



SHORE EXCURSIONS

12
nights

ROYAL CLIPPER
Spain, Morocco & Portugal



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What you need to know before booking your shore excursion:

- All our tours are offered with English speaking guides.
- The length of the tours and time spent on the sites is given as an indication as it may vary depending on weather, sea and traffic conditions and on the group's pace.
- The level of physical fitness required for our activities is given as a very general indication. Passengers should be fit and active to join tours which include hiking, biking, snorkelling, boating, or similar activities.

How you can book your shore excursions:

- You can book shore excursions onboard, using our "sign-up lists" available at the Cruise Director's desk.
- In order to provide the best service and to avoid disappointments, please book your shore excursions as early as possible: places are limited and there is a booking deadline for each port.
- A minimum number of participants is required for tours; if the required number is not attained, the tour may be cancelled.

Important notes:

- Departure times of the tour are mentioned on the daily program of each port.
- The Captain reserves the right to alter the itinerary in order to suit wind, weather and local conditions.
- Cancellation and changes are possible until the booking deadline. After the booking deadline, 100 % cancellation fees will be charged.
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BONIFACIO (CORSICA), FRANCE

Isolated on the Southernmost point of Corsica, majestic Bonifacio's natural surroundings are nothing less than remarkable. Sheer, white limestone cliffs rise out of the sea, forming a perfect natural harbor as well as a picturesque setting for this unique town. The first historical mention of Bonifacio is in Homer's Odyssey: "An excellent harbor, closed in on all sides by an unbroken ring of precipitous cliffs, with two bold headlands facing each other at the mouth so as to leave only a narrow channel in between." Homer's was an accurate description of Bonifacio. In Roman times, Bonifacio was only a small village. It began to develop around 828 AD when Count Bonifacio of Tuscany built a castle on the peninsula. Its strategic location was much coveted by European powers, and like other places in Corsica, it was subject to numerous raids and attacks. The predominant forces were the Genoese who held dominion over the territory from the 12th to the 19th century until Corsica was given back to France.

Until the advent of tourism Bonifacio was just a sleepy town whose main activity was fishing. Nowadays, visitors will discover an exciting destination possessed of both old and new-world charm and breathtaking beauty.

BONIFACIO - Tour of Bonifacio & little train

Duration: 02:30 approx.

Transportation: walking tour, little train

Price: 59 €

Activity level: moderate

Min 15 / Max 30 participants

Your tour will start with a ride on board the little train which will take you up to the Upper town, the heart of the citadel of Bonifacio. Next, your guide will take you for a walking tour around the old citadel and the Genoese town. You will see the marine cemetery located on top of the cliffs offering a spectacular view over the strait of Bonifacio. Sardinia island is only 12km away. The walking tour continues in the Old Town; you will wander around the maze of narrow, winding streets, passing by fascinating historical sites such as the 16th Century Bastion de L'Etendard and 12th Century Eglise Sainte-Marie Majeure. After some time at leisure, you will walk down to the marina and your awaiting ship.

Please note: This tour is not recommended to guests with limited mobility since it involves walking over cobblestone and uneven surfaces and some steps. Guests are advised to wear weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable walking shoes and to bring a hat and a bottle of water.

At the end of the tour there is an 800-meter walk on a flat surface along the Marina from the drop-off point of the little train to the pier.

BONIFACIO - Coastal boat trip along Bonifacio's cliffs

Duration: 01:15 approx.

Transportation: boat

Price: 65 €

Activity level: easy

Min 15 / Max 40 participants

A Specially chartered boat will pick you up at the pier. After climbing aboard, you will set off on your coastal exploration trip, leaving the harbor through a narrow channel between the towering cliffs of Bonifacio. The boat will pass by the «Madonetta» lighthouse, built in 1854, and you can see from outside the Sdragnato or « Little Dragon » marine cave.

The tour continues to « Fazio Creek » and then, following the cliff in a south easterly direction you will pass by the rock known as the « Rudder of Corsica », as well as the King of Aragon's staircase. According to legend the steps were carved by the Aragonese in a single night in 1420 to facilitate a surprise attack on the inhabitants during the siege of Bonifacio. However, they predate this event and had a much more mundane function, enabling locals to carry water up to the citadel.

The last highlight of the tour is the « Grain of Sand » rock, a large, isolated rock, shaped by erosion, which stands in about 10m of sea. This picturesque site will have you reaching for your camera, as it provides the perfect background for a photo souvenir.

Please note: If the sea is too rough the itinerary may be modified or cancelled, for your comfort. The boat is chartered exclusively for Star Clippers' passengers.



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MAHON (MINORCA), SPAIN

The island of Menorca received the official title of Biosphere Reserve (Man and Biosphere project – MAB, UNESCO) in 1993. The MAB Program, which means Man and Biosphere, was created in 1971. It is a scientific program for problems related to the use and preservation of natural resources in all kinds of biological and geographical situations. One of the main objectives of this program is to preserve natural places and their genetic material.

MAHON - Magic of Minorca (with Trepucó)

Duration: 03:30 approx.

