



CHRISTMAS IN EUROPE 2026 SPLIT, CROATIA - GUIDELINE

Tourism and Hospitality school Split

 **FitSplit**^{RCK}

Dear participants, colleagues and friends,

It is our great pleasure to welcome you to Christmas in Europe 2026 in Split, Croatia!

Thank you for your interest, enthusiasm and willingness to be part of this special event. As the host school, Tourist and Hospitality School, Split, we are truly honoured to welcome schools from across Europe and to bring together students and teachers in the spirit of friendship, cooperation and cultural exchange.

Christmas in Europe is much more than an event. It is an opportunity to discover different cultures and traditions, share knowledge and experiences, build new international connections, and celebrate the diversity that brings us together as a European community.

We have prepared a programme full of learning, creativity, social activities — and a few surprises along the way! We hope that your time in Split will bring you valuable experiences, new friendships, plenty of fun, and, most importantly, beautiful memories that you will take home with you.

This guide contains all relevant information you need for your participation in Christmas in Europe 2026, including the programme, practical information, activities, logistics and other important details. We encourage you to read it carefully before your arrival and keep it handy throughout your stay.

We look forward to celebrating together!

Warm regards,

The Organising Committee
Christmas in Europe 2026
Tourist and Hospitality School, Split







3.1. ROOM RESERVATION

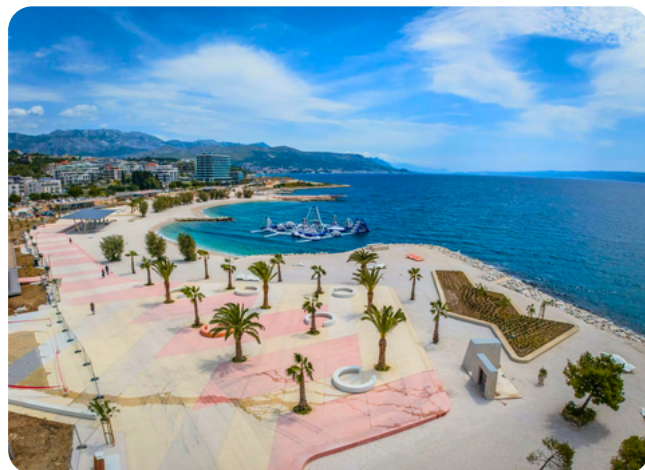
- Teachers will be accommodated on **Single** while students on **Double** occupancy rooms on a Bed and Breakfast basis. Each delegation (6 participants) is entitled to **4** rooms in total, **2** Singles and **2** Double rooms.
- Triple rooms are also available per request
- If your team requires to be accommodated in more than 4 rooms or you have any questions regarding the accommodation, please contact us at christmasineurope@tus-st.hr for information.

3.2. EARLY ARRIVAL OR EXTENSION

- The participation fee includes accommodation for the period **29/11/2025 to 04/12/2025 (5 nights in total)**
- If you wish to arrive early or extend your stay, you can contact us so we will connect you to hotel's Sales department to secure requested rooms and preferential rates.



AMPHORA HOTEL



ŽNJAN BEACH

4. DAILY BREAKDOWN - SUNDAY, 29.11. - DAY 0

- Arrival of participating teams (self-arranged transfer) and hotel check-in
- Airport arrival - **NOTE:** Small info stand will be placed next to Arrival airport area. Our students will be there to give you helpful advices and information to reach your hotel. If needed, feel free to contact us in advance via e-mail if you have any questions for airport → hotel transportation
- **Split Airport:** Saint Jerome Airport - link: <https://www.split-airport.hr/>
- On Sunday **29/11/26 at 19:00**, a **Meeting of Delegation Heads** will take place at Amphora Hotel Lobby area. During the meeting, important information will be provided regarding the overall organization of the Event.
- If you have any products that requires refrigerator, please make sure to bring them with you. A culinary instructor will be present for collecting them for storing at the school. You can also discuss with him any special requirements you have regarding the preparation of your European buffet (i.e. special cooking equipment required, ingredients, serving equipment etc).





4. DAILY BREAKDOWN - MONDAY, 30.11. - DAY 1

- In the morning, arrival at Tourism and Hospitality school, Split. Here you will have a school tour, Akademis tour, brief presentation and accreditation delivery. Also, Panel discussion will be held in school auditorium where students will have opportunity to participate in discussion and ask questions to our panelists. We encourage them to engage with their insights and questions.



