



Destination: **MEDITERRANEAN**

Itinerary: **Naples, Messina, Valletta, Barcelona, Marseille, Genoa,**

Ship: **MSC WORLD EUROPA**

Departure port: **Naples, Italy**

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NAP04 - EXCURSION TO VESUVIUS



**ACTIVE &
ADVENTURE**

The beautiful Bay of Naples in the south of Italy is dominated by the town's most iconic landmark: Mount Vesuvius, whose main cone currently reaches nearly 1.300 metres. While the slopes are marked by lava flows, a testament to earlier eruptions, they also feature heavy vegetation with vineyards in the foothills as well as scrubland and forestation higher up. Mount Vesuvius' best-known eruption occurred in A.D. 79 and resulted in the destruction of two cities: Pompeii and Herculaneum, which were only rediscovered in the 18th-century. An enjoyable guided walking tour will take you to the crater, from which point you can see a bed of lava and look out over the beautiful Gulf of Naples. Your return journey to the ship will give you more opportunity to admire the landscape's lovely vistas. Please note: we suggest wearing comfortable walking shoes for the 30-minute climb up to the crater. In case of bad weather, the tour programme will take guests on a panoramic tour of Naples. This tour is considered to be unsuitable for guests with heart/mobility problems or using a wheelchair.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 63.00

Child: \$ 45.00



NAP27 - Underground Naples and Pizza Making



**SOMETHING
SPECIAL**

Price per person

Adult: \$ 114.00

Child: \$ 83.00



NAP43C - PROTECTOURS: ASTRONI CRATER NATURE RESERVE EXPLORATION

MSC PROTECTOURS



Explore a thrilling nature reserve on the edge of Naples located in the crater of an extinct volcano. This guided tour takes you deep into the World Wildlife Fund Nature Reserve of the Astroni caldera extending from the western edge of Naples into the municipality of Pozzuoli. Located in the Campi Flegrei ("burning fields") supervolcano famous for its thermal springs in Ancient Roman times the Astroni caldera was formed with the collapse of a volcano that's been extinct for 3.700 years. Descending into its depths you'll enter thick well-preserved woodland with three lakes at the base that date back to its origins located just 10 metres above sea level. The largest Lago Grande is fed by an underground source while the much smaller Cofaniello Piccolo and Cofaniello Grande are fed by rainfall. Please note: this tour is unsuitable for guests with walking difficulties or using a wheelchair.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 79.00
Child: \$ 68.00



NAP01 - POMPEII

CULTURE AND HISTORY



Your archaeological tour begins with a drive towards Pompeii, a once thriving town that was completely buried by lava, rubble and ash during the catastrophic eruption of Vesuvius in A.D. 79. It then lay hidden and perfectly preserved under tonnes of volcanic ash for almost 1,700 years before being accidentally rediscovered in the mid-18th century and then subsequently being excavated. The many artefacts that were found, especially items of daily life such as bread and honey, give the visitor a glimpse of the lives these ancient Romans lived. A fascinating guided walking tour will provide insight into the history of this amazing and very large archaeological site. A stop will also be made at a local coral factory on your return journey to the ship. Please note: as the tour involves longer periods of walking on uneven ground (i.e. boulders in the streets of Pompeii), it is considered to be unsuitable for guests of limited mobility or who use a wheelchair.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 79.00
Child: \$ 60.00



NAP02 - NAPLES HISTORIC CENTRE

CITY TOUR



Depart from the port to the famous "Posillipo" district, situated high on a hill and which we will reach by driving through the most important and attractive streets in Naples. The excursion continues with visits to the famous Principe Umberto I's Gallery, San Carlo Theatre (exterior view) and Piazza Plebiscito. Next on the list is a visit to San Lorenzo Church tucked away in the historic centre of the ancient Greco-Roman city and its excavations. Before returning to the port, enjoy walking along Via San Gregorio Armeno, home to countless artisans crafting nativity scenes. Please note: as this tour involves long periods of walking and stairs and very narrow paths at the excavations, it is not suitable for guests who are claustrophobic or using a wheelchair. Guests of limited mobility are requested to evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability before taking part. Conservative attire recommended for visiting sites of religious importance. The visit to the church is subject to the Bishop's approval; have the programme reconfirmed aboard.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 56.00
Child: \$ 40.00



NAP03 - CAPRI ISLAND TOUR

SCENIC ROUTE



Situated just a short ferry or hydrofoil transfer from the Bay of Naples, the beautiful island of Capri awaits you on this enchanting island tour. After docking at the Marina Grande on the north side of the island, you will board a minibus or the cable car to reach Anacapri, your first introduction on the Capri-style life. Enjoy some free time to stroll the cosy streets for shopping before reaching the splendid Villa San Michele, which was built by the Swedish physician Dr. Munthe at the turn of the 20th century and affords gorgeous views of the island and the sea beyond. Next, you will board the minibus to reach Capri town to have some free time to explore the charming streets that surround the famous Piazza Umberto I or, if you wish, to visit Augustus Gardens on your own (price not included) offering enchanting views over the iconic Faraglioni. A minibus or a cable car ride will take you back to the port where to board the ferry or a hydrofoil for your return journey to the port of Naples. Please note: the transfer to Capri may be on a public or a private hydrofoil/catamaran. The excursion does not operate from November to February (inclusive). This tour is not suitable for guests with mobility problems or using a wheelchair. Guides will only give basic instructions on how to move on the island during the tour; they will not stay with the guests.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 106.00
Child: \$ 79.00



NAP05 - THE ROYAL PALACE OF CASERTA

CULTURE AND HISTORY



Just to the north of Naples lies the town of Caserta and the Palace of Caserta, the landmark for which the town is best known. A 45-minute coach transfer inland from the port will take you to Caserta's magnificent former royal residence, which was built for the Bourbon kings of Naples towards the end of the 18th-century. The palace was declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1997. Modelled on the Palace of Versailles, this spectacular Baroque masterpiece is one of the finest examples of architecture from the Borbonic period. You will have time to look around the ornately decorated rooms and spend explore the extensive park on your own before heading back to Naples and your ship. Please note: this tour involves walking on stairs inside the Palace and is not suitable for guests using a wheelchair. Guests of limited mobility are requested to evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability before taking part. This tour is not available on Tuesdays.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 63.00
Child: \$ 48.00



NAP07 - SORRENTO

CITY TOUR



One of the pearls of the Gulf of Naples, Sorrento is surrounded by limestone hills, where olive trees and citrus groves show off a quintessential Italian landscape to all those who visit this delightful town. We will leave the port of Naples and reach Sorrento after a one-hour drive that takes us through the little villages of the coast. Our walking tour will start in Piazza Tasso and continue in the historic narrow streets of this unique town. We will walk to the Sedil Dominova XV century loggia, before having external viewing of the Cathedral and San Francesco's Church. Free time before returning to Naples. Please note: although this tour includes periods of walking wheelchair users can take part on condition to be accompanied by a paying helper to provide assistance with getting on and off the coach and that wheelchairs must be collapsible/foldable since the coach has neither a ramp nor a lift. Guests using a wheelchair who would like to participate in this tour are requested to contact the Shore Excursions Desk promptly once they are on board so that arrangements can be made.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 48.00
Child: \$ 45.00



Note for guests with disabilities



NAP08 - SORRENTO & POMPEI

CITY TOUR



Prepare to discover two iconic Italian locations on this entertaining tour, which begins with a 1-hour coach transfer to Sorrento, passing through pretty coastal villages on the way. You'll then be taken on a walk through the narrow streets of this history-laden town, starting at Piazza Tasso. Look forward to outside views of the 15th-century Sedil Dominova building, the originally 11th-century Sorrento Cathedral and the 14th-century Church of San Francesco and its adjoining cloister. Next up, you'll continue on to the archaeological site at Pompeii, the location of a devastating volcanic eruption A.D. 79. The resulting ash and rubble buried the area for almost 1,700 years before it was rediscovered by accident in the mid-18th century. You'll be taken on a guided walk around the large excavation, providing you with insight into the way life lived out before disaster struck. The return journey will include a stop at a local coral factory. Please note: as the tour involves longer periods of walking on uneven ground (i.e. boulders in the streets of Pompeii), it is considered to be unsuitable for guests of limited mobility or who use a wheelchair.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 109.00

Child: \$ 79.00



NAP13 - AMALFI AND RAVELLO

CITY TOUR



Let yourself be enchanted by one of the world's most beautiful shorelines on this all-day tour to the Amalfi Coast, the seaside town of Amalfi itself and the nearby village of Ravello, all classed as UNESCO World Heritage Sites. A scenic drive from the pier will take you there and on arrival in Amalfi, you will have free time to have lunch and to explore this historical gem at leisure. The whole town appears to be growing straight out of the mountainside flanking the coast and its main points of interest include a gorgeous 9th-century cathedral and the 13th-century Cloister of Paradise. The shore itself is a great place to take a dip, enjoy a savoury appetiser and have a drink of limoncello, a tasty liqueur made in the region. Next up is Ravello, a village of rare scenic beauty with a history that dates back to the 5th-century A.D.. Your destination will be the lovely Villa Rufolo, an originally 13th-century building that was extensively remodelled in the 19th-century following a change in ownership. Located in Ravello's historical centre, the villa proved to be popular with artists, musicians, the poet Boccaccio and the German composer Richard Wagner, who even drew inspiration from it for an opera setting. The scenic return journey will take you back to Naples and your ship. Please note: the visit to Villa Rufolo will be limited to the main terrace (60% of the entire venue) for guests using a wheelchair as there are steps to reach the upper terrace. Wheelchair users must be accompanied by a paying helper to provide assistance with getting on and off the coach; wheelchairs must be collapsible/foldable since the coach has neither a ramp nor a lift. Wheelchair users wishing to take part in this are requested to contact the Shore Excursions' Desk promptly once they are on board so that arrangements can be made.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 106.00

Child: \$ 83.00



Note for guests with disabilities



NAP24 - POMPEII ON YOUR OWN



**SOMETHING
SPECIAL**

If independent visits are what you like the most this is the tour not to miss combining history and archaeology at your own rhythm. The excursion begins with leaving the port for a drive towards Pompeii a once thriving town that was completely buried by lava rubble and ash during the catastrophic eruption of Vesuvius in 79 A.D. Once at the site you will have time to explore this ancient town on your own an opportunity that will provide insight into the history of this amazing and very large archaeological site. On the journey back to the port a short stop is also scheduled at a local coral factory. Please note: as the tour involves longer periods of walking on uneven ground (i.e. boulders in the streets of Pompeii) it is not recommended for guests using a wheelchair. Some ramps have been installed throughout the rolling path in Pompeii to provide a wheelchair friendly path though with some limitations to some areas inside the site. Guests of limited mobility are requested to evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability before taking part. The entrance tickets are not included in the price. Children under 18 years old must bring with them their valid ID card.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 29.00
Child: \$ 25.00



