

ISLE OF BEAUTY, ITALIAN SHORES & MALTA - ITALY & FRANCE LUXURY CRUISE

From the French Riviera to Malta , embark on a cruise on which rugged peaks, colourful villages and beaches edged with turquoise waters form landscapes of rare elegance. In Corsica, the steep slopes, stone villages and scent of the maquis scrubland reveal a wild and authentic character while, on the Italian Riviera , small elegant ports, pastel-coloured façades and coves fringed with pine trees create a setting imbued with the relaxed Mediterranean way of life The Tuscan coastlines will then unveil their natural treasures and their villages facing the sea, while the volcanic islands of the south offer spectacular panoramas. Further along, Sicily blends ancient heritage, Italian charm and horizons dominated by Mount Etna.



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Day 1 - Nice

Capital of the Cote 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 pleasent 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 - 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.

Days 3 - 4 Saint-Florent, Corsica

In the hollow of one of the most beautiful gulfs of the Mediterranean to which it owes its name, **Saint-Florent** is an ancient Genoese city whose citadel dominates the bay with its circular architecture. A link between the mountains of **Upper Corsica** and the **Agriates desert** , the fishing village has become a renowned seaside resort. In front of this jewel nestled in the hollow of a wild and isolated region, sublime beaches of fine sand border a sea of infinite turquoise shades. At the western tip of the gulf, the **Tower of Mortella** , built in the 16th century under the Republic of Genoa to prevent from invaders, stands watch. Like most of the towers that dot the Corsican coast, it is an emblematic and familiar symbol of the island.

Day 5 - Portoferraio, Elba

In the elbow of a creek on the northern coastline of **Elba Island,** a small corner of paradise awaits in the form of **Portoferraio.** 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 6 - Giglio

On the shores of the Tyrrhenian Sea, the small island of **Giglio** is home to a concentration of all of Tuscany's secrets and beauty. Fine sandy beaches and hidden coves compose a landscape in which the emerald sea serves as a setting for wild nature. This mountainous land is covered by garrigue on which pine forest and vineyards grow, a real paradise in the Mediterranean. A walk through the heart of this bucolic environment will also be the opportunity to discover rich history, as reflected in the medieval village of **Giglio Castello**.

Day 7 - 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 8 - Lipari, Aeolian Islands

Of the seven **Aeolian islands,** this is the largest and the most populated. Lying off the north coast of **Sicily,** in the Tyrrhenian sea, **Lipari** is one of UNESCO's marvellous World Heritage sites. Its lava stone quarries and obsidian flow of **Rocce Rosse** are indications of its volcanic nature. The town, the largest urban area in the whole archipelago, proudly houses its **citadel** and its **castle,** both rooted in Antiquity. If you head further into the centre, you'll be surprised to come across a Norman cathedral, complete with a magnificent baroque façade.

Day 9 - Taormina, Sicily

Located on Sicily's eastern coast, in the province of Messina, the seaside town of Taormina is Sicily's Saint-Tropez, boasting heritage sites, secluded beaches and luxury shopping. You can visit its medieval centre, suspended 300 metres above sea level, where terraces offer a spectacular view of the Mediterranean Sea. Another vestige from its past are the ruins of the **Greco-Roman theatre.** This extremely well-preserved site attracts visitors who are fascinated by the natural beauty of the area which overlooks a **turquoise bay.**

Day 10 - Valletta

The whole of the Maltese capital Valletta is **UNESCO World Heritage** listed and occupies a peninsula in the north-east of the island. From the fountain of Tritons to Saint-Elme fort, there are as many majestic streets as there are narrow staircase vennels to explore. The painted loggia and carved corbels on the tall houses will accompany you in your explorations, and you'll rarely be bothered by traffic. You can visit the Grandmasters palace decorated with coats of arms and frescoes. **Saint-John 's cathedral** and the ramparts which have guarded the city since the 16th century are also among the most emblematic sites of the city. Arranged in terraces, the **Barrakka Gardens** will punctuate your promenade with a green and floral experience.

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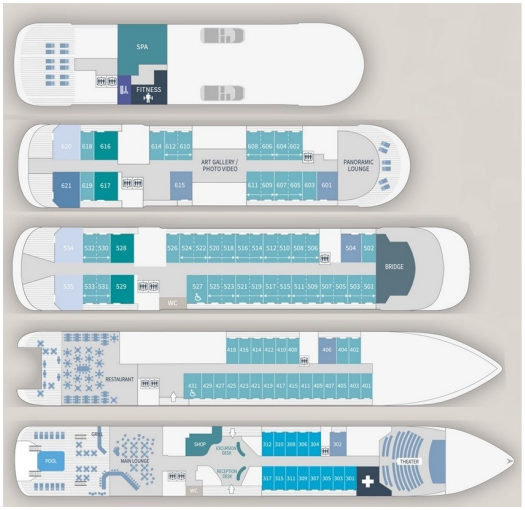
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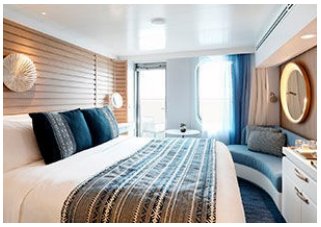


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