



Lanternacamp

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Campsite Information

Lanternacamp, Poreč

Lanternacamp is a large and lively campsite located on Croatia's Istrian peninsula, surrounded by lush pine forests on the edge of a long pebble beach. The sea is crystal clear, and there are plenty of water based activities for you to try. The site has a wonderful pool complex, providing an ideal spot to soak up the sunshine. The nightlife here is lively, with organised entertainment and discos available. The restaurant offers delicious seafood dishes accompanied by fabulous views from the terrace over the crescent-shaped bay.

Arriving at Lanternacamp

On arrival you should go to the main campsite reception, with your passports, to register. They will then direct you to the Canvas reception - your Canvas couriers will be here to meet you between 16.00 and 20.00.

Early/Late Arrivals

Please note if you arrive before 16.00, your accommodation may not be ready. If you arrive between 20.00 and 22.00, you will find directions to your courier and/or accommodation at the Canvas reception. Arrivals after 22.00 cannot be accepted on site. Please note that if you do arrive late and cannot be admitted onto the campsite, you have full responsibility for finding alternative off-site accommodation. A Canvas courier will be available on site from 09.00 the following day. Please telephone your couriers if you know that you are going to be late.

Please note, Croatian regulations require every departing tourist to pay a tourist tax on the day of departure. The daily tourist tax depends on the destination and period of year and is calculated per person and per overnight stay. (The charge is usually around €1 per person, per night).

Reception.

The reception is open 24 hours every day. Some English and German is spoken here.

Barrier

The barrier at the entrance to the campsite is open 07.00 until midnight every day. Driving is prohibited round the campsite during these times, and also between 13.00 and 15.00 for siesta.

If you wish to leave outside of barrier opening hours then don't forget to leave your car outside the site while the gates are still open.

Safety Deposit Boxes

Safety deposit boxes are available to hire from the main campsite reception and cost 18kn per day.

Telephone

There are coin operated public phones located in the campsite reception, where phone cards can also be purchased. To call the UK, dial 0044 and leave the zero off the area code.

Cash Dispenser

A cash dispenser is available on the campsite.

Web/E-mail Access

There is free WIFI internet access available on site.

Shopping

There are two supermarkets on site, both are medium sized and stock a variety of international and Croatian products. There is also a bakery stall next to the supermarket in Area E on site. Bakery opening

times in high season are from 08.00 to 20.00. In low season the opening times are from 08.00 to 12.30. Supermarket opening hours are 08.00 to 20.00 in low season and 07.30-20.30 in high season.

Washing and Toilet Facilities

Washing machines and dryers are available (tokens are 45kn for washing, 35kn for drying and available from the campsite reception). Iron hire is also available on site, free of charge. The site provides hot showers, a baby room and standard toilets.

Eating and Drinking

Restaurant: There are two restaurants and one pizzeria on site. Restaurant Lanternacamp in the north of the site next to the shop is known for its generous portions and the delicious fish platter (3 types of fish and calamari) for 70kn. The Adria restaurant can also be found on the beach, in the C area of the site. The restaurants opening times are 17.00-22.00 in low season and 11.00-23.00 in high season.

If you fancy pasta or pizza, try Pizzeria Kras, near the main reception. It is open from 07.00-23.00.

Beach bar: The main bar is located at the beach and has a real family feel. The opening hours are 09.00 - 23.00 in high season. There is a television here, with satellite channels.

There is also a pool bar and a takeaway. Please check with your couriers or the campsite reception for opening hours.

Entertainment

The site organises a varied entertainment programme throughout the season, including sports competitions, cabaret and live music. Family discos are held every evening from mid May.

Recreation

Swimming: There is an impressive pool complex with jacuzzis, fountains and a children's pool. The swimming pool is supervised throughout the season, although parental supervision is required. There is a large terrace, with sun loungers available surrounding the pools. Please note that inflatables are not allowed in the swimming pools. The swimming pool is open 11.00-19.00 in low season and 10.00-20.00 in high season. Please note swimming trunks are compulsory in the pool.

Games room: There is a games room on site where you will find pinball, pool tables and other electronic games.



Tennis: There are six full-size courts on site, which cost 60kn per hour to hire, Equipment hire is also available. Open daily 10.00 - 00.00.

