

Costa Fortuna  
Greece, Malta, Italy, Spain  
20 September, Piraeus/Athens

# ITINERARY



DATE	PORT	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
20/09	Piraeus/Athens	-	2300
21/09	Heraklion/Creta	1000	1900
22/09	...CRUISING...	-	-
23/09	La Valletta	0700	1600
24/09	Palermo	0900	1700
25/09	Civitavecchia	0830	1900
26/09	Savona	0900	1630
27/09	Barcelona	1300	-

The sales prices indicated here are valid for 30 days from the date mentioned on the document (indicated on the lower right).

# AVAILABLE EXCURSIONS

## Heraklion/Creta - 21/09/2024

- 00KF** PREMIUM TOUR: PALACE OF KNOSSOS AND AROLITHOS VILLAGE, Adult price EUR 69.00 - Child price EUR 48.30
- 00KN** EXPERIENCE: THE ARKADI MONASTERY AND RETHYMNO, Adult price EUR 45.00 - Child price EUR 31.50
- 01J3** DISCOVER KNOSSOS, Adult price EUR 39.00 - Child price EUR 27.30
- 03FI** THE HEART OF CRETE, WHERE TRADITION IS THE PROTAGONIST, Adult price EUR 39.00 - Child price EUR 27.30
- 04D3** SPINALONGA ISLAND AND AGIOS NIKOLAOS, Adult price EUR 55.00 - Child price EUR 38.50
- 0821** THE WONDERS OF KNOSSOS AND THE ARCHAEOLOGICAL MUSEUM, Adult price EUR 79.00 - Child price EUR 55.30
- 0822** DISCOVERING KRITSÀ AND AGIOS NIKOLAOS, Adult price EUR 55.00 - Child price EUR 38.50
- 0825** DISCOVERING KRITSÀ, AGIOS NIKOLAOS AND KNOSSOS, Adult price EUR 125.00 - Child price EUR 87.50
- 0827** THE ENCHANTING PALACE OF KNOSSOS AND HERAKLION CITY CENTRE, Adult price EUR 59.00 - Child price EUR 41.30
- 1424** THE WONDERS OF CRETE: KNOSSOS, KRITSÀ AND AGIOS NIKOLAOS, Adult price EUR 75.00 - Child price EUR 52.50

## La Valletta - 23/09/2024

- 1722** MDINA AND MOSTA, THE HISTORIC HEART OF MALTA, Adult price EUR 49.00 - Child price EUR 34.30
- 1761** VALLETTA WORK OF ART TOUR, Adult price EUR 55.00 - Child price EUR 38.50
- 1773** VALLETTA AND MDINA YOUR WAY, Adult price EUR 19.00 - Child price EUR 19.00
- 03AQ** THE BEST OF MALTA, Adult price EUR 135.00 - Child price EUR 94.50
- 03AR** MALTA'S SEA: MELLIEHA BEACH, Adult price EUR 59.00 - Child price EUR 41.30
- 03AS** MALTA, FOOD AND HISTORY, Adult price EUR 75.00 - Child price EUR 52.50
- 01QK** FROM THE BLUE GROTTO TO MARSAXLOKK, Adult price EUR 49.00 - Child price EUR 34.30

## Palermo - 24/09/2024

- 01QN** MONDELLO YOUR WAY, Adult price EUR 25.00 - Child price EUR 17.50
- 0235** PALERMO, MONREALE AND STREET FOOD, Adult price EUR 99.00 - Child price EUR 69.30
- 0242** MYSTERIES OF PALERMO, Adult price EUR 59.00 - Child price EUR 41.30
- 0244** MYTHS AND LOVE STORIES AROUND EVERY CORNER IN CEFALÙ, Adult price EUR 59.00 - Child price EUR 41.30
- 02GD** HUNTING FOR PALERMITAN STREET FOOD, Adult price EUR 79.00 - Child price EUR 55.30
- 00J7** PALERMO IS IMMERSIVE, Adult price EUR 45.00 - Child price EUR 31.50
- 0306** AN EXCLUSIVE SWIM IN MONDELLO, Adult price EUR 75.00 - Child price EUR 52.50
- 03N1** PALERMO: THE CITY OF EVERYONE, AND OF 'LA SANTUZZA', Adult price EUR 95.00 - Child price EUR 66.50

**03SB** PALERMO, FROM THE TOP, Adult price EUR 85.00 – Child price EUR 59.50  
**0683** MONDELLO: SUNBATHING AND SEA, Adult price EUR 49.00 – Child price EUR 34.30

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**Civitavecchia – 25/09/2024**

**03XQ** COMFORT AND FUN UNDER THE TARQUINIA SUN, Adult price EUR 55.00 – Child price EUR 38.50  
**043N** CIVITA DI BAGNOREGIO: THE VILLAGE THAT IS FADING AWAY, with lunch, Adult price EUR 135.00 – Child price EUR 209.50  
**2095** IN THE HANDS OF MICHELANGELO: THE VATICAN MUSEUMS, THE SISTINE CHAPEL AND OTHER MASTERPIECES, Adult  
**02FY** THE THOUSAND LIVES OF THE COLOSSEUM AND THOUSAND FACES OF THE ETERNAL CITY, Adult price EUR 109.00 –  
**03G6** BY BUS AMONG THE ICONIC SITES OF ROME, Adult price EUR 55.00 – Child price EUR 38.50  
**03MB** ROME, THE QUEEN OF THE WATERS, Adult price EUR 99.00 – Child price EUR 69.30  
**03NU** MARCO SIMONE GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB, Adult price EUR 500.00 – Child price EUR 500.00  
**03NX** CIRCOLO DEL GOLF ROMA ACQUASANTA, Adult price EUR 500.00 – Child price EUR 500.00  
**03QY** ROME WITH THE GREATEST CONVENIENCE BY SUSTAINABLE RAIL, Adult price EUR 79.00 – Child price EUR 55.30  
**0114** A GREEN TRAIN TO THE ROME YOU WANT, Adult price EUR 55.00 – Child price EUR 38.50  
**015H** CIVITAVECCHIA, A MINIATURE ROME ON THE SEA, Adult price EUR 39.00 – Child price EUR 27.30

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**Savona – 26/09/2024**

**009T** GENOA ON YOUR OWN (WITHOUT GUIDE), Adult price EUR 45.00 – Child price EUR 31.50  
**02GY** SAVONA, CERAMICS AND TASTING, Adult price EUR 45.00 – Child price EUR 31.50  
**01QJ** FINALBORGO AND NOLI: TWO VILLAGES NESTLED BETWEEN THE SEA AND THE MOUNTAINS, Adult price EUR 59.00 –  
**0381** GENOA AQUARIUM AND ANCIENT PORT, Adult price EUR 89.00 – Child price EUR 62.30  
**03G1** THE FLAVOURS AND HISTORY OF ALBENGA, Adult price EUR 55.00 – Child price EUR 38.50  
**03EX** GENOA FROM TOP TO BOTTOM, Adult price EUR 59.00 – Child price EUR 41.30  
**2068** GENOA'S HIDDEN MAGNIFICENCE, Adult price EUR 95.00 – Child price EUR 66.50

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**Barcelona – 27/09/2024**

**0758** BARCELONA AND FLAMENCO RHYTHMS, Adult price EUR 79.00 – Child price EUR 55.30  
**0759** BARCELONA AND THE HISTORY OF BARÇA FC, Adult price EUR 75.00 – Child price EUR 52.50  
**0765** BARCELONA IN A CLICK, Adult price EUR 49.00 – Child price EUR 34.30  
**0518** BARCELONA ON AN ELECTRIC BIKE, Adult price EUR 85.00 – Child price EUR 59.50  
**0523** THE BARCELONA OF GAUDÌ, Adult price EUR 99.00 – Child price EUR 69.30  
**0527** ICONIC BARCELONA, Adult price EUR 69.00 – Child price EUR 48.30  
**0658** NATURE BECOMES ART IN GAUDÌ'S BARCELONA, Adult price EUR 99.00 – Child price EUR 69.30  
**02E9** DISCOVERING GAUDÌ ON A SEGWAY, Adult price EUR 95.00 – Child price EUR 66.50  
**00FW** BARCELONA AND BARRIO GOTICO, Adult price EUR 49.00 – Child price EUR 34.30  
**006E** THE MANY FACES OF BARCELONA, Adult price EUR 75.00 – Child price EUR 52.50

*Heraklion/Creta***PREMIUM TOUR: PALACE OF KNOSSOS AND AROLITHOS VILLAGE****In a nutshell**

The cradle of Minoan civilization, Crete will surprise us with its archaeological patrimony as we embark on an awe-inspiring trip, reliving the myth of Minos at the Palace of Knossos before diving into Cretan culture in a traditional village where time seems to stand still.

**Main stops**

- Palace of Knossos
- Arolithos and Museum of agricultural history and popular art

**The programme**

- We will leave the port of Heraklion by coach to head for our first destination: the **Palace of Knossos**.
- Situated on the top of a hill, from which we enjoy a breathtaking view of the place where the city once stood, the palace is an important testament to a civilization dating back to 3000 BC. Brought to light thanks to excavations by Sir Arthur Evans, the palace is one of Greece's most important archaeological sites. We will visit the throne room, the storerooms, the central court and the imposing stairway, reliving the myth of Minos. It is believed that the palace is linked to the myth of the labyrinth and the Minotaur due to the number of rooms it possessed (probably more than 1000 originally).
- Still impressed by the historic and architectonic wonders of the Palace of Knossos, we re-board the coach and ready ourselves for some Cretan culture in the characteristic village of **Arolithos**. Reconstructed using the same techniques that were used in the past, this village will charm us with its otherworldly atmosphere. We will walk along the pebbled streets, home to traditional crafts shops where the artisans produce ceramics and inlaid wooden articles. We are struck by the scent of bread as we pass in front of the traditional bakery and are enchanted by the small village church and the traditional 'Cafenion' café. Before returning to the port, we will retrace the history of Cretan culture by visiting the **Museum of agricultural history and popular art**.
- Places on this excursion are limited. So please reserve early.
- We recommended wearing comfortable shoes and clothing.
- This tour is not recommended for guests with mobility problems.

**INFORMATIONS**

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
00KF	4 1/2 Hours approximately	Moderate	EUR 69.00	EUR 48.30

### Type

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### *Heraklion/Creta*

## EXPERIENCE: THE ARKADI MONASTERY AND RETHYMNO

### In a nutshell

From the magnificence of the Arkadi Monastery, a symbol of the Cretan people's fight for independence from the Turks, to the Venetian atmosphere of Rethymno, an undeniably fascinating melting pot of art and history.

### Main stops

- Arkadi Monastery
- Rethymno: ancient Venetian loggia, Neratze mosque, Great Gate, Rimondi Square (external visit)

### The programme

- We leave the port of Heraklion by coach and head for the **Arkadi monastery**, the island's most famous monastery, which is composed of a series of fortified buildings. Legend has it that it was built by Emperor Flavius Heraclius Augustus and reconstructed around the 5th century by Byzantine emperor Arcadius, from whom it takes its name, while other sources report that it was founded by a monk named Arcadius.
- The central courtyard is beautiful and houses the church dedicated to Saint Constantine, Saint Helen and Our Father. The monastery also symbolises the fight for independence from the Turks. In 1866, many Cretan people took refuge here to defend themselves from the Ottomans and, rather than surrender, they blew up the armoury, sacrificing their own lives.
- We will continue on to **Rethymno**, capital of a region whose great cultural heritage dates back to the Minoan age and has its main centre in Cydonia. There is, almost unexpectedly, a Venetian atmosphere in the historic city centre (*palia poli*): the Venetians in fact, having conquered the island, decided to create a commercial base here, between Heraklion and Chania. Every corner of the city is still imbued its old, aristocratic character, from the 16th century buildings to the arched porticoes, from the stone stairs to magnificent remains from the Greek, Roman and Byzantine eras, from the maze of streets to the small Venetian port. In the **ancient Venetian loggia** we find the information office of the Ministry of Culture.
- All that remains is for us to visit the other places of interest, the marvellous **Neratze mosque**, which was completed in 1657, the **Guora Gate** - the main gate of the 16th century wall - and lastly, **Rimondi square**.
- Before returning we can explore every corner of this marvellous city, a rare treasure of art and

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history: the marvellous **Neratze mosque**, which was completed in 1657, the **Guora Gate**, the main gate of the 16th century wall, and lastly **Rimondi square**.

- Places on this excursion are limited. So please reserve early.
- The coach transfer from the port to the Arcadi Monastery takes approximately 1 hour and 30 minutes.
- We suggest wearing comfortable shoes and clothing.
- Clothing that is appropriate for the places of worship to be visited is recommended.
- In order to guarantee the health of our guests, in compliance with the regulations and the respect of the safety protocol, the itineraries and the duration of the excursions may be subject to changes, even if not substantial.?

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Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
00KN	5 Hours approximately	Moderate	EUR 45.00	EUR 31.50
Type				

### *Heraklion/Creta* **DISCOVER KNOSSOS**

#### In a nutshell

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Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
01J3	2 1/2 Hours approximately	Easy	EUR 39.00	EUR 27.30

### *Heraklion/Creta* **THE HEART OF CRETE, WHERE TRADITION IS THE PROTAGONIST**

#### In a nutshell

A journey through the heart of Crete to surround ourselves with centuries old traditions and marvel in front of the evocative scenery. Discover the village of Peza, which has been producing wine ever since Minoan times (over four thousand years ago!) and which currently produces 70% of all the wine consumed on the island. Take a selfie or two in front of Mount Juktas or among the findings of the enchanting Vathypetro archaeological site. Stroll along the stone alleyways (which have just been restored!) of the picturesque village of Archanes and enjoy a landscape made up of colourful flowers,

fruit trees and amazing balconies – the ideal place to get carried away by the scents, sounds and views typical of Crete. Last but not least, Heraklion: the history of the island capital will unfold through its monuments and imposing masterpieces such as the Morosini fountain, the loggia and the fortress bear witness to the prolonged Venetian domination.

