


# THE HIDDEN TREASURES OF THE PHILIPPINES AND BORNEO LUXURY CRUISE

Set off to explore the cultural and natural treasures of the Philippines, Brunei and Malaysia 's Sarawak region during an odyssey along the South China Sea. From Corregidor in Manila Bay , you will be immersed in a captivating history where the echoes of a colonial past and the battles of the Second World War still resonate. Throughout this journey, you will encounter a majestic natural world revealing the striking beauty of its wonders. Along these sun-drenched shores, the Puerto Princesa subterranean river flows through karst caves, the rich marine biodiversity of Coron invites discovery, while the beaches of the Balabac Islands stretch out under a gentle breeze, and abundant life flourishes in the lush mangroves of Brunei. Then, in Malaysia , fall under the spell of Kuching , the elegant capital of Sarawak, with its historic façades and lively markets, before the floating cities of Borneo reveal their heritage.




## 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.

### Day 2 - Corregidor Island

Located at the entrance to Manila Bay, **Corregidor Island** blends wild nature and historical remnants, offering an atmosphere that is at once peaceful and fascinating. Once the




**gateway to the transpacific trade** facilitated by the Spanish, connecting Acapulco to Manila, it has become a strong **symbol of the Second World War**. Plunge into this historic sanctuary by discovering its fortifications, the ruins of its barracks and gun batteries, its tunnels and its **impressive miliary memorial** devoted to Filipino, American and Japanese soldiers.

### Day 3 - Coron, Palawan

Anchored off the extreme north of Palawan in the heart of the Philippines' Calamian Islands, the little island of Coron is an emerald gem adorned with lakes. Among the many activities here, you can explore the shores of **Lake Kayangan** in a bangka, a traditional outrigger cano dive in the fresh, warm waters of **Lake Barracuda**. Famous for its limestone cliffs pierced with caves, the island also has an extraordinary cultural heritage. A stopover in Coron offers an excellent opportunity for meeting the indigenous Tagbanua tribe, a fishing and hunting people who ensure their island remains unspoilt. And it has paid off. Coron has retained all its natural wonders.

### Day 4 - Culion, Palawan

Surrounded by 41 islets in the heart of the Calamian Archipelago, the island of Culion is a **peaceful insular** **community** located north of Palawan. It is renowned for its **rich historical legacy** and**heritage sites** , since it used to shelter a leper colony created in 1906 under American colonial rule. A very characterful place imbued with **local atmosphere** , Culion has many historical buildings that remain intact today. You will be able to discover its hospital, which houses a museum and archives of photos and historical objects. You will then visit the **Church of Immaculate Conception** , whose ceiling was painted by people with leprosy. It is part of an old Spanish fort affording **views over the sea and surrounding villages.** The visit will end with a **local** **show** on Rizal Square, where you will be able to observe the historic homes of former leprosy patients as well as the original theatre.

### Day 5 - Modessa Island, Palawan

Nestling off the coast of Palawan, the island of Modessa is a veritable tropical and pristine refuge. This small isolated island, edged with beaches of white sand and shaded by coconut trees, invites you to enjoy a timeless interlude. Surrounded by coral reefs, it shelters **teeming marine life** (tropical fish, coral, starfish and turtles), offering ideal conditions for **snorkelling** , directly accessible from the shore. Between swimming in **crystal-clear waters** , moments of relaxation on the beach and immersion in intact nature, this insular setting is sure to be an unforgettable port of call.

### Day 6 - Puerto Princesa, Palawan

**Puerto Princesa** , in the centre of **Palawan island** , is a great place for exploring many of the region's natural attractions. You won't have to go too far before donning your snorkelling kit and swimming with the abundant and richly diverse sealife: off Puerto Princesa, you'll enjoy the breathtaking coral islands of **Honda Bay**. If you'd like to experience nature in her most spectacular finery, make sure you see the karstic topography of the underground river in Puerto Princesa s national park, a UNESCO World Heritage site.

