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Rovinj and Vrsar: with a one-point advantage

Anchored in the Adriatic Sea, the Istrian peninsula represents a quiet and safe heaven for both its inhabitants and its cherished visitors. Along its indented and protected western coast two blue gems await you. Two coastal places emerged in ancient times: Rovinj and Vrsar.

Rovinj has been on the maps of a number of world travellers as a must-see destination. And when they arrive here, the outline of this scenic, historical town does not allow its visitors to leave without at least taking one photo.

The astonishing natural attraction, the Lim Bay, is a fjord-like bay that separates Rovinj from neighbouring Vrsar.


And with Rovinj being the one offering a priceless view over its fascinating old town core, Vrsar will leave you breathless with its green archipelago.

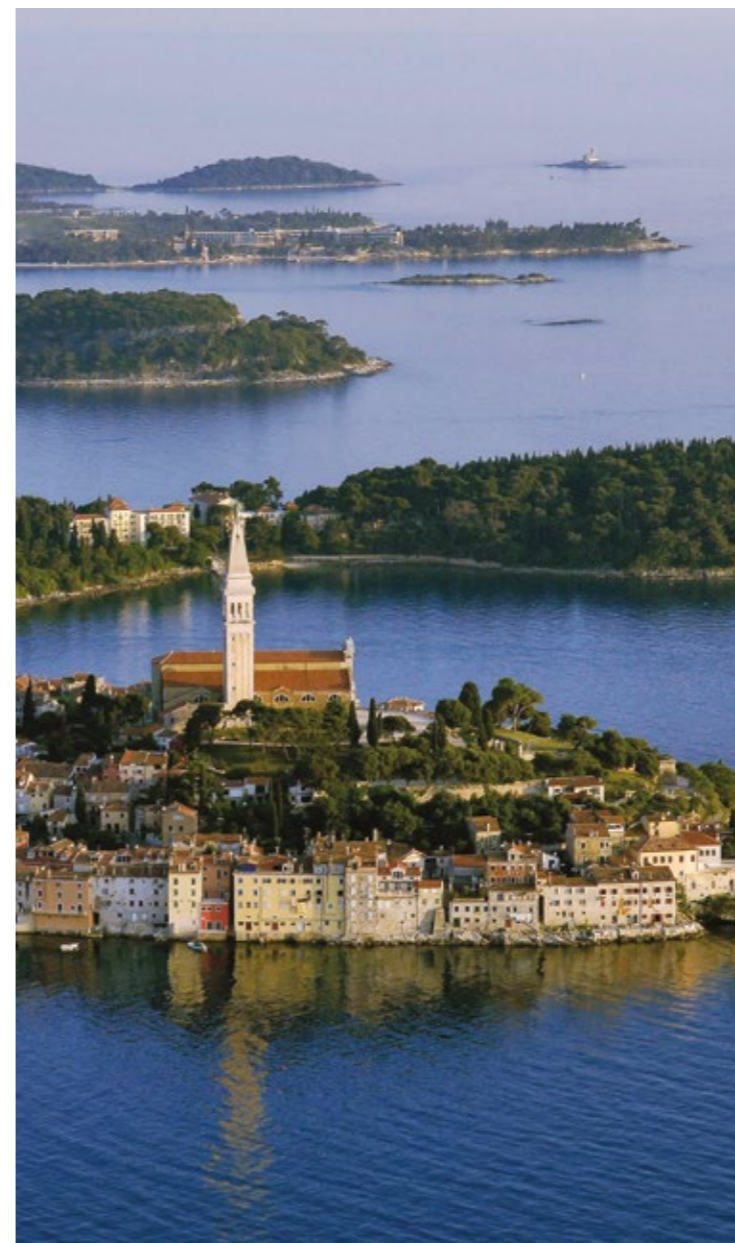
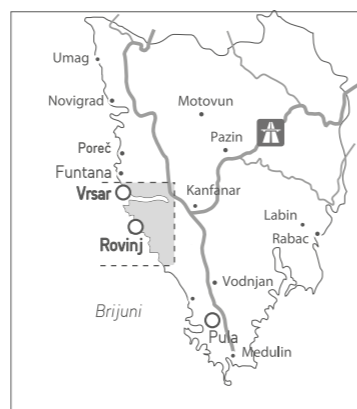
This town where fishing nets were once stretched, sprawling unweaved at the hand of the workers, is today an unbeatable destination boasting a rich nautical offer and a variety of facilities for an active holiday, tailor-made to the most demanding visitors.



