



SHORE EXCURSIONS

6

nights

ROYAL CLIPPER

Las Palmas to Málaga (12 May 2025)



Mon Las Palmas - Gran Canaria, Spain

Tue Puerto del Rosario - Fuerteventura, Spain

Wed At sea

Thu Safi, Morocco

Fri Casablanca, Morocco

Sat Gibraltar

Sun Málaga, Spain

What you need to know before booking your shore excursion:

- All our excursions are led by English-speaking guides. A second language may be used, depending on the number of non-English-speaking passengers.
- 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.

How you can book your shore excursions:

- Shore excursions can be booked onboard, using the "sign-up lists" available at the Excursion Desk.
- The price of the excursion will be added to your on-board account.
- Transfers and debark tours ending at the airport can also be pre-paid prior to your cruise.
- 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.
- Booking deadlines will be indicated on the Daily Program and on the booking forms.
- Cancellation and changes are possible until the booking deadline. After the booking deadline, 100% cancellation fees will be charged.
- A minimum number of participants is required for each tour; if the required number is not attained, the tour may be cancelled.

Important notes:

- Departure times of the tour are mentioned in the Daily Program of each port.
- All information concerning excursions is correct at the time of printing. However, Star Clippers reserves the right to make changes. The latest updated tour descriptions are available onboard the ship in a file at the Excursion Desk and on Star Clippers' website (you can download the file using the QR code).





Date of last update: 30th of January 2025

FUERTEVENTURA (Puerto del Rosario) - Flavours of Fuerteventura



3:30

Sightseeing



59 €



moderate



motorcoach

Min 20 / Max 80
participants

The excursion starts at the port of Puerto del Rosario, where you will board your coach and travel in comfort along the east coast road. You will then head north to Tefia and the "La Alkogida" Ecomuseum.

The museum consists of several houses and a main building. You will get an idea of what life was like on the island before modern civilisation came to Fuerteventura and how the "majoreros" lived in the past. You will also see the animals that shared this hard and frugal life, such as goats, donkeys and camels. There are authentic bread ovens and mills, and artisans give live demonstrations of crafts such as embroidery, basket weaving, pottery, cheese making and blacksmithing. Visitors can buy the local "gofio" or bread made on the spot, as well as handicrafts such as pottery, brass work, baskets, embroidery and objects made from wood or palm trees.

Next you will be taken to one of Fuerteventura's Aloe Vera plantations. The Aloe Vera plant is native to the Canary Islands and you will learn all about its cultivation and its use in cosmetics and medicine.

After the presentation, you will have the opportunity to buy some Aloe Vera products. Finally, we will stop at the Cheese Museum in Antigua, where you will discover the island through its rich cheese-making tradition. During the visit you will have the opportunity to taste some of the goat's cheese. The museum has several areas to explore. You can learn about the island's volcanic origins, its flora and fauna, and the Majorera goats and their famous cheese, all organised around a central patio. The museum also houses the original Antigua windmill, which is in perfect working order. Don't miss the opportunity to visit the cactus garden, a green treasure with species that only grow on the island and others from all over the world.

Please note: Dress for the weather, wear comfortable walking shoes and bring a hat and water.

Estimated driving times: 40min between the port and La Alkogida; 30min between the Cheese Museum and the pier. The order of the visits is subject to change.

SAFI - Essaouira



8:30

Sightseeing | Unesco



129 €



moderate



motorcoach

Min 20 / Max 120
participants



lunch included

With its ancient red walls, Essaouira is undoubtedly one of Morocco's most charming and attractive coastal towns. Essaouira means 'enclosed', which is probably due to the imposing city wall that surrounds the beautiful old town, which has been declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site. You will be enchanted by the gleaming whitewashed houses with blue shutters, the art galleries, the woodworking workshops and the fishermen with their colourful boats. The town faces a group of rocky islands and is surrounded by an expanse of empty sandy beaches and dunes. The tranquillity of Essaouira today contrasts with its rich and turbulent history. The Portuguese built the fortress of Mogador (the former name of Essaouira) here in 1506, and throughout the 16th century England, France, Spain and the Netherlands all tried to conquer the place. This ancient trading and fishing port has been shaped by many different foreign influences over the years, resulting in a charming mix of Portuguese, Berber and French architecture.

