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DO NOT TRAVEL READ ONLY ONE PAGE.”

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Slovenia Discovery

8 DAYS

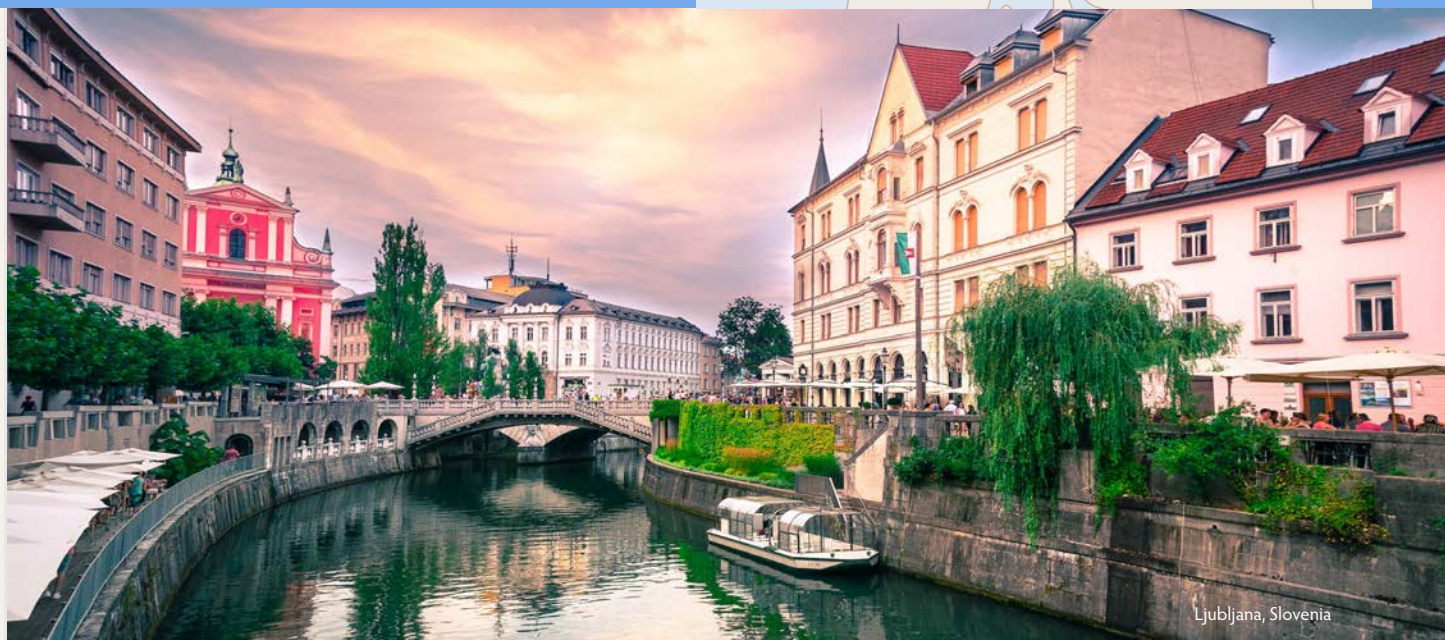
A tiny country nestled between the Alps and the Adriatic, Slovenia is a charming little-known paradise that offers the pristine, glacial Lake Bled surrounded by mountains and forests, beautiful Vintgar Gorge carved by a crystal-clear river, the world's most extensive caves and a stunning coastline dotted with picturesque villages. Discover all these natural treasures plus impressive Castles and a wine region boasting the world's oldest vine. Slovenia ... simply beautiful and awaiting your discovery.



Ormina Highlights & Inclusions

- > The complete Slovenian experience: Ljubljana, Lake Bled, Štajerska wine region, castles, caves and the picturesque Adriatic coast.
- > 7 nights in exquisite 4 and 5-star hotels.
- > 7 breakfasts (B), 4 lunches (L).
- > Guided sightseeing of Ljubljana, Lake Bled, Triglav National Park and Piran.
- > Lunch and wine tasting in the Štajerska wine region.
- > Lunch on Lake Bled served with a spectacular view.
- > Experience Lake Bled by traditional Slovenian Pletna boat with visit to Bled Island.
- > Visit Triglav National Park including Vintgar Gorge, Šum Waterfall and Lake Jasna.
- > Tour Predjama Castle with audio-guide.
- > Guided group tour of Postojna Cave.
- > Visit the charming towns of Ptuj, Maribor, Škofja Loka, Kranjska Gora and Piran.
- > Entrance to Ljubljana Castle, Ptuj Castle, Loka Castle and Museum, Lake Bled Castle, Church of the Assumption, Triglav National Park, Church of St George Bell Tower and Piran's medieval walls.
- > Deluxe VIP transport including arrival transfer on the first day.
- > Note: hotel city taxes, if applicable, are not included.

