Cruise Details

Name:	Ultimate Cultures & Wonders of Europe: Italy to Ireland
Reference:	SCENIC312M050527-2
Operator:	Scenic Ocean Cruises
Cruise Type:	Ocean
Cruise Rating:	Ultra Luxury
Ship:	Scenic Eclipse
Regions:	Northern Europe
Departs On:	05 May 27
Departs From:	Civitavecchia
Arrives On:	27 May 27
Arrives At:	Dublin
Cruise Nights:	22
Total Vacation Days:	23

Itinerary

Day 1: Civitavecchia (Italy)

Welcome to the Eternal City, where ancient monuments and elaborate churches sit alongside busy cafes and designer boutiques. Your ultra-luxury Discovery Yacht will be waiting at Civitavecchia, a Roman port dating back to the second century. When you arrive, be warmly welcomed on board by the Captain and crew. Settle in your 6-star suite and ask the butler to help you choose from the pillow menu. Head to the Sky Bar on Deck 10 and toast the beginning of an unforgettable voyage as you watch the city’s twinkling lights. Scenic transfers are only available for flights arriving into Rome prior to 02:00 PM. Docked: 18:00

Arrives On: 05 May 27

Day 2: Sorrento (Italy)

Your first stop is Sorrento, a gorgeous resort town overlooking the Bay of Naples. Known as the land of lemons and orange groves, Sorrento’s natural assets have been put to good use; it’s the birthplace of limoncello liqueur. Sorrento is also the gateway to the spectacular Amalfi Coast, which stretches away along the rocky shoreline of the deep blue Mediterranean. Spend your day wandering Sorrento’s peaceful alleyways and discover its historic pastel buildings, grand villas, luxury hotels and picturesque cafes. In the early morning, Scenic Eclipse will set sail towards Capri. Enjoy spectacular views from the open deck as the island’s iconic cliffs and shimmering waters come into view, setting the stage for a magical day. Scenic Freechoice:
Guided Tour of Pompeii: Step back in time with a guided exploration of Pompeii, remarkably preserved beneath volcanic ash after Mount Vesuvius erupted in 79 A.D. Discover ancient streets, villas, frescoes and mosaics while learning about Roman life. Conclude with a refreshing drink and a slice of authentic Neapolitan pizza before returning to Sorrento.

Hike on the Path of Gods & Positano: Travel to Agerola for a scenic hike high above the Amalfi Coast, enjoying breathtaking views of coastal villages and Mount Pertuso. Continue to picturesque Positano, where pastel-coloured houses, boutiques and seaside cafés await. Enjoy free time to explore before returning to Sorrento.

Walking tour of Sorrento: Explore Sorrento on foot, discovering the Valley of the Mills, Sant’Antonino Church, San Francesco Cloister, historic fishing harbor and charming old town. Admire Sorrento Bay’s views while learning about local history and heritage. Conclude your stroll with a refreshing taste of authentic Italian gelato or lemon granita.

Taste of Sorrento: Visit a local farm near Sorrento and discover the traditional art of mozzarella making. Stroll through lemon and olive groves while sampling freshly baked bread, cheeses and salami. Meet your gracious host, learn about authentic Italian food production and enjoy a peaceful taste of the countryside. Anchored: 8:00 – 23:00

Arrives On: 06 May 27

Day 3: Capri (Italy)

Capri’s mythical charm has captured hearts for more than 2,000 years. Roman Emperor Caesar Augustus fell in love with the island in 29BC, building villas, temples and gardens for his own private paradise. Today, its jaw-dropping beauty still draws royalty, celebrities and fashionable travelers from across the world. Wander through the Piazzetta and listen to the melodious chiming of the clock tower, admire the impossibly blue ocean as it crashes onto the cliffs, and taste its famous flourless chocolate cake or a fresh caprese salad. Scenic Freechoice:
Walking Tour of Capri & Augustus Gardens: Experience the elegance of Capri with a scenic ride to Marina Grande, followed by a funicular ascent to the village centre. Visit the beautiful Caesar Augustus Gardens, take in iconic views, and enjoy free time to explore boutiques and cafés before returning to the pier.

Island of Capri by Land & Sea: Cruise Capri’s east coast, visit Monte Solaro via chairlift for panoramic views, then enjoy free time in Anacapri and Capri village before descending to the port

via funicular.

Capri Natural Arch & Capri Town Walking Tour: Arrive in Capri town and walk to the Natural Arch through the main centre, enjoying stunning island and sea views. Then return via Via Camerelle to visit Augustus Gardens, followed by a refreshment break.