### Main stops

- Villages famous for their wine production
- Village of Archanes
- City of Heraklion

### The programme

- The tour starts with a panoramic tour to the heart of Crete through villages famous for their wine production.
- We reach the village of Archanes, where we enjoy the scents, sounds and scenery typical of Crete.
- We leave Archanes behind us and head on to Heraklion, the island capital. The city speaks to us through its monuments and tells us the story of its prolonged Venetian domination.
- In order to safeguard the health of our guests and in compliance with safety regulations, the itinerary and length of the excursions may be subject to slight modifications.
- We recommend wearing comfortable shoes.

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Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
03FI	3 Hours approximately	Easy	EUR 39.00	EUR 27.30
<b>Type</b>				

## *Heraklion/Creta* **SPINALONGA ISLAND AND AGIOS NIKOLAOS**

### In a nutshell

**Spinalonga**, an island once used to isolate people suffering from leprosy, has become even more popular since Victoria Hislop's novel *The Island* reimagined it. Experience it, plus the **Agios Nikolaos** resort town, home to Lake Voulismeni, and **Elounda**, known for ultra-luxe hotels and fabulous beaches, on this guided day trip.

### Main stops

- Spinalonga island

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- Agios Nikolaos
- Soak up views of Mirabello Bay and Elounda as you cruise to the island

### The programme

- Discover the dramatic coastal vistas that Crete offers in abundance, during a scenic drive to the bustling resort of Elounda.
- Then it's a short island hop by boat to the intriguing island of Spinalonga, or most commonly referred to as the Island of tears. Housed within the formidable Venetian fortress walls are the remains of the last leper colony in Europe. Entering the island through Dante's Gate, your guide will host you on a walking tour along the main street. This abandoned quaint village with its shops, houses and small church portrays a normal Cretan village, until its haunting past is revealed.
- Sailing across Mirabello Bay, you'll return to the old fishing harbour of Elounda. The charm and elegance of Elounda has been carefully preserved despite its growing popularity as an upmarket holiday resort.
- Enjoy a small guiding tour to **AGIOS NIKOLAOS** this famous resort with its bottomless lake before the return journey to Heraklion

*Tour is weather permitted* Guests prone to seasickness should take the necessary precautions as the sea can get rough at times.

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Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
04D3	5 Hours approximately	Moderate	EUR 55.00	EUR 38.50
<b>Type</b>				

### *Heraklion/Creta*

## THE WONDERS OF KNOSSOS AND THE ARCHAEOLOGICAL MUSEUM

### In a nutshell

Suspended between history and legend, the ancient city of Knossos will charm us with the remains of its magnificent palace, a testament to the Minoan civilization and an historic treasure of rare beauty.

### Main stops

- Palace of Knossos
- Archaeological museum

## The programme

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Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
0821	4 Hours approximately	Moderate	EUR 79.00	EUR 55.30
<b>Type</b>				

*Heraklion/Creta*  
**DISCOVERING KRITSÀ AND AGIOS NIKOLAOS**

## In a nutshell

From Kritisà, a characteristic village nestled in untouched countryside, to the town of Agios Nikolaos, a lively, and popular destination for tourists that has not forgotten its origins and traditions.

## Main stops

- Kritisà and Panagia Kera church
- Agios Nikolaos

## The programme

- The first stop on our tour takes us to **Kritisà**, a characteristic hilltop village that has kept its traditions alive. Here we visit the rural church of **Panagia Kera**, which dates back to the 13th century and is famous for its rural paintings – still in excellent condition – including the Last Judgement, which depicts the joys of Paradise and the suffering of souls condemned to Hell. Among the scenes we also recognise Saint Francis of Assisi, unusually depicted among the saints of the Greek Orthodox calendar.
- We return to the coach and soon find ourselves in **Agios Nikolaos**, a wonderful coastal tourist town. Here we can enjoy a walk along the seafront, flanked by charming craft shops and typical open-air bars.
- Places on this excursion are limited. So please reserve early.
- This tour is not recommended for guests with mobility problems.
- We recommend wearing comfortable shoes and clothing.
- Clothing that is appropriate for the places of worship to be visited is recommended.
- This excursion is reserved for guests who are not leaving the ship at Heraklion.
- In order to guarantee the health of our guests, in compliance with the regulations and the respect of the safety protocol, the itineraries and the duration of the excursions may be subject to changes,



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Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
0822	4 1/2 Hours approximately	Easy	EUR 55.00	EUR 38.50
<b>Type</b>				

### *Heraklion/Creta* **DISCOVERING KRITSÀ, AGIOS NIKOLAOS AND KNOSSOS**

#### In a nutshell

A unique chance to discover the most authentic side of Crete and its natural, historic and architectural wonders, and to take a trip into its glorious history, visiting the remains of the Palace of Knossos, a symbol of the age during which the Cretan civilization was at its most magnificent.

#### Main stops

- Kritisà and Panagia Kera church
- Agios Nikolaos
- Palace of Knossos

#### The programme

- We leave the port and head towards **Kritisà**, a picturesque village perched on mount Dikti and home to architectonic works of rare beauty, such as the church of **Panagia Kera**, which dates to the 13th century and is renowned for its wonderful frescos. Here we admire the scenes of the Second Coming – set in Hell and in Paradise – and we also see a very rare depiction of Saint Francis of Assisi together with the Saints of the Orthodox calendar.
- Exiting the church, we take one of the narrow streets that lead to the heart of the village, an area full of small shops selling very traditional articles, such as the famous fabrics with lace and crochet details.
- We leave Kritisà to visit another of Crete's pearls: **Agios Nikolaos**, a renowned tourist town with a beautiful seafront.
- We then head west where we will dive into history and mythology. Our visit concludes in beautiful surroundings at the excavation site of the famous **Palace of Knossos**, linked to the Minos myth due to its labyrinthine structure. Situated on the top of a hill, from which we enjoy a breathtaking view of the place where the city once stood, the palace is an important testament to a civilization dating

back to 3000 BC, an age in which the great King Minos reigned. Brought to light thanks to excavations by Sir Arthur Evans, the palace is one of Greece's most important archaeological sites. We visit the throne room, the storerooms, the central court and the imposing stairway, architectonic wonders that testify to the splendour of the island's glorious Minoan past.

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Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
0825	7 1/2 Hours approximately	Moderate	EUR 125.00	EUR 87.50
<b>Type</b>				

*Heraklion/Creta***THE ENCHANTING PALACE OF KNOSSOS AND HERAKLION CITY CENTRE****In a nutshell**

An unforgettable trip to discover the melting pot of art and history that is the island of Crete, which will amaze us with the remains of Knossos and the historic and architectonic wonders of Heraklion.

**Main stops**

- Palace of Knossos
- Heraklion

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Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
0827	3 1/2 Hours approximately	Moderate	EUR 59.00	EUR 41.30
<b>Type</b>				

*Heraklion/Creta***THE WONDERS OF CRETE: KNOSSOS, KRITSÀ AND AGIOS NIKOLAOS****In a nutshell**

A journey through time to discover the history of the island of Crete, the cradle of a thousand-year old civilization and a treasure chest of historic and natural wonders. From the palace that gave birth to the

myth of the Minotaur to the characteristic village of Kritisà, we explore some of the most inspiring sites on the island, before concluding our day beautifully with a walk to Agios Nikolaos and a dive into its clear waters.

### Main stops

- Palace of Knossos
- Kritisà and church of Panagia Kera
- Agios Nikolaos and relaxation time

### The programme

- Leaving Heraklion, we make our way to our first destination: **Knossos**, the ancient capital of the great kingdom of Minos, which, considering its area, is thought to have been home to 100,000 people. Testament to the ancient Minoan civilization, the original Minoan palace dated to 1900 BC. It was destroyed by an earthquake two hundred years later and reconstructed in much more extravagant fashion in 1700 BC. The final catastrophe struck between 1500 and 1450 BC, when the earthquake caused by the eruption of the Santorini volcano destroyed the royal residence for good.
- Situated on the top of a hill, from which we enjoy a breathtaking view of the place where the city once stood, the palace is an important testament to a civilization dating back to 3000 BC. Brought to light thanks to excavations by Sir Arthur Evans, the palace is one of Greece's most important archaeological sites. We will visit the throne room, the storerooms, the central court and the imposing stairway, reliving the myth of Minos. It is believed that the palace is linked to the myth of the labyrinth and the Minotaur due to the number of rooms it possessed (probably more than 1000 originally).
- The tour continues on to **Kritisà**, a characteristic hilltop village that has kept its traditions alive. Here we visit the rural church of **Panagia Kera**, which dates back to the 13th century and is famous for its rural paintings – still in excellent condition – including the Last Judgement, which depicts the joys of Paradise and the suffering of souls condemned to Hell. Among the scenes we also recognise Saint Francis of Assisi, unusually depicted among the saints of the Greek Orthodox calendar.
- We return to the coach to finish our day beautifully by visiting **Agios Nikolaos**, a wonderful coastal tourist town that will delight us with its seafront, fascinating craft shops and typical open-air bars, where we can enjoy a coffee and some relaxation time.
- Before returning to the port, we can tickle our palates in one of the typical taverns or enjoy the sun and the sea on the nearby beach, the perfect end to a day spent amongst the wonders of an island that is ours to discover.
- Places on this excursion are limited. So please reserve early.
- We suggest wearing comfortable shoes and clothing.

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- This tour is not recommended for guests with mobility problems.
- This excursion is reserved for guests who are not leaving the ship at Heraklion.

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Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
1424	7 1/2 Hours approximately	Moderate	EUR 75.00	EUR 52.50
<b>Type</b>				

### *La Valletta*

## MDINA AND MOSTA, THE HISTORIC HEART OF MALTA

#### In a nutshell

- Wear suitable clothing for the places of worship you will be visiting.

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Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
1722	4 Hours approximately	Moderate	EUR 49.00	EUR 34.30
<b>Type</b>				

### *La Valletta*

## VALLETTA WORK OF ART TOUR

#### In a nutshell

Valletta is the smallest capital city in Europe, but it has 7000 years of history. Within its **16th century walls** you'll find **panoramic gardens**, **cathedrals** and **museums**. You'll soon understand why its old town was declared a **World Heritage Site** by UNESCO.

#### Main stops

- Barrakka Gardens
- Co-Cathedral of St John the Baptist: external visit
- Magisterial Palace
- National Museum of Archaeology
- Old town

### The programme

- The tour starts in the **Barrakka Gardens** on the **St. Peter and Paul Bastion**. Here you can stroll among the greenery, among works of art and panoramic views of the **Grand Port**.
- You'll then visit the exterior of a masterpiece of **Baroque architecture**: the **Co-Cathedral of St. John the Baptist**, founded by the Knights of Malta in 1577. Inside it are not one, but two, works by **Caravaggio**: the Beheading of St. John the Baptist and Saint Jerome Writing.
- Built in 1574, the **Magisterial Palace** now houses the Office of the President of Malta, but was once the **residence of the Grand Masters of Malta**.
- If you're interested in ornaments, statuettes, altars and utensils from Maltese megalithic temples, don't miss a visit to the **National Museum of Archaeology**.
- If there are parliamentary sittings taking place in the Magisterial Palace, the tour of the Palace rooms will be replaced by a visit to the Palace Armory or Museum of Archaeology.

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Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
1761	4 Hours approximately	Moderate	EUR 55.00	EUR 38.50
<b>Type</b>				

## La Valletta VALLETTA AND MDINA YOUR WAY

### In a nutshell

Let your instinct guide you as you discover **Valletta** and **Mdina**: the 'most humble city' and the ~~silent city~~ the current and former capitals of the archipelago. Among **medieval walls**, **Norman palaces** and **Baroque cathedrals**, get ready for a **historic** and **architectural** tour of Malta.

### Main stops

- Valletta: Magisterial Palace, Co-Cathedral of St. John the Baptist, Barrakka Gardens
- Mdina: old town, Falson Palace, St. Paul's Cathedral

### The programme

- You set the times, and mark out the routes: make your visit to Malta's major cities **your own**. Start in **Valletta**, the current capital, known as the ~~Most Humble City~~ **Despite being a UNESCO World Heritage Site**. *You'll see the Magisterial Palace, once the residence of the Grand Masters of the Order of the Knights of Malta and now the office of the President of Malta\*.*

- The **Co-Cathedral of St. John the Baptist** houses several **Baroque masterpieces**, tombstones of the Knights of St. John, Flemish tapestries and two paintings by Caravaggio.
- A photo stop awaits at the **Barrakka Gardens**, with a spectacular view of the **Grand Port**. *The second stop is Mdina, the island's capital until 1530, known as the **Silent City** because of its peaceful alleys, now virtually uninhabited. In Mdina you'll find traces of medieval splendor, but above all Norman and Baroque buildings. The former include the **Falson Palace**, built in 1495, and a perfect example of the latter is **St. Paul's Cathedral**\*.*
- Before you leave, take a souvenir selfie in front of the **ancient entry gate**: it's one of the most scenic places in the city.
- The excursion does not include any entry to the sites.
- The excursion does not include a guide.

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Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
1773	4 Hours approximately	Easy	EUR 19.00	EUR 19.00
<b>Type</b>				

## La Valletta THE BEST OF MALTA

### In a nutshell

Did you know that the **Tarxien megalithic temples** date back more than **three thousand years**? You'll see them on a tour of Malta that also includes a walk through **Valletta's Barrakka Gardens**. Next, a visit to **Mdina**, the city of nobility. You'll also learn to make **ravjul** in a **Maltese cooking class**.

