



Cruise Details

Name:	Catalonia to Andalusia
Reference:	EMERALDE17M181026-2
Operator:	Emerald Cruises
Cruise Type:	Ocean
Cruise Rating:	Ultra Luxury
Ship:	Emerald Sakara
Regions:	Mediterranean
Departs On:	18 Oct 26
Departs From:	Barcelona
Arrives On:	26 Oct 26
Arrives At:	Málaga
Cruise Nights:	8
Total Vacation Days:	9

Itinerary

Day 1: Barcelona (Spain)

Your journey begins in the cosmopolitan city of Barcelona, where you'll be transferred to your Emerald Cruises luxury yacht to begin your cruise along the Spanish coastline. Please book your flight to arrive into Barcelona prior to 01:00 PM. Docked: 18:00

Arrives On: 18 Oct 26

Day 2: Palma de Mallorca (Spain)

Set along Majorca's southern shores and the capital of Spain's Balearic Islands, Palma de Mallorca is a city steeped in history and home to remarkable architecture. One of Palma's most notable landmarks is the stunning Cathedral of Santa Maria, a masterpiece of Gothic architecture with one of the largest rose windows – a decorated circular window with stained glass – in the world. **DiscoverMORE**

(extra expense, must be pre-booked)
Discover Valldemossa, a charming village known for its stunning landscapes. Guided by an expert, explore the Carthusian Monastery, a historic site where composer Chopin and writer George Sand stayed in 1838. Visit its museum featuring original Chopin sheets and Sand's manuscripts. Enjoy a mini piano concert at the nearby King Sancho Palace, followed by free time to stroll through vibrant streets, savor local treats like Coca de patata and frozen almond milk, and shop for souvenirs. Finally, admire breathtaking views from the ancient residence of Archduke Luis Salvador at Son Marroig before returning to the port.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4.5 hours</p><p>Offshore: 08:00 - 17:00</p></p>

Arrives On: 19 Oct 26

Day 3: Ibiza (Spain)

<p><p>Ibiza's party scene is legendary, attracting thousands of revellers each year from around the world. This gorgeous Balearic Island, just off the coast of Spain, has become synonymous with electronic dance music, jetsetters lifestyle, and late-night revelry. Despite its hedonistic reputation however, Ibiza also promotes responsible tourism, with initiatives to ensure that the island's natural beauty, including beautiful sandy coves backed by pine-clad hills, is preserved for future generations. </p></p><p>DiscoverMORE
Dalt Vila walking tour (extra expense)
Explore the medieval enchantments of Old Town Ibiza, known as D'Alt Vila, with a guided walking tour through its UNESCO World Heritage Site. Traverse narrow lanes, steep cobbled streets, and panoramic terraces overlooking the town and bay. Enter D'Alt Vila through Ses Taules Gate, flanked by replicas of mighty Roman statues. From the main square, venture through this medieval realm, passing landmarks like the 14th-century cathedral, the Episcopal Palace, the historic Town Hall, and the Convent of the Dominicans. After the guided portion, enjoy some free time and a refreshment (coffee & ensaimada).
Activity Level: Strenuous Duration: 3.5 hours</p><p>DiscoverMORE
E-bike adventure (extra expense)
Start your biking adventure from Ibiza, cruising along the south-east coastline. Feel the coastal breeze as you pedal past the vibrant tourist beach of Playa de'n Bossa. Marvel at the imposing Torre d'es Carregador at the entrance of Ses Salines Park, a testament to Ibiza's historical significance. Continue your ride to the pristine Es Cavallet Beach, entering a small ecosystem protected by dunes and salt flats. After immersing yourself in the natural beauty of the coast, pedal back to Ibiza for a ride through D'Alt Vila. This upper part of Ibiza holds the traces of all the diverse peoples that once settled on the island. Admire the architecture, soak in the history, and capture the essence of Ibiza's cultural heritage.
Activity Level: Strenuous Duration: 3.5 hours</p><p>Docked: 08:00 - 20:00</p></p>

Arrives On: 20 Oct 26

Day 4: Alicante (Spain)

Along Spain's southeastern Costa Blanca coast, Alicante enjoys a lovely Mediterranean climate, bearing hot summers and mild winters, making it a popular holiday destination year-round. This port city is also known for its beautiful beaches such as Playa de San Juan and Postiguet Beach, which entice travellers from around the world. Set atop a hill in the heart of Alicante, you can discover the Castle of Santa Barbara, dating back to the 9th century. Today choose between our Included Excursion or EmeraldACTIVE option.

