

## APARTMENT BETH GUEST INFORMATION

Dear Guest

We hope that you have a lovely stay in Apartment Beth and that you have a wonderful holiday in Okrug Gornji.

Whether you want to relax on the balcony, cool off in the pool and enjoy the view and local surroundings, or use the Apartment as a base to explore the wider Dalmatian Coast and Islands, we believe you have made the right choice.

You will soon realise during your stay is how vast Dalmatia is, and that in a short stay of a week or two you will hardly scratch the surface of even Central Dalmatia. Croatia's coastline is 1,100 miles long with 1,250 islands and islets adding a further 2,500 miles. Most of the islands and islets remain uninhabited.

We decided on Apartment Beth due to its central location, proximity to Split airport and ease of access for exploration. The Apartment is named after, and is a tribute to, our beautiful daughter Beth who we tragically lost in 2015.



*View from Apartment Beth, April 2019*

### Getting here

The address of the apartment is Apartment Beth, Ribarski put 9B, 21223, Okrug Gornji. It is just 15 minutes' drive from Split airport by car. From the airport head west towards Trogir. On the southern outskirts of Trogir a new bridge (opened in July 2018) has been built linking the island of Čiovo to the mainland so that it is no longer necessary to go through the town and over the narrow bridges in Trogir centre. Cross the bridge and at the end turn left. After 200m take the turning to the right and follow the road to the top of the island (avoiding the turning to Žedno).

When you reach the top of the island there are stunning views to islands beyond Čiovo.

You then descend in to Okrug Gornji, where you will come to a sharp left turn (the road straight ahead is no entry) and after 300m the road curves round to the right and Mavarčica apartments are 100m on the left.



*Mavarčica apartments (left) route from Split airport to Apartment Beth (right)*

There is parking at the side of the building. Once parked, take the steps to the left down to the entrance to the apartments, passing the “A” entrance and going in to the “B” entrance. Apartment Beth is up the first flight of stairs and on the right. You have arrived!

## The Apartment

### Wi-fi

The router is on the tv cabinet. It may take a minute to warm up if it was switched off. Enter the password on the router in to your device. There is a limit of 10gb per day, which should be ample for normal use.

### Emergency Information

Please refer to the notice board in the entrance hallway for emergency contact information.

### Hot water

The hot water tank is in the Emerald Bathroom. During your stay we suggest you keep the water heater on as it is more efficient to keep water heated than to repeatedly heat from cold. The switch is outside the bathroom (the middle of 3 switches). When it is switched on and heating a red light shows on the water tank, which switches off when the tank is fully heated. Please turn the water heater off at the end of your stay. The tank is not huge, so use hot water sparingly. If there are multiple occupants, showers may need to be staggered!

### Waste/Recycling

Unfortunately there is no recycling direct from the apartment. All rubbish **must** be placed in the black Rudej bags which are provided (under the kitchen sink) and then placed at the top of the steps to the apartments from the road otherwise it will not be collected. If you have a car, there is plastic, paper and glass recycling in Žedno. When you take the road off the island from the apartment there is a

right turn at the top of the hill to Žedno and after about 200m there is a right turn in to a car park where the recycling bins can be found. Don't confuse this with the "reciklazno dvorište" on the road off the island which is a commercial waste site.



*Emerald and Terracotta bathrooms*

#### Air conditioning and heating

The air conditioning unit is in the living area. Air conditioning only works in a sealed environment, so please don't use the air conditioning with any open windows, and please ensure it is turned off when you are not in the Apartment. There are fans for use in the two bedrooms.

The air conditioning heats as well as cools, and there are electric bar heaters in both bathrooms. Please ensure these are not left switched on when not in use or, switched on by accident.

#### Balcony and Swimming Pool

There is a wonderful view from the balcony across the bay of Mavarčica (uvala Mavarčica) to the Central Dalmatian Islands of Brač (left) and Šolta (right). Hvar can be seen in the distance with a clear crest (Sv. Nikola, 625m) almost directly above the narrow straight (the Split Gates/Splitska Vrata) between Brač and Šolta. With binoculars you can watch boats appearing and disappearing through the "Gates".

The balcony overlooks the pool which is well maintained and is accessed down the stairs and round the building. Please note the opening times of the pool are 8am to 7pm, June to September. For the benefit of other guests please don't use the pool outside these times.

#### Blinds

All the windows in the Apartment are fitted with blinds which are manually operated. To raise pull the bands down and to lower, pull the band towards you and slowly release the slack.