### Main stops

- Valletta: Co-Cathedral of St John and Barrakka Gardens
- Tarxien megalithic temples
- Cooking class and typical lunch in Mosta
- Mdina, the capital of Malta until 1530

### The programme

- The tour starts in **Valletta, the Fortress City**, declared a **World Heritage Site** by UNESCO. Here you'll visit the **Co-Cathedral of St John**, where the **Beheading of Saint John the Baptist** by Caravaggio is kept, and the **Barrakka Gardens**. Created by the Knights of Malta in 1661, they are now a **panoramic**

park with a view across the **Three Cities**.

- You'll then proceed to **Tarxien** to see the megalithic temples, **prehistoric structures made with gigantic stone blocks** dating from the **Age of the Temples**, between 3600 and 2500 BC.
- How do you make **ravjul**, the traditional ravioli? You'll discover during a **Maltese cooking class**. And after learning how to make them, you'll also taste **those made by the chef in the restaurant** where you'll have lunch. They'll be served with a traditional tomato sauce.
- You'll continue **through the streets of Mdina**, a city of many names, including the 'Old City', the 'Silent City' or even the 'Noble City' because of the nobles who lived there. The capital city of Malta until 1530, it is a **mix of medieval and baroque** architecture. Several **movies and TV series** have been filmed here, including **Gladiator**, **Troy** and **Game of Thrones**.
- Menus may vary according to season to ensure the constant high quality of the dishes served.
- Before booking the excursion or once on board, contact the excursion office to check the availability of vegetarian or gluten-free dishes and to report any food intolerances.
- Wear suitable clothing for the places of worship you will be visiting.
- Slight changes may be made to itineraries and the length of excursions to protect your health and to comply with regulations and the safety protocol.
- This is one of the most popular excursions so book early.
- On Sundays St John's Cathedral will be closed and an outside explanation will be given; we will include a visit to the Museum of Archaeology instead

## INFORMATION

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
03AQ	7 Hours approximately	Moderate	EUR 135.00	EUR 94.50
Type				

### *La Valletta*

## MALTA'S SEA: MELLIEHA BEACH

### In a nutshell

When **Malta's seaside** calls, head for **Mellieha Bay**. This is a **large and fully-equipped** beach, because we know you require every **comfort**. The shallow water here is ideal to soak in for hours and have fun splashing around. Perfect for the whole family. And it's also **sheltered from the wind**, which is a good thing around here.

- During the tour, a local guide will provide information in English.
- You will be able to hire beach loungers and umbrellas and buy food and beverages on the beach.

- Water sports not included.

## INFORMATIONS

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
03AR	5 Hours approximately	Easy	EUR 59.00	EUR 41.30
<b>Type</b>				

*La Valletta*  
**MALTA, FOOD AND HISTORY**

## In a nutshell

Discover and taste Maltese olives **directly from the producers at Limestone Heritage**, a former limestone quarry **with a large** garden full of olive trees. **Then proceed to Vittoriosa, the most ancient of the Three Cities, to enjoy some** Maltese bruschetta and snails\*\*.

## Main stops

- Limestone Heritage in the village of Siiewi
- Vittoriosa, one of the 'Three Cities' of Malta
- Food tasting in Vittoriosa

## The programme

- A quarry in the ancient village of Siiewi which has provided the limestone needed to **build the houses, palaces and churches** of Malta since prehistoric times. Today it's the site of **Limestone Heritage**, a facility with a large garden where you can see **the remains of the ancient quarry** and the expanses of olive trees used to produce **the local oil**.
- An immersion in the world of olives including the **story of the olive trees** of Malta told by **expert producers**, who will also show you the **pressing processes**. Unmissable **tastings** of various **types of olives**, as well as olive **oil**, strictly on **Maltese bread**.
- Walking around **Vittoriosa** is a journey through **Maltese history**. Along with Senglea and Cospicua, it is one of the **Three Cities**, a symbol of the **resistance of the Knights Hospitaller** to pressure from the Ottomans.
- Here you can taste some **bebbux bl-aljoli, snails** that are every bit as good as French escargots. In any case, the food tasting also includes **other local delights** like **hobz biz-zejt**, Maltese bruschetta, and **zalzett malti**, local sausages.

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## INFORMATIONS

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
03AS	4 Hours approximately	Moderate	EUR 75.00	EUR 52.50
<b>Type</b>				Tasting

*La Valletta*  
**FROM THE BLUE GROTTA TO MARSAXLOKK**

**In a nutshell**

Head to the south of the island to discover the **Blue Cave**: after a sightseeing walk, a **boat trip** will allow you to see the rocky and **coral formations** up close. Then it's on to **Marsaxlokk**, a typical Maltese **fishing village**, where, among other things, you'll discover what **luzzi** are.

**Main stops**

- Blue Grotto and its coral
- Boat trip
- Marsaxlokk, fishing village

**The programme**

- Travel by bus with **our guide** to **Malta's south coast**. Here you'll find the **Blue Grotto**. The biggest of a **complex of arches and caves** carved into the cliffs by the sea currents.
- First you'll see them from above, on a **walk with many viewing terraces**: you're bound to find the one with best angle for your shots.
- Then you'll board a **boat** to see the caves and coral formations up close: see how many shades of blue you can count.
- Next stop is **Marsaxlokk**. In this typical fishing village, you'll see lots of **luzzi**, the typical brightly colored wooden boats decorated with the eyes of Osiris at the bow: they are traditionally believed to protect fishermen from storms at sea.
- Marsaxlokk is also **the archipelago's most important fishing harbor**. Its fish market is also the place to visit if you want to take some local specialties back home, including **Gozo honey**, **Gbejniets**, seasoned goat's or sheep's cheese, a bottle of **Bajtra**, the local prickly pear liqueur, or **carob liqueur**.
- This is one of the most popular excursions so book early.
- During the tour, our guide will provide information in Italian and English.

## MEDITERRANEAN



- In bad weather the grotto may be closed without notice.
- The excursion may take place in the morning or afternoon.

### INFORMATIONS

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
0IQK	3 Hours approximately	Easy	EUR 49.00	EUR 34.30
Type				

## *Palermo* MONDELLO YOUR WAY

### In a nutshell

Spend a few hours on one of the most beautiful beaches on **Palermo's coastline**, just 11 km from the city center. You'll find all the **facilities** you need to get a perfect tan, enjoy some water sports or sip on a drink.

### Main stops

- Mondello beach

### The programme

- You'll fall in love with the **Mondello** tourist resort the minute you arrive: it's Palermo's favorite beach because it is as beautiful as it is wild.
- The landscape of **Monte Pellegrino**, which Goethe described **as the most beautiful headland in the world** frames this white bay. The extra fine sand and shallow water accentuate all the colors, from deep blue to turquoise.
- The **beach** is suitable for everyone and you can hire **beach umbrellas, chairs and cabins**. If you're in the mood for exercise, you can take your pick from the various **sports** available at the beach, including SUP, windsurfing and beach volleyball, with the help of qualified instructors if needed.
- And if you look behind you, you'll see a string of Liberty style villas by architect Ernesto Basile, the best expression of Italian Art Nouveau, sailing clubs and a marina full of yachts.
- This is one of the most popular excursions so book early.
- During the tour, a local guide will provide information in English or Italian.

### INFORMATIONS

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
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01QN

4 Hours  
approximately

Easy

EUR 25.00

EUR 17.50

**Type***Palermo***PALERMO, MONREALE AND STREET FOOD****In a nutshell**

Palermo, a **mix of art and food**. From Monreale **Cathedral** to the **Giardino degli Aranci**. From Byzantine, Arab and Norman art to the classic focaccia with ricotta and caciocavallo cheese. Or perhaps an arancina.

**Main stops**

- Palermo: Via Libertà, Teatro Politeama, Teatro Massimo, Foro Italico, Porta Felice.
- Monreale: Cathedral
- Free time
- Giardino degli Aranci, with lunch
- Corso Vittorio Emanuele, Quattro Canti, Piazza Pretoria, Cathedral
- Free time

**The programme**

- After a **sightseeing tour of downtown Palermo**, to admire the Teatro Politeama and Teatro Massimo, amongst others, we'll head for **Monreale**, above the city.
- Monreale's **Cathedral** is famous for its **mosaics**. The most distinctive is that of Christ Pantocrator, with an artistic and architectural structure that combines Arab, Norman and Byzantine influences. The nearby Cloister, with its 216 decorated columns, is another masterpiece of Norman-Arab art.
- We'll return to downtown Palermo for **a typical Sicilian lunch**, naturally with **stuffed focaccia, arancine, panelle and cannoli**, at Giardino degli Aranci. You'll tell us which focaccia you preferred; the one with ricotta or caciocavallo. By the way, how long did it take you to decide which little **arancina** to try?
- You'll need a walk to digest the meal so we'll go for a stroll along Corso Vittorio Emanuele to the Cathedral. We're **real Palermitans** now!
- Wear suitable clothing for the places of worship you will be visiting.
- From the parking lot there are 90 steps up to the village.
- Before booking the excursion or once on board, contact the excursion office to check the availability of vegetarian or gluten-free dishes and to report any food intolerances.

## INFORMATIONS

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
0235	7 Hours approximately	Moderate	EUR 99.00	EUR 69.30
<b>Type</b>				

*Palermo*  
**MYSTERIES OF PALERMO**

**In a nutshell**

Prepare to discover the mysteries of Palermo on a scenic tour. Learn about the interesting facts and legends connected with its symbolic places on a route that leads from the **Politeama Theater** to the **Cathedral**, across **Piazza Pretoria**. Do you feel like descending into the **Capuchin Catacombs**? Expect to see thousands of fully dressed, embalmed bodies.

**Main stops**

- Main monuments: Politeama Theater, Massimo Theater, Royal Palace (external visit)
- Capuchin Catacombs
- Palermo Cathedral

**The programme**

- The most beautiful monuments of Palermo on a panoramic tour \* From the **Politeama Theater**, which has hosted boxing matches, a cinema and even a circus, to the **Massimo Theater**, which now hosts the city's opera season.
- You'll also pass in front of the **Royal Palace**, the most ancient royal residence in Europe. And then the **Capuchin Catacombs**, where you'll see the mummified bodies of monks, noblemen and citizens who died between the 17th and 19th centuries. The last corpse was received here in 1920. It is the body of the young Rosalia Lombardo, now known as the **most beautiful mummy in the world**.
- The last stop is **Palermo Cathedral**, where you'll see the **tombs of the Norman kings**. There are many mysteries attached to these. Will we ever know, for example, the identity of the other two bodies found in the sarcophagus of Frederick II, the *Stupor mundi*?
- The visit to the Capuchin Catacombs is not suitable for children and anyone who is impressionable.

## INFORMATIONS

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
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0242

4 Hours  
approximately

Easy

EUR 59.00

EUR 41.30

**Type***Palermo***MYTHS AND LOVE STORIES AROUND EVERY CORNER IN CEFALÙ****In a nutshell**

In **Cefalù**, love is everywhere: **an exclusive Costa guide** will reveal it to you, along with the many romantic legends around every corner of the city. You'll discover tales of nymphs in love at the ancient **wash house**, seductive queens whilst looking out over the **bay** and traveling kings as you make your way between the **ramparts** and the **cathedral**. Be warned: on tasting an **authentic Sicilian cannolo**, it'll be love at first bite for you too!

**Main stops**

- Walk through Cefalù: bay; ramparts; wash house
- Cathedral of Cefalù: internal visit
- Sicilian cannolo tasting

**The programme**

- Everyone loves **Cefalù** for its sea and its views, but only **an exclusive Costa experience** can reveal the hidden corners and key figures of a city that has been struck by Cupid's bow.
- As soon as you arrive, you'll be met with views of the **bay** and the first love story which doesn't end well. Listen to your **guide**: they'll tell you about the shepherd Daphnis, the husband of a nymph tricked by an enamored queen.
- And up on the **ramparts**, you'll discover that nobody loved this corner of Sicily more than Roger II, who landed here having escaped a storm thanks to his prayers.
- The romantic tales continue at the **wash house**, with its pure crystal waters from the Cefalino river. Dip your hands in: you won't get the chance to bathe them in the 'tears' of a broken-hearted nymph again!
- Do you remember the story of Roger II? Praying for salvation, he promised to create a temple at the place where he landed: this is how the **cathedral of Cefalù** came to be, with its quirky Arab and Norman decorations.
- And at the end, you too will fall in love with the authentic taste of **Sicilian cannolo**. Apparently, the recipe was passed on from the bored women of a harem to their Christian sisters. That's love, too!
- Slight changes may be made to itineraries and the length of excursions in order to protect your health and to comply with regulations and the safety protocol.

- Wear suitable clothing for the places of worship you will be visiting.
- Due to work in progress in Piazza Duomo, the wash house is closed and therefore cannot be visited.

## INFORMATIONS

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
0244	5 Hours approximately	Moderate	EUR 59.00	EUR 41.30
<b>Type</b>				Tasting

*Palermo***HUNTING FOR PALERMITAN STREET FOOD****In a nutshell**

Costa introduces **a new way to explore the city**: a new experience **offering the same quality, safety and duration as always**, now **reserved for small groups** so as to best discover all the secrets of the city. Enough of the same old stories about **Palermo**. Let's change the record: an **exclusive Costa guide** and an **chef who specializes in Sicilian flavors** will enable you to discover the authentic flavor of the city, captured in its **famous street foods**. After you've sampled the **local flavors and stories at the market** and discovered the **true Sicilian cannolo**, you can take **a surprise** home with you: **the secrets of local cuisine**.

