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Cruise Details

Name:	Coastlines Like Works Of Art
Reference:	HAPAGEUX2816
Operator:	Hapag-Lloyd Cruises
Cruise Type:	Ocean
Cruise Rating:	Luxury
Ship:	MS EUROPA 2
Regions:	Northern Europe
Departs On:	10 Jul 28
Departs From:	Hamburg
Arrives On:	24 Jul 28
Arrives At:	Málaga
Cruise Nights:	14
Total Vacation Days:	15

Itinerary

Day 1: Hamburg (Germany)

Arrives On: 10 Jul 28

Day 3: Dover (England)

The striking white cliffs of Dover rise up to 106 m (347 ft) above the deep-blue waves – with their bright limestone visible from afar, they have always been considered a symbol of the region. Dover itself is a coastal town in the county of Kent and one of the most important ferry ports in Great Britain. Only about two hours from London, it is a popular starting point for exploring the British capital: the metropolis of contrasts is a lively mosaic of history and modernity, culture and culinary indulgence, inviting visitors to explore its many sights.

Arrives On: 12 Jul 28

Day 4: Cowes, Isle of Wight (England)

A diamond-shaped island full of history and charm – the Isle of Wight lies off the south coast of England and attracts visitors with its unique shape and impressive nature. Once part of Hampshire, it has been independent since 1974, with Newport as its capital. The striking chalk hills stretch across the centre of the island and plunge dramatically into the sea in the west. In Cowes, one of the largest towns on the island, nature lovers meet sailing enthusiasts, as Cowes is particularly known for the Admiral's Cup. Hikers can enjoy the well-signposted trails with breathtaking views of the steep coast and imposing chalk cliffs. Take your time to soak up the impressions – thanks to the long lay time.

Arrives On: 13 Jul 28

Day 5: Saint Peter Port (Guernsey)

Guernsey, the pearl of the Channel Islands, is an inviting place with its breathtaking cliffs, hidden bays, picturesque hilly interior and interesting history. Its natural landscapes inspired the famous painter, Renoir, and the author Victor Hugo also lived here for a while. The gardens around Saint Peter Port, the island capital and the prettiest little town in the British Channel Islands, would be the perfect subject for an impressionist painting. Experience this Mediterranean-like place for yourself – a fascinating labyrinth of terraces and hidden gardens is just waiting to be discovered. Castle Cornet has been a landmark of Saint Peter Port since the Middle Ages: explore this mystical fortress or simply enjoy the peace and quiet on a spectacular cliff path.

Arrives On: 14 Jul 28

Day 6: Brest (France)

The Atlantic breeze, lively harbour atmosphere and magnificent location on the bay characterise the flair of Brest. The largest city in western Brittany looks back on a long history to be seen at the Chateau de Brest, among other places: The imposing fortress, which towers over the mouth of the Penfield River offering wonderful views, now houses the Naval Museum, which is well worth a visit. You can enjoy the modern French way of life in the Siam district, where boutiques, cafes and chocolate shops invite you to shop, sample the wares and while away some time. Pompon de Brest – salted caramel covered in dark chocolate – is particularly tempting.

Arrives On: 15 Jul 28

Day 8: Vigo (Spain)

Once a small fishing village, Vigo now combines maritime flair with Galician zest for life and many opportunities to enjoy yourself under the Spanish sun. The old town district of Cidade Vella, with its narrow winding streets and historic archways, will awaken your spirit of discovery. Be sure to try out the authentic restaurants serving freshly caught oysters and fish specialities as well. A visit to MARCO, the Museum of Contemporary Art, which focuses on the work of up-and-coming young

artists, promises a wealth of inspiration. Another place to visit for some lasting memories is Monte do Castro, which offers a magnificent view of Vigo and the surrounding area next to an old fortress. Thanks to the long lay time, you'll enjoy fascinating experiences until the evening hours.

Arrives On: 17 Jul 28

Day 9: Leixões (Portugal)

Welcome to Leixoes, your starting point for exploring Porto, and experience the hustle and bustle of one of Portugal's most important maritime trading centres and the pretty beach promenade of the Foz do Douro district. There, you can stroll down the narrow streets of Ribiera's old town, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, or admire the colourful houses nestled in the hills of the Douro riverbanks. Other highlights, such as the Torre dos Clerigos bell tower and the cathedral adorned with gleaming azulejos tiles, can be easily explored on foot. The beauty of Portugal's secret capital is impressive – even from the water: on board one of the traditional rabelo boats, magnificent views open up.

Arrives On: 18 Jul 28

Day 10: Lisbon (Portugal)

A unique blend of magnificent palaces, historic monasteries and picturesque narrow streets greets visitors to the Portuguese capital. Lisbon has a magical charm of times gone by and surprises in store at every corner. The medieval Castelo de Sao Jorge stands guard over the city, while the Alfama district with its narrow winding streets and staircases offers an authentic insight into the old Lisbon. Don't miss a trip on the famous Tram 28, which winds its way up and down the hills. Cafes, shops and street sellers make the city centre a lively place to be. With its many lifts and trams, the city's steep hills are easy to explore and its many sights can be reached on foot. The ship will stay overnight – perfect for enjoying your time in Lisbon to the fullest.

Arrives On: 19 Jul 28

Day 11: Lisbon (Portugal)

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Arrives On: 20 Jul 28

Day 12: Portimão (Portugal)

The copper-red cliffs along the Algarve coast, which rise up almost vertically from the deep-blue sea, make Portimao a real highlight. The charming old town and the marina are perfect for relaxed walks, while the Praia da Rocha – an endless, golden shimmering beach – invites you to enjoy soaking up some rays of sun. Numerous other bays, dune islands and crystal-clear water are perfect for beach days at your own leisure, which will quickly make you forget the everyday. Take your time to soak up the impressions in Portimao – thanks to the long lay time.

Arrives On: 21 Jul 28

Day 13: Cádiz (Spain)

The white buildings of Cadiz appear on the horizon, while the golden domes of the cathedral reflect the bright blue sky. The screeches of seagulls and the sound of the waves are carried on the wind. Cadiz, with its history dating back over 3,000 years, was once a lively trading centre. Today, the city retains its pride in its majestic palaces, the Miradores, which offer a breathtaking view over the endless sea. And as you approach the long sandy beach, you almost expect Halle Berry to emerge from the waves – as she did in the famous James Bond scene filmed here. Enjoy the atmosphere in complete relaxation thanks to a long lay time.

Arrives On: 22 Jul 28

Day 14: Málaga (Spain)

Andalusia's second-largest city exudes the scent of orange groves and the heat of the sun, which shines over the Bay of Malaga. The majestic Montes de Malaga mountain range is just a few kilometres north of the city, whereas the 130 m (426 ft) high Gibralfaro rises up in the city centre: from the walls of the Castillo de Gibralfaro, you can see Malaga in all its beauty – with the old town dominated by the elegant towers of the cathedral, one of the most beautiful in the Mediterranean. Beneath the castle are the romantic gardens of the Moorish Alcazaba fortress, a great place to while away some time. Wine lovers will appreciate the fertile soils of the Vega, which produce wines like Pedro Ximenez. Malaga is a feast for all the senses. Your ship will stay overnight so that you can enjoy the impressions well into the evening.

Arrives On: 23 Jul 28

Day 15: Málaga (Spain)

Arrives On: 24 Jul 28

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