

## **Cruising with vintage sailing ships along the magnificent Kvarner coastline & islands**

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### *Saturday* OPATIJA - ISLAND OF KRK

Departure is from Opatija harbor at 13:00. After lunch we stop to swim in the crystal clear sea then continue to the Island of Krk. Krk is the biggest of the islands. This Island has immense variety in its villages large and small, gentle green promenades bare rocky wilderness, tiny islands and hundreds of hidden bays and beaches. You will spend the night in town of Krk and there you are able to explore the old town on your own.

### *Sunday* ISLAND OF KRK - ISLAND OF RAB

After a morning swim, breakfast is served on the ship after which we sail to the Island of Rab, which is known as the "island of love". The small town of Rab, where you will spend the night in the harbour, is encircled in medieval walls, Romanesque church towers, churches and palaces, stone streets and ancient facades. Enjoy the "gallery" on the streets and squares where many painters and artists exhibit their works.

### *Monday* ISLAND OF RAB - DUGI OTOK (SALI /Nature Park – Telašćica, Dugi Otok)

After breakfast we sail from Rab along the island of Pag with a stop to swim on small island MAUN, and continue to sail to the Dugi Otok ("Long Island"). We either spend the night in SALI and visit Telašćica in the morning, or we spend the night in Telašćica. Telašćica is the largest natural harbour on the Adriatic. This is a nature park and one should take a short walk to the "Lake of Peace" – a natural phenomenon – a lake, which has salt water but no known connection with the Adriatic sea. Don't forget to visit the magnificent "White cliffs", also a walking distance from your ship – but please don't slip and fall as they are extremely steep...

### *Tuesday* DUGI OTOK - ISLAND MOLAT or OLIB

After breakfast and morning swim, we sail to Island Molat or island Olib (depending on available space in the small harbours of these two islands). The Molat island is situated in the northern part of Zadar's archipelago. The peace, silence and necessary minimum of infrastructures (4 restaurants, 3 shops) guarantees an holiday far away from usual tourism. Olib is a place where you can rest your body and soul. There are no cars or trucks, just a tractor or two, which are necessary for the habitants of Olib. The island has numerous beautiful beaches. When you come ashore you cannot but notice a beautiful sandy beach near the port. The village is small but wide. The island was inhabited already in the antiquity. The parish church is from 1632, and about twenty Glagolitic codices from the 16th - 19th century are kept in the parsonage.

### *Wednesday* ISLAND OF MOLAT or OLIB - ILOVIK - ISLAND OF LOŠINJ

After breakfast and morning swim, we sail to the peaceful island of flowers called Ilovik where we have a stop for swimming. Departure for the island of Mali Lošinj (lunch on route), which is one of the most popular islands on the northern Adriatic due to the abundance of pine trees and clear waters. Mali Lošinj is among those places with the sunniest days per year in Europe.

Take a walk along the harbor and dare to take a night swim on the sandy Cikat beach or visit nearby, picturesque, town of Veli Lošinj (only 5 km away). Overnight in Mali Losinj.

### *Thursday* ISLAND OF LOŠINJ - ISLAND OF CRES

After a morning swim we leave for the island of Cres. This long and narrow island is covered with oak, beaches and pine forests as well as vineyards and olive tree plantations. Cres and Mali Losinj used to be one island but a channel dug by the Romans separates them. We spend the night in the harbor of the typical medieval city of Cres.

*Friday* ISLAND OF CRES - OPATIJA

After breakfast we leave to Opatija. On route you will have the opportunity to enjoy the beautiful view of famous Opatija Riviera. Arrival in the late afternoon. For your last night on the ship we recommend you have a farewell party on the ship while exchanging addresses with other passengers who have by now become your new friends. You can also take a stroll along famous LUNGO MARE pathway to the fisherman village VOLOSKO – well known for good seafood restaurants.

*Saturday* OPATIJA

After breakfast you will say goodbye to the crew and we hope to see you again, soon.