**Main stops**

- Walking tour of the historic center: Teatro Massimo; Palermo Cathedral; Via Maqueda; Piazza Bellini; Fountain of Shame
- Capo market: tasting of Palermitan arancine (fried rice balls)
- Ballarò market: tasting of sweet and savory products
- Sicilian cannolo tasting in the cloister of Santa Caterina church (or granita during the summer)

**The programme**

- Fancy a real taste of Sicily? That's what's on the menu during this **exclusive Costa experience**, as you discover the **street food of Palermo**.
- Because the link between Palermitans and their food is something special. You'll realize this right away as you start your experience with your **guide**: at **Teatro Massimo**, there is talk of food for the soul, while at the **Cathedral**, the multicultural mix lends a unique flavor to the city.
- Now let's spice up your day: at the **Capo market**, among the scents of fennel and herbs, an **expert chef** will reveal the tricks of the shopping here, and encourage you to **taste authentic Sicilian arancine**.

## MEDITERRANEAN



- Meanwhile, at the **Ballarò market**, the chef will introduce you to **two trusted suppliers** who will show you **their Sicilian gastronomic specialties**, before letting you have a taste: first, **dried fruit and nuts plus chocolate** of the highest quality, then **cheeses and local olives**, accompanied by stories from farmers who have been cultivating the olive groves for generations.
- Now, it's time to **taste a real Sicilian cannolo**: in an exceptional setting, you'll have fun getting into the swing of tasting, before trying the king of the island's desserts.
- And the cherry on the cake? A **surprise from the chef**, just for you.
- Before booking the excursion or once on board, contact the excursion office to check the availability of vegetarian or gluten-free dishes and to report any food intolerances.
- In summer a Sicilian granita will be offered instead of the cannolo.

### INFORMATIONS

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
02GD	3 1/2 Hours approximately	Moderate	EUR 79.00	EUR 55.30
<b>Type</b>				
Tasting				

### *Palermo*

### **PALERMO IS IMMINEA**

#### **In a nutshell**

Behind each great city are great women, and **Palermo** is no exception. Walking with an **exclusive Costa guide**, you will discover the female figures who are loved, feared and celebrated by Palermo natives: from the nun-ghost of **Teatro Massimo** to the saints of the **Quattro Canti** and the 'queen' of the **Cathedral**. And as you taste genuine Palermitan **arancine** and **cannoli**, you'll soon understand that here, the cuisine also has something of the feminine about it.

#### **Main stops**

- Teatro Massimo: external visit
- walking tour of the historic center: Via Maqueda; church of Santa Ninfa dei Crociferi; Cassaro; Piazza Bellini and the three churches
- Piazza dei Quattro Canti
- Piazza Pretoria with the Fountain of Shame
- Palermo Cathedral: external visit
- Capo market: tasting of typical Palermitan arancine (fried rice balls)
- Historical café: artisan Sicilian cannoli tasting

### The programme

- In **Palermo**, an **exclusive Costa experience** awaits you, with a **guide** who will tell you about both real and imaginary women: the female 'pillars' of the city.
- The first is legendary: the 'monachella' of **Teatro Massimo**, the ghost of a nun who has been amusing herself by sabotaging the artists here for more than 100 years.
- Meanwhile, the saints who keep watch over **Piazza Quattro Canti** are good and wise – each of them protects one of the city's historical districts. But the square is also linked to two ancient assassins: ask your guide to tell you the story!
- At the **Fountain of Shame**, surrounded by nude statues, the inhabitants of the nearby nunnery are the stars of the show, as inventors of sweet treats such as *Minne di vergine* and the *Biancomangiare* cream. Guess what they're inspired by?
- Meanwhile, the figure who inspires the devotion of all Palermo inhabitants is **Santa Rosalia**, 'la Santuzza', who rejected earthly wealth for its spiritual equivalent. She awaits you in the **Cathedral**.
- Finally, the flavors: at the **Capo market**, you can taste **Palermitan arancine** – strictly feminine – while at a **historic café**, you will be served **Sicilian cannoli**, an ancient gift from Muslim women to their Christian 'sisters'.
- Slight changes may be made to itineraries and the length of excursions in order to protect your health and to comply with regulations and the safety protocol.
- This is one of the most popular experiences so book early.
- Wear suitable clothing for the places of worship you will be visiting.

### INFORMATIONS

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
00J7	4 Hours approximately	Moderate	EUR 45.00	EUR 31.50
<b>Type</b>		Tasting		

## Palermo

### AN EXCLUSIVE SWIM IN MONDELLO

#### In a nutshell

**Mondello** is Palermo's chic seaside resort. Enjoy it for **a whole day**, on the beach, like a **true Palermitan**. We'll provide you with **a private area** with all the facilities you need, in one of the most exclusive bathing establishments.



**Main stops**

- Mondello bathing establishment

**The programme**

- Travel to **Mondello**, at the heart of the bay of the same name, overlooked by the rocky **Mount Gallo** and **Mount Pellegrino**. The most beautiful headland in the world, according to Goethe.
- The old fishing village has been a **fashionable seaside resort** for many years, a real institution for the people of Palermo. Sand, sea and Liberty-style villas that are among the best examples of Italian and European Art Nouveau.
- At **Lido Valdesi**, one of the **most exclusive bathing establishments**, you'll have your own sun lounger and umbrella to spend a day enjoying the white sandy beach and transparent waters.
- During the tour, a local guide will provide you with assistance and information.
- We provide umbrellas and beach loungers for adults. Children will share their parents' beach lounger.
- Slight changes may be made to itineraries and the length of excursions to protect your health and to comply with regulations and the safety protocol.
- This is one of the most popular excursions so book early.
- Lunch is not included and can be paid for directly on site.

**INFORMATIONS**

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
0306	7 1/2 Hours approximately	Easy	EUR 75.00	EUR 52.50
<b>Type</b>				

*Palermo***PALERMO: THE CITY OF EVERYONE, AND OF 'LA SANTUZZA'****In a nutshell**

**Palermo** guards a great legacy: the traces left by all the people that have lived here over the centuries. Discover its rich history as part of an **exclusive Costa experience**, as you stroll with your **guide** between the places that have always served as a crossroads for people, such the **Norman Palace** and the **Piazza dei Quattro Canti**, as well as the **Cathedral**, the church of a thousand souls. And after a mix of exciting flavors at **lunch**, **admire the city from above** just like *la Santuzza*, the 'saint of all'.

## Main stops

- Norman Palace: external visit
- Palermo Cathedral: internal visit
- Walking tour of the historic center: Cassaro; Piazza dei Quattro Canti; Fountain of Shame; Piazza Bellini;
- Church of the Martorana: internal visit
- Lunch with various Sicilian specialties
- Sightseeing bus tour to Monte Pellegrino
- Sanctuary of Santa Rosalia: free time

## The programme

- 2700 years of history in a hustle and bustle of people: welcome to **Palermo**. With a **tour of the center** and an **exclusive Costa guide**, the city's **multicultural history** can be yours too.
- A few examples are: The **Norman Palace**, originally built by the Romans and then passed into the hands of other peoples, as well as the **Cathedral**, built on the foundations of an ancient mosque.
- Just think: the inscription over the doorway is in Arabic, but the welcome is universal! Meanwhile, inside, **Saint Rosalia** is the patron saint who unites the entire city.
- Elsewhere, all of Palermo comes together in **Piazza Quattro Canti**, at the crossroads between four historic districts, and then again in front of the **Fountain of Shame**, which brings together scandal and beauty, and in the **Church of the Martorana**, a true patchwork of religions.
- This blend of influences is also the special ingredient in your **lunch**: **caponata**, **Beccafico sardines** and **sfincionello** bread. Before today, could you ever have imagined such flavor combinations?
- Now, climb aboard the coach for a trip to **Monte Pellegrino**, where the **Sanctuary of Santa Rosalia** stands: from here, you can admire all of Palermo's fascinating contrasts at a glance, just like the saint herself.
- Before booking the excursion or once on board, contact the excursion office to check the availability of vegetarian or gluten-free dishes and to report any food intolerances.

## INFORMATIONS

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
03N1	7 Hours approximately		EUR 95.00	EUR 66.50
<b>Type</b>				

## Palermo PALERMO, FROM THE TOP

### In a nutshell

Costa introduces **a new way to explore the city**: a new experience **offering the same quality, safety and duration as always**, now **reserved for small groups** so as to best discover all the secrets of the city **with your guide**. An **exclusive Palermo** is what you'll see **from the rooftops**, dominating the whole city. And **by passing through alleys and squares** amid surprising views, forbidden glances and stories lost in time you'll discover that even in its most iconic locations the **Cathedral, Quattro Canti, Ballarò**, the **tower of S. Nicolò**, the church of **Santa Caterina** Palermo keeps many secrets from those who only see it from below. But you can only truly say that you know it after **tasting** the authentic **Sicilian cannolo**.

### Main stops

- Porta Nuova and Palazzo dei Normanni: external visit
- Walk along the ancient street of the Cassaro
- The Cathedral: internal visit
- Tower of S. Nicolò: roof access for a panoramic view of the city
- Stroll among the other symbols of the city: Ballarò, Piazza Bellini and the three churches, the Fountain of Shame, Quattro Canti
- Church of S. Caterina: internal visit
- Monastery of S. Caterina: internal and roof terrace visit; cannolo tasting in the cloister ~~di~~ **Molceria**

### The programme

- Some cities keep their wonders under lock and key: in inner courtyards, aristocratic edifices, and private gardens. **Palermo** chooses instead to conceal them **in plain sight**: anyone can uncover them ~~as~~ so long as they can climb **high** enough!
- In this exclusive experience, you can **admire the city from its highest monuments**, and discover the stories of the Palermitans of the past who could enjoy the same, incomparable view. Soldiers scanning the horizon, clockmakers studying time, nuns dreaming of freedom: all looking out from towers, balconies and roofs, to see the shrunken city below them.
- Whether it's the **tower of S. Nicolò** with its famous clock, or the **secret balconies atop the cloistered convent of S. Caterina**, the view will always be one to remember. As will **tasting the cannolo at the convent ~~Molceria~~** a shrine to the nuns' historic art of confectionery.
- And between one stop and another, you'll pass all the unmissable locations of the historic center.
- Wear comfortable shoes and clothing suitable for the experience.
- Wear suitable clothing for the places of worship you will be visiting.

### INFORMATIONS

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
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## MEDITERRANEAN



03SB

3 1/2 Hours  
approximately

Moderate

EUR 85.00

EUR 59.50

### Type

Tasting

### *Palermo*

## MONDELLO: SUNBATHING AND SEA

### In a nutshell

A day in **Mondello beach**. We'll **arrange the beach lounge and umbrella**, you just focus on the essential: the sea and your tan.

### Main stops

- Favorita Park
- Mondello beach

### The programme

- Originally a fishing village, **Mondello**, or **Munneddu** in Sicilian, has become a well-known beach resort, and is just a couple of miles from downtown Palermo. \* Getting there is a pleasure in itself: along coastal roads and through the **Favorita Park**, an ancient hunting reserve of the Bourbon King Ferdinand III and now part of the **Mount Pellegrino Nature Reserve**.
- After passing through **Palermo's 'green lung'**, you'll arrive at **Mondello beach**, with its iconic **pastel-colored wooden beach cabins**. Your **reserved beach lounge and umbrella** will be there waiting for you, all you need to do is decide how you want to have fun.
- Slight changes may be made to itineraries and the length of excursions to protect your health and to comply with regulations and the safety protocol.
- This is one of the most popular excursions so book early.
- We provide umbrellas and beach loungers for adults. Children will share their parents' beach lounge.
- During the tour, a local guide will provide assistance and information in English and Italian.

### INFORMATIONS

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
0683	4 1/2 Hours approximately	Easy	EUR 49.00	EUR 34.30
<b>Type</b>				

*Civitavecchia*  
**COMFORT AND FUN UNDER THE TARQUINIA SUN**

**In a nutshell**

Did you know that **Lido di Tarquinia** boasts the most popular spot along the whole waterfront? Today, **beach deck chairs and umbrellas** await you at a **beach club** with an **environmental** slant, where everything is conceived to relax and entertain you, from the kids' playground to the sports area, up to an **aperitif with fresh local fruit**. Just dive in!

**Main stops**

- Panoramic coach tour to a beach club in Lido di Tarquinia
- Welcome aperitif with local fruit and salty snacks

**The programme**

Take your seat on the **coach** that will take you directly to the dark sand beach of **Lido di Tarquinia**, the site of the ancient Etruscan civilization. From now on, the key word is **relax!** \* No need to say it twice in a **beach club** where basking in the sun has never been so revitalizing. The best part is that here everything is **focused on sustainability**, starting with the solar panels on the roofs. \* And, moreover, we have reserved a **beach deck chair and umbrella in an exclusive area** just for you, so that you can stock up on vitamin D **with all the comforts**.

\* If you want the experience to be complete, there's also a **welcome aperitif** with salty snacks and **fresh local fruit picked by local farmers**. \* And while the little ones enjoy **games and swimming pools**, the fun is also guaranteed for **beach sports** enthusiasts. Would you like a challenge?

\* Then you'll definitely have to go for a nice swim in the waters where, a long time ago, the Etruscan kings used to splash around. But with a difference: They never got to experience this place like you're doing today.

- We provide one beach umbrella and deck chair for every two people.

