

# UNDERWATER VIDEO WORKSHOP CROATIA



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# OVERVIEW



## **LOCATION:**

Selce is a tourist resort located 3 km south of Crikvenica, and 40 km south of Rijeka. This picturesque town, due to the mild Mediterranean climate, natural beauty and clear water is a perfect place for holidays, especially for a dive vacation.

We will be diving with the Diving Center Mihuric, which is located right at the beachfront of Selce, offering great logistics with its own house reef right in front of the dive center.

## **DATES:**

June 17th - 24th 2023

(7 nights with 6 workshop days)

## **DIVING (to be paid directly at the dive center):**

The Diving Center Mihuric offers twice a day boat trips to different dive sites. About 30 different dive sites are available within 30 minutes away from the dive center. Additional dives can be made on their very own house reef (including night dives).

## **WORKSHOP:**

6 days of coaching by Matthias & Sebastian regarding all aspects of underwater videography, including daily mini-challenges to help you quickly improve your underwater videography skills.

## **ACCOMODATION (to be paid directly on location):**

The apartment-house "Beata" is located in a peaceful street, surrounded with Mediterranean greenery and within a few minutes walking from the diving center.

## **WORKSHOP PRICING:**

890 CHF per Person (6 days of in-water coaching, presentations, mini-challenges, etc.)



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# THE WORKSHOP



## **IN WATER COACHING:**

Matthias & Sebastian will be actively coaching before, while and after diving with the group, sharing their knowledge, giving tips and helping with any underwater videography related questions that may come up during the workshop.

## **KNOWLEDGE SESSIONS:**

Since the dive center only opens at 10am we will have our main knowledge session in the morning from 9-10am in the classroom at the dive center. We'll use the time to learn about specific underwater videography topics or to review your footage taken during the day before. Mini-challenges will help put in action what you learn during those knowledge-session.

## **EQUIPMENT TESTING:**

You will have the possibility to test out different underwater camera gear that we will bring with us and will be available to you on location throughout the workshop.



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# THE DIVING



## **HOUSE REEF AT DIVING CENTER MIHURIC:**

A beautiful house reef awaits you right in front of the diving center. It doesn't get any more convenient than this. Load up your diving gear, take a few steps and you're there. [Take a look through their webcam](#) if you don't believe us. Shore dives are possible throughout the day, but night dives can also be organized multiple times per week.

## **NIGHT DIVING:**

Night dives are your chance to discover the underwater world after sundown. Night dives are organized a few times per week, mostly on the house reef. Every so often we do a night dive at another location that can be reached by boat.

## **BOAT DIVING:**

With their speedboat Triton, various interesting diving locations are reached in no time. The dive center organizes dives on 30 diving locations. The boat goes 2 times a day, in the morning and in the afternoon. The location is decided in advance, but they also take divers' suggestions and weather conditions into consideration. Locations include shipwrecks, reefs, caves...

## **WATER TEMPERATURES:**

Even though it's nice and warm outside of the water in June (average temperatures range from 22 - 28 degrees celsius) the water can still be fairly cold (average water temperatures range from 18 - 22 degrees celsius on the surface and 12 - 16 degrees celsius at depth).

Make sure to be prepared for colder water temperatures and bring sufficient thermal protection with you for your dives.



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# ACCOMMODATION



## **APARTMENT-HOUSE "BEATA":**

Our group will be staying at the apartment-house "Beata", which is located in a quiet side street only minutes away by foot from the city center and the beachfront with the Diving Center Mihuric.

## **ROOMS:**

The apartment-house "Beata" offers single rooms, double and twin rooms. In some of the rooms there is a possibility of adding an extra bed. All rooms have their own bathroom, balcony, an air conditioner/heating, sat-tv, a refrigerator and parking spot in front of the house.

## **OTHER ACCOMODATION OPTIONS:**

If you would rather stay in a hotel, we can organize that for you too. There are a variety of different hotels in different classes available. Let us know what you prefer and we'll find the suitable accomodation for you.



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# GETTING THERE



If you're traveling from central or southern Europe, arriving by car is probably your best option, making your journey there a bit of a road trip.