You will visit the Bab Marrakech square, La Scala, the old town and the old port ("le Vieux port"). Lunch will be served in a seafood restaurant and after lunch you will have some free time to shop in Bab Marrakech Square or relax in charming cafes overlooking the Atlantic Ocean before the 2,5-hour return journey to the port of Safi.

Please note: This tour involves a long drive (2,5 hours between Safi and Essaouira - each way) and extensive walking and standing over cobblestone and uneven surfaces. The order of the visits is subject to change.

Dress for the weather, wear comfortable walking shoes and bring a hat and water.



CASABLANCA - Casablanca and Hassan II Mosque



4:00



49 €



moderate



motorcoach

*Min 15 / Max 60
participants*

Sightseeing

Thanks to the iconic Hollywood film, Casablanca is forever immortalised in the collective psyche as a classic colonial outpost oozing romance, glamour and intrigue.

Depart from the cruise port and enjoy a panoramic drive along the Corniche, Casablanca's seafront boulevard, and the Anfa residential area to Place Mohamed V, the heart of the city, which lies between the two contrasting sides of the metropolis: the medina and the elegant modern area with its wide boulevards. After a photo stop, continue to the Hassan II mosque, a jewel of religious architecture that subtly combines Moroccan tradition with the latest technology.

Visit the esplanade and the interior of the mosque. The minaret is the tallest in the world (200m) and a retractable roof can transform the prayer hall into a magnificent patio in just three minutes. The construction of the mosque required 10000m of intricate carved decoration, 67000m of plaster and 53000m of wood. The main nave is breathtaking, with a prayer room large enough to hold 25,000 worshippers and an esplanade for a further 80,000.

Move on to the Habous district, dotted with charming little shady squares and narrow streets lined with arcades leading from one souk to another. Coppersmiths shape teapots, kettles, vases, trays and candlesticks, and the bazaar is full of colour and fragrance. Visit the fragrant olive souk, the fruit stalls, the spice and oil sellers and the antique shops, and enjoy some free time to shop at the United Nations square before returning to the ship.

Please note: This tour involves extensive walking / standing over cobblestone and uneven surfaces.

Dress for the weather, wear comfortable walking shoes and bring a hat and water. Dress appropriately for a mosque visit; men should wear long trousers and women should cover their hair, arms and knees. Guests are required to take off their shoes for visiting the inside of the mosque (bags are available for free to make the shoes in), socks are highly recommended. The order of the visits is subject to change.

CASABLANCA - Hassan II Mosque, Central Market and cooking demo



6:00



125 €



moderate



motorcoach

*Min 15 / Max 30
participants*



*cooking demo &
lunch included*

Sightseeing | Food & Wine

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Depart from the cruise port and drive to the Hassan II Mosque, a jewel of religious architecture that subtly combines Moroccan tradition with state-of-the-art technology. Visit the esplanade and the interior of the mosque. The minaret is the tallest in the world (200m) and a retractable roof can transform the prayer hall into a magnificent courtyard in just three minutes. The construction of the mosque required 10000m of intricate carved decoration, 67000m of plaster and 53000m of wood. The main nave is breathtaking, with a prayer room large enough to hold 25,000 worshippers and an esplanade for a further 80,000. Proceed to the Central Market, home to a cavalcade of colour, charm, street musicians, a fish market, quaint handicrafts and spices. Next, head to the Dar Al Kaid restaurant. Your arrival will be greeted with a tea ceremony and tasting of mint tea and pastries, followed by an informative and interactive cooking demonstration. Learn about the spices and methods used to make a chicken tagine. After the cooking demonstration, you will be served a traditional Moroccan lunch. Return to the ship at the end of the lunch.

Please note: This tour involves extensive walking over cobbles and uneven ground.

Dress for the weather, wear comfortable walking shoes and bring a hat and water.

Dress appropriately for a mosque visit; men should wear long trousers and women should cover their arms and knees. Guests are required to remove their shoes to visit the interior of the mosque (bags are provided free of charge) and socks are strongly recommended.

The cooking demonstration will be on the preparation of tagine, but guests will prepare a meat "briouate" themselves.