**INFORMATIONS**

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
03XQ	5 Hours approximately		EUR 55.00	EUR 38.50
<b>Type</b>				

*Civitavecchia*  
**CIVITA DI BAGNOREGIO: THE VILLAGE THAT IS FADING AWAY with lunch**

### In a nutshell

On a spur of fragile tuff rock stands a fairytale **village, destined to disappear** before the eyes of its 11 inhabitants at a rate of 7 cm per year. Don't let it slip away from you: **cross the suspension bridge** that separates it from the rest of the world and discover its legends, **wandering through the little side streets** where Fellini filmed *La Strada*

### Main stops

- Viewpoint and panoramic bridge
- Stroll through the alleyways and squares of the medieval village
- The cathedral, the wishing well and the cave of San Bonaventura
- Panoramic stops to view the gullies and the valley
- Lunch in a local restaurant

### The programme

- On the other side of the **stunning panoramic bridge**, from which you can enjoy views of the valley and gullies, you will get the chance to visit a **small medieval village**. Don't let it get away from you, because although it's **there today, who knows if it still will be tomorrow**
- Strolling on the cobblestones through a maze of alleyways and little squares, **our guide will tell you some of the legends and stories of this magical place**: did you know that **St. Francis** performed one of his miracles here, and that there is a **wishing well**?
- Keep your smartphone to hand, because Civita di Bagnoregio is a **real open-air film set**: And it's certainly not a coincidence around each corner, catch a glimpse of the beauty that has led to some of the most memorable Italian comedies being shot here. The village is also a pilgrimage destination for Japanese fans of the director **Miyazaki**, who took inspiration from this place for some scenes of **'Spirited Away'**, his animated masterpiece. Just think: the surreal atmosphere of Civita has an effect on everyone!
- After many discoveries, the last one awaits you: a typical lunch in a local restaurant.
- The journey from the port to the village takes approximately 1 hour and 30 minutes.
- Lunch is included
- Before booking the excursion or once on board, contact the excursion office to check the availability of vegetarian or gluten-free dishes and to report any food intolerances.

### INFORMATIONS

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
043N	7 Hours approximately	Moderate	EUR 135.00	EUR 94.50

### Type

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#### *Civitavecchia*

### IN THE HANDS OF MICHELANGELO: THE VATICAN MUSEUMS, THE SISTINE CHAPEL AND OTHER MASTERPIECES

#### In a nutshell

Costa introduces **a new way to explore the city**: a new experience **offering the same quality, safety and duration as always**, now **reserved for small groups** so as to best discover all the secrets of the city. From the **Vatican Museums** to the Last Judgment, from the **Colonnade in St. Peter's Square** to Michaelangelo's Moses, and from the **Tiber** to the **Colosseum**: **jump the lines** and you will find yourself face to face with some stunning masterpieces. A unique opportunity to admire the eternal beauty of Rome, as well as the iconic works of Michelangelo. And to make your experience even more memorable, take a **sightseeing bus tour** through the heart of Rome, and enjoy an **authentic Roman lunch**!

#### Main stops

- The Vatican Museums and the Sistine Chapel: internal visit
- St. Peter's Square and direct access to the Basilica
- Castel Sant'Angelo, Ponte Sant'Angelo and the river Tiber
- Sightseeing bus tour of Rome: photo stop at the Colosseum
- Typical lunch
- The Basilica of San Pietro in Vincoli and the Moses: internal visit

#### The programme

- **Skip those endless lines.** This land experience will throw open the doors to some of the **most exclusive place** in the Eternal City: the **Vatican Museums** and the **Sistine Chapel**, where you can raise your eyes and admire Michaelangelo's **The Last Judgment** up close. And with a **reserved passage**, from the Vatican Museums you are directly to St. Peter's Basilica and Michelangelo's Pieta, without wasting time.
- In **St. Peter's Square**, you will be astonished by Bernini's crazed quest for symmetry, before heading to the river **Tiber** via **Castel Sant'Angelo** and the **Ponte Sant'Angelo** bridge. **San Pietro in Vincoli**, meanwhile, invites you to feast your eyes on some of Michelangelo's masterpieces, such as his **Moses, Leah and Rachel**, and discover the **secrets of his life and genius through the passionate words of your local guide**.
- So that you don't miss a thing \* because in Rome, beauty is all around \* a **panoramic bus tour of the heart of the city** will take you to some of the other iconic places of Rome's two thousand plus-year history and, of course, to the **Colosseum**, where you'll take a **photo stop**.

- To refresh you and make you feel like a bona fide Roman, a **number of traditional Capitoline dishes** and a good glass of wine from the Castelli await you **at lunch in a typical restaurant**.
- The journey from the port to Rome takes approximately 1 hour and 30 minutes.
- Wear suitable clothing for the places of worship you will be visiting.
- Menus may vary according to season to ensure the constant high quality of the dishes served.
- Before booking the excursion or once on board, contact the excursion office to check the availability of vegetarian or gluten-free dishes and to report any food intolerances.
- On 05/06/2024 it will not be possible to visit the Church of San Pietro in Vincoli.

### INFORMATIONS

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
2095	9 1/2 Hours approximately	Moderate	EUR 155.00	EUR 108.50
<b>Type</b>				

### *Civitavecchia*

## THE THOUSAND LIVES OF THE COLOSSEUM AND THOUSAND FACES OF THE ETERNAL CITY

### In a nutshell

In Rome, **past and present melt into one**: stone by stone, the Eternal City has been reborn time after time. Discover where the missing pieces of the **Colosseum** are by passing through its most iconic locations: from the **Imperial Fora** to the **Senatorial and Conservators palaces** and the **Ara Coeli steps**, you'll soon come to realize that the blocks of stone that once composed the glorious amphitheater truly have a thousand lives. Can you find them all?

### Main stops

- The Colosseum: external visit
- Imperial Fora
- Free time for lunch
- Piazza Venezia
- Walk towards the Campidoglio: view of the Palazzetto Venezia and St. Mark's Basilica; Senatorial and Conservators palaces
- Ara Coeli steps
- St. Peter's Square and Basilica: external visit



### The programme

- From its legendary foundations to the glory of the Empire, and from the Rome of Popes to the capital of Italy: every era has made its own contribution to the myth of the Eternal Beauty of Rome. But pay attention: Rome's many eras have been built on top of one other, often literally. **Did you know, for example, that the missing blocks of the Colosseum are scattered all over the city?**
- And this is just one of the many **surprising stories** you will discover with **your guide** on this journey through time, which begins at the world's **largest and most iconic amphitheater**.
- Among the legends of the **Imperial Fora** and anecdotes about **Piazza Venezia**, you'll catch a glimpse of **Palazzetto Venezia** and **St. Mark's Basilica**, with their travertine facades taken from the Colosseum.
- But it doesn't end there: you'll discover that these centuries-old rocks can also be found hidden in the walls of the **Senatorial** and **Conservators palaces**, and in the interior steps of the **Ara Coeli**.
- A stop at **Piazza San Pietro** is a must, to enjoy Rome in all senses and with all the senses: this is why you'll have some **free time** to savor some Roman specialties. Don't know how to choose? Ask your guide.
- The bus journey from the port to Rome takes approximately 1 hour and 30 minutes.

### INFORMATIONS

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
02FY	9 Hours approximately	Moderate	EUR 109.00	EUR 76.30
<b>Type</b>				

## *Civitavecchia* BY BUS AMONG THE ICONIC SITES OF ROME

### In a nutshell

#### Main stops

- View of iconic monuments of Rome from the bus
- Free time for lunch and exploring the city on your own

### The programme

- Your tour starts with a panoramic drive of Rome passing through the main sites including the Piramide of Rome, Caracalla Baths, Circus maximums, Colosseum, Colle Oppio and Santa Maria Maggiore, Via Veneto, Lungotevere and Castel Sant'Angelo. At the end of the panoramic tour, you will be dropped off at Palazzaccio/Zanardelli, a convenient place where you can enjoy some free

time to visit Saint Peter's Square and get the opportunity to take beautiful photographs of Saint Peter's Basilica or just walk and visit some of the most famous piazzas of Rome, like Piazza di Spagna or Piazza Navona. Finally meet your escort at the meeting point for your ride back to the port of Civitavecchia.

- The 'Adagio Tour' was born from the collaboration between Costa Crociere Foundation and AISM, with the aim of offering land experiences at a slower pace and itineraries with fewer architectural barriers, designed for people with accessibility needs. The 'Adagio Tour' version of this excursion is available on all ships.
- The places available for the 'Adagio Tour' version are limited.
- If you use a wheelchair, the reservation of the 'Adagio Tour' must necessarily be made through your cruise representative or through the contact channels of the Customer Center.

#### INFORMATIONS

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
03G6	7 Hours approximately	Easy	EUR 55.00	EUR 38.50
<b>Type</b>				

### *Civitavecchia* ROME, THE QUEEN OF THE WATERS

#### In a nutshell

All roads lead to Rome, but **only one** remains invisible to most: **it's made of water**, and it has always flowed beneath the city. Following its eternal flow, you will discover some of Rome's most beautiful and iconic sites: **Piazza di Spagna, the Trevi Fountain, the Pantheon, Piazza Navona, the Tiber and Saint Peter**. This is what makes Rome a true queen of the waters.

#### Main stops

- Piazza di Spagna
- Trevi Fountain: free time
- The Pantheon: external visit
- Piazza Navona
- Ponte Sant'Angelo and the river Tiber
- St. Peter's Square and Basilica: external visit
- Free time for lunch

### The programme

- Beneath Rome, there is a fascinating secret world which only rises to the surface from time to time: it is the groundwater flowing through aqueducts built with great skill and expertise thousands of years ago. When the water comes to the surface, it means there's something really worth seeing, and usually a story or legend that's hard to forget.
- From the Barcaccia fountain in **Piazza di Spagna** to the 9-meter hole on the roof of the **Pantheon** \* from which it is said no rain comes inside \* and on to the fountain in **Piazza Navona**, which stoked the rivalry between Bernini and Borromini, and **St. Peter's Square**, where the saying 'give water to the ropes' originated. Traversing the **Ponte Sant'Angelo** and the river **Tiber**, this land experience will lead you on a voyage of discovery of a **side of Rome unknown to most, but not to our local guide**.
- And as an exceptional finale, stop in front of the most famous fountain of them all: **the Trevi**.
- Slight changes may be made to itineraries and the length of excursions in order to protect your health and to comply with regulations and the safety protocol.

### INFORMATIONS

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
03MB	9 Hours approximately	Moderate	EUR 99.00	EUR 69.30
<b>Type</b>				

## *Civitavecchia* **MARCO SIMONE GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB**

### In a nutshell

A wonderful day playing golf awaits you at the **Marco Simone Golf and Country Club**. The official home of the 2023 Ryder Cup, this club is an oasis of relaxation just a stone's throw from Rome.

### Main stops

- Golf de Marco Simone

\*HCP: 54

### INFORMATIONS

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
03NU	7 1/2 Hours approximately		EUR 500.00	EUR 500.00

*Civitavecchia*  
**CIRCOLO DEL GOLF ROMA ACQUASANTA**

**In a nutshell**

Get ready for an unforgettable day playing golf at the **Circolo del Golf Roma Acquasanta**, the oldest golf club in Italy. The views encompasses the Claudio Acqueduct all the way to the Tomb of Cecilia Metella, with the Archbasilica of Saint John Lateran and the dome of St. Peter's cathedral in the background.

**Main stops**

- Golf de Roma Aquasanta

\*HCP: 54

**INFORMATIONS**

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
03NX	6 1/2 Hours approximately		EUR 500.00	EUR 500.00

*Civitavecchia*  
**ROME WITH THE GREATEST CONVENIENCE BY SUSTAINABLE RAIL**

**In a nutshell**

If you get to **Rome by an electric train exclusively for Costa guests**, it changes your day with an emphasis on three things: convenience, speed and sustainability. Here, an **expert guide** will reveal **the lesser known stories about the most famous monuments** in the city to you: the journey of the **Vatican obelisk**, **Castel Sant'Angelo**, illustrious prisoners, and the legend of the witch and lovers at **Piazza Navona**. Then, **how it ends is up to you**.

**Main stops**

- Travel from the station in Civitavecchia to the station of San Pietro in Rome, on an electric train exclusively for Costa guests
- Passeggiata del Gelsomino to St. Peter's Square
- St. Peter's Square and St. Peter's Basilica (external visit)
- Guided walk: Passetto di Borgo, Castel Sant'Angelo, Ponte Sant'Angelo, Piazza Navona
- Free time for lunch and to discover the city center

**The programme**

- The **electric Civitavecchia-Rome train** is **ultra-convenient and sustainable**: comfortable seats with plenty of legroom, air conditioning for keeping cool on your journey and no problems with traffic!

You arrive right in the middle of the city, to discover it first with an **expert guide** and then your way.

- Your guide will surprise you right away with something not everyone from Rome knows about: the **passeggiata del Gelsomino**, built for the 2000 Jubilee above one of the two Vatican railroad tracks.
- **St. Peter's Square** has to be seen and heard. Discover the secret of the optical illusions of **Bernini's colonnade**, and the story of the **Egyptian obelisk** that arrived on a ship loaded with lentils so that it wouldn't be damaged.
- Pass the thin line of travertine separating Italy from the Vatican City State on the **Via della Conciliazione**, while the guide presents **il passetto** to you, the secret passage that took popes and prisoners to **Castel Sant'Angelo**.
- A lot of history and angels have passed between these walls: ask for the story of what happened to the **5 winged statues** built between 590 AD and now.
- Then cross the bridge between the **10 angels of the Passion** and push through to the center as far as **Piazza Navona** and the **Fontana dei Quattro Fiumi**. But go counterclockwise if you're a couple!
- And then you can **go any way you choose: you can decide what to see, do and taste**, taking advantage of tips from your local guide.
- Slight changes may be made to itineraries and the length of excursions in order to protect your health and to comply with regulations and the safety protocol.
- Wear suitable clothing for the places of worship you will be visiting.
- The tour will take place by train or coach depending on the scheduled stopovers.