#### Balcony door

The balcony window operates on a tilt and turn mechanism. Turn the handle to horizontal to tilt the window. To open the window for access on to the balcony, tilt it first (handle in horizontal position) then turn the handle down so it is pointing vertically to the floor. Gently pull on the handle so that the bottom comes out and the whole window is in a vertical position, then pull it across with the handle. Reverse this operation to close.



### TV and radio/CD player

There are very few English language channels on the TV. You can sign in to Netflix. Please sign in to your own account rather than using ours if we are signed in. Generally the internet seems to be strong enough to watch Netflix however you may find that occasionally the sound is lost or the screen freezes, in which case rewind a minute or so and it should restart. There is a radio and the best stations for most tastes are Ultra Split 93.6 and Radio Dalmacija 87.8, which you will find are also played in quite a lot in the restaurants and bars. Radio Dalmacija plays more Croatian music.

### Sofa/sofa bed

The two parts of the sofa come apart (by lifting the side return from the other main section) and can then be moved on to position for a double sofa bed. Unfortunately, there were no instructions left after the sofa was installed so you will need to work it out! Please ensure a sheet is used when using the sofa bed. We would request that you don't use the sofa or other furniture wearing wet swimwear or sun cream without putting a towel down.

### Inventory

At the end of these notes is an inventory of contents. If you discover anything non-urgent is missing, please let us know (e-mail [jem@apartmentbeth.com](mailto:jem@apartmentbeth.com)) and we will arrange for a replacement as soon as possible, but not necessarily during your stay. If you discover anything is missing or broken that requires urgent attention, please contact the agency Dalmatian Property Management. Their details are on the notice board. If you break anything during your stay, please replace it before you leave. You do not need to tell us if you break something small and replace it. If however you are unable to replace something for any reason, please let Dalmatian Property Management know.

The top shelf of the wardrobes in both bedrooms is where spare linen for the next stay is kept and also some of our own personal items. There is also a bathroom cabinet in the emerald bathroom that we leave some toiletries in, however you are very welcome to use the free shelves and cupboards during your stay.

