

## KRK BIKE STORY – AUTUMN (7 – 8 October)

### *Vrbnik, Dobrinj, Omišalj & Malinska*

The second chapter of our two-day cycling story takes us to the northern part of the island of Krk. On the second weekend of October, you will get to feast your eyes on the beautiful sites of **Vrbnik, Dobrinj, Omišalj and Malinska**. Our adventure starts from **Vrbnik**, the birthplace of Glagolitic culture and superb wine. On a pleasant ride through the island's north-eastern coast we will see the ruins of an ancient church by **St Marek Cove**, and learn all about the benefits of the former **saltworks and therapeutic mud** in **Soline Cove**. While the **Dobrinjščina** area will impress you with a stunning view of the Kvarner Gulf and the mountain peaks of Gorski kotar, a visit to the **Gradec Castle** will be a great opportunity to learn about the famous **Frankopan Counts of Krk**. Before returning to Vrbnik, we will pass through the wine-growing valley, the home of the golden **Vrbnik Žlahtina** wine, and enjoy a glass or two over lunch at the end of our day's ride. The next morning starts with a tour of the charming Mediterranean villages and takes us to **Omišalj**, a quaint town of impressive history, before we head off to **Rudine** to explore the island's underground treasure – **Biserujka Cave**. Once we get to **Malinska** you will hear all about the history of **Dubašnica**, and learn some interesting things about traditional shipbuilding at the **DUBoak Maritime Heritage Interpretation Centre**. One of the most beautiful coastal trails will lead us to **Njivice**, and finally to Omišalj.

Both tours are intended for active mountain bikers and anyone ready to tackle about 40 km of trails, with an ascent of up to 700 m.

DATE: **Saturday, 7 October 2023**  
START/FINNISH: **Vrbnik** / Bus parking lot  
(gathering around 9:00 am, start at 10:00 am)  
LENGTH: 35 km  
TOTAL ASCENT: 600 m  
SURFACE: 45% gravel road / 55% asphalt road  
CATEGORY: MTB  
DIFFICULTY LEVEL: 3/5  
DURATION: 4 hours  
  
ROUTE: *Vrbnik – Sv. Marek – Risika – Šilo – Klimno – Kras – Garica – Vrbnik*

DATE: **Sunday, 8 October 2023**  
START/FINNISH: **Omišalj** / Spomen park (Memorial Park)  
(gathering around 9:00 am, start at 10:00 am)  
LENGTH: 30 km  
TOTAL ASCENT: 400 m  
SURFACE: 50% gravel road / 50% asphalt road  
CATEGORY: MTB  
DIFFICULTY LEVEL: 2/5  
DURATION: 4 hours  
  
ROUTE: *Omišalj – Voz – Rudine – Čižići – Rasopasno – Malinska – Njivice – Omišalj*

**Entry fee:**

2 days = 30 euros

1 day = 20 euros

**Entry fee includes:** tour organisation, guidance and escort by licenced bike tour guides, lunch at the end of the tour, refreshment, tasting of local produce, visits to cultural attractions

**Registration:** <https://www.entrio.hr/event/krk-bike-story-jesen-14189>

**Registration deadline:** 4 October 2023

**Note:** As this is a guided recreational and sight-seeing tour, not a race, some sections will include biking on local **roads, which will not close for this purpose**. For this reason, we **urge** all the participants to adhere to the Road Traffic Safety Act, follow the traffic rules and ride by the right-hand edge of asphalt roads, in a single file.

**Obligatory equipment:** bike (MTB or trekking), helmet, spare inner tube

In case of bad weather, the event will be cancelled or rescheduled. The entry fee will be valid for another date set by the organiser.

**MTBs are available for rent at request, with prior announcement:**

Bike Centre Krk: <https://www.facebook.com/BikeCentarKrk>

Bike guru Baška: <https://bikeguru.info/>

Zen adventures Baška: <https://www.zenadventures.net/bike-ebike-rentals>

Hidden Krk Baška: <https://www.hiddenkrk.com/all-tours-and-activites?category=rentals>

Partenca Matulji, e-bike rental: <https://partenca.hr/bicikle/>

**Co-organisers:** Omišalj Municipality Tourist Board, Malinska-Dubašnica Municipality Tourist Board, Vrbnik Municipality Tourist Board, Dobrinj Municipality Tourist Board, Krk Island Tourist Board

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