

Field trips we all took (And if you didn't, ask your teachers to take you there!)

Croatian pupils take at least eight different field trips during their primary school. Here are some of the most popular ones.



The fourteen islands of **Brijuni** make up one of the most famous Croatian national parks. Apart from the beautiful Mediterranean nature, you can also see a safari park with zebras, African sheep, Indian cows, a camel, llamas and elephants. Student groups usually also visit **Pula**, to see the archaeological remains from the Roman times, such as the Arena.



In the village of **Kuterevo** in Lika you can see the only bear refuge in Croatia. You can get close enough to the bears to take photos. Nearby is a completely different attraction, the Nikola Tesla Memorial Centre. You can see Tesla's childhood home in the village of **Smiljan** and find out about Tesla's life. In the attic, there are some of his inventions, and also a laboratory where you can witness one of them in action.



Krapina, the cultural centre of Croatian Zagorje, has one of the richest Palaeolithic sites in the world. On the Hušnjakovo Hill, you can see how Neanderthals lived 130,000 years ago. There is also the Museum of Evolution to learn about the science of human development from the earliest days to the present.



Slavonia has a rich history. Some examples are the Romanic cathedral in Đakovo and the city of Osijek. However, there are also amazing natural sights to see. For example, you can visit the famous Lipizzaner horses and see how they are trained. Another place is **Kopački rit**, a nature park with one of the largest and most important wetlands in Europe. There are wooden bridges from which you can observe thousands of different birds.

Tasks:

1 On the map of Croatia, find the field destinations mentioned. Compare them:

How do you travel to each place?

What animals can you see?

What did people build in these places?

Which time periods are they important for?

2 Find other interesting places to visit with your class. Compare them:

How far are they from your location?

Why are they interesting?

Is it a one- or two-day field trip?

Have a vote and see where most of you would like to go.