Transportation: air-conditioned motorcoach

Price: 49 €

Activity level: moderate

Min 15 / Max 35 participants

The first stop on the tour is Monte Toro; at 357m above sea level it is the highest point of the island, and the views are absolutely breath taking, on a clear day you can even see Mallorca to the south-east. The site is considered to be the spiritual centre of Minorca and has been a place of pilgrimage since the 13th century. The remains of an old Augustinian monastery are still visible and there is a little church with a carved wooden image of the Virgen del Toro, patron saint of Minorca. Legend has it that Monte Toro, takes its name from a bull ("el toro") which led a group of monks to a statue of the Virgin Mary carved in the rock face.

The excursion continues to Trepucó, one of the largest prehistoric settlements on the island. Minorca was the cradle of the Talayotic culture, a culture born in Majorca and Minorca at the end of the 2nd millennium BC that left important traces on the island. Its name comes from the talayots, watchtowers that became the most popular construction of this historical period. Thereafter the tour bus returns to Mahón and participants will leave the coach and walk through the 18th century town (mostly downhill) before returning to the ship.

Please note: This tour is not recommended to guests with limited mobility since it involves moderate walking / standing over cobblestone, uneven surfaces and inclines.

Guests are advised to wear weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable walking shoes and to bring a hat and a bottle of water.

MAHON - Hiking in S'Albufera nature reserve

Duration: 03:30 approx.

Transportation: transfer by air-conditioned minibus

Price: 59 €

Activity level: moderate

Min 10 / Max 18 participants

A short 15-minute drive will take you to a typical Minorcan fishing village, Es Grau, located within the boundaries of the S'Albufera nature reserve. The park covers the wetlands, a marshy coastal area consisting of a 2km lagoon, enclosed by a system of dunes, and a river which flows into the sea.

You will be taken on an itinerary designed to showcase the flora and fauna of the wetlands. The park is home to a wide variety of bird life; waterfowl such as ducks, common coots, herons, and European shags live alongside birds of prey including osprey's, kites and booted eagles, while the torrents and ponds of the wetlands are populated by Iberian green frogs and toads.

The vegetation consists mainly of wild olive trees, holm oak, lentisk shrubs, jasmine box and tree spurge.

The hike will take you on the "Cami de Cavalls", a bridle path which goes right round the island, through woodland, and then along the water reserve which leads to Es Grau beach.

From here you will proceed along a winding path up to the headland overlooking Isla Colom off the north coast.

You will continue down to Cala Tamarells before heading back along the beach to Es Grau village.

This excursion is a must for all nature lovers, the wildlife is abundant in this protected area and the coastal views are simply stunning.

Please note: This tour is not recommended to guests with limited mobility since it involves extensive walking / standing over uneven surfaces (approx. 5 km walk).

Guests are advised to wear weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable walking shoes and to bring sunscreen, a hat and a bottle of water.



IBIZA, SPAIN

Ibiza is well known as a Hedonist's paradise where people come to laze on the beach all day and party hard all night, but there is so much more to it than that. Ibiza town was founded by the Carthaginians around the 6th century BC and was ruled in turn by the Romans, Arabs and Catalans. Traces of their presence can be found in the Old quarter of the town known as Dalt Vila or upper town, which boasts many historical buildings and two interesting museums which give an insight into the town's rich historical, archaeological and ethnological past. The medieval walled city and its Gothic cathedral, dedicated to "Our Lady of the Snows", became a designated UNESCO World Heritage site in 1999.

Ibiza is a great place to explore with a host of trendy boutiques and interesting restaurants and a growing number of luxury hotels and spas around its beautiful harbor. The island also boasts 56 sandy beaches along its coastline, making it the perfect place to just chill out and relax.

IBIZA - Discover Dalt Vila (walking tour)

Duration: 03:00 approx.

Transportation: shuttle bus, walking tour

Price: 29 €

Activity level: moderate

Min 10 / Max 30 participants

Your tour will start with a shuttle bus ride to the city center, then your guide will take you on a guided walk around one of the best-preserved medieval towns in Spain, Dalt Vila.

You will see how the structure of the ancient walled fortress has grown around the original castle and you will pass by the Plaza de Vila, Portal de Ses Taules, Cathedral, the 16th Century Church of Santo Domingo and the statue of Isidor Macabich, the famous Ibizian poet.

At the end of the guided visit, you will have some free time for shopping before you walk back to the shuttle bus stop and go back to the ship, or you can stay in town independently.

Please note: For the transfer from the port to the city center and vice-versa will be used the shuttle bus.

This tour is not recommended to guests with limited mobility since it involves extensive walking over cobblestone surfaces with inclines, many steps and uneven surfaces to negotiate.

Guests are advised to wear weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable walking shoes and to bring a hat and a bottle of water.

IBIZA - Discover Ibiza on a 4x4 adventure

Duration: 04:30 approx.

Transportation: 4x4 vehicle

Price: 109 €

Activity level: moderate

Min 12 / Max 36 participants

Driver-guide (no guide onboard)

Discover Ibiza on our « off the beaten track » 4x4 adventure – a fantastic opportunity to discover unusual places, inaccessible by coach.

The excursion starts directly from the pier where you will climb aboard your jeep and be driven inland "off the beaten track" to explore areas of the island untouched by the growing tourist industry, places which have remained unchanged for hundreds of years. The scenic itinerary has been specially designed to showcase all of Ibiza's original beauty, passing through small country settlements, green valleys and mountain tracks to enable you to see the island from a new perspective, not as a clubber's paradise, but as a perfectly preserved environment where Nature holds sway.