Limoncello Experience: Tender ashore to Capri, then travel to a private villa in Anacapri. Craft limoncello from hand-picked garden lemons, enjoy a tasting, and receive a bottle as a gift to take home, concluding with a scenic return drive. Anchored: 8:00 – 19:30

Arrives On: 07 May 27

Day 4: Taormina (Italy)

This morning, you'll sail through the Strait of Messina, which separates the Italian mainland from Sicily. The passage offers stunning views of rugged coastlines and distant mountains on the way to Giardini Naxos. This popular and picturesque seaside resort stands on the site of Sicily's earliest Greek colony, offering a glimpse into the island's ancient past. Known as the Jewel of Sicily, Taormina was once a stop on the famed Grand Tour of the 19th century. Today it's packed with luxury hotels, exceptional restaurants and designer boutiques. It's also the gateway to Mount Etna, the largest active volcano in Europe. Scenic Freechoice:
Walking Tour of Taormina: Enjoy a scenic drive to Taormina to explore the Greek Theatre and Cathedral, then free time to shop or stroll the medieval streets.

Etna & Wine Experience: Traverse winding mountain roads to explore Europe's largest active volcano, Mt. Etna, Crater Silvestri, before visiting a local winery.

Hike to Madonna della Rocca: Travel to Taormina, then hike to Madonna della Rocca sanctuary at 400m altitude, for stunning views of the sea, mountains and Mount Etna. Enjoy a refreshment before returning to the pier. Anchored: 12:00 – 19:00

Arrives On: 08 May 27

Day 5: Valletta (Malta)

Imposing protective walls and towering bastions announce the Maltese capital of Valletta as you approach by sea. Situated on a narrow peninsula, Valletta was founded in 1566 by the Knights of St. John and remains a living testament to their vision and glory. Today, the town is a compact historical gem brimming with Baroque masterpieces and captivating stories. Scenic Freechoice:
Guided Tour of Mdina & Valletta: Discover Malta's historic capitals, beginning in fortified Mdina with its medieval streets and panoramic views. Continue to Valletta, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, to admire St. John's Co-Cathedral, the Grand Master's Palace and Upper Barrakka Gardens, while exploring the city's remarkable Baroque architecture and heritage.

Panoramic Tour of Malta with Wine Tasting: Explore Malta's colourful fishing village of Marsaxlokk and enjoy panoramic views of the

Blue Grotto and Filfla Island. Continue through the countryside to a local winery for a guided tasting of Maltese wines and delicacies, followed by a scenic photo stop overlooking historic St. Paul's Islands before returning.

Getting to Know Malta: Discover Malta's rich history and distinctive character on a guided journey through some of the island's most notable landmarks and landscapes. Along the way, gain insight into its cultural heritage, traditions and centuries of Mediterranean influence.

Trekking & Kayaking Experience: Experience Malta's striking coastline from land and water, combining a guided trek with a kayaking adventure. Take in the island's rugged scenery, clear waters and coastal views during this active exploration. Scenic Enrich
The Knights' Fortress: An Afternoon at Fort St Angelo: Step inside historic Fort St Angelo for a special afternoon inspired by Malta's remarkable Knights of St. John. Explore the heritage and atmosphere of this iconic Valletta landmark. Docked: 8:00 – 17:00

Arrives On: 09 May 27

Day 6: Tunis (Tunisia)

A fascinating crossroads of cultures, Tunis has at its heart the UNESCO-listed Medina, a maze of winding alleyways filled with bustling souks, historic mosques, and ornate palaces. Just beyond the city, the legendary ruins of Carthage stand as a testament to one of history's greatest civilizations, offering a glimpse into the power and grandeur of the ancient Phoenician and Roman empires. Scenic Freechoice:
Carthage & Sidi Bou Said: Step into Tunisia's ancient and coastal heritage on a guided visit to the legendary ruins of Carthage, followed by time in the picturesque village of Sidi Bou Said. Discover archaeological remains of this once-powerful Mediterranean city before exploring whitewashed lanes, blue-painted doors and sweeping views across the Gulf of Tunis.

Carthage Tour: Uncover the story of ancient Carthage on a guided exploration of its remarkable archaeological sites. See highlights including the Antonine Baths, Roman cisterns and Byrsa Hill, and gain insight into the Phoenician, Punic and Roman civilisations that shaped this influential Mediterranean city.