Included Excursion

Walk & Taste Alicante

Embark on an exclusive culinary journey through Alicante, one of the Mediterranean's most vibrant gastronomic destinations. Renowned for its rich heritage and devotion to locally sourced ingredients, this experience offers a taste of the region's flavors with elegance and authenticity. Your adventure begins at the Mercado Central, Alicante's central market and a treasure trove of fresh produce and artisanal delicacies. Here, you'll enjoy a curated tasting that showcases the essence of the region – a true introduction to the craftsmanship behind Alicante's cuisine. Next, take a leisurely, guided stroll through the city's historic heart. Along the way, you'll stop at one of Alicante's most iconic landmarks to savor a refined version of a beloved local treat: horchata de chufa, served chilled and velvety, paired with the delicate sweetness of a traditional fartón. This delightful experience captures the charm of the Mediterranean. Continue through the elegant streets to Plaza del Ayuntamiento, home to the Town Hall and the official zero-altitude reference point of Spain – a unique geographical and cultural landmark. Your journey concludes with an exclusive aperitif.

Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 3.75 hours

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Alicante & Downhill walk from Santa Barbara Castle

Explore Alicante on a captivating tour that blends history with leisure. Start with a scenic walk showcasing landmarks like the 18th-century Baroque town hall and the Museo de Hogueras, dedicated to the city's midsummer St. John's Eve celebration. After some free time, take a coach to the 9th-century Castle of Santa Bárbara, perched atop Mount Benacantil. The castle offers breathtaking views of the city and harbor. The tour concludes with a walk back to the port.

Activity Level: Strenuous, Duration: 3.15 hours

Docked: 12:00 - 22:00

Arrives On: 21 Oct 26

Day 5: Cartagena (Spain)

As a major naval station on the Mediterranean coast, Cartagena has been greatly influenced by various cultures over the centuries. This historical crossroads of civilisations is evident in the city's diverse architectural styles, ranging from Roman to Art Nouveau. A must-see landmark is the ancient Roman Theatre, unearthed in 1987 and restored for public viewing.

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Spain's most noble tradition: the strikingly elegant Andalusian horses

Just a few kilometres from Cartagena, this charming ranch showcases magnificent pure Spanish-bred horses with elegant bloodlines. For over 40 years, the Conesa family has operated this ranch, where visitors can observe broodmares and foals, and witness Spanish horse training and stallion management. The experience includes snacks while

watching a coordinated training by an Andalusian dancer and a stallion. Recognized as a finalist for the 2018 Seatrade Cruise Awards, this tour offers a unique glimpse into traditional ranch life and close interaction with nature and animals.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 3 hours</p><p>DiscoverMORE
Walking tour of Cartagena and Roman Theatre (extra expense)
Embark on a walking tour from the pier, following the sea wall to Town Hall Square and the main avenue, where you'll see striking modernist buildings from the early 20th century. Cartagena's historical significance, from a Carthaginian trading post in the 3rd century BC to an 18th-century naval base, is evident. Visit the Roman Theatre, built between the 5th and 1st centuries BC, which highlights the city's ancient glory. Explore the Old Quarter, showcasing "Modernist" townhouses from the late 19th to early 20th century, reflecting the wealth from a mining boom.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4 hours</p><p>Docked: 08:00 - 18:00</p></p>

Arrives On: 22 Oct 26

Day 6: Almería (Spain)

