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GAME OF THRONES

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Game of Thrones shooting in the perfect city of Dubrovnik

The American production company HBO chose Dubrovnik in 2011 as a location for filming their award-winning hit series "Game of Thrones". Thus Dubrovnik became "King's Landing". One of the reasons why Dubrovnik was chosen to represent "King's Landing" was producers' desire to show more external shots of the coastal city surrounded by the city walls, which made Dubrovnik "a perfect candidate". Known worldwide as Ragusa, the historical maritime republic, Dubrovnik and its walls as well as other monuments of the city can be clearly identified in "Game of Thrones" series.



1 Trsteno Arboretum



Trsteno Arboretum, located near Dubrovnik, represents the coastal gardens of King's Landing where Tyrion and Varys plan their schemes and deceptions. Trsteno landmark is the renaissance villa Gučetić-Gozze (which dates back to the 15th century) and a garden area that has been grown since the 15th century to this day. This garden, together with the villa, an aqueduct, a mill, and a baroque fountain depicting Neptune and some nymphs, and the pavilion – gazebo looking out towards the sea and surrounding islands – are the most beautiful example of garden architecture among all Dubrovnik villas.

2 Gradac Park



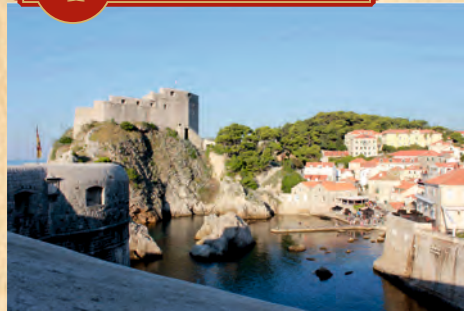
3 Lovrijenac Fort



Lovrijenac Fort is the new scene for Red Keep and the bay outside its walls was used as setting of the sea battle at Blackwater where Stannis Baratheon tried to attack King's Landing and dethrone King Joffrey. Lovrijenac Fort, also known as Dubrovnik's Gibraltar, is a fort located on a cliff outside the city walls, on the western side of the city, 37 meters above sea level. The fort is known as a scenic area and represents the historical symbol of Dubrovnik's resistance against the Republic of Venice.

Gradac Park – Setting of the Purple Wedding between Margaery Tyrell and King Joffrey Baratheon. The wedding ceremony scene was filmed in Belfast, Ireland, while the grand celebration was filmed in Dubrovnik's Gradac Park. The park which is located in the surroundings of the old city centre can be reached by climbing century-old steps. When you reach the top you will be amazed by the splendid views of Dubrovnik. This historical park is famous for its long walking trails, its beautiful nature and the fountains in its centre with lotus flowers and goldfish swimming.

4 Pile



Pile is a meeting point for both visitors and locals, and it represents the main entrance to Dubrovnik's Old Town. Located in Pile, with wonderful views of Lovrijenac and Bokar towers, you will find an old wooden drawbridge that leads to the entrance of the city. From Pile you can also enjoy the views over a nearby small fishing harbour. All Pile corners have been used as settings during previous seasons of Game of Thrones.

5 Bokar Fort



Bokar Fort - Walking along the seaside wall towards west you will reach Bokar Fort which defended the entrance to the city as well as the bridge and the moat in Pile. This semi-circular tower with beautiful stone corollas was created by Florentine architect Michelozzi in the 15th century. Dubrovnik's Bokar Fort was used in Game of Thrones series as King's Landing setting in seasons 2 and 3.

6 Minčeta Tower



Minčeta Tower – The highest point of Dubrovnik walls is a large circular tower. It is also the most prominent defensive point facing inland and it is a symbol of the Republic of Dubrovnik. It is the place where Khaleesi Daenerys Targaryen walks around trying to find the entrance into the House of the Undying.

8 Belvedere Atrium



Belvedere Atrium – Battle scenes for the fourth season of Game of Thrones series were filmed in Belvedere Hotel's atrium, which still awaits restoration and is located at the eastern entrance of Dubrovnik, in Saint James suburb.

7 St. Dominika street



St. Dominika street, located near the monastery and Dominicans church, is one of the most beautiful streets in Dubrovnik's Old Town and it leads to fort Revelin, located at the east entrance of the city, known as Ploče. In this street were filmed the market scenes, as well as the murder of King Richard's biological sons and the Gold Cloaks scenes during the second season.

9 The island of Lokrum



The island of Lokrum was used as a setting for exterior scenes, i.e. as a setting for the city of Qarth. This island was first mentioned in 1023 as a place where a Benedictine abbey and a monastery were established. According to a legend, Richard the Lionheart found shelter on the island of Lokrum after his ship wrecked when he was returning from the Crusades in Palestine. As a sign of gratitude he donated a sum of money in order to build the city cathedral.