### Day 7 - Balabac

Located at the far south-west of the Philippines, opposite Sabah in Malaysia, the **Balabac** **archipelago** is composed of 32 islands forming the southernmost group of **Palawan




Province**. There, you will discover idyllic white sand beaches edged with crystal clear water, a veritable invitation for swimming and relaxation.

### Day 8 - Kota Kinabalu, Sabah

Located on the north-east coast of the Malaysian State of Sabah on the**island of Borneo,** **Kota Kinabalu** is an excellent jumping-off point for exploring the natural attractions of the region. It is close to Mt Kinabalu, but before you head off to climb the holy mountain check out the heart of the old city, nicknamed **KK** by locals. Although there isn't much left of its colonial heritage, its multi-cultural restaurants, shops and friendly atmosphere is immensely appealing. Don't miss a stroll along the KK's busiest promenade, the colourful **Waterfront.**

### Day 9 - Muara

A port town located in north-east Brunei, **Muara** is a privileged access route towards **Bandar Seri Begawan** , the country's capital. Developed around the famous village on stilts, **Kampong Ayer** , the capital is distinguished by its **majestic Islamic architecture** , symbol of the Sultanate's greatness through its **imposing mosques** and its impressive royal buildings. Here, tradition and modernity live together in harmony, offering a face of Brunei that is at once historic, spiritual and contemporary.

### Day 10 - Bintulu, Sarawak

Located on the central coast of Sarawak, the old fishing village of **Bintulu** is now a nerve centre of the Malaysian oil and gas industry, but also a **dynamic town** with a remarkably well-preserved **cultural and natural heritage**. Fall under the spell of its lively traditional markets, its Chinese temples, and its**longhouses** , living witnesses of its ancestral heritage. Bintulu also offers privileged access to the **Similajau** **National** **Park** , a veritable tropical nature sanctuary in which idyllic beaches, lush mangroves and wildlife make up a fascinating landscape, its beauty intact.

### Day 11 - Kuching, Sarawak

On the island of Borneo, the state of Sarawak invites you to live out your dreams of adventure. The largest state in Malaysia is home to some of the oldest forest on the planet and we can easily understand why this little corner of paradise inspired Somerset Maugham, the British writer and traveller, to write one of his novels - The Casuarina Tree. We invite you to follow in the footsteps of the writer and set off to discover the colonial capital of the State: Kuching, which is known as "Cat City" in Malay, where a feline languor does indeed permeate this tantalizingly elusive city. Lying nonchalantly on the banks of the Sungai Sarawak, this little city is proud of its romantic past and its quaint charm and beauty.

### Day 12 - 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 13 - Singapore

Nicknamed the Garden City, Singapore stretches across Malaysia's southern-most region. Experience the vibrant hustle and bustle of this city-state for yourself at the **Marina Bay**. No too far away is the historic centre, offering up a unique smorgasbord of neoclassical buildings and contemporary towers. Decked out in topiary, the pavements of Orchard Road are also home to countless shopping centres. The colourful markets in **Chinatown** and **Little India** are the perfect opportunity to quell hunger pangs in a hawker centre, one of the city's traditional snack bars. Between the two districts, get a slice of history with a trip to the **Raffles dock**. It was here that Englishman **Sir Raffles** , the founder of the city, is said to have arrived one fateful day in January 1819.

Please note:

Itineraries are subject to change.




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**YOUR SHIP:** **Le Jacques Cartier**