Medina & Guided Visit of Sidi Bou Said: Experience two of Tunisia's most evocative destinations, combining the lively Medina of Tunis with the coastal charm of Sidi Bou Said. Wander through traditional souks and historic lanes before enjoying time among the village's white-and-blue architecture, local boutiques and panoramic Bay of Tunis views. Docked: 13:00 – 19:00

Arrives On: 10 May 27

Day 7: Annaba (ex Bone) (Algeria)

Discover Annaba, Algeria's vibrant eastern coastal gem and its fourth-largest city, brimming with rich history and cultural significance. Once known as Hippo Regius, it was an important centre of the Roman Empire and the home of Saint Augustine, one of Christianity's most

influential figures. Beyond its archaeological wonders, Annaba boasts a scenic coastline, lively markets, and elegant French colonial architecture, blending European and North African influences. Scenic Freechoice:
Annaba Highlights: Discover Annaba’s religious, historic and everyday character on a guided journey through its principal landmarks. Visit the hilltop Basilica of Saint Augustine, explore the atmospheric streets of the old town and enjoy time along the city’s central Cours de la Révolution boulevard.

Guelma & Hammam Debagh: Travel beyond Annaba to experience the Roman heritage and dramatic natural landscapes of the Guelma region. Visit the Roman Theatre of Guelma, enjoy a regional lunch, admire the mineral formations at Hammam Debagh’s hot springs and waterfalls, and conclude at the Basilica of Saint Augustine.

Hippo Regius & Saint Augustine’s Basilica: Explore the ancient site of Hippo Regius, where archaeological remains and museum artefacts reveal Annaba’s Phoenician, Numidian and Roman past. Continue to the Basilica of Saint Augustine and enjoy a glimpse of the city’s modern atmosphere along Cours de la Révolution. Docked: 10:00 – 19:00

Arrives On: 11 May 27

Day 9: 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 ship 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: 11:00 – 20:00

Arrives On: 13 May 27

Day 10: Marbella (Spain)

Known for luxury cars, expensive shops and impressive yachts, Puerto Banús sets the standard in exclusivity. This small town was developed in the 1970s to be the perfect combination of Andalusian culture; part fishing village, part stylish port town with sophistication and elegance. Set against a backdrop of immense mountains, wind your way through the town's narrow streets lined with flower boxes. Or experience one of the excellent golf courses that dot the hills behind the town. Indulge in the vibrant atmosphere of the glamorous bars before returning onboard for an evening of relaxation and luxury. Scenic Freechoice:
Ronda & Olives Heritage: Discover Ronda's iconic sights, including Puente Nuevo and the historic bullring, then visit LA Organic for an olive oil tasting and lunch in the Andalusian countryside.

Hiking at Nieves Natural Park: Hike through the scenic Sierra de las Nieves Park, spotting native wildlife and rare Spanish firs, then rest and unwind with a local tapas and drink.

Kayak in Puerto Banús: Enjoy a guided kayak tour from Marbella's marina, paddling along the beautiful coastline with views of the town and Sierra Blanca mountains, and a chance to swim in the clear Mediterranean waters.

From the Tree to Bottle: The Olive Oil Journey: Visit Basilippo, a family-run olive oil estate near Carmona, surrounded by thousands of Arbequina olive trees. Discover traditional and sustainable production methods during a guided mill visit, then enjoy a comparative tasting of award-winning extra virgin olive oils and a creative local dish before browsing the estate's products. Anchored: 8:00 – 17:00

Arrives On: 14 May 27

Day 11: Portimão (Portugal)

On the western Algarve, Portimão is a small port with a bustling historic centre. Spend the day exploring this former fishing town, where architectural masterpieces from the 19th and 20th century seamlessly blend with colourful contemporary structures, fronted by a breathtaking promenade. Visit the shops selling traditional lace, ceramics and leather goods, and experience one of the many fantastic restaurants. Admire the steep limestone cliffs that surround its sandy beach of Praia da Rocha and swim in its turquoise waters. Scenic Freechoice:
Cabo St. Vicente & Sagres Fort: Visit Sagres Fortress and Cape St. Vincent for dramatic ocean views and maritime history, then explore the historic town of Lagos at your leisure.

Ponta da Piedade: Discover the idyllic setting of Ponta da Piedade on a traditional boat tour to see the area's monumental cliffs and unbelievable tunnels and caves.

E-Biking to Praia da Rocha: Enjoy Portimão's beautiful views on a biking tour to the beach Praia da Rocha.

