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Croatia's first waterpark opens in Brtonigla

Polin has teamed up with construction firm Istrakop to open Istralandia Aquapark – Croatia's first waterpark development.

The €10m (US\$13m, £8m) waterpark in Brtonigla, which features a 27m-high (88.6-ft-high) waterslide and 2,500sq m (26,910sq ft) wave pool, uses 90 per cent recycled water taken from local groundwells.

Also included in the 4,500sq m (48,400sq ft) development is a splash boat slide, kids multi-slide, 'black hole' enclosed tube slide and a children's play area featuring a variety of child-friendly small slides.

The waterpark, which opened earlier in the summer, has proved to be a success, according to Istrakop owner Branko Kovacic.

"The park has been a big hit," said Kovacic speaking to AM2. "By the end of this season we will start designing a programme to further expand the facilities at the water park. With the success we've had so far, there's no stopping the project and it is likely that we will continue to expand over the next few years into the space we have available.



The park has enjoyed a successful debut season with plans to further develop the attraction

Aside from water-based activities, the park also offers visitors facilities for badminton and volleyball. The current season was supposed to run till September

15, though thanks to the exceptionally good weather, that date has now been extended to finish up around mid-October.

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