GOM2025

Basic Information

Mensa Croatia Annual Gathering (GOM) 2025 will be held in the Sisak-Moslavina and Bjelovar-Bilogora counties.

Accommodation is organized in Hotel Kutina, in the town of the same name, from Thursday, October 2, to Sunday, October 5, 2025.

GOM officially starts on Friday, but for those interested, a program is organized a day earlier.

Kutina is also conveniently accessible by train from Zagreb, so those who wish can choose this form of transport.

Hotel information: Hotel Kutina



Participation Fee for Covering Organizational Costs of GOM

In order to be fair to members who pay the membership fee, adult participants of GOM who are not Mensa members must pay a mandatory fee for covering organizational costs in the amount of 33 EUR, payable to Mensa Croatia.

By paying the fee, participants gain the right to use all member benefits, excellent accommodation rates with half-board, favorable excursion prices, and more. Minor family members of a member do not pay the fee, nor do members of other national Mensas.

Accommodation Prices

The basic price for Mensa members and their guests starts from 43.90 EUR (excluding tourist tax) per person per day on a half-board basis (breakfast and dinner) with accommodation in a double or triple room with one (or two) other adults.

The hotel also has one apartment for 4 persons and one family room for 5 persons.

Accommodation prices vary depending on the unit, as shown below:

Single-use in double classic room: 55.30 EUR

- Single-use in double comfort room: 70.50 EUR

- Double classic room: 47.70 EUR

Double comfort room: 61.00 EUR

- Triple classic room: 43.90 EUR

- Triple comfort room: 59.00 EUR

Apartment (price per room, 4 persons): 226.90 EUR

Family room (price per room, 5 persons, 2 connected rooms): 227.10 EUR

Reservations are possible only according to the order of applications and available capacity.

The price includes: accommodation in double, triple, apartment or family room, Wi-Fi, half-board (breakfast and dinner), hotel parking, use of common room.

Children up to 3.99 years, if sharing the same bed with parents, stay free.

Children up to 12 years do not pay the tourist tax, children 12–18 years pay 0.93 EUR/day/person, and adults (18+) pay 1.86 EUR/day/person.

Pets are welcome with a supplement of 15.00 EUR/day.

Check-in is from 14:00 on the day of arrival, check-out by 10:00 on the day of departure.

Breakfast: 06:30–09:30 | Dinner: 18:30–20:30.

How to Register for GOM 2025 and Deadlines

Registration is done via the online form (Registration GOM 2025) by September 19, 2025.

After registration, payment for accommodation must be made to Hotel Kutina.

HOTEL KUTINA, Dubrovačka 4, 44320 Kutina

IBAN: HR0823400091110546198

SWIFT (BIC): PBZGHR2X

Reference number: OIB (VAT number) -2025

Payment purpose: Smještaj GOM 2025 NAME SURNAME

Payment confirmation must be sent to gom@mensa.hr only then is the registration accepted.

Applications after September 19, 2025 will not be possible.

For adult non-members, the 33 EUR participation fee must be paid to Mensa Croatia: Mense.

Hrvatska Mensa Zagreb

IBAN: HR7123400091110145133

Reference number: OIB (VAT number)

Payment purpose: Kotizacija GOM 2025 NAME SURNAME

Payment confirmation must also be sent to gom@mensa.hr only then is the registration

accepted.

Excursion payments must be made in a single payment to Mensa Croatia, no later than September 22, 2025.

Hrvatska Mensa Zagreb

IBAN: HR7123400091110145133

Reference number: OIB (VAT number)

Payment purpose: Izleti GOM 2025 NAME SURNAME

Payment confirmation must also be sent to gom@mensa.hr only then is the registration

accepted.

Later applications will not be possible.

Each person (including children) must be registered separately through the form. Filling out takes only a few minutes.

- Registration and accommodation/fee payments: by September 19, 2025
- Excursion payments: by September 22, 2025
- Late cancellations will not be accepted. If you do not cancel and do not attend, you are obliged to pay the full registered amount.

For questions: gom@mensa.hr.

