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Istria & Kvarner

Yacht Charter Guide

CRAFTING SIGNATURE CHARTER YACHT EXPERIENCES

Best Yacht Charter Istria & Kvarner
Region: Mediterranean
Gateways: PUY - RJK - ZAD
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ISTRIA & KVARNER

Overview

Istria & Kvarner remains one of the world's most requested yacht charter ecosystems - short legs between Western Istria, dense shore life around ACI Marina Rovinj, and berths that reward early planning. The challenge is not finding beauty; it is sequencing marinas, Red Island / Sv. Andrija and tables like Monte so the week feels effortless. This is the broker's operational view of Istria & Kvarner for the current season.

Private yacht charter in Istria & Kvarner via PUY / RJK. Charter a yacht for a week - berths, day-anchors and shore days by Blue Ocean Club.

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WHEN TO GO

Season & rhythm

- How a Istria & Kvarner week actually runs.: A choreographed operation - ACI Marina Rovinj, tenders and tables locked before wheels-down.
- Embark ready: APA open, crew briefed, transfer timed to ACI Marina Rovinj.
- Coastal cadence: Morning toys at Red Island / Sv. Andrija, held lunch, short reposition through Western Istria, quiet overnight.
- Concierge lock: Monte and Mulini Beach confirmed weeks out.
- When to berth. When to anchor.: In Istria & Kvarner, quay nights buy access; hook nights buy privacy.
- Quay nights: Harbour energy at ACI Marina Rovinj, walk-ashore dinners, event visibility.
- At anchor: Red Island / Sv. Andrija - swim platforms, quiet mornings, tender-only shore calls.
- The usual play: One or two quay nights; the rest swinging in protected water.

ON THE WATER

Cruising grounds

Western Istria
Rovinj-Vrsar-Pore limestone and Venetian towns.

Pula & Brijuni
National-park islets and amphitheatre city nights.

Cres-Loinj channel
Kvarner blue-water legs and dolphin waters.

Rab & Krk
Sandy coves and Punat service base.

QUAY NIGHTS

Marinas & berthing

ACI Marina Rovinj
Flagship Istrian ACI - Old Town postcard overnight. - Max LOA ~50 m - Draft ~4.5 m - Gateway PUY - Transfer 35-50 min from PUY - Peak lead: 4-12 weeks for peak season slips

ACI Marina Pula
Arena-city marina - southern Istria embark. - Max LOA ~45 m - Draft ~4.5 m - Gateway PUY - Transfer 10-20 min from PUY - Peak lead: 4-12 weeks for peak season slips

Cres Town / ACI Cres berths
Cres island marina - Kvarner gateway. - Max LOA ~40 m - Draft ~4.5 m - Gateway RJK - Transfer Ferry / coastal hop from Rijeka - Peak lead: 4-12 weeks for peak season slips

Marina Punat / Rab approaches
Punat on Krk - Rab town quay as day/overnight alternative. - Max LOA ~45 m - Draft ~4.5 m - Gateway RJK - Transfer 45-70 min from RJK - Peak lead: 4-12 weeks for peak season slips

Istria & Kvarner Hub Berths
Pillar-retained secondary berthing capacity for Istria & Kvarner ecosystem maps. - Max LOA ~50 m - Draft ~4.5 m - Gateway PUY - Transfer 35-50 min from PUY - Peak lead: 4-12 weeks for peak season slips

DAY WATER

Anchorages

Red Island / Sv. Andrija
Rovinj day-hook classic.

Brijuni park approaches
Permit waters near Pula - captain arranges.

Valun / Cres west
Quiet Cres overnight alternative.

Lopar sand coves, Rab
Shallow sand day-stops on Rab's north.

Lim Fjord approaches
Istrian fjord day call - draft aware.

SHORE TABLES

Restaurants

Monte
Rovinj
Fine Istrian tasting - book weeks ahead for yacht parties.

Wine Vault
Rovinj
Cellar dining near the ACI.

Farabuto
Pula
Modern Istrian plates in the arena city.

Konoba Hibiscus
Cres
Island konoba after a channel hop.

Astoria
Rab Town
Riva dining for Rab quay nights.

DAY ASHORE

Beach clubs

Mulini Beach
Rovinj
Design hotel beach day by tender or stroll.

Lone / Monte Mulini decks
Rovinj
Resort shore lunch when the Old Town densifies.

Sahara / Paradise beach Rab
Rab
Sand-beach day on the island's north.

TRANSFERS

Airport to gangway.

We choreograph PUY / RJK arrivals into ACI Marina Rovinj transfers.

