Croatia

- Zagreb is the capital of the Republic of Croatia
- Area: 641 km²
- Altitude: Zrinjevac 122m, Grič 158m, Sljeme 1035m
- Climate: continental - average summer temperature 20°C, average winter temperature 1°C
- Time zone: Central European Time
- International phone code: Croatia +385;
- Currency: kuna (kn)
- Distances to: Vienna 370 km, Budapest 350 km, Venice 380 km, Dubrovnik 600 km, Paris 1,400 km, London 1,600 km
- Croatia is a sport nation with more than 16,000 sport unions, only in football 1,050 sport clubs and more than 130,000 registered players and 650,000 in other organized sport associations
Croatia
Zagreb
ABOUT ZAGREB
FUN FACTS AND FIGURES

16TH MERIDIAN

ZAGREB

The plaque marking the 16th meridian, which passes through Zagreb, is on the corner of Vukovarska and Držićeva streets. It was placed there during the 1987 World Student Games.

ZAGREB CATHEDRAL

Zagreb Cathedral is 77m long and slightly more than 46m wide. Its twin spires are around 105m high.

GRIĆ CANNON

The noise generated by the Grić cannon can be as loud as 130 decibels. When it is fired at noon every day, its sound can even be heard south of the river Sava.

THE TALLEST BUILDING

Hotel Esplanade

Hotel Esplanade was built in 1925. It provided luxury lodging for Orient Express passengers on their route from Paris to Istanbul.

ZAGREB MUSEUMS

Zagreb museums contain more than 3.6 million exhibits.

PERCENTAGE OF CROATIA’S POPULATION LIVING IN ZAGREB

18.5%

According to the 2011 census, there are 790,000 people living in Zagreb. This makes up 18.5% of Croatia’s population.

CAFÉS AND RESTAURANTS

There are around 4,500 cafés and restaurants in Zagreb. This makes a ratio of 1 café to every 175 inhabitants.

GAS LAMPS

Gas lamps were first introduced in Zagreb in 1863. Today, more than 200 of them are still in use. A lamp lighter lights them in the evening and dims them in the morning. Zagreb is one of only three European cities to have kept this tradition alive.

ZAGREB PUNCULAR

The Zagreb funicular is the world’s shortest cable railway used for public transport. The 64-second ride covers a distance of 66 meters.

MEET ME UNDER THE CLOCK!
The most popular local meeting spot is “under the clock” on the main square. In a family tradition that goes back six generations, all of the city’s clocks are maintained by the Larosew watchmaking firm. Zagreb’s first municipal clocks came from Austria. They were later made locally, but in a style that resembled those from Vienna.
ST MARK’S SQUARE
The square is home to the Croatian Government, Parliament and Constitutional Court. But as graceful and stately as these buildings are, they take a back seat to the stunningly pretty St Mark’s Church, which in part dates from the mid 13th century.

LENUCI HORSESHOE
This remarkable 19th-century patchwork of squares and parks is home to numerous scientific and cultural institutions, and represents the high point of Zagreb urban planning.

DOLAC
Zagreb’s biggest and most charming farmers’ market, Dolac is a colourful display of local fruit, vegetables and quality produce from all around Croatia.

MIROGOJ
More than a burial ground, this stunning cemetery is also a serene oasis and an open-air sculpture park.
THE CATHEDRAL
This largest sacral building in Croatia has been rebuilt many times since its inception in the 13th century. It assumed its present Neo-Gothic look in the 19th century.

Funicular
The world’s shortest cable railway used for public transport, Zagreb’s funicular has been connecting the Upper and Lower Towns since 1890.

Špica ("The Peak")
Known as the "Špica", the pedestrianized stretch between Ban Jelačić Square and Peter Preradović Square (also known as Flower Square) is Zagreb’s celebrated coffee strip. The inviting café terraces serve as a vast open-air living room, and epitomize Zagreb’s coffee-drinking culture.

Maksimir
Opened in 1794, Maksimir is the oldest and, according to many locals, the most beautiful of Zagreb’s parks. It is landscaped in the English style, with several lakes, pavilions, and the accompanying Zagreb Zoo.

Lotrščak Tower
One of the best-preserved parts of Zagreb’s erstwhile fortifications, Lotrščak Tower also houses the Grič cannon, which is fired every day at noon.