**KL2 Split – Makarska – Mljet – Dubrovnik – Sipan/Trstenik – Korčula – Hvar – Split**

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**SATURDAY SPLIT – MAKARSKA**

Departure from Split harbour, Saturday at 13:00 h. After lunch sail along the Dalmatian coast down to Makarska Riviera. We spend the afternoon swimming at one of the beautiful beaches on the Riviera. Overnight in the port of Makarska, one of the most attractive resorts on the Croatian coast. Strolling along the streets of Makarska, you will come across numerous churches and other architectural and cultural sights.

**SUNDAY MAKARSKA – MLJET**

Early in the morning we continue our trip towards Mljet. Our first stop is in Loviste, on the Peljesac peninsula. After a refreshing swim we continue towards Mljet. The whole afternoon is free to look at the salt lakes in National Park and enjoy the sun and sea on this peaceful island. Overnight in port Polaca/Pomena. In the middle of the large lake, inside the National park, we can visit an old abbey and church, or just use a small boat to roam around the National park.

**MONDAY MLJET – DUBROVNIK**

After breakfast we depart for Dubrovnik, which will be the highlight of our cruise. There will be time just for a short swim. Enjoy the beautiful sights of nature along the way towards “the heaven on earth” –according to the famous writer George Bernard Shaw. We will arrive to Dubrovnik late in the afternoon. Take a walk through *STRADUN* – both a street and a square, a promenade inside the city walls. For those of you with more enthusiasm we recommend a walk on top of the 1,940 m long city walls! Overnight in the port of this magical town.

**TUESDAY DUBROVNIK – SIPAN/TRSTENIK**

Morning is free to explore Dubrovnik. Discover the beauty of history through numerous monuments, little streets, churches... Around lunch time we leave this magnificent town and continue our cruise towards the isle Sipan or a little town of Trstenik on the Peljesac peninsula, where we will swim in the afternoon and spend the night.

**WEDNESDAY SIPAN/TRSTENIK – KORČULA**

After breakfast departure to Korčula, the birthplace of MARCO POLO. Lunch on the board somewhere in front of Lumbarda (part of Korčula). Sightseeing of Korčula – overnight in port. On this island you can find more legends, tales and monuments than anywhere else. Listen to the story of the stone walls, which were being built over two centuries ago.

**THURSDAY KORČULA –HVAR**

Early in the morning we depart for the Pakleni Islands where we have lunch and time for swimming. Departure for Hvar after lunch. Hvar is the longest island in the Adriatic. Here we can find the Renaissance cathedral with its original tower; also the oldest community theatre in Europe was founded here in 1612. City of Hvar offers plenty of restaurants, bars and cafes that are open long into the night.

**FRIDAY HVAR (Bol) - SPLIT**

Our next stop will be the island of Brač. Swimming is planned at one of the most known beaches in Dalmatia – Zlatni Rat near Bol (the Golden cape - its gravel promontory shifts from side to side as the wind and waves constantly change in shape). Bol is a typical fisherman’s town turned into a popular tourist destination. After lunch we will start our journey back to Split where the last overnight is planned. On our way to Split there will be another swim-break in one of the many bays on island of Brač. Arrival to Split in the late afternoon. Enjoy the view of Split Riviera arriving in Split. Split is a monumental city under UNESCO protection that belongs not only to Croatians, but also to you, as it is a part of the world heritage. Here we find an abundance of Roman architecture – of special interest is the Diocletian palace.

**SATURDAY SPLIT**

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**KL 3 SPLIT – OMIŠ – KORČULA – LASTOVO – VELA LUKA – (Biševo) VIS – ŠOLTA – SPLIT**  
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**Saturday** SPLIT - OMIŠ

Departure from Split harbor, Saturday at 13:00. After lunch we cruise along the Dalmatian coast down to Omiš. We spend the afternoon swimming in the crystal clear sea. Overnight in the port of Omiš. Omiš is a picturesque town surrounded with steep rocky mountain cliffs, where the river Cetina flows into the Adriatic sea. Afternoon is free to enjoy sports like rafting on the streams of the Cetina river, free mountain climbing, windsurfing or beach volleyball. Those not feeling "sporty" can explore the old town of Omiš and discover the glorious and long history through the many historical monuments.

