HORTICULTURAL SPECIES OF THE ISLAND OF LOKRUM IN THE PERIOD OF ARCHDUKE MAXIMILIAN OF HABSBURG (1859–1869) AND THEIR CURRENT STATE

HORTIKULTURNE VRSTE LOKRUMSKIH VRTOVA U PERIODU NADVOJVODE MÁKSIMILIJANA HABSBURŠKOG (1859.–1869.) I NJIHOVO SADAŠNJE STANJE

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SUMMARY
This research, conducted within the ornamental gardens of the Island of Lokrum and based on the original archival documents from Trieste State Archives (AST) and Austrian State Archives (OeStA) in Vienna, was aimed at creating the first unique list of horticultural plant taxon planted on the island during the reign of the Archduke Ferdinand Maximilian Habsburg (1859-69). The research identified 213 taxa, including 184 species, 4 varieties, 8 hybrids and 17 cultivars. There were 193 allochthonous taxa, mostly originating from Central and South America (66), including 47 Asian species, 21 Australian species, 17 African species and 13 South American species. The Archive lists 20 taxa autochthonous in Croatia. While the number of the autochthonous taxa had apparently been higher, the historical documents have mostly recorded only the introduction of exotics. At that time, the following taxa were for the first time introduced in this part of the Adriatic, on the Island of Lokrum: Ananas comosus, Musa x paradisiaca, M. acuminata, Eucalyptus diversifolia, E. globulus, Araucaria araucana, A. columnaris, A. angustifolia, A. bidwillii, A. cunninghamii, Bougainvillea spectabilis and Citrus reticulata. At the location of the ornamental gardens, 51 ornamental allochthonous taxa and 20 autochthonous taxa were identified today. Within this number, only 21 allochthonous taxa and 9 autochthonous taxa remain present since the period of Maximilian. According to the 2018-2019 inventory, 71 taxa have been inventoried within the ornamental gardens on Lokrum, belonging to 43 families and 64 genera. Due to lack of intensive maintenance of the gardens, the majority of allochthonous, exotic species failed to survive within the autochthonous island vegetation. The list of taxa from Maximilian’s gardens presented in this paper and retrieved from the archival sources, will be the starting point of the restoration process that awaits these gardens.

KEY WORDS: gardens of the Island of Lokrum, Dubrovnik, Maximilian von Habsburg, introduction, allochthonous horticultural species, botanical analysis

INTRODUCTION

The Island of Lokrum is located in direct vicinity of the historical core of Dubrovnik, only 600 metres away from the city port. The historical documents show that very early on, olive trees and vines were cultivated on the island, which was attributed to the Benedictine monks who resided there from 11th century until late 18th century (De Diversis 2007,
The objective of this paper is to use the available archival sources from the Trieste State Archives (AST) and Austrian State Archives (OeStA) in Vienna to create the first comprehensive list of horticultural species planted within the ornamental gardens of Lokrum in the period of Maximilian's reign (1859-1869) and determine the extent to which the horticultural species planted in Maximilian's time have been preserved until the present day. At the same time, this is the first research based on the archival data found on the species planted on the Island of Lokrum. For the purpose of this research, the horticultural species mean not only the lists of ornamental species of trees and shrubs, but also vegetables, fruits and herbaceous perennials planted in this period. Many of the ornamental species planted since that time belonged to the category of the so-called exotics. The phrase exotics or exotic species, which is not a botanical term or category, but a popular term, refers to foreign decorative species of unusual and attractive appearance, usually imported from tropical and subtropical areas (Kovačević 2012). For the purpose of this paper, preservation relates to the presence of the species, but not to its age.

MATERIALS AND METHODS
MATERIJALI I METODE

Research area – Područje istraživanja

The total surface of the island is 72 hectares. Due to its natural values, the island was put under protection already in 1949 as a Protected Natural Area, and in 1976 as a Special Forest Vegetation Reserve. The island belongs to Natura 2000 ecological network (HR40000017). Because of its valuable architectural heritage, the entire island was included to the list of UNESCO World Heritage Sites in 1979, together with the historical core of Dubrovnik. The ornamental gardens with the species planted in direct vicinity of the monastery, are subject to the provisions of the General Urban Development Plan of the City of Dubrovnik, i.e. they belong to the zone A – complete protection of historical structures (Official Gazette of the City of Dubrovnik 10/05, 10/07, 8/12, 03/14, 07/16, 09/17).

In terms of its climate, Lokrum is characterised by the climate typical for the coasts of the Mediterranean, subtype Csa according to Köppen (Šegota and Filipčić 2003). It features mild winter and hot, dry and sunny summer with precipitation in the driest summer month three times lower than in the rainiest month of winter. However, there are certain winter periods with stormy winds and heavy persistent rain and cold (temperature minimum for Dubrovnik is -7.0°C) (Makjanić and Volarić 1989).

