



SARDINIA CRUISE

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Alone, as a couple, with family or friends,
one cabin or the whole boat.

Once upon a time, in the north-east of Sardinia, a wealthy prince from the East, enchanted by the natural beauty of the area, decided to create the Costa Smeralda, the Emerald Coast. Thus was born one of the world's most famous and exclusive holiday resorts... Porto Cervo, Porto Raphael, Cala di Volpe, are all enclaves reserved for the happy few for whom vacations rhyme with comfort, luxury, nature and authenticity. A clever cocktail that this corner of Sardinia has concocted with brio. Faced with coves, ancient villages, luxury villas and resorts La Maddalena, a seven-island archipelago classified as a national park, offers visitors a natural paradise of pink and white beaches, secret coves and hiking trails steeped in scrubland. More to the south, just a stone's throw away, an extraordinary island, Tavolara, where a real royal princess runs the main restaurant, will transport you to an improbable world, on the borders of the Caribbean and the Mediterranean. A revelation: the island of James Bond vs. Dr. No is not Jamaican !

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Port of Maddalena



Porto Cervo



Razzoli

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DAY 1

Ajaccio - La Tavolara

Welcome at Ajaccio harbor at 6pm and boarding aboard your catamaran. Welcome drink, introduction to your crew and safety briefing.

Dinner at anchor, then departure for an overnight sail to the island of La Tavolara, facing the Gulf of Olbia.

DAY 2

La Tavolara - Cala di Volpe

La Tavolara, Italian for «the table», is famous for being the setting for James Bond vs. Dr. No. And no! The film wasn't just shot in Jamaica. Only one anchorage is authorized in the south-west of the island: « Palmatore ». Tavolara is superb, with its large rocky plateau reminiscent of the Rock of Gibraltar or Cape Town. The beach in Palmatore Bay has a touch of the West Indies about it, and is well worth a visit ! Opposite the landing stage, the restaurant is run by a real princess. Indeed, the family that occupies most of this part of the island is descended from local personalities who received the title of « Royal Family of Tavolara » from the King of Italy at the end of the 19th century. Visit the small cemetery to learn more about this original family. By mid-afternoon, you'll reach Cala di Volpe, a two-hour sail away. Late afternoon stroll around Cala di Volpe, a superb cove lined with sumptuous villas and a splendid Starwood luxury hotel.



Caprera



Tavolara

DAY 3

Cala di Volpe - Porto Cervo - Caprera - Porto Rafael

After breakfast, you'll set sail for the famous bay of Porto Cervo. Here you'll discover an impressive concentration of yachts and luxury villas. It's clear from the moment you arrive: there are people and paparazzi here ! As these people treat themselves to the best, needless to say, the place is particularly beautiful.

The village is charming. It, too, was entirely conceived and designed in the 1960s by the famous Italian architect and designer Luigi Vietti, for the needs of billionaire prince Karim Aga Khan IV's major tourist real estate development program.

And we haven't done things by halves ! Lunch will be taken on board in Porto Cervo or a short distance away, facing Pevero beach.

Your afternoon will be spent in Cala Brigantino on the island of Caprera: a beautiful little wild anchorage, looking like a pirate hideaway, in an arid setting of scrubland, exhaling the scent of asphodel. Ideal for swimming and strolling in peace and quiet. In the late afternoon, you'll leave this natural refuge for Porto Rafael, a beautiful cove at the foot of a luxury resort. A haven for billionaires, Porto Rafael was built in the 60s and bears the name of its architect. The villas are all very beautiful, and there's no shortage of vegetation. There's a lovely square with a 70s Ibiza feel, a small pontoon and a pathway leading up to Harry's Bar. Overnight and anchorage in Porto Rafael.



Les Maddalene

DAY 4

Porto Rafael - La Maddalena - Porto Madonna

This morning, departure for La Maddalena, on the main island of the archipelago of the same name, for lunch. It's a small Italian village where the cappuccino is particularly delicious ! You can also enjoy a shopping spree on the island's shopping street. Every morning, there's a small local market with all the Italian folklore: fresh mozzarella and fish auctions.

In the afternoon, you'll head for the Budelli, Razzoli and Santa Maria islands, located in the north of the Maddalena archipelago nature park. These three small islands offer superb anchorage. At Porto Madonna, the natural harbor created by the meeting of these three islets, the water is very shallow and comes in all shades of blue, from pale jade green to ultramarine blue. In fact, it's known as a « natural swimming pool » ! The clear granite reefs and fine pink sand beaches are surrounded by scrubland, whose vegetation seems to thrive on sand and the sea. Dinner and overnight at anchor in this corner of paradise...



Port of Maddalena



DAY 5

Porto Madonna - Les Lavezzi - Bonifacio

Your catamaran will leave its anchorage early to sail towards the marvelous Lavezzi Islands, located between Corsica and Sardinia, to anchor in Anse Greco. It's in this mythical archipelago that you'll have breakfast. The Lavezzi are an unmissable stopover. A superb cluster of granite rocks and white sandy beaches. The scenery is enchanting. Numerous paths wind their way through dry, compact maquis. It's a paradise for walkers, yachtsmen and divers. The archipelago has been strictly regulated since it was declared a nature reserve in 1982. It's forbidden to stray from the marked paths ! You'll have a good part of the day to enjoy swimming, white sand beaches and walks on these unspoiled islands. You'll then stop off for the night in Bonifacio, an atypical town perched on a limestone cliff, an open-air museum. It offers exceptional views. If you feel like it, you can take advantage of its lively nightlife, with small bars, restaurants on the port or in the alleyways, craft stores... Dinner and overnight at dockside or at anchor.



Lavezzi island



Bonifacio

DAY 6

Bonifacio - Roccapina - Tizzano

In the morning, you'll cruise along the white cliffs of southern Corsica, then head north up the west coast to drop anchor at the foot of the famous Lion de Roccapina, guardian of a marvellous cove: lagoon-blue water, umbrella pines and white sand. For the late afternoon and evening, head for Tizzano, an adorable little village hidden among the rocks. You'll probably agree that Tizzano has nothing to envy the world's most famous tourist sites, without the crowds. Dinner and overnight at anchor.





DAY 7

Tizzano - Gulf of Valinco - Ajaccio Bay

On this last day of cruising, your captain will take you to spend most of the day in the Gulf of Valinco, which offers a succession of white beaches and welcoming villages from Campomoro to Porto Pollo, via Propriano. It's a perfect place for walkers, seafarers and lazy beach-goers alike. You'll reach Ajaccio Bay in the late afternoon. Dinner and overnight on board, alongside the quayside for a night out on the lively streets of Ajaccio. Why not take the opportunity to discover the charm of the old town ?

DAY 8

Ajaccio

Last breakfast on board. You'll have to disembark at 9 a.m. in the port of Ajaccio, although you'll still want to take advantage of this splendid sailboat in Corsica, Sardinia or elsewhere.



Alghero Church in San Michele



Ajaccio





Tavolara Spalmatore



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