## INFORMATIONS

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
03QY	9 Hours approximately	Moderate	EUR 79.00	EUR 55.30
Type				

## Civitavecchia

### A GREEN TRAIN TO THE ROME YOU WANT

#### In a nutshell

An **electric train exclusively for Costa guests** will take you from the station in Civitavecchia to the station of San Pietro in Rome, for an experience that is **as comfortable, sustainable and autonomous** as it gets: when you arrive, you can go **wherever you like, however you like**. Got a few ideas? You could discover **St. Peter's Basilica** \* inside, outside and from the **Cupola** or dome \* take on the **Mouth of Truth** or **decide for yourself!**

### Main stops

- Travel from the station in Civitavecchia to the station of San Pietro in Rome, on an electric train exclusively for Costa guests
- Independent visit to the city center: St. Peter's Square and Basilica, and the main streets, monuments and squares

### The programme

- Ever thought about traveling to **Rome on an electric train**? It is the **most comfortable means of transport for you**, with extra legroom, air conditioning and zero traffic jams, and is also **much sustainable for the environment**.
- When you **get off at San Pietro station**, you have the entire Eternal city **to explore however you like**: follow the advice of your **local guide** and then set off.
- Fancy a tip? **St. Peter's Basilica** is just around the corner: if you **have never seen it**, seize the opportunity. Walk right up to the altar among works such as **Michelangelo's Pietà** and **Bernini's Baldacchino**, then climb to the top of the famous **dome** for a photo of the **Vatican gardens**.
- **St. Peter's Square** is no less impressive, with many surprises among Egyptian obelisks, absent apostles and the signs of the zodiac. And don't miss the optical illusion of **Bernini's colonnades**!
- You can stay in the area for **Castel Sant'Angelo** and all its miracles, or switch district for other wonders: the **Pantheon**, where it never rains, the **Trevi Fountain** to make a wish, or the **Mouth of Truth**, for the most truthful only!
- During the transfer to Rome, a local guide will provide you with assistance and information.
- Wear suitable clothing for the places of worship you will be visiting.
- Slight changes may be made to itineraries and the length of excursions in order to protect your health and to comply with regulations and the safety protocol.
- The tour will take place by train or coach depending on the scheduled stopovers.

### INFORMATIONS

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
0114	9 Hours approximately	Easy	EUR 55.00	EUR 38.50
<b>Type</b>				

## *Civitavecchia* **CIVITAVECCHIA, A MINIATURE ROME ON THE SEA**

### In a nutshell

Discover some of the grandeur and history of Rome in **Civitavecchia**, with a **guide** who will lead you on an **exclusive Costa experience**. As you explore, you will come across monuments worthy of the capital, such as the amazing engineering works of **Traiano port**, the art of **Michelangelo** and **Vanvitelli** and the **treasures of the Popes**. For an extra Roman touch, go and experience the vivacity of the **San Lorenzo market** and enjoy a **tasting in the Ghetto**.

### Main stops

- Walking tour of Civitavecchia: ancient port of Traiano; Darsena; Fort of Michelangelo; Vanvitelli fountain, historic center
- San Lorenzo market: free time
- tasting of typical local products in the Ghetto district

### The programme

- **As you stroll through Civitavecchia**, you'll feel like you're in **Rome-on-Sea** – it's got so much in common with the capital: the history, the artists, the Popes that made the city what it is.
- From the works at **Traiano port** to the **Pope Urbano VIII walls** and **the system for opening the docks**, you will soon see that like Rome, here there is no shortage of monumental works.
- Or indeed, of legends worthy of the Eternal City: what do you know about the **myth of Leander**? Or the letters 'O.C.' on the city's coat of arms? **Ask your exclusive Costa guide**.
- To discover Roman works of art, head to the **Vanvitelli fountain** and stand in front of the **tower of the Fort of Michelangelo**, once flanked by the arsenal designed by Bernini: just imagine the impact the port would have had with these two giants stood next to each other!
- And then, to enjoy a little of Rome's vivacity, **wander freely** among the stalls of the **San Lorenzo market**, amidst the calls of the sellers and scents that will whet your appetite.
- While we're on the subject, in the **Ghetto**, a host of **local seafood and inland specialties** await you. There, among the small tables that crowd the sidewalk, you'll feel as if you've landed right in the center of Rome.
- Before booking the excursion or once on board, contact the excursion office to check the availability of vegetarian or gluten-free dishes and to report any food intolerances.
- San Lorenzo market is closed on Sundays and afternoons.

### INFORMATIONS

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
015H	2 1/2 Hours approximately	Moderate	EUR 39.00	EUR 27.30

Type

Tasting

Savona

## GENOA ON YOUR OWN (WITHOUT GUIDE)

### In a nutshell

No pre-established route: **Today you can wonder around Genoa all by yourself and do whatever you want**, exploring **at your own leisure** a multifaceted city that's **accessible to everyone**. Are the sights better on the **Old Port** or from **Spianata Castelletto**? Will you take a selfie in front of the **Palazzi dei Rolli**, the **Doge's Palace**, the **Cathedral** or in the charming **Baruggia** alleys? Yes, it's a tough decision, **but you can get about easily and do whatever you wish**.

### Main stops

- Sightseeing tour to De Ferrari Square
- Genoa city center, with the chance to see, independently: The Old Port; The Bigo; The Aquarium of Genoa; The Biosfera; Spianata Castelletto; The **Baruggia** alleys; The Palazzi dei Rolli; The Strada Nuova Museums; The Doge's Palace; The San Lorenzo Cathedral

### The programme

- Your **coach** heads for the city centre: From here, **let your curiosity run wild!** Genoa offers **accessible monuments and sites** to suit every taste. Some tips? Here you are!
- To begin with, watch out for these three ultra-modern sights: The **Bigo** ~~a~~ panoramic elevator ~~and~~ the **Biosfera**, both designed by Renzo Piano, as well as the **largest aquarium in Europe**.
- If you cross the street, you'll find yourself in the **Baruggia** typical medieval **paved** alleys, where you'll discover **squares, churches, traditional shops** and the city's rich **multicultural** side.
- Indulge in some art on via Garibaldi, where you'll find the **Rolli**: The Palazzo Rosso, Palazzo Bianco and Palazzo Tursi. These museums are **UNESCO World Heritage sites** and accessible to everyone, including visitors with limited mobility. A quick visit?
- A **Liberty elevator** will comfortably take you from Piazza Portello to **Spianata Castelletto**, and here the sights over the city and the port are just no match for the camera.
- Don't forget the **Doge's Palace**, the ancient residence of the doges, and the **San Lorenzo Cathedral!** And if you find the exteriors striking, treat yourself to a look inside: Thanks to elevators and walkways, no one needs to miss out.
- The **Adagio Tour** ~~was~~ born from the collaboration between Costa Crociere Foundation and AISM, with the aim of offering land experiences at a **slower pace** and itineraries with fewer architectural barriers, designed for people with accessibility needs.



- The ~~Adagio Tour~~ version of this excursion is available on all ships.
- The places available for the 'Adagio Tour' version are limited.
- If you use a wheelchair, the reservation of the 'Adagio Tour' must necessarily be made through your cruise representative or through the contact channels of the Customer Center.
- The excursion does not include a guide.

**INFORMATIONS**

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
009T	5 Hours approximately	Easy	EUR 45.00	EUR 31.50
<b>Type</b>				

*Savona***SAVONA, CERAMICS AND TASTING****In a nutshell**

Costa introduces **a new way to explore the city**: a new experience **offering the same quality, safety and duration as always**, now **reserved for small groups** so as to best discover all the secrets of the city. This tour will take you to discover the main monuments of Savona with a **guide**. And if the walk through the **old town**, among **churches, palaces and fortresses**, makes you hungry for a **local snack**, no problem: **it's on us**. **Food tasting** over, you'll be ready for the last two stops: **Palazzo Gavotti**, its **picture gallery** and the **Ceramics Museum**.

**Main stops**

- Walk through the old town
- Assunta Cathedral: external visit
- Priamar Fortress: external visit
- Local food tasting with fried fish
- Visit to Palazzo Gavotti, Picture Gallery and Ceramics Museum
- Free time

**The programme**

- Your walk through the **old town** will lead to the **Assunta Cathedral**, with its unmistakable **Baroque façade**. Did you know that the relics of **Saint Valentine** are kept here? Yes, the patron saint of lovers. Our **guide** will tell you some other interesting facts outside the monument.
- Stop off at the **Priamar Fortress**, built by the Genoese in 1547 to defend the recently conquered city.

Today it houses the **archaeological museum** but in previous centuries it was also a **prison**: its illustrious detainees include **Giuseppe Mazzini**, charged with corruption and imprisoned in 1830.

- It's time for some **food tasting**. Some traditional **fried fish** await you at the harbor, strictly accompanied by a **glass of local wine**.
- But your adventure in Savona doesn't end here. You still need to see **Palazzo Gavotti**, which houses the **Savona Picture Gallery**, and the **Ceramics Museum**, showcasing an art mastered by the Ligurians. A **journey through six centuries** awaits, from 15th-16th century tiles, known as **loggioni** to majolicas inspired by oriental porcelain.
- The excursion could take place in the morning or in the afternoon.
- Fried fish tasting or other typical local tasting.

#### INFORMATIONS

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
02GY	4 Hours approximately	Moderate	EUR 45.00	EUR 31.50
<b>Type</b>				
Tasting				

### *Savona*

## FINALBORGO AND NOLI: TWO VILLAGES NESTLED BETWEEN THE SEA AND THE MOUNTAINS

#### In a nutshell

Discover the close link between **the sea and mountains of Liguria** through **two medieval villages** carved from rock and shaped by waves. Mountains take center stage in **Finalborgo**, where an **exclusive Costa guide** will lead you between the **monuments, walls** and **piazas dating back to the feudal age**, while in **Noli**, your guide will accompany you through **loggias, arcades** and stories of the Mediterranean sea. And from a **viewpoint**, you'll finally understand how perfectly these villages are positioned between the hinterland and the coast.

#### Main stops

- Walk through Finalborgo: Porta Testa gate; Monumental complex of St. Catherine; Piazza delle Erbe
- Sightseeing bus tour to Noli
- Walk through Noli: Torre Papone tower; arcade; loggia of the Repubblica Nolese; Porta Piazza gate
- Palazzo Vescovado panoramic viewpoint
- Oratory of Saint Anne: external visit

### The programme

- The peaks and sea of **Liguria** provide the backdrop for everything: follow them with your gaze, as you discover **two medieval villages** with **an exclusive Costa guide**.
- **Finalborgo** is the work of Ligurian ingenuity: a **fortified village** built on steep terrain. And yet, the '**Finale stone**' of its walls was formed from marine sediments! Take a good look: it adorns the **Porta Testa** gate and the **convent of St Catherine**.
- Between the 'caruggi', or narrow alleyways, and the false windows, you can breathe the air of the Middle Ages in **Piazza delle Erbe**, in the center of the village. Imagine what life was like back then: this is where merchants sold their marine and mountain treasures.
- Now it's time for a change of scenery in **Noli**, a fishing village with a thousand stories. Like that of the **Torre Papone tower**, for example, which features a room for hiding from enemy sea captains and their crews.
- After admiring the **views of sea and mountains from the Vescovado viewpoint**, head to the **Noli arcade**, with its '*risseu*' black and white pebble paving. Did you know that once upon a time, there was just water here? And that Christopher Columbus set sail from these walls?
- Meanwhile, those looking to discover Ligurian treasures had to pass through the **loggia of the Repubblica Nolese** and the **Porta Piazza gate**. You can make your way through them too: it's time to learn about local legends at the **Oratory of Saint Anna**!
- Slight changes may be made to itineraries and the length of excursions to protect your health and to comply with regulations and the safety protocol.

### INFORMATIONS

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
01QJ	4 Hours approximately	Moderate	EUR 59.00	EUR 41.30
<b>Type</b>				

### *Savona*

## GENOA AQUARIUM AND ANCIENT PORT

### In a nutshell

**Genoa's Ancient Port**, restored in 1982 for the Christopher Columbus Celebrations, is home to the **Aquarium**, which covers an area of 10,000 square meters and includes **71 tanks** including a few touch pools where you can stroke various different ray fish, a real delight.

### Main stops

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- Genoa Aquarium
- Ancient Port and Bigo
- Free time

### The programme

- You'll reach the Expo area, in Genoa's **Ancient Port**, a restored seaside area in the heart of Genoa's old town. This is home to the **Genoa Aquarium**, one of Europe's leading aquariums. You'll follow a path along **71 tanks** full of marine plants and animals. You'll discover multicolored tropical fish, sponges and jellyfish, natural corals, steely-eyed sharks and even playful dolphins, seals and penguins. You can even stroke some ray fish specimens in the **touch pools**. A real 'tour through the oceans of the world' that will thrill young and old.
- Slight changes may be made to itineraries and the length of excursions to protect your health and to comply with regulations and the safety protocol.
- This excursion is suitable if you have slight mobility impairments and can walk short distances unassisted. If you are a wheelchair user, the presence of a companion not provided by the ship is required. Most of our operators require the wheelchair to be foldable. However, in some ports there may not be adequate space to accommodate wheelchairs on the bus. Please, therefore, inform the on-board excursions office manager immediately after boarding to immediately reserve your seat on the bus before the tour begins.

### INFORMATIONS

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
0381	5 Hours approximately	Easy	EUR 89.00	EUR 62.30
<b>Type</b>				

### *Savona*

## THE FLAVOURS AND HISTORY OF ALBENGA

### In a nutshell

Albenga stretches, as though it was itself a peninsula, towards the sea on the estuary of the River Centa. Accompanied by our tour rep, we set off in discovery of the sites and history of this ancient city

### Main stops

- Albenga
- Old town: Cathedral of San Michele and the eponymous Piazza

- Free time

### The programme

- Leaving the port, we set off towards the city of **Albenga**, whose ancient city walls enclose its pointed red towers and protect a treasure trove of Roman, Medieval and Renaissance architecture.
- Our guide leads us through atmospheric streets, helping us to discover the best that this little city on the *Riviera di Ponente* has to offer. You can visit **Magiche trasparenze** exhibition (Magical Transparencies) which displays glassware found during architectural excavations in the city's necropolises. These include the famous Blue Plate, a piece unlike any other anywhere in the world.
- We cross the picturesque **Piazza di San Michele** over which looms the eponymous Romanesque-Gothic **Cathedral**, and admire the octagonal 5th-century **Baptistry**, the oldest palaeo-Christian monument in Liguria which houses an impressive mosaic.
- Afin d'assurer la santé de nos passagers, dans le respect de la réglementation et du protocole de sécurité, les itinéraires et la durée des excursions peuvent être sujets à des changements, même s'ils ne sont pas substantiels.