If you're coming from further away, you will probably choose to fly into Rijeka (airport code RJK), which is the closest airport from Selce (about 24 km/25 minutes by car from Selce). It's then easiest to just grab a taxi to our accommodation in Selce.

Depending on which country you're flying in from, you might need to fly into Zagreb first and then take a connecting flight to Rijeka.

Alternatively you can also take a bus from Zagreb to Crikvenica and then a taxi from there to the accommodation in Selce (next village from Crikvenica), but we don't recommend this option.



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# DAILY ITINERARY



## ARRIVAL DAY:

Saturday June 17th 2023. After arriving at the accommodation in Selce (apartment-house "Beata") and checking in (check-in possible from 11 am), we'll meet down at the Diving Center Mihuric at 4pm to do the dive center check-in and then go for a welcome drink and dinner somewhere in town.

## DIVING DAYS:

We will meet every morning at the Diving Center Mihuric at 8:45 am and start the day with a knowledge-lesson of about an hour. We'll use this time to learn about specific underwater videography topics or to review your footage taken during the day before. We'll also present the mini-challenges for the day ahead of us and hand out any camera equipment that you might want to test during the day.

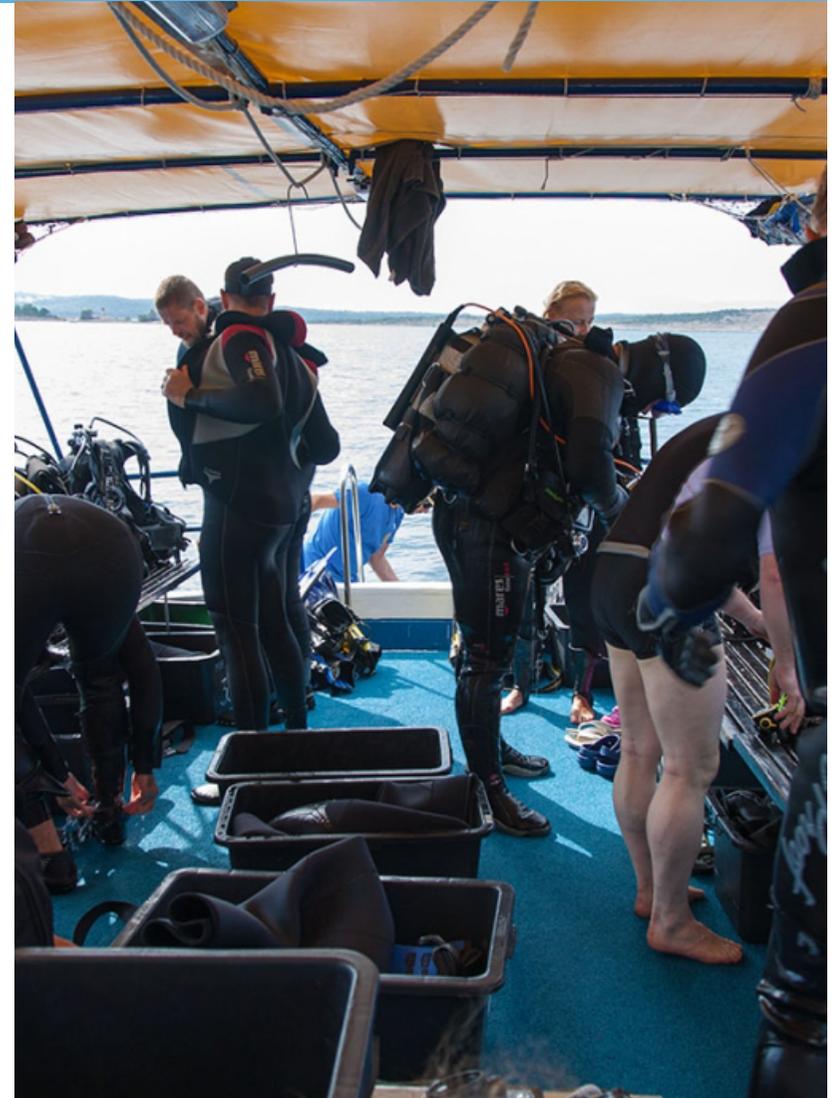
At 10 am, when the dive center opens, we'll start getting ready for our first dive of the day. Depending on conditions and other factors we'll either be doing a boat dive or staying at the house reef in the morning. We'll do a second dive in the afternoon (again either by boat or at the house reef) and there will be chances to do night dives as well.