TOUR FOCUS



DAY 1 Ljubljana

Tucked between Italy, Austria and Croatia, Slovenia may be small and relatively undiscovered, but it delivers pristine alpine villages, cliffside castles, emerald lakes and a stunning coastline. On arrival, transfer to your wonderful hotel and enjoy the rest of the day to explore the pedestrian friendly historic centre with cafés lining the banks of the Ljubljana River, beautiful Plečnik designed buildings, museums and a vibrant atmosphere.

STAY **3** NIGHTS: Intercontinental Ljubljana 5-star or similar

DAY 2 Ljubljana (B, L)

Enjoy a guided walking tour of Ljubljana's old town including the Kresija Building, Robba Fountain, Ljubljana Cathedral, Ljubljana Castle, Town Square, Cobblers Bridge, Triple Bridge, Franciscan Church of the Annunciation, Prešeren Square and Dragon Bridge. Afterward, enjoy a welcome lunch at a local restaurant. The rest of the day is available to enjoy at your leisure. With so many Museums in the city, enticing options include the National Museum of Slovenia and The Museum of Modern Art.



Predjama Castle, Slovenia



Vintgar Gorge, Triglav National Park, Slovenia



Predjama Castle, Slovenia

DAY 3 Ljubljana – Ptuj – Maribor – Ljubljana (B, L)

Enjoy a full day excursion to the Slovenian countryside including the Štajerska wine region. Start with a brief visit to Ptuj, the oldest town in Slovenia, famed for its annual pagan Korant Carnival. Explore Ptuj Castle overlooking the town before continuing to the Štajerska wine region known for its aromatic whites. The landscape around Špičnik, is characterised by beautiful vineyards nestled on rolling hills including the famous heart-shaped road 'Heart of Slovenia'. Enjoy a gourmet wine tasting lunch at a renowned restaurant. Finish with leisure time in Maribor, a medieval pedestrian village that boasts 'Stara Trta', the world's oldest vine at 400 years, before returning to Ljubljana.



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Visit the beautiful Štajerska wine region for wine-tasting and a delicious gourmet lunch, followed by a visit to Maribor to see the oldest vine in the World.

DAY 4 Ljubljana – Škofja Loka – Lake Bled (B, L)

Visit the town of Škofja Loka to explore Loka Castle, Loka Museum and the town square's famous pastel-hued 16th century houses. Continue to Lake Bled, set in a picturesque location surrounded by mountains and forests. On arrival, visit Bled Castle, the oldest in Slovenia dating to 1011AD, followed by an organised lunch with a magnificent view of the Lake. In the afternoon, take a cruise on Lake Bled on a traditional Pletna and visit the Island's historic church. The rest of the day is available at leisure to absorb the breath-taking scenery.

STAY **2** NIGHTS: Rikli Balance Hotel 4-star or similar



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Experience Lake Bled with a guided tour of Bled Castle, lunch with a wonderful view and lake excursion boat ride on a Pletna, the traditional Slovenian boat.

DAY 5 Lake Bled – Triglav National Park – Kranjska Gora – Lake Bled (B)

Today, discover more of Slovenia's stunning natural beauty. Enjoy a guided visit to the Triglav National Park and the 1600 metre Vintgar Gorge which features sheer canyon walls between 50 and 100 metres in height. Also visit the picturesque Šum Waterfall, the largest river waterfall in Slovenia. Continue to the alpine resort of Kranjska Gora for an independent lunch before finishing with the gorgeous emerald-green Lake Jasna surrounded by stunning alps.