In terms of vegetation and geography, Lokrum belongs to the Eumediteranneran area of evergreen forests and macchia of the order of Quercetalia ilicis Br.-Bl. (1931) 1936 (Ilijanić and Hećimović 1989). The natural forest stand of...
the island is an evergreen forest of the holm oak and black ash. *Fraxino ornii-Quercetum ilicis* Horvatić (1956) 1958, largely developed in the form of lower and higher evergreen macchia in the north part of the island. The dominant species are *Quercus ilex*, *Laurus nobilis*, *Viburnum tinus*, *Myrtus communis*, *Pistacia lentiscus*, *Arbutus unedo*, *Phillyrea latifolia*, *Lonicera implexa*, *Rhamnus alaternus*, *Erica arborea*, *Fraxinus ornus*, etc. The south part of the island is mostly covered by planted forest of Aleppo pine (*Pinus halepensis*) growing on the base of macchia and pure macchia without the Aleppo pine. The majority of gardens that were subject to the introduction were located in the east part of the island, in front of the monastery, and towards the south in the wooded part of the island. Maximilian planted the exotics within the autochthonous vegetation which was supposed to protect these plants from the salt sediment and winds (De Visiani 1863). Taking into account very high winds, vicinity of the sea (salt sediment), but also the succession of the autochthonous vegetation of macchia, regardless of the intensive maintenance measures, the survival of the majority of introduced exotics was put into question.
Data sources – Izvori podataka

In order to determine the list of the horticultural species planted on the island of Lokrum during Maximilian’s reign (1859-1869), four archival sources were analysed (table 1); (a) invoices and reports of the court gardener Joseph Laube dating from the period of 1849-1863, listing 42 taxa (AST, N 30, f74, nn 4-370, 1859-60; N 31, f75, nn 373-1233, 1861-62; AST, N 32, f76, nn 1-69, 1863; N 33, f77, nn 70-143, 1863; N 34, f78, nn 144-237, 1863), (b) De Visiani’s list of 90 taxa (De Visiani 1863), (c) list for the acquisition of plants made by the manager Junga in 1867, including 36 taxa (AST, N 48, f95, 1857-67), (d) list of plants made as part of the island’s value assessment conducted in 1873 and listing 73 taxa (AT-OeStA/HHStA PFF GDPFF SR 40-1). After Maximilian’s death in 1867, the court in Vienna maintained the residence and gardens for two more years, until it was sold in June 1869 to a nobleman Dumičić. For the purpose of selling the island in 1873, a committee was set out to assess its value, which also included the parks (AT-OeStA/HHStA PFF GDPFF SR 40-1). During the short period of the island being in his possession, Dumičić did not change the Lokrum parks, so this list of plants shows the allochthonous plants planted in the period of Maximilian. The common feature of these lists is the fact that they refer exclusively to the allochthonous and the autochthonous horticultural taxa.

On the basis of the mentioned sources and data collected in our own research, the following was analysed: number of individual taxa (species, subspecies, varieties, hybrids and cultivars), affiliation to genera, family, areal, number of autochthonous taxa, number of allochthonous taxa from different continents, and taxa introduced in Croatia for the first time. The status of invasive alien species (Inv - after the taxon name) was denoted according to Nikolić et al. (2014).

The following groups of plants from Maximilian’s period were analysed: deciduous trees, evergreen trees, shrubs, palm trees and succulents, herbaceous perennials, fruit trees and vegetable crops. In the end, the plants planted on Lokrum in the second half of the 19th century were compared to our own recently conducted research and the lists of plants within the ornamental gardens immediately surrounding the monastery (own research 2018, 2019), while determining the percentage of the currently present plants planted in the time of Maximilian.

The taxa were identified according to Pignatti (1982, 1984), Tutin et al. (1964-1980, 1993) and Nikolić (2019a). The nomenclature of plants and families was harmonised according to The Plant List (http://www.theplantlist.org/), in accordance with the International Code of Nomenclature for Algae, Fungi and Plants (Turland et al. 2018). The names of authors of scientific names were standardised according to Brummit and Powell (1992). The names of cultivars were set out according to Hoffman (2016), in line with International Code of Nomenclature for Cultivated Plants (Brickell et al. 2016). Plant taxa listed in Table 1 were presented in the alphabetic order, while their segmentation as allochthonous or autochthonous taxa was organised according to the Flora Croatica Database (Nikolić, 2019b). The primary origin was presented according to Idžojtić (2013) and Idžojtić et al. (2019). The status of invasive plants (Inv) was marked according to Nikolić et al. (2014). The possible limitation of the research lies in the fact that some taxa have been wrongly identified at the time, but also in the fact that some taxa might not have been planted at all. A couple of species lacked their full taxonomic name, so this paper presents them only as their genera (e.g. Azalea sp.). The found archival lists of planted species do not include all of the autochthonous species, the typical representatives of the Lokrum macchia, which have also been planted at the time, according to the sources. Therefore, the comparison between the original archival lists and the conclusions relating to the present state refer exclusively to the horticultural and exotic species.

**RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

**REZULTATI I RASPRAVA**

Table 1 collectively presents the results of the plant inventory from Maximilian’s period and the inventory of the present state. In total, the inventory listed 256 taxa, including 225 species, 1 subspecies, 3 varieties, 8 hybrids and 19 cultivars. The taxa belong to 179 different genera from 80 families. The total of 213 taxa were inventoried only from the period of Maximilian, including 184 species, 4 varieties, 8 hybrids and 17 cultivars (Table 1). The taxa belong to 149 different genera from 72 families. One bryophyte was recorded (Bryophytes) and 24 gymnosperms taxa (Gymnos-
Tablica 1. Popis hortikulturnih alohtonih i autohtonih svojta ornamentalnih vrtova otoka Lokruma sađenih u razdoblju: vrtlar J. Laube prije 161 godinu (1859-1863), De Visiani prije 157 godine (1863), Junga 153 godine (1867), the present state of 1873 (147 years ago) and the current state of plant inventory (own research 2018, 2019). Abbreviations and Symbols: Afr = Africa, Az = Asia, Aus = Australia, Eu = Europe, Hr = Croatia, J Am = South America, Medit = Mediterranean, NZ = New Zealand, Sj Am = North America, Sr Am = Central America; kišnac = hybrid, kultivar = cultivar. The presence of taxa: = = taxon present, – = taxon not present.

| Taxon (Svojstva) | Areal of origin (Izvorno podrijetlo) | 1859-1863 | 1863. | 1867. | 2018-19 |
|------------------|--------------------------------------|----------|-------|-------|---------|
| Abies pinsapo Boiss | Eu | ● | ● |
| Abutilon pictum (Gillies ex Hook.) Walp. | Brazil | ● | ● |
| Acacia acutifolia Benth. | J Am | ● |
| Acacia angustissima (Sm.) Willd. | J Am | ● |
| Acacia cyclops G.Don (= Acacia mirbe- lii Dehnh.) | Aus | ● |
| Acacia dealbata Link | J Am | ● |
| Acacia farnesiana (L.) Wild. (= A. Coquad) | J Am | ● |
| Acacia paradoxa DC. | Aus | ● |
| Acacia robusta Burch. | Aft | ● |
| Acacia rubulata Borgh. | Aus | ● |
| Acacia tinervia Jacq. | Aus | ● |
| Acacia farnesiana (L.) Wild. (= A. Coquad) | NZ | ● |
| Agave americana L. | Sr Am, Mexico | ● |
| Allium sp. | cultivar |
| Allium sativum | J Am | ● |
| Aloe arborescens Mill. | Afr | ● |
| Amorvalys sp. | Afr, J Am | ● |
| Amelanchier ovalis Medik. | Az, Afr | ● |
| Ananas comosus (L.) Merr. | J Am | ● |
| Amanore sp. | cultivar |
| Araucaria araucana (Molina) K.Koch | J Am | ● |
| Araucaria columnaris (G.Forst.) Hook. | J Am | ● |
| Araucaria cunninghamii Mudie | Kina | ● |
| Araucaria angustifolia (Bertol.) Kunze | J Am | ● |
| Araucaria bidwillii Hook. | Kina, Sr Am | ● |
| Arborus andrinellae L. | Medit |
| Arborus unedo L. | Medit, Eu | ● |
| Aristolochia triloba L. | Sr Am, J Am | ● |
| Aspidistra elatior | Kina | ● |
| Aspidistra elatior Blume | Az | ● |
| Astelia banksii A.Cunn. | NZ | ● |
| Acuba japonica Thunb. | Kina, Sr Am | ● |
| Azalea sp. | Az, Sr Am | ● |
| Begonia × nicotinolea A.Dietr. | hybrid |
| Begonia sp. | Sr Am, J Am | ● |
| Billbergia vittata Brongn. ex C.Morel | J Am | ● |
| Breezeanthes spectabilis Willd. | J Am | ● |
| Bouvardia ternifolia | Sr Am | ● |
| Buksus sempervirens L. | Eu, Afr, Az | ● |
| Caesalpinia gilliesii (Hook.) D.Dietr. | J Am | ● |
| Callistemon hybridus DC. | hybrid |
| Callistemon lanceolatus (Sm.) Sweet | Sr Am | ● |
| Callistemon salignus (Sm.) Colv. ex Sweet | Sr Am | ● |
| Callistemon viminalis (Sm. ex Gaerth.) G.Don | Sr Am | ● |
| Camellia japonica | Az | ● |
| Camphora officinalis Steud. | Kina | ● |
| Campsis radicans (L.) Steem. | Sr Am | ● |
| Campanula portuensis | Kina, J Am, Sr Am | ● |
| Cassia sp. | Sr Am | ● |
| Catharanthus roseus (L.) G.Don | Afr | ● |
| Ceanothus sp. | Sr Am | ● |
| Cedrus deodara (Roxb. ex D.Don) G.Don | Kina | ● |
| Cedrus libani A.Rich. | Az | ● |
| Celtis australis L. | Afr, Eu, Afr | ● |
| Ceratonia siliqua L. | Medit |
| Cereus aleteus (Sav.) DC. (= Disocactus alatus [Sav.] Kunthac) | Mexico | ● |
| Cestrum elegans (Brongn. ex Neumann) Schltdl. | Kina | Afr, ● |
perms). Other 188 taxa (88.3 %) are angiosperms; 157 of them are dicotyledons (Dicotyledones) and 31 are monocotyledons (Monocotyledones). All taxa, with the exception of 5 vegetable species and 3 species of grains, belong to woody perennials or herbaceous perennials. For the territory of Croatia, only 20 (9.5 %) autochthonous taxa were recorded, the majority of which were Mediterranean and European species. The most of the exotic taxa, i.e. the ones that grow exclusively outside of the European continent, came from North, Central and South America, including the individual countries of Brasil and Mexico (79; 37.1 %). These were followed by Asian taxa, including China and Japan (47; 22.1 %), and Australian taxa (21; 9.9 %) and areal taxa from Africa (17; 8.0 %). The rest of the taxa are native and/or thrive on several continents, e.g. in Europe, Africa and Asia. The most represented genera are: Acacia (11), Pelargonium (6), Olea (5) and Aracaria (5 taxa). The most represented families are Leguminosae (21), Rosaceae (17), Myrtaceae (12), Asparagaceae (8), Pinaceae (8), Oleaceae (7) and Cupressaceae (7 taxa).