NAP25 - DELICIOUS NAPLES: COFFEE, PASTRY & PIZZA



**SOMETHING
SPECIAL**

This flavourful look at the city of Naples will first take you to the time-honoured Caff? Gambrinus to have a cup of Neapolitan coffee. Then, walk until the amazing Toledo station to enjoy a short ride until Dante station and continue your pleasant walking tour. You'll cross Spaccanapoli en route to Piazza San Domenico and along Via San Gregorio Armeno, home to countless artisans crafting nativity scenes. At Via dei Tribunali you'll taste a pizza, served neatly folded up and eaten standing up in classic Neapolitan style. Next up is a taste of sfogliatella, a Neapolitan pastry, at the Scaturchio pastry shop on Piazza San Domenico Maggiore. Savour outside views of the Church of Santa Maria Maggiore della Pietrasanta as well as the late 15th-century Pontano Chapel, commissioned by the humanist Giovanni Pontano as a funerary chapel for his first wife. Piazza del Ges? Nuovo comes next, to see the Spire of the Immaculate Virgin and visit the Baroque Church of Ges? Nuovo, both built in the mid-18th century. A visit to the 14th-century Basilica of Santa Chiara, famed for its early Gothic style, and a walk back to the port concludes your Naepolitan experience. Please note: this tour includes long periods of walking and standing and is not suitable for guests using a wheelchair. Guests of limited mobility are requested to evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability before taking part. Conservative attire recommended for visiting sites of religious importance. The visit to the cloister of the Basilica of Santa Chiara is not included.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 83.00
Child: \$ 63.00



NAP26 - MARVELS AT NAPLES NATIONAL ARCHAEOLOGICAL MUSEUM



**CULTURE AND
HISTORY**

Your destination on this half-day outing is the world-renowned Naples National Archaeological Museum with its priceless collections of ancient Roman sculptures, bronzes, ceramics, paintings, mosaics, jewellery and more. A 30-minute coach drive from the port will take you to the museum for a guided visit. Travel back through the centuries and admire some of the 3.000 objects in various themed sections, as well as hundreds of thousands of artefacts dating from prehistory to late antiquity. After this walk through history, return to reality with an enjoyable sightseeing coach tour passing some of Naples' most interesting places: the imposing Castle "Maschio Angioino", built 700 years ago, the San Carlo Theatre, one of the most beautiful in Europe, and an external glimpse of the Galleria Umberto I. Do not miss the chance for a photo of Piazza del Plebiscito, where you'll see the Palazzo Reale and the Church of San Francesco da Paola. The excursion ends with the drive back to the port. Please note: as this tour involves negotiating stairs inside the Museum, it is not suitable for guests using a wheelchair. Guests of limited mobility are requested to evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability before taking part. This tour is not available on Tuesdays.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 71.00
Child: \$ 52.00



NAP42 - VESUVIUS & POMPEII DISCOVERY



CULTURE AND HISTORY

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Price per person

Adult: \$ 91.00

Child: \$ 68.00



NAP20 - VESUVIUS & POMPEII DISCOVERY



CULTURE AND HISTORY

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Price per person

Adult: \$ 83.00

Child: \$ 79.00



NAP28 - SPEND A DAY IN AMALFI

CITY TOUR



Let yourself be enchanted by one of the world's most beautiful shorelines on this all-day tour to the Amalfi Coast and the seaside town of Amalfi itself, all classed as UNESCO World Heritage Sites. A scenic drive from the pier will take you there and on arrival in Amalfi, you will have a guided walk before having free time to explore this historical gem at leisure. The whole town appears to be growing straight out of the mountainside flanking the coast and its main points of interest include a gorgeous 9th-century cathedral and the 13th-century Cloister of Paradise. The shore itself is a great place to take a dip so you can choose to enjoy a savoury appetiser or have a drink of limoncello, a tasty liqueur made in the region, in one of the many bars of the town. Alternatively, choose the perfect restaurant for a delicious lunch before starting the scenic return journey will back to Naples and your ship. Please note: all visits are external. Wheelchair users must be accompanied by a paying helper to provide assistance with getting on and off the coach; wheelchairs must be collapsible/foldable since the coach has neither a ramp nor a lift. Wheelchair users wishing to take part in this are requested to contact the Shore Excursions' Desk promptly once they are on board so that arrangements can be made.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 71.00

Child: \$ 52.00



Note for guests with disabilities

Messina, Italy 2023-05-02



MES01 - MESSINA & TAORMINA

CULTURE AND
HISTORY



After leaving the port enjoy a panoramic coach drive through Messina with a glimpse at its main touristic sites including the Fountain of Neptun the Court House and the University. Some stops will be scheduled at "Piazza Duomo" to have an external view of the Cathedral and the Bell Tower and in front of Cristo Re Church which dominates Messina's harbour and the strait. Next you will reach Taormina one of the jewels of Sicily. A pleasant walk takes you to the renowned ancient Greco-Roman theatre first built by the Greeks before being re-built by the Romans. Enjoy the wonderful view before continuing to Corvaia Palace (external visit); an historic XV century building that formerly housed the Sicilian Parliament. We will also admire the small Roman theatre or "Odeon" (external visit) of Taormina and the St. Nicholas Cathedral. Free time for shopping. Please note: if religious ceremonies are underway at the Cathedral the visit will be external only. The tour is unsuitable for guests using a wheelchair; guests of limited mobility are requested to evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability before taking part. Guests are requested to wear appropriate attire for visits to places of religious importance. Shops may be closed on public holidays or Sundays. Guests will be required to return their audio guide equipment to their tour guide in perfect condition at the end of the tour. Guests will be charged for any damage to or loss of audio guide equipment.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 68.00

Child: \$ 52.00



MES03 - TINDARI & THE SANCTUARY OF BLACK MADONNA



CULTURE AND HISTORY

An enjoyable 1-hour coach transfer from Messina begins this tour to Tindari a small coastal town of Greek origin that is rich in art and history. It is particularly known for the Sanctuary of the Black Madonna a site you will visit to view the statue of the Madonna. A romantic local legend has it that Tindari's lagoon was created after a woman accidentally dropped her baby into the ocean upon being startled by the black colour of the statue whereupon the Madonna is said to have made the land rise to save the child. A visit to a Greek archaeological site is next with a chance to step back in time and get a unique insight into early Grecian life. There will be time for you do some shopping in Tindari before you return to Messina and your ship. Please note: This tour is not available to guests who use a wheelchair. Guests of limited mobility are requested to evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability before taking part. Guests are requested to wear appropriate attire for religious visits.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 60.00
Child: \$ 45.00



MES02 - MOUNT ETNA



NATURAL WONDERS

Departing from the port of Messina an approx. 1.5-hour coach ride will take you to Mount Etna Europe's highest volcano reaching almost 3.300 m above sea level on a route that will also pass through Zafferana Etnea a town situated on the volcanos southern flank that affords lovely views of the mountain and the sea. Once at the Rifugio Sapienza cable car station which was buried twice in the course of eruptions over the years at an elevation of 1.900 metres you'll then walk to the two famous Silvestri craters amid an otherworldly lava landscape of outstanding natural beauty. Breathtaking views of the city of Catania below also present themselves to visitors a perfect vista for a snapshot. Your adventurous volcano tour ends with your return to the port and your ship. Please note: as the tour involves travel up to a high elevation it is unsuitable for guests with cardiac conditions of limited mobility or who use a wheelchair. If adverse weather conditions prevail on the day of the tour guests are advised to check on board whether the tour will run with an alternative itinerary. Guests are recommended to wear a windcheater and comfortable shoes.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 60.00
Child: \$ 48.00



MES05 - CITY TOUR

CITY TOUR



The Greek Zancle founded Messina in 730 B.C.; earthquakes systematically destroyed the city in particular by the eruptions of 1783 and 1908. Our tour departs by bus from the port to reach Ganzirri a small fishing village situated near the Pantano Grande and Pantano Piccolo lakes which are rich in marine nutrients. You will continue to Capo Peloro the nearest point to the coast of Calabria. Enjoy a panoramic tour of Messina admiring Piazza Cairoli the Court House the University and the Cristo Re Church which dominates Messina's harbour and the strait. We will stop for photos before continuing our tour past the San Francesco Church the Government Hall the Fountain of Neptune and the main street "Viale della Libert?". Visit the Cathedral and the Cathedral Treasure to admire the famous Golden Mantle (Manta d'Oro) a special cloth that covers the picture of the Madonna and Child and which is studded with precious stones. Your visit to Messina concludes with a stop at an Italian cafe to taste some local pastry including a pastry roll filled with sweet cream called "cannolicchio" and a refreshing water-ice "granita" of different flavors. Please note: guests are requested to wear appropriate attire for visits to places of religious importance. If religious ceremonies are underway at the Cathedral the visit will be external only. Wheelchair users must be accompanied by a paying helper to aid with getting on and off the coach; wheelchairs must be collapsible/foldable since the coach has neither a ramp nor a lift. Wheelchair users wishing to take part in this are requested to contact the Shore Excursions' Desk promptly once they are on board so that arrangements can be made.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 60.00

Child: \$ 45.00



Note for guests with disabilities



MES08 - 4x4 ADVENTURE

ACTIVE &
ADVENTURE



Thanks to its strategic coastal location near Mount Peloritani the Sicilian city and region of Messina boasts a rich heritage of 19th-century forts and old military roads that were once used to defend Sicily and the Strait of Messina. This tour gives you a chance to explore the beautiful landscape folk traditions historical roads and strongholds in the comfort of a modern off-road vehicle. The first stop is at San Rizzo wooded hill where your off-road adventures will start. A little further along the road lies Forte Campona a 19th-century fort where you will stop to taste typical pastries and fortified wine. Next on the list is the Dinnamare vantage point offering lovely views the Tyrrhenian and Ionian Seas. Before returning to the port you will stop at the Museum of Popular Music of Mount Peloritani in the village of Gesso to admire the musical instruments of the Sicilian tradition. Please note: participants must be at least 8 years of age and be capable of being properly seated and wearing a seatbelt to take part. Each 4x4 has a maximum capacity of 5/6 guests depending on the specific vehicle. Information will be provided in English and Italian only. Guests are recommended to wear comfortable shoes and casual clothes. The tour is unsuitable for pregnant women for guests of limited mobility or with back/neck problems.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 117.00