WHERE ARE WE

Amsterdam 1424 km
Vienna 570 km
Budapest 595 km
Milan 524 km
Munich 592 km

 Pula 40 km
Rijeka 120 km
Trieste 171 km
Ljubljana 209 km
Zagreb 251 km
Venice 260 km



Why Rovinj and Vrsar?

AN EXCELLENT INFRASTRUCTURE:

- > 60 tennis courts
- > a favourable geographic position
- > a mild Mediterranean climate
- > accommodation by choice: hotels and resorts 3*, 4*, 5*
- > a top quality gourmet offer
- > a healthy cuisine adapted to athletes
- > friendly hosts
- > an attractive leisure and entertainment offer

A NUMBER OF SPORTS FACILITIES:

- > football, handball, volleyball, horse riding, climbing, paintballing, kayaking, cycling...
- > a wide range of additional services: fitness, wellness...
- > the confirmed quality of a sporting tradition



Game, set and match: Istria, Bale, Svetvinčenat, Kanfanar

Istria

The Istrian peninsula is always waiting with its doors wide open, offering a warm welcome and sincere hospitality in its green-blue embrace, at the foot of the Alps on the slopes of Central Europe, deeply immersed in the sky-like Adriatic Sea.

You can peek into the remarkable natural and historical vastness of our peninsula when it is filled with fragrant spring buds, embraced by summer forests, rustling autumn leaves, or the tender kisses of a white winter.

The breath-taking views carry you over the waves with the foam that borders the delightful islets and beautiful shores, to the magical historical sights and to the rolling hills with their winding roads and fertile vineyards.

The scents of the red soil and olive groves offering the best extra virgin olive oil all over the world tell their story – from the time of the ancient Greeks and Romans, when Istrian oil was synonymous with the best, to which all other oils were compared.

A unique combination of exceptional history and enchanting landscapes offers a destination for new experiences, an oasis for enjoyment and leisure, retreat and peaceful shelter – your chosen playground for 365 days a year.



Bale, Svetvinčenat and Kanfanar

Embraced in a veil of a well-preserved past and a carefully conceived present, the town of Bale invariably attracts anyone who chances there. Every step made in the narrow circular streets of the old town core, will uncover you this small town's turbulent but exciting history, initiated in prehistoric times on the Mon Perin hill.

The bell tower of Bale stands alongside already famous Romanesque bell towers in Motovun and Završje, while the Soardo-Bembo palace, the Gothic-Renaissance beauty, will enchant you forever.

Even Svetvinčenat, the home to the most important Venetian monument on the Istrian peninsula, has preserved its beautiful Morosini-Grimani castle, expanded along the entire square, for many centuries.

The Renaissance left valuable marks on the palaces, the town's lodge and the façade of the parish church that adorns the Placa, as the local people call their charming square. These are just some of the reasons to visit this Renaissance city-monument dating from the end of the 15th and the beginning of 16th century.

And in the centre of Istria, at the intersection of a number of roads, you will find Kanfanar. In this fertile area of the peninsula, the past can even take us back 8,000 years, to the Neolithic fragments of ceramics found here.

Close to the ancient area where people once lived turbulent lives in the Bronze and Iron Age, you will also discover the hidden pearl of Green Istria, an exceptional cultural monument, the medieval Dvigrad, devastated by plague at the beginning of the 17th century. An abandoned town, proudly elevated deep within the magnificent valley of the natural phenomenon of the Limska Draga still preserves its defence walls and legends about a pirate and his buried treasure.