Medvednica
The northernmost parts of Zagreb lie at the foot of Mount Medvednica - a pristine nature park and a favourite local day-trip destination.
ZAGREB IN 24 HOURS

09:00 — 10.30
Start exploring the city from Ban Jelačić Square. Walk down Maks, perched above the north side of the square and continue to see Zagreb Cathedral. With its domes, onion-shaped domes, spires, and an enormous clock, it is not hard to miss. Just up the road are some handsome townhouses built for leading clergy in the 18th century.

10.00 — 11.00
Walk along the charming Osijek streets and take a moment to enjoy a cup of coffee at the Jezuiti. Once the capital of Croatia and a commercial hub, and today a lively and bustling city.

11.00 — 12.00
Zagreb's Upper Town is dusting off its weariness to reveal a green oasis, which contrasts the Upper Town's towers. Take note of several notable landmarks and have a sneak peek inside their beautiful courtyards.

12.00 — 13.00
Hop-on the bus and descend towards Zagreb's old market. Rika. Apart from numerous local market stalls, Rika also boasts some remarkably elegant architecture, mostly dating from the 19th century. Head towards the popular Trg kralja Tomislava, the heart of Zagreb's market.

13.00 — 14.00
Head north towards the Dominican Monastery, which is surrounded by several scientific and cultural institutions. From here you can see the famous Rijeka River by heading south through Maksimir Park and onto the river. The beautiful King Tomislav Square below the green terrace through the market.

14.00 — 15.00
The Zagreb Botanical Garden is a must-visit. With its lush greenery and nouvel Baden-Powell Park, which is one of the largest and most scenic parks in Europe.

15.00 — 16.00
By now it's time for a rest. By now you will have seen enough of Zagreb to pick the right place for a short break. ZAGREB SURROUNDINGS

BEAUTIFUL MEMORIES

MOMENTS AWAY

Zagreb is within easy reach of many distance of countless sites of natural beauty and cultural heritage. Mountains, rivers, lakes, and the Adriatic Sea are all within easy reach. Many historic towns and localities are also part of the greater Zagreb area. The name listed here is the most interesting to visit. Some are more interesting, others are back to the 19th century.

NORTH

VALAHIA (Valaška) / Velež
The beautiful town of Valaška is known for its winding streets and charming squares. It is a must-visit for any history lover. The old town is surrounded by picturesque lemon trees, and the town itself is a great destination for foodies.

NORTHWEST

Krapina
Krapina is famous for its Castle of the Prince of Krapina. The castle is located on a hill overlooking the town of Krapina.

NORTH

RISNYA (Risnjak) / Rijeka
The beautiful town of Rijeka is known for its stunning natural beauty. The town itself is a great destination for nature lovers and outdoor enthusiasts.

SOUTH

SULIKOVAC (Sulikovac) / Rijeka
Sulikovac is a great destination for history lovers. The town itself is a great destination for nature lovers and outdoor enthusiasts.

SOUTH

KAPLANAKA (Kaplanak) / Rijeka
Kaplanak is a great destination for nature lovers. The town itself is a great destination for nature lovers and outdoor enthusiasts.

SOUTH

SOLIN
Solin is a beautiful town on the outskirts of Split. The town itself is a great destination for nature lovers and outdoor enthusiasts.

SOUTH

TRAVNIČAN (Travanic) / Split
The area around Travanic is rich in thermal waters and has a long tradition of wellness tourism. The newest and most stylish resort is Split Mart spa with the best equipped in Split. The town itself is a great destination for nature lovers and outdoor enthusiasts.

SOUTH

RASOIN (Rasin) / Split
Raso is a small town on the outskirts of Split. The town itself is a great destination for nature lovers and outdoor enthusiasts.

SOUTH

KUKULJAN (Kukuljan) / Split
Kukuljan is a great destination for nature lovers. The town itself is a great destination for nature lovers and outdoor enthusiasts.

SOUTH

TROGIR
Trogir is a beautiful town on the Dalmatian coast. The town itself is a great destination for nature lovers and outdoor enthusiasts.

SOUTH

OSTROG (Ostrog) / Kvarner Bay
Ostro is a beautiful town on the Kvarner Bay. The town itself is a great destination for nature lovers and outdoor enthusiasts.
Arena Zagreb is a multifunctional indoor arena in the southwestern part of Zagreb. It is around 6 km from downtown Zagreb and 14 km from the Zagreb Airport. It was officially opened in January 2009 and was built to host the 21st World Men's Handball Championship.

Arena Zagreb is a recent iconic architectural addition to the City of Zagreb, and has proven to be a valuable venue for hostig a variety of sporting events and concerts by the world's most famous music artists, which has put Zagreb and Croatia on the map in view of attractive musical, sporting, business and other events.

