

Croatia, Under Sail Aboard Le Ponant

From 08/08/2026
to 15/08/2026

Ship: *Le Ponant*

From Dubrovnik
to Dubrovnik



Le Ponant, the first Relais & Châteaux sailing yacht, like the finest travel address on the waters of the world.

“Eternity. It is the sea mingled with the sun”, according to a poem by Rimbaud. Whether you are a lover of the sea or a curious traveller, experience once again the indescribable joy of navigating under sail, bathed by the wind and sea spray, surrounded by the elements. Take your place aboard *Le Ponant*, a majestic three-mast yacht with elegant lines and an interior design created by the Jean-Philippe Nuel studio to be a warm and intimate setting with a very distinctive personality. As if you were on your very own yacht, match your inner *tempo* to the boat’s subtle oscillations and savour the freedom of living in the moment, being fully present for your trip.

Aboard its emblematic yacht, PONANT is reshaping the contours of cruising and invites you to experience a new way of discovering the wonderful Mediterranean shores, between olive groves and sun-drenched vines. From unique and iconic ports of call to private moments, experience the very essence of the Mediterranean and welcome the unexpected like a breath of freedom.

At full sail, you will slice through the water and approach the mineral shores of Croatia and Montenegro. Pomalo - meaning “take it easy” in Croatian - sets the tone here. Incredible landscapes, emblematic cities, and little-known islands will reveal themselves to you as the wind carries you off the beaten path.

Korcula will arouse your curiosity during the *Moreška*, a spectacular sword dance, and delight you with intense aromas and flavours when you meet small producers of honey, wine or award-winning olive oil. Propelled by the wind, *Le Ponant* will take you, carefree, from island to island.

Far from the crowds, discover **Vis** through its singular history with the thrill of first times.

In **Stari Grad**, experience all the emotion of an exceptional concert of Croatian traditional singing called *klapa*.

Let the golden hour work its magic and rediscover **Dubrovnik**, the pearl of the Adriatic, in the glow of the sun setting over the saffron rooftops of the old city. The cultural traditions and gastronomy authentically convey the richness of the Croatian heritage.

Sailing in the monumental **Bay of Kotor**, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, will leave you speechless at the beauty of nature.

The activities, designed for you and with you, create possibilities for returning to what is essential, in a setting conducive to contemplation.

At your own pace, immerse yourself in wild and stunning panoramas, away from the crowds, and enjoy moments spent in harmony with nature: glass-bottom kayaking, snorkelling, paddle-boarding*.

**The activities on offer will be confirmed on board by the captain according to the weather conditions, the itinerary and the cruise plan.*



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YOUR STOPOVERS :

DUBROVNIK

Embarkation 08/08/2026 from 16:00 to 17:00

Departure 08/08/2026 at 18:00

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MLJET

Arrival 09/08/2026

Departure 09/08/2026 evening

Discover **Mljet Island** off the Pelješac peninsula. Known for its **national park** and its protected forests, this Croatian splendid, pristine island offers many opportunities for walking with bays linked to two salt water lakes. On the largest lake, Veliko Jezero, a small island is home to an old Benedictine monastery.

KOMIZA, VIS ISLAND

Arrival 10/08/2026 early morning

Departure 10/08/2026 late morning

Korčula will unveil itself in the softness of the evening, a superb mediaeval town whose fortifications have stunning views over the Pelješac peninsula. Take the time to lose yourself in its small pedestrian streets and admire its historical monuments, such as the Revelin Tower or the Cathedral of St. Mark. Allow yourself to be caught up by emotions during a private performance of *Moreška*, a spectacular traditional sword dance, which originates in Korčula.

VIS, VIS ISLAND

Arrival 10/08/2026 early afternoon

Departure 10/08/2026 early evening

Discover the beauty of **Vis** on the island of the same name, an unspoilt haven that has been timidly opened to tourism since 1990, following Croatia's independence. Fall under the spell of its historical heritage, which includes Roman ruins

and Venetian architecture. Simplicity and authenticity are the watchwords of this rural territory, which is geared towards organic agriculture as well as responsible viticulture and fishing.

STARI GRAD, HVAR ISLAND

Arrival 11/08/2026 at night

Departure 11/08/2026 evening

You will sail towards the popular island of **Hvar**, for a day in **Stari Grad**, an intimate port of call that is off the beaten track. Let your feelings guide you and discover this pretty city located at the end of a fertile plain, planted with vines and olive groves, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The organisation of its parcels, marked out by dry stone walls that punctuate the landscape, goes back to ancient times. Wander around the small streets at your leisure, discovering the town's pretty boutiques and gourmet restaurants.

KORCULA

Arrival 12/08/2026 early morning

Departure 12/08/2026 evening

This harbour town has a very special location, presiding on a spur on the north-eastern coast of the island of Korčula. The ramparts in its medieval district provide perfect vantage points over the Pelješac peninsula. To get there, you can take the monumental staircase in the **Revelin Tower**. Another way is to climb the steps in the shade of palm trees from the **Morska Vrata** (Marine portal). As you make your way through the little streets, you'll see the bell-tower of **Saint Mark's cathedral** rise above you. This landmark will help you locate the **house** where **Marco Polo** was born. The island also has some of its own famous wines like the red Plavac and the white Posip.

SIPAN ISLAND

Arrival 13/08/2026 early morning

Departure 13/08/2026 midday

You will discover **Šipan**, a discreet island in the **Elaphites archipelago** and a picturesque fishing port where time seems to stand still. Let yourself fall under the spell of this naturally wooded beautiful oasis and its sun-soaked hillsides. Nicknamed the "golden island" for its fertile land, it is covered in vines as well as olive, almond, lemon and orange trees. In this authentic natural setting, you will enjoy the charm of one its beaches, sheltered from the world, for a moment of swimming.

DUBROVNIK

Arrival 13/08/2026 mid afternoon

Departure 13/08/2026 late evening

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SAILING IN THE BAY OF KOTOR

Arrival 14/08/2026

Departure 14/08/2026

As the sun fades, *Le Ponant* will drop anchor near the old town of **Dubrovnik**. Aboard a Zodiac, you will reach the mediaeval city and enjoy the outstanding panorama over the white-stone town, at the time when the evening light reflects its warm tonalities on the tiled roofs. Enjoy this unique moment and stroll along the ramparts where some of the evening's visitors will still be walking. Take the time to lose yourself in this magnificent historical centre and discover charming boutiques as you wander through the small streets.

TIVAT

Arrival 14/08/2026 late morning

Departure 14/08/2026 evening

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DUBROVNIK

Arrival 15/08/2026 early morning

Disembarkation 15/08/2026 at 08:00

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