Judging by the groups of plants from Maximilian's period, the most of them were perennials (50; 23.5 %), followed by deciduous (26) and coniferous trees (22, in total 48; 22.5 %), shrubs (44; 20.7 %), fruit trees and grapevines (28; 13.2 %), palm trees and succulents (19; 8.9 %), climbers (8) and cultivated herbaceous perennials (bulbs) also 8 (3.8 %), vegetable and forage crops (5; 2.4 %) and grains (3; 1.4 %).

According to 2018-2019 inventory, 71 taxa were inventoried within the Lokrum ornamental gardens today, belonging to 43 families and 64 genera. There were 5 gymnosperms (Gymnosperms) recorded, and 66 angiosperms; 51 dicotyledons (Dicotyledones) and 16 monocotyledons (Monocotyledones). The most represented families were: Asparagaceae (8), Rosaceae (5), Aracaceae (4) and Oleaceae (4), while the most represented families from the 19th century (Leguminosae, Rosaceae and Myrtaceae) were reduced to the minimum. The genera were largely represented with only one taxon, while the most represented genera are that of Yucca with 3 taxa. There are 3 invasive species present on the island today (Nikolić et al. 2014): Nicotiana glauca, Robinia pseudoacacia and Opuntia ficus-indica, which was, according to the photographs, planted already in the period of Maximilian. Out of 71 recorded taxa, 51 (71.8 %) are allochthonous, mostly woody plants, while there are 20 autochthonous taxa, that largely include woody macchia and autochthonous woody fruit trees. In comparison with the list made at the time of Maximilian, 41 of today's taxa were not recorded. Subsequently, only 30 taxa (14.1 %) from that period remained present, mostly originating from Asia (17 taxa: Asia, including China and Japan) and 9 Mediterranean taxa, mostly autochthonous species and occasionally 4 other species originating from other parts of the world. Therefore, one must take into account that many autochthonous species of Mediterranean macchia that were present in Maximilian's period within his ornamental gardens, and some of them were planted according to the design, especially in front of the residence, were not fully recorded in the plant inventories in the archival sources. Namely, the archival sources show that a nursery has been constructed in order to cultivate different autochthonous plants, and they explicitly mention Arbutus unedo and Pinus halepensis (AST, N 34, f 78, nn 144-237, 1863).

