



Starting off from the Airbnb in Trieste



View of Trieste's port from Museo Revoltella



Trieste's City Hall and Piazza Unita d'Italia

Our second tour on our Bike Friday folding bikes found us in Croatia. Except for one super-harrowing ride in torrential rain up a twisting gorge road, the weather was splendid - mostly warm and sunny. The Istrian coast was uniformly beautiful, with most campgrounds located at inlets providing spectacular sunset views. Most roads were in great shape, though we were surprised to be forced onto several gravel roads that our maps indicated as paved.

We started in Trieste, Italy, rode south thru Slovenia, headed east to Motovun, then continued south along the Istrian coast. Our intent had been to get to the islands south of the peninsula, but the limited selection of roads and the steepening terrain stopped us at Duga Uvala on the east side of the peninsula. We backtracked back north, zig-zagging along the coast for our return to Trieste.



On the roof of the Museo Revoltella in Trieste



A pair of posers



No lights needed for short tunnels



Well signed bike path in Slovenia



A stop along the coast in Novigrad, Croatia



Salt lagoons near Basanija



Dominick can't help but look good



Hardly any level ground at Motovun Camping



Church of Our Lady of Bastije along the Mirna Canal



Rest stop along the Mirna Canal



Reading with a view of the Adriatic at Aminess Sirena Camping in Novigrad



Miles of gravel roadway east from the coast



Approaching the walled city of Motovun



View from hilltop walled city of Motovun



A Porsche L319 tractor from 1962 at the Traktor Story in Nova Vas



Blind aquatic salamander at Jama-Grotta Baredine



Dusk view of port city of Rovinj



Dominick repairing his and Susan's shoes



Nice view of Adriatic from Rovinj



Wall of buildings rings Rovinj



Camping Ulika in Rovinj had a lovely pool



Walking the narrow streets of Rovinj



Cooling off our feet as the temperature climbs into the 90's



The Pula Arena - Roman amphitheater



Bridging arch at the Pula Arena



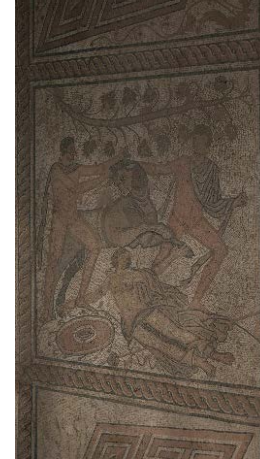
About to head to underground museum



Roman Temple of Augustus in Pula



Bask in her glow



Roman mosaic *The Punishment of Dirce*



Support column in the underground shelter tunnels of Pula



16 going on all grown up



Super clear water at coast around Pula



Campsite on the coast in Pula



Wearing his Croatian tie to dinner in Duga Uvala



Another beautiful campground on the coast



A round dry stacked stone Kozun with conical roof near Pula



Susan made a friend at Camping Polari pool



Aquapark signs were all over the Istrian peninsula



Long, twisty climb around the Lim estuary



View down to the Lim canal



Sunset at Kamp Porto Sole near Vrsar



Lunch break where an picturesque river flowed over the road to a little waterfall



A beautiful farmers road starting in Dragonja Slovenia made for a perfect day of riding



Tourist town of Vrsar at night



Some reading before bedtime



View looking north to Izola, Slovenia



Heading back to Trieste



Steep road from campground to ride along the coast



Belvedere Camping just before Trieste



A last photo along the coast



A long, hot, hilly day to get into Trieste



A huge propeller at a shipyard in Izola



Resting at the Castle of San Giusto



Enjoying his first espresso



The original figures from the clock tower of Town Hall in Trieste



Just the right height



Each of us took a turn to be an ancient Roman



Checking out the cistern at the Castle of San Giusto in Trieste



Kevin's feet after a successful vacation



Ready for the taxi to the airport



Dominick taking a turn at a playground in front of the Castle of San Giusto