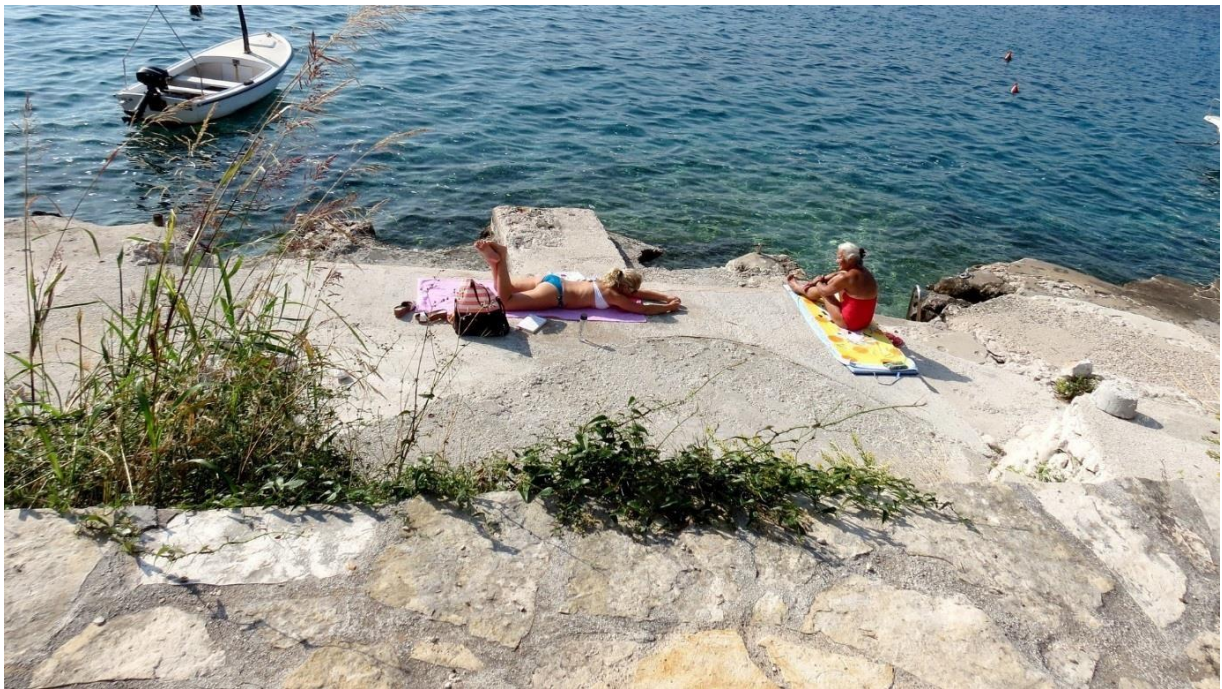


*The crystal-clear water at Uvala Duga, between Okrug Gornji and Okrug Donji*



## What to do - Immediate Locality

Your options for activities and relaxation are almost endless. Here are a few ideas and tips. You are staying on the edge of Okrug Gornji on the south side of the island of Čiovo, 150m from the bay of **Mavarčica**. The best way to the beach is down Ribarski put to it's junction with put Mavarčica. Turn left at the junction ( where most summer evenings the men of Okrug Gornji will be playing petanka) and just keep heading down.



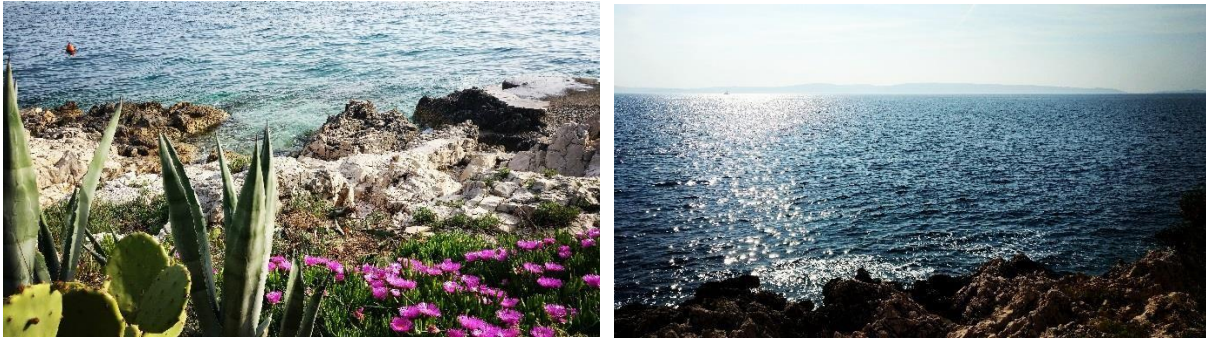
*Mavarčica bay*



*Mavarčica bay. Apartment Beth in the background.*



Once at the beach you can walk around the bay. There are paths in both directions. To the left (eastwards) there is a 15 minute walk to a quiet beach, **Vela Draga**. The path follows the sea front out of the built up area and then a short distance through pine trees to the beach.



*Views along the seafront walk to the beach at Vela Draga*

You can drive to Vela Draga however there is no official parking area and the road is extremely steep and quite challenging to get up! The path continues for a while beyond Vela Draga Vela beach to a very small beach Mai Draga (marked on google maps as a nudist beach). There are paths inland which eventually lead up to the village of Žedno on the top of the island.