CASABLANCA - The imperial city of Rabat



5:15



52 €



moderate



motorcoach

*Min 15 / Max 30
participants*

Sightseeing | Unesco

Depart from the port of Casablanca for a 75-minute coach journey to Rabat, the capital of Morocco. Rabat is the fourth of the imperial cities. It combines an illustrious past with a highly modernised present. The city's glory days were in the 12th century, when the then Sultan used the Kasbah as a base for his campaigns against the Spanish. It was during this period that the city's most famous landmarks were built. You will make a photo stop in the grounds of the Royal Palace (outside view of the walls surrounding it), and your next stop will be to see the Hassan Tower and the nearby mausoleum of King Mohammed V. The Hassan Tower, 44m high, is a majestic, unfinished architectural masterpiece, the brainchild of Sultan Yacoub El Mansour, whose ambition was to build the largest mosque in the Muslim world. A masterpiece of modern Alaouite architecture, the Mohammed V mausoleum was begun in 1962. Mohammed V led Morocco to independence and this magnificent monument expresses the nation's gratitude. The exterior consists of a magnificent white marble pavilion with a green-tiled roof, and inside the exquisitely crafted burial chamber is a white onyx tomb. The last site on the excursion is the Kasbah des Oudayas, Rabat's old quarter. A veritable city within a city overlooking the ocean, it gives a good idea of what a traditional Moroccan medina is all about. Stroll through the narrow streets and admire the pristine blue and white houses as you soak up the atmosphere of this historic place. Walk down the hill to the Andalusian Gardens for a cup of Moroccan tea and some pastries before heading back to Casablanca.

Please note: This tour involves extensive walking / standing over cobblestone and uneven surfaces. Dress for the weather, wear comfortable walking shoes and bring a hat and water. Outside visits: the Mechouar (surroundings of the Royal Palace). The drive to Rabat takes about 1h15 each way. The order of the visits is subject to change. The Royal Palace and the Mausoleum can be closed and not accessible without any prior notice if the King or a member of his family is in Rabat or when there is an official visit.

GIBRALTAR - Gibraltar's history and heritage



2:00



65 €



moderate



minibus

*Min 16 / Max 60
participants*

Sightseeing

Depart the ship and head north towards the Spanish border. On the way you will cross the airstrip completed in 1942 and used by General Eisenhower during Operation Torch, the Allied invasion of North Africa. The minibus then heads to Europa Point, the southernmost point of Gibraltar. On a clear day you can see across the Straits to North Africa, including Ceuta and the Rif Mountains of Morocco. From Europa Point, continue to the Great Siege Tunnels and visit this labyrinth of tunnels inside the Rock of Gibraltar. During the Great Siege, the gallant defenders were stunned when the Spanish and French besiegers dug trenches too close to Gibraltar for the British to fire on them. Imaginative solutions were needed, and Sergeant Major Ince suggested digging tunnels to reach a rock outcrop so that the British guns could fire sideways at the attackers. As the tunnel was dug by hand through the solid rock, the dust was so stifling that air vents were created, and it was then realised that these holes would make excellent embrasures for guns. The Great Siege Tunnels are a testament to British ingenuity, sheer courage and determination, and perhaps the most ingenious defence system devised by man in 1783. Finally, take a transfer back to the pier.

Please note: There will be driver-guides on the tour. This tour involves a lot of walking through tunnels and over hilly and cobblestone terrain. The order of the visits is subject to change. The monkeys are wild animals, please do not attempt to touch or feed them.



Dress for the weather, wear comfortable walking shoes and bring a hat and water.

GIBRALTAR - Gibraltar's rock tour



2:00



65 €



moderate



minibus

*Min 16 / Max 60
participants*

Sightseeing

Depart the ship and head north towards the Spanish border. On the way you will cross the airstrip completed in 1942 and used by General Eisenhower during Operation Torch, the Allied invasion of North Africa. The minibus then heads to Europa Point, the southernmost point of Gibraltar.

On a clear day you can see across the Straits to North Africa, including Ceuta and the Rif Mountains of Morocco. From Europa Point the walk continues to the Upper Rock and St Michael's Cave.

The cave was formed when rainwater slowly seeped through the limestone, turning into a carbonic acid solution that dissolved the rock. Over 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 to be a bottomless pit and the fantastic rock formations made it easy to believe that it was in fact the gateway to the underworld. Today the cave has shed its sinister reputation and is used for 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 monkeys in Europe. Legend has it that the monkeys arrived in Gibraltar from Morocco by following an underground passage under the Straits that ends at St Michael's Cave. The tour continues to the old town and the city centre before returning to the ship.