Silves & Wine Tasting: Explore the historic village of Silves, the former Algarve capital, discover the iconic Silves Castle and indulge in a wine-tasting experience at Villa Alvor. Docked: 11:00 – 19:00

Arrives On: 15 May 27

Day 12: Lisbon (Portugal)

Welcome to Lisbon, Portugal’s vibrant capital, and a city of rich maritime heritage and stunning architecture. Perched on seven hills overlooking the Tagus River, its cobbled streets lead to grand plazas, historic landmarks and lively neighbourhoods filled with cafés and boutiques. Explore the city’s unique blend of old and new, from medieval castles and ornate monasteries to contemporary art and modern design. Whether wandering through the atmospheric alleys of Alfama, admiring the intricate tilework of historic buildings or savouring local delicacies, Lisbon captivates with its warm spirit. Docked: 8:00 - 18:00

Arrives On: 16 May 27

Day 13: Leixões (Portugal)

Spend the morning getting to know your ultra-luxury Discovery Yacht before we arrive in Porto. One of Portugal’s largest seaports, Leixões is just 8 kilometres from the heart of Porto, where the city shares its name with one of the country’s best-known exports, port wine. Located at the mouth of the Douro River, Porto is a World Heritage-listed city of baroque splendour, Gothic cathedrals, and incredible food. Wander through winding alleys lined with houses decorated with Portuguese tiles, see the city’s street art, and take in the views from the cable car and funicular. Scenic Freechoice:
Porto City Tour & Gaia Wine Cellars: Explore Porto's historical and cultural charm, including the iconic Cathedral, UNESCO-listed Ribeira district and renowned port wine cellars in Gaia, where you can taste its rich flavours.

Porto Active City Tour & Palacio da Bolsa: Discover Porto’s historic streets on an active walking tour, admiring ClerigosTower’s 250-year legacy and Sao Bento Station’s azulejo (Portuguese tile) artistry. Stroll Flores Street’s charm and explore Palacio da Bolsa’s opulent interiors, then enjoy some free time to savour the city’s vibrant ambiance.

Guimarães & Ducal Palace: Journey through time in UNESCO-listed Guimarães, considered the birthplace of Portugal, admiring its medieval centre and the 15th-century Ducal Palace, once home to the Dukes of Braganza. Explore its regal halls and restored charm, reflecting Portugal’s rich heritage.

Aveleda Winery - A Journey Through the Senses: Visit Quinta da Aveleda, an historic estate since 1870 in the Vinho Verde region. Stroll its tranquil gardens, learn its winemaking heritage and savour signature wines paired with local delicacies. Docked: 12:00 – 19:00

Arrives On: 17 May 27

Day 14: Ferrol (Spain)

Start your day relaxing in your suite. Ask your butler to bring you breakfast in bed or alternatively, choose to savour it in the Yacht Club before arriving in Ferrol. Explore the boutiques and Galician-style houses in Ferrol’s Magdalena neighbourhood, a declared Historic-Artistic site, and visit the 18th century San Felipe Castle, where bulwarks and cannons defended the city. Scenic

Freechoice:
Ferrol & Betanzos: Visit the medieval town of Betanzos for a guided walk through historic streets and Gothic churches, followed by free time to explore. End with a panoramic drive through Ferrol's landmarks and coastal scenery.

La Coruna & Tapas: Enjoy a scenic drive from El Ferrol to A Coruña, with views of the Atlantic and a photo stop at the ancient Tower of Hercules. Stroll through the old town to Plaza María Pita, then unwind with Galician tapas and wine at a traditional bar.

Coastal E-Bike Adventure: Set out on an active e-bike ride through Ferrol’s coastal surroundings, taking in picturesque landscapes and sweeping views along the way. Enjoy a different perspective of the region as you follow a guided route combining natural scenery with local highlights. Docked: 13:00 – 20:00

Arrives On: 18 May 27

Day 15: Aviles (Spain)

Sailing into Avilés, you'll be greeted by stunning views of the picturesque harbour and its beautiful blend of medieval and modern architecture. The city's old town, or Casco Antiguo, features a range of well-preserved medieval buildings and streets. Highlights include the Plaza del Carbayedo, a charming square home to a lively weekly market. For a deeper dive into the region's heritage, explore nearby Oviedo, a World Heritage site renowned for its rich history and stunning architecture. As you sail out of Avilés, unwind at the Sky Bar and share your travel experiences with fellow guests while enjoying panoramic views. Scenic Freechoice:
Walking Tour of Avilés: Explore Avilés, an historic Asturian port with a beautifully preserved old town and the modern Niemeyer Centre. Enjoy a walking tour, sample Asturian cider with tapas, and take in the city’s rich blend of past and present.

