



Cruise Details

Name:	Icons of Spain and the French Riviera
Reference:	SCENIC281M210427-1A
Operator:	Scenic Ocean Cruises
Cruise Type:	Ocean
Cruise Rating:	Ultra Luxury
Ship:	Scenic Eclipse
Regions:	Mediterranean
Departs On:	21 Apr 27
Departs From:	Málaga
Arrives On:	28 Apr 27
Arrives At:	Monte-Carlo
Cruise Nights:	7
Total Vacation Days:	8

Itinerary

Day 1: Málaga (Spain)

Welcome to Spain's famous Costa del Sol and the 3,000-year-old city of Malaga. Millions of visitors flock to the region for its namesake sunshine, rich history and artistic soul. Uncover culinary delights such as 'tinto de verano', a refreshing iced summer wine, and wander streets filled with architectural marvels.

This afternoon, you'll board your 6-star, ultra-luxury Discovery Yacht for your Signature Yacht Cruise. You will be shown to your spacious suite, where you can enjoy a drink on your private verandah and toast the start of this ultra-luxurious voyage.

Scenic transfers are only available for flights arriving into Malaga prior to 02:00 PM.

Docked: 21:00

Arrives On: 21 Apr 27

Day 2: Almería (Spain)

Immerse yourself in the rich history of Almería, where the majestic La Alcazaba fortress stands as a powerful symbol of Spain's Moorish heritage. Built in the mid-10th century, it was once one of the country's mightiest fortresses, second only to the iconic Alhambra. As your Discovery Yacht sails into port, enjoy the breathtaking coastal views before stepping ashore to explore Almería's lively streets and historic treasures. With its perfect mix of culture, history, and stunning landscapes, Almería offers an unforgettable experience that will captivate you at every turn.

Scenic Freechoice: Almeria City Tour & Tapas: Explore Almeria's rich history on a walking tour through its old town, visiting the fortified Cathedral, historic landmarks, and charming streets before enjoying authentic tapas at a local restaurant.

Coast & Typical Villages Panoramic Drive: Discover the rugged beauty of the Tabernas Desert and wander through Mojacar's quaint whitewashed streets, enjoying panoramic Mediterranean views before a scenic drive along the coast.

Tastes and Traditions of the Alpujarra Region: Head to Laujar to see colourful Jarapa weaving, then visit vineyards in Andarax valley for a wine tasting, enjoying views of Sierra Nevada and Europe's largest vegetable-producing area.

Visit to the Guitar Museum, Flamenco & Tapas: Explore Almería's culture with a visit to the Guitar Museum, a live Flamenco show at Peña El Taranto, and a local tapas tasting at a traditional Andalusian tavern.

Docked: 8:00 – 18:00

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Day 3: Alicante (Spain)

Wake this morning in the city of Alicante, one of Spain's most popular tourist destinations and unofficial capital of the Costa Blanca (White Coast).

Alicante is built around the base of the imposing Moorish fortress of Castillo de Santa Barbara, dating back to the 9th century; climb the hill or take the elevator to explore. In El Barrio, the Old Town, soak up the sun with a walk along the beautiful, palm-tree lined Explanada de España.

Make your reservation for the Night Market @ Koko's (available by on board reservation), where chefs prepare unique dishes inspired by the street markets of Asia while you watch.

Scenic Freechoice:

Elche: City of Parks & Palms and Alicante: Discover Elche, a charming city renowned for its extensive palm groves. Enjoy a scenic drive past key landmarks before visiting Huerto del Cura, a peaceful garden filled with Mediterranean and tropical plants. Admire the famous seven-fronded Imperial Palm and stroll through the shaded pathways before returning to Alicante.

Medieval Alicante: Discover Alicante's fascinating medieval heritage, shaped by centuries of Muslim and Christian influence. Explore the historic Vinalopó region and visit the impressive castles of Villena and Biar, both National Monuments. Admire their towers, walls and fortifications while learning about the region's history and experiencing its authentic medieval atmosphere.

