



Cruise Details

Name:	Yachting gems of the French and Italian Rivieras
Reference:	EMERALDE10M290826-2
Operator:	Emerald Cruises
Cruise Type:	Ocean
Cruise Rating:	Ultra Luxury
Ship:	Emerald Sakara
Regions:	Mediterranean
Departs On:	29 Aug 26
Departs From:	Nice
Arrives On:	05 Sep 26
Arrives At:	Barcelona
Cruise Nights:	7
Total Vacation Days:	8

Itinerary

Day 1: Nice (France)

Your memorable cruise begins in Nice, on the chic French Riviera, where you'll be transferred to your Emerald Cruises luxury yacht to begin your voyage through the beautiful Western Mediterranean. Please book your flight to arrive into Nice prior to 03:00 PM. Docked: 20:00

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Day 2: Santa Margherita Ligure (Italy)

Welcome to Santa Margherita Ligure, an Italian resort town presenting panoramic views and revered for its timeless elegance and style. For those seeking 'La dolce vita', you'll find it here in abundance. Stroll the Santa Margherita promenade, or the pebbly beachfront, admiring the gleaming yachts and vibrant, upscale bars. Explore a beautiful Baroque church, or sample freshly caught, succulent red shrimps.

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Downhill

hike to Portofino (extra expense, must be pre-booked)
Meet your guide at Santa Margherita pier and board your vehicle to Nozarego, where your hiking experience to Portofino begins. The path winds through Mediterranean flora, vineyards, and olive groves, with cliffs dropping to the crystal sea. Enjoy a picnic with local focaccia and wine, then continue past elegant villas among tropical plants and olive trees. Upon reaching Portofino, enjoy a guided stroll around this iconic destination before a short boat journey returns you to Santa Margherita.
Activity Level: Strenuous, Duration: 3.5 hours</p><p>DiscoverMORE
Culinary experience in Rapallo (extra expense, must be pre-booked)
Embark on a culinary journey blending Italian cooking with the Ligurian coast. Join your guide at the pier and set sail on a motorboat for a day of pesto, pasta, and the charm of Rapallo and Portofino. Upon arriving in Rapallo, stroll to Chef Guido's culinary haven. Learn the secrets of pesto and pasta and enjoy a delicious lunch of your creations. Afterward, explore Rapallo's historic squares, boutiques, or seaside cafés. Continue your journey with a scenic ride to Portofino, famed for its pastel buildings. Discover its charming piazzas, waterfront, and the enchanting Mediterranean atmosphere that defines this coastal gem.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4.75 hours</p><p>Later in the morning, you'll sail on to Portofino. Nestled along the Italian Riviera, Portofino boasts a rich gastronomic scene, a picturesque harbour and charming narrow streets lined with pastel-hued houses, high-end boutiques and plenty of seafood restaurants. </p></p><p>EmeraldACTIVE
Portofino lighthouse & Brown Castle Walk
Experience the charm of Portofino as you stroll through its stunning landscapes and historic sites. Soak in the coastal views and vibrant colours of this picturesque fishing village. Discover the ancient Brown Castle and learn about its fascinating 16th-century history while enjoying breathtaking coastal vistas from the grounds. Visit San Giorgio Church, known for its beautiful frescoes and tranquil atmosphere. Admire its architecture and stunning views, perfect for memorable photos before heading to the lighthouse.
Activity Level: Strenuous, Duration: 2 hours</p><p>Offshore: 07:00 - 12:30 | 14:30 - 23:00</p></p>

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Day 3: Portovenere (Italy)

<p><p>Set on the Ligurian Coast, the UNESCO World Heritage-listed town of Porto Venere harbours a romantic history, thanks to its penchant for attracting famous poets and artists over the centuries, including Lord Byron. In homage, this quaint town overlooks what is known as the 'Gulf of Poets'. Discover evocative, narrow stepped lanes, known as Caruggi, which were originally designed to shield locals from the elements and winding streets lined with colourful houses; follow them up to Doria Castle for lovely views of the town and Church of San