Helicopter / GA
Private hops from PUY / RJK when Istria & Kvarner supports coastal helipads or GA strips. PUY corridor RJK corridor ZAD corridor

Chauffeur
SUV / S-Class briefed on ACI Marina Rovinj gates - timed to embarkation. To ACI Marina Rovinj (35-50 min from PUY) To ACI Marina Pula (10-20 min from PUY)

Door-to-deck options are confirmed against your embarkation slot.

NUMBERS - ISTRIA & KVARNER

VAT & APA - Istria & Kvarner short version.

On a Istria & Kvarner charter the base fee is only the starting line. Budget tax treatment and a realistic APA before you lock dates.

VAT / tax
Croatia EU VAT applies; Istria/Kvarner programmes often embark ACI Rovinj or Punat - confirm commercial charter paperwork with the broker.

APA
For Istria & Kvarner in high season, budget APA at roughly 30-40% of the base charter fee covering fuel, berths, food and concierge extras.

What we send PAs

A line-item estimate before deposit, then a live APA report from the captain during the week.

WITHIN THIS COAST

Local guides

Rovinj

Rovinj is a core Istria & Kvarner charter stop - marina nights, day-anchors and shore tables we hold in advance. Berth context: ACI Marina Rovinj - Day-anchor: Red Island / Sv. Andrija - Table: Monte

Pula

Pula is a core Istria & Kvarner charter stop - marina nights, day-anchors and shore tables we hold in advance. Berth context: ACI Marina Pula - Day-anchor: Brijuni park approaches - Table: Wine Vault

Cres

Cres is a core Istria & Kvarner charter stop - marina nights, day-anchors and shore tables we hold in advance. Berth context: Cres Town / ACI Cres berths - Day-anchor: Valun / Cres west - Table: Farabuto

Rab

Rab is a core Istria & Kvarner charter stop - marina nights, day-anchors and shore tables we hold in advance. Berth context: Marina Punat / Rab approaches - Day-anchor: Lopar sand coves, Rab - Table: Konoba Hibiscus

EXPLORE FURTHER

Child destinations

- Rovinj - Crewed yacht charter in Rovinj - berths, day-anchors and shore days our captains favour inside Istria & Kvarner.
- Pula - Crewed yacht charter in Pula - berths, day-anchors and shore days our captains favour inside Istria & Kvarner.
- Cres - Crewed yacht charter in Cres - berths, day-anchors and shore days our captains favour inside Istria & Kvarner.
- Rab - Crewed yacht charter in Rab - berths, day-anchors and shore days our captains favour inside Istria & Kvarner.

BEFORE YOU FLY

FAQ

What does it cost to charter a yacht in Istria & Kvarner?

Yacht charter cost in Istria & Kvarner depends on LOA, season and hull class. As an indicative band, crewed motor yachts often sit from the mid five-figures per week upward before APA (typically ~25-35% of base for fuel, berthing and provisions), VAT where applicable, and crew gratuity. We set an honest range before contract - not a fake nightly rate.

Which marina should we embark from in Istria & Kvarner?

ACI Marina Rovinj is the most common embarkation for Istria & Kvarner, with fallbacks when LOA or events block the preferred quay.

Can you charter a superyacht in Istria & Kvarner?

Yes - superyacht charter in Istria & Kvarner is available when berths and LOA fit. We shortlist hulls against ACI Marina Rovinj capacity and your itinerary, then hold peak slips before you fly.

How long should a yacht charter week in Istria & Kvarner be?

A week yacht charter in Istria & Kvarner is the standard unit - seven nights gives room for marina nights, day-anchors and one weather buffer. Day charter is available for shorter windows when the fleet allows.

How far ahead should we book berths in Istria & Kvarner?

For peak season and event weeks around Istria & Kvarner, 4-12 weeks is typical for larger yachts; shoulder season is more flexible. We open the berth conversation with the yacht shortlist.

What does APA usually cover on a Istria & Kvarner charter?

Fuel, berthing, food and beverage, and most guest concierge extras. Tax context for Istria & Kvarner: Croatia EU VAT applies; Istria/Kvarner programmes often embark ACI Rovinj or Punat - confirm commercial charter paperwork with the broker. We set an indicative APA band before contract.

OPERATIONAL

Mooring notes

ACI Marina Rovinj

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ACI Marina Pula

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Cres Town / ACI Cres berths

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Berth fees, APA budgets and event lead times are indicative and move with LOA, season and harbour policy. Blue Ocean Club confirms live figures in writing before deposit. Not a substitute for captain pilotage or marina contracts.

ENQUIRE

Begin a conversation.

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