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# PRIMOŠTEN

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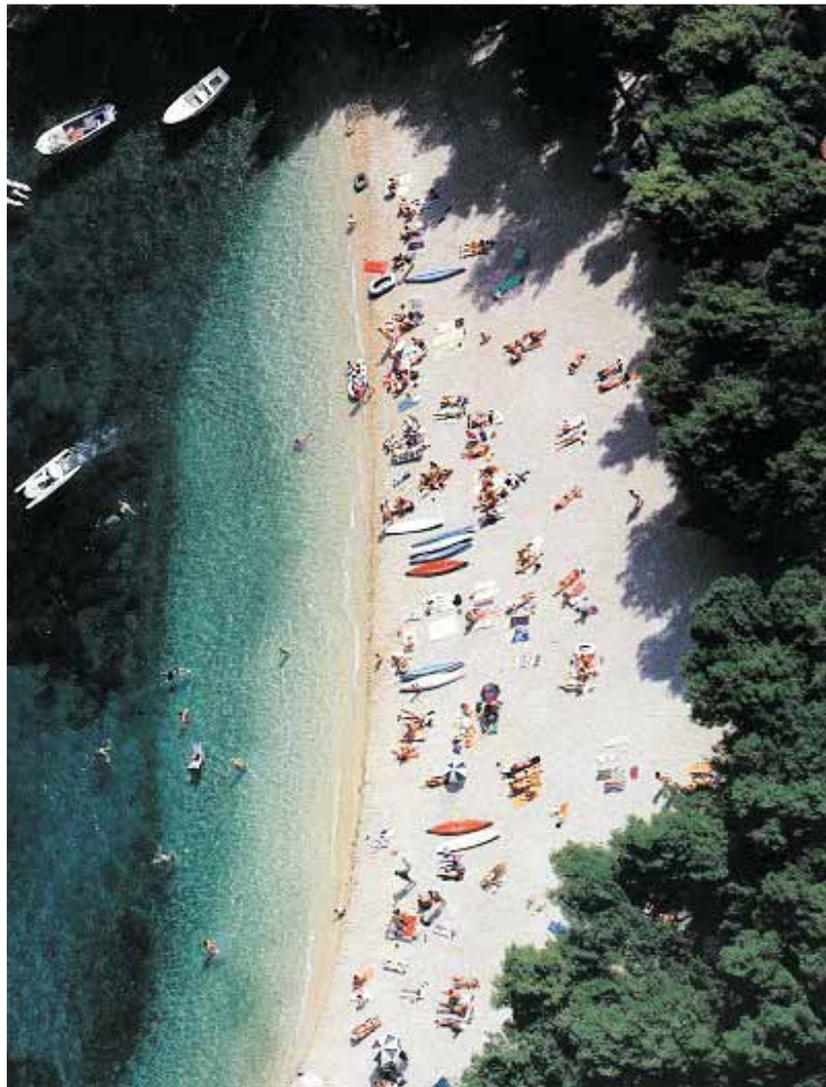
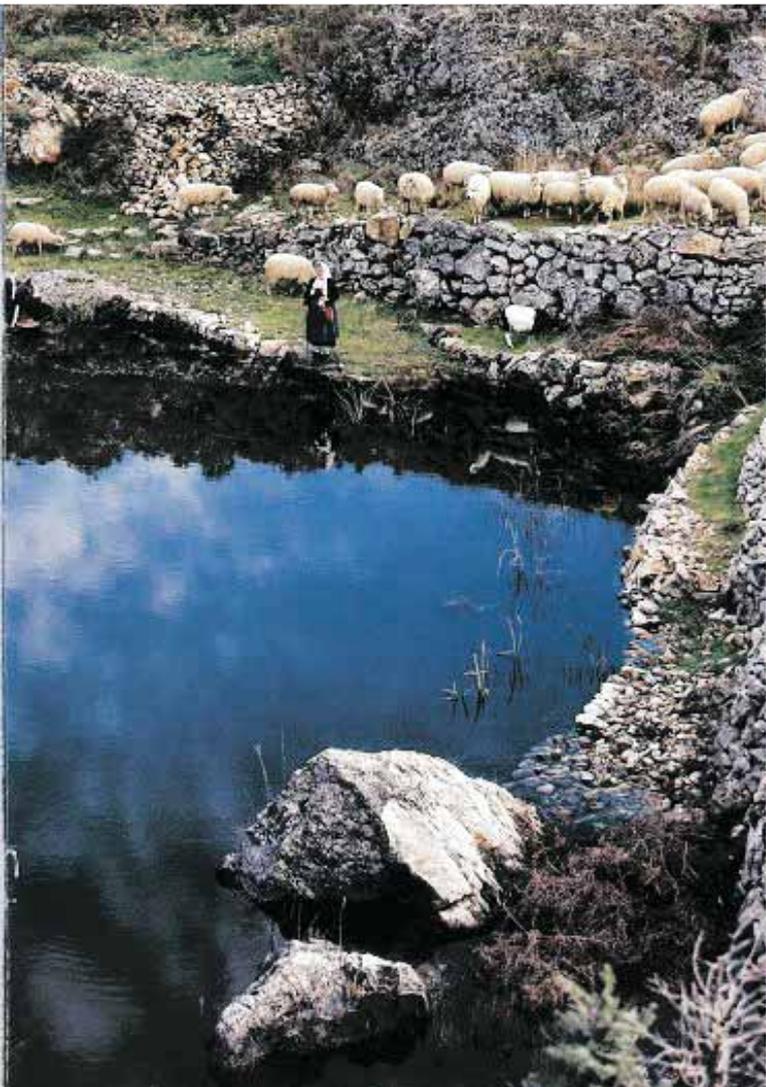
## LOCATION AND CLIMATE