**Sunday** OMIŠ- KORČULA

By the time you reach the deck area in the morning, Omiš will already be behind you. After a morning swim, we cruise toward Korčula – the birthplace of Marco Polo. Lunch on board will be served either on the tip of the Pelješac peninsula (near Lovište) or in the quiet bay of Kneža on Korčula. Arrival to Korčula in the afternoon where each person can do their own sightseeing. According to legend Korčula was found by Trojan hero Anthenor in the 12<sup>th</sup> century BC. On this island you can find more legends, tales and monuments than anywhere else. Overnight in Port.

**Monday** KORČULA - LASTOVO

As a prelude to more cruising we suggest a short walk through the open market in Korčula where you can buy lovely fresh fruit to enjoy during the day. We continue our cruise towards Lastovo, the furthest, inhabited island in Dalmatia. Docked in port of Ubla, one has the opportunity to discover the virgin nature, thick and wild woods of this island. Lastovo is surrounded by many smaller islands, with plenty of bays suitable for snorkeling. Lastovo is also known for many little churches and unusual chimneys.

**Tuesday** LASTOVO – VELA LUKA

We leave Lastovo in the morning and cruise back towards island Korčula but this time the port of Vela Luka. Lunch and swimming in a bay along the way. Spend the evening tasting some of the well-known Korčula wines and listening to sounds of traditional men's singing groups (KLAPA).

**Wednesday** VELA LUKA – VIS (Biševo)

Early in the morning we depart toward island Vis, which was for years closed for many years to tourists. Vis was, because of its unique geographical position, a strategic harbour for the navy. Because of this isolation Vis has a special charm of the 'Mediterranean as it once was' which makes it really interesting to see.

Near to Vis there is Biševo and the famous Blue Caves. One can visit the Blue Caves by taking a little boat (payment on spot 7 to 8 EUR per person). As sometimes weather conditions can be very moody and unpredictable, the possibility and time of your visit will depend on the conditions, however you will be notified about this by your captain/crew. There will be plenty time for swimming.

After Biševo - arrival in Vis in the afternoon where we spend the night. It was Vis (Issa) where the Greeks had their first colony in the 4<sup>th</sup> century.

**Thursday** VIS – ŠOLTA

Early in the morning we cruise toward the beautiful Šolta island, which is luckily not yet overcrowded by too many inhabitants or new buildings. Šolta is well known for its excellent, dark olive oil and lovely little fisherman ports. In one of such villages – Stomorska – we stay the night and have the opportunity to enjoy excellent fresh fish and other delicacies of this unique island.

**Friday** ŠOLTA - SPLIT

The last day is spend mostly swimming in different bays of island Šolta or the neighboring island of Brač – before we return to Split.

We continue cruising while enjoying the view of Split Riviera arriving in Split in the late afternoon. Split is a monumental city under UNESCO protection that belongs not only to Croatians, but also to you, as it is a part of the world heritage. Here we find an abundance of Roman architecture – of special interest is the Diocletian palace.

**Saturday** SPLIT

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### **Saturday** SPLIT – ROGOZNICA or PRIMOŠTEN

Departure from Split harbor, Saturday at 13:00. After lunch we sail and spend the afternoon swimming in a quiet bay. Overnight in Rogoznica or Primošten (depending on situation in the port)- both small villages that offer remarkable wine –the famous wine *BABIC*.

### **Sunday** ROGOZNICA or PRIMOŠTEN – ŠIBENIK - KRKA WATERFALLS/SKRADIN or ZLARIN

After breakfast we sail to ŠIBENIK for morning sightseeing of this historical town. In Sibenik one can visit a castle above the town center and many beautiful historical buildings, like the Foscolo palace (gothic style) or St. Laurent church in baroque style. Departure towards Krka Waterfalls around lunch time. Lunch on board while enjoying the views of the Krka Canyon. Afternoon free to enjoy the National park and the waterfalls. We discover the beauty of Krka, and its exceptional flora and fauna. Overnight in port of Skradin – or on island and village ZLARIN (depending on the situation in the small port of Skradin).