There were 9 Mediterranean, largely autochthonous taxa determined, and 6 naturalised in our climate, which were also present in Maximilian’s period: Arbutus unedo, Buxus sempervirens, Citrus x aurantium, Citrus medica, Ficus carica, Laurus nobilis, Myrtus communis, Olea europaea, Prunus persica, Rhamnus alaternus, Viburnum tinus, Chamaecops humilis, Cupressus sempervirens, Pinus halepensis and Ceratonia siliqua. Autochthonous varieties of olives from Dubrovnik area were planted: Olea europaea ‘Bjelica’, Olea europaea ‘Mrćakinja’, Olea europaea ‘Murgulja’, Olea europaea ‘Oblica’, Olea europaea ‘Piculja’ (Marinović-Peričević and Družić 2004). Only 20 taxa of horticultural exotic (allochthonous) species planted in that period, which were at that time considered exotics, have remained. These are largely taxa originating from Asia (15 taxa: Asia, including China and Japan) belonging to woody or herbaceous perennials, which were able to thrive in the south of Dalmatia due to similar climate. Maximilian's gardens are today managed by professional services of the Lokrum Reserve, in terms of regular pruning and disease and pest control. Considering the existing fund of the plants in the gardens, where the allochthonous species became domesticated over time, their future survival is not in question.

A special feature of Maximilian's undertaking lies in the fact that he, as a supreme commander of the Austrian navy, has personally organised and took part in research expeditions aimed at collecting seeds of various exotic species from different parts of the world (Riedl-Dorn 1992, 2012). A big two-year research expedition around the world on a steamboat Novara (1857-59) has been the biggest and the most ambitious Austrian expedition at the time, during which 26,000 exhibits, i.e. 3,000 plant species were collected, partly as seeds, partly in herbarium collections. During the preparations for the two-year expedition around the world on-board Novara, Maximilian's advisor was the famous Alexander von Humboldt (Scherzer 1861). The second expedition was the so-called Brazilian expedition (1859-60), in which Maximilian personally took part. One of its results was a list and a systematisation of the found plants from the family of Aracaceae, due to which the entire collection, as well as some newly found plants were named after Maximilian Aracaeae Maximilianae (Peyritsch and Schott 1879). There is an interesting historical fact saying that both of these big research expeditions had their ceremonial closings in Du-
brogvnik (Scherzer 1861, Wawra 1866). After the end of the Brazilian expedition, the seeds and tubers of the plants were taken in crates from the Fantasie ship to the Island of Lokrum (AST, N 30, f 74, nn 4-370, 1859-60). Apart from the distant destinations visited during the expeditions, a large part of the exotic plants that were until then already domesticated in Europe, came to Lokrum from different European destinations; Padua, Schönbrunn, Leipzic, Zagreb, London, Venice, Trieste, Graz, Vis, Korčula, Meljine, Corfu, Malaga, Madeira, Gibraltar (AST, N 30, f 74, nn 4-370, 1859-60). Maximilian's personal passion for botany and beautiful gardens, was also encouraged by Romanticist trends in the 19th century horticulture, which were largely characterised by the introduction of exotic plants and made possible due to trade and traffic throughout the world (Hajós 2004), and which represented a symbol of luxury and power of their owners (Carde 1886). Maximilian has had greenhouses put up in both locations, Miramar residence and Lokrum island, for the propagation of the introduced plants, which enabled the production and collecting of exotics.

In establishing the floristic specialty of Lokrum and the exclusivity concerning the introduction, the island was compared to other well-known parks on the east Adriatic coast, which are spatially and temporally similar and which also featured the introduction of plants that were exotic at the time. This would primarily be Maximilian's park Miramar beneath Grignano in Trieste, where a forestry and horticultural experiment was carried out: a bare rocky spur of limestone origin was afforested, and the exotics tried to be introduced (Moser 1903, Chersicla 2000). The second point of reference is the Garagnin Park in Divulje near Trogir, which in its type was a ferme ornée or a so-called “ornamental farm” (Šverko 2009), on the basis of which Maximilian analysed the way in which the autochthonous plants could be skilfully combined with the then new and exotic plants, but also with agricultural crops (Bužančić 1995, Biasoletto 1841). The third point is Gučetić's Park in Trsteno, which was visited by Maximilian and his associates De Visiani and doctor Jilek (AST, N 34, f 78, nn 144-237, 1863).