## EVENINGS:

After having finished the diving for the day, we'll head to one of the countless little restaurants in town to have dinner together and talk about the dives of the day and the shots that we were able to record.

## DEPARTURE DAY:

Saturday June 24th. After you've checked-out (check-out is at 10am) we will say "good-bye" or better "see you next time" and go our separate ways, back to the airport, driving back home or, if you're lucky, extending your vacation in Croatia for a bit longer and exploring some other parts of this beautiful country.



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# YOUR HOSTS



## **Matthias:**

Matthias is an award-winning underwater cinematographer based in Zurich, Switzerland. The Croatian born filmmaker who spent most of his twenties traveling the world – primarily Australia, South East Asia and Europe – working as a Scuba Diving Instructor, intensifying his love and appreciation for the ocean. He is passionate about sharing his extensive knowledge with fellow divers to help them capture their amazing underwater adventures in the best possible way and share them proudly with the world.

## **Sebastian:**

Sebastian is a professional underwater cameraman and producer based in Zurich, Switzerland. He is the Tec Geek of the Underwater Filmmaking School. He's passionate about every step of underwater filmmaking and he's keen to share his broad knowledge with fellow divers to improve their underwater filming skills below and above the surface.



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# INCLUSIONS



## Included in the workshop costs:

- Personal coaching through Matthias & Sebastian during all diving days
- Possibility to try out different underwater camera gear
- Daily presentations/mini-challenges/footage reviews
- Fun filled week with like minded divers
- Exclusive Workshop Welcome Bag (EWWB)



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# EXCLUSIONS



## NOT Included in the workshop costs:

- Getting to Selce
- Any required visas for travel to and within Croatia
- Accommodation in Selce (we'll organize accommodation for you, i.e. at apartment-house "Beata" at approx. 33 EUR per night double/twin or approx. 43 EUR per night single occupancy, incl. breakfast)
- Lunches, dinners and all drinks during the week
- Dive package at Diving Center Mihuric (approx. 20 EUR per dive not including rental equipment or NITROX)
- Travel and Dive Insurance (strongly recommended)
- Fee of 150 CHF to our trip partner "Adventure Sports AG" for organisational tasks like booking the accommodation, the diving, and anything else needed during the group trip
- Privat 1:1 sessions with Matthias or Sebastian (See Add-ons)
- Personal expenses
- Gratuities/tips for the apartment and dive center staff



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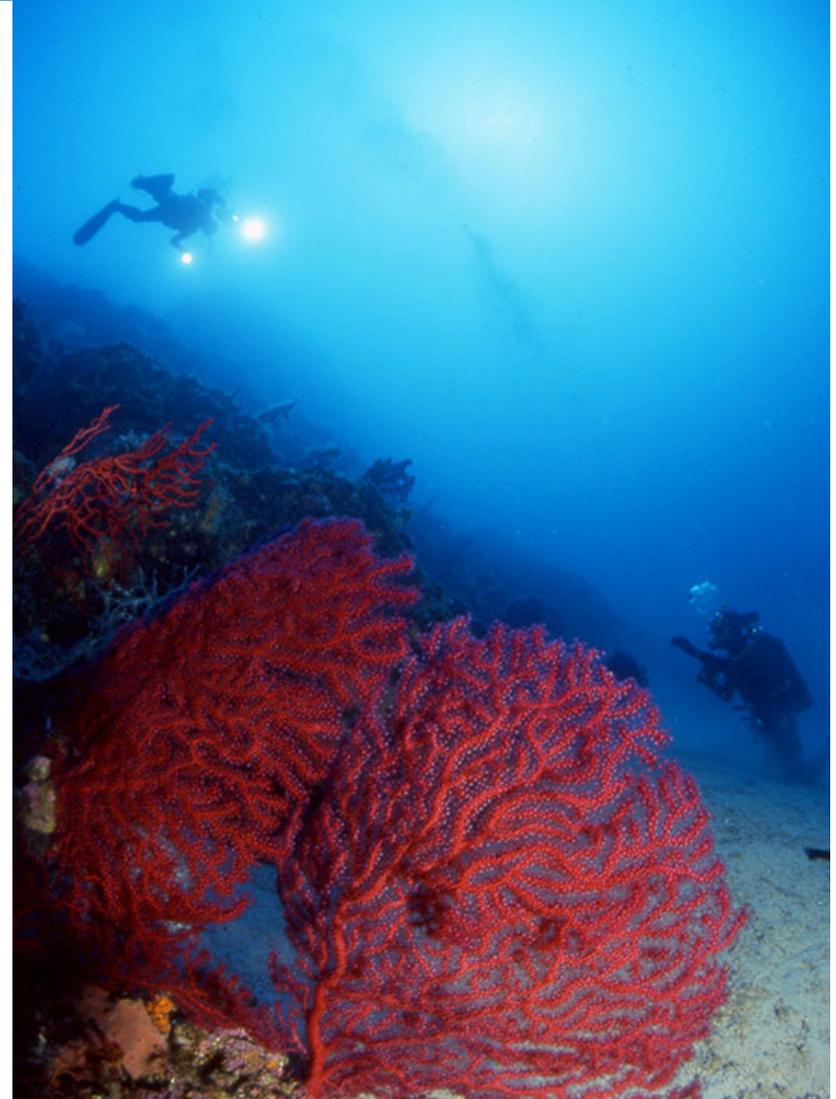
# TRIP ADD ONS