**VESSEL TYPE:**

**LENGTH:**

**PASSENGER CAPACITY:**

**BUILT/REFURBISHED:**

Featuring innovative and environmentally-friendly equipment, elegantly designed staterooms, spacious suites with large windows, and lounge areas that open onto the outside, this new limited-capacity yacht boasting just 92 staterooms and suites will offer you a truly unique cruising experience. Le Jacques Cartier will embody refinement, intimacy and comfort. Aboard this ship that flies the French flag, you will experience the incomparable pleasure of an intimate cruise, with the possibility of exploring an ever-increasing range of destinations in an ethnic-chic ambiance with luxury service. Experience a luxurious setting where the accent is on authenticity and passion for travel. RESTAURANTS As it is an essential part of French culture, gastronomy will naturally have pride of place aboard this new ship. To the back of Deck 4, you will find a 260 m² panoramic restaurant which can accommodate all of our passengers in a single sitting. Designed differently to that on our other ships, this dining area, which opens onto the outside, will have a buffet of salads, desserts and cheeses at your disposal. Our discreet and attentive crew will provide table service for hot meals. In a relaxed atmosphere, an outdoor grill on Deck 3 will serve grilled meats with a variety of salads and desserts. PUBLIC AREAS Le Jacques Cartier has many common areas that are designed and equipped to meet all of your needs while preserving the intimacy of each passenger. A 140 m² reception area includes: A reception/concierge desk, An excursions desk, The ship's administrative services, The sales office, manned by our Guest Relations Officer, Our 50 m² boutique which sells clothing, jewellery, beauty products, postcards and various accessories, Toilets accessible to passengers with reduced mobility. A new hydraulic platform with adjustable height provides: Easier boarding than on any other cruise ship, Easier Zodiac embarkation and disembarkation for expeditions, Easier access to the sea for swimming and practising various water sports such as kayaking or paddle-boarding. A pool deck offering: A pool with a panoramic view, equipped with a counter-current swimming system, A pleasant solarium, An outdoor bar and lounge with armchairs and sofas. A 200 m² main lounge which can accommodate all of our passengers to share convivial moments and to host activities organised during the day or evening. Lastly, a theatre that seats 188, equipped with: The latest sound and lighting technology, A LED wall as the stage backdrop, for the projection of high-resolution images and videos. Please click the following links to read more about Ponant and the other Ponant






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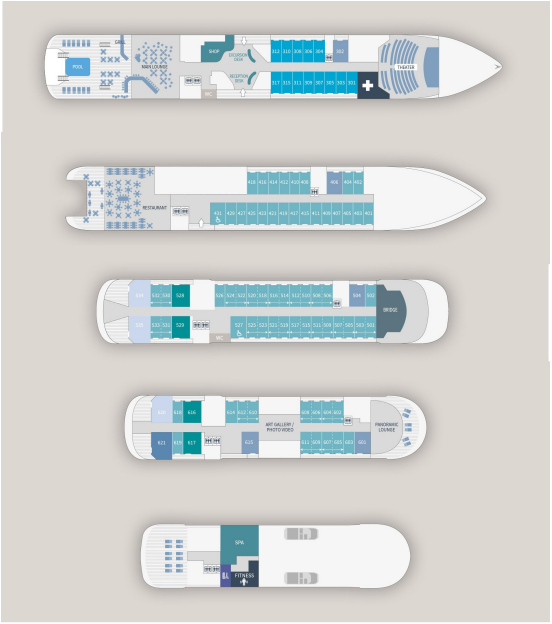
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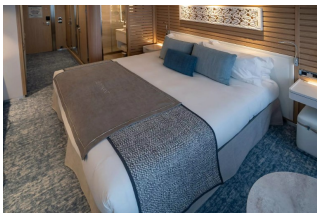
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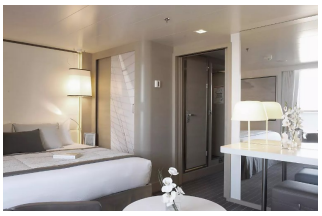

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Deluxe Suite



Deluxe Suite Deck 3



Deluxe Suite Deck 4



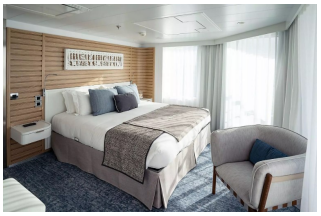
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Deluxe Suite Deck 6