Gijon City Tour: Discover Gijón’s coastal beauty and rich history, from the grand Universidad Laboral to the charming Cimadevilla quarter. Enjoy a scenic drive, guided walk and free time to explore.

Oviedo: Venture to Oviedo, for a panoramic tour and guided walk through its charming old town and iconic landmarks. Conclude with a tasting of local cheeses, cured meats and traditional Asturian cider.

Western Asturian Coast: Explore Asturias’ rugged coast with visits to Luarca and Cudillero, two picturesque fishing villages rich in maritime history. Enjoy scenic views, colourful streets and a taste of local seafaring culture. Docked: 8:00 – 18:00

Arrives On: 19 May 27

Day 16: Bilbao (Spain)

Today you'll explore Bilbao, deemed one of the Basque Country jewels. This vibrant city is famous for its striking modern architecture, home to the iconic Guggenheim Museum Bilbao, which showcases contemporary art and is a must-visit attraction. Bilbao

also boasts a rich cultural heritage, which can be experienced by visiting landmarks such as the Basílica de Begoña and the Casco Viejo, or the charming old town. It's also a culinary hotspot, with a range of pintxo bars and restaurants serving up traditional Basque cuisine. Scenic Freechoice:
Guernica, a Symbol of Peace: Visit Gernika, a symbol of resilience marked by the 1937 bombing and Picasso’s famous painting. Explore its historic Assembly House and the town’s commitment to peace.

Bilbao & the Guggenheim Museum: Explore Bilbao, the Basque Country’s vibrant heart along River Nervión. Discover its transformation from industrial hub to modern marvel, blending heritage with innovation.

Visit the iconic Guggenheim Museum, a contemporary art masterpiece symbolising the city’s rebirth. Visit to Rioja Wine Region: Visit Laguardia in La Rioja for premium wine tastings and a guided tour at a family winery, surrounded by scenic vineyards. Pintxos Masterclass: Experience Basque haute cuisine in an intimate masterclass with a renowned local chef. Enjoy a live cooking demo, learn traditional techniques, and savour gourmet dishes paired with crisp Txakoli wine. Docked: 8:00 – 22:00

Arrives On: 20 May 27

Day 17: San Sebastian (Spain)

Enjoy a relaxed and delicious breakfast in the privacy of your ultra-luxury suite or meet your fellow guests at the Yacht Club. Then, set out to explore the charming San Sebastián. The famous La Concha Beach offers beautiful views of the Bay of Biscay, where the historic old town, known as Parte Vieja, is home to some of the city's most iconic landmarks, including the Basilica of Saint Mary of the Chorus and the San Vicente Church. Less than ten kilometres from San Sebastián is the picturesque fishing village of Pasajes. Scenic Freechoice:
Discover the Cider Trail: Taste fresh Basque cider and rustic dishes at a traditional cider house, then explore the charming coastal city of San Sebastián.

Pamplona & Hemingway: Follow Hemingway’s footsteps through Pamplona’s Old Town and the Running of the Bulls route. Discover the city’s vibrant culture and his lasting influence on its global fame.

French Basque Country: Travel to Biarritz for a guided walk, free time and lunch, then continue to St. Jean de Luz to explore its coastal charm at your leisure.

Highlights of San Sebastian: Discover the elegant coastal city of San Sebastián on a guided exploration of its most notable landmarks. Take in the beautiful La Concha Bay and explore the atmospheric streets of the historic Old Town while learning about the city’s distinctive Basque culture and heritage. Docked: 8:00 – 19:00

Arrives On: 21 May 27

Day 18: Bordeaux (France)

Today, sail inland along the Garonne River, surrounded by lush vineyards while the sun casts a golden glow upon Bordeaux Cathedral. Look out for its gothic spires and the silhouette of the Grand Théâtre, icons of the city. The bustling quayside will be teeming with activity, from charming cafés and markets to street performers. The scent of freshly baked bread and aromatic coffee fills the air. An overnight stay means plenty of time to indulge in Bordeaux’s gourmet delights. Scenic Freechoice:
History & Heritage City Tour of UNESCO Classified Bordeaux: Discover Bordeaux, a UNESCO World Heritage city famed for its elegant architecture and rich history. Enjoy a panoramic coach tour through iconic landmarks, followed by a guided stroll and free time to explore the charming Old Town.

Bordeaux by Motorbike & Sidecar: Hop into a vintage sidecar for a thrilling ride through Bordeaux’s iconic sights like Place de la Bourse and St. Andrew Cathedral.