The surface area of Arena Zagreb is 29,540 m² and the entire area of its six floors is 90,340 m². The arena seats around 15,000, although part of the seating area on the terraces is flexible and may be adapted, depending on the event.

Arena Zagreb has received a number of international awards for its architecture, including the Structural Design of the Year award at the 2009 World Architecture Festival in Barcelona.
SPORT UNITS ZAGREB

- Sport park "Maksimir"
  - a) Sports and Recreation Center "Maksimirska naselja"

- Sport park "Mladost", Zagreb
  - a) Sports Park "Mladost", Zagreb
  - b) Swimming pool complex "Utrina"
  - c) Winter Swimming Pool "Mladost"

- Sport park "Šalata"
  - a) Sports and recreation center "Šalata"

- Sport Halls
  - a) Sports Hall "Peščenica"
  - b) Sports Hall "Trešnjevka"
  - c) Sports Hall "Trnsko"
  - d) Sports Hall "Dubrava"
  - e) Sports Hall "Sutinska vrela"
  - f) Sports Center "Medarska"

- Sport complex "Dom sportova"
- Sport park "Jarun"
Sports Park Mladost, City stadium “Maksimir” and basketball centre “Dražen Petrović”

• **Sports Park Mladost** is a representative sports complex that meets the highest criteria in organizing competitions, training sessions, and various forms of sports education and recreation.

• As part of the **Sports Park Mladost** are:
  
a) **Swimming Pool Mladost**
  
b) **Volleyball court** - primarily intended for training and competitions of volleyball clubs
  
c) **Athletic stadium**, 8 tennis playgrounds and 2 concrete courts
  
d) **Grass hockey court** (covered with artificial grass and located near the athletic stadium), football, handball and basketball courts
  
e) **Athletic stadium** - the only athletic stadium in the city that meets the international conditions for athletic competitions.

• **City stadium “Maksimir”**
  
a) Capacity 35000, 5 courts with artificial grass and 3 courts with natural grass

• **Basketball centre “Dražen Petrović”**
  
a) Capacity 5500, memorial centre “Dražen Petrović”
Sport Centre Šalata

- Outdoor Swimmingpool
- Tennis Courts
- Dojo Hall
- Basketball and Handball Outside Court
- Small SportHall
- Indoor Futsal Hall
Sea in the middle of Zagreb

Zagreb offers everything you would never expect in a capital city. In the middle of the city, in the Danube river, is the actual heart of Zagreb. Here, you can enjoy a day of relaxation, a leisurely swim or a race on the river. The Danube river is not only a natural wonder, but also a place for sports enthusiasts. You can go for a walk, a bike ride, or even try your hand at water sports. The river is lined with beautiful parks and green spaces, making it a perfect place for a picnic or a stroll. The river is also home to a number of restaurants and bars, where you can enjoy a meal or a drink while taking in the natural beauty of the river. Zagreb is a city that is always in motion, and the Danube river is a great place to experience this energy and vibrancy. Whether you are a tourist or a local, the Danube river is a great place to spend a day in Zagreb.
Accommodation capacities

City of Zagreb

- 15.109 number of beds 2016
- 16.059 number of beds 2017
- 7.087 number of beds in hotel 2016
- 7.253 number of beds in hotel 2017
Sheraton Panorama Zagreb Hotel is your home away from home. Enjoy in one of ours 280 rooms including 51 suite, equipped with 32” and 42” flat screen TV’s.

With only 50 m from Home of Sports Zagreb, makes it perfect place for sport preparation or international competitions in capital of Croatia.
Hotel Esplanade Zagreb

Hotel Sheraton Zagreb

Hotel The Westin Zagreb

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The Student residence hall **STJEPAN RADIĆ** is the biggest student residence in Zagreb. Students popularly call it "SAVA" because it is close to the bank of the river Sava (ideal place for all joggers).

- The residence consists of 12 buildings, a student restaurant, pizzeria, coffee and pastry shop, grocery shop, post office, club...
- Supplementary facilities: fitness center, cinema, classrooms, school of Foreign Languages, medical and dental office, dance hall
- Total capacity 4014 beds
Finding fun things to do in Zagreb has never been easier. Every year sees the launch of new festivals and events, with more and more neighbourhoods generating creative energy from outdoor stages. One emerging trend is to hold festivals outside traditional venues such as concert halls and clubs, placing them instead in streets and squares where they can merge with the everyday flow of local life.

