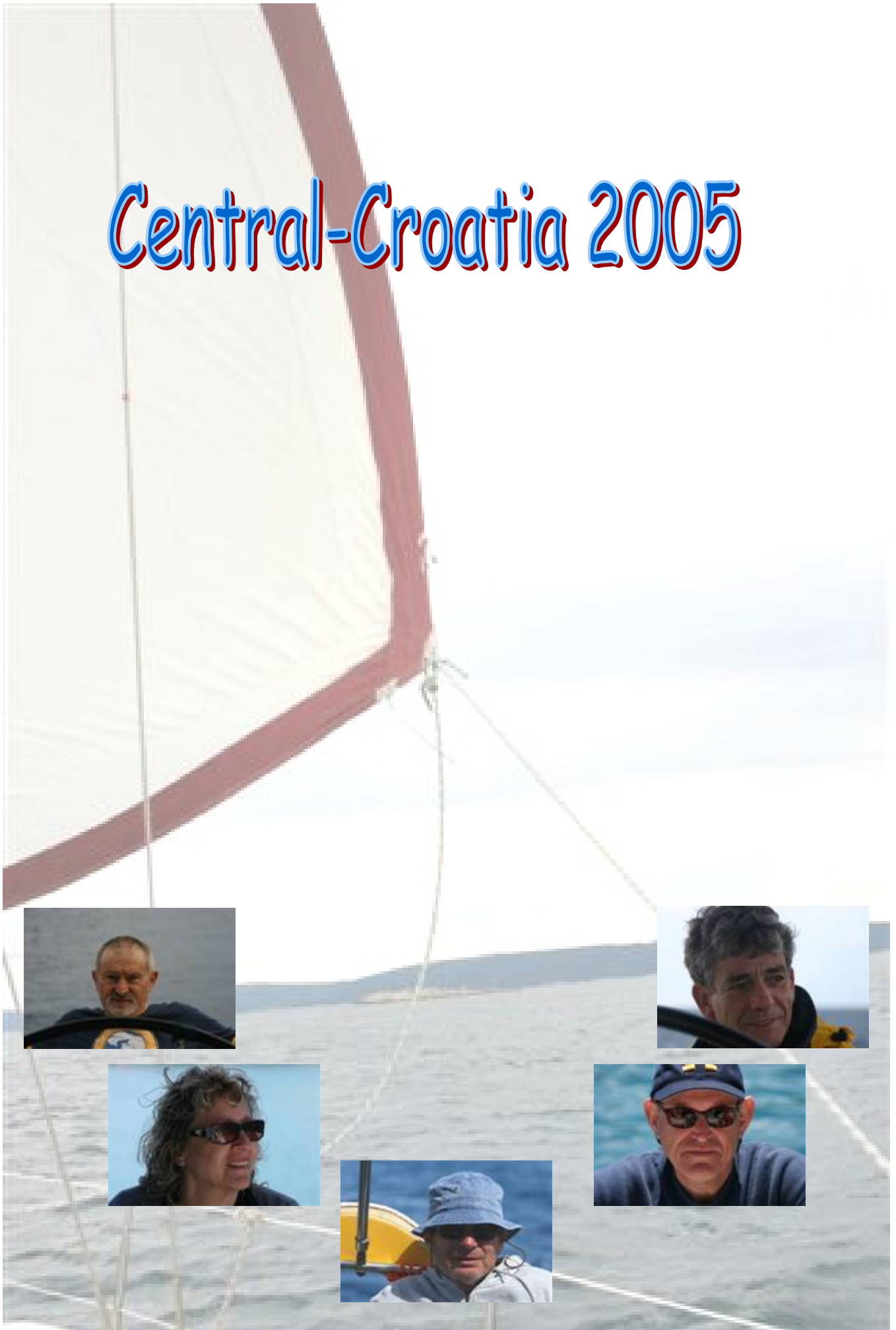


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Day 1 (June-5-2005)