While analysing the lists of plants from these four parks created in the second part of the 19th century, it may be determined without a doubt that some species and varieties of plants introduced and cultivated on Lokrum were introduced in this part of the Adriatic for the first time. The most popular items on this list are the pineapple (Ananas comosus (L.) Merr.) and two types of banana (Musa x paradisiaca L., M. acuminata Colla), which were mentioned by De Visiani (1863), who said that they have survived on the island “for two years without protection”. The species of Musa ensete J.F. Gmeliv and M. cavendishii Lamb (Moser 1903) were introduced in Maximilian’s Miramar park. In 1863, M. ensete was present in Gozze park. The owners of more luxurious patrician parks in Dubrovnik area started growing bananas on the turn of the twentieth century (Marić and Šćitaroci 2015). There were two species of eucalyptus recorded on the Island of Lokrum in Maximilian’s time, Eucalyptus diversifolia Bonpl. (De Visiani 1863) and E. globulus Labill. (AST, N 48, f 95, 1857-67). The first introduction of eucalyptus E. globulus Labill, in a public area took place in 1854 in France (Le Floc’h 1991). The same species was recorded in a nursery in Pula in 1874 (Antoine 1874, Wawra 1875). In Trsteno, E. globulus Labill was recorded in 1881 (Kovačević 2012). All this leads to a conclusion that the first introduction of eucalyptus in this part of Adriatic took place on Lokrum. Another specialty of Lokrum is the collection of five different species of Araucaria from Maximi- lian’s period; Araucaria araucana, A. columnaris, A. angustifolia, A. bidwillii and A. cunninghamii. At that time, two species of Araucaria were thriving in Miramar; A. co- lumnaris and A. araucana (Moser 1903). In Trsteno, a specimen of A. araucana was recorded in 1889 (Kovačević 2012). Bougainvillea spectabilis was for the first time cultivated in Europe in 1829 (Wawra and Abel 1886), although it was discovered in late 18th century in South America (Lack 2012, Roy et al. 2016). This attractive climber was cultivated in mid-19th century in greenhouses of imperial palaces and botanical gardens, and in late 19th century in outdoor gardens (Sauvaigo 1894). At that time, we could not even find it on the lists of plants planted in Garagnin park or in Trsteno. It was recorded on Lokrum by De Vi- siani (1863), which proves that Lokrum has been the location of its first cultivation in this part of Adriatic in a park area. Different cultivars of Bougainvillea were intensively cultivated in Dubrovnik area in the 20th century and over time they became the one of the most recognisable floral elements of gardens in Dubrovnik (Šišić 2003b). In a letter written in 1863, sent from Corfu, the main topic was the acquisition of citrus fruits (AST, N 34, f 78, nn 144-237, 1863), where among 62 seedlings, there were 12 mandarin seedlings, which were stated to be very hard to acquire, and they were acquired according to Maximilian personal wish. Unlike oranges, lemons and citrons, mandarins were cultivated relatively late in Dubrovnik area, not before the late 19th and early 20th century (Kaleb 2014). The first mandarin variety cultivated in the Mediterranean is the variety of Citrus reticulata 'Havana', so-called Mediterranean mandarin (Langgut 2017). This variety had been imported to England from China, and it was recorded in 1805 in the Kew Royal Botanical Garden, from where it has spread to the English colony of Malta, and further on to Italy and the Medi terranean. They cannot be found in the published plant inventories of the parks Miramar, Garagnin and Trsteno made in the second half of the 19th century. Only in 1911 Adamović (1911) mentioned there were mandarins in the park in Trsteno. Therefore, we might say that the first mandarins in Dubrovnik area were imported right into Maximilian’s
park on the Island of Lokrum. It is an interesting fact that at the time of Maximilian, there was an entire collection of acacias / sensitive plants on Lokrum, as much as 11 species (Table 1). This is the genera easily cultivated in favourable climate such as the one on Lokrum. In its memoirs, Maximilian mentioned that they have collected seeds of different species of acacias on the Island of St. Vincent in the Caribbean (Maximilian 1868). On Lokrum, Maximilian intended to establish an outdoor acclimatisation garden for the then exotic, mostly tropical plants, within the natural autochthonous vegetation of the island. And during his time on the island, he succeeded in that (De Visiani 1863, Portilla 1864). Such concept of planted exotics was preserved until 1873, when the evaluation of the special exotic fund of the park determined the departed plant specimens in excellent state (AT-OeStA/HHStA PFF GDPFF SR 40-1). During the time of Maximilian, there was one head gardener and one assistant gardener employed on the island, including 7-20 local workers, who were engaged on the works in the garden on daily basis. The concept of planting the allochthonous plants within the natural island vegetation required daily care, especially in terms of weed protection, but also irrigation and constructing wind protection structures, as recorded by the court head gardener J. Laube (AST, N 30, f74, nn 4-370, 1859-60). After Maximilian’s period, garden maintenance was never again at the same level. What followed was a successive degradation until the present days.