<p><p>Tucked away on the southeast corner of Spain's Mediterranean coast, one of the most remarkable features of Almería is its diverse landscapes. This Andalusian city is the home of the Tabernas Desert, the only desert in Europe, as well as the imposing Sierra de Alhamilla mountain range and captivating coastal stretches.</p></p><p>DiscoverMORE
Almeria City Walk and Tapas (extra expense)
Experience the rich history of Almeria, once an Arab stronghold, with a motorcoach ride to downtown, followed by a walking tour of the old town. Visit the Gothic Cathedral of Almeria, designed for dual purposes as a church and a defence against Berber pirates. Along the way, explore the 17th-century Convent of Las Puras, the Episcopal Palace, Cervantes Theatre, and the Mercantile Center. Conclude your adventure with tapas and refreshments at a local restaurant before heading back to the pier.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 3.25 hours</p><p>DiscoverMORE
Coast and Villages Panoramic Drive (extra expense)
This tour explores stunning mountainous landscapes, the Tabernas Desert, and the charming village of Mojácar. Known for its flat-roofed houses and white-washed walls, Mojácar offers breathtaking sea views. Stroll through its winding streets and discover the fortified church. On the return journey to the ship, you'll enjoy a scenic coastal route, passing the beautiful Sierra Cabrera Natural Park. This adventure combines natural beauty, cultural richness, and picturesque scenery, making it a memorable experience.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 5 hours</p><p>Docked: 08:00 - 18:00</p></p>

Arrives On: 23 Oct 26

Day 7: Gibraltar (Gibraltar)

<p><p>Immerse yourself in the territory of Gibraltar, notable for its incredible position on the southern tip of the Iberian Peninsula, akin to a 'guardian' to the entrance to the Mediterranean Sea.

It's interesting to note that despite being surrounded by Spain, Gibraltar has been under British rule since 1704. From traditional English pubs to Moroccan tea houses, Gibraltar offers visitors a truly unique cultural fusion.

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Tour of the Rock (extra expense)

The Rock of Gibraltar, a 1400-foot landmark, is tied to the legend of Hercules and features a British flair with its policemen and pubs. Our tour begins at the British/Spanish Frontier, leading us to Europa Point for panoramic views and photo opportunities of the Mediterranean and Atlantic convergence. We explore St. Michael's Cave's stunning formations set to classical music, spot the playful Rock Apes at King Charles "V" Wall, and pass the historic Moorish Castle before concluding the tour in the upper town area.

Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 2 hours

Docked: 12:00 - 06:00 (next day)

Arrives On: 24 Oct 26

Day 8: Tangier (Morocco)

Enjoy a morning sail to Tangier. Guarding the Strait of Gibraltar, Tangier has been Europe's gateway to Africa for centuries, welcoming with a blend of exotic cultures and influences unique to Morocco. Look, listen and smell: the diversity of the bustling local crowds, the heavy fragrances of spices in the colourful markets and murmurs of the sea and vibrant Old Town – a feast of sensations that stuns the senses.

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Tangier City Tour with American Legation & Tea (extra expense)

Discover Tangier, where Europe meets Africa, creating a vibrant cultural fusion. Experience the lively crowds, fragrant markets, and the soothing rhythms of land and sea in this captivating "white city." Start your adventure from the pier, exploring the enchanting Kasbah and the winding souks of the Medina, where you can barter for unique souvenirs and admire local handicrafts. Your journey also includes a visit to the American Legation and a well-earned break at Palais Zahia with traditional mint tea, fresh juices, and Moroccan pastries in a charming Andalusian setting.

Activity Level: Strenuous, Duration: 4 hours

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Cooking class at Blue Door (extra expense)

Begin your tour with a stroll through the Medina, exploring its narrow streets and vibrant markets. Guided by an expert, learn basic Arabic phrases as you navigate the souks. Next, head to a local culinary school for a hands-on cooking experience in English, where each participant actively engages in crafting a delicious Moroccan Tagine. The event culminates in a delightful, shared meal, allowing guests to savour the fruits of their labor after a day of cultural immersion and culinary adventure.

Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4 hours

Docked: 11:00 - 19:00

Arrives On: 25 Oct 26

Day 9: Málaga (Spain)

Your luxurious yacht cruise returns to the beautiful Andalusia region, concluding in Málaga, where you'll be transferred to the airport for your return flight home or to continue your

holiday. </p></p><p>Please book your flight to depart out of Malaga after 01:00 PM.</p><p><p>Docked: 08:00</p></p><p>*Please verify with the Shore Excursion Manager onboard whether a DiscoverMORE tour is available on disembarkation day. </p></p><p>The itinerary is a guide only and may be amended for operational reasons. As such Emerald Cruises cannot guarantee the cruise will operated unaltered from the itinerary states above. Please refer to our terms and conditions for further information.</p></p>

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