

LISBON TO THE CANARY ISLANDS

SMITHSONIAN JOURNEYS



This cruise is part of a collection of PONANT voyages that are specially-tailored for English-speaking travelers who want to engage with the world. In addition to the usual elements of the PONANT experience, the listed price for these voyages includes transfers to and from the ship, talks and discussions aboard ship by world class experts, and a shore excursion or activity in each port of call. Set sail aboard Le Lapérouse on an exceptional 14-day itinerary that will take you from the Moorish worlds of Andalusia and Morocco to the Atlantic archipelagos of Madeira and the Canary Islands—worlds of great historical and cultural import and also of great natural beauty. A special Ponant TIMELESS EXPEDITION - Throughout your journey, you will benefit from an excursion included per person per port of call, to choose from a selection offered by Ponant.



DATES: 2026 – Oct 12-25

DURATION: 14 DAYS/13 NIGHTS

EMBARK: Lisbon, Portugal

DISSEMBARK: Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Canary Islands

SHIP: LE LAPÉROUSE

FROM: \$9,280*

All Inclusive – Port Charges, Open Bar, Gratuities to ship crew, Shore Excursions

***AFTER 30% EARLY BOOKING SAVINGS**

Expedition Highlights

- A voyage specially-tailored for English-speaking travelers including discussions with experts, transfers before and after your cruise, and an included excursion in each port of call.
- Engaging discussions onboard with two Smithsonian Journeys Experts.
- Seville's Alcázar, a UNESCO World Heritage Site.
- A flamenco performance in Cadiz.
- Bustling markets of Moroccan handicrafts in Tangier and Tetouan.
- The Hassan II Mosque in Casablanca, the largest in Africa.
- The stunning natural beauty of Madeira and a tasting of its eponymous wines.
- The world's largest optical telescope on La Palma.
- The UNESCO World Heritage Sites of San Cristóbal de La Laguna and Garajonay National Park.
- The eccentric César Manrique Foundation on Lanzarote.

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Days 1-2 – OCT 12-13: LISBON, PORTUGAL

Portugal's capital city located on the banks of the Tagus, only a few km from the Atlantic coast, is a city of exceptionally rich cultural diversity. At the mouth of the river harbor, impose two UNESCO World Heritage monuments, Jeronimos monastery and Belem tower. The Alfama hillside is also worth visiting: known for its fado bars and its Moorish streets, this district is the oldest one of the city and one of the most typical. Not far from there, Chiado's elegant streets are home to big fashion labels and are an invitation to a bit of luxury shopping.

Day 3 – OCT 14: LAGOS, PORTUGAL

Lagos, bordered by the Atlantic Ocean, in the Algarve region of southern Portugal. With its picturesque and age-old town center, and the Ponta da Piedade natural site sheltering paradisiacal beaches protected by captivating limestone cliffs in hues of ochre, Lagos enthralls, fascinates and enchants. In this interesting blend between nature and culture, do not miss the chance to stroll along the small paved streets of its historic center, surrounded by impressive Moorish ramparts and edged with traditional white houses, with decorations sculpted in the stone. In particular, you will be able to admire the Manuelian-style Governor's Castle, the 17th-century Ponta da Bandeira Fort or the Church of Santo António in Baroque architecture.



Day 4 – OCT 15: CADIZ, SPAIN

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

Day 5 – OCT 16: MARBELLA, SPAIN

In the province of Malaga, Marbella is a renowned seaside resort on the Costa del Sol. The remains of early Christian and Roman sites around this former mining town, located at the foot of the Sierra Blanca mountains, bear witness to a rich history. With its white houses on flowery little streets, the old town is perfect for a pleasant stroll. The Plaza de los Naranjos, former focal point of the city, is near the 10th-century Arabic castle and the Church of Santa María de la Encarnación. Not far from here, you'll be able to discover the magnificent viewpoints offered by Ronda, a picturesque town perched 700 metres (2,296 feet) high. Its Puente Nuevo bridge majestically crosses the gorges of the Guadalevin River that cuts the town in two.

Day 6 – OCT 17: MÁLAGA, SPAIN

A historical and festive town, Malaga is located in Andalusia, on the Costa del Sol. Between the marina and the beaches, the seaside promenade of La Farola offers an ideal setting for strolling and relaxing. Set slightly further back, the Malagueta bullring is one of the emblematic sites of the city. From the hill overlooking the old town, one can see Gibralfaro castle and the Alcazaba, two fortified ensembles rising out from the cypresses and maritime pines. To visit Pablo Picasso's birthplace, you will go first to the courtly plaza de la

Merced. A few streets back from here, you can explore the museum dedicated to the artist, in the Buenavista palace.