Primošten, only 28 km south of Sibenik, is situated on a small island that the inhabitants linked to the mainland five centuries ago in order to reach their fields more easily. Surrounded by seven little islands, Primošten is a special gift from nature that leaves no one indifferent. The town and its surroundings have mild Mediterranean climate. The average winter temperature (January) amounts to 10°C, and in summer (July and August) it often amounts to 27°C. More than 2800 hours of sun annually cause frequent draughts in this area. However, due to the continuous circulation of air and „Maestral” wind, there are no unbearable heats.

## HISTORY AND SIGHTS

Just like in many other towns and places in Dalmatia, the first inhabitants of Primošten were forced to leave their homes and look for a more secure place to find shelter from the Turks. They situated them selves on a nearby islet, which they protected by fortress walls and towers and linked to the mainland with a movable wooden bridge.

The wooden bridge was later replaced by a causeway, hence the name Primošten (“primostiti” = bridge over), first mentioned in 1564. By the end of the 17<sup>th</sup> century and beginning of the 18<sup>th</sup> century, part of the inhabitants returned to the mainland and their old settlements.



The inhabitants were mostly engaged in fishing and agriculture, and nowadays tourism is the most developed sector.

Among the historical sights, the following should be emphasized: the baroque church of St. Jurje that dominates the town, the chapel of St. Rocco, built in a baroque style as well, and the church of Our Lady of Mercy from the 16<sup>th</sup> century.

#### PRIMOŠTEN TODAY

Once a fishermen's village, Primošten has developed in an attractive tourist town. The modern Kremik marina and the nearby national parks Krka and Kornati make this town one of the well known nautical centres in Dalmatia. Long pebbled beaches or massive and high rocks and cliffs as well as promenades around old city walls will definitely impress the tourists.



You can try fish specialities in one of the cca 50 restaurants and taverns as well as the famous Babic wine from Primošten.

If you're looking for entertainment till early in the morning, you can visit „Aurora” - this disco is one of the biggest (its capacity reaches around 3000 people) and most beautiful ones in this part of the Adriatic.

## HOW TO ARRIVE?

### By plane

If arriving by plane, you can choose the Split airport, that is nearest to Primošten. There are regular bus lines toward the town that is around 40 km far away from the airport.

### By car or bus

You can reach Primošten by car if driving via Trieste, Rijeka and then continue via the Adriatic highway toward Split, if you prefer to travel along the coast. Or you can use the highway when you reach Rijeka or

the junction Zuta Lokva near the town Senj, about 60 km south of Rijeka, and continue driving toward Split.

If you are arriving from the direction of north, the highway Zagreb - Split is the fastest way. Or you can use the alternative, i.e. the old route Zagreb - Karlovac - Plitvice - Gracac - Knin - Split.

### By train

There are fast trains from Zagreb to Split on a daily basis (8 hours drive) as well as business trains (5,5 hours drive). From Split, you can reach Primošten by bus or taxi.

### By ship

If travelling by ship, you can use some of the regular ferry lines from Rijeka or Dubrovnik toward Split, or international ferry or fast lines from Italy (Ancona, Civitanova, Giulianova, Pescara, Bari). From Split, you can reach Primošten by bus or taxi.

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Distance / km	Zagreb	Rijeka	Split	Dubrovnik	Trieste	Ljubljana
<b>Primošten</b>	370	315	59	265	390	430