TUSCAN SUN

Crew profile

Captain: Ivan Grbić, Croatian, born in 1974

Languages: Croatian and English

Ivan was born in Split where he completed his education on Maritime College 1999.

He started his career as navigation officer on merchant navy, travelling all around the world where he gained his extensive nautical knowledge. In 2004 he decided to return to the Adriatic Sea his biggest love. 12 years on luxury yacht charter as fleet captain makes this captain one of the most experienced on Adriatic coast. Before Ivan took on the position on board TUSCAN SUN, he had worked on board the Maiora M/Y ADRIATIC BLUES, the Azimut M/Y HAPPY SPIRIT and the Sunseeker M/Y SIR OLIVER.

He is also an engineer, responsible for the proper work of the entire equipment on the yacht. Ivan is married, proud father of three children. He speaks fluent English and got excellent organization skills. Together with his crew he will be glad to give you numerous opportunities to explore the unique coast and islands of the beautiful Adriatic.

Ivan and chef Ivica are a well-established team whose enthusiasm for shipboard life will transform your cruise into an unforgettable adventure! For several years they have been successfully running the charter yacht ADRIATIC BLUES together.

Chef: Ivica Malenica, Croatian, born in 1970

Languages: Croatian and English

lvica is from Split, where he lives with his family, wife and two daughters. He has worked his entire professional career on yachts and vessels as a chef and has more than 20 years experiences. He is specialized in the Mediterranean cuisine.

He has impressed yacht guests with his creativeness using local and fresh ingredients to create outstanding specialities. Ivica makes sure that every meal is a taste sensation.

Due to his passion for culinary excellence he has a broad knowledge in special requirements, like kosher and halal food. Ivan has a special kosher food supplier.





His food is best described as contemporary, fresh and delicious with emphasis on presentation. He likes being inventive and many famous persons enjoyed his meals.

Stewardess: Ilijana Kovačić, Croatian, born in 1986

Languges: Croatian, English, German, Portuguese, Spanish, Italian, basic Russian

After graduating from the University of Zagreb, Communication Studies / Public, Ilijana worked in various positions before seeking a permanent position

as a Stewardess in the yachting industry. Due to her experience having worked as hostess for several projects on private and charter yachts from 24m to 34m such as M/Y VIERA, M/Y JOHNSON BABY, M/Y ANIGOTA, M/Y BORA and M/Y 3M, Ilijana is the perfect fit for the team on board TUSCAN SUN.

With her keen eye for details, very good service skills and her welcoming smile, she will make you feel like home and your holiday will be relaxed and classy! In one word perfect!

Deckhand: Predrag Kovačić, Croatian, born in 1985

Languages: Croatian and English

Predrag was born in Split, where he also finished his education as Construction Technician. He has worked onshore in this function for 10 years before he realized that the sea call was stronger.

He has grown up in a city close to the sea, spending all his free time on fishing and exploring the Adriatic coast with his 30ft speed boat. Predag's passion for the ocean, yachts and interacting with people has lead him to the yachting industry. With his enthusiasm, his serious and trustworthy attitude towards tasks given to him and his open minded spirit, guests will feel at ease immediately in his presence.

In his leisure time, Predag likes fishing and diving.



Deckhand: Josip Lakuš, Croatian, born in 1991

Languages: Croatian and English

Besides being involved in the sales of mobile phone products, from the beginning of secondary school Josip developed his interest in engineering and obtained a high school diploma electromechanics. During his studies he completed an in-service training as a railway traffic technician. To achieve his ultimate objective of working in the maritime industry, Josip continued his education by completing a two year training to become a ship engineer. Besides good his communication skills from his former work Josip has a broad understanding of mechanics, maintenance of engines and helps our with technical advice on board wherever he can. Josip is looking forward to his new position as a deckhand on board of M/Y Tuscan Sun.