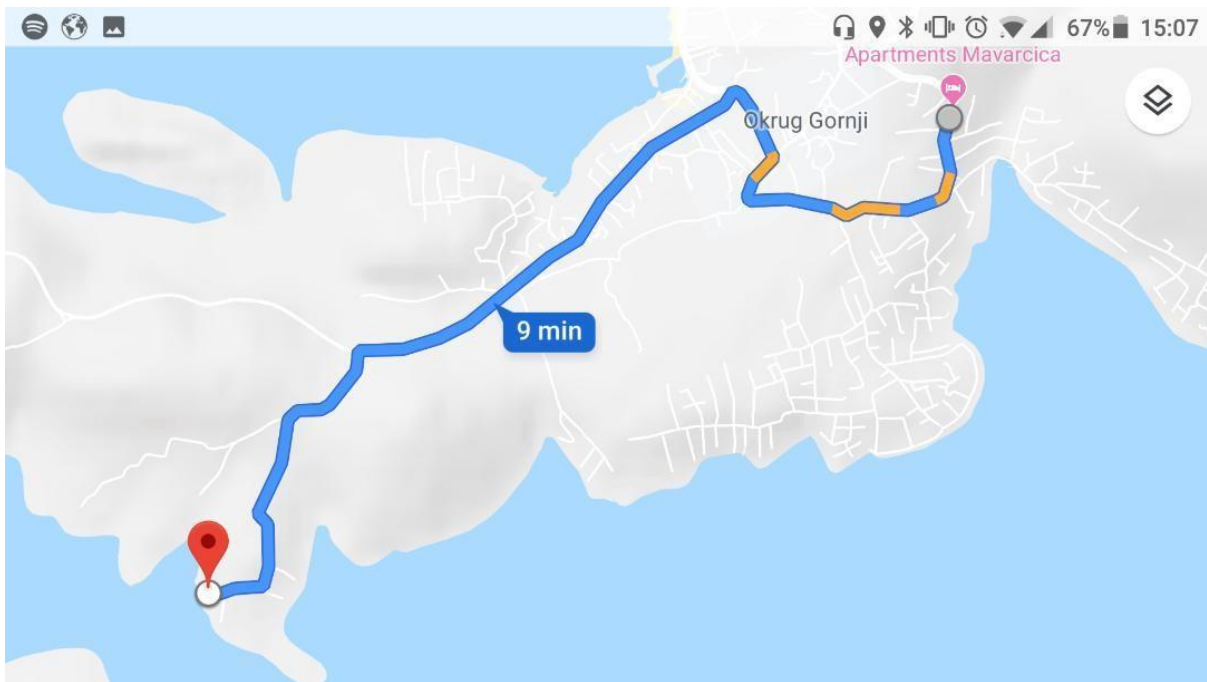
If you go right at Mavarčica bay (westwards) there are a number of small beaches. The views south begin to widen and you can see along the Brački kanal to Omiš, and beyond to the Biokovo mountains towering above Makarska. If you keep walking you will leave the built up area of Okrug Gornji and reach a pretty bay, **Tatinja**.



*The beach at Vela Draga*

A beach definitely worth driving to is **Uvala Duga**, between Okrug Gornji and Okrug Donji.





*The route to Uvala Duga beach by road*

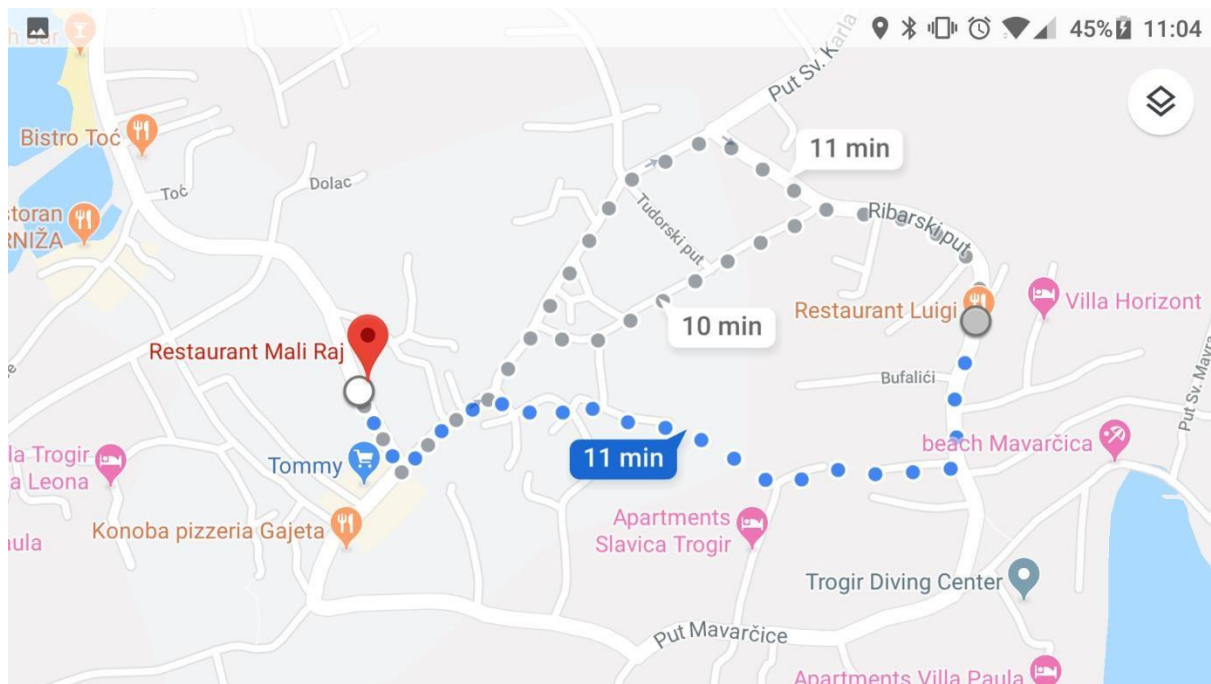


*The main beach at Uvala Duga and a starfish in the crystal clear water*

The first sight of Uvala Duga is striking as the water is azure blue. Beware in the peak summer months that the roads to Uvala Duga are narrow and parking can be difficult in the middle of the day.