**ZAGREB EVENTS**
**SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE, EVERY DAY OF THE WEEK**

**DESIGN DISTRICT ZAGREB**
Celebrating a single Zagreb neighbourhood, this festival promotes the idea that to act locally one must think globally. For a few days each June, the micro location around Marićeva street turns into a design, art and entertainment zone. During that time, local artists and creatives present their work to the rest of Zagreb and the world. Events showcase creative strategies for improving community living. Coupled with this are promotions of gastronomic and tourist products, outdoor concerts, literary evenings, creative workshops and educational walks—all with the aim of positioning the neighbourhood as a creative hub.

**MILLS HIGH-RISE**
This oldest high-rise in Zagreb was constructed in 1958 and is fondly called “the wooden skyscraper.”

**FIND OUT MORE**
SUMMER ON STROSS
One of Zagreb's most popular summer festivals takes place on the Strossmayer Promenade, nicknamed "Strossmartre" in honour of the arty Parisian suburb of Montmartre. It is a great place to listen to live music over a glass of wine and enjoy a gorgeous view of the city. Summer on Stross delights visitors with two events in particular: the most beautiful mutt contest, and a fireworks display celebrating "Half Year's Day".

CEST IS D'BEST
Spring in Zagreb just wouldn't be the same without this international multidisciplinary street festival. By now a defining feature of the city's spirit, Cest is d'Best only takes place outdoors, turning spectators and bystanders into part of the action. Interactive events include various races (such as races between babies, waiters and street sweepers), a sign language school, a slowest bike tournament, a roaming piano and many more. With concert stages and street performers on almost every corner, Cest is d'Best is impossible to miss.

DVORIŠTA
Inner courtyards are a quintessential part of Zagreb's urban scene. However, it's only during the Dvorista Festival that you get a sneak peek inside some of the most magnificent, especially those belonging to the Upper Town's Baroque palaces. Visitors can enjoy brilliant live music, a great variety of food and drink, and a curious and educational selection of tales from Zagreb's history. Each year a new courtyard is unveiled, creating an exclusive opportunity to experience these intimate city spaces.

STREET PERFORMERS
Cest is d'Best may be the ultimate street festival, but street performers continue entertaining Zagreb locals and visitors on other days throughout the year.
ZAGREB CLASSIC
This uplifting cultural festival is a summer delight for lovers of all classical music. Held outdoors in the elegant and idyllic King Tomislav Square, the events feature film screenings and live music concerts headed by classical and pop music stars as well as philharmonic and jazz ensembles. Watching an opera or a movie classic while cozied up on a neatly-trimmed lawn makes for a memorable experience.

THE FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS
This unusual project uses temporary light installations to bring life to various Zagreb locations, paying special attention to those that have been neglected or underused. The events are set up to facilitate deeper interaction between the city, its inhabitants, and visitors.

INmusic Festival
Croatia’s biggest open-air event, INmusic has ended up on lists of the world’s best music festivals on several occasions. It takes place every year in June on three islands in Jarun Lake, where visitors can also camp out for several days. The bill frequently features music stars, many of whom have performed at INmusic more than once. Every year the electric atmosphere is enhanced by a surprise ingredient, such as a stage set deep inside a forest or a spectacular replica of Tesla's tower.

THE OPEN SQUARE DAY
Intended as an event that offers an insight into the activities of various cultural and educational institutions located on the Republic of Croatia Square, the Open Square Day also marks the beginning of the Zagreb cultural Autumn. For that one day, this entire area is a stage for different attractive cultural programs, such as ballet, opera and theatre shows performed by the artists of the Croatian National Theatre in Zagreb.

ZAGREB TIME MACHINE
From April to October Zagreb Time Machine hosts a variety of music, dance and theatre performances across the city with the aim to depict the city and its surroundings as they once were. Every weekend during that time, “kumica” women are dressed up in traditional costume, characters from Zagreb’s history stroll around in period attire, promenade concerts are held in Zrinjevac park and the Cravat Regiment performs the changing of the guard - plenty to conjure up Zagreb’s rich bygone days.