During the tour you will visit the wonderful beach of Sa Caleta, Es Vedrá viewpoint, a magical site according to locals and round-off your tour at Cala Comte, where you will have some free time to have a drink or go for a swim if you like.

Please note: This tour is not suitable for guests with limited mobility, pregnant women or anyone suffering from conditions (back, neck or other) which may be affected by bumpy roads.

Guests are advised to wear weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable walking shoes and to bring a hat and a bottle of water.

For the stop at the beach, guests who plan to swim are advised to wear a swimsuit under their clothes and to bring a towel from the ship and sunscreen.



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MOTRIL, SPAIN

MOTRIL - Alpujarras Mountains and Andalusian villages

Duration: 07:00 approx.

Transportation: air-conditioned motorcoach

Price: 115 €

Activity level: moderate

Min 15 / Max 30 participants

Lunch included

The tour departs from the port of Motril to 'Las Alpujarras', one of Spain's most spectacular regions, where ancient villages cling to mountainsides on the southern slopes of the Sierra Nevada. The Alpujarra is famous throughout Spain because of its unique mini ecosystem. Its terraced farmlands are constantly watered by the melting snow from above, making a high- altitude oasis of greenery standing in dramatic contrast to the arid foothills below. The cultural interest of the region lies in its fifty-odd villages, which were the last stronghold of Spanish Muslims, or Moors.

Before arriving at Pampaneira, which lies approximately 1,500 meters (5,000 feet) above sea level, we will make a photo stop at 'Presa de Rules' (a huge dam) and pass by the village of Orgiva. This unique village has retained its traditional Berber Architecture – terraced clusters of grey-white box-shaped houses with flat clay roofs – still commonly found in the Rif and Atlas Mountains in Morocco.

Then we will drive to the village of Capileira, situated at the top of the valley. The name is an Arabic derivation of the Latin word for 'head' or 'top'. Here you will see rocky streets, overhanging passageways, and sagging stone houses, which have not been remodeled or prettified for contemporary living. We will then enjoy the drive back to the ship in Motril.

Please note: This tour involves a lot of driving on winding mountain roads.

You will visit the Andalusian villages of Pampaneira and Capileira. Lunch will be served at a local hotel in Mecina.

This tour is not recommended to guests with limited mobility since it involves extensive walking over cobblestone surfaces with some steps and uneven surfaces to negotiate.

Guests are advised to wear weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable walking shoes and to bring a hat and a bottle of water.

MOTRIL - Hidden Granada: Albaycin & Sacromonte

Duration: 06:00 approx.

Transportation: air-conditioned motorcoach

Price: 125 €

Activity level: strenuous

Min 15 / Max 30 participants

You will be welcomed by a local guide, who will tell you about the history and the secrets of the Albaycin and the Sacromonte neighborhoods, about their past and their present, their multicultural reality and how different cultures have developed till today's times. Start with a deep exploration of the Albaycin quarter: walk through its narrow streets and feel the vibes of this lively, popular neighborhood, where new and "old" neighbors live together. Meet María, the owner of a local bakery, who will invite you to taste some of her delicious pastries. Then, walk through the main squares, towards San Nicolas viewpoint. This is one of the best places from where to enjoy fabulous views over the marvelous city of Granada! The next stop will be at Sacromonte.

As you approach this neighborhood, see how everything changes: you will now find caves! Discover the area and take in the views over the Alhambra, Sierra Nevada and Sacromonte Caves: a gift for your eyes and all your senses, a place where the gypsy culture is blooming every minute and makes us feel it alive, always. After another short walk, reach Sacromonte Caves Interpretation Centre.

Enjoy a brief visit of the center, before hearing the soft sounds of a Flamenco guitar. Follow the music and you will reach another viewpoint. Here, enjoy some live music, played by a gypsy guitarist. Enjoy a nice glass of sangria and it can't be better! After this amazing spectacle, follow your guide through Los Tristes for the transfer back to Motril pier.

Please note: walking on this tour is moderate to strenuous. This tour is not recommended to guests with limited mobility since it involves extensive walking over cobblestone surfaces with some steps and uneven surfaces to negotiate.

Guests are advised to wear weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable walking shoes and to bring a hat and a bottle of water. The drive to Granada takes approx. one hour (each way).



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MOTRIL - Secrets of Granada: Albaycin and Capilla Real

Duration: 05:00 approx.

Transportation: air-conditioned motorcoach

Price: 95 €

Activity level: strenuous

Min 10 / Max 30 participants

Leaving Motril, you head north towards Granada: after 45 minutes you will be at 800 meters above sea level, travelling along ancient Arab paths that nowadays are a modern highway. During the drive, you will enjoy views of the Alpujarras Mountains and the Sierra Nevada. Olive and fruit trees line the road to Granada.

Start your tour with a visit at the Capilla Real and the Cathedral of Granada. The close relationship between both gives rise to a curious formal detail seen in the ambulatory that surrounds the circular gallery. The Capilla Real's gothic gateway becomes just another part of the Cathedral's walls, as if it were in reality one of the other many chapels when, in fact it represents the entrance to another building. In the Royal Chapel the remains of Queen Isabella and her husband Ferdinand are kept. It was their wish to be buried in recaptured Granada, not Castile or Aragón.