### **Monday** KRKA WATERFALLS – KORNATI - SALI

Today we sail out to region of the famous National Park Kornati – rich in fish, and cultural and historic remains. Ruins of old Ilyrian fortress, Roman villas, old Christian church of St. Mary and medieval fortresses and settlements add to the value of these islands. Kornati consists of 140 islands and reefs. Inlets of some islands descend steeply into the sea, a hundred meters deep in places, and dramatically razor sharp. It is truly something remarkable to see. Overnight in Sali on Island Dugi Otok.

### **Tuesday** SALI - ZADAR

Morning reserved for swimming. Departure for Zadar in the afternoon where we spend the night in the port. The town is full of great restaurants packed in the center and historical monuments that can be found in and around the city (such as the pre-Romanesque church of St. Donat).

### **Wednesday** ZADAR - VODICE

Today we start our trip back along the Dalmatian coast. Stop for a swim in one of the beautiful bays. After the lunch we sail to a popular and always lively resort Vodice, where we will spend the night. Here we can enjoy beautiful terraces of local restaurants and cafes or simply walk along beautiful beaches of this typical Dalmatian town.

### **Thursday** VODICE - TROGIR

For swimming we stop in one of the bays and after lunch we visit an old Dalmatian town, Trogir (Greek relief from 4<sup>th</sup> century was found here). Trogir is sometimes referred to as "miniature Venice"- it has a masterful architecture.

### **Friday** TROGIR - SPLIT

We are sailing back to Split Riviera today. First we have a whole day of swimming ahead! For swimming we stop in one of the bays on the Čiovo island (connected to Trogir by a bridge). In the late afternoon we continue sailing toward the last port of call while enjoying the view of Split Riviera. Split is a monument city under UNESCO protection that belongs not only to Croatian people, but to you as well because it is in the world heritage. Here we find an abundance of Roman architecture – of special interest is the Diocletian palace. Overnight in Split.

### **Saturday** SPLIT

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**KL 5** DUBROVNIK - ŠIPAN – MLJET – KORČULA – HVAR – TRSTENIK – STON – DUBROVNIK (departure Sundays)

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**SUNDAY DUBROVNIK**

Check in from 13.00 h onwards (GRUZ harbour) with dinner as first meal. Due to many different flight arrivals of all participants first overnight is planned in Dubrovnik -a unique town on the Adriatic. The special charm of this old city are the buildings that have remained from the time of the old Dubrovnik Republic. A larger part of the monuments of history and culture belong to the fine but modest Renaissance architecture with some traces of the Gothic style. Use the afternoon to explore the city walls and plan what to do your last night on the cruise when we return to this wonderful city.

**MONDAY DUBROVNIK - KORČULA**

During breakfast departure for Korčula, the birthplace of MARCO POLO. Lunch on board in front of Lumbarda (part of Korčula). Arrival to Korčula in the afternoon where everyone is free to do their own sightseeing. On this island you can find more legends, tales and monuments than anywhere else. Listen to the story of the stone walls, which were being built for over two centuries. Overnight in port.

**TUESDAY KORČULA – HVAR**

Early in the morning we depart towards the little island Scedro where we will have enough time to relax and refresh in the clean, crystal blue sea. Departure for Hvar after lunch. Hvar is the longest island in the Adriatic. Here we can find the Renaissance cathedral with its original tower; also the oldest community theatre in Europe was founded here in 1612. City of Hvar offers plenty of restaurants, bars and cafes that are open long into the night. Hvar is often referred to as the sunshine island.

**WEDNESDAY HVAR – TRSTENIK**

We have to leave Hvar and continue our cruise towards the little town of Trstenik on Peljesac peninsula, where we will swim in the afternoon and spend the night. TRSTENIK, a village and harbour in the central part of the southern coast of the island of Peljesac; population 106. Chief occupations include farming, viniculture (the famous Dingac wine), fishing and tourism. The coastline along the town and the neighbouring inlets is covered by groves of pine, offering fine ambience for swimming. The famous Grgic winery is situated here – have a walk and taste some of their lovely wine!