Downhill hike from Santa Barbara Castle: Discover Alicante's history and traditions on a guided city walk, visiting the Baroque Town Hall and the Museo de Hogueras,

dedicated to the city's famous St. John's Eve festival. Enjoy free time before visiting Santa Bárbara Castle, a historic fortress offering spectacular views over Alicante and its harbour.

Walk & Taste Alicante: Discover Alicante through its vibrant culinary heritage, beginning with tastings at the Central Market. Stroll through the historic centre while sampling traditional horchata and fartón, then visit Plaza del Ayuntamiento. Conclude with an elegant aperitif featuring local Alicante wine and a gourmet tapa, celebrating the region's authentic flavours. </p><p>Docked: 8:00 – 18:00 </p>

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Day 4: Barcelona (Spain)

<p>Discover the vibrant energy of Barcelona, a city where lively culture meets rich history and captivating outdoor spaces. Be inspired by Gaudí's whimsical masterpieces and stroll along iconic boulevards like Las Ramblas, a mile-long, tree-lined promenade. From the enchanting city blocks to the awe-inspiring La Sagrada Família cathedral, Barcelona promises an unforgettable experience. </p><p>Scenic Freechoice:
Barcelona by E-bike: Explore Barcelona by e-bike, discovering iconic landmarks including the Born district, Ciutadella Park, Sagrada Família, Casa Milà, Casa Batlló, Rambla and Port Olímpic. Continue with a relaxed walking tour and enjoy a refreshing drink and delicious tapas at a local bar before returning by coach.

The Gothic Quarter & its Public Markets: Explore Barcelona's historic heart on foot, wandering through the Gothic Quarter, Plaça de Sant Jaume and the Jewish Quarter. Visit La Boqueria Market and enjoy free time to discover local flavours, followed by traditional churros. Continue to Cathedral Square, Santa Maria del Pi and vibrant Santa Caterina Market.

Sagrada Família & Modernist Sant Pau: Discover Barcelona's modernist heritage with visits to Gaudí's iconic Sagrada Família and the stunning Modernist Sant Pau complex. Admire the basilica's soaring architecture, intricate details and colourful stained glass, then explore Sant Pau's elegant pavilions, gardens and decorative features, showcasing the creativity and innovation of Catalan Modernism. </p><p>Docked: 13:00 - overnight</p>

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Day 5: Barcelona (Spain)

<p>On your second day in Barcelona, explore the picturesque medieval lanes of the Gothic Quarter, the city's oldest district, where traces of the ancient Roman wall have been uncovered. Among its many treasures is the stunning neo-Gothic Barcelona Cathedral, a true masterpiece of architecture. </p><p>Alternatively, immerse yourself in one of the Scenic Freechoice experiences, offering a unique way to discover the beauty and charm of Barcelona. </p><p>Scenic Freechoice:
Montserrat: Discover the breathtaking beauty and spiritual heritage of Montserrat, home to its magnificent 16th-century Basilica and the revered Black Madonna. Explore the serene

surroundings, admire the mountain scenery, and, time permitting, visit the sacred Camarín. Enjoy a relaxing break before the scenic return journey.

Discover Barcelona Through its Flavours: Experience Barcelona through the flavours of Catalonia, sampling traditional favourites such as smoky Padrón peppers, pan con tomate with olive oil and creamy crema catalana. Enjoy these local specialities alongside a refreshing glass of sangria, discovering the authentic tastes and vibrant culinary traditions that define Barcelona's food culture. </p><p>Docked: overnight - 16:00 </p>

Arrives On: 25 Apr 27

Day 6: Marseille (France)

<p>The oldest city in France, Marseille dates to 600BC. Today, it's a fast-paced, modern city brimming with multicultural flavours, and flanked by breathtaking natural scenery and golden beaches. This is a place where grit and grandeur meet, offering a fascinating insight into contemporary French culture. Explore its ancient streets and diverse neighbourhoods, marvel at iconic landmarks such as the Basilique Notre-Dame de la Garde and treat yourself to the freshest seafood and traditional delicacies. Marseille is also the gateway to the region of Provence, famous for its wine and cuisine. </p><p>Scenic Freechoice:
Aix En Provence: Discover elegant Aix-en-Provence on a guided walk through its historic old town and iconic Cours Mirabeau, with free time to explore before returning to Marseille.