The coffins are remarkably tiny—a reminder of how short they must have been. In the sacristy, you can view Isabella's personal art collection, including works by Roger Van der Weyden and various Spanish and Italian masters such as Botticelli. The richly ornate Renaissance Cathedral with its spectacular altar is one of the country's architectural highlights, acclaimed for its beautiful facade and gold-and-white interior. Its construction began in 1521 in a gothic style and completed in 1714 as an example of Baroque architecture. Another outstanding feature is the facade by Alonso Cano, a truly marvellous example of Baroque interiors, culminating in the bell tower which holds more than a secret within.

The ground plan incorporated a five-nave basilica and another in the centre to be surrounded by an enormous aisle, in which a high altar would be inserted. This design led Rosenthal to believe that the model was based on the Holy Sepulchre in Jerusalem. On your way back, enjoy a brief photo stop at a viewpoint at the Albaicin quarter. This is the old Arab quarter and was the residential region of the Moors, even after the city was reclaimed by Spain.

This narrow labyrinth of crooked streets escaped the fate of much of Granada, which was torn down in the name of progress. Fortunately, it has been preserved, as have its cisterns, fountains, plazas, whitewashed houses, villas, and the decaying remnants of the old city gate

Please note: This is a strenuous excursion as there is a lot of walking involved. This tour is not recommended to guests with limited mobility since it involves extensive walking over cobblestone surfaces with some steps and uneven surfaces to negotiate. The excursion includes an inside visit of the Cathedral and of the Royal Chapel.

Guests are advised to wear weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable walking shoes and to bring a hat and a bottle of water. Proper attire is required to visit the Cathedral (no bare shoulders or shorts are allowed). The drive to Granada takes approx. one hour (each way).

MOTRIL - A taste of the "Tropical Coast": tropical fruits plantation and rum distillery

Duration: 04:00 approx.

Transportation: air-conditioned motorcoach

Price: 99 €

Activity level: moderate

Min 15 / Max 30 participants

Motril is located in the so-called "Tropical Coast" on the fertile plains formed by the Guadalfeo river.

Only a handful of places in Europe, are suited to the cultivation exotic plants such as sugar cane, and tropical fruits such as mangos, avocado, papaya.

Here sugar cane has been cultivated for a thousand years and is inextricably linked to the city's passage through history.

You will leave the pier and towards Ron Montero distillery, that was founded in 1963 by a family which has been cultivating sugar cane for generations.

Here, you will learn about the production process and taste rums that have earned worldwide recognition.

After the visit, continue to the farm "El Eden", where you will learn more about the production of mangos, papaya or avocado, depending on the production.

After the visit time for a tasting of the fresh fruit with one salty and one sweet canape.

After learning more about the local production and how it helps to develop a sustainable economy you will go return back to the pier.



MÁLAGA, SPAIN

MÁLAGA - Antequera and El Torcal

Duration: 06:00 approx.

Price: 75 €

Min 10 / Max 30 participants

Transportation: air-conditioned motorcoach

Activity level: moderate

Free time for lunch (not included)

On this tour you will visit a centennial town that has been one of Andalucía's most fertile areas for a long time.

Antequera lies in the slopes of the Torcal Mountains; in the heart of Andalusia. This picturesque Andalusian town takes us to a journey almost 5.000 years back in time, beginning with the Bronze Age and the native Iberians. This white village has a mix of styles and a profusion of burial mounds, dolmens, Roman baths, a Moorish Castle, Gothic churches, Renaissance fountains, and Baroque bell towers.

On the way to Antequera, there will be time for a stop to admire the rocky formations of El Torcal and its landscape.

Due to its unusual limestone rock formations, the Torcal de Antequera boasts an impressive landscape that is considered to be unique in the world.

Antequera was always an important strategic point because of its situation overlooking the 'Vega' of Antequera and its fertile lands, ideal for the agriculture. In the old city's center, which has been declared a National Monument, there are about 40 churches and monasteries. Along the tour, see the most important churches of the city: The Carmen church and the Collegiate of Santa María. Also some important remains of the Moorish walls and the ancient citadel can still be seen today. The Moorish Castle, another National Monument, dominates the town's scenery.

You will have some free time for shopping and lunch in one of the terraces of the town before you return to Málaga.

Please note: This tour is not recommended to guests with limited mobility since it involves extensive walking over cobblestone surfaces with some steps and uneven surfaces with inclines.

Guests are advised to wear weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable walking shoes and to bring a hat and a bottle of water. A proper attire is required when visiting religious sites (no bare shoulders or shorts are allowed).

Lunch is not included in the tour; you will have free time for lunch in Antequera.

The drive between Málaga and Antequera takes approximately 1:15 (each way).

MÁLAGA - The Birth of a Genius – Picasso in Malaga

Duration: 04:00 approx.

Price: 49 €

Min 15 / Max 24 participants

Transportation: walking tour

Activity level: moderate

A local guide will be waiting to welcome you when you leave the ship and together you will make your way on foot to the Old Quarter of Malaga, the birthplace of Picasso.