Grand Deluxe Suite

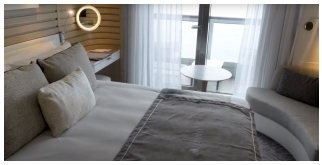


Owner's Suite

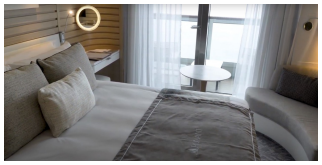





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Prestige Stateroom Deck 6



Prestige Suite Deck 5



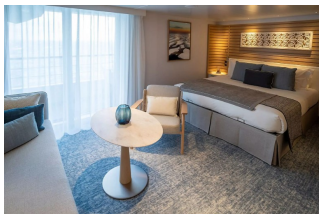
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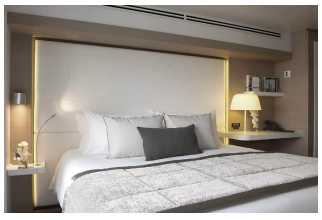
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Superior Stateroom






# PRICING

**21-Apr-2027 to 03-May-2027**

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| Prestige Stateroom Deck 5 | £10285 GBP pp |
| Prestige Stateroom Deck 6 | £10695 GBP pp |
| Prestige Suite Deck 5 | £13575 GBP pp |
| Owner's Suite | £15235 GBP pp |
| Deluxe Suite Deck 5 | £12605 GBP pp |
| Prestige Suite Deck 6 | £14005 GBP pp |
| Deluxe Stateroom | £9475 GBP pp |
| Deluxe Suite Deck 3 | £12605 GBP pp |
| Privilege Suite Deck 6 | £14355 GBP pp |
| Prestige Stateroom Deck 4 | £9985 GBP pp |
| Grand Deluxe Suite | £14795 GBP pp |
| Deluxe Suite Deck 4 | £12605 GBP pp |
| Privilege Suite Deck 5 | £14355 GBP pp |
| Deluxe Suite Deck 6 | £12605 GBP pp |

**20-May-2027 to 01-Jun-2027**

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| Prestige Stateroom Deck 6 | £11955 GBP pp |
| Deluxe Suite | £16595 GBP pp |
| Prestige Suite Deck 6 | £23535 GBP pp |
| Deluxe Stateroom | £9735 GBP pp |
| Superior Stateroom | £9005 GBP pp |
| Prestige Stateroom Deck 5 | £11315 GBP pp |
| Prestige Stateroom Deck 4 | £10785 GBP pp |
| Owner's Suite | £27015 GBP pp |
| Prestige Suite Deck 5 | £22375 GBP pp |

**05-Nov-2027 to 17-Nov-2027**

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| Deluxe Suite | £12025 GBP pp |
| Prestige Stateroom Deck 4 | £7785 GBP pp |
| Prestige Suite Deck 5 | £16275 GBP pp |
| Prestige Suite Deck 6 | £17125 GBP pp |
| Deluxe Stateroom | £7015 GBP pp |
| Superior Stateroom | £6475 GBP pp |
| Prestige Stateroom Deck 6 | £8625 GBP pp |
| Owner's Suite | £24485 GBP pp |
| Prestige Stateroom Deck 5 | £8165 GBP pp |




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**22-Jan-2028 to 03-Feb-2028**

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| Superior Stateroom | £7615 GBP pp |
| Prestige Suite Deck 6 | £19605 GBP pp |
| Prestige Stateroom Deck 5 | £9525 GBP pp |
| Prestige Suite Deck 5 | £18645 GBP pp |
| Deluxe Suite | £13865 GBP pp |
| Prestige Stateroom Deck 4 | £9095 GBP pp |
| Prestige Stateroom Deck 6 | £10045 GBP pp |
| Owner's Suite | £24875 GBP pp |
| Deluxe Stateroom | £8225 GBP pp |

**28-Apr-2028 to 10-May-2028**

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| Deluxe Suite Deck 3 | £13585 GBP pp |
| Owner's Suite | £17155 GBP pp |
| Prestige Suite Deck 6 | £15055 GBP pp |
| Prestige Stateroom Deck 5 | £9825 GBP pp |
| Prestige Stateroom Deck 4 | £9555 GBP pp |
| Privilege Suite Deck 6 | £15415 GBP pp |
| Deluxe Stateroom | £9095 GBP pp |
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