

# The Small Cruise Ship Collection

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## MADE IN ITALY, THE LUXURY EDITION CRUISE

Beneath the golden September sky, when the light softens and the sea becomes a mirror, another Italy - authentic and precious - will unfold before you. From the Tuscan shores to the Venetian lagoon, *Le Boréal* will sail through the waters of the Mediterranean, between Portoferraio and its golden vines, Otranto with its eyes on the East, and Sorrento opening onto Capri and its citrus scents. During unique moments, Italian excellence will open its doors wide for you: guided strolls along small Tuscan streets, the discovery of a porcelain factory, encounters with master craftspeople or special visits to the archives of Italian luxury. While on board, time seems to stand still: Gucci unveils its archives, Bottega Veneta sculpts leather, Pomellato reveals the gem, Brioni the finesse of bespoke tailoring, a Ginori 1735 coffee, a scent of olive oil or basil, and the very soul of Italy reveals itself in cuisine inspired by the regions crossed.



### ITINERARY

Days 1 - 2 - 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

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treasures, such as the magnificent Santa Caterina da Siena church in the Tuscan baroque style.

### Day 3 - 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 4 - Sorrento

Perched on the cliffs that plunge into the deep blue of the Mediterranean, Sorrento is ideally located on a peninsula between the Gulf of Naples and the Amalfi Coast. Its peaceful alleyways, villas, hotels and gentle way of life have been charming visitors and the greatest authors since the 19th century, from Byron and Tolstoy to Dickens and Goethe. As you enjoy a walk in this romantic atmosphere, you will discover the mediaeval cloister of Saint-Francis Church and a magnificent panorama over the Gulf of Naples and Mount Vesuvius. Sorrento is surrounded by groves of oranges and lemons, flavours that can be enjoyed in particular in the form of a sweet liqueur, limoncello.

### Day 5 - 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 6 - Otranto

Located in the Apulia region, Otrante is the easternmost transalpine town. Behind its medieval ramparts, you will taste the sweetlife of Salento, the "heel on Italy's boot". Inhabited since Antiquity, Otrante has today become a very pleasant seaside town. Yet its history is still visible as you meander through the little streets of its old centre. With its magnificent 12th century ornamental mosaic tiling, the Cathedral is one of its most beautiful treasures. During a stroll along the ramparts, you can sit and relax at a cafe terrace.

### 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.

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### Day 8 - Ancona

Situated on the promontory of Monte Conero, Ancona, the capital of the Marche region, offers visitors all the charm of a typical Italian historical city. Founded by the Greeks in 390 BC and conquered by Julius Caesar in 49 BC, Ancona has a long history that was very much shaped by its harbour, a hub attracting different populations and cultures. When your ship calls here, take the time to discover the city's many buildings, such as the cathedral dedicated to Judas Cyriacus and its façade made of white and pink marble, the Arch of Trajan, which is considered to be the port's main embellishment, or the 15th century mansion where the painter Raphael was raised.

### Days 9 - 11 - Venice

Proud and eternal, Venice has reigned on its lagoon ever since the 6th century. You may think you know this city before even setting foot here. You will inevitably fall in love with the charm of the innumerable treasures of the Serenissima: Saint Mark's square, the basilica, Doges palace, the Grand Canal and the gondolas. Yet, secret Venice is also waiting for you to explore its little interlacing streets and canals, to ramble through its squares and to push open the doors of its churches. The city's extraordinary heritage shouldn't stop you from enjoying a glass of Spritz and a few tramezzini.

### Please note:

Itineraries are subject to change.

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## YOUR SHIP: LE BOREAL

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| <b>YOUR SHIP:</b>          | <b>Le Boreal</b>   |
| <b>VESSEL TYPE:</b>        | <b>142 metres. Passenger Capacity: 264 (in twin cabins, just 200 in Antarctica). Built: 2011</b> |
| <b>LENGTH:</b>             |  |
| <b>PASSENGER CAPACITY:</b> |  |
| <b>BUILT/REFURBISHED:</b>  |  |

Luxury Expedition / Cruise Ship A superb mega-yacht with 132 cabins, she is the fruit of the expertise of the Italian Fincantieri shipyard and French sophistication, as interpreted by designer Jean-Philippe Nuel. Le Boreal creates a unique atmosphere, a subtle blend of luxury, intimacy and well-being. The best materials, discreet elegance and a tasteful decor combined with exterior and interior lines to reflect a nautical mood. On board, soothing neutral tones are enlivened by splashes of red, our signature theme linking tradition and innovation to create personal touches in the spirit of a "private yacht". 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 breakfast, lunch and dinner. The Gastronomic Restaurant is situated on Le Liberte Deck and serves you French and international cuisine accompanied by fine wine. In 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, Le Boreal 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 Carita™, 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 Carita™ brand, the Beauty Centre on Le Boreal welcomes you for some relaxation and pampering (beauty treatments, hairdresser, hammam, balneotherapy). 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. Please click the following links to read more about Ponant and the other Ponant

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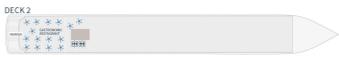
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## INSIDE YOUR SHIP

Deck plans - Le Boréal, L'Austral, Le Soléal & Le Lyrial



**DECK 7**  
Open-air bar - Sun deck

**DECK 6:**  
24 Deluxe Suites, Le Soléal: Owner's Suite - 3 Deluxe Suites with private balcony - 33 Prestige staterooms with private balcony (with 18 Prestige staterooms convertible into 9 Prestige suites)  
Le Lyrial: Owner's Suite - 1 Grand Privilege Suite - 3 Deluxe Suites with private balcony - 3 Grand Deluxe Suite - 8 Privilege Suites - 1 Prestige stateroom - Pool - Grill Restaurant - Internet space - Library - Panoramic lounge - Panoramic terrace

**DECK 5:**  
37 Prestige staterooms with private balcony with 22 Prestige staterooms convertible into 12 Prestige suites - Fitness - PONANT yacht spa (Bathhouse, Hammam, Massage, hairdressing) - Relaxation room - Image & photo desk - Bridge

**DECK 4:**  
36 Prestige Staterooms with private balcony - Theater

**DECK 3:**  
38 Deluxe Staterooms with private balcony - 8 Superior Staterooms - Main lounge - Shop - Reception Desk - Excursion Desk - Medical center

**DECK 2:**  
Cafeteria - Restaurant - Marina

- Owner's Suite Deck 6
- Privilege Suites Deck 6 - Le Lyrial
- Grand Privilege Suite Deck 6 - Le Lyrial
- Prestige Suites Ports 6 - 8 (except Le Lyrial)
- Grand Deluxe Suites Deck 6 - Le Lyrial
- Deluxe Suites Deck 6
- Prestige Staterooms Deck 4 - 5 - 6
- Deluxe Staterooms Deck 3
- Superior Staterooms Deck 3



### Deluxe Stateroom



### Deluxe Suite



### Prestige Deck 4



### Prestige Deck 5



### Prestige Deck 5 Suite

### Prestige Deck 6

### Prestige Deck 6 Suite

### Superior Stateroom



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## PRICING

08-Sep-2027 to 18-Sep-2027

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| Deluxe Stateroom      | £11185 GBP pp |
| Prestige Deck 5 Suite | £23555 GBP pp |
| Superior Stateroom    | £10595 GBP pp |
| Prestige Deck 4       | £11775 GBP pp |
| Prestige Deck 6       | £13075 GBP pp |
| Deluxe Suite          | £21195 GBP pp |
| Prestige Deck 5       | £12365 GBP pp |
| Prestige Deck 6 Suite | £24145 GBP pp |