



Destination **MEDITERRANEAN WINTER**

Itinerary **Italy, Malta, Spain, France**

Ship **MSC WORLD EUROPA**

Departure port **Civitavecchia, Italy**

Departure date **4 November 2024**

Arrival date **11 November 2024**

Duration **7**

### Civitavecchia (Rome), Italy Monday 4 November 2024



#### CIV02 - ROME, BAROQUE TOUR

CULTURE AND HISTORY

Rome - one of the world's most iconic cities, steeped in history and rich in Italian charm - awaits you after an approx. 1.5-hour coach drive from Civitavecchia. A city guide will be on hand to meet you on arrival and then escort you on a Roman tour that includes external viewing of the Colosseum. You may also attend the Pope's weekly Angelus - held on St. Peter's Square every Sunday - giving you a chance to admire the splendid Bernini Column at the same time. You will have free time to explore on your own, to have lunch or to visit the Basilica - your guide will provide information on the site beforehand. The excursion ends with a walk to the Pantheon and the lovely Piazza Navona. After saying goodbye to your guide, you will return to the port. Please note: Lunch is not included in the price of the excursion and is at the clients' charge. The "Angelus" takes place only on Sunday and depends on the Vatican's programmes. Have the possibility of attending it reconfirmed during your cruise. St. Peter's Basilica may close with very short notice for reasons beyond MSC's control (Vatican's programmes); have the opportunity to visit it during your free time reconfirmed during your cruise. There may be long queues to enter St. Peter's Basilica. Conservative attire recommended for visiting sites of religious importance. It may be dusk on autumn and winter calls while visiting some of the sites. Guests using a wheelchair can take part, but they must be advised that the excursion includes a long walking tour and 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.

Adult: € 99.00  
Child: € 63.00



CIV03 - ROME ON YOUR OWN

SCENIC ROUTE



This unguided tour of Rome begins with an approx. 1.5-hour drive by coach, after which you can spend the entire day exploring "The Eternal City" the capital of Italy at your leisure. You will receive instructions on how best to get around town and a map showing the main sights and monuments. Some of the must-sees Rome is known for include the Colosseum and the Roman Forum, the Pantheon, the beautiful Piazza Navona in old Rome and the neighbouring Vatican City State in Rome's modern centre, to name but a few. As one of the world's fashion capitals, the city is also choc-full of superb shopping facilities. Further sights include the magnificent Bernini Column on St. Peter's Square, which is also the site of the Pope's Sunday Angelus. Please note: the bus stops near "Piazza del Popolo"; this is the point of arrival and departure of your tour. 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.

Adult: € 85.00
Child: € 43.00



CIV09 - ROME SIGHTSEEING

SCENIC ROUTE



Leave the port for a 1.5-hour drive to Italy's capital city and experience one of the most comfortable ways to visit Rome with a sightseeing coach tour of all the attractions that make up this "Eternal City". You will see the Cestia Pyramid, Caracalla Baths, "Circus Maximus", the Colosseum as well as St. John's Square, St. Mary Major, Via Veneto, Villa Borghese, and the romantic "Lungotevere". We will then drop you off at the Vatican where you will have free time to wander the tranquil backstreets of the Vatican State or visit Saint Peter's Basilica on your own. The return to the port will be unguided. Please note: guests will meet guides in Rome. 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. St. Peter's Basilica may close with very short notice for reasons beyond MSC's control (Vatican's programmes); have the opportunity to visit it during your free time reconfirmed during your cruise. There may be long queues to enter St. Peter's Basilica.

Adult: € 89.00
Child: € 50.00



CIV22 - TUSCANIA AND TARQUINIA

CITY TOUR

The origins of Tuscania goes back to the myth and legends; some want the town to be founded by Hercules' son, some others by Aeneas' son, Ascanius. Your excursion will begin with a 50-minute coach drive across the beautiful landscape until reaching the village of Tuscania. Enjoy a guided walking tour of its historical centre, surrounded by medieval walls and marvel at the view from the Tower of Lavello. Your guide will point out the village's main sights including the Church of Saint Peter; a unique opportunity to feel the atmosphere of central Italy's little villages. Next, after boarding your coach again, you will drive to Tarquinia, one of the 12 Etruscan cities in the past. Your guide will take you on an interesting itinerary to discover of this important village in the heart of Tuscia territory. Please note: this tour is not suitable for guests with walking difficulties or using a wheelchair. Conservative attire recommended for visiting places of religious importance.