Please note: There will be driver-guides on the tour. This tour involves extensive walking over uneven surfaces. The ground at St Michael's cave is wet and slippery and there are a lot of steps to negotiate.

The monkeys are wild animals, please do not attempt to touch or feed them.

Dress for the weather, wear comfortable walking shoes and bring a hat and water.

MALAGA

Star Clippers offers the following transfer services (optional, on request):

- Shared Transfer to Málaga airport (AGP).

Guests who have purchased a shared transfer cannot choose their own pick up time.

There is a fixed departure from the port at approximately 08:45.

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

- Private transfers to Málaga airport or to hotels in Málaga.

Pick up from the pier for private transfers is no later than 10:00.

Private transfers are operated by private cars (1-2 passengers) or private vans (3-4 passengers).

- Private transfers from hotels to the airport

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This service can only be pre-booked.

Transfers can also be booked prior to your cruise.

Bookings made onboard during the cruise are always subject to availability.

If you wish to book a private transfer, we recommend that you pre-book it well in advance prior to your cruise, as the number of vehicles may be limited at certain times of the year.

For information and reservations please contact our reservations department or your travel agent.

The ship will be alongside at one of the three cruise terminals of the port of Málaga.

Terminal El Palmeral” (Muelle Dos) is located in the “Palmeral de las Sorpresas” area, in the hearth of the city center and next to Plaza de la Marina. “Málaga Cruise Terminal” and “Terminal B de Cruceros” are located in the “Levante” pier, 2.5 km from the city center. Berth assignment is confirmed by port authorities few days prior each call.

The airport is located at approximately 10-12 km from the cruise terminals. All guests must leave the ship by 10:00am.





EXCURSIONS ACTIVITY LEVEL:

- ✓ **Easy:** excursion accessible to all participants, as it mainly takes place by bus or boat. Any footpaths and stairs that need to be negotiated are short or easy.
- ✓ **Moderate:** a certain basic level of fitness is required; excursion involving moderate walking - sometimes over uneven or unpaved paths and stairs.
- ✓ **Moderate to strenuous:** active participation is required; excursion involving walking long distances over uneven or steep terrain. May involve several flights of stairs or extended staircases.
- ✓ **Strenuous:** a good level of fitness is required; an excursion involving extensive uphill walking on inclines, uneven terrain with many steps. Excursion involving off-road driving, not suitable for pregnant women or anyone with a medical condition (back, neck, etc.) that could be affected by bumpy roads.
- ✓ **Active (sport):** Very good physical condition, stamina and skill are required. Passengers should be fit and active to participate in tours involving hiking, kayaking, snorkeling, cycling or similar activities.

The level of physical fitness required for our activities is given as a very general indication.

MAIN EXCURSIONS CATEGORIES:

- ✓ **Culture & History:** it explores places of historical significance and visits ancient ruins or historic buildings, gives a deeper understanding of the region's heritage.
- ✓ **Sightseeing:** it gives a quick but enriching overview, visiting and seeing the main attractions, landmarks and places of interest in a particular area, often including popular spots and sometimes hidden gems.
- ✓ **Food & Wine:** it explores the culinary traditions of a region, from visiting local markets and vineyards to cooking classes or wine tastings.
- ✓ **Panoramic:** it involves a limited number of long drives with commentary by the guide, no internal visits and - generally - limited walking between stops.
- ✓ **Active & Adventure:** Hiking, kayaking, cycling, ATV, 4x4 off-road.

WHAT TO WEAR AND BRING WHEN GOING ASHORE ON EXCURSION:

- ✓ Unless special clothing suggestions are included in the excursion description, we recommend functional clothing and comfortable footwear.
- ✓ Comfortable shoes to help with any steep paths and uneven cobbles.
- ✓ A hat or cap and sun lotion.
- ✓ Water.
- ✓ For boat excursions or excursions including beach stop: swimsuit, beach towel, sunglasses, sunscreen, water shoes, snorkel mask.
- ✓ Mobile phone or camera to capture the moment.
- ✓ Ship card to get back on board.
- ✓ Some cash in local currency.
- ✓ A copy of the Daily Program, to check last tender or last gangway time, tender schedule, lunch time, etc.
- ✓ For ports with tender service (ship at anchor), bring a rucksack or fanny pack so that your hands are free to hold on to the safety grip when boarding the tender.