Day 7 – OCT 18: TANGIER, MOROCCO

Nestling in the Bay of Tangier, this bewitching Moroccan city lies at the northwestern tip of the country, along the famous Strait of Gibraltar. Following in the footsteps of the writers and artists inspired and seduced by the city's climate and setting, you'll love its rich landscapes and multicultural charm. You'll instantly understand as soon as you set foot in the heart of the Medina. An architectural masterpiece, the Kasbah is your gateway to the Sultan's Palace and its gardens. If you prefer beaches to museums, you can relax just a few minutes from the city on the beautiful sweep of sand bathed by the Atlantic Ocean.

Day 8 – OCT 19: CASABLANCA, MOROCCO

Situated along the Atlantic coast, Casablanca is the very image of contemporary Morocco: Westernized and cosmopolitan. Exploring the architectural heritage of the "White City" tells you all you need to know about its cultural and historical diversity. Breathtaking highlights include the majestic Hassan II Mosque, considered to be one of the greatest religious buildings in the world. You can explore the narrow alleys of the old Medina, which stand in sharp contrast to the surrounding modern architecture. To get the most from the seafront, the Ain Diab Corniche provides a pleasant place for strolling with easy access to the beach.



Day 9 – OCT 20: AT SEA

Days 10-11 – OCT 21-22: FUNCHAL, MADEIRA

This attractive capital of Madeira is located on the southern coast of the island. The walkways of the old town are lined with azulejos, or multi-colored mosaics. If you follow these patterns, they'll lead you to the

appetizing Mercado dos Lavradores market stands, the Frederico de Freitas museum, and the golden paneling of the Cathedral de la Sé. Along the waterfront, the palm tree-shaded promenade leads you to the teleféricos de Monte, Madeira's cable cars. Its panoramic cabins transport you over the city to top of Monte, where you can see the picturesque botanical garden.

Day 12 – OCT 23: SANTA CRUZ DE LA PALMA, CANARY ISLANDS

The capital of the island of Palma, Santa Cruz de la Palma is the pearl of the Canaries. Founded in 1493 by the conquistador Alonso Fernandez de Lugo, the city has preserved a large and atypical architectural heritage from its colonial past, with its traditional Canarian houses adorned with brightly colored wooden balconies, its cobbled streets, its sumptuous palaces and its numerous religious buildings. The Santa Catalina Castle is the symbol of the city. This 16th century military fortification helped defend the city from repeated attacks by French privateers.

Day 13 – OCT 24: SANTA CRUZ DE TENERIFE, CANARY ISLANDS

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

Day 14 – OCT 25: LAS PALMAS DE GRAN CANARIA, CANARY ISLANDS

Las Palmas is located on the north-east coast of Gran Canaria. A few streets away from Puerto de la Luz port, you'll discover the vast Las Canteras beach, bordered with the town's characteristic palms. You'll find these palms are all over Las Palmas, in the streets and squares, especially on the plaza de Santa Ana in the heart of the historical district. It feels like you've traveled back in time here, as you stand looking at the tall houses beside the Santa Ana cathedral.

PRE- AND POST-CRUISE ARRANGEMENTS ARE AVAILABLE TO SUIT YOUR INTERESTS



LE LAPÉROUSE

GUESTS: 184

RATES – 2026 (Rates subject to change without notice – Book early for best rates.)

All inclusive – Gratuities to crew; all beverages – open bar; Port Charges; Room Service; Shore Excursions; Wi-Fi, Timeless Exploration*.

SUITE – After 30% Savings	OCT 12
Deluxe – Deck 3	\$9,280
Prestige – Deck 4	\$10,230
Prestige – Deck 5	\$10,700
Prestige – Deck 6	\$11,280
Deluxe Ste – Decks 3-6	\$15,450
Prestige Suite – Dk 5	\$20,660
Prestige Suite – Dk 6	\$21,710
Privilege Suite – Dk 5-6	\$22,750
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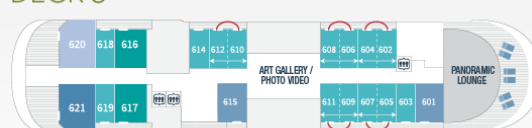
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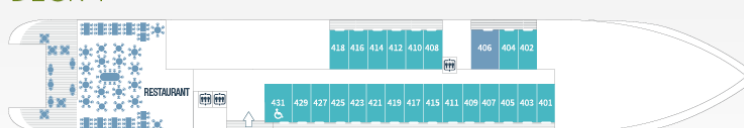
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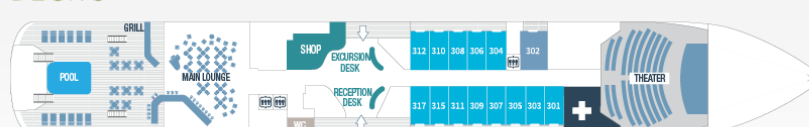
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