The tour will take you first to Calle Larios, which is one of Malaga's most prestigious streets designed by the engineer José María Sancha and funded mostly by the influential Larios family, who were the driving force behind Malaga's economy in the 19th century. The street, which is Malaga's most prestigious avenue, was opened to great fanfare in 1891, when Picasso was a boy of ten. From here you will cross iconic Constitution Square, the hub of public and political life in Malaga since the fifteenth century, which is graced by an impressive three-tiered marble fountain. You will walk along the Calle Granada until you get to Plaza de la Merced, the center of the historical old town.

Picasso was born and spent his first years here at n° 15, with his father Don José Ruiz y Blasco who was an art teacher and his mother Maria Picasso y Lopez. The building is now the headquarters of the Picasso Foundation. However, the highlight of the tour is without doubt the new Picasso Museum of Malaga, inaugurated in 2003.

The museum is located in the palace of the Counts of Buenavista, a perfect example of 16th century Andalusian architecture. Picasso had always expressed the wish to have a home for his works in his native city and here you will find almost 300 of them, spanning all the different art periods of his long and fruitful career. It is a fitting tribute to one of the greatest and most influential artists of the twentieth century.

After the visit there will be time to drink a glass of local wine in a traditional Bodega before returning to the ship.

Please note: The order of the visits may vary. This tour is not recommended to guests with limited mobility since it involves extensive walking over cobblestone surfaces.



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Guests are advised to wear weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable walking shoes and to bring a hat and a bottle of water. No photos or videos are allowed inside the museums. This tour includes the inside visit of Picasso's birthplace and Picasso Museum.

PUERTO BANÚS

Located on the Costa del Sol of southeast Spain, Puerto Banús is a beautiful Mediterranean playground of white-washed buildings and a marina filled with yachts. The marina was developed in 1970 and over the past four decades has become adored by jetsetters around the globe for its beauty and simplicity. Famous for its prominent visitors, nightlife, and luxury boutiques, this 'Jewel of the Costa del Sol' is very much the place to see and be seen.

PUERTO BANÚS - Ronda

Duration: 06:00 approx.

Price: 75 €

Min 15 / Max 60 participants

Transportation: air-conditioned motorcoach

Activity level: moderate

Free time for lunch (not included)

Leaving Puerto Banús, you will head north through crossing the Sierra de las Nieves mountains to reach Ronda.

Ronda is one of Andalucía's loveliest villages and stands on a towering plateau in the mountains. It is famous for its plunging river gorge, that divides the medieval town from the 18th century parts of the town. The gorge is known as El Tajo (the cliff) and is spanned by a monumental stone bridge.

You will start your visit visiting the oldest Arena de Toros (bullring) in Spain and the church of Santa María, then you will explore the narrow streets with white and yellow façades with balconies and patios decorated by flowers. You can also walk down to the river Guadalevín and admire the imposing architecture of the bridge.

Before returning to Puerto Banús, you will have some free time for lunch and independent visit.

Please note: This tour is not recommended to guests with limited mobility since it involves extensive walking over cobblestone surfaces with some steps and uneven surfaces to negotiate.

Guests are advised to wear weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable walking shoes and to bring a hat and a bottle of water. Lunch is not included in the tour; you will have free time for lunch in Ronda.

The drive between Puerto Banús and Ronda takes approximately 1 hour on a winding road.



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GIBRALTAR

Gibraltar is situated on the southernmost tip of the Iberian Peninsula, guarding the gateway to the Mediterranean. The Rock, as it is called, is one of the two "Pillars of Hercules". Hercules, the "Strong Man" of classical mythology, killed his children in a fit of madness and embarked on a series of 12 tasks or "labours" to expiate his sins. During the course of his adventures, he is said to have raised the pillars to mark the western edge of the inhabited world. Neighbouring countries include Spain to the north, and Morocco (North Africa) to the south, only 15 miles (24km) away across the strait. The Rock consists mainly of Jurassic Limestone some 200 million years old. One of the attractions of Gibraltar is its VAT free status, making it a shopper's paradise. Most of the shops are on and around Main Street.

GIBRALTAR - History & Heritage Tour

Duration: 02:00 approx.

Transportation: minibus

Price: 55 €

Activity level: moderate

Min 16 / Max 60 participants

With driver-guide

You will board the minibus and head North towards the frontier with Spain. On the way you will cross a World War II runway which was used by General Eisenhower during "Operation Torch", the allied invasion of North Africa. The minibus will then drive to Europa Point, the southernmost point of Gibraltar. On a clear day you can see views of North Africa from across the strait, including Ceuta and the Rif mountains of Morocco. From Europa point the tour proceeds to one of Gibraltar's most popular attractions, the Ape's Den; Barbary Macaques at liberty, the only free roaming apes in Europe. Barbary apes are normally found in North Africa and it is thought that they were imported from Morocco by the first British garrisons. Legend has it that if the apes disappear, the British will be forced to leave Gibraltar. Superstitious nonsense? Maybe, but Winston Churchill wasn't taking any chances; when the ape population dwindled during World War II, he quickly had some more shipped in to make up the numbers.

