

Bootsschule Regensburg

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Hi,

My first tour as skipper was great, no major problems and we didn't get lost or sink!

Our boat was nice, not as quiet as sailing but for the sun worshipers on the deck the thumping diesel motors were replaced by the sound of the sea and wind.

Katina/ Our boat



We did a short hop of just 3nm (nautical miles) on the Saturday afternoon and spent the night safely attached to a buoy in a bay.

Sunday we went to another bay for an afternoon of relaxing and swimming, then back to our home marina to watch Germany loose 2:1 to Spain.

The cockpit



Full of confidence I then planned a route from Zadar to Krka, 49nm. A long way on a boat, but we made it in 6 hours. This enabled us to take our time and pick our way through the island back to Zadar for Friday. The plan worked well.

In the marina Skradin (Krka)



On Tuesday the crew visited the waterfalls and I stayed behind to get my self better acquainted with the boat and the charts (sea maps).

Krka waterfalls



The rest of the trip was easy going visiting Vodice a large tourist town and then a quiet bay on the anchor. Thursday was spent in a marina on the island of Iz near Zadar. Evening meal was ok, but not one of the many restaurants in the town did breakfast!

Friday we checked the boat back in with charter firm and went for our captains dinner. It was hot, almost too hot to eat.

Captains dinner / The crew from left: Sabine, Arthur, Tim, Bernard and Bettina



Saturday we got up early and made our way through the road works and traffic jams back home to Germany.

I was pleased with our trip and am now full of confidence for the next. In September I'm

back in Croatia but as co-skipper und hope to get my sailing licence in spring next year.

Regards
Tim