Child: \$ 86.00



MES21 - SAVOUR THE SWEETER SIDE OF MESSINA

SOMETHING SPECIAL



Your exclusive look at Messina begins with a coach ride up to the religious memorial of Cristo Re which was built in Baroque style in 1937 and now commemorates Sicilian soldiers who fell in WWI and WWII. The views of the Strait and the city are fabulous from this spot and a stop is scheduled for you to take photos. Moving on you'll head for Piazza del Duomo for an outside look at the bell tower and the 12th-century cathedral before taking a break for a savoury arancino a Sicilian deep-fried stuffed rice ball. Then you'll make your way to Piazza Cairoli in the centre of town where you'll have some free time to go shopping. Before leaving the square taste a sweet deep-fried and ricotta-filled pastry called cannolo you'll move on by coach to the beautiful Lago di Ganzirri for a photo stop and some time for independent exploration. To wrap up you'll pay a visit to a bar for a glass of passito a kind of sweet dessert wine made from sun-dried grapes. The tour then ends with your return to the ship. Please note: Wheelchair users must be accompanied by a paying helper to aid with getting on and off the coach; wheelchairs must be collapsible/foldable since the coach has neither a ramp nor a lift. Wheelchair users wishing to take part in this are requested to contact the Shore Excursions' Desk promptly once they are on board so that arrangements can be made.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 83.00

Child: \$ 63.00



Note for guests with disabilities



MES24 - LAKE GANZIRRI

SOMETHING SPECIAL



Joining this half-day outing will take you out of and north of Messina to the village of Ganzirri one of Sicily's absolute must-sees. As a typical fishing village Ganzirri sits on the banks of Lake Ganzirri and is known for farming clams and mussels hunting swordfish and catching lobster in handmade pots a rarity nowadays. Along with another nearby lake called Pantano Piccolo these two bodies of water are directly linked to the Ionian Sea on the one side and the Tyrrhenian Sea on the other. You'll be boarding a boat piloted by one of the local fishermen called cocciulari for a jaunt on the lake. And as you skim over the water separated from the sea by only a narrow ribbon of land you'll be able to listen to tales of local myths and legends. As a final treat there'll also be a tasting session of fresh mussels and clams. Your return to the ship brings the outing to a close. Please note: the tour and other activities are subject to weather conditions. The tour is unsuitable for guests of limited mobility or who use a wheelchair.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 117.00

Child: \$ 83.00



MES56 - EXPLORE MESSINA ON FOOT

CITY TOUR



Leave the ship and meet your guide who will take you on a pleasant itinerary to discover Messina highlights. A city is best known by walking so after approx. 10-minute walk you will reach Garibaldi street for an external viewing of the "Chiesa dei Catalani". Take your camera ready as more monuments are in store on the itinerary: Cairoli Square Messina Court the University and San Giovanni D'Austria Monument. Some stops will be at each of these sites for you to take pictures before reaching Messina Cathedral for an internal visit. Your tour ends with the return to the port. Please note: The tour is not available to guests who use a wheelchair; guests of limited mobility are requested to evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability before taking part. Guests are requested to wear appropriate attire for religious visits. if religious ceremonies are underway at the Cathedral the visit will be external only.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 33.00

Child: \$ 29.00



MES55 - TRANSFER TO TAORMINA

SCENIC ROUTE



If you like the idea of doing your own thing and seeing only the sights you really want to see join this tour and let yourself be taken to the lovely Taormina by coach. Relax during the 50-minute journey and set your itinerary then explore the town for about 3 hours. Notable spots include the 13th-century Cathedral of San Nicola the Roman Odeon the Greco-Roman theatre and the 10th-century Palazzo Corvaja to mention but a few. Wherever your personal tour of discovery may take you just be sure to return to the meeting point in good time to board the coach for the trip back to the ship. Please note: this tour only includes transfers to and from Taormina. Wheelchair users must be accompanied by a paying helper to aid with getting on and off the coach; wheelchairs must be collapsible/foldable since the coach has neither a ramp nor a lift. Wheelchair users wishing to take part in this are requested to contact the Shore Excursions' Desk promptly once they are on board so that arrangements can be made.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 48.00
Child: \$ 45.00

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MES11 - MOUNT ETNA AND TAORMINA

CITY TOUR



The Italian island of Sicily is presided over by Mount Etna Europe's tallest and most active volcano. Taking you to see this natural phenomenon and the nearby town of Taormina this all-day tour begins with a 1.5-hour coach trip passing through the town of Zafferana Etnea to catch superb views of the mountain and the sea. A little over half way up Mount Etna lies the cable car station of Rifugio Sapienza twice buried by lava over the years from where you'll then walk to the two inactive Silvestri Craters which were formed during the eruption of 1892. The stark landscape and amazing views of the town of Catania make great photo subjects so do keep your camera at hand throughout. Leaving Mount Etna behind you will then spend about 1 hour on the coach to reach the lovely little town of Taormina. Free time will then be yours to have lunch (at extra cost) after which a guided walk will take you past the ancient Greco-Roman theatre the 15th-century Corvaja Palace the small Roman "Odeon" theatre and the 13th-century Minor Basilica of St. Nicholas. There will also be more free time for you to spend in town on your own before the coach returns you to Messina and your ship. Please note: as the tour involves travel up to a high elevation it is unsuitable for guests with cardiac conditions of limited mobility or who use a wheelchair. If adverse weather conditions prevail on the day of the tour guests are advised to check on board whether the tour itinerary will change. Guests are advised to wear a windcheater and comfortable shoes. Visits to all locations will be external only.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 86.00
Child: \$ 63.00



MES20 - BEACH FUN IN MESSINA

SEA & SUN



Time to do nothing but hang loose stretch out on golden sands and ponder the meaning of life are what holidays are all about. A 30-minute coach drive will take along Messina coast to reach Gli Irrera A Mare private beach the perfect location for the entire family. Your approx. 3-hour seaside sojourn provides a perfect opportunity to do whatever you please swim in the inviting blue of the sea lie back and soak up the sun or perhaps simply sit and let the moment work its magic on you before the tour is brought to a close with your return to the ship. Please note: this tour operates from June until the end of September and depends on weather conditions. Wheelchair users must be accompanied by a paying helper to aid with getting on and off the coach; wheelchairs must be collapsible/foldable since the coach has neither a ramp nor a lift. Wheelchair users wishing to take part in this are requested to contact the Shore Excursions' Desk promptly once they are on board so that arrangements can be made. 1 parasol and 2 sunbeds each 2 adults included; the beach also includes a swimming-pool whose access requires additional cost.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 37.00

Child: \$ 33.00



Note for guests with disabilities



MES57 - ETNA ADVENTURE BY "SUPER TRUCK"

SOMETHING SPECIAL



Fancy for adventure? Join us on this exclusive tour to Europe's most active volcano: Mount Etna. A coach will be waiting on the pier to take you on a 90-minute scenic drive affording enchanting views of the sea and of the Sicilian landscape. Upon your arrival at the Etna parking you will reach the Rifugio Sapienza twice buried by lava over the years from where you'll then walk to the two inactive Silvestri Craters which were formed during the eruption of 1892. Then from a height of 1.900 metres you will take the cable car and reach a height of 2.500 metres and start your adventure on a "super truck". Feel the adrenaline admire the volcanic landscape and reach to a height of 2.920 metres and the "Torre del Filosofo" from where you will enjoy a walk around the crater. You will have some free time before taking the road back to Messina and your cruise ship. Please note: the tour is subject to weather conditions and is unsuitable for guests of limited mobility with cardiac conditions blood pressure problems back/neck problems or vertigo. Guests are advised to wear comfortable clothes windcheaters and hiking shoes.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 178.00

Child: \$ 129.00



MES14 - TAORMINA & BEACH TOUR

SEA & SUN



Spend a day off the ship first indulging in some retail therapy in the beautiful old city of Taormina then relaxing on a private beach in Giardini Naxos perfect for the entire family. Your outing begins with 50 minutes on a coach to reach Taormina where you'll then head for its main thoroughfare: Corso Umberto. Free time will be yours here to do some shopping in the many stores that line the historical street. Moving on again you'll then make your way to the nearby coastal resort of Giardini Naxos and the private "Sayonara" beach. You'll have about 3 hours to do whatever you please here swim relax on the sand play with the kids or go for a stroll. The coach will be waiting at the appointed time to return you to the ship. Please note: this tour is not available to guests who use a wheelchair. Guests of limited mobility are requested to evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability before taking part. This tour is available from June to September and is subject to weather conditions.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 79.00

Child: \$ 56.00

Valletta, Malta
2023-05-03



MLT21 - HEAVENLY BEACH TIME IN FAMOUS GHADIRA BAY

SEA & SUN



Take a scenic trip across Malta's timeless landscape heading to the north of the island and Ghadira Bay. There you'll find Malta's longest and most popular sandy beach with amazing light-cream coloured sand. Sloping gently into the sea Ghadira Bay is a perfect beach for all the family. Enjoy ample time relaxing taking a dip in the crystal waters and sunbathing in the sumptuous sand. Please note: beach chair and/or sun umbrella hire is not included in the price of the tour. In the event of adverse weather conditions the beach stop will be at Golden Bay. As there are 15 steps to negotiate to reach the beach the tour is unsuitable for guests using a wheelchair; guests of limited mobility are requested to evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability before taking part. The tour runs from June to September and may be cancelled in case of adverse weather conditions.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 25.00

Child: \$ 22.00



MLT28 - GOZO ISLAND BY BOAT AND JEEP

SEA & SUN



The second largest island in the Maltese archipelago is Gozo which lies north of the main island and will be your destination on this mainly boat-based tour. Once you're on board the powerboat you'll sail past Sliema's urbanised coastline the resort of Bu'ibba St. Paul's island Mellie'a Bay the caves of Comino Island and the crystal-clear waters of the beautiful Laguna en route to Gozo and M'arr Harbour. You'll then get to check out some of Gozo's breathtaking unspoiled scenery and key landmarks photo-worthy every one such as the impressive Rotunda of Xewkija the amazing cliffs at Sanap the quaint Xlendi Bay and the saltwater lagoon known as the Inland Sea. Weather permitting a swimming stop then follows at Hondoq Bay and to finish off a shopping break at the Gozo Crafts' Centre. The return journey on the powerboat brings the outing to an end. Please note: the tour is unsuitable for guests of limited mobility who use a wheelchair with back/neck problems as well as for pregnant women. Guests must be at least 5 years of age to take part. Guests are recommended to wear comfortable walking shoes and swimwear under their clothes as well as to bring high-factor sunscreen and towels. Jeeps on Gozo have no radio contact; the beach stop depends on the weather conditions and the location may change to suit. Should inclement weather prevail (rough seas) a minivan will transfer guests to the more sheltered north point of the main island before boarding the powerboat and setting sail to Gozo and vice versa. Guides are available in English and Italian only. The tour runs from June to Septembe and may be cancelled in case of adverse weather conditions.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 132.00