Adult: € 58.00
Child: € 41.00



CIV36YC - THE DYING TOWN OF CIVITA DI BAGNOREGIO & THE WONDERS OF MONTEFIASCONI

CITY TOUR



Adult: € 199.00
Child: € 165.00



CIV73 - TREASURES OF THE ETERNAL CITY

CULTURE AND HISTORY



Adult: € 156.00  
Child: € 100.00



CIVOP - ROAM THROUGH ROME BY HOP ON HOP OFF

SCENIC ROUTE

Adult: € 84.00  
Child: € 63.00



CIV07 - GRAN TOUR OF ROME, THE ETERNAL CITY

CULTURE AND HISTORY



This excursion combines two of the most important aspects of Rome: Christianity and antiquity. Bus transfer to Rome (1.5 hours) to meet our guide and start the tour with a visit to the Colosseum, also known as the Flavian Amphitheatre. We will look around this impressive edifice, built to hold up to 50.000 people and where the Romans used to watch the cruel gladiators combats. The tour continues with a stroll around Trevi Fountain, Piazza Navona and the Pantheon, an ancient temple built in honour of seven important Roman deities. Stop for lunch in a typical Italian restaurant. The afternoon will be for the home of Christianity as we pay a visit to St. Peter's Square: free time to explore the square or to visit the Basilica independently after receiving information from the guide outside the site. After leaving our guide in Rome, we will return to the port. Please note: the tour is not recommended for guests with walking difficulties. St. Peter's Basilica and the Colosseum have ramps for wheelchair users. Wheelchair users can take part in this tour, but they must be aware that it is almost entirely on foot. They 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. It may be dusk on autumn and winter calls while visiting some of the sites. Conservative attire recommended for visiting sites of religious importance. The restaurant lunch may be earlier or later depending on the day of call. St. Peter's Basilica may close with very short notice for reasons beyond MSC's control (Vatican's programmes); have the opportunity to visit it during your free time reconfirmed during your cruise. There may be long queues to enter St. Peter's Basilica. This tour is not available on the first Sunday of every month.

Adult: € 135.00  
Child: € 95.00



CIV72 - HILL TOWNS AND WILD STRAWBERRIES ON A COUNTRYSIDE RETREAT

SCENIC ROUTE

Adult: € 78.00  
Child: € 50.00



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**CIV47 - ROME, ST. PETER'S SQUARE & THE PAPAL ANGELUS**

CULTURE AND HISTORY



An all-day date with the Eternal City awaits you on this outing, which begins with a relaxing 1.5-hour coach ride from the port. On arrival, you'll meet your guide and embark on a sightseeing route that includes the Pyramid of Cestius, the Baths of Caracalla, the ancient chariot racing stadium Circus Maximus, the city centre and a photo stop at the Colosseum. You'll then take your leave of Rome and move on to Vatican City, where you can attend the Pope's Sunday Angelus on St. Peter's Square if you wish. Your guide will provide you with some information on the square and its splendid obelisk, after which you'll have about 2 hours to explore on your own. Visit the Basilica of St. Peter, get your Papal blessing at the Angelus or use the time to have lunch (at extra cost). Next up, you'll find yourself taking a stroll along the banks of the River Tiber and crossing the St. Angelo Bridge to reach Piazza Navona, one of Rome's most beautiful, and then passing the Pantheon before you re-board the coach for the return journey to the port. Please note: Lunch is not included in the price of the excursion and is at the clients' charge. The "Angelus" depends on the Vatican's programmes. Have the possibility of attending it reconfirmed during your cruise. St. Peter's Basilica may close with very short notice for reasons beyond MSC's control (Vatican's programmes); have the opportunity to visit it during your free time reconfirmed during your cruise. There may be long queues to enter St. Peter's Basilica. Conservative attire recommended for visiting sites of religious importance. 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. The coach drive to the port will be unguided. This tour is available only for calls falling on a Sunday.

