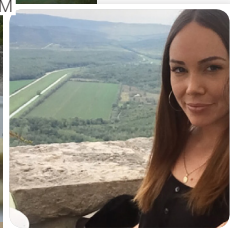


A CROATIAN CELEBRATION

PW's Colette discovers why Istria is the perfect place for a destination wedding



THE UNRIVALLED VIEW FROM KONOBA POD VOLTOM



If you've always dreamt of getting married abroad, basked in sun and enjoying local delicacies and traditions with your loved ones, then you definitely need to consider Croatia.

Every day that we spent exploring the Istria region confirmed that this is *the* place to be for romance!

Staying at the Rivalmare hotel (northistria.com/en/rivalmare), in Novigrad, was such a joy. Situated right on the seafront, this boutique hotel only has 12 rooms, meaning you get a truly personalised stay. With stunning views, this would be the perfect place to check in for a post-wedding minimum.

The nearby city of Rovinj, well-known for being one of the most romantic Mediterranean cities, offers a number of wedding venues, most notably Hotel Katarina (maistra.com/island-hotel-katarina-rovinj), accessible only by boat. Imagine holding your reception al fresco, with unrivalled views of the old town as your backdrop? Unforgettable!

While you're in the area, there are some great experiences not to be missed. After a bit of R&R? We visited the Aminess Spa (aminess.com/en/wellness) and indulged in a

couple's massage – a total must-do for some alone time with your partner. For those who prefer something a bit more outdoorsy, then truffle hunting at the Karlic Estate in Paladini Village (karlictartufi.hr/en) is such a fun activity to do – and we can assure you, the reward of eating the truffle-infused lunch afterwards is well worth it.

We finished our trip in the hilltop, walled city of Motovun, an ancient city in the northern part of Istria.

With a number of must-see attractions, including a Romanesque-Gothic bell tower; walking the streets was breathtaking.

We were so sad to leave Croatia, with its magical ambience and beautiful scenery. A wedding here is guaranteed to provide couples with the day that they've always dreamt of.

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Dining experiences not to be missed:

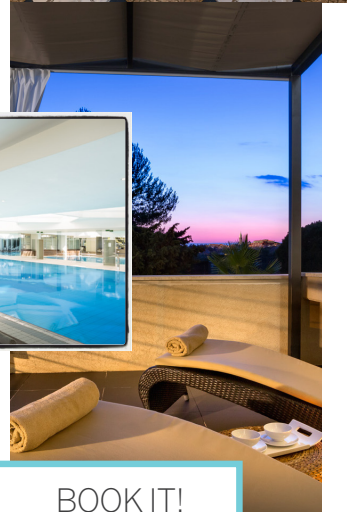
- Lunch by the sea at Restaurant Tramonto (facebook.com/tramontorestaurantrovinj)
- Dessert to die for at Badi restaurant (restaurant-badi.com).
- Romantic dinners at San Rocco (san-rocco.hr/en)
- Hilltop views at Konoba Pod Voltom (facebook.com/podvoltom) 



HOTEL KATARINA IS THE PERFECT SPOT FOR A WEDDING



WE HAD THE BEST DESSERTS WE'VE EVER EXPERIENCED AT RESTAURANT BADI



BOOK IT!
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