GOM 2025 - program

Thursday, October 2, 2025		
14:00-22:00	Arrival and hotel registration	Hotel Kutina
18:30-20:30	Dinner	Hotel Kutina
20:00-02:00	Socializing (board games, tournaments, cards)	Hotel Kutina
Friday, October 3, 2025		
06:30-09:30	Breakfast	Hotel Kutina
10:00-18:00	Excursion 1 – Pakrac	Excursion 1
14:00-22:00	Arrival and hotel registration (for those arriving Friday)	Hotel Kutina
18:30- <mark>20:30</mark>	Dinner	Hotel Kutina
20:0 <mark>0-02:00</mark>	Socializing (lectures, workshops, games, tournaments, cards)	Hotel Kutina
21:00-22:00	Lecture	Hotel Kutina
22:00-00:00	Karaoke	H <mark>otel Kutina</mark>
Saturday, October 4, 2025		
06:30-09:30	Breakfast	Hote <mark>l Kutina</mark>
09:00-10:00	Intelligence testing	Hotel <mark>Kutina</mark>
10:00	Group photo in front of the hotel	Hotel K <mark>utina</mark>
10:00-17:30	Excursion 2 – Kutina, Veliki Grđevac	Excursion 2
18:00-18:30	Board meeting of Mensa Croatia	Hotel Kutina
18:30-19:30	General As <mark>sem</mark> bly of Mensa Croa <mark>tia</mark>	Hotel K <mark>utina</mark>
18:30-20:30	Dinner	Hotel K <mark>utina</mark>
20:00-02:00	Socializing (lectures, workshops, games, tournaments, cards)	Hotel <mark>Kutina</mark>
21:30-23:00	Pub quiz	Hote <mark>l Kutina</mark>
Sunday, October 5, 2025		
06:30-09:30	Breakfast and check-out	H <mark>otel Kutina</mark>
10:00-13:30	Excursion 3 – Lonjsko polje	Excursion 3
14:0 <mark>0-15:30</mark>	Lunch, farewell until next gathering	Lonjsko polje

The program is subject to change. Updates will be posted on the Mensa Croatia website. If you would like to lead an activity, organize a lecture or workshop, contact gom@mensa.hr. If enough people are interested, group train transport can be arranged. You can indicate this during registration.

Hrvatska Mensa



Mensa Croatia

Excursion 1 - Friday - Pakrac









- Departure: Bus leaves from in front of the hotel at 10:00.

Upon arrival, the group is divided into two parts: one will tour the Spahija Cellar, while the other will watch a presentation of minting the Pakrac coin – banovac – and visit the War History Museum. After 1.5 hours, the groups switch activities. Total duration: 11:00–14:00.

The **Spahija Cellar** is an impressive building that offers visitors a unique opportunity to explore the rich history of Pakrac and the lives of the people who shaped these areas over the centuries. It bears witness to the significance of Pakrac through different eras: from the time when the first Croatian mint was located here, through its role as a trading post, to the rule of Baron Trenk and the well-known Janković noble family with their estates.

The **Museum of Military and War History** in Pakrac was founded in 2016 on the basis of a private collection by Professor Marijo Tušek. The museum covers military and war history from the 7th century up to the era of the modern Croatian soldier. The chronological display begins with Roman legions resting in the Pakrac area, continues through the Middle Ages with the Knights Templar, the Ottomans, the Zrinski and Frankopan families, then the hajduks and Trenk's pandurs. There are numerous exhibits from the First and Second World Wars, but the largest collection is connected to the Homeland War and the modern Croatian army. Among the exhibits are many personal items belonging to soldiers, such as IDs, propaganda cigarettes (*Trommler*) carried by Nazi SS units, military maps, decorations, and more. The weapons collection contains pistols, rifles, machine guns, anti-tank weapons, rocket launchers, and missiles, dominated by an **M-77 Oganj multiple rocket launcher rocket**. The outdoor display includes 4 vehicles.

Lunch will be organized in Pakrac or Lipik.

At the end of the day, we will visit **Romić Wine Cellar** for a guided wine tasting. Alongside various varieties, there will also be the signature variety of the Moslavina region – Škrlet.

Return: To the hotel around 17:45.

