

GASTRONOMY, VINEYARDS & GRANDS CRUS LUXURY CRUISE

Embark on a unique gastronomic and wine journey along the Portuguese, Spanish, and French Atlantic shores. Exceptional caviar, prestigious wines, and refined sensory experiences will take center stage both on board and ashore through the partnership with the iconic caviar house Prunier and the renowned estate Ch ateau Latour, further elevated by the exceptional presence of the executive chef from one of Alain Ducasse 's restaurants. As the journey unfolds, wind-sculpted cliffs, lively fishing ports, verdant vineyards, and historic cities reveal themselves, immersing travelers in a rich maritime and culinary heritage. Across these sea-sprayed lands, shaped by the legacy of the great Atlantic trading routes, every port of call unveils its treasures: centuries-old architecture, the authentic charm of corsair towns, spectacular coastal walks, and, as a grand finale, exclusive optional excursions to Chateau Latour and Prunier -- intimate immersions enhanced by private visits and unforgettable tastings.



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Day 1 - Lisbon

Portugal's capital city located on the banks of the Tagus, only a few kilometres from the Atlantic coast, is a city of exceptionally rich cultural diversity. At the mouth of the river harbour, impose two UNESCO World Heritage monuments, **Jeronimos monastery** and **Belem tower.** The Alfama hillside is also worth visiting: known for its **fado** bars and its **Moorish streets,** this district is the oldest one of the city and one of the most typical. Not far from there, Chiado's elegant streets are home to big fashion labels and are an invitation to a bit of of luxury shopping.

Day 2 - Leixões - Porto



Located at the mouth of the Douro River, the port of Leixoes lies less than 10 kilometres from Porto. A UNESCO World Heritage Site, the historic centre of Porto is worth a visit for its famous **Ribeira district** , the metallic silhouette of the Dom-Luis bridge looming over its ancient houses, its richly decorated Baroque churches and its national **Soares dos Reis** museum. The **S ao Bento** **station** is also interesting for its typically Portuguese decoration, using Azulejos, blue square ceramic tiles decorated with geometric patterns or figurative scenes.

Day 3 - Vigo – Santiago de Compostela

Nestling on the Atlantic coast, in the south of **Galicia** , the former fishing port of Vigo is now the region's largest municipality. Its old town, more commonly known as O Berbes, will unveil its many historical monuments and the unusual architectural style of its homes. Off the coast, the Cies Islands, declared a Nature Reserve and located in the **Atlantic Islands of Galicia National Park** , offer truly splendid landscapes and exceptional biodiversity. Further north, make sure you visit**Santiago de Compostela** , which welcomes many pilgrims from all over the world every year. Designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site, its historical centre has significant architectural heritage.

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.

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Day 6 - Pasajes – San Sebastián

On the Spanish Basque coast, discover Pasaia, a picturesque little town nestling in the hollow of verdant mountains, on the shores of the bay. The coastal footpath offers magnificent views over the sea and goes all the way to San Sebastian. Nicknamed the "Pearl of Cantabria" because of its shell-shaped bay, this renowned seaside resort in the Bay of Biscay combines an idyllic natural setting with the charm of the Belle Époque.

Day 7 - Saint-Jean-de-Luz

A renowned seaside resort in the South West of France, **Saint-Jean-de-Luz** is a picturesque and authentic town with a rich history. In particular, King Louis XIV married Maria Teresa in the famous Saint Jean the Baptist church in 1660. The seafront unveils stunning views, between the **Basque architecture** and the Cantabrian Sea. An unforgettable bay, which was frequented in the 17th century by privateers and wealthy ship-owners.

Day 8 - Sailing in the Gironde Estuary

Located on France's Atlantic coast, **the Gironde Estuary** stretches between Bordeaux and the Atlantic Ocean. Sail through peaceful landscapes lined with **traditional fishing huts, charming villages, and renowned vineyards** bordering the estuary's shores. Between shifting light and preserved nature, let yourself be carried away by the unique atmosphere of this majestic waterway, shaped by the tides and the region's maritime history.

Day 9 - Pauillac

Discover **Pauillac** , a town in southwestern France located a few kilometres away from Bordeaux, stretching along the Gironde. The undisputed capital of Medoc, Pauillac will open up its magical universe for you, from **culture and heritage to vineyards and ch ateaux**. This stop will be a voyage of myriad flavours, particularly during the tasting of the region's wines, revealing their soft ruby colours and reflections turning amber with time. Enjoy both a **sensorial adventure** and an adventure into the heart of the town. Don't miss the visit of Saint Martin's Church or the mysterious **grotto of Artigues** , dominated by a statue of the Virgin Mary. As for the **Aspic Tower** , it is topped with a dome from which the harvesters' work used to be overseen.