**THURSDAY TRSTENIK - MLJET**

We continue our journey after breakfast towards the island and national park Mljet. The whole afternoon is free to look at the salt lakes in National Park and enjoy the sun and sea on this peaceful island. Overnight in port Polaca/Pomena. In the middle of the large lake, inside the National park, one can visit an old abbey and church, or just use a small boat to roam around the National park. Here you can rent bicycles and cycle around the lakes.

**FRIDAY MLJET - ŠIPAN**

Early in the morning we continue our trip towards the Elafiti islands. ELAFITI are a group of islands placed in the Adriatic Sea west of Dubrovnik. The biggest is Šipan, and to the group belong also Lopud and Koločep (Kalamota). They attract many tourists with their beautiful scenery and sandy beaches. Swimming and lunch planned at one of the smaller Elafiti islands. ŠIPAN, where our overnight is planned, is the biggest island of Elafiti, and also the most distant from Dubrovnik.

**SATURDAY ŠIPAN - DUBROVNIK**

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**SUNDAY DUBROVNIK**

After early breakfast we say goodbye to the crew and all your new friends!

**KL 6** OPATIJA – RAB – SALI – VODICE – (Krka Waterfalls) ZLARIN – MOLAT – MALI LOŠINJ – OPATIJA

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**Sunday** ISLAND OF RAB - DUGI OTOK (SALI )

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**Monday** DUGI OTOK (SALI ) – VODICE

Southward from Sali we stop for a swim in one of the beautiful bays. After the lunch we cruise to the popular and always lively resort Vodice, where we will spend the night. Here we can enjoy beautiful terraces of abundant local restaurants and cafes or simply walk along beautiful beaches of this typical Dalmatian town.

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**Saturday** OPATIJA - After breakfast you will say goodbye to the crew and fellow passengers.

**KL7 Dubrovnik – Zaton Veliki– Crna Gora (Perast) – Kotor – SUĐURAĐ/Slano -  
Korčula – Šipan luka - Dubrovnik**

**Sunday: DUBROVNIK – ZATON VELIKI**

Boarding in Dubrovnik (port Gruz) 11:30 am - 01:00 pm. Depart for Zaton Veliki, quaint fishing villages north of Dubrovnik situated in an isolated inlet. Before docking at Zaton Veliki, we drop anchor in a cove on the Elafitis for our first swim. Air flown guests arriving later, transfer to Zaton and they are expected to come aboard in the evening.

**Monday: ZATON VELIKI– CRNA GORA (PERAST)**

After breakfast and customs, we raise anchor and leave Croatian waters in the direction of Montenegro\*. Entering **Kotor Bay**, which is surrounded by high mountains and has the remarkable depth, following passport control in Zelenika we continue and reach the **islet of Gospa od Skrpjela**. The church of Our Lady of Skrpjeli (Lady of the Rock), patroness of seamen and fishermen, was built in 1630 in the baroque style on an artificially formed islet, in front of Perast in Boka Kotorska Bay. According to folk tradition, Perastan fishermen found an icon of mother of God with Christ, which served as a motiv for construction of temple. The focal point inside the church is a marble shrine, built by Antonio Capelano, sculptor from Genoa, in 1796. On the shrine there is the renowned icon of Our Lady of Skrpjeli showing the Madona with Christ, painted by the famous painter Lovro Dobricevic in the middle of the 15th century.

If the weather permits, overnight in **Perast** – a sleepy baroque place near Kotor situated at the foot of St. Elijah Hill (873 m), opposite the narrow Verige strait, where the innermost bays of Risan and Kotor converge. The most beautiful buildings of this small city were built in the 17th and 18th centuries. At that time seafaring was growing and captains built magnificent villas that even today capture you with their beauty.

\*(In case of bad weather or unforeseen circumstances, KATARINA LINE reserves the right to dock in Cavtat or other port from where the guests will have organised transfer to Monte negro).