Destination for tennis results

The beginning of tennis playing in Istria was registered in the 1890s in Pula. Baron Gottfried Meyern Hohenbergat is considered to be responsible for the first matches. The construction of a number of sporting facilities, including tennis courts, began mainly on the western Istrian coast in the 1960s along with the tourism development.

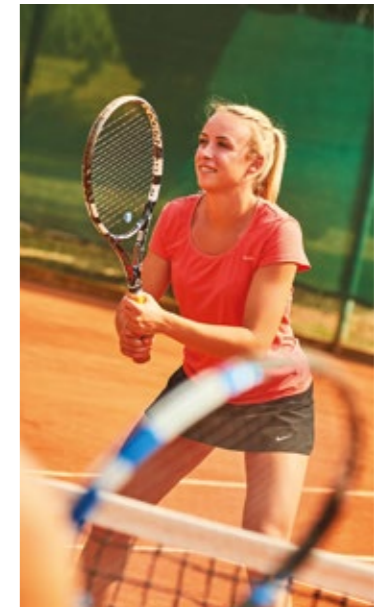
The tourism offer of sport and recreation is extended outside the summer months as a result of the excellent climatic conditions, whilst a spirit of competition contributes to the emergence and organisation of new sporting events.

Significantly, at the beginning of the 1970s, the attractive international tennis tournament **Istarska rivijera** (Istrian riviera) took place for the first time in Croatia, whilst a few years later, Rovinj and Vrsar hosted their first groups of tennis enthusiast. This tournament is today listed with the ATP.

Today, this is a destination where amateurs from around the world meet and take part in organised tennis schools and famous tennis camps. They choose Rovinj and Vrsar as attractive locations offering optimal infrastructure and outstanding accommodation for enjoying active holidays all year round.

Over the years, tennis matches in this interesting destination have attracted many generations among whom are some of the most famous names of the tennis world such as the legendary Goran Ivanišević, winner of the Grand Slam Petr Korda, number one ranked at ATP rankings, Boris Becker and Thomas Muster...

The prominent Croatian tennis player Vedran Šiljegović, who became famous in his junior years, began working in the spring of 2010 in Rovinj's Hotel Eden as a tennis instructor. This great enthusiast of the white sport shared his knowledge and experience with others, and transformed Rovinj and Vrsar into tennis mecca destinations for a number of visitors. Tragically, his young life met an early end, but his persistent and unselfish effort has survived in the later generations.



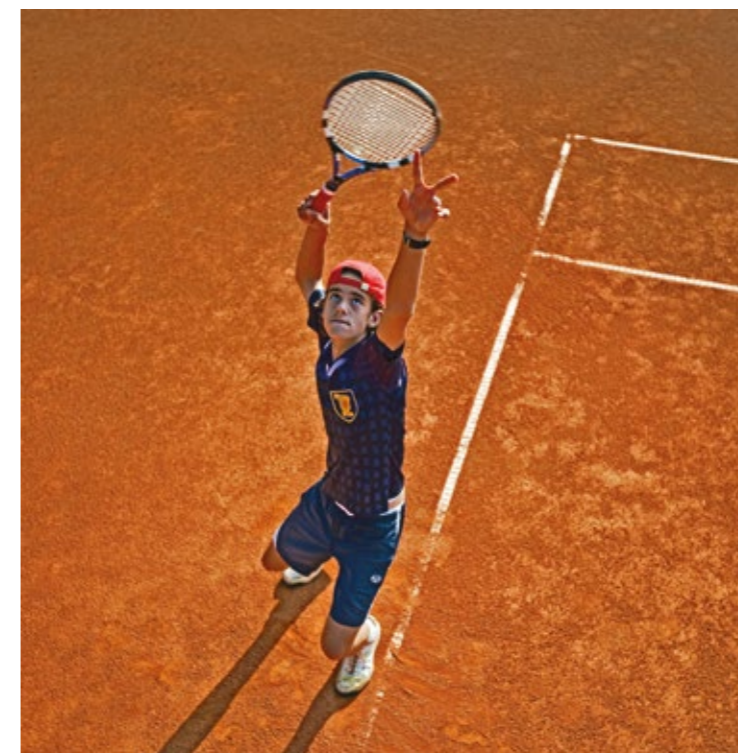
In the company of legends

In the wake of Ivanišević, Becker, Muster, Čilić...