Next on the agenda is a visit to the Great Siege Tunnels. This impressive defense system inside the Rock, was built during the Great siege of 1783, when France and Spain decided to join forces to wrest Gibraltar from the British. The Governor of Gibraltar at that time was dismayed to find that the enemy troops were positioned in trenches too close to the Rock for the British army to be able to fire on them; defeat seemed inevitable. However, he decided to offer a reward to anyone who could think of a way of getting guns on to "the Notch", a projection on the northern rock face which would enable the army to fire sideways on to the would-be invaders. Sergeant major Ince, who belonged to what would now be known as the Royal Engineers, took up the challenge and suggested that this might be accomplished by tunnelling. He was given permission to start work and with a team of stalwarts achieved the impossible, using only muscle power and a bit of gunpowder. The tunnelling work made such a lot of dust and smoke that they could hardly breathe. The tunnellers decided to make vents in the rock face to let in some air, and quickly realized that these apertures would make ideal embrasures for guns.

The Great Siege tunnels bear witness to British ingenuity, determination, and dogged courage. Sergeant Ince was rewarded with a plot of land on the upper Rock, which still bears the name, "Ince's Farm" and the Duke of Kent, Royal Governor of Gibraltar (Queen Victoria's father) gave him a valuable horse.

After the visit you will drive back to the pier.

Please note: There will be driver-guides on the tour. The terrain is by turns flat, hilly, or cobblestoned. It is not recommended for guests with mobility issues as there is a lot of walking through tunnels. The order of the itinerary on this tour may be reversed.

GIBRALTAR - Discover Gibraltar by e-bike

Duration: 02:30 approx.

Transportation: minibus, e-bike

Price: 69 €

Activity level: moderate/strenuous

Min 10 / Max 10 participants

Discover Gibraltar in a brand new and eco-friendly way - by eBike! Explore the historical defenses on the west coast of Gibraltar to the most southerly tip, Europa Point, and return to the ancient city via the eastern coast road taking in the Rock's Mediterranean views and sandy coves.

The E-Bike Rock Tour Itinerary is as follows: Water port Gate and The Devil's Tongue Euro port, passing through City defenses



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and King's Bastion, Commonwealth Park, Wellington Front, Referendum Gate and Trafalgar Cemetery, Nelson's Anchorage, Rosia Bay, Little Bay - passing by the Shrine of Our Lady of Europe, Europa Point and the Lighthouse (short period of free time), Gorham's Cave Viewing Platform, Catalan Bay, Land port Tunnel, Casemates Square, Ocean Village (end point).

Please note: The tour is suitable for anyone of minimal fitness who is over 155 cm tall, older than 18 years old and confident riding a bicycle on roads with other road users. Water is included. Official English-speaking guide.

All participants must sign a waiver document accepting financial responsibility for the E-Bike and themselves.

GIBRALTAR - Gibraltar's Rock tour

Duration: 02:00 approx.

Transportation: minibus

Price: 55 €

Activity level: moderate

Min 16 / Max 60 participants

With driver-guide

You will board the minibus and head North towards the frontier with Spain. On the way you will cross a World War II runway which was used by General Eisenhower during "Operation Torch", the allied invasion of North Africa. The minibus will then drive to Europa Point, the southernmost point of Gibraltar. On a clear day you can see views of North Africa from across the strait, including Ceuta and the Rif mountains of Morocco. From Europa point the excursion continues to the upper rock and St Michael's cave. The cave was created by rainwater slowly seeping through the limestone and turning into a carbonic acid solution that dissolved the rock. Over a period of thousands of years tiny crevices grew into long passages and deep caverns with an amazing collection of stalactites and stalagmites. The cave was well known to the Greeks and Romans and was the subject of many legends. It was thought that the Cathedral Cave was a bottomless pit, and the fantastic rock formations made it easy to believe that it was in fact the gateway to the Underworld. These days the cave has lost its sinister reputation and is used to stage live shows, concerts and an annual World Music festival. After visiting the cave we will pay our respects to some of Gibraltar's most popular residents, the famous Barbary Macaques, the only free roaming apes in Europe. Incidentally one legend relates that the apes found their way to Gibraltar from Morocco by following a subterranean passage under the strait which ends up at St Michael's cave. The tour excursion continues to the old town and city centre before returning to the ship.

Please note: the terrain is by turns flat, hill and cobblestoned. The ground at St Michael's cave is wet and slippery and there are a lot of steps. There will be driver-guides on the tour.

TANGIER

TANGIER - Secrets of Tangier

Duration: 02:30 approx.

Transportation: air-conditioned motorcoach

Price: 42 €

Activity level: moderate

Min 15 / Max 30 participants

Tangier, the gateway to Morocco, stands at the cross-roads of Europe, Africa, the Atlantic and the Mediterranean. Until independence in 1956 Tangier was an international zone and there is still an air of cosmopolitan mystery about the city. A bus will be waiting for you at the port for a drive along the famous corniche to the Kasbah with its Moorish architecture, traditionally decorated doors, and its narrow winding alleyways.

We will explore the Medina and its colorful souks and enjoy a glass of refreshing mint tea and delicious Moroccan pastries.

There will be time for some shopping before returning to port.

Please note: This tour is not recommended to guests with limited mobility since it involves extensive walking over cobblestone surfaces with some steps and uneven surfaces to negotiate.

Guests are advised to wear weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable walking shoes and to bring a hat and a bottle of water.



