

Easter Week: the Schedule on Hvar

The 'Following the Cross' Processions are not some kind of folk festival: they are an authentic, non-commercial expression of the deep reverence which local people hold for traditional values.

Alongside their strong spiritual significance, the processions are an attractive, picturesque sight, with the night lit up by the long lines of men walking with their lanterns and large votive candles. Singers chanting ancient sacral harmonies walk behind each Cross-bearer and his companions, and behind them come the rest of the procession followers. That is why each year increasing numbers of visitors from Croatia and abroad travel to Hvar for the Easter celebrations. The processions always leave them deeply and lastingly moved.

THE HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE ON HVAR

LITURGIES

Palm Sunday

09:00 | Jelsa: blessing of olive branches, Holy Mass

10:00 | Hvar: blessing of palm fronds, Holy Mass; start of the 40-hour adoration of the Holy Sacrament

10:00 | Vrboska: Holy Mass

10:00 | Stari Grad: Holy Mass

11:15 | Jelsa: start of the 40-hour adoration of the Holy Sacrament

18:00 | Jelsa: Holy Mass with sermon

19:00 | Hvar: 'Erubescant' and sermon

20:00 | Stari Grad: start of the 40-hour adoration of the Holy Sacrament

Holy Monday

07:00 | Jelsa: Holy Mass, continuation of the 40-hour adoration of the Holy Sacrament

07:00 | Hvar: Holy Mass, presentation of the Holy Sacrament for adoration

08:30 | Stari Grad: Holy Mass

18:00 | Jelsa: Holy Mass, sermon

20:00 | Hvar: 'Erubescant' and sermon

Holy Tuesday

07:00 | Jelsa: Holy Mass, continuation of the 40-hour adoration of the Holy Sacrament

07:00 | Hvar: Holy Mass, presentation of the Holy Sacrament for adoration

08:30 | Stari Grad: Holy Mass

18:00 | Jelsa: Holy Mass, procession, conclusion of the 40-hour adoration

20:00 | Hvar: 'Erubescant' and sermon

Holy Wednesday

06:00 | Hvar: Holy Mass, presentation of the Holy Sacrament for adoration

10:30 | Hvar: Procession with the Holy Sacrament, ending the 40-hour adoration

11:00 | Hvar: Holy Mass, consecration of the holy oil

18:30 | Jelsa: Holy Mass, 'Barabon'

19:00 | Hvar: Penitential liturgy and 'Barabon'

Maundy Thursday

15:00 | Jelsa: afternoon procession 'Our Lady in Mourning'

17:30 | Vrboska: Holy Mass

18:00 | Jelsa: Holy Mass, the Last Supper ('in coena Domini') - Washing of the Feet
18:00 | Stari Grad: Holy Mass, the Last Supper ('in coena Domini')
19:00 | Hvar: Holy Mass, the Last Supper ('in coena Domini')
22:00 | UNESCO-listed Procession 'Following the Cross' ('Za križen') – departure of the Cross from each parish (Jelsa, Pitve, Vrsinik, Svirče, Vrbanj and Vrboska)

Good Friday

04:00 | Procession: Dol - Stari Grad - Dol (Dol Rectory)
04:00 | Procession: Sveta Nedjelja - Cave - Jagodna -Sveta Nedjelja (Parish Church)
06:00 | Processions: Zastrazišće – Poljica – Vela Stiniva – Zastrazišće and Poljica – Zastrazišće – Vela Stiniva – Poljica
06:00 | Processions: Bogomolje – Gdinj and Gdinj – Bogomolje
06:45 | UNESCO-listed Procession 'Following the Cross': arrival of the Jelsa Procession on the Main Square; return of the other five Processions to their home parishes
15:00 | Hvar: procession visiting 'God's tombs'
18:00 | Jelsa: Liturgy, Our Lord's Passion and procession around Jelsa
18:30 | Vrboska: Good Friday liturgy
19:00 | Hvar: Liturgy, Our Lord's Passion and Death
20:00 | Stari Grad: Holy Mass and procession
20:00 | Procession in Sućuraj
20:30 | Hvar: Holy Mass and procession

Holy Saturday

20:00 | Hvar: the Easter Vigil
21:00 | Jelsa: the Easter Vigil
21:00 | Vrboska: the Easter Vigil
22:00 | Stari Grad: the Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday

10:00 | Jelsa: Holy Mass
10:00 | Vrboska: Holy Mass
10:00 | Hvar: Holy Mass
10:30 | Stari Grad: Holy Mass
11:00 | Hvar: Holy Mass - Franciscan Monastery
18:00 | Jelsa: Holy Mass
19:00 | Hvar: Holy Mass

Easter Monday

10:00 | Jelsa: Holy Mass and procession 'Our Lady Rejoicing'
10:30 | Stari Grad: Holy Mass

You can follow the Jelsa Procession online via this link: [WEBCAMJELSA](https://www.webcamjelsa.hr).