**Adult: € 102.00**

**Child: € 63.00**



Palermo, Italy  
Tuesday 5 November 2024



PMO02 - PALERMO AND MONREALE

CULTURE AND HISTORY



Your excursion begins with a coach tour past the city's key landmarks, such as the Quattro Canti, Piazza Politeama and the Teatro Massimo, en route to Monreale, a town located on the slope of Monte Caputo and just 8 km away from Palermo. Enjoy enjoy a walking tour around the town and visit the Cathedral, home to an exquisite display of golden mosaics depicting scenes from the Old and New Testament. Back on your coach, enjoy the drive to Palermo for a full visit of the Cathedral, built in an unusual marriage of Norman and Arab architectural styles and which houses the tombs of different Norman kings and Emperor Frederick II. Another religious site of note is the "Casa Professa", one of the most important baroque churches in Palermo. You will also visit a local market rich in typical Sicilian products where you can enjoy some free time for shopping before returning to the ship. Please note: you have to walk up some steps to visit the Cathedral in Monreale. The guide will give explanation only outside the sites; guests will visit them individually. If the Cathedrals are closed on public holidays or during special events, the visit will be external. Guests are requested to wear appropriate attire for religious visits. This tour includes periods of walking, at times over uneven surfaces 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 must return their audio guides to the guide in perfect condition at the end of the tour. Any damage or loss will be debited to the guest.

Adult: € 58.00  
Child: € 41.00



PMO04 - CEFALU'

CULTURE AND HISTORY

Enjoy a 1-hour coach drive to Cefalù, a small yet pretty town situated one hour away from Palermo and which was founded by the Norman King Roger II in the XII century on the site of an earlier historic settlement. You will visit Cefalù Cathedral, the "Duomo del Cristo Pantocratore", an example of Norman-Romanesque architecture with stunning interior Norman-Byzantine mosaics. Next on the list is the visit to the medieval lavatory, a public lavatory where people used to wash their clothes in the Middle Age and fully restored in 1991, a legacy of medieval times, carved into the rock. Enjoy a guided walk along the historical centre and some free time to explore the narrow, atmospheric streets. Quality local craft shops make Cefalù a great place for souvenir shopping. Please note: this tour includes walking on uneven ground and is not suitable for guests with walking difficulties or using a wheelchair. If the Cathedral is closed on public holidays or during special events, the visit will be external. Guests are requested to wear appropriate attire for religious visits.

Adult: € 65.00  
Child: € 45.00



PMO20 - WALKING TOUR OF PALERMO



This appealing outing gives you a chance to team a little gentle exercise with seeing the sights of Palermo, Sicily's capital city, on foot. Your guided walking tour begins on Via Francesco Crispi, a large boulevard leading to Piazza XIII Vittime and its monument to 13 victims of the notorious mafia. A short photo stop is scheduled there, after which you'll continue your walk down Via Cavour, then past the well-known Teatro Massimo and Quattro Canti, an octagonal square flanked by a number of Baroque buildings. You'll also get to see Piazza Pretoria and Piazza Bellini en route to the ancient Vucciria marketplace and Piazza San Domenico. As a final flourish, you'll be able to please your palate with an authentic taste of Sicilian granita a semi-frozen dessert made of sugar, water and flavourings as well as cannoli, a delicious pastry tube filled with sweet ricotta, before you return to the port and your 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.

Adult: € 41.00  
Child: € 38.00



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PMO37YC - HISTORY AND CERAMICS WORKSHOP: THE ANCIENT ART OF MONREALE

SOMETHING SPECIAL



Adult: € 170.00  
Child: € 119.00



PMO48 - PALERMO'S SIGHTS, CUISINE, AND A VISIT TO TEATRO MASSIMO

CULTURE AND HISTORY



Adult: € 66.00  
Child: € 46.00



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## Valletta, Malta

Wednesday 6 November 2024



### 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 on 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, Mdina terrain is mostly cobblestones and might be uncomfortable for guests using a wheelchair. If they want to take part, they 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. If the call falls on a Saturday afternoon, the visit to the St. John's Co-Cathedral will be external; guests will visit the National Museum. Guests are requested to wear appropriate attire for religious visits. This tour is not available on Sunday calls.

Adult: € 68.00  
Child: € 48.00



### 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 port, you will stop briefly at the Mdina glass outlet at the Valletta waterfront. Please note: the feasibility of the excursion is subject to wind/sea conditions on the day of call. This tour is not suitable for guests using a wheelchair as there is a narrow gangway to access the boat.

