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## VOLCANIC ISLANDS AND HISTORIC CITIES OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC IN LUXURY

In the heart of the Atlantic Ocean, set off to discover the volcanic and verdant landscapes of the Canary Islands and Madeira, as well as some of the fascinating historic cities to be found on the Moroccan and Portuguese shores. On these lands of a thousand contrasts, nature reveals a wild beauty, featuring majestic volcanos, lush valleys and secret coves. You will explore cities with a rich past, brimming with architectural treasures that blend Spanish, Portuguese and Moorish influences, and picturesque and lively squares ideal for strolling around and immersing yourself in the local atmosphere. An unforgettable journey during which nature meets the vibrant heritage of past civilisations. \_Some departures may have slightly modified itineraries. Please confirm the itinerary with an Expedition Specialist.\_



### ITINERARY

Day 1 Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Canary Islands

A stopover of sunny climes, Las Palmas is located on the north-east coast of Gran Canaria. A few streets away from Puerto de la Luz port, you'll discover the vast Las Canteras beach, bordered with the town's characteristic palms. You'll find these palms are all over Las Palmas, in the streets and squares, especially on the plaza de Santa Ana in the heart of the historical district. It feels like you've travelled back in time here, as you stand looking at the tall houses beside the Santa Ana cathedral. Very close by, you can visit the Casa de Colon, a museum dedicated to the famous explorer. The museum is housed in the palace belonging to the island's former governor.

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Chances are, you'll be drawn to the covered Vegueta market to partake in some daily life along with the locals and taste some unfamiliar dishes.

#### Day 2 Santa Cruz de Tenerife, Canary Islands

The capital city of Tenerife is located on the north-east coast of the island. Close to the port is the monumental Plaza de España, bedecked with a fountain and plant sculptures. Around the plaza, you can admire the white marble Triunfo de la Candelaria obelisk, the historic casino of Santa Cruz and the majestic Guimera theatre. Not far from here, the picturesque Iglesia de la Concepcion church features the characteristic traits of Canaries architecture.

#### Day 3 San Sebastian de la Gomera, Canary Islands

La Gomera rises from the water like a mirage. This volcanic island in the Canaries features jagged cliffs, valleys covered in palm trees, and beaches of black sand bathing in crystal-clear waters. But its greatest treasure lies at its heart: an exceptional laurisilva, a laurel forest whose prehistoric vegetation has been preserved thanks to the microclimate on the island. This unique ecosystem, common a few million years ago in the tropics, forms the Garajonay National Park, listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Like the birds, the Guanches contribute to the poetry of the island too, with their whistled language called Silbo. This magical-sounding, melodious language is also listed as World Heritage by UNESCO.

#### Day 4 Santa Cruz de La Palma, Canary Islands

The capital of the island of Palma, Santa Cruz de la Palma is the pearl of the Canaries. Founded in 1493 by the conquistador Alonso Fernandez de Lugo, the city has preserved a large and atypical architectural heritage from its colonial past, with its

traditional Canarian houses adorned with brightly coloured wooden balconies, its cobbled streets, its sumptuous palaces and its numerous religious buildings. The Santa Catalina Castle is the symbol of the city. This 16th century military fortification helped defend the city from repeated attacks by French privateers.

#### Days 5 - 6 Funchal, Madeira

This attractive capital of Madeira is located on the southern coast of the island. The walkways of the old town are lined with azulejos, or multi-coloured mosaics. If you follow these patterns, they'll lead you to the appetising Mercado dos Lavradores market stands, the Frederico de Freitas museum, and the golden panelling of the Cathedral de la Se. Along the waterfront, the palm tree-shaded promenade leads you to the telefericos de Monte, Madeira's cable cars. Its panoramic cabins transport you over the city to top of Monte, where you can see the picturesque botanical garden.

#### 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 Cadiz

Andalusia's Cadiz is located on the Costa de la Luz, in the south-west of Spain. From the beaches of Cortadura, to the flamenco bars of Santa Maria, through the colourful streets of la Viña, you will be amazed by this city, which is both steeped in history and extremely festive. In the medieval El Populo district, you will stroll along covered passages in the narrow gaps between houses. You will also be able to mosey around the lush Mina square. The star of the show is the magnificent cathedral and its dome crowned with yellow porcelain, presiding above the Ocean.