Child: \$ 98.00



MLT01 - VALLETTA AND MDINA



CITY TOUR

When in Malta you can do no better than to pay a visit not only the island's current capital of Valletta but also the former capital of Mdina both of which are the fascinating destinations on this half-day tour. Valletta is first up where you will go to see the wonderful Barrakka Gardens a beautifully landscaped public park to savour breathtaking views of the Grand Harbour after which you will head for St. John's Co-Cathedral built by the Knights of Malta in the second half of the 16th-century. The ornately decorated interior is rich in treasures including a masterpiece by Caravaggio. The tour then continues to the medieval walled city of Mdina which is situated in the middle of the island and is also called "The Silent City" due to restrictions imposed on motorised traffic. You will get to visit the Baroque-style St. Paul's Cathedral which presides impressively over the town before enjoying a walk through the narrow streets and lanes of this piece of living history. Your tour then draws to a leisurely close with your return to the ship. Please note: as your visit to Mdina and Valletta will be entirely on foot and involves long periods of walking guests of limited mobility are requested to evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability before taking part. Even though all sites visited are wheelchair-friendly Valletta is mostly cobblestoned and might be uncomfortable for guests using a wheelchair. If they want to take part they must be accompanied by a paying helper to aid with getting on and off the coach; wheelchairs must be collapsible/foldable since the coach has neither a ramp nor a lift. Wheelchair users wishing to take part in this are requested to contact the Shore Excursions' Desk promptly once they are on board so that arrangements can be made. If the tour falls on a Saturday afternoon and on Public/National Holiday the visit to the St. John's Co-Cathedral will be external only and guests will visit the National Museum instead. St. John's Co-Cathedral may close without prior notice for religious service. Guests are requested to wear appropriate attire for visits to sites of religious importance. This tour is not available on Sundays.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 63.00
Child: \$ 48.00



MLT03 - RABAT MOSTA & MDINA



CITY TOUR

Half a day off the ship and three of Malta's must-sees are the measure of this entertaining sightseeing tour that begins with a short coach journey to the first of the destinations: the medieval walled city of Mdina once the capital of Malta. Also dubbed "The Silent Town" due to heavy restrictions on the use of motorised vehicles within its walls Mdina is a place to explore entirely on foot. You will get to stroll through the lovely old city and have a chance to marvel at its old bastion. Next up is the town of Rabat where you will take a short walk before driving to Ta' Qali Handicraft Village to browse for a souvenir and to a glass blowing factory for a liquor and nougat tasting. The last place on the tour itinerary will then be the nearby town of Mosta to check out its fabulous Basilica of the Assumption of Our Lady which was consecrated in 1871 and whose Rotunda boasts one of the world's largest unsupported domes. A short coach ride back to the port and your ship then brings the tour to a close. Please note: as your visit to Mdina will be entirely on foot and involves long periods of walking guests of limited mobility are requested to evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability before taking part. Wheelchair users must be accompanied by a paying helper to aid with getting on and off the coach; wheelchairs must be collapsible/foldable since the coach has neither a ramp nor a lift. Wheelchair users wishing to take part in this are requested to contact the Shore Excursions' Desk promptly once they are on board so that arrangements can be made. If this tour runs on Sundays the visit to Mosta Basilica will be external only. The Basilica may close without prior notice for religious service. Guests are requested to wear appropriate attire for visiting sites of religious importance.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 60.00
Child: \$ 45.00



Note for guests with disabilities



MLT49 - ESSENTIAL MALTA LOCAL FAVOURS & SIGHTS

SOMETHING SPECIAL



This half-day roundup of Maltese essentials begins with a coach ride to the city of Birgu also known as Vittoriosa. As one of Malta's three historic cities Birgu was the first place the Knights Hospitaller called home when the order moved to the island in 1530. Your walk through town will take you past such historical treasures as the inns of residence called auberges that were built by the Knights the 17th-century Church of St. Lawrence and Fort St. Angelo whose construction began in the 13th-century and continued until the late 17th-century. You'll then continue on by coach to the south of the island and Malta's largest fishing village; Marsaxlokk. Enjoy exploring the quaint marketplace with its cafeterias and the luzzus in the harbour colourful boats typically used in this area. A tasting session of Maltese delicacies ends the outing before the coach returns you to the ship. Please note: this tour includes walking on cobblestone streets with some steps; it is unsuitable for guests using a wheelchair.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 83.00
Child: \$ 63.00



MLT04 - HARBOUR CRUISE & WINE TASTING TOUR

SOMETHING SPECIAL



To visit Malta's impressive natural harbour leave your ship and board a motorboat to embark on a relaxing trip along the scenic Maltese coastline along the way passing by the lovely Cottonera area made up of Senglea Cospicua and Vittoriosa which are collectively known as The Three Cities. Nearly opposite Cottonera lies the Maltese capital Valletta with its remarkably imposing bastions. The city has retained much of its architectural heritage and one of its most iconic sights is Valletta waterfront a marvel of 18th-century Baroque architecture that has been extensively restored. Do take your camera to capture awe-inspiring views of the waterfront while also enjoying a wine-tasting session at this unique location. Before returning to the ship you will stop briefly at the Mdina glass outlet at the Valletta waterfront. Please note: the tour is subject to wind/sea conditions on the day of the call. As there is only a narrow gangway to access the boat the tour is unsuitable for guests using a wheelchair.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 71.00
Child: \$ 56.00



MLT55 - POWERBOAT TRANSFER TO BLUE LAGOON

SEA & SUN



Choose to spend a few hours in a natural paradise with turquoise crystal waters. Soon after disembarking from your ship you will embark on a powerboat to reach Comino and its famous blue lagoon. Just 3.5 square kilometres Comino is nearly car-free and apart from one hotel is virtually uninhabited. The island's main attraction is the blue lagoon. In summer this sheltered inlet of shimmering aquamarine water over white sand is very popular with day-trippers. You will have approx. 3 hours to spend at the lagoon working on your tan swimming or relaxing in the sun. Please note: the tour is subject to weather conditions and runs from June to September. Guests must be at least 5 years of age and be good swimmers to take part. There are some kiosks and lockers (for hire) at the lagoon. Beach chair and sun umbrella rental is not included in the price of the tour. The tour is unsuitable for guests of limited mobility who use a wheelchair with back/neck problems as well as for pregnant women. Crowds must be expected at popular locations. Should inclement weather prevail (rough seas along the coast) guests will be transferred by bus to the more sheltered north point of the main island before boarding the powerboat and crossing over to the island of Comino and vice versa.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 83.00
Child: \$ 63.00



MLT10 - THE NEOLITHIC TEMPLES & MARSAXLOKK BAY

CULTURE AND HISTORY



The islands of Malta and the nearby Gozo are home to an intriguing set of eleven prehistoric monuments, seven of which are classed as UNESCO World Heritage Sites, namely the marvellous Megalithic Temples of Malta. One of these fascinating sites of early engineering and worship forms the first stop on this half-day tour and will take you to the southeast of the island. These temples are among the oldest free-standing buildings ever found in the world some pre-date the Egyptian pyramids and make highly evocative representatives of a bygone age. You will then continue on to the pretty fishing village of Marsaxlokk, situated on the shores of Malta's second-largest natural bay, to see the traditional, brightly coloured luzzu fishing boats. In keeping with a seafaring tradition that possibly goes back as far as the Phoenicians, all of these luzzu have a pair of eyes painted on the bow, perhaps to make sure they always know where they're going. A panoramic drive through Cottonera area with a walking tour of the historic town of Vittoriosa one of the three Historic Cities comes next before reaching the port and your cruise ship. Please note: this tour is not suitable for guests with walking difficulties or using a wheelchair.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 56.00
Child: \$ 29.00



MLT24 - PANORAMIC ISLAND TOUR

SCENIC ROUTE



A carefully curated crop of Malta's must-sees is on the itinerary of this appealing half-day tour which will first see you board a coach to reach Vittoriosa (a.k.a. Birgu) an old fortified town that the Knights Hospitaller made their first Maltese home in 1530. From here a guided walk will take you past such key landmarks as the waterfront the Malta Maritime Museum and the late 17th-century St. Lawrence's Church. Next up is a drive to the fishing village of Marsaxlokk where you'll have free time to explore and check out the local luzzu colourful little boats with a pair of eyes painted on the bow. The custom is thought to date back to the Phoenicians and is supposed to protect fishermen from harm while at sea. You'll then head for the beautiful Blue Grotto at Wied i?-urrieq. Free time will be yours here for those who wish to take a 20-minute boat ride to see it up close (at extra cost). Return to the port and to your cruise ship. Please note: all sites visited are wheelchair-friendly except for the steep slope and steps leading to the Blue grotto boats loading platform. However paved roads in Vittoriosa can be very uncomfortable for wheelchair users. Wheelchair guests must be accompanied by a paying helper to aid with getting on and off the coach; wheelchairs must be collapsible/foldable since the coach has neither a ramp nor a lift. Wheelchair users wishing to take part in this are requested to contact the Shore Excursions' Desk promptly once they are on board so that arrangements can be made.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 45.00
Child: \$ 40.00



Note for guests with disabilities

Barcelona, Spain
2023-05-05



BCN49 - FLAVOURS OF BARCELONA: TAPAS, JAMÓN & CITY METRO

SOMETHING SPECIAL



Make a date with Barcelona to explore the beautiful cityscape, enjoy a taste of Iberian flavours and take a ride on the underground on this culture-centric outing. After meeting your guide, you'll first take a shuttle bus to reach the drop-off point in the city centre. Then you'll continue your journey by underground to take a look at the amazing Sagrada Família, masterminded by the visionary architect Antoni Gaudí and yet to be finished. You'll also have some time to spend as you please before continuing on by underground to Plaza Universidad, the perfect starting point for a stroll down the famous Las Ramblas avenue. Moving on again, you can then check out the bustling Boqueria Market on your own after a briefing by your guide. Next up is a real taste of Barcelona at Monibéric, an establishment founded to showcase delicious Iberian hams. Try three jamóns plus a drink before walking through the historical Barri Gòtic to El Born, where mouth-watering tapas await you. Finally, you'll catch a shuttle bus back to the ship. Please note: as the tour involves extensive periods of walking and standing, it is considered to be unsuitable for guests of limited mobility or who use a wheelchair. This tour is not available on Sunday.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 98.00
Child: \$ 71.00



BCN41D - BARCELONA SIGHTSEEING (ENDS AT THE AIRPORT)

SCENIC ROUTE



End your cruise on a high note by taking this opportunity to touch base with the fascinating city of Barcelona before you catch your flight at El Prat International Airport. You'll be able to relax on board a modern coach while the sights of Barcelona are paraded past your eyes. The route will take you past the Passeig de Gràcia boulevard, Gaudí's unfinished Sagrada Família and Plaça de Catalunya in the centre of town. Then, heading out of town, you'll reach Montjuïc Hill for a photo stop to enjoy incredible views of Barcelona. Returning to the city again, you'll then get to stretch your legs on a guided walk through the old Barri Gòtic and also have some free time to spend on your own. The tour ultimately draws to a close with your transfer to El Prat International Airport. Please note: the tour is only for guests disembarking in Barcelona whose flight is scheduled after 17:00 hours. The duration of the tour also includes the time for transfer to the airport. This tour is not recommended for guests using a wheelchair or with walking difficulties.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 68.00
Child: \$ 52.00



BCN02 - PANORAMIC TOUR & SHOPPING

SCENIC ROUTE



The fabulous city of Barcelona is well worth a visit and this whistle-stop tour will take you to see the key sights during an enjoyable half day off the ship. Upon leaving the port, your tour begins with a drive through Barcelona's main streets and squares. A short stop will be made at Montjuich Hill to take in the superb view over the city before moving on for a brief external viewing of the Sagrada Família, Gaudí's striking yet unfinished neo-Gothic masterpiece. There will also be time to pass by the impressive Barcelona Cathedral, which was built from the end of the 13th until into the 15th century, before taking you to go shopping in the Plaça de Catalunya, a large square in central Barcelona that is ideal for a little retail therapy. Please note: on public holidays or on Sunday afternoon, the shopping stop will be at the La Rambla. Guests using a wheelchair are advised that they must be accompanied by a paying helper to provide assistance with getting on and off the coach and that wheelchairs must be collapsible/foldable since the coach has neither a ramp nor a lift. Guests using a wheelchair who would like to participate in this tour are requested to contact the Shore Excursions Desk promptly once they are on board so that arrangements can be made.....

