ORTH CORSIGA



NORTH CORSICA CRUISE TO SCANDOLA, CALVI AND AGRIATES DESERT

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

The island of beauty is best discovered by sea. A privileged cruise, away from the crowds, where steep cliffs, deep coves and wild beaches bathed by an emerald sea follow one another.

A marvellous discovery of Corsica's west coast, from Ajaccio to the foot of Cap Corse, via the Sanguinaires islands, the calanques of Piana, the Scandola reserve, the fortified town of Calvi and Palo, a Unesco-listed site. The beaches lining the Agriates desert are in no way inferior to those of tropical islands: fine white sand, blue water and not a single building on the horizon. They can only be reached by boat or footpath. Cruising along the island's beautiful west coast aboard a catamaran is not just for seasoned sailors, but for all those who want to discover Corsica without the constraints of congested summer roads and without having to pack their bags every time they change location.

It's a fascinating cruise with a succession of steep cliffs, deep coves, tiny islets bathed by an emerald sea.









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YOUR CRUISE DAY BY DAY

DAY 1 Ajaccio

Boarding in Ajaccio at 6pm, aboard your catamaran. Installation in your cabins and welcome drink shared with the crew.

First sunset sail to the Pointe de la Parata, facing the Sanguinaires Islands.

Dinner on board and first night at anchor, lulled by the Mediterranean.





DAY 2 Ajaccio – Sanguinaires islands - Cargèse

After breakfast, we head offshore for an observation sail around the Sanguinaires Islands.

Despite their evocative name, it's not their glowing red hues at sunset that have given them their name, but the ancient presence of coral fishermen - known as sanguinari, "black-blooded people" - who quarantined here on their return from Africa.

Today classified as a remarkable maritime site, these wild-looking islands are home to a rare and endemic flora, and serve as a refuge for many species of seabird.

Then on to Cargèse (approx. 2 hrs sailing time), a

charming fishing and yachting port bathed in a gentle Mediterranean atmosphere.

Founded by a Greek community in the 17th century, the village is unique in Corsica with its two churches facing each other, one Catholic, the other Orthodox. Stroll through its peaceful streets, enjoy the sea views or simply soak up its relaxed atmosphere. Dinner and overnight at anchor.

DAY 3 Cargèse - Piana - Girolata

Departure for the Calanques de Piana, one of Corsica's most extraordinary sites. They offer a breathtaking panorama of the Gulf of Porto.

In the evening, you'll call at Girolata, with its eucalyptus trees, Genoese fortress, turquoise bay, staircase houses and mountainous surroundings. Girolata is particularly protected by the absence of roads. The village can only be reached by the sea or along a footpath that joins the GR20. Dinner and overnight at the quay or anchorage.





DAY 4

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Girolata - Scandola Reserve - Galéria - Calvi

Discover the Scandola Reserve on a leisurely boat trip. Listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site, it is one of France's Marine Protected Areas. This sanctuary for flora and fauna is virtually inaccessible and can only be reached by sea. It is home to many seabirds and endemic and protected plants. Anchoring is prohibited in order to protect the Posidonia meadows.

You can then enjoy a pleasant swim before lunch in Galéria, a small fishing port. In the afternoon, you will reach the port of Calvi.

Dinner and overnight stay at anchor or at the quayside.



DAY 5 Calvi - L'île Rousse - Acciolu or Saleccia (Agriates)

Today, the Captain will take you to Ile Rousse (1h30 sailing). You'll discover the north-west of the island, the perfect place for idleness.

Its seaside resorts and numerous beaches border the surrounding mountain scrub and small villages perched on promontories. You'll end the day either in the Bay of Acciolu (1hr 30min sailing) to see the Agriates Desert, a vast expanse of ridges, valleys and rocky peaks, facing the sea and Cap Corse, or the beach at Saleccia, a true marvel with its crystal-clear water and long strip of white sand. Dinner and overnight at anchor











DAY 6 Les Agriates - Revellata - Palo (Capo Rosso)

Sail to Revellata (3h sailing), an outcrop of land south of Calvi, offering a taste of the wilderness so characteristic of the Balagne region. Here you'll find numerous coves and paths. Enjoy the delicious water, or take a pleasant stroll along the paths. Then stop off at Palo, south of Capo Rosso (3h30 sailing time), a Unesco World Heritage site topped by the Turghiu Genoese Tower. Dinner and overnight at anchor.

DAY 7 Palo - Figuera - Ajaccio

You'll set off to discover Figuera, (2h30 navigation) south of the Gulf of Sagone, where you can enjoy its long white sandy beaches. At the end of the day, sail to Ajaccio. Dinner and overnight stay on board, either at anchor or alongside the quayside for a night-time stroll through the streets. Why not take the opportunity to discover the charm of the old town ?

DAY 8 Ajaccio

Catamaran disembarkation at 9am.







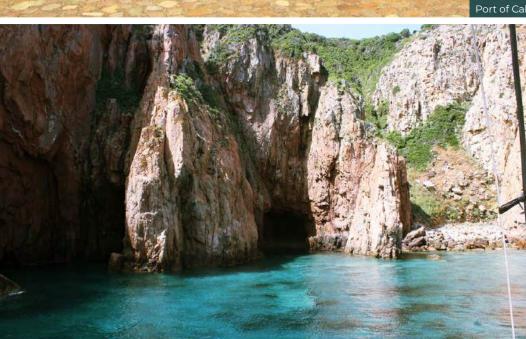








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