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IBERIAN INTERLUDE LUXURY SMALL SHIP CRUISE

Fall under the spell of a Mediterranean escapade featuring a preserved island, fortified cities and sun-drenched Andalusian shores. In the heart of the summer, the Spanish Mediterranean coastline will reveal the intense entirety of its nuances: turquoise waters, ochre cliffs sculpted by the sea winds, long golden beaches and whitewashed villages. Mahon charms with the discreet elegance of its natural port and the peaceful atmosphere of Menorca, while Peníscola's stone fortress stands high above the sea in a spectacular setting. Further south, Gibraltar marks the meeting of two worlds, the Mediterranean and the Atlantic, dominated by the impressive silhouette of the Rock.



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Day 1 - Tarragona

****Tarragona**** is situated on the Costa Dorada, in the south of Spain's Catalonia region. Known as Tarraco in Roman times, the city boasts very important archaeological and architectural vestiges that are magnificently well preserved. These earned it a place on the UNESCO World Heritage list in 2000. Do not miss this opportunity to visit ****the Roman amphitheatre****, which is located on a beautiful natural site by the sea and is exceptionally well preserved. A stroll through the streets of the old medieval town to the cathedral, which was completed in the 14th century, is a wonderful way to end your visit to this welcoming city.

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Day 2 - Mahon, Balearic Islands

You will be welcomed by the colourful houses of **Mahon**, its narrow streets and pretty squares that appear as you stroll around this richly contrasting city. Mahon reveals its different neighbourhoods, alternating between monuments, villas and white buildings. Discover the **Santa Maria church**, a building of neo-gothic inspiration, rebuilt in the 18th Century. It is worth a visit to see its monumental organ with more than 3,000 pipes and four keyboards. Around the Carmen church you will find a **local market**, full of stands selling avarcas, typical Menorcan sandals originally made by peasants. Let yourself fall under the spell of this Mediterranean treasure.

Day 3 - Peniscola

Considered one of Spain's most beautiful villages, **Peñíscola** overlooks the turquoise sea, charming visitors with its **cobbled streets and whitewashed houses**. But it is above all the imposing **castle perched on its rocky promontory** that commands attention. Built by the Templars, and later converted into a papal residence under Benedict XIII, it overlooks the **medieval old town** and its shaded squares, craft shops, and traditional restaurants. The latter perfectly capture the **richness of the culinary tradition** in the Castellon region, renowned for its local products such as **wine and olive oil**.

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 - Gibraltar

Just twenty kilometres from the Moroccan coast sits **Gibraltar**, stretching to the southernmost tip of the Iberian Peninsula. You'll be impressed by the main attraction of this **British Overseas Territory**, the **limestone monolith Rock of Gibraltar** which covers most of the area. The top of the rock, served by a funicular railway, offers an amazing view over the Strait. Classified as a nature reserve, the rock is home to a colony of **Barbary apes**, the only wild monkeys in Europe. In the centre of Gibraltar, you'll be surprised by the British feel that infuses the city and blends with the Moorish influences.

Day 6 - Málaga

A historical and festive town, Malaga is located in Andalusia, on the Costa del Sol. Between the marina and the beaches, the seaside promenade of La Farola offers an ideal setting for strolling and relaxing. Set slightly further back, the Malagueta bullring is one of the emblematic sites of the city. From the hill overlooking the old town, one can see **Gibralfaro castle** and **the Alcazaba**, two fortified ensembles rising out from the cypresses and maritime pines. To visit **Pablo Picasso's birthplace**, you will go first to the courtly plaza de la Merced. A few streets back from here, you can explore the museum dedicated to the artist, in the Buenavista palace.



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YOUR SHIP: L'AUSTRAL

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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 accompanied by fine wine. On the Grill Restaurant, you have the opportunity 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



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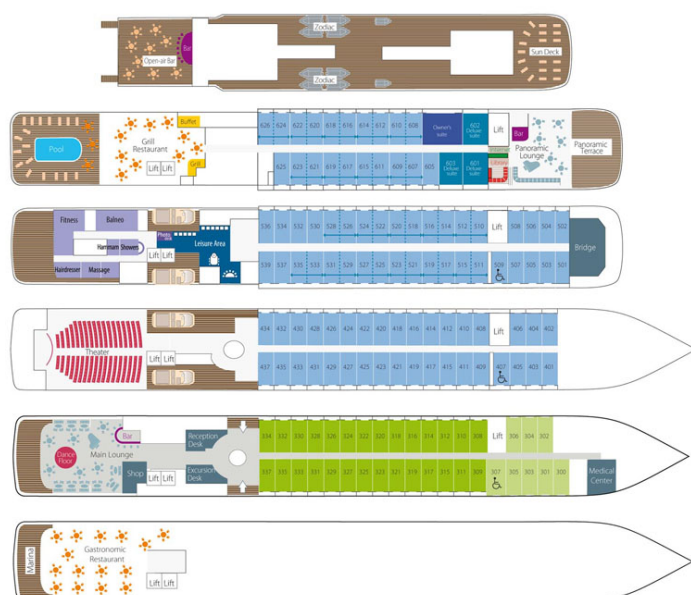
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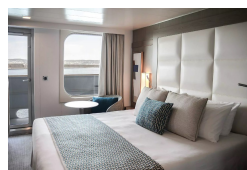
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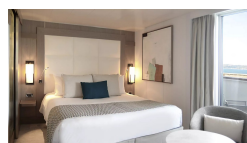
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Deluxe Stateroom



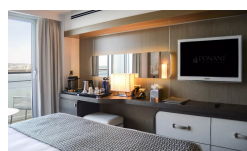
Deluxe Suite



Owner's Suite



Prestige Stateroom Deck 4



Prestige Stateroom Deck 5

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03-Jul-2028 to 08-Jul-2028

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Deluxe Suite	£4845 GBP pp
Deluxe Stateroom	£2655 GBP pp
Prestige Stateroom Deck 4	£2785 GBP pp
Prestige Suite Deck 5	£5365 GBP pp
Prestige Suite Deck 6	£5495 GBP pp
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