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TANGIER - Tetouan

Duration: 05:00 approx.

Price: 55 €

Min 15 / Max 30 participants

Transportation: air-conditioned motorcoach

Activity level: moderate

Tetouan, set amidst the Rif Mountains, has the charm of all small Moroccan towns in the north, as well as a rich historical heritage. It was founded in 1307 as a military stronghold to defend the country against the Portuguese who had conquered Ceuta and welcomed many of the Muslims who were expelled from Andalusia.

Tetouan itself used to be a part of Spain and its architecture is a wonderful blend of Spanish and Arab influences.

The town currently has 65000 inhabitants and is growing rapidly.

You will drive along the Mediterranean coast towards Cape Malabata and continue towards the Rif mountains before reaching Tetouan. The sightseeing will take you on a walk through characteristic narrow streets as you explore the Medina and the souks.

Please note: This tour is not recommended to guests with limited mobility since it involves extensive walking over cobblestone surfaces with some steps and uneven surfaces to negotiate.

Guests are advised to wear weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable walking shoes and to bring a hat and a bottle of water.

The drive between Tangier and Tetouan takes approx. 1:15 (each way).

TANGIER - Asilah

Duration: 04:45 approx.

Price: 49 €

Min 15 / Max 35 participants

Transportation: air-conditioned motorcoach

Activity level: moderate

Asilah, a beautiful, relaxed city on Morocco's North Atlantic coast, is well worth a visit. You will find a well-preserved Medina and whitewashed houses, accentuated by a touch of blue on the doors and walls.

Asilah has a thriving artistic community, and as you stroll around town you will see examples of their work adorning the walls of some of the houses.

Before setting off for Tangiers, there will be a short stop for refreshments.

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Guests are advised to wear weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable walking shoes and to bring a hat and a bottle of water.

The drive from Tangiers to Asilah takes approx. 1h15min each way.



CÁDIZ, SPAIN

CÁDIZ - A day in Seville (with Casa Pilato, cathedral & tapas lunch)

Duration: 08:30 approx. Transportation: air-conditioned motorcoach
Price: 135 € Activity level: strenuous
Min 10 / Max 30 participants Lunch included

Seville, the capital of Andalusia is a unique, compact, and relaxing city with a rich cultural heritage, and has always been seen as a symbol of tolerance between Roman, Arabic, Jewish and Christian cultures. Visitors will be enchanted by the sights and sounds of this atmospheric city: the mysterious, patios, the sound of church bells calling the faithful to prayer, the sleepy plazas and of course the multitude of artistic treasures.

The drive from the port of Cadiz to Seville will take you along the highway through vineyards, cotton fields and olive groves. Visit Casa Pilato, considered the prototype of the Andalusian Palace. It is of "Morisco" (Moorish-Christian) origin, although it also has Gothic and Plateresque elements. The entrance is Renaissance, with a Gothic roof crest. The main patio has Mudejar and Plateresque decoration.

Pass by city's cathedral, built in the 15th century and reputed to be the 3rd largest in the world. The imposing 322 ft bell tower, known as La Giralda, was once the minaret of a mosque located on the site in former times. You will also walk through the old Jewish quarter in the neighborhood of Santa Cruz with its labyrinth of narrow streets, wrought-iron-grilled windows, whitewashed buildings and tiled patios.

The tour will end with a panoramic tour of Plaza de America, Plaza de España and Maria Luisa Park.

Before leaving Seville, the guide will point out some other interesting sights.

Please note: This tour is not recommended to guests with limited mobility since it involves extensive walking over cobblestone surfaces with some steps and uneven surfaces to negotiate.

Guests are advised to wear weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable walking shoes and to bring a hat and a bottle of water. Proper attire is required to visit the Cathedral (no bare shoulders or shorts are allowed).

Tapas Lunch consists of several dishes to be shared between 4 guests. It includes mineral water, red wine (1 bottle for 4) and coffee. The drive between Cadiz and Seville takes approx. 1:30 (each way).

The deadline to sign-up for this tour is 4 days prior the call in Cádiz.

CÁDIZ - Cádiz walking tour and flamenco show

Duration: 03:00 approx. Transportation: walking tour
Price: 55 € Activity level: moderate
Min 10 / Max 30 participants

Founded in 1100 BC by the Phoenicians, Cadiz is the oldest existing city in Western Europe and has remained one of Spain's principal ports for nearly a thousand years. The walking tour starts from the pier and the first stop will be Plaza San Juan de Dios, from where you will access the historic old quarter of the city.

As you navigate your way through the narrow streets, you will see many historic buildings such as the majestic 18th century baroque cathedral and the elegant 19th century palaces that line Calle Ancha all the way to the Plaza de la Mina.

Your next stop will be at the *tablao* Flamenco Marquez de Cadiz, where you will be treated to an exciting performance of Spanish dancing, powerful, energetic, electrifying and hypnotic, there is nothing quite like Flamenco.

Rhythmically tapping heels, clicking castanets, guitar and the emotionally charged voices of the singers blend to create a truly mesmerizing experience.

During the entertainment you will get the opportunity to taste some delicious tapas.

Afterwards, your guide will accompany you back to pier, passing by Plaza España with its famous monument celebrating the 1812 constitution, set against a backdrop of lush gardens.