Table tennis: There are several table tennis tables available on site. The tables cost 5kn per hour and equipment hire is also available. You may find bats and balls in the Canvas games chest.

Bicycle hire: Bike hire is available on site. Please ask your couriers or at the campsite reception for more information. Cycle helmets are also available to hire. Prices start from 99kn.

Canoeing: Canoes are available to hire on the beach. They cost 20kn per hour, or 70kn per hour for a lesson.

Pedaloers: Also available to hire at the beach, costing 60kn per hour.

Dinghies: Available at the beach, costing 50kn per hour, Lessons are also available, please ask on site for more information.

There are also facilities on site for mini golf, boules, football, beach volleyball, horse riding, aqua aerobics and aerobics. At the water sports school on the beach, you will also find facilities for windsurfing, sailing, banana boats, jet skis, water skiing and diving.

Rules and Regulations

- Silence and no driving on site between midnight and 07.00.
- No driving between the siesta hours of 13.00 and 15.00.
- 10km per hour speed limit on site.
- Swimming trunks are compulsory in the pool.
- One car per emplacement.
- Charcoal barbecues are not allowed.
- Parents must supervise their children in the pool and inflatables are not permitted.

Local Information

Beaches

There is direct access from the campsite to two miles of pebble beach. The crystal clear waters are ideal for swimming and watersports - there is a watersports school on the beach from where you can try various activities.

Shopping

Supermarkets: The campsite shop is well stocked, so you will find all the essentials here. There are several supermarkets in Poreč, including branches of Lidl, Plodine and Konzum. You will find that most supermarkets are open from 07.30 until 20.00, Monday to Friday, although they do tend to close for siesta between 13.00 and 15.00. Most will open on Saturday mornings between 07.30 and 14.00. These hours are often extended in tourist resorts. Please ask on site for directions.

Souvenirs: The coastal resorts on the Adriatic coast have a good range of craft and gift shops. Everything is on sale, from genuine leather goods to plastic beach toys. The workmanship of jewellery in this area is of high quality and crafted using centuries-old traditions.

Local Markets

At the local markets you will find fresh produce, while in the city markets, clothing and souvenirs are more popular. Local markets are held in: Bale, Fažana, Peroj, Medulin, Rabac and Pazin (the biggest traditional town fair of Istria is held here on the first Tuesday of every month). Please feel free to enquire onsite for more information.

Facilities

Petrol: There are filling stations in Poreč, Please ask your couriers for directions and opening hours.

Chemist: There is a seasonal chemist in the Tourist complex Laterna. Please ask your couriers or at campsite reception for opening times. There is also a chemist in Porec, which is open 07:00 – 19:00.

Bank: Zagrebačka Banka in Poreč is open daily. Opening times are Monday to Friday from 08.00 until 12.30 and from 18.00 until 19.30. The bank is also open from 08.00 until noon on Saturday. There is a cash dispenser on site.

Post Office: The nearest post office is in Tar on Istarska bb. It is open Monday to Friday between 08.00 and 15.00. There is a post box on the site for letters and postcards.

Tourist Information: There is a small tourist information office in Tar on Istarska 8a. It is open between 08.00 and 21.00, Monday to Friday in July and August. In other months, the office is open between 08.00 and 15.00. There is a larger office in Poreč.



Distances

Poreč:	11km (7 miles)
Rovinj:	48km (30 miles)
Fažana:	60km (37 miles)
Trieste (Italy):	60km (37 miles)
Pula:	67km (42 miles)

Local Transport

Croatia has an excellent bus service. The Express buses go most places, often with several services per day. At large stations, bus tickets must be purchased at the office and not from the driver. The closest train station to the campsite is in Pazin, 32km away.

Doctor

Istarska 18, Tar
Tel: 443-334

Please ask your couriers or the campsite reception for help making an appointment.

Dentist

Brajde 28, Tar
Tel: 443-711

Please ask your couriers or the campsite reception for help making an appointment.

Emergency Services

There are two-digit phone numbers for the emergency services:

Police	92
Fire	93
Ambulance	94

Eating and Drinking

Pizzeria Nono in Poreč, said to have the best pizzas in Croatia. Prices are low, so it is best to be early as the restaurant gets very crowded.

