

ALONG THE SOUTH AFRICAN COASTLINE

Discover this new itinerary that explores the essential towns and sites of South Africa's wild east coast. At the crossroads of Atlantic and Indian Oceans, embark on a 9-day cruise between Cape Town, mother-city of the country, and Durban, a cosmopolitan seaside city. This journey in South Africa will also allow you to discover Port Elizabeth, nicknamed "the friendly city" for its welcoming inhabitants, and Richards Bay, the largest port in the country. A land of ethnic diversity, South Africa is often described as "a world in one country". Its incredible melting pot of cultures, religions, and histories infuse its rich heritage. The diversity of fauna and flora is also one of South Africa's treasures: the nation is home to three of the largest terrestrial mammals-the elephant, rhinoceros and hippopotamus-and its plant life alone represents one tenth of the world's botanic heritage, with some 25.000 species. Between its bustling metropolises and its breathtaking natural beauty, we invite you to discover the two contrasting sides of this incredible country. Please note: 17 March 2020 is a Musical Cruise In partnership with RADIO CLASSIQUE.



ITINERARY

Day 1 - Cape Town (South Africa) Embarkation from 4:00pm to 5:00pm.

Day 2 - Cape Town (South Africa)

Dynamic and peaceful, cosmopolitan and hip, Cape Town offers its visitors a most unique mix. Here, the locals like to say that their city is "the quintessential melting pot of South Africa". Located in the heart of one of the most beautiful bays in the world and dominated by the famous Table Mountain, it is graced

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with extraordinary landscapes including sheer cliffs that plunge into the Atlantic Ocean and vast whitesand beaches. We invite you to discover this incredible city, the South African capital of fashion, the art of living, and gastronomy. Further on, the Cape of Good Hope Nature Reserve awaits you and is home to a wide variety of endemic fauna and flora.

Day 3 - At sea

Days 4 & 5 - Port Elizabeth (South Africa)

Day 6 - At sea

Day 7 - Richards Bay (South Africa)

Days 8 & 9 - Durban (South Africa)

As your vessel cruises along the coast of Durban, from the exterior decks you will be able to admire the long beaches washed by waves from the Indian Ocean and the skyscrapers that overlook the jacaranda-lined avenues. Not far from there, you will be captivated by the Valley of a Thousand Hills, the ancestral land of the Zulu people. The undulating, soft green hills are home to a multitude of small villages with traditional round huts. In the heart of the Phezulu Safari Park, the beliefs and rituals of the fascinating Zulu culture will be revealed to you and you will be treated to a show that pulsates to the beat of Zulu drums.

Please Note:

Itineraries are subject to change.

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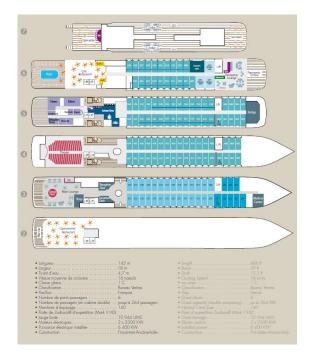
A sleek silhouette, a welcoming intimate atmosphere, discover aboard this new ship the philosophy that has made our sisterships such a success: the spirit of Yacht Cruises. Sailing under the French flag, this magnificent yacht of only 122 staterooms and Suites, with balconies, will join our fleet in April 2015. You will be enchanted by the contemporary decor inspired by the our destinations and the blue light of the Vega star in the Lyra constellation. The result is a subtle variation around a palette of blues, ranging from the luminous delicate grey-blue of the Polar ice to splashes of the vivid turquoise blue found in Mediterranean coves A refined ambiance is enhanced by the quality of the workmanship and materials: white Corian counters in the lobby contrast with the warmth of leather to recall a boat's hull, while the central sculpture of enamelled pieces takes its inspiration from the sea. In the loungebar, the carpet picks up a tennis stripe theme symbolising a certain idea of cruising, one synonymous with French elegance and a chic seaside spirit. Please click the following links to read more about Ponant and the other Ponant cruise ships.

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