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FILIPINO TREASURES AND JAPANESE SERENITY LUXURY SMALL SHIP CRUISE

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ITINERARY

Day 1 - Manila

On first sight, the Philippines' capital shows its highly Americanised Asian megalopolis side, with ultramodern skyscrapers set all along the waterfront. But when you stroll through the cobbled streets of the **Intramuros** district, you'll discover a different side of **Manila**, one that's full of old-world charm. An enchanted pause in the middle of urban bustle, Rizal Park's 60 hectares of magnificent green parkland is perfect for recharging your batteries. To see the city from a different angle, take a walk along Roxas boulevard, a popular seaside promenade.

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Day 2 - Hundred Islands National Park

A protected area created in 1940, the **Hundred Islands National Park** is a designated natural site that brings together **124 beautiful tropical islands and islets**, scattered across the crystal-clear waters of the Lingayen Gulf. It is an iconic attraction in the Philippines, offering visitors charming **white sandy beaches**, abundant vegetation and **marine life**. This preserved site also has limestone cliffs and **coral reefs**, making it a veritable corner of paradise for nature fans.

Day 3 - Currimao

A small coastal town located in the province of Ilocos Norte, **Currimao** is a privileged gateway to **Vigan**, a former Chinese trading port and one of the best preserved Spanish colonial towns in Asia, **a UNESCO World Heritage Site**. There, you will discover a unique architectural blend and remarkably well-preserved heritage treasures, such as the baroque Cathedral of Saint Paul and the traditional stone houses on Calle Crisologo. A real journey back into time!

Day 4 - At sea

During your journey at sea, make the most of the many services and activities on board. Treat yourself to a moment of relaxation in the spa or stay in shape in the fitness centre. Depending on the season, let yourself be tempted by the swimming pool or a spot of sunbathing. This journey without a port of call will also be an opportunity to enjoy the conferences or shows proposed on board, depending on the activities offered, or to do some shopping in the boutique or to meet the PONANT photographers in their dedicated space. As for lovers of the open sea, they will be able to visit the ship's upper deck to admire the spectacle of the waves and perhaps be lucky enough to observe marine species. A truly enchanted interlude, combining comfort, rest

and entertainment.

Day 5 - Miyakojima

Situated between the East China Sea and the Philippine Sea, **Miyakojima** is the main island of the Miyako Islands, in the **Sakishima archipelago**. The fourth largest island in the Okinawa prefecture, it is known for its many sugar cane plantations and some of Japan's most beautiful beaches.

Day 6 - Naha, Okinawa

Capital of Okinawa Prefecture, the town of **Naha** is located on the south-west of the island. You will love its lively atmosphere, particularly along **Kokusai Dori**, otherwise known as 'international street'. The picturesque **Makishi Public Market**, nicknamed 'Naha's kitchen' offers a profusion of colourful fish, Okinawan foodstuffs and local spices and you can sample delicacies cooked on the spot.

Day 7 - Motobu, Okinawa

In the north of Okinawa Island, between azure waters and rolling green hills, Motobu invites you to pause and take in its beauty. Far from the beaten path, this destination reveals landscapes imbued with quiet poetry. Framed by the silhouette of Mount Yae, Motobu unfolds through its white-sand beaches and villages where time seems to flow at a different pace. At the heart of one of the world's renowned Blue Zones, discover the Okinawan way of life and meet the "Memory Sherpas", guardians of stories and traditions who keep the spirit of the archipelago alive. Journey into Okinawa's fascinating past as you admire the ruins of Nakijin Castle, before exploring the historic district of Bise, renowned for its impressive green tunnels.



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Day 8 - Tanegashima

Located south of Kyushu, the island of Tanegashima combines **subtropical nature** and technological innovation. Known for its coastal landscapes and its peaceful atmosphere, it is also home to **Japan's main space centre**, the country's largest rocket launch site. During this port of call, you will discover this iconic site devoted to research and space launches, **overlooking the ocean** in a spectacular environment. Between scientific discovery and **island scenery**, Tanegashima offers visitors a unique approach to contemporary Japan.