You can walk to **Okrug Gornji** with restaurants, supermarkets etc in less than 15 minutes. The shortest way is to walk down Ribarski put about 100m and turn right just before Apartments Lucija, The path is a mixture of unmade roads and path between dry stone walls. Half way along you need to cross a new road, Tudorski put. Take care crossing as cars speed along this road. The final section to Okrug Gornji centre is a warren through an area of old stone houses. By the end of your stay you will remember the quickest way through! The main beach in Okrug Gornji, grandly called Copacabana, is another 10 minutes' walk down the main road with no pavement. A safer walk down is to walk past the Tommy supermarket and take the second right and walk down Radiceva ulica. The main beach is very busy in high season, being popular with locals as well as holiday makers. There

are a number of restaurants, beach bars and konobas along the sea front. Our favourite restaurant on this stretch is **Bistro Toc**.



*The walk to Okrug Gornji centre from Apartment Beth.*



*Sunset from Okrug Gornji main beach, April 2019*

There are several restaurants in the near part of Okrug Gornji and plenty more further down by the beach. **Konoba Pizzeria Aldo** serves a wide menu at very reasonable prices and does great pizzas. There are restaurants at Okrug Gornji Marina, including **Rarita Koniza** and **Leonardo**. Rarita Koniza is particularly good for watching the sun go down in the evening (the sunsets from Copacabana beach are spectacular).



The water taxi to Trogir is caught from Okrug Gornji Marina.

The Tommy store in this close part of Okrug is well stocked and there is also a post office and tourist information office. There are other minimarkets along the Okrug main beach, another Tommy and a Studenac and Konzum.

There are larger supermarkets around Trogir (including a Lidl on the road to the airport) and there is an open-air market in Trogir town centre, which is a good place to get fruit, fresh fish etc.

## What to do – Further Afield

The town of **Trogir** is situated at the heart of central Dalmatia and is a true gem of the Adriatic coast, and indeed the Mediterranean. Designated a UNESCO World Heritage site, Trogir boasts a stunning cathedral, numerous historic churches, a beautiful waterfront, fortress and many other sites of interest.

The town centre is a tangle of paved narrow streets which lead to the wide promenade next to the Trogirski kanal. The old town itself is a small island, sandwiched between the mainland, which rises abruptly to the foothills of the Dinaric Alps, and the island of Čiovo. Climbing the cathedral belltower is a must for the reasonably fit with a head for heights. The ascent becomes gradually steeper and narrowed, with a final push through a vertical ladder up to a platform surrounding the magnificent bell. The views are stunning and well worth the effort. To the south the island of Čiovo stretches out and appears to meet the Split peninsula, creating the Kaštelanski sea. Trogir is an ideal place to relax and unwind with a quiet drink or meal in one of the many seafront bars or restaurants on the promenade. You can reward yourself having conquered the belltower.



*Cooling off in the Adriatic*

**Split**, with **Diocletian's Palace**, is a must for your itinerary. The best way to get there from Apartment Beth is by water bus from Slatine, on the north of Čiovo, to avoid a drive in to Split. If you don't want



to drive at all or don't have a car, you can reach Split by walking to Okrug Gornji Marina, catch the water taxi to Trogir and then catch the boat from Trogir to Split. The attached link provides a timetable and fares from Trogir to Split. The water taxi from Okrug Gornji to Trogir leaves every 20 minutes or so. <https://www.croatiaferries.com/slatine-split-ferry.htm>.



*Split harbour from the cathedral belltower (the western end of Čiovo island in the right background)*

Split is also the launching point for a multitude of boat trips and ferries to otherwise inaccessible beaches and islands.



