

# Split

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## Tourist info

Split is Mediterranean destination determined by historic charisma and Mediterranean culture. Split is cultural and tourist centre of Dalmatia. A destination that can hardly be described in words, it must be experienced. It will give you a perfect vacation. Split is one of the most popular destinations for tourists in Croatia. In the past Split was insufficiently explored by tourists, and has just recently been recognized as top travelers destination. In the future Split will most certainly play a major role in tourism throughout the Mediterranean. Private accommodation in Split, particularly apartments in Split, have experienced a major turn in quality of accommodation and services that accommodation offeres. Many old Hotels in Dalmatia were renovated and new ones have been opened in the last few years. In this aspect Hotels in Split are tourism leaders in rapid development of tourist accommodation and turist service. Visit and explore Split, it's many sights, beautifull beaches, amazing Dalmatia gastronomy, hospitality, natural and cultural atractions. Every acient street in Split has a story for you to discover end experience. If you ever travel to Dalmatia, Split is a must visit destination. Discover Split and all of his secrets.

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f the Adriatic Sea, spreading over a central peninsula and its surroundings, with its metropolitan area including the many surrounding seaside towns as well. An intraregional transport hub, the city is a link to the numerous surrounding Adriatic islands and the Apennine peninsula, as well as a popular tourist destination.

Split is also one of the oldest cities in the area, and is traditionally considered just over 1,700 years old, while archaeological research relating to the ancient Greek colony of Aspálathos (6th century BC) establishes the city as being several hundred years older.

The ancient city is named after the Spiny Broom (*Calicotome spinosa*; brnistra or žuka in modern Croatian), a common shrub in the area. The 6th century BC Greek colony of Aspálathos

(  
Ἀσπάλαθος

) or

Spálathos

(  
Σπάλαθος

), from which the city originates, was named after the common plant. As the city became a Roman possession, the Latin name became "

Spalatum

", which in the Middle Ages evolved into "

Spalatro

" in the Dalmatian language of the city's Roman population. The South Slavic version became "Split", while the Venetian

italianized

version was "

Spalato

". During the early 19th century, the name was "

Spljet

", and finally "Split" once more.

Thus, contrary to popular belief, the name "Spalatum" has nothing to do with the Latin word for palace, palatium (thought to be a

reference to

Diocletian's Palace, which forms the core of the city). The erroneous etymology was notably due to Byzantine Emperor Constantine VII

Porphirogenitus

, and was later reaffirmed by Thomas the Archdeacon.

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Split is situated on a peninsula between the eastern part of the Gulf of Kaštela and the Split Channel. The Ma  
rjan  
hill (178 m), rises in the western part of the peninsula. The ridges  
Kozjak  
(779 m) and his brother  
Mosor  
(1339 m) protect the city from the north and northeast, and separate it from the hinterland. [go to home page](#)