

## The Small Cruise Ship Collection

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## WESTERN EUROPE CRUISE FROM PORTUGAL TO THE NETHERLANDS

Embark on a Western Europe luxury cruise that sails from Portugal to the Netherlands, inviting you to relive the golden age of exploration. Starting in Lisbon, with its majestic seven hills and Gothic monastery, the journey concludes amidst Amsterdam's iconic canals. The voyage weaves through celebrated European ports, offering immersive experiences that blend history and modern vibrancy. As the cruise sails from Lisbon, soak in the charm of Figueira da Foz, famed for its vast beaches, and immerse in Ferrol's naval legacy and nearby UNESCO landmarks. In Bordeaux, the heart of wine country, discover architectural brilliance and world-renowned vineyards. Navigate through Cherbourg's maritime past or indulge in artistic inspiration in Rouen and Bayeux. Finally, explore Oostende's noble retreats before reaching Amsterdam, where windmills grace the canal-lined countryside. Throughout this elegant adventure, engage in activities that range from strolling along boulevards in Santander to savoring local delicacies in Gijon. Onboard, enjoy lectures from experts, refine your photography skills, or relax on the deck's panoramic views. This luxury cruise blends discovery and leisure, offering a perfect balance of cultural enrichment and tranquil relaxation.



### ITINERARY

#### Day 1 Lisbon

Spread over seven hills with Sao Jorge Castle views, bustling Lisbon is one of the world's oldest cities. Elegant Baixa, hilltop Alfama with its yellow tram, and scenic Graça overlooking pastel buildings, are top areas. The Jeronimos Monastery in Belem is a World Heritage Gothic site. The classic Portuguese pastel de nata custard tarts are a local treat. Europe's longest suspension bridge, the Ponte 25 de Abril, crosses the river Tagus.

#### Day 2 Figueira da Foz

The oldest resort on Portugal's Atlantic coast, Figueira da Foz, or Figueira, has a sandy, two-mile-long beach, the longest in Portugal. Once a centre for shipbuilding and deep sea fishing, the town became a popular tourist hotspot in the 1920s. Visitors come for walks along the promenade, stop at the

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beachfront cafes or wander north for seafood restaurants in Buarcos, a fortified town that's known for its fisherman's huts and for surfing.

### Day 3 Ferrol

With a rich seafaring history and scenic beaches, Ferrol, in A Coruña, Galicia, on the Atlantic coast, champions the Ferrol Naval Museum and the 16th-century San Felipe Castle. Nearby, La Coruña, dubbed the Crystal City for its glass-fronted buildings, showcases the 1st-century Hercules Tower, a UNESCO landmark. Santiago de Compostela, a famed pilgrimage centre, houses the cathedral believed to hold the remains of St. James the Great.

### Day 4 Gijón

The Asturian port city Gijón with colourful old houses is surrounded by green hills and is home to the Atlantic Botanical Gardens with over 2,000 plants. The monumental sculpture "Eulogy to the Horizon" by Basque sculptor Eduardo Chillida overlooks the sea. In the fisherman's old quarter, Cimadevilla, the Campo Valdes Roman Baths date from around 100 AD. Local ciders are a speciality, best enjoyed in a traditional sideria.

### Day 5 Santander

Santander, known for its beaches, unveils tales of a bygone era through medieval alleyways and ancient architecture. The Paseo de Pereda is a lush haven of gardens and sculptures. The city's history, dating back to Roman times, is marked by landmarks like the 13th-century Gothic cathedral, Catedral de la Asuncion,

and the Palacio de la Magdalena, a former royal summer residence. Santander is also renowned for traditional Basque cuisine.

### Days 6-7 Bordeaux

Bordeaux, a key port city in southwestern France, is the heart of the French wine industry. The Cite du Vin, an interactive wine museum, and the UNESCO-listed 18th-century old city highlight its cultural and architectural significance. Surrounded by famed wine regions like Medoc, Graves, Sauternes, Pomerol and Saint-Émilion, Bordeaux blends rich history with world-class gastronomy and markets like Capucins and Chartrons.

### Day 8 Day at sea

Sea days are rarely dull. Take the time to sit back and let the world go by. The ship's observation decks provide stunning views of the passing ocean. A day at sea gives you the opportunity to mingle with other passengers and share your experiences of this incredible trip or head to our library which is stocked full of reference books. Get an expert's view in one of our on-board lectures or perhaps perfect your photography skills with invaluable advice from our onboard professional photographers.

### Day 9 Cherbourg

Cherbourg, on Normandy's Cotentin peninsula, packs maritime history at the Art Deco transatlantic terminal's Cite de la Mer—home to Titanic exhibits and the colossal submarine, Le Redoutable. Fort du Roule Musee de la Liberation retraces WWII in Normandy. Nearby, the city of Rouen is celebrated for





impressionist art and Rouen Cathedral, while Bayeux hosts the famous 70m-long Bayeux Tapestry depicting the Norman conquest and Battle of Hastings.

#### Day 10 Oostende

Once a retreat for European nobility, Oostende's charm lies in its sandy beaches, boardwalk, racetrack, 19th-century Belle Époque architecture, beachfront cafes and a harbour with seafood stalls. The Atlantikwall, a network of WWI and WWII bunkers, is now an open-air museum. Other museums include the Ensor Museum with James Ensor's maritime artworks, the Mercator aboard a 1930s three-masted ship, and Mu.ZEE, displaying Belgian art from the 1830s.

#### Day 11 Amsterdam

Amsterdam is a gorgeous Dutch city where a boat cruise along the canals gets to the heart of things. Yet, the magic also unfolds while strolling through narrow streets and crossing the hundreds of bridges. It houses a treasure trove of fabulous art museums, including the Rijksmuseum, adorned with Dutch Masters, conveniently located near the Van Gogh Museum. To the south, picturesque stretches of countryside with windmills line the canals.

