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CROATIA CRUISE, TROGIR 2nd - 16th September 2017

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For those of us wimps who feel the cold - instead of turning right at Land's End for the frozen wastes of the Scottish Highlands and Islands - join me in turning left and enjoy the (much) warmer waters of the Adriatic next summer! Not that I'm advocating a cruise along the south coast and across the Bay of Biscay - let's fly that bit . . .

We have chartered three yachts from Nautilus Yachting - *two Bavarias - a 37 and a 39* - with a 3rd yacht - *a Sun Odyssey 42.2*. The yachts are based at Trogir Marina - only a 20 minute taxi ride away from Split airport.

The yachts will be ready by 15:00 hrs on the Saturday (2nd) and we have to have them back by Friday night on 15th September to disembark by 09:00 on the Saturday (16th) - flights by Jet2 and EasyJet serve Split airport from the UK.

After a lot of to'ing and fro'ing, we have arrived at a fee of £480 per berth week - but if you book for both weeks - £950 to you! This is excluding food and travel to and from Trogir. We will be filling the boats sensibly full - 6 berths – but we may be able to squeeze in an extra 1 or 2 on the bigger yacht. Indeed, there is the possibility of a 4th yacht if enough interest is shown!

The (very flexible) plan is to sail South towards Dubrovnik - that's 110 nautical miles away! (Islands of Brac Hvar Vis and Korcula all feature nearby - our more likely cruising area) for the first week, returning to Trogir for any possible crew changeovers, then off up North to explore the islands of the Kornati National Park.

Early September in Croatia is a very pleasant 25 degrees with the clear blue waters also nudging 25 - 30 degrees - so bring your swimmers!! Generally regarded as a good month for weather, with some of the best marinas in the Adriatic and innumerable little harbours and anchorages for Penguins to do what they do so well – pootle and explore.

To book a place on this cruise send a completed booking form to my friendly purser - John Marriott, plus a cheque of at least £100 - or more if you can manage it, made out to "J. Marriott". In general, places will be allocated on a first come first served basis, with the proviso that we must have enough skippers and mates. No cheque will be banked until your place on the cruise has been confirmed. I have already had some expressions of interest from Penguins who saw Pugwash's mention of this cruise in the Newsletter. So, don't delay!

Look forward to hearing from you in due course.

Simon Morton