

Maslinica Amenities

1. Provisioning

There is a Studenac Supermarket which takes credit cards at the end and to the right of the harbour, about 75 meters up the hill. Bread arrives at 8 am so get there in time! The vegetable man has a stall at the end and to the right of the village square. There is also a bread shop on the opposite side of the harbour (north side) that also sells pastries. There is a Tisak kiosk adjacent to this shop where you can purchase top up vouchers for your local mobile phone or for the Wifi Broadband Modems installed on each of the 3 floors

2. Restaurants

There are 6 or more restaurants as follows:

- a) The castle or monastery hotel (it has only 6 en-suite luxury rooms!). Good but expensive
- b) The konoba (restaurant) at the bottom end of the harbour in the town square. Excellent lamb and octopus Pekas. A Peka is cooking dish with a bell on top and is cooked by surrounding it with hot ash from the large stone BBQ (Komin). They require 2 hours notice to cook the dish so you have to order it in advance. If you order a lamb Peka make sure you ask for the shank of the lamb, i.e. the top end of the leg. If they do it with lamb chops they will over cook it! The octopus Peka is a must. Both Pekas have potatoes and vegetables cooked with the meat. They will also do take away Pekas
- c) A mainly fish restaurant at the end of the harbour on the N side at the end. This is owned by the owner of the Sismis (The Bat) restaurant at Sesula Bay, the next bay round to the south
- d) Anticlockwise from the town square is a very good fish restaurant and moderately priced even though fish is very expensive in Croatia. The top category of fish such as John Dory, scorpion fish etc costs about 450 Kuna per kg. The price does not vary that much between restaurants as the price paid to the fisherman is usually half the restaurant price.
- e) Carrying on anticlockwise you have a cafe which sells great ice creams and cakes, does breakfast and also excellent fish and probably other food in an amateurish way. Carrying on anticlockwise is a bar and then further on there is a bar at the beach with free wifi
- f) There is a very good fish restaurant Sampjer up the hill to the North with stunning views to the West. They will pick you up by minibus where the yellow bus stops by the castle hotel and also your return to the fishing harbour

3. Swimming

The beach is cordoned off for children and is located on the north side of the harbour entrance. You can also swim on the south side of the entrance with steps leading down to the crystal clear turquoise waters. Generally the wind is gentle in the morning and then starts picking up about lunchtime. It usually dies down in the evening.

4. Tourist information

The tourist office is located on the north side of the harbour above the restaurant at the far end of the inlet. Take a few steps up and then make a right. There are plenty of things to do on the island. These include:

- i) Rent bikes, scooters, cars and bikes in the town
- ii) Round the island trips by boat
- iii) Hiring motor boats for local pottering around to nearby islands
- iv) Speedboat charter for visiting islands further afield such as Hvar etc. You can charter on a daily basis a skippered speedboat capable of 30 knots/hr for up to 14 people, or charter yourself if you have the appropriate "international certificate for operators of pleasure craft". Companies offering these include www.charter-trogir.com (trogircharter@gmail.com). The daily price for skippered speedboats includes pick up by speedboat from 8:00 and returning at 20:00 hrs. Check with the web site for daily prices.
- v) Rendez vous diving with the dive boats that come from Trogir, www.trogirdivingcenter.com and tie up at the castle marina to pick people up

- vi) Visiting the old town of Split. Catch the yellow bus in the square which connects with the ferry. The old town is 5 mins walk away and is a wonderful warren of medieval streets based on Diocletian's Palace, built in the 3rd century.
- vii) Visiting the olive oil groves and olive oil mill of Olynthia Natura, Solta's award winning olive oil producer. Just book at the tourist office and they will arrange for you to be picked up. The visit with olive oil tasting and lunch with wine is 170 kunas per person. Or call direct on 00385 99 671 2603. Total time including lunch about 3 hours
- viii) Visit the honey producer Gorran! He will pick you up as well. An excellent 2 hours of education and the rosemary and sage honey is delicious. Contact Goran Tvrdic on 00385 915 437 786

5. Bus, ferry and catamaran times and costs to and from Split

See Travel to Maslinica

6) Travel Options from UK to Maslinica

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