### INFORMATIONS

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
03G1	4 Hours approximately		EUR 55.00	EUR 38.50

#### Type

## Savona GENOA FROM TOP TO BOTTOM

### In a nutshell

A **guided bus tour** will introduce you to **Genoa**, from its most panoramic spot down to the seaside, passing through the center along the way. Take your photos at **Spianata Castelletto**, be a sea dog at **Boccadasse**, discover the **elegant districts** and historical monuments: from the **Doge's Palace** to the **San Lorenzo Cathedral**, up to the house of **Christopher Columbus**.

### Main stops

- Spianata Castelletto: photo stop
- District of Castelletto and Albaro
- Boccadasse: stop and free time
- Old town: Piazza De Ferrari, Doge's Palace, Cathedral of San Lorenzo and House of Christopher

Columbus (external visit)

- Free time

### The programme

- Take your seat on the **bus**: **Genoa** awaits you with anecdotes about the most picturesque sights retold by our **expert guide**.
- Climb up to **Spianata Castelletto** and photograph the city from above. Few people know that this belvedere stands on the site of the fortress of the same name, which was razed to the ground in a popular revolt in 1849.
- From the **Castelletto district**, called ~~Castelletto~~ *Castelletto* in Ligurian dialect, your descent to the sea begins. A strategic sighting point, this district boasts many mansions and is connected to the city center by elevators and funiculars.
- Bid farewell to the higher districts of the city as you're expected in **Boccadasse**. Legend has it that the seaside town was founded by Spanish fishermen in or around the year 1000. Wander along its narrow streets, known as ~~Breuzza~~ *Breuzza* and past its colorful houses: you'll feel like time has stood still.
- Discover the elegant **districts of Albaro and Foce** by bus and stroll through the city center: from the vast **Piazza De Ferrari** to the **Doge's Palace**, the **Cathedral of San Lorenzo**, with its sayings and mysteries, to the outside of the house of **Christopher Columbus**.
- Slight changes may be made to itineraries and the length of excursions in order to protect your health and to comply with regulations and the safety protocol.

### INFORMATIONS

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
03EX	5 Hours approximately	Easy	EUR 59.00	EUR 41.30

#### Type

*Savona*

## GENOA'S HIDDEN MAGNIFICENCE

### In a nutshell

Within the opulent noble palaces lies a **hidden side of Genoa**: that of Baroque cloisters, secret gardens and frescoed vaults. Only **an exclusive Costa experience** will allow you to experience the neighborhoods, squares and landmarks of ancient nobility which would otherwise be inaccessible: for a day, **you will be the guest of the aristocratic families of the Rolli**, sharing their prestigious history as well as **some local delicacies**.

## MEDITERRANEAN



### Main stops

- Sightseeing coach tour of Genoa to Piazza Goffredo Villa
- Visit to the Spianata Castelletto and descent by elevator
- Piazza Fontane Marose
- Palazzo Nicolosio Lomellino; Palazzo Gio Vincenzo Imperiale: internal visits
- Typical local product tasting in the Palazzo Imperiale
- San Lorenzo Cathedral

### The programme

- The **Genoa** of palaces reveals itself in front of your very eyes, as part of this **exclusive Costa experience**, where you'll discover the secrets, places and habits of the most well-known aristocrats of the time.
- In the **elevator at Spianata Castelletto**, you'll settle into the role immediately: the noble folk would watch the harbor teeming with ships, merchants and fishermen from here. Like you right now.
- From high up to right in the center: **Piazza Fontane Marose** is an iconic square in this aristocratic neighborhood, and all around you, every palazzo building is brimming with history. **Your guide** will explain that the coveted Rolli register established the prestige of this area.
- Step into this world of luxury at **Palazzo Nicolosio Lomellino**. Indeed, it is the '**owners of this noble building**' who will lead you past its fountains and through its gardens.
- Meanwhile, **Palazzo Gio Vincenzo Imperiale** is where you'll **take your seat at the table like a real aristocrat**. While you taste the typical focaccia, the Imperiale couple will tell you family anecdotes, and explain the traditional Genoese dishes.
- A last secret awaits you **at Genoa cathedral**. Can you see the dog carved onto the facade? It is said that when part of the building collapsed, he saved the life of the architect, his master. His noble spirit was more precious than any wealth.
- Before booking the excursion or once on board, contact the excursion office to check the availability of vegetarian or gluten-free dishes and to report any food intolerances.

### INFORMATIONS

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
2068	4 1/2 Hours approximately	Moderate	EUR 95.00	EUR 66.50
<b>Type</b>				
Tasting				

*Barcelona***BARCELONA AND FLAMENCO RHYTHMS****In a nutshell**

Barcelona is a city of many faces, a harmony of tradition and innovation, ancient and modern. With this excursion we are going to discover some of the most fascinating aspects of the capital of Catalonia.

**Main stops**

- City center and Sagrada Família
- Passeig de Gràcia: La Pedrera and Casa Batllò
- El Pueblo Español outdoor museum and Tablao de Carmen
- Flamenco Show

**The programme**

- We leave the port by bus and travel through the city center heading toward the northernmost neighborhoods, where we soon see the unmistakable silhouette of the Sagrada Família silhouetted. A stop with a guided tour (from the outside) allows us to better appreciate this monumental neo-Gothic style church designed in the late 19th century by Gaudí and still under construction.
- Back on the bus, we continue our scenic tour by walking along Passeig de Gràcia, the city's most elegant street, where we can admire other masterpieces by the eccentric Catalan architect such as La Pedrera and Casa Batllò.
- We then reach the open-air museum El Pueblo Español, built in 1929 to represent an ideal model of the 'Iberian people,' which reproduces some 116 buildings, squares and streets throughout Spain. Here are large spaces dedicated to Spanish art and crafts, with shopping opportunities of all kinds.
- In the reproduction of the Andalusian quarter, we visit the Tablao de Carmen, named after the great dancer Carmen Amaya, where we attend a flamenco show, the dance that best represents the Iberian soul.

Space is limited, so please reserve early. Please note: Space is limited, so please reserve early.

**INFORMATIONS**

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
0758	4 Hours approximately	Easy	EUR 79.00	EUR 55.30
<b>Type</b>				
Tasting				



*Barcelona***BARCELONA AND THE HISTORY OF BARÇA FC****In a nutshell**

Are you ready to discover the history of Barça? If you love football, this is the right experience for you, because you will visit the new museum with an immersive hall of a stadium considered, worldwide, by fans and players, a milestone in the history of football.

**Main stops**

- Montjuïc hill
- FC Barcelona Experience (museum and immersive room)
- Passage from Passeig de Gràcia (Casa Milà and Casa Batlló by Gaudí)
- Port Olímpic photo stop

**The programme**

Our discovery tour of Barcelona will start from the **Montjuïc hill**, where the sports complexes built for the 1992 Olympic Games are located and where you can enjoy a splendid view of the surrounding city. Then we will head to the **Camp Nou** stadium, to have an experience in the new space that the club has set up during the works on the stadium. The stadium museum offers a historic tribute to this great club. We will be able to admire trophies, photos, shoes and shirts of the great Barça players and an area dedicated to one of the best players in the world: **Messi**, all through an interactive itinerary. Then enjoy a 360° immersive experience in the final room of the space.

Passing **Passeig de Gràcia** to admire from the bus the view of two of the most famous Gaudí houses: Casa Batlló and Casa Milà.

Finally, a photo stop at **Port Olímpic** before returning to the ship.

**INFORMATIONS**

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
0759	4 Hours approximately	Easy	EUR 75.00	EUR 52.50
<b>Type</b>				

*Barcelona***BARCELONA IN A CLICK****In a nutshell**

Become a photographer for a few hours. Present **your own view** of **Barcelona** by taking photos in the

city's most iconic locations. **Post them on social media** to make your followers green with envy.

### Main stops

- Montjuïc: Barcelona seen from above
- Sagrada Família, the genius of Gaudí
- Panoramic drive through Passeig de Gràcia, modernist architecture

### The programme

First of all remember to add the hashtag #costagrammer and the tag @costacruisesofficial to the best photos of the day.

- The tour begins on **Montjuïc**, a high point that provides a privileged view of the city.
- The second stop is the **Sagrada Família**, an icon of the city of Barcelona. If you can find it, take a photo of the **magic square**, so-called because the sum of each side is always 33, or position yourself at the bottom to appreciate the verticality of the construction which is typical of the **Gothic** style.
- The modernist façades reflected in the windows of the designer shops can also be an original source of inspiration along the **Passeig de Gràcia**.
- As you return to the ship your social media will be going crazy with likes and comments.
- The **Adagio Tour** was born from the collaboration between Costa Crociere Foundation and AISM, with the aim of offering land experiences at a **slower pace** and itineraries with fewer architectural barriers, designed for people with accessibility needs.
- The **Adagio Tour** version of this excursion is available on all ships.
- The places available for the 'Adagio Tour' version are limited.
- If you use a wheelchair, the reservation of the 'Adagio Tour' must necessarily be made through your cruise representative or through the contact channels of the Customer Center.

### INFORMATIONS

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
0765	3 1/2 Hours approximately	Easy	EUR 49.00	EUR 34.30
<b>Type</b>				

## *Barcelona* **BARCELONA ON AN ELECTRIC BIKE**

### In a nutshell

Costa introduces **a new way to explore the city**: a new experience **offering the same quality, safety and duration as always**, now **reserved for small groups** so as to best discover all the secrets of the city. Barcelona is an open air cycle path. Together with our local guide, **enjoy a fun trip around the attractions of the city on an electric bike**. **Cycle through the parks, along the main streets and past the architectural masterpieces of Gaudí**. **A snack of tapas and cold drinks\*\*** awaits you at the end. After a mega ride like that we definitely deserve it, don't you think?

### Main stops

- Parc de la Ciutadella
- Cathedral of the Sagrada Família
- Passeig de Gràcia
- Casa Batlló and Casa Milà
- District of El Born
- Port Vell

### The programme

- From the **Parc de la Ciutadella**, cycle to the **Sagrada Família**, the incredible and still incomplete neogothic church designed by the architectural genius Antoni Gaudí. Travel along the **Passeig de Gràcia**, the city's most elegant street, which includes **Casa Batlló** and **Casa Milà**, another two works by the architectural genius.
- You'll then enter the **Barrio Gótico**, the heart of the old town, and explore the alleys of the **Barrio del Born** and the historic **Port Vell**, home to hundreds of small boats.
- You'll be cycling all the way, but thanks to the **electric bike** you won't feel tired. You will start to feel peckish however: How about stopping for... **a ~~Tapas~~** Enjoy these traditional sandwiches with a cold drink. At the end of the tour, we will return independently to the ship.
- Minimum age: 10 years.
- Minimum height: 150 cm.
- The excursion includes the assistance of a local guide who will provide information in English or Spanish.

### INFORMATIONS

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
0518	3 1/2 Hours approximately	Moderate	EUR 85.00	EUR 59.50
<b>Type</b>				

Tasting

## *Barcelona* **THE BARCELONA OF GAUDÌ**

### **In a nutshell**

If you want to see a colorful and curvy Barcelona, come and discover Gaudí with us. This **guided tour** will bring you not one but four examples of the great master's genius! Gaudí's **four masterpieces** now declared **UNESCO World Heritage Sites**, Among **fairy-tale buildings**, **mask-shaped balconies**, columns that resemble **human bones**.

### **Main stops**

Parc Güell  
Sagrada Família: external visit  
District of Eixample  
La Pedrera

### **The programme**

- The best gateway into the world of Gaudí is **Parc Güell**, with all its curves and colors, designed at the beginning of the last century. You can expect **fairytale buildings**, a mosaic of a **giant salamander**, **forests of columns** and house with spiers where the architect himself lived for twenty years.
- But that's only the beginning. In the Eixample district is the church of the **Sagrada Família**, a gigantic building with an open construction site that is **constantly evolving**, as even today, decades later, expert craftsmen are still following the designs left by the master.
- **Casa Milà**, on the other hand, better known as **La Pedrera** is the master's most mature work and is considered the greatest example of Catalan Modernism. It's a great photo opportunity with its **undulating façades**, chimneys that wrap around themselves and **original cast iron railings** that evoke **breaking waves**.
- This is one of the most popular excursions so book early.
- Casa Milà will be closed on 12/25/2023, on 01/15/2024 and on 01/19/2024, therefore the visit will be carried out externally. The external visit of the Casa Batllò will also be added.

### **INFORMATIONS**

<b>Code</b>	<b>Duration</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Adult price</b>	<b>Child price</b>
0523	5 Hours approximately	Moderate	EUR 99.00	EUR 69.30
<b>Type</b>				

## *Barcelona* **ICONIC BARCELONA**

### **In a nutshell**

If you haven't seen the works of **Antoni Gaudí**, you haven't seen **Barcelona** and crossed the vibrant spots of Catalan modernism. . On a **comfortable bus** with your **guide**, you can discover all his masterpieces: **Casa Batllò**, inspired by a dragon, **Casa Milà**, which is reminiscent of a mountain, and the iconic **Sagrada Família**. And then, **stroll through the Barrio Gràcia** , the small neighborhood with an authentic, bohemian air.