Price per person

Adult: \$ 52.00
Child: \$ 40.00



Note for guests with disabilities



BCN05 - PANORAMIC CITY TOUR & NOU CAMP STADIUM

SCENIC ROUTE



Thanks to the sheer scale of its impressive architecture, Barcelona's Camp Nou Stadium - one of the world's most famous football temples and the largest stadium in all of Europe with a capacity to seat nearly 100,000 people - is a fascinating destination, whether you are a soccer fan or not. Apart from hosting numerous key UEFA matches throughout the years, the stadium has also been used to stage other events, including concerts given by such major pop artists as Sting, Bruce Springsteen, Peter Dinklage, Tracy Chapman or U2. In 1982, Pope John Paul II even celebrated mass at the stadium, on which occasion he was made an honorary citizen of Barcelona. Your tour begins with a drive-by sightseeing tour past Gaudí's Sagrada Família, a minor basilica, and up Montjuich Hill before arriving at Camp Nou Stadium. Guests will visit the players' dressing rooms, the museum and the interactive zone and have a panoramic view of the stadium without stepping or touching the field. Please note: the feasibility of the tour is subject to the schedule of the football club and then the stadium could be closed with very short notice; for this reason the tour could be cancelled even the day before our call for reasons beyond MSC's control. The visit to the stadium includes walking upstairs and downstairs and is not suitable for guests with walking difficulties or using a wheelchair. This excursion is not available on calls falling on a Sunday afternoon.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 79.00
Child: \$ 60.00



BCN10 - FLAMENCO SHOW

SOMETHING SPECIAL



This tour lets you simply sit back and relax on the coach while you enjoy drive-by viewings of Barcelona's main sights, including the magnificent Passeig de Gràcia and Gaudí's unfinished masterpiece, the Sagrada Família, which was consecrated as a minor basilica by the Pope in 2010. Continuing up to Montjuich Hill, you can enjoy breathtaking views of the city below and after a photo stop, head for Poble Espanyol, a unique open-air architectural museum situated on the hill. The museum was originally built for the Barcelona International Exhibition in 1929 with the aim of mimicking a townscape that would reflect the architecture, style and culture typical of various Spanish regions in a single place. A 30-minute flamenco show accompanied by a fruity sangria punch rounds off your tour. Please note: this tour is considered to be unsuitable for guests using a wheelchair.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 79.00
Child: \$ 60.00



BCN36 - BARCELONA SIGHTS, AQUARIUM & SHOPPING

SCENIC ROUTE



This family-friendly tour offers half a day of seeing the best city sights, but without putting the usual strain on your feet since you will mostly be comfortably seated on a modern coach. The tour begins at Barcelonas Columbus monument, situated at one end of La Rambla Avenue. You'll then head down the equally magnificent Passeig de Gràcia boulevard before continuing your sightseeing with more attractions on the list including the Sagrada Família, Casa Milà and Casa Batlló, all designed by Antoni Gaudí: your guide will call attention to them as you pass by. After passing through the Olympic ring, splendid views of the city follow from Montjuïc hill, where a short photo stop is scheduled. You will then move on to the Port Vell district to visit Barcelona Aquarium, a huge facility that supports around 11,000 animals representing 450 species of marine wildlife. Be sure to check out the shark tunnel and tanks with rays and other large fish during your unguided visit, after which you'll still have time to do some shopping at the co-located Maremàgnum shopping mall. The tour then wraps up with your return to the ship. Please note: this tour is partly guided; the entrance ticket to the Aquarium is included but guests will explore the site on their own. Guests using a wheelchair are advised that they must be accompanied by a paying helper to provide assistance with getting on and off the coach and that wheelchairs must be collapsible/foldable since the coach has neither a ramp nor a lift. Guests using a wheelchair who would like to participate in this tour are requested to contact the Shore Excursions Desk promptly once they are on board so that arrangements can be made.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 63.00

Child: \$ 48.00



Note for guests with disabilities



BCN37 - HIGHLIGHTS OF BARCELONA MONTSERRAT & WINE TASTING

CULTURE AND HISTORY



Celebrated the world over for its fabulous architecture Barcelona is yours to enjoy as your coach first takes you around the city's main sights on this all-day Catalan experience. The route will take you down Passeig de Gràcia one of Barcelona's main boulevards passing by Gaudí's unfinished masterpiece the incredible Sagrada Família. Leaving the breathtaking basilica behind a location of equally awe-inspiring proportions is next: the jagged sandstone columns of the Montserrat Mountains and the abbey of Santa Maria de Montserrat an impressive complex of buildings that affords glorious views of the countryside below. A key Catholic pilgrimage site and popular as a religious retreat the abbey not only hosts a statue of the Virgin of Montserrat aka the Black Madonna but also a basilica with an ornately decorated interior. Some time to soak up the beguiling surroundings and have lunch (not included in the price of the tour) then follows after which your travels continue by coach to the village of Sant Sadurni and the Cava Vilarnau wine cellars. Apart from a chance to see how wine sparkling wine and the bottle-fermented Spanish cava are made you will also be able to please your palate during the tasting session that concludes your visit. The relaxing return drive to your ship brings your Catalan outing to a close. Please note: the guide will give explanation only outside the Monastery; guests will visit the site individually. Guests are requested to wear appropriate attire for religious visits. This excursion is not suitable for guests with walking difficulties or using a wheelchair. This tour includes approx. 30-minute drive each way on a mountain winding road.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 75.00

Child: \$ 56.00



BCN40 - WALKING THROUGH BARCELONA'S GOTHIC QUARTER

CITY TOUR



Combine a pleasant walk in the fresh air with an exploration of some of Barcelona's most notable sights on an outing that begin with a short coach ride from the port. You'll then set off on a guided stroll, with the first landmark being the Columbus Monument at the lower end of La Rambla avenue. The 60 m/197 ft. monument was constructed in 1888 in honour of Columbus' first voyage to the New World. You'll then continue down La Rambla en route to Barcelona's Barri G?tic and the Neoclassical town hall at Pla?a Sant Jaume. Next up are outside views of the Gothic Cathedral of Santa Eul?lia - Barcelona Cathedral - and information on this key site. Last on your walking itinerary is Pla?a de Catalunya in the middle of town, just the place to indulge in a little retail therapy. At this point, you can choose whether to remain in the city and make your own way back to the ship or to join your guide on the walk back down La Rambla to board the coach for the transfer back to the port. Please note: this tour is not suitable for guests with walking difficulties or using a wheelchair as it includes long periods of walking.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 37.00
Child: \$ 33.00



BCN45 - GAUDI'S EXPERIENCE

CULTURE AND HISTORY



Do not miss your chance to immerse yourself in the fascinating world and works of Barcelona's premiere architect: the world-famous Antoni Gaud?. After leaving the port your tour will take you down the beautiful Passeig de Gr?cia avenue for an outside view of Casa Batll? a flamboyant building that is covered in thousands of multi-coloured tiles. Up next is Casa Mil? a UNESCO World Heritage Site for another exterior visit followed by the Park G?ell a garden complex and one of Barcelona's key tourist attractions due to its remarkable sinuous buildings stunning mosaics and ceramic-covered benches. The excursion also includes time to visit inside Gaud?'s unfinished neo-Gothic masterpiece the Sagrada Fam?lia. Your tour ends with a scenic return drive to the port. Please note: Guests using a wheelchair are welcome to participate in this tour but should be aware that it includes long periods of walking that they must be accompanied by a paying helper to assist with getting on and off the coach and that wheelchairs must be collapsible/foldable as the coach has neither a ramp nor a lift. Guests using a wheelchair who are interested in this tour are asked to contact the Shore Excursions Desk promptly once on board so that arrangements can be made. Guests of limited mobility are requested to evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability before taking part. The visit of the Sagrada Familia lasts approx. 30 minutes; please consider that approx. 30 minutes are spent at checkpoint scanners at the venue; in order to speed up queues and pass the security we recommend bringing small bag or backpacks. Moreover as the entrance at the Sagrada Familia is fixed at scheduled times guests are kindly recommended to be punctual at the meeting points and during any stop throughout the tour. Any delay could reduce the time spent inside the venue. Due to traffic restrictions around the area of the Sagrada Famil?a the bus will stop close by and guests must walk approx. 10 minutes. Park G?ell is not fully accessible to wheelchair users: there are some stairs at the monumental area where Gaudi's dragon is located that is not wheelchair accessible. Guests are requested to wear appropriate attire for religious visits. We suggest wearing comfortable shoes. Entrance tickets included: Park G?ell and Sagrada Famil?a.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 94.00
Child: \$ 71.00



BCN48 - BARCELONA EXPRESS

SCENIC ROUTE



This interesting excursion short but pleasant will take you to discover Barcelona with a bus passing by some of its symbolic places. From the port your tour will be rounded off by a stroll around the tranquil Poble Espanyol a village purpose-built to display Spain's many different architectural styles after will drive to Montjuïc Hill: the surrounding area was chosen for the international exposition and sportive events in 1929. You will then go back to the city centre by the Avenida Diagonal and you will enter the world of Antoni Gaudí. You will be able to see from the side of the bus one of his most famous masterpieces not yet completed the Basilica of Sagrada Família before passing through the "Passeig de Gràcia" and admire externally two more masterpieces: Casa Batlló and Casa Milà. At "Plaça de Catalunya" a big square located just in the centre of Barcelona and at the Ramblas the famous street you will have some free time before driving back to the port. Please note: all visited sites will be seen just from the outside and from the bus. This excursion is not suitable for guests using a wheelchair.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 33.00
Child: \$ 29.00