TOURISM AND HOSPITALITY SCHOOL, SPLIT



SCHOOL HALL

4.1. CHRISTMAS EXIBITION

- Christmas exhibition will welcome many local and regional visitors, including industry professionals, government officials, sponsors, and students. The operating hours will be as follows:
 - Monday Day 1 - from 13:00 to 15:00 Stand Preparation and Set-up
 - Tuesday Day 2 - from 09:30 to 12:30 - CIE Gastronomy and Cultural Exhibition Stands
 - Wednesday Day 3 - from 09:00 to 12:00 - CIE Gastronomy and Cultural Exhibition Stands
 - Wednesday Day 3 - from 12:00 to 12:45 - Exhibition stands dismantling

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4.2. STAND SET-UP AND DECORATION

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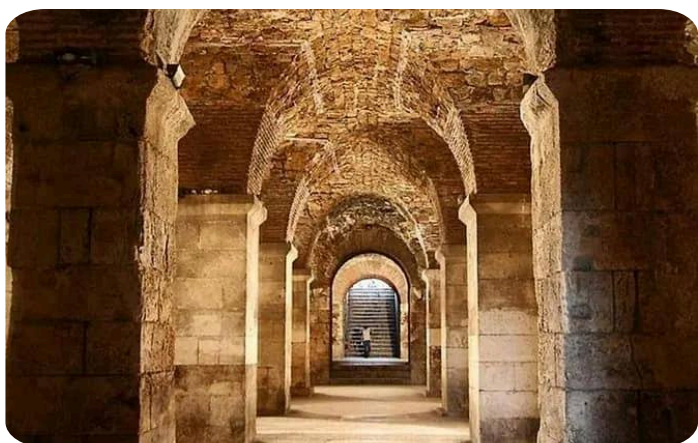
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- The stands will be positioned within the Diocletian's Cellars, in the heart of Split's historic centre and an integral part of Diocletian's Palace, one of the best-preserved monuments of late Roman architecture and a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1979.
- Due to the exceptional historical and architectural sensitivity of the location, special care must be taken regarding what can be brought into the space: **cooking is not permitted**, so only ready-to-serve, dry, simple foods and desserts prepared in advance may be displayed and offered at the stands.
- Upon your arrival at Diocletian's Cellars on Monday at 13:00h, each team will be given 2 hours to decorate and setup the booth. Assigned booth has dimensions L2.00m x W2.00m x H2.50m.
- **Each booth will be equipped with:**
 - electricity and light
 - board with the logo and the name of your school.
 - small table which can be used for products/promo materials display
 - 1x live natural Christmas tree with tailored made decorations for your school* (you can bring your own christmas tree decoration or some autentic decorations from your country) which will be displayed on your stand during two days of exibition.
- **Additional instructions:**
 - Participants should set up a stand, which reproduces the traditional Christmas atmosphere of their country or region.
 - They should show the specific features of their traditions
 - During the exibition students should be clothed in regional festive costume
 - Decorate the stand with objects which are typical of the country, or any other articles which symbolise or represent Christmas in the country
 - Cover the panels of the stand with cloth, photographs or objects from the country. Avoid commercial posters.
 - Prepare an information sheet explaining to visitors to the stand a typical Christmas recipe in English.
 - Every stand should have available products to distribute free (e.g. wine, spirits, cakes, etc.); it is essential to create an original and authentic atmosphere and décor
 - The exhibition is open to the public, and large numbers of visitors are expected.
 - Those delegations who so wish should be given the opportunity to distribute promotional literature about the region they represent.



DIOCLETIAN'S CELLARS, OLD TOWN SPLIT



EXIBITION BOOTH 2X2X2,5M

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MARMONT STREET SPLIT



SPLIT FISH MARKET



5. DAILY BREAKDOWN - TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY, 01.,02.12. – DAY 2&3

Day 2 and day 3 will have separate activities and Schools will be divided in two teams: **Blue team** and **Orange team**. We have assigned each delegation into 2 groups, please check the following table and identify in which group you belong.

Blue Team	Orange team
Tourismsschulen Semmering, Austria, Semmering	TESEK LARNAKA, CYPRUS, LARNACA
Lycée hôtelier régional Jean Paul Passadat France, Marseille	Cité scolaire REAUMUR BURON, FRANCE, LAVAL
Lycée Notre Dame de Nazareth France, Douvres la Délivrande	Hotelijersko-turistička škola Opatija Croatia, Opatija
ŠKOLA ZA TURIZAM, UGOSTITELJSTVO I TRGOVINU PULA, Croatia, Pula	IIS PANZINI Senigallia Italy, Italy, Senigallia
IIS Vergani Navarra, Italy, Ferrara	IIS "TONINO GUERRA" CERVIA, ITALY, CERVIA (RAVENNA)
Kaunas Food Industry and Trade Training Centre, Lithuania	Kėdainiai Vocational Training Center, Lithuania, Kėdainiai
Klaipėda tourism school, Lithuania, Klaipėda	EHTL, Luxembourg, Diekirch
Riga Technical School of Tourism and Creative Industry, Latvia	ROC Mondriaan, The Netherlands, The Hague
Institute of Tourism Studies (ITS), Malta, Luqa	MBO Amersfoort, Netherlands, Amersfoort
VONK, Netherlands, Schagen	Virginska Gymnasiet, Sweden, Örebro
Escola de Hotelaria e Turismo de Vila Real de Santo António, Portugal, Vila Real de Santo António - Algarve	MUĞLA İL MİLLÎ EĞİTİM MÜDÜRLÜĞÜ (MUĞLA PROVINCIAL DIRECTORATE OF NATIONAL EDUCATION), TÜRKİYE, MUĞLA

