

SPAIN & PORTUGAL

SMITHSONIAN JOURNEYS



In alliance with Smithsonian Journeys, set sail aboard *Le Lapérouse* on an exceptional 8- or 9-day itinerary that will take you along the Spanish and Portuguese coasts, from Lisbon to Barcelona. Your voyage ends in Barcelona, a city in perpetual movement, where you will fall under the spell of the famous architectural works of Antoni Gaudí, including the UNESCO World Heritage *Basílica de la Sagrada Família*. Your call in captivating Valencia offers the opportunity to view the city's architectural wonders, from the UNESCO World Heritage *La Lonja de la Seda*, a masterpiece of late Gothic architecture originally used for trading silk, to the City of Arts and Sciences, a complex designed by native architect Santiago Calatrava.



DATES: 2025 – SEP 16-24

2026 – OCT 17-24*

DURATION: 9 DAYS/8 NIGHTS

***8 DAYS/7 NIGHTS**

EMBARK: LISBON, PORTUGAL

DISEMBARK: BARCELONA, SPAIN

***Reverse itinerary**

SHIP: LE LAPÉROUSE | *LE BOREAL

FROM: \$5,680*

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

***After 30% Early Booking Savings**

Expedition Highlights

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 that encourages guests to embrace the sights, sounds, tastes, and smells of the local environment and culture.

- Engaging discussions onboard with Smithsonian Journeys Experts, including architectural historian Gail Cornell.
- A cruise to discover the landscapes, architecture, and rich cultural history of Portugal and Spain.
- UNESCO World Heritage sites en route: the Alcázar in Seville from Cádiz, the Alhambra in Granada from Malaga, and La Lonja de la Seda in Valencia.
- An exclusive, night-time, private tour of the Alhambra in Granada.
- A discovery of the Balearic Islands with a stop in Palma de Mallorca, their capital.

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DAY 1 – LISBON, PORTUGAL

Portugal's capital city located on the banks of the Tagus, only a few kilometers 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 2 – DAY AT SEA

DAY 3 – CADIZ, SPAIN

Andalusia's Cadiz is located on the Costa de la Luz, in the south-west of Spain. From the beaches of Cor-tadura, 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 stroll 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 4 – MÁLAGA, SPAIN

A historical and festive town, Malaga is 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. courtly plaza de la Merced.



wide avenues form a border around the old town. The city has an abundance of architectural styles that coexist harmoniously, but above all it resolutely embraces the 21st Century with the futuristic structures of its Agora congress center and City of Arts and Sciences, emerging from a crystal blue pool.



DAY 5 – DAY AT SEA

DAY 6 - PALMA DE MALLORCA, BALEARIC ISLANDS

Palma de Mallorca will reveal its many treasures: idyllic coves, majestic limestone cliffs that plunge into the clear sapphire- and turquoise-colored waters of the Mediterranean, and vast plains planted with almond trees, olive trees and vineyards. When your ship calls at the capital of the Balearic Islands, take a walk to discover its emblematic monuments, such as its famous cathedral, and amble through its old streets. Here, like a painting, the island's historical heritage forms a backdrop to the lively and warm cosmopolitan atmosphere of the Mediterranean.



DAY 8 – BARCELONA, SPAIN

Located on the seashore between the mountains of Montjuïc and Tibidabo, Barcelona offers its many visitors a perfect blend of tradition and modernism. Truly an open-air museum, the “prodigious town” reveals an astonishing range of artistic treasures and museums, combining Roman ruins, medieval districts and a number of avant-garde elements from the 20th Century. Over the years, it has been marked by some of the greatest artists, such as Picasso, Miró or Gaudí, most of whose work has been listed as World Heritage Sites by UNESCO. Take the time to stroll along the Ramblas and enjoy the gentle, typically Mediterranean lifestyle of the capital of Catalonia.

DAY 7 - VALENCIA

Valencia - the city of Art and Sciences. Two hearts beat in this Spanish city: one is modern, avantgarde and almost futuristic; the other is more provincial, more traditional, and nostalgic. Valencia has the temperament of a great Mediterranean city whose





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Le Lapérouse | Le Boreal

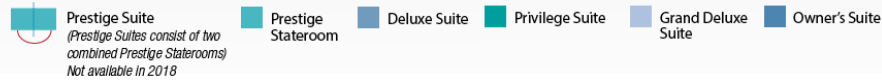
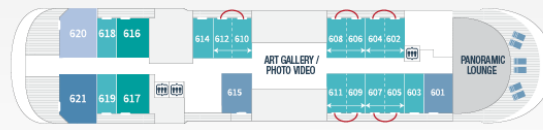
GUESTS: 184

RATES – 2025-26 Rates subject to change without notice – **Book early for best rates BELOW.**

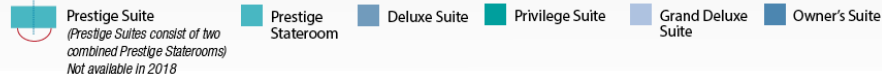
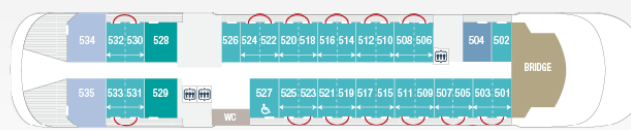
All inclusive – Gratuities to crew; all beverages – open bar; Shore excursions; Port Charges; Room Service

| SUITE – AFTER EARLY BOOKING SAVINGS | SEP 16 SAVE 15% | OCT 17 SAVE 30% |
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| Superior – Deck 3 | - | \$5,680 |
| Deluxe – Deck 3 | \$8,260 | \$6,120 |
| Prestige – Deck 4 | \$9,130 | \$6,750 |
| Prestige – Deck 5 | \$9,560 | \$7,070 |
| Prestige – Deck 6 | \$10,070 | \$7,070 |
| Deluxe Ste – Dks 3-6 | \$13,880 | \$10,220 |
| Prestige Ste – Dk 5 | \$19,590 | \$13,680 |
| Prestige Ste – Dk 6 | \$18,490 | \$14,370 |
| Privilege Ste– Dk 5-6 | \$20,540 | - |
| Grand Deluxe Suite | \$22,530 | - |
| OWNER SUITE | \$27,670 | \$23,190 |

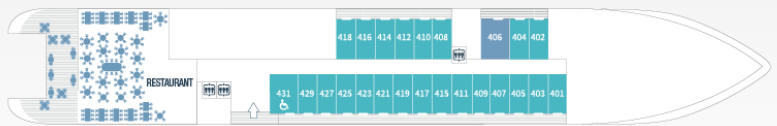
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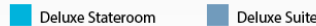
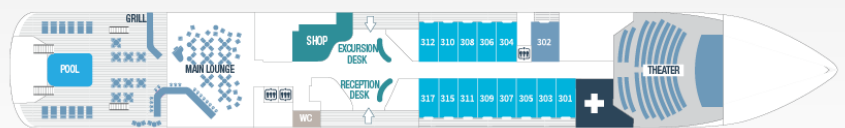
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