

405 Lucy with crystal-clear eyes



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LABIN RABAC

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402 Teran



Labin - Skita a -

Asphalt: 23,7 km (71.82%) Macadam: 9,5 km (28.79%) Altitude: 670 m Highest point: 510 m Lowest point: 0m Riding time: 1:45 - 2:00 h



Road Raba

Mari i

Župani i

Škandulj

Mareti i

Rabac - Labin - Dubrova Nedeš ina - Rabac (46.6 km)

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TE Plomir

Klavar

Knapi

When you had enough of the

fashionable resort of Rabac,

its beautiful beaches and fine

Asphalt: 35.2 km (75.54%) Macadam: 11.4 km (24.46%) Altitude: 785 m Highest point: 365 m Lowest point 0 m Riding time: 2:45 - 3:15 h



403 Liburnia

Raša- epi -Kršan-Martinski-Raša (68.3 km)

Asphalt: 36 km (52.71%)

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Macadam: 32.3 km (47.29%) Altitude: 685 m Highest point: 327 m Lowest point: 2 m Riding time:

Symbol

Žnjidar

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Have you heard of the youngest

town in Istria, that is also a

1.30 - 5.00 h

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Raša river

Tupljak

Tupljak

Raša rivei

Zankovci

Miheli

Perasi Laniš e

Laniš e Baraki field epi

field epi



Mari i

Žnjidari

404 Istrian demarcation

Rabac - Labin (52.8 km)

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Asphalt: 48.4 km (91.67%) Macadam: 0 km Altitude: 835 m Highest point: 333 m Lowest point: 2 m Riding time: 2:00 - 2:30 h

Km ^{↑m} Symbol **⊙**

We start from the old town of

Labin, situated on a 320 m high

hill. Continue via Vinež to Golji

and Sveti Martin. Sveti Martin

developed around the former

aristocratic estate, which is best

yard.' Surrounded by cultivated

yard consists of several buildings

built in different periods, which

close the inner courtyard with a

small alley leading to a beautiful,

entrance. If you ride through

Martinski and on, you'll reach

one-story baroque palace Lazzarini

with a square tower at the northern

witnessed by the so-called 'Baron's

pine forest (pineta) on one side, this



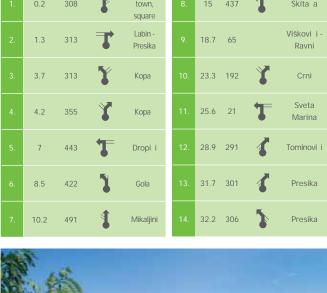
Labin - Skita a - Labin (38.7 km)

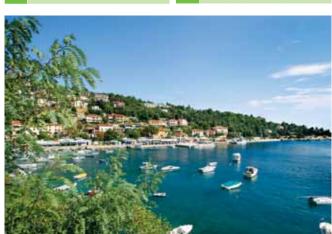
Asphalt: 38.7 km 100% Macadam: 0 km Altitude: 990 m Highest point: 451 m Lowest point: 2 m Riding time: 1:30 - 2:00 h

	Km	↑m	Symbol	•
1.	0	275		Labin - old town square
2.	0.3	248	7	Labin - old town square
3.	0.6	233	4	Labin - lower town
4.	1.5	199	4	Labin-Raša
5.	15.9	131	4	Brovinje









If you'd you like to set off from Highlights:

the town of galleries, charming churches and baroque palaces to the infinity of spectacular views of the The Kvarner Bay and lightly rinse your eyes with the healing tears of Saint Lucy, choose the Bella Vista trail. Take the road from **Labin old** town to Kranjci. When you come to the white road that will lead you through Gora Gluši i to Skita a, follow this

route up to the **highest point of Labin area**, offering a **unique** view of the The Kvarner Bay and on a clear and sunny day you'll even see the outlines of Venice. You can still hear a story how the brave people of Skita a in 1661 won a great victory over the Turks.

Set only 1 km away from a renovated mountaineering house 'Skita $\,$ a' there is a $\,$ healing water spring. The spring is also known by the name "Tears of St. Lucy" and this water allegedly cures amblyopia and sight problems. If you believe in Lucy's tears or not, one thing is certain - standing on this site you will see all the way to Italy! If you are staying here over the weekend, the house "Skita a" is open to all guests.

Leave Skita a down the road heading to the tourist resort Ravni where you can swim and relax on its beautiful beaches, or simply enjoy the stunts of surfers who like to gather here. Passing through Drenje via Crni, you'll come to the route that leads back to Labin old town where you have started from.

Highlights:

13.7 300

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restaurants, choose the **Teran** trail. Start from the waterfront in Rabac and ride on the main road heading to Labin and its old town situated on the top of a 320 m high hill. In its historical center you can admire buildings preserved from the time of Venetian government (beautiful San Fior gate, town loggia, palaces Frankovi, Dubrova - "The White road" Manzini, Scampicchio, Negri and Battiala-Lazzarini (National Museum), or the architecture of People's Musem the late 19th century. Formerly

known as the bastion of the Istrian mining, today it is the town of galleries and art studios. During summer Labin turns into a town of art, and on its streets most significant events of the contemporary art scene take place (Labin Art Republic).