Pietro.</p></p><p>Included Excursion
Walking tour of PortoVenere
Explore the picturesque medieval village of Portovenere, celebrated by Petrarch as the "panoramic miracle" of the Gulf of La Spezia. Begin your journey at the Roman gateway and stroll along Carugio Capellini, discover Byron's grotto, San Lorenzo Church and admire the artwork inside, including the mysterious Madonna Bianca painting, said to have been discovered washed up from the sea.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration:

2 hours</p><p>DiscoverMORE
Cinque Terre by private boat (extra expense)
Start your day in Portovenere, a UNESCO-listed town. From there, board your private motorboat and set off to explore the Cinque Terre coast. Your first stop will be Monterosso with a guided tour of the village, treat yourself to a delicious pesto bruschetta paired with local wine. Next, visit Vernazza, a charming fishing village known for its picturesque port surrounded by soft pastel-coloured buildings. Enjoy some leisure time before returning to Portovenere.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4.5 hours</p><p>EmeraldPLUS
Echoes of the Renaissance
Experience the essence of the Renaissance through this captivating performance of historic dances. The choreography draws inspiration from the Renaissance and Genoese Siglo de Oro, featuring dances based on the works of Cesare Negri and Fabrizio Caroso. Marvel at the elegant movements and period costumes that bring centuries past vividly to life.
Event duration: 1 hour</p><p>Offshore: 08:00 - 19:00</p></p>

Arrives On: 31 Aug 26

Day 4: Calvi, Corsica (France)

<p><p>According to local legend, Calvi is where the intrepid, 15th century explorer, Christopher Columbus, was born. While historians may debate this, the natural beauty and rich culture of Calvi – set on the French island of Corsica – is undisputed. Calvi's beach presents a crescent-shaped bay of powdery white sand fringed by maritime pines, while the town has evolved as Corsica's 'culture capital', hosting several music festivals over the idyllic summer months.</p></p><p>DiscoverMORE
Discover old Corsica and its villages (extra expense)
Your first stop is the ancient circular village of Sant' Antonino, perched majestically on a rocky outcrop overlooking the sea. Next, venture to the hilltop village of Pigna, nestled in the heart of the Balagne region. This charming village, adorned with flower-filled streets and a quaint village square, is a haven for artists and artisans. Your journey continues through the scenic countryside, passing through the historic villages of Corbara and Aregno. Marvel at the timeless beauty of these ancient settlements before returning to Calvi.
Activity Level: Strenuous, Duration: 4 hours</p><p>Offshore: 08:00 - 19:00</p></p>

Arrives On: 01 Sep 26

Day 5: Saint-Tropez (France)

<p><p>A shining jewel of the Côte d'Azur, the legendary beach resort town of Saint-Tropez is one of the most famous holiday destinations in Europe. From the soft white sand beaches lapped by turquoise water to the jetsetter beach clubs, decadent dining and luxury designer boutiques, glamorous Saint-Tropez is the ultimate French Riviera experience. For history buffs, learn more about the fascinating story of Saint-Tropez at the Musée d'Histoire Maritime, or peruse the incredible modern art inside a former chapel at the Annonciade. </p></p><p>DiscoverMORE
Walking tour of St. Tropez (extra expense)
Embark on a guided tour of Saint Tropez, starting at the pier. Stroll along to see landmarks like café "Senequier" and the historic Town Hall square, reflecting the village's heritage. Visit the church dedicated to Saint Tropez and learn its intriguing legend. Wander through narrow streets and squares with elm trees, symbols of freedom. Trek uphill for stunning panoramic views of the village and the Mediterranean Sea.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 2.5 hours</p><p>DiscoverMORE
Tour of Gassin and port Grimaud (extra expense)
Just a few miles from St Tropez are the charming villages of Gassin and Port Grimaud. This half-day excursion starts with a motor coach ride to Gassin, a picturesque village high on a rock, offering stunning views of vineyards and the Gulf of St Tropez. You'll have time to explore its alleyways and steps. Next, head to Port Grimaud for a 20-minute motor launch trip. While it looks like a fishing village, it's a modern complex of luxury homes. Enjoy the pastel-coloured walls and Roman tiles as you wander before returning to the pier.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4.15 hours</p><p>Offshore: 08:00 - 23:00</p></p>