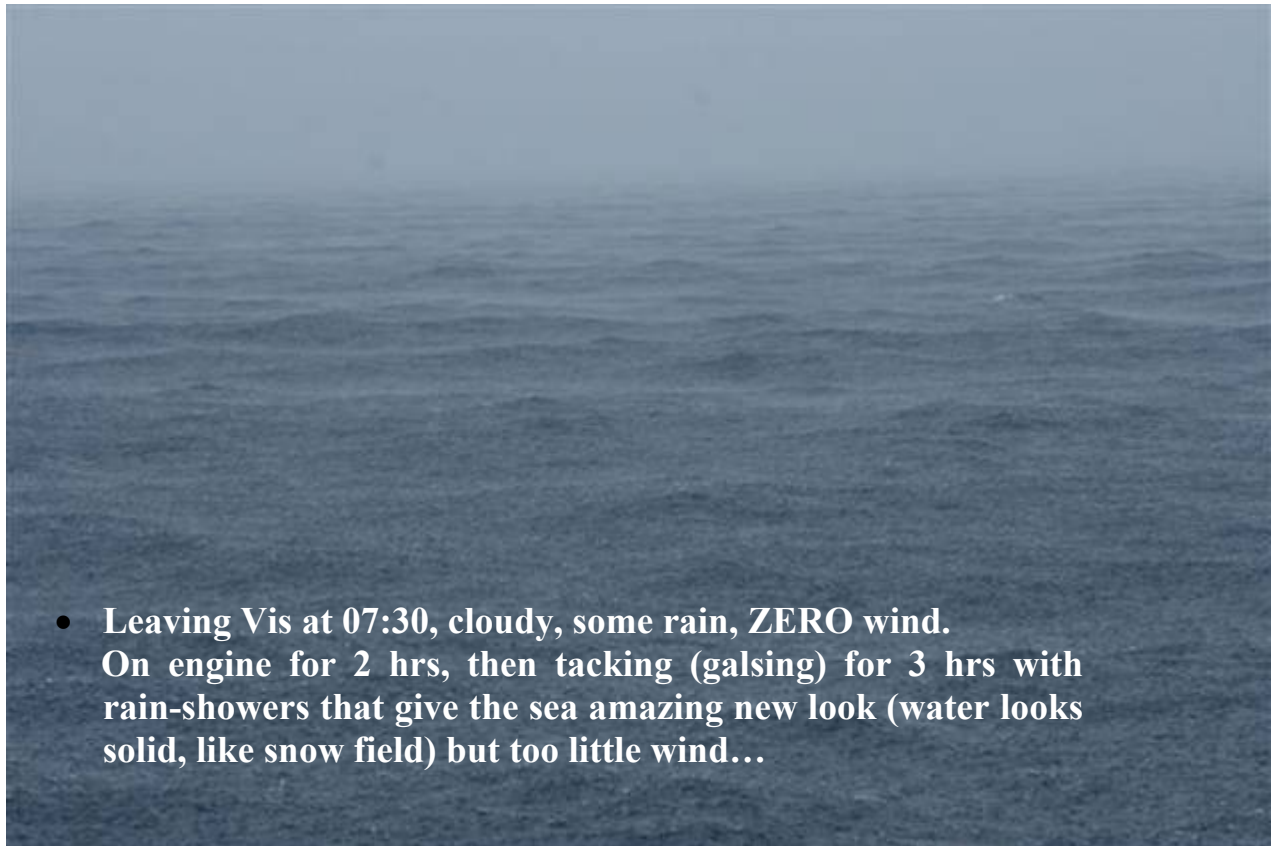
- Left Split at 7:15 AM , strong wind allowing 8 knots for 1 hour, then slowed down near Brac for 1 hr, south of Brac strong side-wind, sailing at about 6-7 knots to Vis.
- Docking in Vis at 12:20. Quiet Sunday, very few people out. The village is typical "island village/city", interesting views, old Venetian style churches and buildings, very special
- After a walk to the east side of the city - Spaghetti lunch on board.
- After long hesitations 'to be or not to be' (in Komica) - decision to stay in Vis city for the night.



VIS 5-June-2005



Day 2 (June 6-2005)



- Leaving Vis at 07:30, cloudy, some rain, ZERO wind. On engine for 2 hrs, then tacking (galsing) for 3 hrs with rain-showers that give the sea amazing new look (water looks solid, like snow field) but too little wind...