We would like to present just some of the tournaments organised so far in Rovinj and Vrsar:

- > Istarska Rivijera Tennis Tournament
- > ITF Tennis Tournaments for U18 juniors (grade 1)
- > TE Tennis Tournaments for U14 juniors (grade 2)
- > TE Tennis Tournaments for U12 juniors (grade 2)
- > ITF GMP Cup Rovinj Tennis Tournament (grade 1)

Thomas Muster, the future winner of Roland Garros and Boris Becker, the youngest Wimbledon winner ever also served their first aces here in Rovinj and Vrsar.



TENNIS PLAYERS WHO HAVE PLAYED AND STAYED IN ROVINJ AND VRSAR

- > Goran Ivanišević
- > Marin Čilić
- > Ivan Ljubičić
- > Ivo Karlović
- > Goran Prpić
- > Nikola Mektić
- > Vedran Šiljegović
- > Boris Becker
- > Thomas Muster
- > Petr Korda
- > Dominik Hrbaty



Our services and tennis infrastructure

Knowledge, skills and courts for tennis connoisseurs

The unique combination of sport and tourism offered by Rovinj and Vrsar starts primarily with the large number of tennis courts. Designed in attractive seaside locations, they emerged together with the tourist accommodation facilities. Today these are high quality modern tennis centres where you can rent equipment, string your rackets and get a series of complementary services essential for successful training and play.

The sporting offer in Rovinj and Vrsar is continually enriched and upgraded, with additional investment in infrastructure and employees by developing their knowledge and skills, together with the creation of new and more comprehensive service packages for tennis players.

Tennis courts

Rovinj has 34 tennis courts of which 23 are clay courts, six are hard courts and five are artificial grass courts. Some of them are covered, and most of them dispose of special audience seats.

All courts can be found in excellent locations by the sea and in the vicinity of the hotel complexes, tourist resorts and apartments. They are surrounded by pine forests and harmoniously fit into their environment.

Vrsar offers 26 tennis courts of which 24 are clay courts and 2 are hard courts. Most tennis infrastructure is located close to hotels, tourist resorts and campsites.



OFFER FOR TENNIS PLAYERS:

- > quality accommodation
- > 60 tennis courts
- > vicinity to the sea
- > mild climate
- > qualified coaches
- > nutrition for athletes
- > storage rooms for tennis equipment
- > massage services
- > meeting halls
- > informative material on the tennis offer
- > daily weather information
- > professional services
- > organisation experience
- > wellness and fitness centre
- > leisure activities

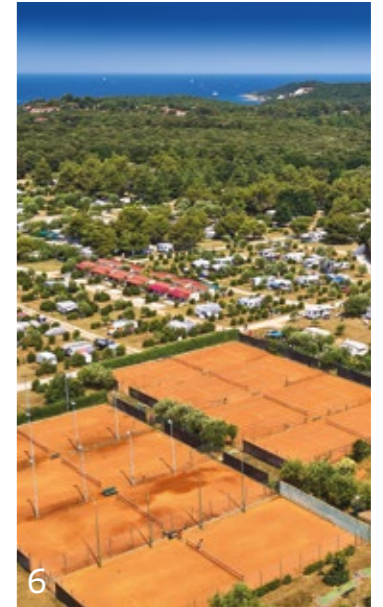
OTHER SERVICES:

- > engagement of coach for individual tennis courses
- > engagement of coach for group tennis courses
- > organisation of sparring matches
- > rental of tennis equipment