Note for guests with disabilities



BCN57 - HIGHLIGHTS OF BARCELONA & PUEBLO ESPANOL

CITY TOUR



Price per person

Adult: \$ 63.00
Child: \$ 52.00



BCN63 - PROTECTOURS: BARCELONA'S HIDDEN CITY

MSC PROTECTOURS



Learn about Barcelona from those who know its secrets best while helping the homeless to help themselves. Barcelona's attractions have made this flourishing tourist destination the fourth most-visited city in Europe. At the same time it has a fast-growing homeless problem. Hidden City Tours tap into this booming tourism to help change that offering employment for homeless people to work their way to a better life. Recruited from social services soup kitchens and homeless charities all the guides are coached by Hidden City Tours to share their incredible knowledge of the city and its hidden secrets. After the tour you'll have the option of visiting Chiringuito de Dios a soup kitchen offering breakfast lunch and dinner to people in need. Please note: This tour is only in English or Spanish and includes an automatic donation to Chiringuito de Dios. Light clothing and comfortable walking shoes are recommended. Guests with any type of food intolerance are required to communicate it in advance. This tour is unsuitable for guests with walking difficulties or using a wheelchair. Guests will use the shuttle service to reach the starting point of the tour. Available only on Mondays Wednesdays and Fridays.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 94.00
Child: \$ 83.00



BCN27 - ELECTRIC BIKE TOUR OF BARCELONA

ACTIVE & ADVENTURE



E stands for easy-going, entertaining and electrically assisted three terms that also describe the nature of this half-day tour, which sets out to present the very best of Barcelona from a variety of perspectives. The first of your electrically assisted exploration aids will come in the form of a Mercedes-Benz eBike, which you will pick up in the historical Barri Gòtic quarter and then use to ride through the city and up to the cable car station at the top of Montjuïc Hill, the best vantage point for views of the city. You will also get to have an outside look at the 17th-century Montjuïc Castle before heading back down the hill by cable car to reach the seaside to taste tapas with a drink in a local restaurant. You will then pass through Ciutadella Park and the magnificent Arc de Triomf en route to one of Antoni Gaudí's most celebrated architectural designs: the Sagrada Família. You will have some free time to explore before moving on to the elegant Passeig de Gràcia, one of Barcelona's most notable boulevards. Once you have returned to the Barri Gòtic, you will enjoy a short walk (10 min.) to Plaza Catalunya where the coach will be waiting to take you back to the pier and your ship. Please note: guides available in English only. Min. height needed: 150 cm; children aged 9-10 years on are allowed to take part in this tour provided their height is 150 cm. Child bikes may be provided upon availability.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 98.00
Child: \$ 98.00

Marseille, France 2023-05-06



MRS20 - MARSEILLE WALKING TOUR

CITY TOUR



Spend 2 hours off the ship stretching your legs in the fresh air on a leisurely walk around the lovely French city of Marseille, situated in the nation's deep south. You'll catch a shuttle bus to reach the city centre, after which the tour continues on foot. Taking through a mainly pedestrianised area, the guided walk begins at the foot of the old town and ends at its highest point, with information provided on the city's storied past as you go. Key landmarks include the 17th-century city hall, 16th-century Hôtel de Cabre, the magnificent Cathedral of Saint Mary Major, completed in the late 19th-century, and Fort Saint-Jean, built in 1660 by order of Louis XIV. You'll also have some free time to explore the Vieux Port - the old harbour - area before catching a shuttle bus back to the ship. Please note: This tour includes approximately 1.5 hours of moderate walking, at times over uneven surfaces is not available to guests who use a wheelchair. Guests of limited mobility are requested to evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability before taking part. All visits are external.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 37.00
Child: \$ 33.00



MRS08 - MONTE CRISTO TOUR

CULTURE AND HISTORY



A boat transfer will take you to the island of Château d'If for a guided visit of this fortified prison built between 1524-28 and which became a state prison in the XVII century. The popular XIX century French author, Alexandre Dumas, brought literary fame to the castle who used it as a setting for his adventure novel, the Count of Monte Cristo. The tour will continue to the Frioul island, not far from the historic port, where we will enjoy free time on the beach. Return to the ship. Please note: this tour operates from middle June until middle of September and is subject to weather conditions. This tour is not suitable for guests with walking difficulties or using a wheelchair,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,

Price per person

Adult: \$ 75.00
Child: \$ 56.00



MRS12 - RELAX ON A BEACH



If holiday is not only cultural visits and if you are interested in having a few hours of relax this is the tour not to miss! This tour begins with a short coach drive through Marseille en route to Le Prado an attraction for tourists and locals. You will have some hours to spend on the city's main beach which is a succession of beaches over miles and flanked by vast lawns. Choose one of the public beaches in the area and enjoy your day in the sun and the sea. A few hours of pure relaxation and fun! Please note: this tour operates in July and August and is subject to weather conditions.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 40.00

Child: \$ 37.00



Note for guests with disabilities



MRS21 - LOSE YOURSELF IN THE LAVENDER FIELD



**SOMETHING
SPECIAL**

This scenic, scent-filled tour will take you from the port of Marseille to the Plateau de Valensole, site of one of the most beautiful lavender fields in the Provence region. Here you will have plenty of time to relax, enjoy the beautiful countryside, and take pictures as you lose yourself - metaphorically speaking - in the vibrant, violet scenery. After a few minutes, you will reach the wonderful village of Valensole, where you can enjoy a walking tour past the village square with its fountain, the church and the castle. The excursion then continues to Manosque, location of the L'Occitane En Provence cosmetics factory, museum and garden. Here you will have some free time to visit and do some shopping before returning to Marseille. Please note: this tour is available from middle June until end of August. It is considered unsuitable for guests with walking difficulties or using a wheelchair.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 68.00

Child: \$ 52.00



MRS02 - AIX-EN-PROVENCE



CITY TOUR

We will leave Marseille port for a 40-minute drive to the lovely town of Aix-en-Provence. The excursion starts with a visit to the famous XII century St. Saviour's Cathedral and gardens. The Cathedral was built on the site of a Roman Temple and dates from a period that spans the XI and XIII centuries. Fronted by a richly decorated Gothic-style portal with elaborately carved doors the Cathedral is flanked on the north by an unfinished tower. Enjoy a pleasant walk (1.5 hours) through the historic town centre before reaching the famous Mazarino Quarter a residential district created by Cardinal Mazarin's brother in the last half of the XVII century for the gentry of Aix en Provence. Free time for shopping. Please note: this tour includes long periods of walking on uneven ground and is unsuitable for guests using a wheelchair. Guests of limited mobility are requested to evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability before taking part. Guests are requested to wear appropriate attire for religious visits.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 68.00

Child: \$ 52.00



MRS06 - MARSEILLES CITY TOUR



CITY TOUR

Join us on a visit around this important maritime town. We will begin our excursion with a visit to the Basilica of Notre Dame de la Garde which stands majestically on top of a hill. The Basilica is made up of a lower and an upper church and was built on the site of an ancient chapel. Continue along the "Corniche" (coast road) where we will admire Borely Castle and garden (no inside visit). The excursion includes sightseeing in the centre of Marseilles and photos at Longchamps Palace before enjoying some free time in the "Vieux Port" (old port). Please note: this tour includes walking uphill with some steps around the Basilica and is not available to guests who use a wheelchair; guests of limited mobility are requested to evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability before taking part. Guests are requested to wear appropriate attire for religious visits. The visit to the Basilica of Notre Dame de la Garde may be replaced with a visit to Marseilles Cathedral in case of special events.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 68.00
Child: \$ 52.00



MRS07 - AVIGNON AND PANORAMIC OF MARSEILLES



CULTURE AND HISTORY

Our starting point for this day-long tour begins in Marseilles at the Basilica of Notre Dame de la Garde. This Neo-Byzantine church stands on top of a hill and was designed by the French architect Esperandiu between 1853 and 1864. The site was formerly a XIII century chapel dedicated to Our Lady of the Guard and features several votive offerings from safely returned sailors. Stop for an inside visit before continuing on a 1.5-hour coach ride to the medieval city of Avignon. Here we will visit the Palace of the Popes an ancient fortress rich in galleries and chapels. The frescoes and hand-painted tapestries in the Popes' bedrooms and private rooms bear witness to the former opulence of this residence. Make the most of your free time to stroll around and have lunch (non-inclusive) in one of the typical French brasserie-restaurants. Return to Marseilles for embarkation. Please note: this tour includes walking on uneven ground in Avignon and walking uphill with some steps around the Basilica in Marseille; it is not available to guests who use a wheelchair. Guests of limited mobility are requested to evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability before taking part. Guests are requested to wear appropriate attire for religious visits. The visit to the Basilica of Notre Dame de la Garde may be replaced with a visit to Marseilles Cathedral in case of special events.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 106.00
Child: \$ 79.00



MRS14 - DELUXE VISIT TO PROVENCE: AVIGNON & AIX-EN-PROVENCE



CULTURE AND HISTORY

While the sun-kissed shores of southern France make ideal holiday destinations the delightful towns lying inland are equally worth a visit. Designed to let you savour two such jewels the outing begins with a 40-minute drive to Aix-en-Provence where you will visit the Cathedral of the Holy Saviour. Sitting on the site of a former Roman forum and amalgamating a variety of architectural styles from the 5th- to the 17th-centuries the Cathedral boasts a richly decorated Gothic facade with elaborately carved doors and to the north of the building an unfinished tower. You will then walk through the historical district to reach the lovely Mazarin quarter a residential area built for the town's gentry in the second half of the 17th-century. A chance to relax then follows on the 90-minute drive up to Avignon after which you'll have some time for lunch in one of the town's many brasseries before moving on to the monumental Papal Palace the seat of Christianity in the 14th-century and now a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Rich in galleries and chapels as well as frescoes and hand-painted wall-hangings in the private papal suite the palace still bears testament to its former opulence. The pleasant return drive to Marseille and your ship then brings the tour to an unhurried close. Please note: this tour includes long periods of walking on uneven ground with stairs to negotiate; it is not available to guests who use a wheelchair. Guests of limited mobility are requested to evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability before taking part. Guests are requested to wear appropriate attire for religious visits. The cost of lunch (optional) is not included in the price of the tour.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 106.00
Child: \$ 79.00



MRS15 - BEST OF TWO CITIES: AIX-EN-PROVENCE AND MARSEILLE



CULTURE AND HISTORY

An all-day tour of two cities awaits that will take you to see both Aix-en-Provence and Marseille two of the most popular destinations in the south of France. Initially remaining in Marseille a coach will take you down the coastal Kennedy Corniche for views of the near-shore islands called "Les Îles" before continuing on to the hilltop location of the Neo-Byzantine Basilica of Notre Dame de la Garde where more superb vistas are a snapshot waiting to happen. Next you will descend and reach Palais Longchamps for an inside visit before heading for the Vieux Port for some free time to explore. The many cafés and restaurants are perfect for coffee or a bite to eat and the nearby Centre Bourse is ideal for all who love to shop. A 40-minute coach journey will then take you up to the beautiful university and spa town of Aix-en-Provence. A walk through the historical district will take you from the tree-lined Cours Mirabeau boulevard to the 17th-century residential Mazarin quarter built to house the town's gentry en route to Place des Quatre Dauphins its ornate "Four Dolphins" fountain and the Cathedral of the Holy Saviour a blend of various architectural styles from the 5th- to the 17th-centuries. You will have some time to spend on your own at this lovely spot before the coach returns you to your ship. Please note: this tour includes long periods of walking on uneven ground in Aix-en-Provence and walking uphill with some steps around the Basilica in Marseille; it is not available to guests who use a wheelchair. Guests of limited mobility are requested to evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability before taking part. Guests are requested to wear appropriate attire for religious visits. The cost of lunch (optional) is not included in the price of the tour. The visit to the Basilica of Notre Dame de la Garde and of Palais Longchamps may be replaced with a visit to Marseilles Cathedral in case of special events.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 106.00
Child: \$ 79.00