Please note:

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## YOUR SHIP: DIANA

**YOUR SHIP:**

**Diana**

**VESSEL TYPE:**

**LENGTH:**

**PASSENGER CAPACITY:**

**BUILT/REFURBISHED:**

Launched in 2023, SH Diana provides elegant and spacious 5-star accommodation for 192 guests in 96 spacious staterooms and suites, the vast majority with large balconies. Operated by an onboard team of 140 she provides a high level of personal service, exploring the Mediterranean and its famous sites of antiquity. Now sit back, relax and take a moment to get to know this amazing new ship, purpose-designed for our unique cultural expedition cruises. Named after the Ancient Roman goddess of light, the moon, hunting and the wilderness, SH Diana has been specially designed for worldwide cruising to explore the most inspiring and inaccessible places on earth. Building on the outstanding amenities of her sister ships, she adds a dedicated Multifunctional Room next to the Observation Lounge, a Private Dining Room for special occasions, and two tenders which bring guests a comfortable alternative to Zodiacs for expedition landings. A Polar Class 6 ice-strengthened hull combines with extra-large stabilisers to make your journey as comfortable as possible. SH Diana has been designed for immersive experiences, with extensive outside deck areas, multiple observation points and bright, open and relaxing public spaces with unobstructed views. The pleasure and safety of our

guests is paramount at all times, cared for by our attentive crew and seasoned expedition leaders. Cutting edge hygiene technology protects the health of all on board to the highest standards and includes air conditioning with UV sanitisation systems. SH Diana's 96 staterooms, including 11 suites, are each a superbly comfortable home from home and all feature panoramic sea views, a flame-effect fireplace, original works of art, plush couches, premium pocket sprung mattresses, en-suite bathrooms with glass-enclosed rain showers, and Egyptian cotton towels, bathrobes and sheets. A pillow menu offers customised head and neck comfort during rest, while a large flat screen TV, espresso machine with Illy premium coffee, tea making facilities with the finest Kusmi teas, and a minibar with refreshments enhance relaxation at any time. In-room dining is of course available at all hours. Wheelchair access Guests who use wheelchairs must bring their own, as we have only a small number of wheelchairs stored onboard for emergencies. To ensure ease of movement on the ship, wheelchairs and mobility aids must be no wider than 65cm. All mobility or medical equipment brought on board must be capable of being carried safely and must be declared before sailing. To ensure that all guests can safely evacuate during an emergency, guests requiring a wheelchair can only be accommodated in our ADA-accessible cabins. We offer an Oceanview and a Balcony stateroom on Diana. These staterooms are specifically designed to be completely ADA compliant and have a fully operable wheelchair-access wet unit. Diana has two lifts, serving every passenger deck apart from the Stargazing top deck, which is, therefore, more difficult to access, as are the Aft Marina and

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Swan's Nest forward observation platform. Also, we don't have special equipment to access the swimming pool, jacuzzi, or sauna. Otherwise, the ship is entirely at your disposal. Many of the expeditions ashore in remote places are by Zodiac. Boarding these boats and returning aboard can present challenges for wheelchair users, as can navigating uneven terrain. These challenges are by no means always insurmountable, though, and our highly experienced crew is trained to provide reliable advice and assistance. They will make every effort to ensure wheelchair-using guests enjoy a memorable experience at each destination. Our general guidance, however, is to recommend wheelchair users travel with a companion for their ease and enjoyment. If you prefer to remain aboard, our panoramic interiors and ample open decks ensure an immersive, intimate experience of your inspiring



surroundings.

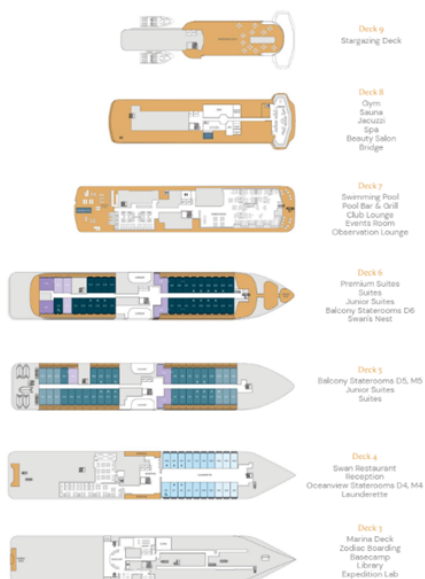
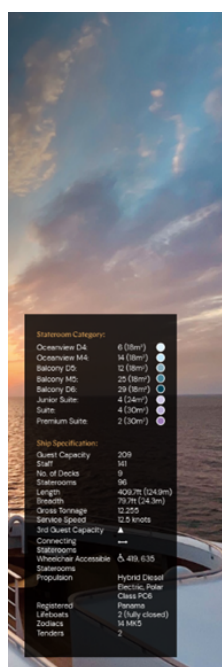
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## INSIDE YOUR SHIP



Balcony D5



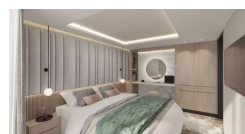
Balcony D6



Balcony M5



Junior Suite



Oceanview D4



Oceanview M4



Premium Suite

Suite





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14-May-2026 to 25-May-2026

Suite	£15190 GBP pp
Oceanview D4	£8690 GBP pp
Premium Suite	£17340 GBP pp
Balcony D6	£11290 GBP pp
Balcony M5	£10840 GBP pp
Junior Suite	£12990 GBP pp
Oceanview M4	£9090 GBP pp
Balcony D5	£10390 GBP pp



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