*Sustipan, an idyllic place to walk to from Split harbour towards the Marjan nature reserve*

In the hills above Split lies the **Klis Fortress**, wedged between the imposing Kozjak and Mosor mountains, an ideal place to visit early before returning to the coast for a swim. Recently famed as a

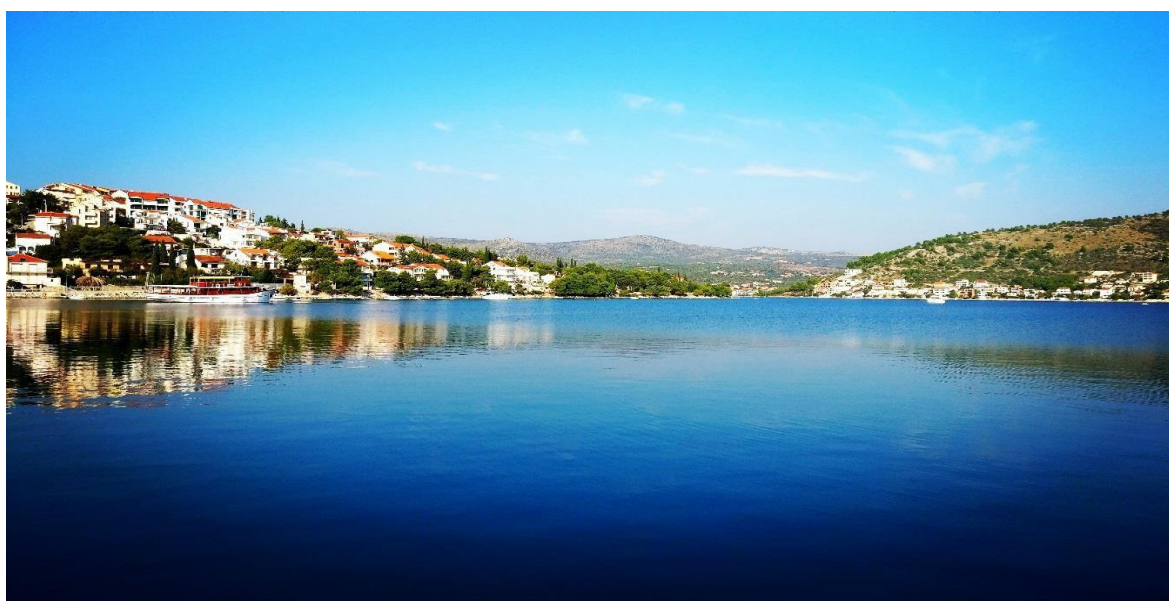


location for filming of **Game of Thrones**, (less well known than its filming in Split), Klis, fortified for a millennia, played an important role in the history of Croatia and Dalmatia, guarding the Dalmatian coast from the interior of the Balkan Peninsula.



*View over Split from the magnificent Klis Fortress, just 45 minutes' drive from Apartment Beth*

Carry on driving inland from Klis for half an hour and you will discover the little town of **Sinj**. Nestled below the Dinaric Alps with Bosnia Herzegovina beyond, the town is a gem off the beaten track, a world away from the hustle and bustle of the busy coast. When we arrived at lunch time in August, there was hardly a soul to be seen as we walked up to the ruined fort and church on top of the hill that dominates the town. The views to the heights of the Dinaric Alps and Biokovo down the coast are wonderful. The town itself is dominated by the Church of the Miraculous Madonna of Sinj. A walk back down the hill through the old streets to the church that houses the painting of the Madonna is highly recommended.