MRS16 - AIX-EN-PROVENCE ON YOUR OWN

SCENIC ROUTE



This tour for the independent traveller begins with a 40-minute coach transfer to the University and SPA town of Aix-en-Provence. On arrival in this lovely town, "Place de la Rotonde", with its beautiful fountain will be the starting point of your free exploration to discover Aix-en-Provence's many landmarks, streets and avenues. Popular attractions include "Place des Quatre Dauphins" - Four Dolphins Square - with its lovely fountain adorned with sculptures of four dolphins, the Cathedral of the Holy Saviour and the famous Mazarino Quarter, a residential district created by Cardinal Mazarin's brother in the last half of the XVII century. But as this tour is all about what you want to see in the French town, the choice of what to see is yours alone to make. Just be sure to be at the meeting point in good time in order to board your return coach to Marseille and your cruise ship. Please note: Wheelchair users must be accompanied by a paying helper to provide assistance with getting on and off the coach; wheelchairs must be collapsible/foldable since the coach has neither a ramp nor a lift. Wheelchair users wishing to take part in this are requested to contact the Shore Excursions' Desk promptly once they are on board so that arrangements can be made.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 48.00

Child: \$ 45.00



Note for guests with disabilities



MRS19 - CHARMING ARLES

CITY TOUR



Board a comfortable modern coach for an enjoyable 1.5-hour drive to the historical city of Arles located in the Camargue region in the south of France. The city was once the main Roman colony of ancient Gallia Narbonensis. UNESCO listed the city's Roman and Romanesque monuments as World Heritage Sites in 1981. The Dutch post-impressionist painter, Vincent van Gogh, lived in Arles for a year between 1888 and 1889, during which time he produced more than 300 paintings and drawings. Your panoramic walking tour includes the main sights such as the Church of St. Trophime, which once held cathedral status, the "Place du Forum" that inspired van Gogh's famous painting and the Roman amphitheatre, whose 120 arches date back to the 1st-century. The amphitheatre was capable of seating more than 20,000 spectators and was built for providing entertainment for the masses in the form of chariot races and gladiators engaged in bloody hand-to-hand combat. You will have time to explore on your own before returning to the ship. Please note: as the tour involves walking on uneven and rough ground, it is not suitable for guests using a wheelchair. Guests of limited mobility are requested to evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability before taking part. Comfortable shoes and a hat (in summer months) recommended as well as conservative attire for visiting places of religious importance.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 60.00

Child: \$ 45.00



MRS47 - FORTIFIED TOWN OF AIGUES-MORTES & REGIONAL NATURE PARK OF THE CAMARGUE

CULTURE AND HISTORY



This day off the ship involves a trip to the walled medieval town of Aigues-Mortes and a drive through the scenic Camargue region, famed for both its landscape and culture. First up, you can relax on the coach en route to Aigues-Mortes, about 90 km (56 miles) from Marseille. The walled and fortified town dates to the 13th and 14th centuries, is full of historical landmarks and is surrounded by the marshlands and ponds that gave the town its name of "dead water". You'll have time to visit the ramparts, stroll through town and see the nearby saltworks before you return to your coach. The route then takes you to the Regional Nature Park of the Camargue, a large wetland area within the Rh?ne Delta and a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve. Your narrated trip through the park will acquaint you with its varied flora and fauna, beautiful scenery and culture before you begin the journey back to your ship. Please note: as the tour involves much walking on uneven ground and sometimes narrow paths, it is considered to be unsuitable for guests of limited mobility or who use a wheelchair.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 98.00

Child: \$ 71.00



MRS03 - CASSIS

CITY TOUR



Formerly a quiet fishing village on the southern coastline of France near Marseille Cassis has grown into a charming small town and popular international tourist resort. The town is particularly famed for its cliffs calanques steep-walled inlets and the local white and ros? wines. On leaving the port of Marseille your tour begins with a 1-hour coach transfer followed by a local train to the town. Once there you will have plenty of time to stroll on your own around Cassis' charming streets lined with the brightly coloured homes of the locals and beautiful port as well as enjoy splendid views afforded from the waterfront. Your tour ends with your return trip back to the ship. Please note: the starting place of the local tourist train may be crowded so please expect some queues. The little tourist train is available from May through middle September; for any call before May or after middle September guests will walk to the city centre from the coach parking lot (approx. 500 mt.). This tour is not available from October until February inclusive.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 60.00

Child: \$ 45.00

Genoa, Italy 2023-05-07



GOA01T - PORTOFINO

SCENIC ROUTE



This tour is rich in scenery and offers a chance to enjoy this lush section of the Italian Riviera. The tour begins with a with a 45-minute coach ride to Santa Margherita Ligure before a 10-minute boat ride to Portofino. Here we will have time at leisure to explore this delightful seaside town, to take pictures or relax in the chic caf?s. We will continue by boat to Santa Margherita, from where we will return to Genoa and to the ship. Please note: this tour is available only in April and only for guests who do not embark/disembark in Genoa port. The feasibility of the tour depends on weather conditions; have it reconfirmed during your cruise. In case of bad weather, the excursion is cancelled. This tour is not suitable for guests with walking difficulties or using a wheelchair.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 75.00

Child: \$ 56.00



GOA06T - SIGHTSEEING ON OPEN BUS & AQUARIUM

SOMETHING SPECIAL



Enjoy a panoramic tour of Genoa while sitting comfortably on an open bus and admire the main squares and streets of this lively city. You will discover the elegant 16th-century district of Via Garibaldi the imposing Piazza de Ferrari area with the Ducal Palace. You will also pass by the Carlo Felice Theatre and the Columbus' house and along the fashion street Via Roma with the most elegant Italian brands. During your tour on the bus multilingual commentary is provided. Next stop will be the Aquarium whose visit is included in the tour an opportunity to admire on your own a vast variety of marine creatures coloured tropical fishes sharks corals penguins and dolphins. At the end the visit no rush to return to the ship. Passengers will take their time to enjoy the town and return by shuttle bus departing every 30 minutes from the Aquarium drop on. Please note: this tour is only for guests who do not embark/disembark in Genoa port. No guided visit inside the Aquarium; only photos without a flash allowed during the visit. The entrance ticket allows you visiting the whole Aquarium but there may be a few areas requiring an extra cost for temporary exhibitions and/or optional further experiences. This tour is not suitable for guests using a wheelchair and can be booked only during your cruise.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 56.00
Child: \$ 45.00



GOA03T - HISTORICAL CENTRE

CULTURE AND HISTORY



A short ferry transfer takes you to "Piazza Caricamento" for a pleasant walk through Genoa's historic town centre. We will wander the charming narrow streets known as "carruggi" to reach "Piazza de Ferrari" the commercial heart of Genoa where we will admire "Palazzo Ducale" (external visit only). You will visit the "Cisterne del Ducale" where a local tasting made of "bruschetta" and "focaccia" typical to Genoa awaits you. Your tour will continue with external views of the Cathedral of San Lorenzo. Free time in the old port before returning to the port. Please note: this tour is only for guests who do not embark/disembark in Genoa port and is not suitable for those who use a wheelchair. This tour includes extensive periods of walking (approx. 2.5 hours) and the boat has no ramps or lifts. Guests of limited mobility are requested to evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability before taking part.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 60.00
Child: \$ 48.00



GOA04D - GENOA CITY TOUR

CITY TOUR



This trip to Genoa makes a perfect ending to a wonderful holiday for disembarking guests making their way to the airport. Board your coach, stash your luggage and head for the heart of Genoa, the Piazza Caricamento, for a pleasant walk around Genoa's historical town centre. The charming narrow streets of this lovely old town, which are known as "caruggi", are a delight to explore on foot. You will also pass through the Piazza de Ferrari, Genoa's commercial centre, to reach the truly resplendent Palazzo Ducale, once the home of the Doges of Genoa and now a centre for cultural events and art exhibitions, for an external visit. Your tour comes to a close with a relaxing 3-hour coach transfer to Milan and Malpensa airport. Please note: this tour is available only for guests who are disembarking and booked on flights from Milan Malpensa airport after 19.00 hours.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 91.00
Child: \$ 68.00



GOA14T - DISCOVER GENOA BY SEGWAY®



**ACTIVE &
ADVENTURE**

Short but sweet this entertaining tour takes you off the ship to discover the city of Genoa by Segway® a great means of transport that's not only fun and very green but also makes for leisurely urban exploration without having to get footsore in the process. Your guided roundup of Genoa's main sights takes you through the town's historical centre and includes views of the 13th- to 16th-century Doges' Palace the birthplace of Christopher Columbus and Porta Soprana the best-known section of Genoa's remaining city walls. Your Segway® tour then rolls to a close with your return to the ship. Please note: this tour is only for guests who do not embark/disembark in Genoa port; it is not suitable for guests with mobility problems pregnant women and those whose weight is less than 45 kilos or more than 117 kilos. The minimum age required to drive the Segway® is 16 years old. Guests have to sign a release act in order to take part in the tour. Assistance throughout the tour only in English and Italian. This tour may have multiple departures throughout the stay in port of the ship. Please contact the Shore Excursions' Desk for information about departure timing.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 83.00
Child: \$ 83.00



GOA16T - GENOA & PALAZZO DEL PRINCIPE



**SOMETHING
SPECIAL**

Just a few hours of your time are all it takes to get the best of Genoa beginning with a short walk from the port to your first stop: the truly resplendent 16th-century Palazzo del Principe. You will have a chance to explore the historical building with its frescoes tapestries artwork by old masters and other hidden treasures during the guided visit. A private coach will then whisk you off on a non-stop drive around Genoa taking in such sights as the port district Genoa's famed aquarium the Fiera del Mare indoor arena and the expo complex. After passing through Albaro a district once favoured by the aristocracy you will move on to the city centre. Look forward to views of the monuments on Victoria Square the lawns displaying Columbus' caravels in flowers the main Via XX Settembre and bridge Piazza de Ferrari and Columbus' House and proceed to Piazza Caricamento. Time to stretch your legs follows during a short walk with outside views of the Doges' Palace St. Lawrence's Cathedral and St. George's Palace to enjoy. After some free time the tour ends with a short boat trip back to the ship. Please note: this tour is only for guests who do not embark/disembark in Genoa port and is not suitable for guests using a wheelchair.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 63.00
Child: \$ 48.00