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CÁDIZ - The white villages of Andalucía: Vejer and Conil de la Frontera

Duration: 05:00 approx.

Transportation: air-conditioned motorcoach

Price: 49 €

Activity level: moderate

Min 10 / Max 40 participants

Depart from the pier of Cadiz and drive along the coast to Vejer de la Frontera, perched high above the steep gorge of the River Barbate.

Explore Vejer de la Frontera, declared as a national monument in 1978. This pretty village offers a perfect example of what many Andalusian towns were like during five centuries of Islamic rule. Enjoy a guided walk through this stunning town as you explore the cobble-stoned streets, meandering through a charming jumble of secret corners, hidden patios and delightful houses. Along your route, you will pass the beautiful Plaza España, one of the prettiest villages squares in Spain, and enjoy some free time.

Continuing by coach, enjoy the rich Andalusian countryside as you drive towards your next stop, Conil de la Frontera.

Conil is a small town with narrow cobbled streets, historical monuments, tapas bars and shops. Here you will have free time, perhaps to relax in one of the many tapas bars or do a spot of people watching, shop for souvenirs or stroll along the gold-colored sandy beaches.

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Guests are advised to wear weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable walking shoes and to bring a hat and a bottle of water.

CÁDIZ - Seville on your own

Duration: 08:00 approx.

Transportation: air-conditioned motorcoach

Price: 55 €

Activity level: moderate

Min 15 / Max 40 participants

With an escort (no guided tour) - Lunch not included (free time)

Escape to a sprawling panorama of the Andalusian countryside with Sherry wine groves and wheat fields during the journey to the city of Seville aboard an air-conditioned motor coach. Once there, receive a map of Seville from your excursion escort and then explore the magnificent city of Seville at your very own pace. You may discover the 14th-century, Royal Palace of Alcazar and visit the resting place of Christopher Columbus before marveling at the luminous Capilla Mayor altar at the age-old Cathedral. Or you may enjoy a refreshment at a local "Tapas Restaurant" before making your way to the exclusive shopping boulevards "Calle Sierpes" and "Calle Tetuan". Withdraw to the hustle and bustle of the quaint Santa Cruz Quarter and lose yourself in a maze of winding streets and whitewashed houses. After approximately 4 hours of independent sightseeing and exploration, return to your meeting point and embark on a relaxing trip back to your ship.

Please note: This tour does not include a tour guide. The visit in Seville is entirely on your own (free time), no visit is included, no lunch included, no entrance fees included. This tour includes return trip from Cádiz to Seville, assistance service (English-speaking escort), and a map of Seville.

Walking is at guests' discretion but is required for full enjoyment of the tour. Much of the area is covered in cobblestones. Guests are advised to wear weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable walking shoes and to bring a hat and a bottle of water. A proper attire is required when visiting religious sites (no bare shoulders or shorts are allowed).

The drive between Cádiz and Seville takes approx. 01:30 (each way).



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LISBON - Panoramic Lisbon (ending at LIS airport)

Duration: 04:00

Transportation: air-conditioned motorcoach

Price: 65 €

Activity level: moderate

Min 10 / Max 30 participants

A motorcoach will be waiting at the pier to take you on a scenic drive to the Alfama quarter, the oldest part of Lisbon. On the way there your guide will point out places of interest and notable landmarks. The old quarter has a uniquely mysterious atmosphere with its narrow cobblestone streets lined by closely packed rows of Moorish style houses. From here the tour continues to the city centre, where there will be a brief photo stop at the Alto do Parque Belvedere with its magnificent views overlooking the city.

Next, you will hop back on the coach to drive across the impressive "25 de Abril" suspension bridge which was built by the same company that made San Francisco's Golden Gate Bridge.

There will be another photo opportunity at the base of the Cristo Rei monument. This 361-foot (108-metre) statue was inspired by the statue of Christ the Redeemer overlooking Rio de Janeiro.

You will cross the bridge once more for another brief outside photo stop at Jeronimo's Monastery, a 16th-Century architectural masterpiece designed in the Gothic Manueline style. From the motor coach, you will admire the lavishly decorated Belém Tower, a prominent city landmark that dominates the bank of the Tagus River.

The last stop before the airport will be at the nearby Age of Discoveries monument. This monumental sculpture was erected to commemorate the 500th Anniversary of the death of Prince Henry, the mastermind navigator behind Portugal's voyages of exploration and subsequent fantastic wealth.

Leaving the Belém area, your tour will transfer to Lisbon-Humberto Delgado Airport.

Please note: This tour ends at Lisbon Airport (LIS) and is suitable for guests whose flights leave after 15:00.

Guests are advised to wear weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable walking shoes and to bring a hat and a bottle of water. The order of the visits may change.

Star Clippers offers also the following transfer services (optional, upon reservation):**✓ Shared transfer to Lisbon airport (LIS)**

Guests who have purchased a shared transfer cannot choose their pickup time. There will be one fixed departure from the port at about 09:00am, the arrival at the airport will be around 09:30am.

This transfer is suitable for guests whose flight leaves after 11:30am.

✓ Private transfers to Lisbon Airport (LIS) / to hotels in Lisbon

Latest pick-up time from the pier will be at 10:00am.



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