

## **A recipe for success - new, unique combination of Croatian language and culinary skills**

***CLS introduces its NEW summer Croatian Language Courses incorporating culinary traditions and gastronomy lessons on the picturesque Island of Lošinj***

**Lošinj - August 11<sup>th</sup>- 25<sup>th</sup>** – The Croatian Language School London (CLS) has today unveiled its exciting new programme which will offer students of all levels expert tuition in both the Croatian language AND Croatian culinary skills. In a coup for the school, top Croatian chef Mladen Marušić is joining forces with CLS to provide this unique gourmet experience which will be available from August 11th 2007.

CLS is the first and only language school in Croatia to develop a tuition programme that blends insights into the country's cuisine and culture with traditional language training. The programme has been designed in response to a huge demand from students to learn not just about Croatia's language, but also about its heritage and culture. The course will be based on a series of daily language and cooking/food appreciation lessons with a focus on helping students learn more about the geography of the country by discovering each region's specialties.

Linda Rabuzin, Director of CLS, believes the new programme will appeal to a broad range of students. ***“I’ve noticed that more and more often language training extends beyond simply improving grammar and accent. Students want to learn about our culture, lifestyle and traditions. Learning Croatian in Croatia is the most effective, stimulating and enjoyable way for a student to attain their linguistic goals and our new programme will provide this in a really innovative way for the first time.”***

Mladen Marušić, an award-winning gastronomy expert and tutor at Zagreb Catering College agrees. ***“In the same way that students will gain confidence in the development and application of their language skills my aim is to offer a complete understanding of Croatia’s culinary influences and show how local produce epitomizes our cooking. Most importantly students will be able to confidently replicate our dishes for their friends and families to enjoy.”***



## Professional language courses by experts dedicated to the individual's goal

### About the Croatian Language School

CLS, now in its 10<sup>th</sup> successful year, was opened by CLS Director, Linda Rabuzin as the first dedicated Croatian language school in London and continues to offer private and corporate students a range of courses tailored to meet all language and cultural training needs. CLS introduced immersion courses in the summer of 2003 on the island of Vis, followed by annual spring & autumn immersion courses in Poreč in Croatia's Istrian region. The immersion courses have been incredibly popular as CLS student, Mark Weber, CEO of Atticmedia, points out, ***“My week in Poreč was so useful - after the weekly lessons in London I was given the opportunity to try it all out for real! We had 3 hours of intensive coaching in a small group each day plus time to study on our own and explore Croatia. Dealing with local people in restaurants and exploring the islands, beaches and monuments, such as the ancient coliseum, gave me so much confidence and I would recommend this to anyone wanting to learn Croatian.”***

CLS caters for students of all levels, beginner to advanced, and can provide tailored training options to cover a range of language needs including those who wish to study for business, property, tourism or personal reasons. Students of all nationalities are welcomed. As Milan Miletich, an Independent Financial Adviser, states, ***“It is a valuable way of keeping my Croatian language knowledge updated. The skills I have obtained with Linda have, for example, made the process of property buying in Croatia much simpler for me since I am now aware of the differing terminology applied in such instances – terms that I would not attain just through everyday conversation in my mother's homeland.”***

### About the Lošinj courses

One or two week courses are available and tuition takes place from Monday to Friday at the CLS School close to the tourist town of Mali Lošinj. Specialist professional Croatian language teachers will hold classes limited to 10 people, ensuring students receive individual attention and lessons can be tailored to meet their needs. Rotation of group classes means tuition will either take place in the morning or afternoon, giving students the opportunity to explore the island's numerous tourist attractions and enjoy its natural beauty during their leisure time.

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