

Croatian Cruise with Robert Schoch 22 – 29 July 2018

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Tentative Itinerary

Day One (Sunday, 22 July 2018): Trogir

Check in at 1:00 PM in Trogir, City Harbor. Meet and greet, welcome drink & light snack. After settling into the cabins, departure around 2:30 PM toward Zlarin.

Arrival at Zlarin around 5pm – free time for sightseeing. Lecture after dinner.

Lecture topic: The Origins of Civilization – Questioning the Status Quo

Day Two (Monday, 23 July 2018): Kornati

After breakfast, departure for a panoramic cruise through **National Park Kornati** and **Nature Park Telašćica**. Upon arrival, free time for swimming in the nearby bays and beaches. Lunch & dinner on board. Dock overnight at the village of Sali on the island Dugi Otok.

Lecture topic: The Paradigm Begins to Crack: Re-dating the Great Sphinx of Egypt

Day Three (Tuesday, 24 July 2018): Zadar

After breakfast we visit the mysterious town of Asseria, one of the largest and best preserved **megalithic sites** in Europe!

More than one researcher remarked that the **monumental walls** are reminiscent of the walls of Jericho. The mainstream history books say it is a Roman and Liburnian settlement, but there is hardly an official historical context to fit such a monumental town. On this magnificent site we will be able to trace multiple layers of ancient history through observing distinctive building styles, from ancient Phoenician, Liburnian, and Roman to post-Roman, and try to reconstruct a plausible context for this archaeological wonder. Dock overnight at Zadar.

Lecture topic: Shattering the Paradigm: Göbekli Tepe and Ice Age Civilization

Day Four (Wednesday, 25 July 2018): Murter, Vodice

After breakfast we visit Ivinje, an **ancient megalithic necropolis**. This is a fitting place for initiation into the mystery of the sepulchral stones of the Balkans, usually called stećak. The necropolis is one of the rare ones surviving to date on the coast. The current mainstream history places these monuments in the Middle Ages. However, evidence for their antiquity is overwhelming and, as it happens, ignored. As the necropolis shares the same location with a medieval complex, we will be able to spot the differences.

We sail to the island of Murter – free time for swimming and sightseeing.

Dock overnight in Vodice.

Lecture topic: Easter Island and the End of the Last Ice Age

Day Five (Thursday, 26 July 2018): Skradin, Krka Waterfalls, Šibenik

After breakfast we leave for Skradin and visit **Krka National Park**. Visit to **Tesla's birth place and Museum**.

We will also stop to see a **sepulchral stone** which we usually call the totem. In Sonković village near Skradin there is a **strange monument**, probably also a sepulchral stone, but standing upright like no other. We will explore the symbolism of its ornamentation.

Dock overnight in Šibenik.

Lecture topic: Cosmic Patterns, Solar Outbursts, and Cycles of Civilization

Day Six (Friday, 27 July 2018): Primosten

After breakfast we sail towards Primošten. Stop for a swim in a bay on island Ugljan. On our journey we will visit an ancient **megalithic wall** near Žirje, dated at least to 6th century BC that folk tradition calls **Teuta's Palace**. (Teuta was an Illyrian queen and the charismatic archenemy of the Romans.) Above this wall there are the remains of a **hillfort** from Justinian times and, above this, a medieval fortification. Again, this is a wonderful place to observe multiple layers of history.

Also, Near Primošten, in a village called Grebaštica, we can see another **ancient**

necropolis and the continuity of the use of the sacral sites in Dalmatia. The necropolis probably originates from deep antiquity, but we can trace continuity through Roman times, the Middle Ages, and all the way to the present. On this location we can also see another Dalmatian specialty, a **dual church**, very unusual in the Christian tradition, which probably points to old **Manichean cults**.

Lecture topic: We Become the Sun: The Ancient Metaphysics of Consciousness, Life, and Beyond

Day Seven (Saturday, 28 July 2018): Brač

After breakfast on board we depart for island Brač, we stop for a swim in the famous bay.

Brač is one of the most interesting islands in the Adriatic and a wonderful source of ancient wonders. We will see the **Dragon's Cave**, a still inexplicable shrine with beautifully **stone-carved monuments of esoteric Christianity**. The mainline historians disagree as to the origin of these carvings over no less than 15 centuries. This is a very appropriate place to dive into the mysteries of early Christianity. It is not widely known that Christianity as a state religion was brought to Rome from Dalmatia, not the other way around. We will see why Dragon's Cave was probably the sanctuary of an ancient oracle. Also, we visit the town of Škrip, traditionally the oldest settlement on Brač and, also by tradition, associated with **Saint Helen**, Constantius's concubine or wife and Constantine's mother. Here we will be able to see an **ancient megalithic wall** predating Rome and an unusual **megalithic tomb** in a tower from Roman times. We will be able to visit the local museum with many interesting artifacts and, quite appropriately, the **church of Saint Helen**.

Captain's dinner on board. After dinner we sail back to Trogir and dock overnight in Trogir.

Lecture topic: Lessons from the Ancients, Implications for Today; Questions & Answers

Day Eight (Sunday, 29 July 2018): Trogir

Disembarkation at 9:00 AM, City Harbor of Trogir.