**Tuesday: PERAST – KOTOR**

We continue our cruise through the bay of **Kotor**, a city of traders and famous sailors, with many stories to tell. Kotor is celebrated for its impressive 5 km/3 m walls (sometimes as high as 20 m/66 FT!) surrounding the triangle shaped city center and mountain Sveti Ivan (260m/853 FT). The Old City of Kotor is a well preserved urbanization typical of the middle Ages, built between the 12th and 14th century. Medieval architecture and numerous monuments of cultural heritage have made Kotor a UNESCO listed "World Natural and Historical Heritage Site". Through the entire city the buildings are criss-crossed with narrow streets and squares. One of these squares contains the Cathedral of Saint Tryphon, a monument of Roman culture and one of the most recognizable symbols of the city. The Church of Saint Luke (Sveti Luka) from the 13th century, Church of Saint Ana (Sveta Ana) from the 12th century, Church of Saint Mary (Sveta Marija) from the 13th century, Church of the Healing Mother of God (Gospa od Zdravlja) from the 15th century, the Prince's Palace from the 17th century and the Napoleon's Theatre from the 19th century are all treasures that are part of the rich heritage of Kotor.

For those who are willing to explore Kotor, and to learn more of the „country of black mountains“, we offer an optional comprehensive full day bus tour, that includes Lovcen from where one has a breathtaking view over the entire Kotor bay; a stop for brunch in the village Njegusi, known for its excellent prosciutto which when accompanied with goat cheese, fresh homemade bread and the famous Vranac red wine makes a delicious

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regional meal; the trip continues toward Cetinje, former capital of Monte Negro and formerly the seat of the Montenegrin kings; visit to the castle of King Nikola (currently a museum) whose influence and diplomatic relations led him to be known as 'European son in law' enabling him to marry his beautiful daughters into royal courts; the bus will drive further towards the coast with a short photo stop at Sveti Stefan island - in ancient times a pirate nest, now an exclusive hotel - reaching Budva, the most important holiday destination on the Montenegrin coast - meticulously rebuild and restored (end '80's) after an earthquake in 1979. We return to the boat around 20.00 and stay the night onboard in Kotor.

**Wednesday:** KOTOR – ŠIPAN (SUĐURAD)/SLANO

After passport formalities we leave Monte Negro for a fourhour sail to Cavtat. Later we will enjoy a swim in the bay before we sail ahead to the Elafiten islands. We stay the night over at Šipan (Šućurac) the biggest island of Elafiti (or Slano on the coats in case of bed weather).

**Thursday:** ŠIPAN/SLANO - KORČULA

After breakfast we depart toward Korčula-the birthplace of Marco Polo, through the channel between NP Mljet and Pelješac peninsula. Lunch onboard near Lumbarda (part of Korčula) having enough time to relax and refresh in the clean, crystal blue sea. Arrival to Korčula port in the afternoon for individual sightseeing. Korčula, often called "Little Dubrovnik" because of its fortresses, has one of the most beautiful historical spots on Dalmatia. During ancient times the island was known as "Black Island" owing to the thick pine forests that practically cover the entire island. According to the legend Korčula was found by Trojan hero Anthenor in the 12th century BC. On the island you can find more legends, tales and monuments than anywhere else along the coastline.

**Friday:** KORČULA – MLJET - ŠIPAN (port Šipan)

After breakfasts we set sail for Pomena on the island of Mljet. A part of the island Mljet has been declared a National Park - two saltwater lakes that are only connected to the sea by a single narrow canal. In the middle of the large lake, inside the National Park, one can visit an old abbey and church, or just use a small boat or bicycle to roam around the National Park. Later we leave for Šipan (port of Šipan) where we will stay over the night.

**Saturday:** ŠIPAN – DUBROVNIK

After breakfast we depart for Dubrovnik, which will be the highlight of our cruise. There will be time just for a short swim. Enjoy the beautiful sights of nature along the way towards "the heaven on earth" -according to the famous writer George Bernard Shaw. We will arrive to Dubrovnik in the afternoon. Take a walk through *STRADUN* – both a street and a square, a promenade inside the city walls. For those of you with more enthusiasm we recommend a walk on top of the 1940m long city walls! Overnight in the GRUZ port of this magical town.

**Sunday:** DUBROVNIK

After breakfast you will say goodbye to the crew and fellow passengers.

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