The analysis of the taxa inventories from the second half of the 19th century shows that there were 213 taxa in total. Compared to the present state (Table 1), there is a notable difference in the taxa in the ornamental gardens, especially the allochthonous ones, which were then considered exotic. Out of 51 ornamental allochthonous taxa identified today, which is a quarter of the number from the time of Maximilian, only 21 taxa were preserved from his period, such as: Aucuba japonica, Bougainvillea spectabilis, Canna indica, Chamaerops humilis, Cedrus deodara, Cocculus laurifolius, Cycas revoluta, Eriobotrya japonica, Ligustrum japonicum, Pittosporum tobira, Strelitzia reginae, Taxus baccata and Yucca gloriosa. Among them, the specimen of Cycas revoluta and Taxus baccata, located in the gardens in the west part of the compound, represent the oldest original allochthonous taxa from the mid-19th century. It was determined that today there are 20 autochthonous taxa (9 of them persisted from the time of Maximilian) within the area of the ornamental gardens. Due to lack of intensive maintenance within the autochthonous island vegetation, the majority of the allochthonous exotic taxa failed to survive. The most numerous planted woody taxa from the time of Maximilian is Cupressus sempervirens (own research 2018, 2019). These cypresses were planted along the walkways in the north part of the island, as well as in the direct vicinity and in front of the Benedictine monastery and Maximilian’s mansion. An interesting fact says that until the end of 1863, Maximilian has had over 700 cypress seedlings planted (AST, N 30, f74, nn 4-370, 1859-60; AST, N 31, f75, nn 373-1233, 1861-62; AST, N 32, f76, nn 1-69, 1863). This has been confirmed with the recent research establishing that the most numerous planted units on the island are Cupressus sempervirens ‘Pyramidalis’ and C. sempervirens ‘Horizontalis’ (Hudina et al. 2019). The specimen of Buxus sempervirens, located within the gothic-renaissance cloister of the Benedictine monastery, are among the oldest autochthonous taxa from the second part of 19th century.

The purpose of this research was to carry out a comprehensive review of the horticultural taxa planted in the second half of the 19th century. The identified list is important in the context of the restauration works that awaits Maximilian’s gardens on Lokrum. Thereby, the possible reintroduction of the certain taxa must be considered in light of the several facts. The island of Lokrum is today fully protected as a Special Forest Vegetation Reserve, which includes the area of the ornamental gardens originating from the times of Maximilian. Therefore, the possible reintroduction of the certain taxa should be in line with the ecological, phytosociological and landscape features of the Lokrum area.

It is a very important fact that in 1959, a botanical garden was established on Lokrum, covering the surface of 2 hectares. This was done precisely in order to research the adaptation to the Lokrum climate of taxa originating from the tropical or subtropical areas (Dolina and Jasprica 2011), which are located outside of the area of the ornamental gardens covered by this paper. In this context, Maximilian’s garden in a certain way lost one of their main original functions. Still, their value is undeniable in light of their historical, stylistic and symbolic significance and due to the fact that an archduke, who later became an emperor, was personally involved in their creation. For all of the mentioned reasons, when renovating the gardens, one should not consider the introduction of all taxa from the original list, but select the taxa that significantly contribute to renewal of the stylistic features of these gardens at the time of their original creation. At the same time, all invasive and potentially invasive taxa that are not included in the official lists of invasive plants, such as the taxa from the genera of Pittosporum, Mesembrianthemum, Acacia etc., should be excluded. A substantial influence on the selection of taxa should come from sustainability and maintenance of the gardens, since the “life” of a garden begins only after these have been ensured.

CONCLUSIONS

ZAKLJUČCI

This research was the first one to determine the quantity of the horticultural taxa planted on Lokrum in the second half of the 19th century when the island had been the property
of the archduke Maximilian von Habsburg, by using the archival sources from Trieste State Archives (AST) and Austrian State Archives (OeStA) in Vienna. The botanical analysis determined the number of species, subspecies, varieties, hybrids and cultivars, including affiliation to family, areal, and share of autochthonous taxa from the certain continents in the second half of the 19th century, as well as the taxa that were recently present in the ornamental gardens. The analysis also determined the today's number of the allochthonous taxa, continuously present since the second half of the 19th century. Finally, the analysis identified those taxa that are unique or rarely present in Croatia, and that were planted on Lokrum for the first time.

The research identified a relatively large variety of the horticultural species from the period of the second half of the 19th century. Very small number of these taxa (30) remained preserved until today. The reason for this mostly relates to a discontinuity in the garden maintenance. The value preserved until today. The reason for this mostly relates to the discontinuity in the garden maintenance. The value of this research lies in positioning the horticultural significance of Maximilian's gardens on Lokrum, relative to other similar gardens of the same period, such as the Maximilian's park at the Miramar castle, Garagnin park in Trogir and Trsten park from the same period. This research is an important starting point for reviewing the fund of the horticultural species, which will be a part of the concept of restoration of Maximilian's gardens on Lokrum.