## 1:1 Session with Matthias or Sebastian

Get a 1/2 day personal coaching with Matthias or Sebastian. You can choose to work on your camera setup, specific underwater filming techniques or on your video editing skills. Only 3 spots each available.

**350 CHF**



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# PAYMENT INFO



## Payment:

To guarantee your space on the trip, a 50% deposit plus the 150 CHF organisation fee is due with the registration form. When we receive your deposit, we will send you detailed trip information to prepare for the experience and destination, as well as a sales receipt.

The remainder of your payment (50%) is due by April 30th 2023. We reserve the right to re-sell any space that is not paid in full by this date.

Payment can be made by wire transfer or Paypal in CHF only. You are responsible to cover all transfer fees associated with your payments.

Flight, visas, travel fees, and taxes are not included in workshop cost.

Flight time and schedule, weather, water temperature, and animal behavior are all subject to change. We strongly recommend all guests to purchase travel insurance in case of unforeseen circumstances.



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# BOOKING POLICIES



## **Cancellation policy:**

Our cancellation policy is a reflection of the cancellation policy of our operators. Once payment has been made in full (April 30th 2023) there are no refunds.

No refund is made for any unused parts of the itinerary.

A single individual can not postpone or rebook for the following year.

Trip details such as dates, prices, accommodations, are subject to change without prior notice.

Travel and dive insurance is not included in the workshop price, but strongly recommended.

Please refer to our „Terms & Conditions“ form for a detailed overview of our booking conditions.



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# REGISTRATION FORM



## PERSONAL INFORMATION

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode/ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth date: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Nationality: \_\_\_\_\_ Passport No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Dive Accident Insurer: \_\_\_\_\_ Policy No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Dive Cert. Agency: \_\_\_\_\_ Dive Cert. Level: \_\_\_\_\_

Diver Cert. Number: \_\_\_\_\_ No. of Dives: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

## I would like to stay at apartment-house "Beata":

- Yes
- No, please offer me another accommodation option

## Double or single occupancy:

- Double (who are you sharing with)
- Single

## Add-Ons (please check)

- 350 CHF, 1:1 Session with Matthias or Sebastian

## I would like to book the Underwater Video Workshop

Place & Date:

Signature:



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# PREFERENCE FORM



In order to make your Underwater Video Workshop the best experience it can be, we want to make sure we personalize the workshop as much as possible. Please use the below form (email together with your reservation form) to let us know of any way in which we can make your scuba adventure the best it can be.

## Food & Beverage

Do you have any food-based allergies?

## Additional Information

What size T-Shirt do you usually wear?

What camera setup are you bringing with you?

What kind of video editing software do you use, if any?

What underwater videography topics are you interested in learning more about?



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