Price per person: Adults 54 EUR | Children 0–3.99 free | Children 4–18: 48.60 EUR

Price includes:

- transport by tourist bus
- licensed tour guide during the whole trip
- coin minting presentation
- entry + guided tour of the War History Museum

- entry + guided tour of the Spahija Cellar
- guided wine tasting (3 wine varieties)
- liability and guarantee insurance, organizational costs and VAT

Price excludes:

- personal expenses
- accident insurance (optional, 2 EUR)
- lunch (main course and dessert) 17 EUR

The price is based on 40 participants. In case of significant deviation, the price may change and you will be informed in time.



Excursion 2 - Saturday - Kutina, Veliki Grđevac









- Meeting point: In front of the hotel at 10:00.

We begin with a city tour of Kutina accompanied by a local guide.

Sites: town square, Chestnut Park, traditional wooden houses (*čardaci*), Church of St. Mary of the Snow, Kutina City Museum.

Afterwards, around 11:15, we depart for Veliki Grdevac.

There, we will tour the **Lovrak Center** with expert guidance. The group will have the chance to see the most famous train in Croatia – the one described in the story where Draga, Ljuban, Pero, and the other cooperative students from Veliko Selo traveled to Zagreb. On the return journey, the train got stuck in a snowdrift. To get out of this difficult situation, the brave pupils had to live up to the name of their cooperative "Unity" (*Sloga*). They worked together, cleared the snow with their frozen hands, and arrived home safely. Visitors will also see an old mill with a small ethnographic collection.

Next is the Nature Friends Trail – a short interpretive walk with stories about the local flora and fauna.

Finally, the group will participate in a knowledge quiz, popularly called "Družba znanja" (Knowledge Fellowship).

Lunch will be organized in Veliki Grđevac.

Return: To the hotel around 17:30.

Price per person: Adults 41 EUR | Children 0-3.99 free | Children 4-18: 36.90 EUR

Price includes:

- transport by tourist bus
- licensed tour guide during the whole trip
- licensed local guide for Kutina
- entry + guided tour of Lovrak Center
- tour of the Educational Trail in Lovrak Center
- knowledge quiz "Družba znanja"
- liability and guarantee insurance, organizational costs and VAT

Price excludes:

- personal expenses
- accident insurance (optional, 2 EUR)



 lunch (homemade beef soup with noodles, beef steak in sauce, gnocchi/purée/rice, mixed salad, homemade strudel) – 17 EUR

The price is based on 70 participants. In case of significant deviation, the price may change and you will be informed in time.

Hrvatska Mensa



Excursion 3 – Sunday – Lonjsko polje









Meeting point: In front of the hotel at 10:00.

Departure by private transport to Lonjsko polje, specifically the village of Čigoč.

The group is divided in two: while one takes a boat ride, the other participates in the "Traditional Heritage" program. After one hour, the groups switch.

Lonjsko polje Nature Park was declared a protected area in 1990 by the Croatian Parliament. Its main natural values arise from centuries of periodic flooding, which has allowed the development of specific plant and animal species: spoonbills, white-tailed eagles, storks, pond turtles, otters, as well as the preservation of extensive pastures and floodplain forests. Due to human interventions such as drainage, road building, urbanization, and industry, floodplains in Europe have become rare. Thanks to its preservation and size, Lonjsko polje has received the status of European natural heritage.

The cultural heritage of Lonjsko polje consists solely of rural space and the traditional culture of Croatian villages, which are well preserved here: characteristic rural structures, architecture, handicrafts, traditional agriculture, livestock farming, fishing, and various crafts.

Lunch will be organized after the program.

Price per person: Adults 25 EUR | Children 0–3.99 free | Children 4–18: 22.50 EUR

Price includes:

- licensed tour guide during the whole trip
- entry + guided tour of Lonjsko polje (Traditional Heritage program)
- solar boat ride
- liability and guarantee insurance, organizational costs and VAT

Price excludes:

- personal expenses
- accident insurance (optional, 2 EUR)
- lunch at Lonjsko polje (main course and dessert) 17 EUR

The price is based on 50 participants. In case of significant deviation, the price may change and you will be informed in time.