Day 9 - Miyazaki

The cradle of Japanese mythology, **Miyazaki** is a hidden treasure on the **southern coast of Kyushu**. Known for its climate, its golden beaches and its spectacular rocky formations, it is an invitation to exploration and contemplation. In the heart of the city, the **Miyazaki-jing Shinto shrine** stands majestically, surrounded by ancient forests and peaceful gardens, in which an atmosphere of serenity reigns. Make the most of the authenticity of this city with fascinating local culture and, during the visit of the Miyazaki Shrine, **fall under the spell of the kagura**, a dance and song performance by the shrine's priests and helpers.

Day 10 - Mitarai

A charming fishing village nestling in the east of Osaka Shimosima Island, on the edge of the Seto Inland Sea, **Mitarai** is appreciated for **its traditional charm and authentic character**. A trip back in time to the Edo Period, where the hustle and bustle of modern cities is replaced by the gentle sound of fishing boats. Thanks to its 19th century wooden dwellings lining the small, **narrow streets**, its great

causeway, its centuries-old sanctuaries and its gangi stairs, a stone structure giving on to the sea, the old town was classed as a Preservation District by the Japanese state in 1994.

Day 11 - Tamano

Located on the **island of Honshu**, hugging the banks of the Seto Inland Sea, **Tamano** is a popular destination thanks to its sun-drenched climate. Upon arrival, marvel at the way in which the city has been built along the coast at the foot of a deep, dark forest. In the area surrounding Tamano, stroll down the streets of **Kurashiki**, known as the 'white-walled city' in a nod to the pretty façades of the houses that line the streets of this ancient Edo-period trading town. Another major regional attraction is the **Seto Ohashi bridge**. Its 12.5 kilometres make it the world's longest double-decker bridge.

Day 12 - Osaka

Like its big sister Tokyo, Osaka is the product of ancestral traditions and amazing **technological innovations**. And despite its size, its location on the Pacific Ocean give it a sense of **serenity**. The main historic landmark is the 16th century **Osaka Castle**, which stands proud in the midst of majestic skyscrapers. The lively streets of Dotomburi and the bizarre Shinsekai district attract thousands of locals and visitors. A multitude of restaurants offer menus full of regional specialties: takoyaki, made with octopus, and other succulent dishes such as kushikatsu kebabs.

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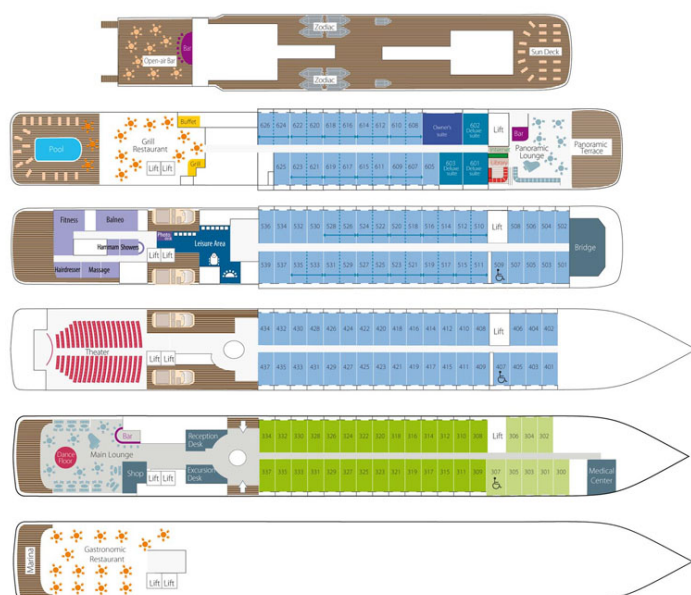
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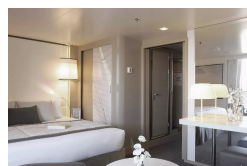
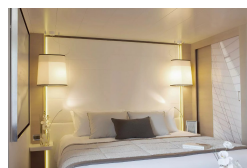
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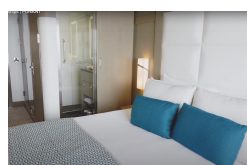


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