Tennis centre	Number of courts	Surface			Tennis bar	Distance from the sea	Walking distance to accommodation facilities
		clay	hard	artificial grass			
ROVINJ							
1. Villas Rubin Tennis Centre	11	7	4	-	✓	50 m	5 min
2. Amarin Tennis Centre	8	6	2	-	-	50 m	5 min
3. Eden Tennis Centre	12	8	-	4	✓	170 m	3 min
4. Istra Tennis Centre	3	2	-	1	-	20 m	3 min
VRSAR							
5. Petalon Tennis Centre	12	10	2	-	✓	200 m	3 min
6. Koversada Tennis Centre	8	8	-	-	✓	200 m	3 min
7. Valkanela Tennis Centre	4	4	-	-	✓	20 m	3 min
8. Funtana Tennis Centre	2	2	-	-	-	30 m	3 min

OUR SERVICES AND TENNIS INFRASTRUCTURE



Supplementary services

TOP QUALITY NUTRITION

A varied and rich Mediterranean culinary offer in the hotels, restaurants and taverns is based on fresh ingredients. Fish and meat specialties, delicious homemade pasta, vegetables and extra virgin olive oils of top quality are particularly popular.



In Rovinj and Vrsar, tennis players will find a diet that really offers a lot more than a propellant for their physical efforts. The tradition of a healthy gourmet offer based on locally grown ingredients opens the door to a rich world of flavours and experiences. Because the sporting program does not always have to be Spartan-like, the enjoyment of quality dishes will add a whole new dimension to it.

NATURE

Sea, untouched nature and fresh air are the strongest advantages of Rovinj and Vrsar. These are destinations that, along with their blue vastness and green allure, still live with that quiet, typical Mediterranean rhythm that resists the stresses of a busy everyday life.

LEISURE

We take care of training, accommodation and tournament organisation, but we do not forget our guests' precious free time either. The choice is wide and attractive, with everything being close to hand in Rovinj and Vrsar.

Along with promenades and jogging and cycling trails, there are volleyball, handball and football courts in our destination and you could also try free climbing and horse riding as well as swimming and diving. Moreover, you can visit some of the rich cultural heritage left behind by this area's turbulent past.

The House of Batana in Rovinj is not just "one" of the museums in a series of museums, but a museum of a small boat listed on UNESCO's Intangible Cultural Heritage List, whilst the history of Vrsar has definitely been marked by the famous adventurer Giacomo Casanova who visited the town twice!

EXPLORING THE SURROUNDING AREA

Istria is a heart-shaped peninsula full of experiences. On the shores of Blue Istria you will encounter romantic little towns, discover vineyards and olive groves emerged within the green interior taking you up to hill top medieval fortresses.

You just have to taste the local wines and world-class extra virgin olive oils and at least one delicacy spiced with an exclusive culinary delicacy – the truffle.



For sport and results, holiday and entertainment

Spending time with friends while on an active holiday

The fantastic year-round conditions make Rovinj and Vrsar ideal destinations for active holidays with friends, family, business colleagues, tennis clubs or sporting associations.

Accommodation in hotels, apartments or campsites with a wide range of tennis courts, sea and a large number of sunny days is the perfect choice for every tennis group.

The pools and wellness centres will have a beneficial effect on the physical form, while the Istrian cuisine will complete the experience, and the pristine nature and rich cultural heritage are crying out for adventure and exploration.

A competent team of experts is at your disposal to assist you during your tennis holiday in Rovinj and Vrsar, whilst there are special prices and conditions for groups.

Organisation of tennis tournaments

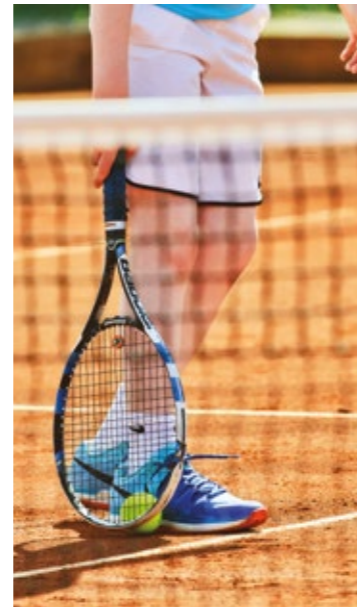
Would you like to set up a tournament for yourself and your friends and take advantage of other benefits of staying in Rovinj and Vrsar? Are you looking for a suitable place to host a competition tournament?

