

NEWS LETTER NO 33



Currency

Croatia is in the E.U. But like the U.K. It does not use the Euro. The currency here is the Kuna, there are about 9 to a £1 and 100 lipa in a Kuna, the smallest coin is 10 lipa. In the shops a loaf of bread is priced at 8.99 kuna so you have to give them 9 kuna. We did a supermarket shop it was 654.42 Kuna which is 654.50 Kuna. (Very strange)



Update 28/5/2014 Rovinj

Motovum is one of Croatia's inland tourist attractions, a must stop for all the tourist buses. It is basically a hill top town. After

ADVENTURE BEFORE DEMENTIA

coming from Tuscany and towns such as Lucca and Siena. It wasn't much.



Back on the coast at Ravinj and to try and find something different we stayed at a “mini camp-site” these are classified as having under 100 pitches, tiny by Croatian standards, and it was in a very good position just outside Ravinj.

Ravinj is a pretty town, but very similar to Novigrad and Porec. i.e. a peninsular with houses all around the edge, a large church tower in the middle and a new marina.



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The best part of this region was a 6 mile coastal path thro a coastal nature reserve.



Croatia has not been quite to our liking. Basically the coast line is a gigantic camp site, for the German and Dutch caravaners to take their caravans for 2 weeks and sit in the sun, all of Southern Germany is only a days drive.

The coast line is all rock and pine trees. (no sandy beaches). It looks great from a distance, until you get close and in front of all the sites they have poured concrete onto the natural rocks to make sun bathing areas.

If you like sunbathing, good quality very reasonable restaurants and high standard camp-sites, then Croatia is for you.

Dislike of the day

24hr rave party boats cruising past the camp site at 3 in the morning.

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Like of the day

Spotting dolphins in the bay.

Update 1/6/2014 *camping Bled.*

Lake Bled in northern Slovenia about 10ml from the Austrian border, is a pretty place, not big only about 5ml round. It is commercial but it has been done well, catering for all types of outdoor sports. The lake is a World cup rowing venue, boats with engines are not allowed on the lake. The small ferry's out to the island all use oars.



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Like of the day

Well its admiration for camper owners from Finland. Have you ever looked at a road map of Europe, try looking at the route from Finland to the Med.

Camper bit.

I fit a 12v car dash fan near the bed, its ok, very noisy and after about 2 hours just when you have fell asleep it starts making the most strange noises. Mark bought us this fan which is designed for computer servers, and has been modified with a stand and speed control. It runs off a U.S.B. Cable. Its very quite and efficient.



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Wendy's images a rock sculpture on the beach



We don't know what this is, we have called it a humming Bee.



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Tulip tree.



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