### **Main stops**

- Sightseeing bus tour: Passeig de Gràcia, Casa Batlló, Casa Milà
- Sagrada Família (external visit)
- Stroll through the narrow streets and squares of Gràcia quarter

### **The programme**

- Say **Barcelona**, and everyone thinks of **Antoni Gaudí**, the genius who gave the city some of its most iconic monuments with his 'impossible architecture'.
- From the **bus**, you can enjoy a perfect view of the facades: **Casa Batllò** is entirely covered in colorful mosaics that look like the scales of a dragon, while **Casa Milà**, known as 'La Pedrera', is in bare natural stone.
- Did you know that the **Sagrada Família** was designed by Gaudí and built... by sinners? You'll discover that it was financed by the offerings of the faithful seeking atonement, from the very first brick to the last.
- **Wandering through the Gràcia district**, you will see the authentic heart of the city, where, far from the touristy Rambla, Barcelonians meet in the picturesque and lively squares. Get lost with your guide in the narrow streets that lead to **Casa Fuster** and then to the charming **Plaza de la Vila**, with its Torre del Campanario, a symbol of the popular struggles.
- On May 7, 2023, the panoramic tour in Passeig de Gracia will be replaced by the panoramic tour of the Vila Olímpica area.

### **INFORMATIONS**

<b>Code</b>	<b>Duration</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Adult price</b>	<b>Child price</b>
0527	4 Hours approximately	Moderate	EUR 69.00	EUR 48.30
<b>Type</b>				

## *Barcelona*

### **NATURE BECOMES ART IN GAUDI'S BARCELONA**

#### **In a nutshell**

Thanks to the genius of Gaudi, a forest, a mountain and the Mediterranean Sea have sprung up in the center of **Barcelona**. Don't believe it? With an **exclusive Costa guide**, discover how the artist transformed **glimpses of Catalan nature into works of art**, as you wander between the tree-columns of the **Sagrada Família**, under the caves and snowy peaks of **Casa Milà** and through the shapes of **Casa Batlló**.

#### **Main stops**

- Sagrada Família: Nativity and Passion facades; internal visit
- Casa Milà: external visit
- Walking tour on the Passeig de Gràcia
- Casa Batlló: external visit

#### **The programme**

- Your plunge into nature reinterpreted as art by **Gaudí** can only begin at the **Sagrada Família**, his greatest masterpiece.
- What does it remind you of? Your **exclusive Costa guide** has the answer: it's a forest that has been growing for nearly 100 years.
- Take a closer look: do you see the animals on the **Nativity facade**? Chameleons and doves in flight, but also two enormous turtles, symbols of land and sea.
- Inside, the illusion continues: the **columns are like tall trees** with branches that are intertwined with the sculpted faces, while the **colors of the windows evoke those of sunrise and sunset**. It is Gaudí's homage to the views from the mountain of Montserrat, and in the Salnitre cave.
- As you move to a different area of the city, the natural scenery changes with you. At **Casa Milà**, you'll find yourself in front of a mountain range with cave-like windows, iron decorations that look like brambles, and a roof as white as the snowy peaks. This is why the people of Barcelona call it 'La Pedrera', or the quarry!
- If you're missing the sea, you'll find it on the facade of **Casa Batlló**, whose colors and sinuous lines echo the waves of the Mediterranean. Meanwhile, snoozing on the roof you'll find...well, you tell us!
- This is one of the most popular excursions so book early.
- Wear suitable clothing for the places of worship you will be visiting.
- Slight changes may be made to itineraries and the length of excursions in order to safeguard your health and comply with regulations and the safety protocol.

#### **INFORMATIONS**

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
0658	4 Hours approximately	Moderate	EUR 99.00	EUR 69.30
<b>Type</b>				

## *Barcelona* **DISCOVERING GAUDÌ ON A SEGWAY**

### **In a nutshell**

Costa introduces **a new way to explore the city**: a new experience **offering the same quality, safety and duration as always**, now **reserved for small groups** so as to best discover all the secrets of the city **with your guide**. Take a trip around Barcelona to discover the amazing **works of modernist architect Antoni Gaudì**. Art and beauty... on the go, as you're riding a **segway**, a fun and environmentally-friendly means of transport.

### **Main stops**

- Arco de Triunfo
- Sagrada Família
- Passeig de Gràcia: Casa Milà and Casa Batlló
- Casa Fuster by Domènech i Montaner
- La Monumental

### **The programme**

- We'll **pick up our segway**, the now famous electric scooter, at the **Arco de Triunfo**, the triumphal arch that is one of the symbols of the city.
- After gaining a little confidence, we'll set off to discover the city in the footsteps of **Antoni Gaudì**, the brilliant Catalan architect whose works have immortalized Barcelona.
- We'll file past the **Sagrada Família**, the incredible neo-Gothic church par excellence and a symbol of Catalan art, to reach **Passeig de Gràcia**, the city's most fashionable street.
- Here you'll find **Casa Milà**, with its undulating façades and curvaceous cast iron railings. A little further on is **Casa Batlló**, covered in countless shimmering scales. It is inspired by the **legend of St. George** fighting the dragon which is portrayed by the sinuosity of the roof, whilst the rows of balconies and bone-like structures are there to symbolize its victims.
- Also unmissable is a trip past **La Monumental**: The most famous bullfighting ring in Spain, designed to host corridas.
- We've become expert riders by now, but it's time to drop off the segway and return to the ship independently.

## MEDITERRANEAN



- Minimum age: 16 years.
- During the tour, a local guide will provide information in English and Spanish.
- The segway trip lasts 2 hours and 30 minutes.

### INFORMATIONS

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
02E9	3 1/2 Hours approximately	Moderate	EUR 95.00	EUR 66.50
Type				

## *Barcelona* **BARCELONA AND BARRIO GOTICO**

### In a nutshell

Costa introduces **a new way to explore the city**: a new experience **offering the same quality, safety and duration as always**, now **reserved for small groups** so as to best discover all the secrets of the city. Let curiosity be your guide, that's the way to discover the **real Barcelona**. Walk around the neighborhood of **El Born**, with its music and architecture, to the **Barrio Gótico**, with surprises in store among its narrow streets, and then down the **Rambla**. A **delicious meal in a restaurant** near the Ramblas awaits you at the end of the tour.

### Main stops

- El Born neighborhood: Palace of Catalan Music and the church of Santa Maria del Mar; Barrio Gótico: a thousand alleys, a thousand surprises.
- The Cathedral: an example of Catalan Gothic style
- La Rambla, with tapas tasting.

### The programme

- The tour starts in the trendy neighborhood of **El Born**, home to the **Palace of Catalan Music** and the church of **Santa Maria del Mar**, one of the best examples of Catalan Gothic style. Keep **looking up** as you visit the **Barrio Gótico** because the masterpieces are in the vertical façades and windows. All the best Catalan Gothic buildings stand on an ancient fortified Roman village. Discover its traces.
- The tour ends with a traditional taste of Catalonia: **two tapas**, tortilla and jamón serrano. Enjoy your meal or, as they say in Catalonia, **Bon profit**.
- Menus may vary according to season to ensure the constant high quality of the dishes served.
- Before booking the excursion or once on board, contact the excursion office to check the availability



of vegetarian or gluten-free dishes and to report any food intolerances.

## INFORMATION

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
00FW	4 Hours approximately	Moderate	EUR 49.00	EUR 34.30
<b>Type</b>				
Tasting				

## Barcelona THE MANY FACES OF BARCELONA

### In a nutshell

Costa introduces **a new way to explore the city**: a new experience **offering the same quality, safety and duration as always**, so as to best discover all the secrets of the city. Accompanied by an **exclusive Costa guide**, enjoy an **experience among the most iconic places** that reflect the many sides of the city: from the cosmopolitan **Plaça d'Espanya** to the authentic Spanish faces and facades of the **Barrio Gotico**. At the **Sagrada Familia**, discover the most iconic sight in the city which is subject to constant change, while **Passeig de Gràcia** awaits you with its modernist spirit. **It's really something to be experienced!**

### Main stops

- Sightseeing bus tour: Plaça d'Espanya; Montjuïc hill
- Sagrada Família: external visit
- Walk along Passeig de Gràcia
- Casa Milà and Casa Batlló: external visits
- Walk along the Rambla and through the Barrio Gotico

### The programme

- As you walk through Barcelona's **Plaça d'Espanya**, you'll be greeted with some of the city's first faces: those of the mythical statues of the **Font Màgica**, which celebrates the link between **Barcelona** and water. You can also see them from above, from the viewpoint at Montjuïc.
- The coach takes a multicultural route as it passes beneath the **statue of Christopher Columbus**.
- The whole world can be found at the **Sagrada Família**, the most iconic sight of the city, which has been evolving with the times for 100 years. Need proof? Just check out the Asian features of one of the latest statues created.
- The **Passeig de Gràcia** is another world: as you walk between **Casa Milà** and **Casa Batlló** by Antoni Gaudí, and under the **Horrible Streetlights** by Falqués i Urpí, you will discover the modernist side of

the city, devoted to experimentation.

- Try it yourself: focus on the **'marine' tiles** underfoot and tell us \* what effect do they have on you?
- After walking among so many beauties, it's time to cross the city **like a real local**: by **metro**, together with your guide, you reach the **Rambla**. A walk through the heart of the old city to the **Gothic Quarter**, the nerve center of the city from the Middle Ages until today, awaits you.
- Then, you have time to wander around independently, taste typical products and go shopping, **at your own pace**. Whenever you like, you can get back on board with the shuttle included in your excursion.
- Between walking the city's most iconic streets and the metro ride, you've seen the thousand faces of the city.

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## INFORMATIONS

Code	Duration	Level	Adult price	Child price
006E	4 1/2 Hours approximately	Moderate	EUR 75.00	EUR 52.50
<b>Type</b>				

## Legenda

### ICONE DESCRIZIONE

#### **Easy**

tour with this designation involve walking over relatively level terrain. Comfortable shoes are recommended.

#### **Moderate**

Tours with this designation can involve a considerable amount of physical activity such as walking over cobblestones or uneven surface, climbing stairs or steep terrain, swimming in a light current, or bicycle riding. They are not recommended for guest with walking difficulties. Comfortable sturdy shoes are recommended.

#### **Hard**

Tour with this designation involve high physical exertion for extended periods of time. The terrain may be uneven or steep. They are recommended only for physically fit and adventurous traveller.

#### **Sightseeing**

these are primarily motor coach excursions with an emphasis on sight-seeing and very little activity.

#### **Water Activity**

Involves the opportunity to swim or the possibility of getting wet.

#### **Fun**

dedicated to a young public keen on entertainment.

#### **Eco Natural Trail**

dedicated to nature lovers.

#### **Tasting**

a light snack will be provided on this excursion.

#### **Meal not included**

during excursions free time is given to organise lunch individually.

#### **Most wanted**

Guest surveys indicate a high degree of satisfaction with these tours.

#### **Basket Lunch**

a packed meal is provided from the ship.

#### **Good for shopping**

specially dedicated to shopping lovers.

#### **Cultural**

dedicated to history, culture and local traditions lovers.

#### **Disabled friendly**

Excursions with the handicap sign are for guests with mobility difficulties however should be able to move around independently. Guests in wheelchair out on excursion need to be accompanied by a third party as assistance by the ship will not be provided. The majority of our agencies require that the wheelchairs be retractable because sometimes the necessary space needed for a wheelchair is not available. We kindly ask you to contact the Excursion Office as soon as possible, upon embarkation, to ensure that we find the best possible solution and to reserve the appropriate seat in the required bus before the departure of the excursions. For further information and for a solution that best fits your need please contact the Excursion Office.

#### **Sports Lovers**

for the adventurous, there are our most active shore excursions.

#### **Recommended to families**

includes activities that are appropriate for families travelling with children.

#### **New**

Brand -new Tour

#### **Meal on board**

back on board for lunch/dinner, your guide will be ready to continue the excursion at the end of it.



**Meal Included**

a meal will be provided on this excursion.

**Refreshments included**

Refreshments included.

## Information Notes

### PRACTICAL GUIDE TO EXCURSIONS

#### Booking excursions

You can book your excursions before departure at [www.mycosta.it](http://www.mycosta.it) by registering and filling in the online form or, on board, by using the interactive TV system from the comfort of your own cabin or by visiting the Excursions Totem (services only available on board selected ships), or at any stage during your holiday by dropping off a completed Tour Order Form in the drop box located in the main hall of the ship. Excursions Office staff will be happy to offer you advice and assistance.

#### Number of participants

Some excursions require a minimum number of bookings and/or a maximum number of participants. These excursions are available on a first come first served basis, so it is advisable to book them well in advance.

#### Duration

The stated duration of excursions is subject to change without prior notice and can vary due to unforeseen circumstances, such as adverse weather conditions and/or transport delays. The order of certain visits may also be changed for the abovementioned reasons. You are therefore kindly asked to respect the times announced by the tour guides (stops for food, stops to take photographs, etc.).

#### Description

The descriptions of excursions are correct at time of publication of this document. In an effort to offer you the highest quality excursions program, in some cases the descriptions may vary slightly from the excursions themselves.

#### Guests with limited mobility

Please contact our onboard staff the day before your cruise. They will advise you and try to obtain the necessary equipment for your on-shore excursion.

#### Personalised programs

Private cars, limousines or exclusive visits can be arranged upon request on day of departure by contacting the Excursions Office.

#### Prices

The prices of excursions include transport available on site, which might include coach, limousine, taxi, funicular railways or boats. Meals and/or drinks are included only when specified in the itinerary of the excursion. Costa Cruises reserves the right to change the prices and itineraries of excursions without prior notice.

#### Children and kids

Children between the ages of 3 and 13 are entitled to a 30% discount for excursions on cruises in the Mediterranean and Northern Europe, 25% for cruises in South America and Transatlantic cruises from/to South America, and 10% for cruises to the Caribbean and Transatlantic cruises from/to the Caribbean.

There is no charge for children up to the age of 3 provided that parents carry them during transportation.

#### Squok Club

Children between the ages of 3 and 13 can have fun at the Squok Club while their parents enjoy their excursion. The service is free, but must be requested in advance.