The professional team in Rovinj and Vrsar has many years of experience organising tennis tournaments at all levels, ranging from professional to corporate and sporting tournaments.

We will provide you with support at every stage of the organisation: renting courts and choosing accommodation, designing free time, entertainment, festive dinners as well as awards ceremonies and special programs for contestants as well as all those not taking part in the tournaments.

Tennis schools and camps

Organised tennis groups and specialists have been coming to Rovinj and Vrsar since 1975, mainly from Austria, Germany, Switzerland and Italy. The suitability of courts and accompanying facilities have been recognised by a number of renowned national and European tennis schools, which traditionally organise camps and tournaments in the destination.



A number of tennis players choose Rovinj and Vrsar to prepare themselves for the competition season and, in recent years, children of different ages from Russia and Ukraine wanting to build a professional tennis career are also frequent visitors of our area.

If choosing our destination, new partners can expect top training conditions but will also discover new opportunities for tennis development.

Planning a tennis holiday

Recreational tennis is a favourite means of relaxing and maintaining body shape for many people, and Rovinj and Vrsar are the exemplary partners for this kind of recreation, often combined with swimming and sunbathing, excursions into the surrounding nature, gourmet tours, entertainment and a number of amenities.

A trusted team of tennis experts will provide you with tips and assistance in all aspects of your tennis holiday organisation and will also provide special deals tailored to your individual interests and needs, throughout your stay in Rovinj and Vrsar.

OUR OFFER INCLUDES:

- > a Mediterranean climate
- > 60 tennis courts:
 - 47 clay
 - 8 hard
 - 5 artificial grass
- > professional organisation based on years of experience
- > a variety of accommodation:
 - hotels 3*, 4* and 5*
 - apartments and campsites
- > services and leisure activities
- > special prices and conditions for groups
- > a competent team of experts that will help you organise your tennis stay in Rovinj and Vrsar

Tournaments

Tennis tournaments taking place in Rovinj and Vrsar

ITF ISTARSKA RIVIJERA

The first international tennis tournament in Istria, but also in Croatia, known as Istarska rivijera, was completed in 1972. Launched in order to popularise tennis in Istria, the tournament became a prestigious competition. Croatian ATP tournaments the ATP Croatia Open Umag and the Zagreb Indoors came about from it.

Now in its 35th edition, this, currently male tennis tournament, has changed playing mode from a satellite tournament and has become part of a cycle of three ITF tournaments in the Futures category, including the Istarska rivijera tournament in Rovinj – Croatia F1 Futures.

The oldest Croatian tournament is run by the Top Spin tennis club. The Croatian ITF Pro Circuit starts in Rovinj, where single and doubles matches take place at the Eden and Villas Rubin Sport Centres.

The Istarska rivijera tennis tournament is a first step for young players in the pursuit of winning ATP points at a professional level.

MEMORIЈAL SLAVOЈ GREBLO (TE 12)

The Memorijal Slavoj Greblo international junior tournament is a competition for girls and boys under 12 years, which is, every year, attended by around 250 players and their teams from 25 different countries.

In the second half of March, the Petalon Tennis Center in Vrsar becomes the venue for matches in which juniors compete to win points for Category 3 Tennis Europe.

PERIN MEMORIЈAL (ITF 18)

The Perin memorijal international tennis tournament for juniors under 18 years is one of a total of 15 tournaments of this kind in the world. Attractive matches are held at the Petalon Tennis Centre in late March. The Vrsar tournament is also the largest tennis event in Croatia, attended by about 280 players and their teams from 30 countries.