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VESSEL TYPE:	
	142 metres. Passenger Capacity:
	264 (200 in Antarctica). Built:
LENGTH:	**2011**
PASSENGER CAPACITY:	
BUILT/REFURBISHED:	

Luxury Expedition / Cruise Ship This superb mega-yacht with 132 cabins is the result of the expertise of the Italian Fincantieri shipyard and French sophistication, as interpreted by designer Jean-Philippe Nuel. L'Austral has a unique atmosphere, a subtle blend of luxury, intimacy and well-being. A sleek silhouette softened by elegantly smooth contours and large, arched windows opening up to the sea and the light: so many features come together to give L'Austral her distinctive shape. Precious materials, discreet elegance and a perfect balance between chic and casual, combine to make you feel as if you are on your own private yacht. A design blending tradition and innovation, where a nautical mood has been subtly recreated. Precious materials in smoothing neutral tones are brought to life with splashes of cheerful reds. So many personal touches create the spirit of a "private yacht". Suites and staterooms You can expect magnificent ocean views as 124 staterooms and suites have balconies. Individually-controlled airconditioning · Cabin layout: kingsize bed, or twin beds, communicating cabins available (children welcome) · Minibar · Flat screen satellite TV · IPod™ players · Desk with stationery · Electronic safe · French bath products · Dressing table and hairdryer · Bath robes · Satellite direct line telephone · 110/220 volts · 24hr room service · WiFi · Balcony Cuisine Loyal to the great French tradition, the haute cuisine on board is worthy of the finest restaurants, where discreet, attentive service is the hallmark. Choose from two restaurants for breakfasts, lunch and dinner. The Gastronomic Restaurant is situated on Le Liberte Deck and serves you French and international cuisine accompagnied by fine wine. On the Grill Restaurant, you have the opportuniny to eat outside and enjoy buffet lunch and themed dinner. Life On Board Whether you want to join other guests in the theatre or games area (Wii™ consoles, etc), or relax on your own in a quiet corner of the library, L'Austral has been designed to meet the needs of every guest. Everything has been done to preserve the independence of each guest to suit their personal tastes: lounges for lectures and shows, a spa in partnership with Sothys™, but also more intimate spaces such as the library and internet corner. Comfortable cabins, nearly all with private balcony, are available for families either as triples or as communicating cabins. There is also a games area with Wii™ consoles, children's menus, and a baby-sitting service. Just as if you were on a private yacht, your time is your own to do as you please. Fitted with the latest equipment (Kinesis Wall, running machine) and in partnership with the famous Sothys™ brand, the Beauty Centre on L'Austral welcomes you for some unforgettable moments of relaxation and pampering (beauty treatments, hairdresser). Wheelchairs 3 specially adapted wheelchair cabins (Deck 3 = Superior cabin no. 307, no balcony, Deck 4 = Prestige Cabin no. 407 - with

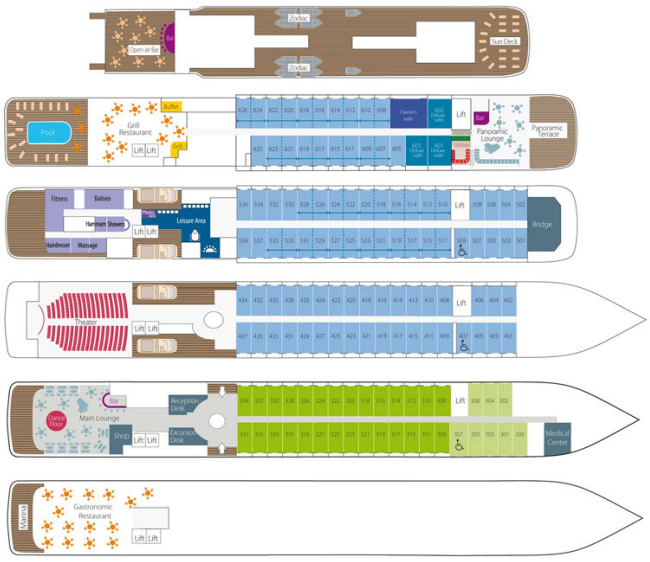
balcony and Deck 5 = Prestige Cabin no 509, with balcony) and lifts to all decks/areas. Details Please click the following links to read more about Ponant and the other Ponant



cruise ships.



INSIDE YOUR SHIP



Deluxe Stateroom



Deluxe Suite



Owner's Suite



Prestige Stateroom Deck 4



Prestige Stateroom Deck 5



Prestige Stateroom Deck 6



Prestige Suite Deck 5



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Superior Stateroom





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Prestige Stateroom Deck 6	£6095 GBP pp
Prestige Suite Deck 5	£11455 GBP pp
Prestige Suite Deck 6	£12055 GBP pp
Prestige Stateroom Deck 5	£5775 GBP pp
Deluxe Suite	£8485 GBP pp
Owner's Suite	£19625 GBP pp
Prestige Stateroom Deck 4	£5505 GBP pp
Deluxe Stateroom	£4965 GBP pp
Superior Stateroom	£4585 GBP pp