- Arriving in Vela Luka at 14:10. Not particularly good scenery, weather poor.
- Plan is to go to Korcula but NO TAXI (one only for 400 one way) – poor luck, rain goes on, decided not to take taxi and stayed in Vela Luka eating Pizza. [advice for future sailors: no cheap taxi, good bus service but few times a day. Last bus back from Korcula at 18:00 (see next day)]



Korcula

Day 3 (June 7-2005)

- Took a bus to Korcula at 06:30 (worth the trip, 28 Kuna per person). Took a bus back at 10:00 (~75min).
- Left Vela Luka at 12:15 towards Palmisana (approx. 20 miles optimal route)
- Nice day, North-west wind at about 12-15 knots, tacking (galsing) till 18:00 approx. 30 miles.
- Dinner in one of the restaurants in the south part of Palmisana – short walk from Marina. Good dinner.
- ACI Marina in Palmizana is good shelter, nice area (like nice camping ground on the sea).



Sailing to Palmizana (Pakleni Otoci)



Day 4 (June 8-2005)

- Morning in Palmizana ACI marina. Rain, strong wind. Lazy.
- Leaving Palmizana at 12:00 towards Hvar. Hvar has limited docking place. Full. Looked at the city from the boat and went on to Milna on the island Brac'. Tacking (Galsing) with strong winds, (No rain!) till 17:00 when we docked at Leska Marina on the left (north) shore of Milna bay. Nice Dutch couple run the place. Dinner in Milna restaurant Fontana (400 Kuna for 5, OK).



Hvar



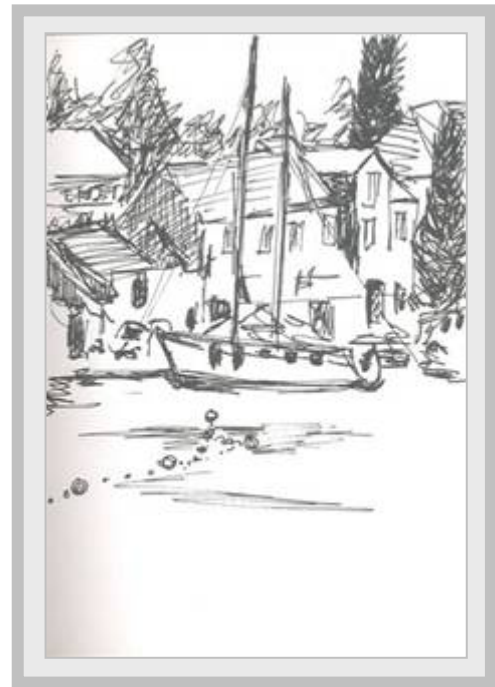
Milna

Day 5 (June-9-2005)

- Leaving Milna after fueling (recommended as better place to approach the station). Yet after I looked at the station in Split – it's not a big deal there either. Just watch for the rocks on the docks that are vertical to the street (take the filling positions that are parallel to the street) and – when leaving the station, go to the center of the main marina entrance (go left until you are sure you are on the main path, far from the green that will be on your right).
- Tacking (Galsing) towards Bobovic'e. Good wind on the way. Boboviche is a very nice bay for breakfast, lunch, swimming. Mooring to the red sinkers, placed on the south part of the bay (right side as entering)
- Tacking (Galsing) with strong winds (15-20) with gusts up to 30 knots towards Trogir. Don't miss Trogir – nice old city. Docking was hard due to strong wind, but completed with no disaster, at about 17:00. – We are out to tour Trogir and decide to have modest dinner on boat.



Trogir (By L.E.)



Boboviche (By L.E.)

Trogir



Day 6 (June-10-2005)

- Trogir – Split. This is too short a day. If the weather is good – it could be better to try to go to some bay for swimming, but we had a cold day... Attempts to go to the castles on the way to Split (on the mainland) failed due to lack of time. Arriving in Split at about 15:30 with strong wind (north-east) that again made docking hard as yesterday, but completed safely
- Out to tour Split – enjoyed it a lot – the old city and the Palace of Diocletian are very interesting.
- Dinner at the same place as in the first evening...restaurant just outside entrance to Marina (on the left as you leave the marina, climb steps to terrace overlooking the sea). Good food, not cheap.



Day 7 (June-11-2005)

- Pleasant socializing with good coffee at the Marina restaurant with the crew of the second boat [Gidi (Skipper), Nechama & Peter, Ruthie and Paul, Beth and Amos].
- Touring Split again with Ruthie, Paul, Gidi and our whole crew. Back to the marina at 12:50, taxi to airport. The ULTRA team (the charter company) were very nice and helpful.
- Budapest: Gidi (skipper, other boat), Haim and Eilon went to the city during the 6hour-long transit. All went well and we are all safe at home.