Adult: € 65.00  
Child: € 46.00





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**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, constructed by the Knights of Malta in the second half of the 16th-century and 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. Even though all sites visited are wheelchair-friendly, Mdina terrain is mostly cobblestones and might be uncomfortable for guests using a wheelchair. If they want to take part, they 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. On Sunday calls, the visit to Mosta Basilica will be external. Guests are requested to wear appropriate attire for religious visits.

**Adult: € 55.00**

**Child: € 39.00**



**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.

**Adult: € 55.00**

**Child: € 39.00**





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### MLT24 - ISLAND PANORAMIC TOUR

SCENIC ROUTE



If you want an introduction to the towns and the landscapes of Malta, join us on this panoramic coach drive around the island. Your first stop will be the old fortified town of Vittoriosa, located on the south side, and the first home of the Knights when they arrived in Malta 1530. Rich in tourist attractions, including the waterfront, the casino, Malta Maritime Museum and St. Lawrences Church to name a few, you will enjoy a guided walking before to move to Senglea for a photo stop at the Vedette Watch Tower; keep your camera ready to frame the superb harbour views. Next on the list is a coach drive to the pretty fishing village of Marsaxlokk, situated on the shores of Malta's second-largest natural bay. Enjoy some free time and make sure not to miss 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. Last but not least on your tour list is the Blue Grotto, at Wied iz-Zurrieq. You will have the opportunity to view the Grotto from on top before you will be given some free time at Wiediz-Zurrieq for those who wish to take the 20 minute boat ride (not included in the price). Please note: though all sites visited are wheelchair-friendly with the exception of the viewpoint to see the Blue Grotto, Vittoriosa terrain is mostly cobblestones and might be uncomfortable for guests using a wheelchair. If wheelchair guests want to take part, they must be accompanied by a paying helper to provide assistance with getting on and off the coach and their 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.

**Adult: € 39.00**

**Child: € 27.00**



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Barcelona, Spain  
Friday 8 November 2024



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". 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.

Adult: € 51.00  
Child: € 36.00



BCN28 - GAUDI'S MASTERPIECES: PARC GUELL AND LA PEDRERA

CULTURE AND HISTORY

Adult: € 98.00  
Child: € 79.00



BCN36YC - A JOURNEY THROUGH MODERNIST BARCELONA

CULTURE AND HISTORY



Adult: € 289.00  
Child: € 268.00



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 Cavas 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 mountain, winding road.

Adult: € 68.00  
Child: € 48.00



BCN40 - A WALK INTO BARCELONA GOTHIC QUARTER



This is an invitation to explore the Gothic heart of Barcelona on a pleasant walk through its main streets and square. After a short coach transfer, you will commence your guided walk to the first highlight of the tour: Columbus Statue, built to commemorate Columbus' first voyage to America. Next, you will walk the lively Ramblas and finally enter Barcelona's Gothic Quarter for a glimpse of the Town Hall at Sant Jaume's Square. Your guide will also take you to Barcelona Cathedral where you have full explanations on this important side as you admire it from outside. Your last stop on this walking tour will be the Plaça de Catalunya, a large square in central Barcelona that is ideal for a little retail therapy. Here, you may opt for remaining in the city and return to the ship independently or walk back to the end of the Ramblas with your guide where a coach will take you 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.

Adult: € 36.00
Child: € 32.00



BCN57 - HIGHLIGHTS OF BARCELONA & PUEBLO ESPAÑOL



Take some time to discover beautiful Barcelona on this enjoyable sightseeing tour of the city. Your Barcelona experience begins at the spectacular Cathedral of the Holy Cross and St. Eulalia, the construction of which began at the end of the 13th- and continued into the 15th-century. The Cathedral is situated in Barcelona's Barri Gòtic quarter, the city's largely intact medieval centre. The coach will also drive past three of the famous works by the architect Gaudí: you will pass by Casa Batlló and Casa Milà and then you will stop briefly to take pictures outside the Sagrada Família. 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, and a brief stop at Montjuich Hill for the fabulous views of the city. Your tour concludes with your return to the ship. Please note: if the Cathedral is closed on public holidays or during special events, the visit will be external. Guests are requested to wear appropriate attire for religious visits. This tour is not recommended for guests with walking difficulties or using a wheelchair.