Restaurant Alla Beccaccia: On Pineta 25, Valbandon. This establishment offers quality service in traditional Istrian surroundings. The fish is freshly caught and the venison dishes are a speciality.

Barbara: On Kandlrova 5, in Pula centre. Dishes start from 25kn. This restaurant tends to concentrate on simple dishes, of fried fish and Istrian salads, which are well prepared.

Konoba Taj: On Škokovica 3, Pula. An inexpensive favourite with the locals. Meat dishes are the speciality here, including, rather unusually, young donkey meat. A two course meal will cost around 80kn.

Pizzeria Feral Fažana: This pizzeria, is ideal for a quiet meal by the sea. The menu includes, pizzas, meat dishes and salads. Although there are no childrens or set menus available, the prices are very reasonable, usually costing 35 – 120kn.

Activities

The Istrian coast is a paradise for watersports enthusiasts - a number are available from the water sports school at the campsite beach. For some fun on dry land, head for Motodrom, Poreč's go-kart race track.

Family Fun

Take a day trip by boat to the Limska Draga Fjord from Poreč, one of the most dramatic sights in Istria. Children of all ages will enjoy a trip to Rovinj Aquarium, considered one of the best in the area.

Out and About

Porec • This ancient town is steeped in culture. At its heart is a spectacular cathedral, listed as a World Heritage site. Many visit to view the 4th century mosaics.

Pula • Situated near the base of the Istrian peninsula, Pula is the largest city in Istria and home to one of the most famous sights in Croatia, the Roman amphitheatre. Built during the 1st century AD, the three-storey amphitheatre is the sixth largest in the world and one of the best preserved. In the summer, it hosts the Pula Opera Festival

Peroj • Situated north of Fažana, this town offers valuable and interesting archeological sites from Roman times. Its turbulent history has a mixture of Slavic, Roman and Germanic elements, which has created a specific blend of Istrian culture. Today it is an ideal place to escape the hustle and bustle of crowded beaches.

Regional Information

The Istrian Coast

A land with a deep cultural history, that begs discovery. The Istrian peninsula is Croatia's green oasis where tiny fishing villages are dotted along the clear azure of the Adriatic Sea, while the landscape is rich with vineyards and pine forests. Istrian culture is unique. With borders that have changed five times in the last century, it is not surprising that Istria is Croatia's most cosmopolitan region. Its proximity and links with Italy have given the coastal cities a strong Italian flavour.

Eating & Drinking - Regional Specialities

Croatian cuisine reflects the cultures that have influenced the country over the course of its history. There is a sharp divide between the Italian-style cuisine on the coast and the Hungarian and Turkish-style cuisine inland. Each region has its own speciality and the food is generally of good quality and made from fresh seasonal ingredients. Coastal cuisine is typically Mediterranean, with plenty of olive oil, garlic, fish and herbs. Meals often begin with pasta or risotto (rizot) topped with seafood (prstaci). If you spot a risotto or pasta with tartufe, grab it - these wild truffles are a real delicacy here. Wine is an important part of Croatian meals and locals will often dilute the wine with water whilst eating. This region is known for Žlahtina or Vrblnik, Cabernet from Poreč and Terrano from Buzet.

Things to do and see

*A • an admission charge is payable for these attractions.

If you are planning on visiting several attractions in the area, it may be worth purchasing the IstraCard which is issued by the regional tourist board. The card costs 60kn per person, or 100kn for a family card (for up to four people). It is valid for 10 days and offers discounts on museums, excursions and car parking. A handy booklet is provided giving useful information about Istrian attractions. You can even get a discount in some restaurants. The cards are on sale at all the tourist offices in the area.

Family Fun & Days Out

Motodrom • Motodrom is Poreč's go-kart race track. 3-speed karts are available for racing or for practice sessions, and wide screen coverage of sporting events can be viewed from the large terrace. English, German and Italian spoken here. On Bašarinka 5, Poreč. (*A)

Diving Centre • Diving takes place from the beach and by boat on the Adriatic Sea. The centre includes a diving school where instructors are available for lessons. Equipment can be rented. Specialist courses are available on request. On Munida 86, Medulin. (*A)

Rovinj Aquarium • Established in 1891 and considered one of the best in the area. Look out for poisonous scorpion fish and colourful anemones or admire the fauna of the Adriatic sea bed. (*A)

Grotta Gigante (Sgonico) • This is the largest cavern in the world open to visitors. Its main hall could swallow the entire basilica of St Peter and is graced by a pair of record-breaking 346ft stalactites. Tours start every hour, and every year more parts of the impressive cave are made accessible to the public. Located near Trieste, about an hour's drive from site.