From the Fortica belvedere you can enjoy a fantastic view of Rabac, the isle of Cres and Istrian highest mountain - U ka. If you ride down from the old town and join the **pedestrian and bicycle path** to **Dubrova**, you'll reach a **Sculpture Park** in which for over thirty years during summer Mediterranean Sculptors Symposium is organized There are more than 90 sculptures here, made by notable Croatian and international artists. One of the Symposium highlights is the so called 'White Road', a work of art par excellence, and each year a new section of this unique road is designed by another artist. The trail from **Nedeš ina** continues on the **wine road** to Sveti Martin. Passing through **Snaši i, Beci i and Vinež** you'll come to Labin, and then via Ripenda you'll reach Gornji Rabac from where you can easily get to Rabac waterfront from where you've started!

Highlights:

30.6 179

31.7 232

32.4 219

Kožljak and Kršan

mining town? If not, choose the Liburnia trail and don't fail to ride towards the town of Raša. Like some kind of unique scenery, Raša will fascinate you with its regular rows of houses, drowned in the landscape of the Raša valley, which seem almost unreal. Built in 1936 according to the plans made by the architect Gustavo Pulitzer Finali, Raša was a modern city designed for the

hospital, cinema and sports hall, and the church dedicated to the miners' patron- St. Barbara. Although there's no mining industry nowadays in the Labin area, the traces of mining history can be found in the church of St. Barbara, where there is a beautiful collection of mining artifacts. Riding down this route, you'll reach Most Rasa. There is a reserve of indigenous local domestic animals called 'Liburna'. In addition to its charming animals and sociable donkeys, this reserve will cheer you up with a specially designed ethno-collection of old tools. Proceed along the gravel road along the river Raša enjoying the lowland landscape and you'll come to **Tupljak**, and from it the gravel road leads to Zankovci. The road then moves towards Kostri ani, Zatka and epi . Don't forget to visit the entrance to the tunnel through which the former epi lake was drained and thus converted into fertile farmland. The following points on this route are Kožljak and Kršan - typical examples of fortifications (castles) above epi field.

needs of miners and their families with all necessary facilities: school,

Be sure to explore them and walk up and down their romantic ruins. Riding through Matijaši i, Gorenj Kraj and Kraj Drage via Zulijani and Župani i to Martinski you'll end up in Snaši i, and then via Barbi i you'll ride a full circle of this trail and ride back on the fire route to the start- in Reserve 'Liburna'.

Highlights:

Šumber whose name derives from a feudal family Schönberg. Only a few scattered houses and a round tower of the former castle walls, is all that remained from the former 17th century feudal castle which emerged on the foundations of a prehistoric settlement constructed over the canyon of the river Raša. Riding through **Potpi** an - a place built next to the entrance pit of a now closed coal mine, you'll reach **Kršan**- a feudal estate, which was named after the karst origin of the area. Being the most characteristic of all the fortified cities of the Raša valley, Kršan has grown on the old foundations of early medieval burg, and was an independent town in the Pazin County.

Kršan has survived as one of the best preserved castles in Istria. Right here, among the high walls of Kršan castle, dominated by the square tower decorated with human figures and the nearby parish church of St. Anthony, a 17th century abbot, one of the most important medieval documents - the famous 'Istrian Demarcation' was found in 1850. Written in the Glagolitic script, followed by Latin and German, this text has revealed a special period of the Istrian medieval times, since territorial borders were clearly defined in it!

Highlights:

Skita a - Bella vista (view point

miraculous saint's tears spring and from where unique views of Kvarner are revealed. We start from the old town of Labin, situated on a 320 m high hill. In its historical center on the top of the hill you can admire buildings

Welcome to the trail of Lucy with

crystal-clear eyes that will carry

you through the eastern Istrian

shoreline, from the city of galleries,

charming churches and baroque

palaces to secluded places where

preserved from the time of Venetian government or the architecture of the late 19th century. Follow the G. Martinuzzi Street and you will reach Fortica belvedere where you can enjoy a fantastic view of Rabac, the isle of Cres and Istrian highest mountain- U ka.

Continue your ride via **Salakovci**, **Viškovi** i and **Brovinje** to the village of **Skita** a, located in the highlands of the eastern coast of Istria. This place with a distinctive name (the name is of Vlach origin, and means people who are moving - wandering) originated in the 15th century from a group of immigrant Istro-Romanians who were fleeing from the Turks. The village reached its peak between the two world wars, with the population of 350 souls. Today it's almost completely abandoned, with barely four residents, and visited only by tourists and pilgrims attracted by the famous mineral spring in the rock on a nearby hill that doesn't dry up even in the utmost heat. Since ancient times it is called tears of St. Lucy.

This is supposedly the spring of healing water which cures eye diseases and amblyopia. One thing is certain: from Skita a you'll enjoy one the most spectacular views on the **The Kvarner Bay**, and especially on a bright day standing here you can even see the outlines of Venice. Inspired by scenes that extend to infinity, ride slowly via Škvaranska, Drenje and Sv. Marina back to Labin where your adventure on the trail of the Lucy with crystal-clear eyes has started.