Adult: € 56.00
Child: € 39.00



BCN58 - SAGRADA FAMILIA & GAUDI'S BEST BUILDINGS



Adult: € 98.00
Child: € 79.00



BCN02ANN - A WHIRLWIND ADVENTURE OF BARCELONA HIGHLIGHTS



Adult: € 0.00
Child: € 0.00



BCN65 - NAUTICAL BUS EXPERIENCE & BEACH ESCAPE



Adult: € 41.00
Child: € 30.00

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**Marseille (Provence), France**

Saturday 9 November 2024

**MRSBK1 - CYCLE THROUGH MARSEILLE**

BIKETOUR

Since Marseille is France's second largest city and was 2013's European Capital of Culture, this cycling tour intends to showcase the best cultural highlights of the ancient city, parts of which date back to around 600 B.C.. You'll be covering about 30 km on a moderately difficult biking route, with a first break scheduled at Marseille Cathedral, a minor basilica since 1896, so you can go inside. After then passing Fort Saint-Jean, you'll skirt the old town en route to Palais Longchamp, home to two museums. One of these exhibits art, the other historical artefacts and the gardens once housed zoo animals in the 19th century. Although the old enclosures still stand, they are now occupied by animal statues rather than the real thing. Pedalling on, you'll then reach Pharo Gardens from where you can snap great photos of the port. As a final treat, you'll have time to do some shopping in the town centre before you begin to cycle back to the ship. Please note: the tour involves cycling along an approx. 30-km route and is considered to be suitable only for guests with a high level of physical fitness. Children are allowed to take part in this tour provided their height is 155 cm. A declaration of agreement must be signed by an adult with parental authority for children before authorisation can be given for such guests to take part.

**Adult: € 60.00****Child: € 45.00****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 considered to be 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. On 2-day calls, this tour may be performed also at night with a departure set at 16.30. It may be dusk while visiting some of the sites.

**Adult: € 63.00****Child: € 44.00****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 rosé 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 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.

**Adult: € 68.00****Child: € 47.00**



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. On 2-day calls, this tour may be performed also at night with a departure set at 16.00. It may be dusk while visiting some of the sites.

Adult: € 67.00
Child: € 47.00



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 façade 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.

Adult: € 106.00
Child: € 74.00



MRS22 - PROTECTOURS: LE PANIER, MARSEILLE'S HEART & VISIT AN ECO-FRI

ECO-FRIENDLY

Adult: € 59.00
Child: € 42.00



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**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.

Adult: € 44.00

Child: € 44.00



**MRS36YC - RHONE TREASURES: THE PALACE OF THE POPES AND WINE TASTING**

SOMETHING SPECIAL



Adult: € 315.00

Child: € 219.00





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## Genoa (Portofino), Italy

Sunday 10 November 2024



### GOABK1 - AUTHENTIC GENOA BY BIKE

BIKETOUR

This appealing half-day outing lets you discover what makes Genoa so special by bike. Following a moderately difficult route of about 25 km, you'll first cycle around the harbour to pass Genoa Aquarium and the old Lanterna lighthouse on your way to Porta del Molo, an area in the old town. Enjoy the old-world feel as you cycle down the ancient caruggi (lanes) to reach Porta Soprana, an entrance in the old city walls. After a look at the house of Christopher Columbus, you'll pedal on to Genoa Cathedral, consecrated in 1118, and Piazza de Ferrari for a break. Take some photos of the fine buildings on the square, which is near the 13th-century Doge's Palace. Next, you'll bike your way to the pretty fishing village of Boccadasse, where you can have a break at one of many cafés or go for a swim at the short stretch of beach. On returning to the city, you'll make your way to Via Garibaldi, a UNESCO World Heritage Site as a street of palaces. After a short climb to a viewpoint, you can enjoy final views of Genoa before biking back to the ship. Please note: this tour is only for guests in transit in Genoa port; it is available only for guests on MSC Bellissima and MSC Seaview. Guests will cycle for a total of 17 km. Children are allowed to take part in this tour provided their height is 155 cm. A declaration of agreement must be signed by an adult with parental authority for children before authorisation can be given for such guests to take part.