### Day 9 Huelva

The Andalusian city of Huelva is located on a peninsula at the confluence of the Odiel and Tinto rivers forming an estuary with the Atlantic. From Huelva, you'll be able to discover the Doñana National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The park's different ecosystems such as marshes, lagoons, pine forests, banks, shifting dunes, cliffs are home to rich wildlife among which are several protected species, including the Iberian lynx. Near the park, the village of El Rocío has a Wild West feel to it. Every year, at Pentecost, its sandy streets welcome the Romeria, Spain's biggest pilgrimage.

### Day 10 At sea

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### Day 11 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 luxury shopping.

### Please note:

Itineraries are subject to change.

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## YOUR SHIP: L'AUSTRAL

<b>YOUR SHIP:</b>	<b>L'Austral</b>
<b>VESSEL TYPE:</b>	<b>142 metres. Passenger Capacity: 264 (200 in Antarctica). Built:</b>
<b>LENGTH:</b>	<b>2011</b>
<b>PASSENGER CAPACITY:</b>	
<b>BUILT/REFURBISHED:</b>	

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 soothing 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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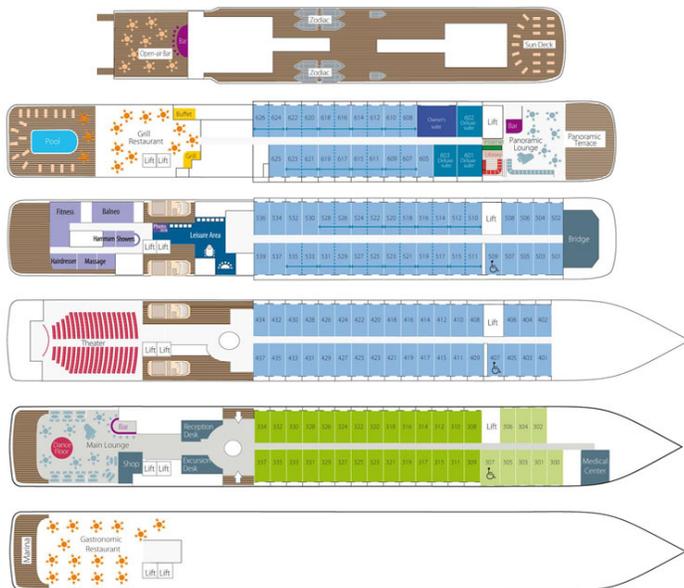
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## INSIDE YOUR SHIP



Deluxe Stateroom



Deluxe Suite



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Deluxe Suite Deck 4



Deluxe Suite Deck 5

Deluxe Suite Deck 6

Grand Deluxe Suite

Grand Deluxe Suite Deck 5

Grand Deluxe Suite Deck 6

Grand Privilege Suite

Prestige Deck 4

Prestige Deck 5

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## PRICING

### 13-Apr-2027 to 22-Apr-2027

Prestige Deck 4	£4135 GBP pp
Deluxe Stateroom	£3935 GBP pp
Deluxe Suite Deck 3	£5935 GBP pp
Prestige Deck 5 Suite	£6385 GBP pp
Grand Deluxe Suite Deck 6	£6955 GBP pp
Grand Deluxe Suite Deck 5	£6545 GBP pp
Deluxe Suite Deck 6	£5935 GBP pp
Prestige Deck 6	£4425 GBP pp
Prestige Deck 6 Suite	£6585 GBP pp
Privilege Suite Deck 5	£6755 GBP pp
Privilege Suite Deck 6	£6755 GBP pp
Prestige Deck 5	£4255 GBP pp
Deluxe Suite Deck 5	£5935 GBP pp
Deluxe Suite Deck 4	£5935 GBP pp

Prestige Deck 6	£4345 GBP pp
Deluxe Suite	£5815 GBP pp
Prestige Deck 4	£4065 GBP pp
Privilege Suite	£6455 GBP pp
Superior Stateroom	£3595 GBP pp
Grand Deluxe Suite	£6775 GBP pp
Prestige Deck 5	£4185 GBP pp
Prestige Deck 5 Suite	£6255 GBP pp
Deluxe Stateroom	£3865 GBP pp
Grand Privilege Suite	£7605 GBP pp

### 14-Apr-2027 to 24-Apr-2027