DAY 6 Lake Bled – Predjama Castle – Postojna Caves – Portorož (B)

Depart Lake Bled for a visit of Predjama Castle, built within a cave mouth to make access difficult. The structure dates to the 13th century and features a hidden passageway. Continue to Postojna Caves, Queen of the underground world. Experience a fascinating subterranean paradise shaped by tiny water droplets over millions of years. The caves are also home to 'baby dragons', the rare and unusual olm, found only in the Dinaric karst. After your tour, continue to the charming coastline to check into your seaside hotel.

STAY **2** NIGHTS: Kempinski Palace Portorož 5-star or similar

DAY 7 Portorož – Piran – Portorož (B, L)

Enjoy a guided morning walking tour of Piran, known for its long pier, Venetian architecture and narrow streets. The old town is one of the best-preserved historical towns on the Adriatic. The tour includes Tratini Square and the Church of St George and provides stunning views from the medieval city walls and the Bell Tower of St George. Afterward, enjoy a closing tour lunch and the rest of the day to enjoy at leisure before returning to your hotel

DAY 8 Portorož (B)

If you are not extending your stay with us on a back-to-back small group journey or a private extension to Lipica horse stud farm, to Ljubljana, Italy or Croatia, your tour ends on hotel check-out.

Departures and Pricing

2024

2025

STARTS	ENDS	PRICE*	STARTS	ENDS	PRICE*
Ljubljana	Portorož	Twin Share per person	Ljubljana	Portorož	Twin Share per person
7-May-24	14-May-24	\$5,990	6-May-25	13-May-25	\$6,290
11-Jun-24	18-Jun-24	\$5,990	10-Jun-25	17-Jun-25	\$6,290
2-Jul-24	9-Jul-24	\$5,990	1-Jul-25	8-Jul-25	\$6,290
30-Jul-24	06-Aug-24	\$5,990	29-Jul-25	5-Aug-25	\$6,290
10-Sep-24	17-Sep-24	\$5,990	9-Sep-25	16-Sep-25	\$6,290
24-Sep-24	1-Oct-24	\$5,990	23-Sep-25	30-Sep-25	\$6,290
Single Supplement \$3,100			Single Supplement \$3,100		

* All prices are listed in AUD unless otherwise stated.
Prices in other currencies are available on our website.



A Beautiful Croatia and Slovenia Discovery



Venice, Italy

SLOVENIA DISCOVERY



KEMPINSKI PALACE PORTOROŽ

STAY **2** NIGHTS

- > This 5-star luxury hotel combines early 20th century historic heritage and grandeur with modern elegance to firmly position itself as the premiere resort on the Slovenian coast.

Extend your stay

OUR MOST POPULAR TOUR EXTENSIONS

PRE-TOUR RECOMMENDATIONS

- A Beautiful Croatia** Small Group Journey (11 Days)
 - > Discover the Adriatic coastline with a popular pre-tour through Croatia with our Beautiful Croatia Small Group Journey.
 - > Covering the full length of Croatia including Dubrovnik, Hvar, Split, Plitvice Lakes National Park and Istria including Rovinj.

Priced from \$7,690 pp. Explore more on page 43.

Classic Italy

- Small Group Journey (7 Days)
 - > Combine Slovenia with our Classic Italy tour with 2 days between tours to spend in say Venice or Trieste.
 - > Delivering Italy's must-see cities of Venice, Florence and Rome, as well as select Tuscan villages.

Priced from \$5,690 pp. Explore more on page 11.

POST-TOUR RECOMMENDATIONS

Venice City Break (4 Days)

- > Explore Venice as a post-tour tailored itinerary with a private transfer from Ljubljana or Piran.
- > Visit the main sites including Piazza San Marco, Saint Mark's Basilica, Doge's Palace, Rialto Bridge and Grand Canal; take a day trip to the islands of Murano, Burano and Torcello; and experience an iconic gondola ride.

Priced from \$3,599 pp. Explore more on page 62.

Emilia-Romagna Regional Discovery (6 Days)

- > Continue your adventure into Emilia-Romagna to visit producers of Italy's most important foods such as prosciutto, Modena balsamic vinegar and Parmesan cheese. Also visit Antica Corte Pallavicina for a Michelin star lunch.
- > The region also boasts the medieval towns of Bologna and Ravenna that played significant roles in Italy's history.

Priced from \$5,245 pp. Explore more on page 67.