Regional Museum of Poreč • First open in 1884, this museum now contains over 2000 exhibits spanning the turbulent history of the region. As well as furniture and artefacts, there are mosaic fragments dating from the 3rd century. (*A)

Native Museum • This museum in Poreč is situated in a Baroque palace dating from the 18th century, and contain a special collection of portraits and objects from the Carli family whose last descendants lived in Poreč. (*A)



Places of Interest

Limska Draga Fjord • Take one of the organised boat trips from Poreč to the Limska Draga Fjord. With its emerald green sea and varied vegetation the fjord is the most dramatic sight in Istria. It is 9km long and the walls of the valley become steeper the more inland you go; up to 100 metres. There are hills on both sides of the inlet and two caves that have revealed traces of prehistoric settlements.

Rovinj • A relaxed town and active fishing port with pleasant views and picturesque cobbled streets in the old town. The massive Cathedral of St Euphemia completely dominates the town from its hilltop location in the middle of the peninsula. Built in 1736, it is the largest baroque building in Istria, reflecting the period during the 18th century when Rovinj was the largest town. The 60m bell tower is topped by a copper statue of St Euphemia and was modelled on St Mark's bell tower in Venice.

Grozňjan • Located inland and northeast of Poreč, this tiny village is home to an international music school founded in 1969. In the summer months there are daily recitals, concerts and displays. Listen out for musicians practising as you wander the twisting streets and explore the many galleries and art shops.

Brioni Islands (Brijuni) • Visit the beautiful group of islands along the western Istrian coast. The fourteen islands were President Tito's summer residence, and he entertained a host of politicians and film stars in the three palaces built here. In 1984, the islands were declared a National Park. Many species of plants grow here, including some rare breeds, and the islands are scattered with ancient ruins, sandy coves and cottages. Access is restricted, and you must visit on an organised tour. Boats depart from Fažana the journey takes around 30 minutes.

Labin • A beautiful town located on the Eastern coast of the Istrian peninsula. Explore the Venetian-inspired palaces and ancient churches, and enjoy the view over the coastline from the hills above.

Vodnjan • Connoisseurs of the macabre won't want to miss Vodnjan. Legends and folk tales suggest that

inside the church of this quiet town lie the mummies that constitute Vodnjan's primary tourist attraction. The mummies are the desiccated remains of saints whose bodies mysteriously failed to decompose and are considered to have magical powers. Visit their resting place in St Blaise's Church. (*A)

Medulin • One of the twenty most famous bathing resorts on the Adriatic coast, offering an oasis of peace, silence and rich Mediterranean scenery. The Medulin bay is ideal for watersports, while on land you will find a broad range of sports and recreation facilities.

Plitvice Lakes National Park • Covered in lush vegetation, and declared a UNESCO World Heritage site, this park has 16 beautiful lakes, and is well worth a visit. Join an organised excursion from the campsite, and discover tranquil waters, cascading waterfalls and an abundance of rare wildlife.

Vrsar • A hilltop village that is a popular tourist centre. Once an old fishing settlement, it has a naturally sheltered harbour, and small, tree-lined islands dot the coast. Ruins of summer residences and mosaics have been preserved from the Roman coastal town of Ursari, while town gates and other cultural and historical monuments remain preserved from the thirteenth century. You should note that there are some nudist beaches here. There is also a sports airfield nearby where parachuting competitions are held, and from where you can take a panoramic flights over the area.

Slovenia • The impressive sights of Slovenia make one of the best day trips from Croatia. The world famous Postojna cave never fails to amaze visitors, and also is also home to species found nowhere else in the world. Combine your trip with a visit to the picture postcard Predjama medieval castle, sitting on a rock. The castle has its own caves underneath, which can also be visited.

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