Marseille Highlights: Discover Marseille's charm with stunning views from Notre-Dame de la Garde, a stroll by the modern MuCEM and historic Fort Saint-Jean, then unwind with free time to explore the lively Old Port or the colourful streets of Le Panier.

Castellet & Wine Tasting: Enjoy a scenic drive from Marseille to Bandol for a premium wine and olive oil tasting, then explore the charming medieval village of Le Castellet with stunning views.

Private Boat trip to Calanques & Cassis: Travel to the pastel-coloured fishing village of Cassis and experience its charm from both land and sea. Explore its lively waterfront before boarding a small boat to glide between the dramatic limestone cliffs and turquoise coves of the Calanques—one of Provence's natural treasures. </p><p>Docked: 8:30 – 21:00</p>

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Day 7: Saint-Tropez (France)

<p>Saint-Tropez, once a quiet fishing village, became a glamorous travel destination in the 1950s, thanks to Brigitte Bardot and the film And God Created Woman. Today, it still retains all the glitz and glamour, alongside glittering blue seas, stunning beaches and a bohemian art scene. Stroll along the cobblestone streets of the old fishing quarter of La Ponche, and revel in the abstract architecture and sunlit landscapes that inspired great artists and filmmakers. With a late departure, see Saint-Tropez come alive after dark. </p><p>Scenic Freechoice:
Walking Tour of Saint-Tropez: Stroll through Saint-Tropez's charming

streets, visiting the Town Hall square and Saint Tropez church. Enjoy panoramic views from the summit, explore artistic heritage and opt to return or explore further.

Domaine Rayol Gardens: Drive along the scenic coast to Domaine du Rayol's 20-hectare gardens, a preserved oasis reflecting global coastal beauty. Explore with a gardening expert and enjoy a "pause gourmande" - a sweet break with refreshments.

Gassin & Wine Tasting: Discover Provence's charm on a tour to Gassin's picturesque streets with stunning Gulf of St-Tropez views. Enjoy a wine tasting at a family-owned winery, savouring local flavours and winemaking insights.

St. Tropez Coastal Hike: Embark on a scenic four-mile coastal hike with a guide, enjoying Cap Camarat's lighthouse views and luxurious villas. Pause for refreshments, then choose to return to the ship or explore St. Tropez's charm.

Visit to the Cistercian Abbey of Thoronet with lunch at Chateau de Berne: Travel by boat from St Tropez to St Maxime, then enjoy a scenic drive through Provençal countryside to Thoronet Abbey, a beautifully preserved Cistercian masterpiece. Explore its Romanesque architecture and peaceful cloisters before continuing to Château de Berne for a delicious lunch with wine, followed by your return journey. </p><p>Anchored: 8:00 – 23:00 </p>

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Day 8: Monte-Carlo (Monaco)

<p>Your voyage ends in the breathtaking Monte Carlo. The most famous district in the world's second-smallest country, Monaco, it attracts high-rollers and prodigious wealth with luxurious high-rise hotels, designer boutiques and beautiful people at every turn.

After breakfast, farewell the crew and new friends who shared this incredible journey with you. You'll be transferred to the airport for your onward journey or return flight home, taking with you memories that will last a lifetime.</p><p>Scenic transfers are only available for flights departing out of Nice after 12:00 PM.</p><p>Docked: 8:00</p><p>#Senses Spa treatments and services at additional cost. Daily activities may be subject to change; please consult your Daily Wonder for updates. +All drinks on board, including those stocked in your mini bar, are included, except for a very small number of rare, fine and vintage wines, Champagnes and spirits. Specialty restaurants require a reservation, enquire on board. ^Flights on board our two helicopters and submersible experiences are at additional cost, subject to regulatory approval, availability, weight restrictions, medical approval and weather, ice and tidal conditions.</p><p>Helicopter not operational in France. Submersible not operational on this voyage.</p><p>The itinerary is a guide only and may be amended for operational reasons. As such Scenic cannot guarantee the voyage will operate unaltered from the itinerary stated above. Please refer to our terms and conditions for further information.</p>

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