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Cilj je ovog istraživanja u okviru ornamentalnih lokumskih vrtova, a temeljem izvornih arhivskih dokumenata pohranih u Državnom arhivu u Trstu (AST) i Državnom arhivu u Beču (OeStA), po prvi puta napraviti jedinstveni popis planški sadenih hortikulturnih biljnih svojsti iz razdoblja uprave nadvojvode Ferdinanda Maksimilijana Habsburgskog na otoku Lokrumu (1859-69). Nadalje, cilj rada je prikazati u kojem omjeru su se danas očuvale planški sadene hortikulturne vrste iz Maksimilijanova vremena. Hortikulturne vrste u smislu ovog istraživanja, podrazumijevaju ne samo popise ukrasnih vrsta drveća i grmlja, nego i povrća, voća te zeljastih trajnica koje su sadene u tom razdoblju. Zbog vrijedne graditeljske baštine otok Lokrum (72 ha) je u cijelosti cijenjen u svjetskoj kulturnoj baštini UNESCO. U biljno-nogeografskom pogledu Lokrum pripada eumediteranskome području vazdazelenih šuma i makije hraste reda fagoderne (Quercetalia ilicis Br.-Bl. (1931) 1936 (Ilijanić i Hećimović 1989). U tablici 1 skupno su prikazani rezultati popisa bilja iz Maksimilijanovog razdoblja te inventarizacije sadašnjeg stanja. Ukupno je inventarizirano 256 svojsti od čega 225 vrsta, 1 podvrsta, 3 varijeteta, 8 križanaca (hibrida) i 19 kultivara. Svojstvenih, egzotičnih svojstava je bilo 193, od čega najviše s područja Srednje i Južne Amerike 66, azijskih vrsta 47, Australije 21, s Afrike 17 te s područja Sj. Amerike 13. Prema skupinama biljaka najviše je bilo trajnica (50; 23,5 %), slijede bjelogorične (26) i crnogorične stablašice (22; 11,5 %) te grmolike (44; 20,1 %), dok je danas od ukupno 71 svojstva (koja pripada u 43 porodice i 64 roda) prema inventarizaciji utvrđeno najviše grmolikih (20; 28,2 %), slijede bjelogorično stablašaste (12) i trajnice (12; 16,9 %).

U arhivskim popisima se nalazi 20 svojstva autohtona u Hrvatskoj. Pri tome je broj autohtonskih svojstava bio izgledno veći, no u povijesnim dokumentima se u većini slučajeva pratila isključivo introdukcija egzota. Na Lokrumu su tada po prvi puta na ovome dijelu Jadrana introdusirane sljedeće svojstva; Ananas comosus, Musa × paradisiaca, A. angustifolia, A. bidwillii, A. cunninghamii, Bougainvillea spectabilis i Citrus reticulata. Od ukupno utvrđenih 51 ornamentalnog svojstva danas što je cijenjeno u odnosu na Maksimilijanovo razdoblje, tek je 21 očuvana tj. ima kontinuitet iz tog vremena. Također, utvrđeno je da danas na prosoru ornamentalnih vrtova prisutno 20 autohtonskih svojstava (od toga je 9 autohtonih ostalo prisutno iz Maksimilijanog doba). Veći udio alohtonskih egzotičnih biljaka nije uspio opstati zbog izostanka intenzivnog održavanja vrtova. Prema inventarizaciji, danas je u okviru ornamentalnih vrtova na Lokrumu utvrđeno 256 svojstva, koja pripada u 43 porodice i 64 roda. Na otoku su danas prisutne 3 invazivne vrste: Nicotiana glauca, Robinia pseudoacacia i Opuntia ficus-indica. Otok Lokrum je danas u cijelosti zaštićen kao posebni rezervat šumske vegetacije uključivo područje ornamentalnih vrtova iz Maksimilijanovog razdoblja. Prema tomu bi eventualna intenzivna regeneracija određenih svojstava trebala biti skladna ekološkim, fitocenološkim i krajobraznim značajkama područja Lokruma. Pri obnovi vrtova trebala bi se razmatrati selektivna reintrodukcija, onih svojstava koje značajno doprinose obnovi stilskih karakteristika ovih vrtova u vremenu u kojem su stvarani. Pri tome bi se isključujući sve invazivne, ali i potencijalno invazivne svojstva koje nisu na službenim popisima invazivnih biljaka, poput svojstava iz roda Pitosporum, Mespilobrianthemum, Acacia i dr. Ovdje objavljen popis svojstava ornamentalnih Maksimilijanova vrtova iz arhivskih izvora, bit će polazište za proces obnove koji ove vrtove očekuje.

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