WORLD FAMOUS
Every year more than 50,000 music fans attend INmusic. They come from every corner of the world.
SPORT EVENTS IN ZAGREB

• HANDBALL WORLD CUP 2009
• EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY GAMES 2016
• BEACH HANDBALL EURO 2017
• HANDBALL EURO CUP 2018
• WORLD UNIVERSITY GAMES
• SNOW QUEEN TROPHY
• IAAF – Worldchallenge Zagreb, Hanžeković Memorial
• TENIS TOURNAMENT “CROATIA OPEN”
KAUBOJI,
NASI PRVACI SVIJETA!
NE BRINITE, UVIJEK SMO UZ VAS!!
ARRIVING TO ZAGREB
One of Zagreb’s many advantages is its location. The city is anchored between Central and Southeastern Europe as well as the Adriatic Sea, making it an important transport hub. Travelling by plane or land, Zagreb provides easy access to all major Croatian cities as well as the capitals of neighboring countries. The airport is located 15 km from the city centre and can be reached by bus or taxi. Zagreb’s central railway station is only a 10 minutes walk or two tram stops away from Ban Jelačić Square. The main bus station is also close to the centre, to which it is well connected by tram.

FRANjo TUDMAN AIRPORT
Information: 060 320 320
www.zagreb-airport.hr
Timetable for buses operating between Airport and the main bus station: www.plesoprijevoz.hr

MAIN BUS STATION
Avenija Marina Držića 4
Information: 060 373 333
www.akz.hr

CENTRAL RAILWAY STATION
Trg kralja Tomislava 12
Information: 060 333 444
www.hzpp.hr

ZAGREB CARD
There are two types of Zagreb Card: a 24-hour and a 72-hour one. Both include free public transport and entry to six top attractions as well as discounts for 70 other points of interest, such as museums, restaurants, shops and many more. Detailed information is available at www.zagrebcard.com

VISA REGIME IN CROATIA
Information about the visa regime between Croatia and all other countries is available from the Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs. www.mvep.hr

MEETINGS & CONVENTIONS
Zagreb is the main convention centre in Croatia. With the increasing number of conventions, conferences and other types of gatherings taking place in Zagreb, the city is earning a reputation as one of world’s favourite destinations of this kind. Zagreb’s main advantages are a large number of both contemporary and historic venues, an exceptional range of hotels, rich gastronomic and cultural experiences and high-profile professional people. On top of that, Zagreb is a pleasant compact city with all major attractions easily reached on foot. More information is available on www.meetinzagreb.hr

MONEY
Croatian currency is called Kuna (HRK). Currency denominations include:
Coins: 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 50 Lipa; 1, 2, 5 Kuna
Notes: 10, 20, 50, 100, 200, 500, 1,000 Kuna
1 Kuna = 0.10 Lipa

Money can be exchanged at exchange offices, banks, post offices and hotels. Most retailers and service providers in the hospitality industry accept credit cards.

NATIONAL HOLIDAYS
1 January – New Year’s Day
6 January – Epiphany or Three Kings’ Day
Easter
Easter Monday
1 May – Labour Day
Corpus Christi
22 June – Anti-Fascist Resistance Day
25 June – Statehood Day
5 August – Homeland Thanksgiving Day
15 August – The Assumption of Mary
5 October – Independence Day
1 November – All Saints’ Day
25 December – Christmas
26 December – St Stephen’s Day

LOCAL TIME
GMT +1 hour

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE
Croatian

WEATHER
Zagreb has a moderate continental climate with four separate seasons. Summers are usually hot and dry with average temperatures between 20-25 °C. Winters are fairly cold with average temperatures between 1-5 °C. The warmest months of the year are July and August while the coldest are January and February.

ELECTRICITY SUPPLY
220V, 50Hz.
Standard European two-pin plug.

WATER
Tap water in Zagreb is safe for drinking.

MAIN POST OFFICES
Jurišićeva 13
tel. +385 166 26 452
(Mon - Fri: 07.00-20.00, Sat: 07.00-14.00)
Branimirova 4
tel. +385 149 81 550
(Mon - Sun: 07.00-24.00)

INTERNET
There are more than 20 Wi-Fi hotspots around Zagreb that offer free internet provided by the city wireless network. Their number is growing by the day.

IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS
112 General Emergency
192 Police
193 Fire Brigade
194 Ambulance
118/0 International Information
189/81 General Information
0800 53 53 Zagreb Tourist Information (free when dialled from within Croatia)
Like all major cities in the world, Zagreb has an airport nearby, just 17 km from the centre, 20-25 minutes by car or bus.

The new passenger terminal area is 65,000 m2, with a capacity of up to 5 million passengers.

www.zagreb-airport.hr

Distances by land
Zagreb – Vienna / 375 km
Zagreb – Budapest / 345 km
Zagreb – Venice / 380 km
Zagreb – Belgrade / 395 km
Zagreb – Ljubljana / 140km
Zagreb – Split / 410km
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