



SHORE EXCURSIONS

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| 20 nights | STAR FLYER Eastbound Atlantic Ocean Crossing (St Maarten to Lisbon – 29 March) |
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| Sat, 29 Mar-25 Philipsburg, St. Maarten | |
| Sun, 30-Mar-25 – Fri, 11-Apr-25 | At sea |
| Sat, 12-Apr-25 | Ponta Delgada - São Miguel, Portugal |
| Sun, 13-Apr - Thu, 17-Apr-25 | At sea |
| Fri, 18 Apr-25 | Lisbon, Portugal |

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 Library.
- 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. Excursions are operated with a ticketless system.
- 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 Library and on Star Clippers’ website (you can download the file using the QR code).





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SÃO MIGUEL (Ponta Delgada) - Sete Cidades crater lakes



3:45



59 €



moderate



motorcoach

Min 20 / Max 40
participants

Sightseeing | Nature

The entire region of Sete Cidades is dominated by the impressive Caldera de Cidades, the most spectacular volcanic feature in the Azores with a diameter of 12 km.

Below the panoramic Miradouro da Vista do Rei, from where King Charles I of Portugal admired this dramatic landscape in 1901, are two volcanic lakes: the Green Lake and the Blue Lake, separated by a narrow bridge. Together they cover an area of 482 hectares and have a maximum depth of 19 metres.

On the shores of the Blue Lake is the village of Sete Cidades, surrounded by the dark, forested slopes of the caldera. Leaving Ponta Delgada behind and following the coastal road through the western part of the city, you will pass through several very picturesque villages before arriving at Feteiras. From here the route climbs towards Sete Cidades until you reach the main crater of the extinct volcano, some 1900ft above sea level.

From the edge of this crater (8 miles in circumference) there is a magnificent view of the two lakes below, the blue lake reflecting the sky and the green lake reflecting the lush green of the crater walls. On the way back to Ponta Delgada you will have the opportunity to see Lake Santiago. Before returning to the ship, you will visit a pineapple plantation and learn about the growing and marketing of this delicious fruit.

Please note: This tour involves a lot of driving on winding roads, so this is not the ideal tour for guests suffering from vertigo or motion sickness. This tour involves moderate walking over cobblestone surfaces with some steps and uneven surfaces.

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

Enjoyment of panoramic views from viewpoints depends on weather conditions. The order of the visits is subject to change.

SÃO MIGUEL (Ponta Delgada) - Furnas Valley and Terra Nostra Botanical Garden



5:00



79 €



moderate



motorcoach

Min 20 / Max 40
participants

Sightseeing | Nature

This tour takes you north-east through Ponta Delgada along pleasant roads lined with Japanese cedars, hydrangeas and ginger lilies to Ribeira Grande. This is a unique northern town with a strong Portuguese influence. There will be a 20 minute stop for a guided tour of the city centre. The tour then continues to Pico do Ferro Belvedere, a viewpoint from where you can enjoy a panoramic view of the Furnas Valley.

Descend into the valley to explore the Terra Nostra Garden or, if you prefer, take a dip in the thermal pool. Developed over the centuries, the garden contains a large number of trees from all over the world, as well as a serpentine canal, grottoes, camellias, ferns and cycas.

After this visit we will continue to the Furnas Hot Springs, one of the richest hydrological areas in Europe, with 22 thermal springs.

Return to Ponta Delgada via Vila Franca do Campo, the former capital of the island.

Please note: This tour is not recommended to guests with limited mobility since it involves extensive walking over cobblestone and gravel surfaces with inclines, steps and uneven surfaces. This tour involves a lot of driving on winding roads, so this is not the ideal tour for guests suffering from vertigo or motion sickness.

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

Enjoyment of panoramic views from viewpoints depends on weather conditions. The order of the visits is subject to change.



LISBON - Panoramic Lisbon (ending at the airport)



4:00



69 €



easy



motorcoach

Min 10 / Max 30
participants

Sightseeing | Airport transfer

This excursion ends at Lisbon airport (LIS) and is suitable for guests with flights after 15:00

Take a scenic drive past the exclusive residential area of Restelo and then to the monumental district of Belem. Here you will see the Monument of Discoveries, built to commemorate the 500th anniversary of the death of Henry the Navigator, considered the mastermind behind the 16th century discoveries. Stop for a photo at the Belem Tower, an elegant Manueline structure that guards the mouth of the Tagus River. Continue to the Jeronimos Monastery, founded by King Manuel, where you will have an outside explanation of this architectural masterpiece. Return to the centre of Lisbon, stop at Rossio Square, the heart of Lisbon city centre, where you will have some free time. You will pass Restauradores Square and Avenida da Liberdade, which leads to the statue of the Marquis of Pombal, the head of the government who rebuilt the city after the 1755 earthquake. Drive to the airport.

Please note: The order of the visit is subject to change. This tour does not include any internal visit. Dress for the weather, wear comfortable walking shoes and to bring a hat and water. A drop off is also possible in the city center (Rossio) before the bus leaves for the airport.

LISBON

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

- Shared Transfer to Lisbon airport (LIS).

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 Lisbon airport or to hotels in Lisbon.

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.

Private transfers are operated by private cars (1-2 passengers) or private vans (3-4 passengers). This service can only be pre-booked.

Transfers and excursions ending at the airport 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 book well in advance, 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 Lisbon (“Lisbon Cruise Terminal”, “Santa Apolónia Cruise Terminal”; “Gare Marítima da Rocha Conde de Óbidos”).

All three terminals are located on the North bank of the river Tagus, surrounded by the historical and cultural center of Lisbon. Berth assignment is confirmed by port authorities few days prior each call.

The airport is located at approximately 8 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, 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 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.