Adult: € 62.00

Child: € 47.00



### GOABK2 - COSMOPOLITAN GRANDEUR AND COASTAL CHARMS OF GENOA

BIKETOUR

This tour is made easier by riding a pedelec - an electrically powered bicycle which assists the rider's pedal power at speeds of up to 25 km/h. Leaving the port, you'll pedal around the harbour basin past Genoa Aquarium and the Old Harbour (Lanterna) all the way to the Porta del Molo. Cycling through the atmospheric narrow "caruggi" streets, you'll come to the Old City Gate (Porta Soprana) and Christopher Columbus' House, located just outside the ancient medieval city walls. From there, you'll continue to Genoa Cathedral and the Piazza De Ferrari, where you'll have a first short stop to admire the beauty of this magnificent square and the nearby Doge's Palace, one of the oldest buildings in the city. Photo break over, you'll leave the old city to visit the famously picturesque village of Boccadasse, where you'll have the opportunity to enjoy a leisurely coffee or a swim from the small but charming beach, surrounded by cafés. Suitably refreshed, you'll cycle back towards the city centre, but turn north before getting there to access a magnificent viewpoint with panoramic vistas of the city. The partly steep and winding road will lead you to the Terrazze Capolinea Funicular Railway Station for a quick coffee break before you make your descent back to the city and port. Please note: guests will have to cycle 27 km with some steep climbs. This tour is available only for guests in transit in Genoa port and for guests on MSC Bellissima and MSC Seaview. Guests will cycle for a total of 17 km. Children are allowed to take part in this tour provided their height is 155 cm. A declaration of agreement must be signed by an adult with parental authority for children before authorisation can be given for such guests to take part.

Adult: € 79.00

Child: € 58.00





GOA14T - DISCOVER GENOA BY SEGWAY®



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; all guests aged 6/15 can participate in this excursion but will share the Segway® with an adult on condition the guests' total weight does not exceed 117 kilos. 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.

Adult: € 80.00
Child: € 80.00



GOA18T - GENOA PANORAMIC TOUR



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 and is not suitable for guests using a wheelchair.

Adult: € 36.00
Child: € 33.00



GOA19T - BEHIND THE SCENES AT THE AQUARIUM



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 considered to be unsuitable for guests using a wheelchair.

Adult: € 54.00
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 an 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/diseembark in Genoa port and includes long periods of walking. It is considered unsuitable for guests using a wheelchair.

Adult: € 86.00
Child: € 60.00



GOA39T - A TRIP TO ITALY'S WORLD-CLASS AQUARIUM

NATURAL WONDERS



Adult: € 49.00
Child: € 40.00



GOA44T - NAVIGATE THE CITY'S STORIED CENTRE ON FOOT

CULTURE AND HISTORY



Adult: € 58.00
Child: € 46.00



GOA29T - PORTOFINO & ENCHANTING VIEWS OF LIGURIAN RIVIERA

SCENIC ROUTE



Adult: € 89.00
Child: € 63.00



GOA25T - DISCOVER GENOA'S MAGNIFICENT PALACES

CULTURE AND HISTORY



Uncover the rich and glorious history of Genoa's aristocracy by "Via Garibaldi," built during the Renaissance and well known for its magnificent palaces. Join your guide for a pleasant stroll along Via Garibaldi, one of the oldest parts of Genoa, to discover enchanting palaces which are listed as UNESCO World Heritage Sites, and learn about the enormous wealth from distant lands that was hidden here by noble families. Get a glimpse into the past with inside visits to Palazzo Nicolosio Lomellino - featuring richly stuccoed façades and fresco murals adorning the ceiling and walls - and Palazzo Rosso. This Palace forms part of the Museums of the "Strada Nuova" - as Via Garibaldi is also referred to - and hosts quintessential art collections including paintings by Antoon Van Dyck, Guido Reni, Bernardo Strozzi and Il Veronese, to name a few. Before visiting Palazzo Rosso, there will be a short stop at the dungeons of Palazzo Cattaneo Adorno to taste one of the city's delicacies, pesto sauce. The excursion continues with a walk through the alleys of Genoa and some leisure time before returning to the "Porto Antico" and your cruise ship. Please note: this tour is available only for guests in transit in Genoa port and is considered to be unsuitable for guests with walking difficulties or using a wheelchair.

Adult: € 58.00
Child: € 41.00



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**GOA42TYC - PORTOFINO E PESTO COOKING CLASS IN SANTA MARGHERITA LIGURE**

SOMETHING SPECIAL



Adult: € 199.00

Child: € 175.00



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