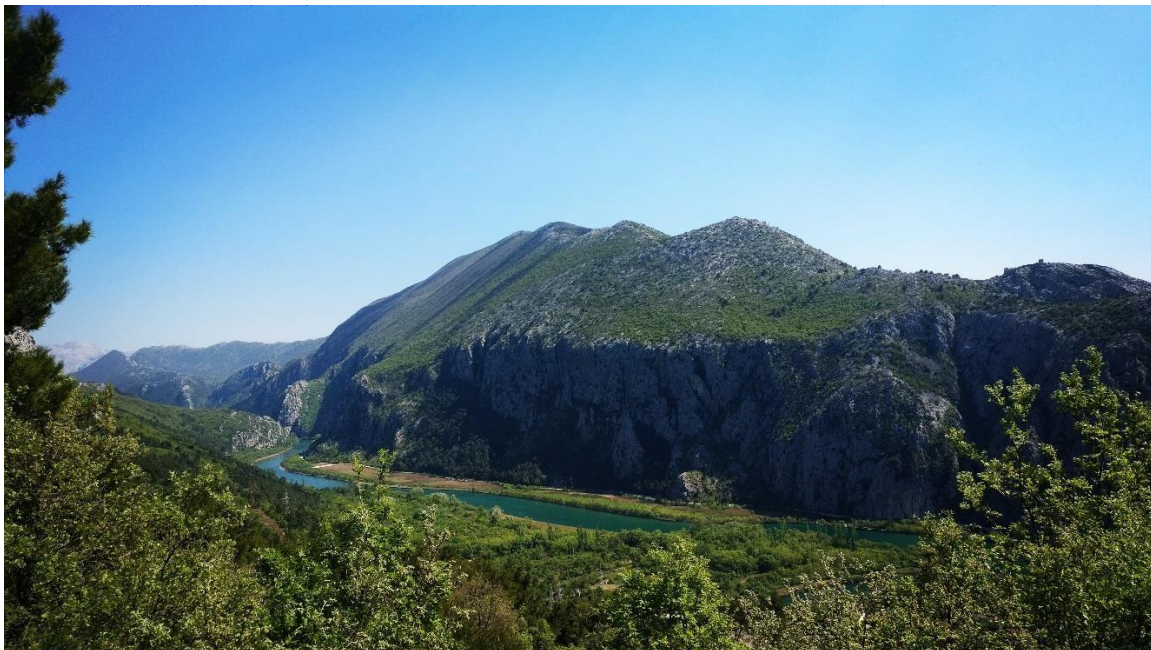
*Rogoznica and Zatoglav from Rogoznica old town*



**Omiš** is a small town on the other side of Split from Apartment Beth, around 75 minutes' drive from Apartment Beth, depending on the traffic around Split, approached by a narrow coast road at the beginning of the beautiful **Makarska Riviera**. It is a lovely place for a day trip and a cooling off swim after exploring the Cetina Gorge, where the river makes a seemingly impossible push to the Adriatic through vertical cliffs. Omiš is a great place for those who love the out of doors, with rafting and kayaking, trekking and zip-wiring all on the agenda for the adventurous. There are walks all around, including to the fortress on a hill that guards the town.



*Beach near Omiš*



*The Cetina Gorge near Omiš*

North of Apartment Beth are the cities of **Zadar** and **Šibenik**, the latter being the gateway to the **Krka Falls**. Šibenik is around a 90 minutes' drive from Apartment Beth, the scenic route being by the coast



road past Rogoznica and **Primošten**. We have had several fabulous meal in **Konoba Rudina**, in the old town of Primošten. Exquisite pork and calamari. The view of Primošten from the highway is truly breath-taking. The narrow streets of **Šibenik** old town are enchanting, while the work of art that is the Cathedral of St James, UNESCO designated of course, is a delight. The construction took 105 years, and is reputed to be the largest church in the world built entirely of stone, without brick or wooden support.



*Cathedral of St James, Šibenik*



*Krka Falls*

Combine a trip to Šibenik with an excursion to **Krka Falls**. Head off early for the falls and then drop down in to Šibenik for a stroll and an evening meal for a truly memorable day out. Done this way round, Krka is best approached by the motorway rather than the coast road.

**Zadar** is worthy of a day trip in itself, famed for the stunning view of the sun setting in to the Adriatic from the promenade and its sea organ, not to mention UNESCO status of a number of historic buildings. It is best approached by the motorway, a drive of around 2 hours.



*St Anastasia's Cathedral, Zadar*

As was mentioned at the beginning of these notes, we have hardly scratched the surface of the area since 2018, and you will find your own perfect place. If it is not mentioned here, do let us know so we can add it to future publications of these notes!

## Social Media

[Google Map](#)

[Apartment Beth - Google Maps](#)

[Instagram](#)

If you use Instagram, please add photos of your visit using the hashtag:

**#apartmentbeth**

**@Apartment\_beth**



Website

There is some further information on our website:

<https://www.apartmentbeth.com>



*Wild potentilla, Uvala Duga, left and church in Gato, hills above Omiš, right*

## **Apartment Beth Inventory – September 2021**

### **Balcony**

**Metal Patio Table and 6 chairs**

**2 x Bar Stools**

**1 x metal sunlounger**

### **Living Room**

**Pink Sofa Bed and 4 Cushions**

**2 x Blue Tub chairs with Fish Cushions**

**Coffee table (Dalmatia map, guidebooks and local information on shelf)**

**2 Footstools**

**Free Standing Lamp**

**TV cabinet housing TV, Digibox, Radio/CD player, Internet dongle, telephone, coasters**

**6 chairs, dining table with 6 place mats, fruit bowl**

**Free standing vase and dried plant**

**Pottery boat and fish**

**Games in living room**

**Playing cards**

**Football trivia**

**3 x small box quiz/charade games**

**Tiddly Winks**

**Puzzle of Plitvice Lakes**

**Cluedo**

**Trivial Pursuit**

**Scrabble**

**Kitchen**

**Drying Rack**

**Toaster**

**Kettle**

**Coffee Maker**

**Knife Block (5 knives)**

**Oven tray in oven**

**1 x clear oven dish with lid**

**Water jugs x 2**

**2 x salad strainers**

**2 x yellow plastic bowls**

**4 x assorted size clear bowls**

**Tea pot with strainer**

**Small cafetiere**



**6 x dinner plates**

**6 x bowls**

**6 x small plates**

**8 x saucers**

**Amberley pottery boat serving plate**

**8 x mugs**

**8 x wine glasses**

**15 x assorted glasses**

**3 x ELO saucepans and lids**

**ELO milk saucepan**

**ELO Steamer**

**Metal Colander**

**Small Frying Pan**

**Large Frying Pan with lid**

**4 x saucepans without lids**

**2 x plastic water bottles**

**Fitted cutlery tray**

**6 x spoons**

**6 x forks**

**6 x knives**

**6 x teaspoons**

**6 x pudding spoons**

**6 x pudding forks**

**4 x olive forks**

**4 x serving spoons**

**4 metal drinking straws**

**Tea strainer and rest**

**Potato peeler**

**Tin opener**

**Cork screw**

**Multi grater**

**Multipurpose Scissors**

**Wooden Spoon**

**Pie slice**

**2 x large plastic spoons**

**Set of measuring spoons**

**4 x Bread/Cheese/Chopping boards**

**4 x cork pot stands (one under fruit bowl on table)**

**6 x tea towels**

**1 x oven mitt and pad**

**Owners' tea/coffee/spirits**

### **Hallway**

**Desk and chair**

**First Aid Kit on desk**

**3 x Shopping Bags for life on the shelf above the desk drawer**

**In desk drawer:**

**Screw drivers/lightbulbs/head torch/spare hoover bags/fittings/spare cable/Gerber multitool**

**Information on appliances**

**Wooden Apartment Beth sign and coat rack**

### **2 Bathrooms/Toilet**

**3 x Toilet brushes**

**2 x Bathroom bins**

**2 x Non slip mats**

**3 x Tooth mugs**

**Toiletry cabinet in Terracotta Bathroom with owners' toiletries, masks, snorkels, flippers, goggles, inflatables and beach shoes**

**Clothes airer and pegs**

**Ironing board and iron**

**Hoover**

**Dustpan and Brush**



**Broom**

**Mop and Bucket**

**Twin Room**

**2 x Bedside chest of drawers with lamp on each**

**2 x Non slip mats (one by each bed)**

**Suitcase holder**

**12 x Bath towels (spares in top shelf of wardrobe in twin room)**

**12 x Hand towels (spares in top shelf of wardrobe in twin room)**

**4 x Bath Mats (spares in top shelf of wardrobe in twin room)**

**1 x fan**

**2 x single beds with duvets, 2 pillows**

**2 x single mattress protectors**

**4 x stripy single quilt covers and 4 pillow cases (spares in top shelf of wardrobe in twin room)**

**4 x double quilt covers and 8 hexagonal pillow cases (in top shelf of wardrobe in twin room when not in use)**

**1 x spare double mattress protector for sofa bed (in bag on top of wardrobe in twin room)**

**4 x spare pillows for sofa bed (in bag on top of wardrobe in twin room)**

**Clothes hangers in wardrobe**

**2 x extra pillows with pillow cases for use on single beds in wardrobe**

**Double Room**

**1 x double bed with duvet, 2 pillows**

**1 x double duvet protector**

**1 x fan**

**2 x Bedside chest of drawers with lamp on each**

**Hairdryer**

**2 x Non slip mats (one by each bed)**

**Clothes hangers in wardrobe**

**Fitted safe in wardrobe**

**2 x extra pillows with pillow cases for use on double bed in wardrobe**

**1 x 3 plug adaptor**

**1 x spare extension cable in wardrobe**

**Owners' private items on top shelf/top of wardrobe:**

**4 x blankets**

**2 x grey fleecy wraps**

**4 x Beach towels and Beach mats**

**Raffia Beach bag and Tote bag**

**Rucksack**

**Sunhats/caps, some clothes**