5.1. HALF DAY EXCURSION - KLIS & STELLA CROATICA

Teams will visit [Klis Fortress](#) & [Stella Croatica](#) split in two days. Make sure you have with you, in case you need, extra clothes as the buses will depart directly from the Diocletian’s Cellars without stopping at the hotel. (Orange team – Tuesday 01/12/2025 , Blue team – Wednesday 02/12/2025)



KLIS FORTRESS



STELLA CROATICA





5.2. EUROPEAN BUFFET

The European Buffet will take place on Day 2 on Tuesday 01/12/2026 and Day 3 on Wednesday 02/12/2026. - (**Blue team**– Tuesday 01/12/2026 ; **Orange team** – Wednesday 02/12/2026)

It is expected to attract between 160 - 200 guests per night (including the delegations, VIPs, executives, local authorities, sponsors and industry professionals). All the delegations as well as the guests of the organizing school can discover, taste and comment on the various local Christmas specialties, and are **welcome to exchange written recipes**. There should be at least one typical Christmas dish offered for tasting.

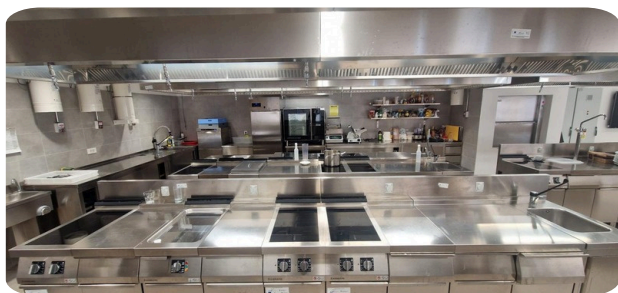
5.3. BUFFET PREPARATION

Each delegation is requested to prepare a **maximum of three (3) specialties from their country** for 25 to 30 people and **optional one (1) dessert**. These should be served as tasting portions. Therefore, the host school should only provide side plates or small plates. The national specialties are presented by the students in front of their booth in the School Hall.

Also, the European Buffet will include a **quick live presentation** of the participating schools and their culinary creations. The host will visit each school's stand with microphone, where one representative will have approximately one minute to present what they have prepared and briefly explain the inspiration behind their choice of dishes. Each school is therefore expected to have a representative present at their stand and ready to introduce their culinary selection.

5.4. BUFFET PREPARATION EQUIPMENT

Each team will be assigned to work in host school in one of specialized kitchens for preparing their menu. A local staff member will always be available for guidance and assistance.



CULINARY CABINETS

5.5. RECIPES AND INGREDIENTS

- Recipes and photos of selected dishes should be sent **to AEHT directly** for posting them on the application and website. More information about recipes and photos submission will be provided in a separate email directly by AEHT.
- An **ingredients list with quantities (for 25-30 small portions)** should be submitted to the organizing school. A questionnaire through Google Forms will be sent for completion, via a separate e-mail.
- Special ingredients should be brought by the delegations. The organizer will notify you in advance for any ingredients that cannot be found in the local market. In this case, you might need to change your recipe or bring the ingredient with you.







7. MEETING PEOPLE – COLLABORATION – NETWORKING

During the event, several local sponsors, industry professionals, hotel representatives, and other local school representatives will be invited. This is a great opportunity to mingle and exchange contact details for potential collaborations, including student exchange programs, student placements, Erasmus programs, and more. Don't forget your business cards.

8. CONTACT AND DELIVERY INFORMATION

- If you wish to ship any material/products/ decorations etc prior the event, you may do so using the address below.
- Please make sure to provide all detail in the Questionnaire that will be provided through Google Forms
- **Shipping Address:**
 - Turističko - ugostiteljska škola, Split
 - Ul. Antuna Gustava Matoša 60
 - 21000, Split
- **Contact information:**
 - official manifestation e-mail: christmasineurope@tus-st.hr
 - additional e-mail contact: ivan.kovacevic@tus-st.hr
 - Telephone / Whatsapp number: [+385916274327](tel:+385916274327)

