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## AN AUTUMN ESCAPE: Côte d'Azur, Italian Riviera & Corsica Cruise

Côte d'Azur, Italian Riviera, Corsica: this break concentrates some of the most beautiful landscapes in the Mediterranean, featuring citrus-coloured villages perched above turquoise coves. During the late season, the views are even more charming, since the pretty little streets, rampart walks and local markets have slowly emptied their crowds, making way for a lifestyle focused on aimless strolling. Old stones, emblematic monuments and local traditions will then peacefully reveal themselves, like an invitation to explore the history of the region and its famous taste for hedonism.



### ITINERARY

#### Day 1 - Nice

Capital of the Côte d'Azur, Nice is surrounded by an amphitheatre of hills and mountains that protects it from the wind. You will probably want to explore the Promenade des Anglais, where you can sit on one of the famous blue chairs laid out opposite the baie des Anges. The Chateau hill is also a very pleasant place to walk. This is the entrance to the old city, with its bustling markets and regional products along the main street, the Cours Saleya.

#### Day 2 - Menton



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City of art and history, Menton is located at the far eastern side of the Cote d'Azur. You will be won over by the Provence houses with their palms and lemon trees. Very close to the Saint-Michel-Archange basilica, take a mosey around the charming place aux Herbes, and the medieval streets that follow a sinuous plan. Here and there, you can see snatches of the coastline. These picturesque points of view have attracted artists since the beginning of the 20th century. Don't miss works by the most famous Menton figure: Jean Cocteau. They are exhibited in two museums: the Bastion museum and the Severin-Wunderman collection.

#### Day 3 - Portofino

Close to the Cinque Terre, Portofino is the jewel of the Ligurian Riviera. This "small village that stretches like a half moon around a silent basin", described by Guy de Maupassant, is today a pretty, lively little port that has managed to preserve the authenticity of its maritime traditions, which have been recognised since Ancient times. Built in the hollow of a small natural cove sheltered by the pine forest, the village is at the heart of a protected maritime reserve. The shimmering colours of its house fronts and the exceptional location of this village have inspired many authors and artists. You will also see the Portofino lighthouse, immaculate in its green setting. Perched on the Punta del Capo, it watches over the peninsula and its postcard setting.

#### Day 4 - Portoferaio, Elba

In the elbow of a creek on the northern coastline of Elba Island, a small corner of paradise awaits in the form of Portoferaio. As you approach its coastlines, you will make out the powerful and majestic contours of its Medici fortresses. Napoleon Bonaparte spent many of his 300 days in exile here. The Palazzina dei

Mulini, his first imperial residence, whose gardens offer outstanding views of the sea, is a must-see. Historical treasures are followed by another kind of treasure, namely white sand beaches, and equally tempting local specialities including gurguglione and rice with cuttlefish ink.

#### Day 5 - Bonifacio, Corsica

The spectacular town of Bonifacio located on the very tip of southern Corsica, clings to a narrow promontory of white rock overhanging the turquoise waters of the Mediterranean. You can admire its limestone cliffs hewn out by the wind, before setting off on a cultural tour of its cultural treasures. From the little paved streets in the ancient Haute Ville, to the promenade on the open-air medieval chemin de ronde, this stunning town will take you on a journey back in time. Frequented or secluded, there are numerous beaches to choose from, all in keeping with the high standards of the "Île de Beauté".

#### Day 6 - Livorno

On the ligurian coast, Livorno invites us to Tuscany, a charming region offering archaeological vestiges, Renaissance treasures, undulating landscapes and a pleasant way of life. When the Medicis arrived in the 16th century they developed the city, which became one of the most important ports in the Mediterranean. Cosmopolitan and multireligious, Livorno has welcomed many immigrants and is a wonderful example of cultural diversity. Built during that period, Fortezza Vecchia and Fortezza Nuova attest to the city's power. At the foot of the new fort, Nuova Venezia is an enchanting district with small canals and streets to stroll along to discover a few architectural treasures, such as the magnificent Santa Caterina da Siena church in the Tuscan baroque style.



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## YOUR SHIP: LE BOREAL

**YOUR SHIP:** Le Boreal

**VESSEL TYPE:**

**142 metres. Passenger Capacity:**

**264 (in twin cabins, just 200 in  
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**LENGTH:**

**PASSENGER CAPACITY:**

**BUILT/REFURBISHED:**

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