MAISTRA CUP (TE 14)

Maistra's international tennis cup for juniors under 14 years takes place in Vrsar in September. More than 150 players and their teams from 25 different countries come together each year on the tennis courts of the Petalon Tennis Centre in order to try to win points in Category 3 Tennis Europe.

ITF GMP CUP ROVINJ (GRADE 1)

The first edition of this large open tennis championship for veterans brought together about 400 contestants from more than 20 countries. Among them were nine world champions in veteran categories and a number of former Grand Slam participants. Thanks to the excellent organisation, accommodation and match conditions as well as a positive response in the world of tennis, at the end of 2010 the International Tennis Federation made a remarkable decision to upgrade the senior ITF GMP Cup Rovinj to an elite-level tournament.



Hotels

Top offer for top players

It is well known what it takes to master the skills of this esteemed sport, and we know that tennis players also need various facilities and services to reach and maintain their top form. In Rovinj and Vrsar these are not anything for you to worry about – we will offer you everything you need, and your part of the bargain is to devote yourself to training and/or tournament competitions.

Along with our high-class accommodation, you will be surprised by the wellness offer that includes a variety of massages and treatments, saunas and pools as well as fitness centres. Our professional staff takes care of every detail, and with the sports training and all the demands of specialised training, we pay close attention to sports nutrition and we can fulfil any of your special requests.

Leisure time is also important to our athletes, regardless of whether this is additional recreation or entertainment program. Our teams will help you try new activities or to upgrade the skills you already have.

A range of sporting facilities is offered in the vicinity of hotels and resorts and we believe you will be thrilled by the promenades, trim trails and cycling trails that run around our destination.



EDEN

HOTEL



Hotel EDEN ****

www.maistra.com/hotel-eden-rovinj

A pearl hidden within a natural oasis

Just ten minutes walk from the old town of Rovinj, surrounded by a green pine tree forest, the blue sea and the intoxicating scents of the Mediterranean, is the hidden hotel Eden where, without a doubt, you will spend your most enchanting sporting holiday.

This long-standing Rovinj beauty has been renovated and today offers its guests elegant and spacious air-conditioned rooms with balconies overlooking the breath-taking images of the Adriatic landscape that surrounds it.

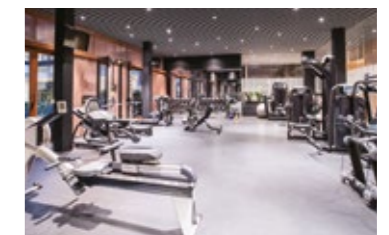
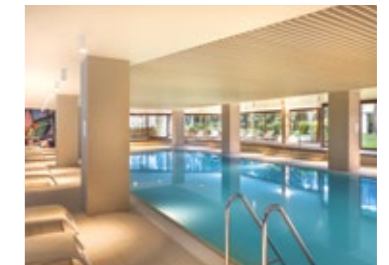
You will start your day with a view over the centuries-old Punta Corrente Forest Park, which is certain to inspire you to do some of the many sporting activities for which your hotel Eden has taken particular care.

On those days when the temperature of the crystal clear sea does not suit you, you can immerse yourself in either indoor or outdoor pool against the rhythm of the good mood that follows every step you make.

Enjoy the sun, the sea and the tennis – enjoy Eden!

HIGHLIGHTS:

- > Free Wi-Fi
- > Free car park
- > Meeting halls
- > Wellness & Spa
- > Gym
- > Bowling alley
- > Sporting facilities
- > Bike point





Resort AMARIN ****
www.maistra.com/hr/amarin-rovinj

With a view overlooking the romantic Town of Rovinj

A brilliant resort unpretentiously located on the blue slopes of the Rovinj coastline is just four kilometres away from the most beautiful Istrian town with a beautiful view over Rovinj. With its location and helpful personnel, this resort has already attracted a number of fans who regularly return to it.

Surrounded by the fragrances and colours of rosemary and lavender, Amarin offers privacy and peace within modern, newly renovated apartments or in older apartments, with a rustic ambience.

