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CHRONICLES OF ENERGY: The Oil, The Wind and The Sun

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A B O U T U N I V E R S I T Y



University of Zagreb (UniZg) is leading center of learning, teaching and research and the oldest university in Croatia. Last year we were celebrating 350 years since its foundation. It comprises 30 faculties and three Art Academies and most of them are located in the center of the city of Zagreb.

LBG ZAGREB

BEST Zagreb is officially old, we turned 20 but we are still feeling fresh and excited! And who we are? We are a group of enthusiastic students doing everything we can so you feel perfect for 10 days in beautiful Zagreb. Let's face it, being surrounded by more than 20 people you don't know can be scary but that's where we, organizers, hop in! We will make sure you feel awesome as you should! :D



WHY YOU SHOULD Apply?

You want to visit the country with seven national parks and spend the weekend on the Adriatic coast?





You are interested in renewable and non-renewable energy sources? You want to learn more about power of sun, oil and wind? You want to know how to store extra energy and become independent on those energy sources?

KEEP READING! WE HAVE SOMETHING FOR YOU..



CROATIA



Name in Croatian: Hrvatska Capital: Zagreb Population: 4 437 460 Area: 56 542 km2 mainland 31 067 km2 territorial sea Language: Croatian Currency: Kuna (HRK)

Come on ... you must have heard something about Croatia? Let me guess, you know about our national football team, our beautiful coast (aka Game of Thrones kingdom)? Well yeah, we are all very proud to live in this heaven on earth with beautiful landscapes. Croatia, where the Mediterranean, the mountains and the Pannonian plains come together in a unique harmony of natural beauty is truly breathtaking and when you come here once you will fall in love and come again soon. Enough of those adorable descriptions, it's time for some facts. Croatian people are known as very warm, friendly (smart and handsome) and most of them speak English so you won't have to use Google Translate ;).

In 2013 Croatia became part of the European Union but we still use our currency called kuna.

We have mountains and sea, villages and big cities, rivers and lakes, national parks and beautiful beaches. There are more than 1,000 islands in Croatia, so it really deserves the name "country of thousand islands".

CROATIAN TRADITIONS

DELICIOUS DISHES

One thing you need to know - you can't be hungry in Croatia. Believe us! Croatians are in fact really good cooks and we are sure that we will be even more loveable after you try all meals that we prepared for you. Croatia is divided into regions and thus its cuisine as well. Every region has its specific cooking traditions, for example, in Slavonia food is usually spicy, while in Dalmatia you will find mediterranean dishes. But, you are a lucky one and since you're coming to the capital, you'll be able to try different dishes.

RAKIJA? WHO SAID RAKIJA?

C'monnn, you didn't even read the food part, right? Okay, time to meet rakija. It's the most popular Croatian drink, very strong drink. There are a lot of flavours so don't worry you will find the one that suits you BEST. But do you know the real magic of rakija? Ask every old man in Croatia: rakija is used to cure all illnesses and also as massage lotion. And just a little reminder, when somebody offers you rakija, it's really really rude to turn him/her down. Of course, there are also many other drinks like wine and beer that are produced in Croatia and you will surely have the opportunity to try a lot of them.







ZAGREB



Zagreb is often called "little Vienna". It is actually a small, typical central European city, but a city that has its own story. It has a tradition of almost one thousand years (it celebrated its 925th birthday this year). The downtown area is split into two -Upper town and Lower town. Upper town is full of beautiful architecture, small narrow streets and museums, and in Lower town you can find a lot of adorable parks were you can sit, read or just grab some beers and chill.

While walking through the streets of Zagreb you will notice many crowded bars, that's because Croatians are coffee addicts, every business meeting starts with one (and ends with beer).

What about night life in Zagreb? We are so sorry, we have no words to describe it. You will need to feel it by your own ;)

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The Zagreb International Airport, Franjo Tuđman airport is located 17 km away from center of the city. There are connections with most of the major European cities. There are regular Airport shuttle "Pleso prijevoz" lines that go to the main bus station. The price for a one-way ticket is 30 KN (~4€). Also, you can check out ZET bus line 290. Departures are scheduled every 35 minutes. The price for a one-way ticket is 10 KN (~1,5€). There is also an option to flight with low-cost companies to other cities in Croatia (Zadar, Split) or cities in our neighboring countries (Ljubljana) and then take a bus from there, so check out Ryanair, Wizzail and EasyJet!

