



CREW AND SERVICE

Solomar has three Croatian Crew Members: Marko, Iris and Ema.

While you are onboard, your hosts will cater to your preferences. Feel free to ask your crew or recommendations on excursions, best restaurants, hikes, vineyards to visit... or simply unwind onboard and you will be looked after.

CAPTAIN MARKO

Marko Židić's journey commenced in the charming town of Orebić, nestled upon the picturesque Pelješac peninsula, where his enchantment with the sea blossomed at the tender age of 10. Enrolling in a sailing school ignited a lifelong love for sailing and windsurfing, which in turn transformed his childhood to one focused on the sea.

At 18, this passion led Marko to complete Skipper Academy, embarking on a summer voyage as a charter skipper during his college summer breaks. Upon graduating from the Faculty of Kinesiology, specialising in Sailing, what began as a seasonal adventure evolved into a thriving full-time profession. Now, alongside his captaincy, Marko generously imparts his wisdom as an assistant in university sailing classes. Even in the off-season, he navigates the waters, participating in regattas to refine his skills and maintain his deep connection to the sea.

Fluent in both English and Croatian, Marko possesses a keen eye for detail and an innate ability to attune himself to the desires of his clients, crafting a seamless and personalized experience for all.





CHEF IRIS

Iris Vukušić is a chef with a deep connection to the sea. Growing up on the island of Brač, she was surrounded by the Adriatic from an early age. Her grandfather's ship, which ran daily cruises along the Croatian coast, allowed her to experience life on the sea. A life she soon fell in love with.

Iris graduated with a degree in Early Childhood and Preschool Education, but her true passion has always been in cooking and sailing. With a background in Culinary, Hospitality and Tourism Management from high school, she soon transitioned her love for cooking into a job, becoming a chef onboard yachts. In addition to her culinary expertise, Iris holds a degree from the Faculty of Kinesiology, has completed a Nutritionist Course and earned the WSET Level 1 Award in Wines, allowing her to craft dishes that are not only delicious but also mindful of various dietary needs.

Iris brings the Mediterranean lifestyle onboard, specializing in authentic Dalmatian dishes made with fresh, local ingredients, often adding a modern twist to traditional flavors. She's committed to continuously learning and exploring new cuisines, always striving to create a personalized and exceptional dining experience that makes every meal a memorable part of the journey.

