combines concerts, exhibitions, theater plays and city festivities (Fishing nights and Night of Kalelarga). Dalmatian harmony singing nights, folk nights with mandolin and guitar are held during the summer, and in the beginning of August the traditional Summer carnival takes place. The townquay of Makarska is getting more and more vivid by night, and cafe bars, restaurants and disco-bars more and more full. There are lots of cocktail bars attracting young people with parties till dawn.