BY TRAIN

Near the city centre, there is a main railway station Glavni kolodvor. There are daily connections with nearby cities and countries. For more info check *http://www.hzpp.hr/en*!

BY BUS

The easiest and most likely also cheapest way to get to Zagreb is by a bus. There are a lot of direct Flixbus connections from all over Europe. You can check out the connections on: https://www.flixbus.com https://www.akz.hr/en

MONEY AND PRICES

The Croatian currency is "Kuna" (literal translation marten). One kuna is divided into 100 "Lipa" (literal meaning linden).

Euros are not accepted as a means of payment, but there are a lot of exchange booths in town, as well as ATMs (check with your bank provision rates for transactions!)

1 EUR ~ 7,40 HRK

Most of shops in Zagreb are open everyday. Supermarkets are open from 8 a.m. till 9 p.m. Usually they accepted cards so you can pay with the cards also, but in bars you can pay only with cash!

ITEM

A bottle of water Coffee (take away) / coffee (bar) Beer (store) / Beer (bar) Cheap wine (1 L) Rakija (1 L) A pack of cigarettes Cheap condoms Durex condoms

PRICE

5 HRK 6 HRK / 10-12 HRK 7 HRK / 13-20 HRK 15 HRK 60 HRK 30 HRK 13 HRK 20 HRK

VOCABULARY USEFUL

Almost all young people in Croatia speak English (so don't hestitate to ask for help if you get lost or something) but some phrases will be useful for sure. Croatian pronunciation is completely phonetic, which means that every letter is pronounces the way is written. There are 8 letters that are specific for our language. (look at the crib sheet! ;))

č - pronounced as "ch" in change ć- pronounced as č, but softer; like "c" in ciao dž-pronounced as "j" in Jack đ- pronounced as "j" in Jesus lj- pronounced in a way you'll never learn :P nj-pronounced in a way you'll never learn too :P š- pronounced as "sh" in shaman

ž- pronounced as "su" in leisure

LET'S START WITH **BASICS!**

Yes	Da		
Νο	Ne		
Hello/Bye	Bok		
Good morning!	Dobro jutro!		
Good afternoon!	Dobar dan!		
Good evening!	Dobra večer!		
Good night, see you tomorrow!	Laku noć, vidimo se sutra!		
Thank you!	Hvala!		
Coffee	Kava		
Wine	Vino		Dude, wanna
Beer	Pivo		survive in
Elixir of life	Medica	Of course	Croatia?
		I do!	

USEFUL VOCABULARY

LET'S TAKE THIS UP TO THE Next level!

Excuse me! Happy birthday! what's your name? I don't understand. I love you! I hate you! Your eyes are beautiful! Dance with me! Hold my hand! I like it gentle. What's up? Go to hell! Oprosti! Sretan rođendan! Kako se zoveš? Čaaa? or Mooooliiim? or Šta??? Volim te! Marš! Koja dobra guza! Gremo tancati! Uzmi me! Volim šporko. Šššima? Odi vrit!

NOW YOU ARE READY FOR A REAL TALK!

I like you a lot. I like your outfit. You have a nice perfume. I wanna kiss you. Cheers! (a special one) Ma bin te šćapa. Imaš dobre škovace. Hoj se prat! Dođi da te poližem. Živili, ševili, oduševili!

We are f**ked, man!



DON'T FORGET!

Before you start packing for BEST time of your life, check this list to be sure you have all that you need!

- passport and/or ID card
- visa (if needed)
- travel insurance
- student card (ISIC)
- personal medicine supplies (if you need any)
- towels (for personal hygiene)
- swimsuit
- photo camera
- some cash

 typical food & drinks & any other random stuff (e.g.flags) from your country for the International Evening

- your BEST spirit

Bear in mind that you are coming in a mid-spring, so it might be rainy sometimes so don't forget to pack your umbrella and raincoat also!



IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Hopefully you won't be needing them, but here are

emergency numbers:

- +385 112 Global Emergency Number
- +385 192 Local Police Department
- +385 194 Local Hospital
- +385 193 Local Fire Department

If you still have some questions, don't hesitate to

contact our amazing MO!





WE ARE WAITING FOR YOU!