

Radisson Blu Resort & Spa hotel, Dubrovnik, Croatia: review

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Radisson Blu Resort & Spa is a family-friendly Dubrovnik hotel offering a lovely seafront location, three pools, a sophisticated spa and wonderful sunset views, 11km north of Dubrovnik.


 Expert Rating
 9/10

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Luxurious seaside resort and spa, affording wonderful sunset views over the tiny Elaphiti islands, just a 20-minute drive from Dubrovnik.

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Who goes?

Couples and spa junkies on short breaks (it's possible to do as a weekend-away from London and it stays open through winter). It appeals to those in search of a pampering, sea views, and private tailor-made excursions, along with the possibility of spending time in nearby Dubrovnik. Families with kids generally prefer the adjoining self-catering residences to the main hotel.

Location 

It all depends on what you want: if you're after a chill-out seaside holiday, this location is idyllic, but if you're hoping to wallow in Dubrovnik's medieval charm, then you're in the wrong place. Set in landscaped grounds, overlooking the Adriatic, you enter the Radisson Blu resort from the peaceful village of Orašac, 11km north of Dubrovnik (served by hotel shuttle-bus, and hotel boat in summer). Nearby, Trsteno (3km) is noted for its 15th-century arboretum.

Style/character 

Slick and modern, with spacious and light interiors, the Radisson Blu is a typical seaside resort hotel. The grounds are planted with pines, palms and olive trees, and give onto a shoreline with three pools and several small open-air bars and restaurants overlooking the Adriatic. There's a sophisticated spa with indoor pools, offering a full range of health and beauty treatments, making it a very fine winter destination too.

Service 

All the staff are friendly, welcoming and professional. The concierge can arrange private one-day excursions and the girls in the spa are great – the OCCO signature treatments, made from local oils and herbs, are particularly recommended.

Rooms 

There are 200 rooms and suites in the main hotel, all with wooden floors, contemporary minimalist furnishing, fabrics in blue, turquoise and olive green, and slick modern bathrooms stocked with luscious OCCO toiletries (inspired by Croatia, made in London). All but the standard rooms have either a balcony or terrace. To really splash out, opt for a spacious sea-view suite – nothing can beat soaking in a bathtub with an endless view of deep blue sea and sky.

Food & drink 

Big hotels are generally rather disappointing on the food front. Here you are assured a generous buffet breakfast, and if you come in summer there's also a vast choice of small-scale restaurants in the grounds (around a dozen in total), including The Butcher which serves succulent barbecued steaks, La Pasta for cooked-to-order pizzas from a brick oven, and the super-romantic Cilantro offering fresh Adriatic fish on an open-air terrace with sublime sea views.

Value for money 

Double rooms from £68, including breakfast. It's not cheap but then the price includes extras such as the gardens, the beach and outdoors pools. Plus waking up to such an amazing sea-view has to be priceless. Free Wi-Fi.

Access for guests with disabilities?

Some rooms and amenities are especially designed for those with impaired mobility.

Family-friendly?

The residences (with one, two or three bedrooms, plus cooking facilities), are ideal for families with kids. There is also a kid's club, offering a range of sports activities, so parents can have some time alone.

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