Arrives On: 02 Sep 26

Day 6: Sanary-sur-Mer (France)

<p><p>Sanary-sur-Mer, presents the quintessential French Provençal port, complete with traditional wooden fishing boats bobbing in the harbour, pastel-coloured houses lining the shoreline and a bustling daily market in the town centre – regarded as the finest in France for its outstanding variety of local produce. </p></p><p>DiscoverMORE
Castellet and wine tasting (extra expense)
Embark on a delightful journey to a medieval village and a renowned wine estate, starting with a scenic coach ride to Castellet, a charming Provençal gem. Perched on a hillside overlooking vineyards, this historic stronghold features well-preserved ramparts, a 12th-century church, and an 11th-century castle. Wander through narrow streets, visit the stunning St. Sauveur church, and enjoy breathtaking views at the "Trou de Madame" viewpoint. Then, head to a Bandol winery to explore winemaking and sample exquisite local wines and olive oil, with a tasting of regional delicacies.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4.15 hours</p><p>DiscoverMORE
E-bike Tour (extra expense)
Embark on an unforgettable biking adventure through the stunning landscapes of Sanary. Enjoy a scenic ride along the coastal road while soaking in beautiful views. Your safety is ensured with a mandatory helmet provided. After a thorough briefing, you'll explore the area, taking breaks to enjoy the surroundings. An e-bike, helmet, and a backpack with snacks, including fruit, a cereal bar, and

water, are included for your comfort. Riders must be at least 140 cm tall, experienced, and proficient in bike gears and hand brakes. The ride covers 10 to 12 kilometres with a pace suited for all.
Activity Level: Strenuous, Duration: 3.5 hours

Offshore: 08:00 - 18:00

Arrives On: 03 Sep 26

Day 7: Roses (Spain)

Positioned near the Spanish French border in Spain's Catalonia region, Roses is a delightful seaside village set within a captivating natural environment where the mountains meet the sea. Roses harbours a long-standing fishing tradition, which is reflected in the local seafood speciality of 'Suquet de Peix a hearty fish soup prepared with the catch of the day along with locally sourced garlic, tomatoes and saffron.'

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Inaugurated in 1974, the Dalí Theatre-Museum in Figueres, built on the remains of the former Municipal Theatre, is Salvador Dalí's last great work, entirely designed by the artist. It offers an immersive experience into Dalí's captivating world, showcasing his artistic journey from surrealism to nuclear mysticism and his passion for science. The museum houses around 1,500 works from the Fundació Gala-Salvador Dalí, including paintings, sculptures, engravings, and more, allowing visitors to explore his diverse artistic endeavours.

Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4 hours

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Girona city tour (extra expense)

Your first stop will be El Call, one of Europe's best-preserved Jewish Quarters, continuously inhabited for nearly seven centuries. At its heart lies the Arab Baths, known for their beautiful arches in the Western Romanesque style. Visit the Bonastruc Ca Porta Museum, located on the site of the old synagogue, and explore the medieval city walls and the remnants of the Gironella Tower, destroyed by Napoleon in 1814. Don't miss the impressive exterior of the Catalonian Romanesque Monastery of Sant Pere de Galligants.

Activity Level: Strenuous, Duration: 5 hours

Offshore: 08:00 - 18:00

Arrives On: 04 Sep 26

Day 8: Barcelona (Spain)

Your luxurious yacht cruise concludes in Catalonia's cosmopolitan capital, Barcelona, where you'll be transferred to the airport for your return flight home or to continue your holiday.

Please book your flight to depart out of Barcelona after 01:00 PM.

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Arrives On: 05 Sep 26

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