Our kind and smiling personnel will make sure you spend the day in the best possible way, by preparing the most delicious meals, and will be at your disposal throughout your stay in this serene oasis on the Adriatic coast.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- > Free Wi-Fi
- > Free car park
- > Multipurpose court for basketball, volleyball, five-a-side football and handball
- > Pet friendly resort





Hotel PINETA ***

www.maistra.com/hr/hotel-pineta-vrsar

In the heart of Vrsar's archipelago

Situated on the hillside overlooking the town of Vrsar, the Pineta hotel offers comfortable accommodation within its three stars complex.

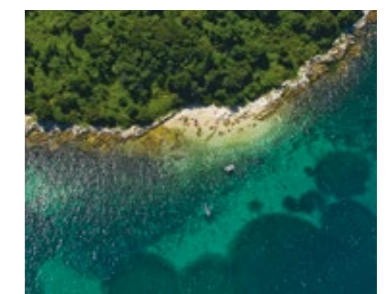
Our airy rooms and suites are functionally equipped. However, what distinguishes them from a number of other hotels is the breath-taking view. A view that will greet you every morning when you awake and with which you will see the sun set every evening.

The excellent hotel food, rich in aromas, flavours and energy, is highly rated, whilst the indoor freshwater pool is designed for athletes' training throughout the year.

In the warmer months you will be able to enjoy the emerald, clear sea with its shore hidden and embraced by the fragrant pine trees, among which you will happily breathe fully while walking or cycling in the colder months.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- > Free Wi-Fi
- > Free car park
- > Meeting halls
- > Fitness studio
- > Mini wellness
- > Indoor and outdoor pool
- > Multipurpose court for basketball, volleyball, five-a-side football, handball and badminton
- > Bike hotel





Resort BELVEDERE ****

www.maistra.com/hr/belvedere-vrsar

Four colours for four stars

Just a step away from the attractive natural beach, with a view overlooking the endless blue Adriatic Sea with its 18 green islets, and between the white stones and red Istrian soil, emerges the Belvedere Resort. Top comfort accommodation in this unique position ensures true relaxation and a holiday for everyone.

Modernly furnished rooms and suites in the pavilions are equipped with everything you could possibly need. However, with the rich offer of activities, we do not believe you will stay inside for long.

Healthy and tasty meals are prepared by the finest-quality chefs, and you can choose your own meals. The offer includes both local and international specialities and vegetarian food as well as special, nutritional diets adapted to every athletes' needs.

Complete each day as you started it – in a quality and meaningful way. Surrounded by lovely hills and a mysterious forest, Vrsar is an ideal destination for recreation. Get out onto the winding roads and slowly discover what makes us so different from the others.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- > Free Wi-Fi
- > Free car park
- > Outdoor pool
- > Porto Sole Sports Centre
- > Diving centre
- > Bike point





Resort PETALON ****

www.maistra.com/hr/petalon-vrsar

Mediterranean oasis of tranquility

Just a few steps away from the picturesque Vrsar, the tourist settlement Petalon is a wonderful oasis of peace, relaxation and entertainment for every guest. Everything you need for a perfect stay will be found in just one place.

With careful attention paid to every guest's needs, the modernly furnished and air-conditioned apartments and rooms located in the middle of the Mediterranean landscape are what make this resort truly special.

Local, carefully selected ingredients refine every meal, and menus are created according to individual requirements that enrich the offer with its variety.

The leisure and entertainment offer includes a number of recreational facilities that will no doubt inspire interest and new activity. All you have to do is make a wish and your friendly hosts will make sure that every wish is fulfilled.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- > Free Wi-Fi
- > Free car park
- > Mini fitness studio
- > Multipurpose court for basketball, volleyball, five-a-side football, handball and badminton
- > Bike friendly resort





Information | Contact

We will gladly answer any of your questions

A professional team of experts who, with their knowledge and rich experience, create a top-quality tennis offer in our destination, are always on hand for any questions, information and professional co-operation. Please contact us with full confidence.

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