GOA18T - GENOA PANORAMIC TOUR

SCENIC ROUTE



Thanks to its illustrious past and collection of ornate buildings Genoa also goes by the name of "La Superba" Italian for "The Proud One" and it is this civic beauty you'll be exploring on this leisurely sightseeing tour. Your guided coach tour begins at the port and takes you past such historical buildings as Columbus' birthplace and the 13th-century Palazzo San Giorgio then continues down the seafront Corso Italia to reach the picturesque Boccadasse district. You'll have some free time to spend in this pretty harbour flanked by the colourful houses of the resident fishing folk. When you move on again you'll pass through the residential neighbourhood of Albaro and catch glimpses of Piazza Tommaseo and Piazza Vittoria as you head for the historical Piazza de Ferrari Genoa's main square. Another break is scheduled here for you to explore on your own with possible areas of interest being the old town and San Lorenzo Cathedral or a look at the Palazzo Ducale the Doge's Palace. Last up on the itinerary is a drive up Castelletto Hill for splendid views from the observation deck a perfect spot to take some photos. Please note: this tour is only for guests who do not embark/disembark in Genoa port. Wheelchair users must be accompanied by a paying helper to aid with getting on and off the coach; wheelchairs must be collapsible/foldable since the coach has neither a ramp nor a lift. Wheelchair users wishing to take part in this are requested to contact the Shore Excursions' Desk promptly once they are on board so that arrangements can be made.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 37.00

Child: \$ 33.00



Note for guests with disabilities



GOA19T - BEHIND THE SCENES AT THE AQUARIUM

NATURAL
WONDERS



Leave the ship for a few hours and instead check yourself in to a thoroughly educational and family-friendly outing for a behind-the-scenes look at Italy's largest aquarium the Acquario di Genova. Built to coincide with the Genoa Expo in 1992 which in turn commemorated the 500th anniversary of the New World being discovered by Columbus the aquarium is home to a vast collection of marine wildlife. After a short ferry transfer to the old part of Genoa and the Acquario you and your family can first enjoy an unguided visit of the various tanks that provide a habitat for tropical fish sharks natural coral penguins and dolphins. At a prearranged time you'll then proceed on an expertly guided "behind-the-scenes" tour of the facility during which you'll get to see the on-site laboratories maintenance and plankton farming activities as well as how the animals are cared for and reared. And among the tank backstage areas highlights include the jellyfish and dolphin enclosures. Your time at the Expo site wraps up with a little more time to explore on your own before the boat returns you to the ship. Please note: this tour is only for guests who do not embark/disembark in Genoa port. No guided visit inside the Aquarium except for the behind the scenes part; only cameras without a flash allowed. Guides available only in English and Italian. This tour is unsuitable for guests using a wheelchair.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 52.00

Child: \$ 45.00



GOA23T - MAGNIFICENT MILANO

CITY TOUR



Get off the ship and spend a day in magnificent Milano the 2nd largest city in Italy as regards to population politics and cultural affairs and the first in the field of commerce industry and banking. Relax on your 2-hour coach drive on the motorway from Genoa to Milan. Upon arrival begin a 1.5-hour guided walking tour that will unveil some of Milan's best spots: Piazza Castello until reaching "La Scala" Milan's Opera House "Galleria Vittorio Emanuele" and Cathedral Square. Enjoy some free time in "Piazza Duomo" looking for a nice place to have lunch or for the braver to climb up the gold statue "Madonnina" the statue of the Virgin Mary placed atop the Cathedral. Alternatively if you are a shopping lover Milan is the place to be! Your 2-hour coach drive to Genoa port and your cruise ship ends this exclusive excursion. Please note: this tour is only for guests who do not embark/disembark in Genoa port and includes long periods of walking; guests of limited mobility are requested to evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability before taking part. It is unsuitable for guests using a wheelchair.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 86.00
 Child: \$ 63.00



GOA22T - ENJOY MILAN AT YOUR OWN PACE

SOMETHING SPECIAL



Milan is the most famous town for fashion and shopping here you will immerse into its famous designer shops including Gucci Armani and Versace and for its stylish ambience. Take advantage of this tour to have good chance for window browsing and soak up the atmosphere of this famous city. Leave the port for a 2-hour coach drive to Milan and enjoy free time in the city with some good shopping opportunity. At the fixed time you will meet your coach again to drive back to Genoa port and to your cruise ship. Please note: this tour is only for guests who do not embark/disembark in Genoa port. Wheelchair users must be accompanied by a paying helper to aid with getting on and off the coach; wheelchairs must be collapsible/foldable since the coach has neither a ramp nor a lift. Wheelchair users wishing to take part in this are requested to contact the Shore Excursions' Desk promptly once they are on board so that arrangements can be made. The bus stops near the "Castello Sforzesco"; this is the point of arrival and departure of your tour.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 75.00
 Child: \$ 56.00



Note for guests with disabilities



GOA25T - DISCOVER GENOA'S MAGNIFICENT PALACES

CULTURE AND HISTORY



This appealing half-day outing will acquaint you the rich history of Genoa's aristocracy, as showcased in the splendid palaces found along the city's Via Garibaldi. As one of Genoa's oldest sections, Via Garibaldi dates back to the Renaissance era with resplendent edifices that are UNESCO World Heritage Sites. You'll first meet your guide and then stroll along the time-honored street with inside visits planned at the richly stuccoes Palazzo Nicolosio Lomellino and Palazzo Bianco. Constructed between 1530 and 1540, Palazzo Bianco hosts key art collections by old masters from the 12th- to 17th-century, including Van Dyck, Rubens, Paolo Veronese and forms part of the Le Strade Nuove Museums. These brushes with history will be followed by a break to taste some of the city's world-famous pesto sauce at Palazzo Cattaneo-Adorno before you can enjoy some leisure time on your own. The walk back to Port Antico and your cruise ship then brings the outing to a close. Please note: this tour is only for guests who do not embark/disembark in Genoa port and is considered to be unsuitable for guests of limited mobility or who use a wheelchair.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 60.00
 Child: \$ 37.00



GOA10T - PORTOFINO



SCENIC ROUTE

Thanks to its mild climate, charming old fishing ports and beautiful countryside, the Italian Riviera has been a popular holiday destination since Byron and Shelley's day. This tour gives you a chance to enjoy a lush section of this famous coastline during your 1.5 scenic cruise that takes you to Portofino. You will have plenty of time to explore this delightful seaside town at your leisure, to take photos, visit the seafront or simply to relax in one of the many chic seafront caf?s. Your return journey to Genoa. Please note: this tour is available from May calls through all October and is only for guests who do not embark/disembark in Genoa port. Weather conditions will dictate if the tour is feasible, so please have the tour reconfirmed during your cruise. Should bad weather prevail, the tour will be performed with a coach drive from Genoa to Santa Margherita Ligure where you will embark on a boat to Portofino and vice versa. This tour is not suitable for guests with walking difficulties or using a wheelchair.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 75.00
Child: \$ 56.00



GOA02T - AQUARIUM



NATURAL WONDERS

Take the family on this funny excursion to the popular Genoa Aquarium; a quick ferry transfer takes us to what is reputed to be one of Europe's best aquariums renowned for its size and vast variety of marine creatures. As one of the most natural and environmentally friendly aquariums in the world everyone will enjoy the collections of multi-coloured tropical fish sharks natural corals penguins and dolphins. After you will have a quick boat trip back to the ship. Please note: this tour is only for guests who do not embark/disembark in Genoa port. No guided visit inside the Aquarium; only cameras without a flash allowed. The Aquarium is wheelchair-friendly; wheelchair users must be accompanied by a paying helper to aid with getting on and off the ferry; wheelchairs must be collapsible/foldable since the ferry has neither a ramp nor a lift. Wheelchair users wishing to take part in this are requested to contact the Shore Excursions' Desk promptly once they are on board so that arrangements can be made. The entrance ticket allows you visiting the whole Aquarium but there may be a few areas requiring an extra cost for temporary exhibitions and/or optional further experiences.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 52.00
Child: \$ 40.00



GOA21T - A TASTE OF GENOA DIOCESAN MUSEUM & PESTO DEMONSTRATION



SOMETHING SPECIAL

This enjoyable half-day outing begins with a boat transfer to Genoa's aquarium area from where you'll then set off on your city tour. A walk through the narrow lanes called caruggi of Genoa's historical district will see you reach the Diocesan Museum located in the old residence of the canons of the "Cattedrale di San Lorenzo" and accessible through its lovely cloister. Follow your guide inside the Cardinal Fieschi's room where recipes and instructions will be given to learn the use of mortar and pestle to prepare a classic pesto alla Genovese. In addition to seeing the expert preparing the pesto sauce you'll also learn about the the ingredients and the secret of making perfect pesto and curious history of the green sauce. Next walk to the lovely cloister built in the XII century for a tasty treat of bruschetta and focaccia with the freshly made pesto. The guided return walk will then take you through the historical district to the aquarium area and from there back to the pier by boat. Please note: this tour is only for guests who do not embark/disembark in Genoa port. The tour is not available to guests who use a wheelchair as it includes long periods of walking; guests of limited mobility are requested to evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability before taking part.

Price per person

Adult: \$ 79.00
Child: \$ 60.00

Legend



FAMILY FUN	Take your children on a journey of discovery, with a special programme for kids. The perfect family trip.
CITY TOUR	Explore the city centre with a guided tour and soak up the local scenery with a comfortable coach ride. The easy way to get to know your destination.
CULTURE AND HISTORY	Learn all about the history and culture of your destination, with visits to must-see locations and guided tours of key sites. The ideal route to local knowledge.
PANORAMIC TOUR	Admire your destination in total comfort, with a scenic coach tour taking in the best views and the main places of interest. The relaxing road to discovery.
SPORT AND ADVENTURE	Head ashore in search of adventure! Opportunities for sport and fun range from trekking and snorkelling to kayak tours and 4x4 vehicle adventures. The active choice.
WONDER OF NATURE	Immerse yourself in spectacular scenery and discover the fascinating flora and fauna of your destination. Your passport to the wonders of the natural world.
SOMETHING SPECIAL	Pursue your interests in new places! From gastronomic tours and guided shopping trips to religious visits, there's a world of pastimes and passions to explore.
SEA AND SUN	Treat yourself to some pure relaxation, basking on a beautiful beach or enjoying the stunning views on a scenic boat trip. A winner for sea and sun lovers.
MSC PROTECTOURS	Protectours offers you unforgettable experiences while focusing on environmental sustainability in order to preserve a beautiful world for future generations to enjoy.
MSC BIKE ADVENTOURS	One of the best ways to explore a city is from the seat of a MSC bicycle. See, hear, smell and feel the destination like never before.