



# VODICE

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## LOCATION AND CLIMATE

Vodice is a small town near Sibenik, situated in a wide bay to which the Adriatic highway (the main Dalmatian highway) leads.

Vodice, like the whole coastal part of the region, has Mediterranean climate. The average temperature in winter (January) amounts to 9°C, and in summer (July and August) to 26°C.

The town has 2710 sunny days per year, whereas high summer temperatures and heat are decreased by the „Maestral” wind that blows in the direction sea - mainland.

## HISTORY AND SIGHTS

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The town walls from the period of Turkish invasion witness the history of this town, and the „Coric” tower is best preserved. From the other historical monuments, the Church of St. Cross from the 15<sup>th</sup> century as well as the Baroque parish church bearing the same name (in the



centre of Vodice) should be emphasized. Near Vodice, on the hill Okit, the Church of the Lady of Carmel is situated, built by the inhabitants in the mid 17<sup>th</sup> century during the invasion of Turks.

### VODICE TODAY

The inhabitants of Vodice are mostly engaged in tourism, in addition to which agriculture and fishing are also an important sector.

Numerous tourist objects, sports and recreational centres, organized boat and bus trips, as well as an interesting cultural and artistic offer contribute to the rich tourist offer of Vodice. The tourists can choose among various accommodation types – hotels, apartments, villas, private rooms and camps.

Pebbled beaches within the bay of Vodice and its surrounding area, among which the so called „Blue Beach” (with hotel complex) stretching to the west (all the way to the nearby small town Tribunj) is perhaps the most famous, will enable everyone to find a place for themselves, searching either for a dynamic atmosphere or privacy.





**HOW TO ARRIVE?**

**By plane**

If arriving by plane, you have two options, one of them being the Zadar airport, that is cca 60 km far away from Vodice (from there, you can reach it either by car or bus), and the other one being the Split airport, cca 70 km far away from Vodice.

**By car or bus**

You can reach Vodice by car, if driving via Trieste, Rijeka, and then via the Adriatic highway toward Šibenik, if you prefer to travel along the coast. Or you can use the highway Zagreb - Split when you reach Rijeka or the junction Zuta Lokva near the town Senj, about 60 km south of Rijeka, and continue driving toward Šibenik.

The highway Zagreb - Šibenik is the fastest way if arriving from the direction of north. You can exit the highway at number 20, „Pirovac”,

and continue driving toward Vodice via the regional route.

If arriving by bus, you can take all bus lines to Šibenik. However, you can also take bus lines to Zadar, from where you can reach Vodice by local bus.

**By train**

Via Šibenik, Vodice is connected with every bigger European city by railway lines. From Šibenik, you can reach Vodice either by regular bus lines or taxi (cca 10 km distance).

**By ship**

If travelling by ship, you can use one of the regular ferry lines from Rijeka or Dubrovnik toward Zadar or Split or international ferry lines from Italy (Ancona, Civitanova, Giulianova and Pescara) toward Zadar or Split.

Photo: Croatian National Tourist Board

| Distance / km | Zagreb | Rijeka | Split | Dubrovnik | Trieste | Ljubljana |
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| <b>Vodice</b> | 333    | 297    | 98    | 303       | 357     | 397       |