Panoramic drive of Bordeaux & Wine Culture Museum: Explore Bordeaux’s UNESCO-listed landmarks on a panoramic city tour, then discover the world of wine at La Cité du Vin. Finish with a wine tasting and panoramic city views from the Belvedere.

Overview on the Bay of Arachon: Explore Arcachon Bay and climb the Dune du Pilat for stunning coastal views. Visit La Teste-de-Buch for an oyster tasting with Bordeaux white wine before returning to Bordeaux. Docked: 8:00 - Overnight

Arrives On: 22 May 27

Day 19: Bordeaux (France)

Enjoy a full day in Bordeaux, soaking in the city’s timeless elegance. Wander picturesque streets lined with majestic buildings, each narrating centuries of stories. Explore vibrant markets with fresh produce and local delicacies. Admire Place de la Bourse and Bordeaux Cathedral's breathtaking architecture. Be immersed in cultural richness at the CAPC Museum of Contemporary Art and the Grand Théâtre. Your visit to Bordeaux is only complete when you sample its world-famous wines at one of the many charming wine bars or prestigious châteaux. Enjoy another overnight to savour Bordeaux's delights until late, taking a leisurely stroll along the Garonne River. Scenic Freechoice:
Panoramic Bordeaux & Visit to the Bordeaux Wine Culture Museum: Tour Bordeaux’s iconic sites on a panoramic coach ride, then visit La Cité du Vin for an immersive wine experience and tasting with city views.

St Emilion with Wine Estate Visit & Tasting: Start by exploring Saint-Émilion’s historic streets and iconic landmarks with a guided walk. Then, immerse yourself in the winemaking tradition with a cellar tour and tasting of two excellent local wines at a nearby vineyard.

The Medoc-Margaux Wine District, with Cheese and Wine Tasting: Journey through Bordeaux’s historic wine district and the prestigious Médoc region, passing elegant vineyards and renowned châteaux. Enjoy a photo stop at Château Margaux before visiting a Classified Wine Estate. Discover traditional winemaking techniques and savour three estate wines paired with local bread and cheese. Docked: Overnight

Arrives On: 23 May 27

Day 20: Bordeaux (France)

You may choose to venture beyond the city limits, exploring the iconic wine regions of Bordeaux. The rolling hillsides around the Garonne River are adorned with prestigious vineyards, offering a glimpse into centuries-old winemaking traditions. Explore the timeless beauty of the Médoc and Saint-Émilion regions, where esteemed châteaux dot the landscape, inviting you to savour the essence of Bordeaux's famed terroirs. Whether wandering through cobblestone streets or indulging in wine tastings amidst lush vineyards, the opportunities for discovery are endless in this captivating corner of France. Scenic Freechoice:
St Emilion with Wine Estate Visit & Tasting: Start by exploring Saint-Émilion’s historic streets and iconic landmarks with a guided walk. Then, immerse yourself in the winemaking tradition with a cellar tour and tasting of two excellent local wines at a nearby vineyard.

Panoramic Bordeaux & Bassins des Lumières Exhibition: Explore Bassins de Lumières in Bordeaux, a WWII bunker transformed into an immersive digital art space where light and sound bring masterpieces to life.

The Medoc-Margaux Wine District, with Cheese and Wine Tasting: Journey through Bordeaux’s historic wine district and the prestigious Médoc region, passing elegant vineyards and renowned châteaux. Enjoy a photo stop at Château Margaux before visiting a Classified Wine Estate. Discover traditional winemaking techniques and savour three estate wines paired with local bread and cheese.

Overview on the Bay of Arachon: Explore Arcachon Bay and climb the Dune du Pilat for stunning coastal views. Visit La Teste-de-Buch for an oyster tasting with Bordeaux white wine before returning to Bordeaux. Docked: 6:00 – 17:00

Arrives On: 24 May 27

Day 21: Belle-Île-en-Mer (France)

One of France’s most beautiful islands, Belle-Île boasts a lush countryside, jagged rocky coastlines, quaint seaside hamlets and pastel-coloured homes. It is a mythical destination that has long inspired sailors, authors like Flaubert and Dumas and painters like Claude Monet and Matisse. This pristine location can only be accessed by boat, which means that mainstream tourists are few and far between. Explore the islands rich history and gain a new appreciation of its natural beauty.
Belle Île Panoramic Tour: Experience the highlights of Belle-Île on a panoramic tour showcasing its diverse landscapes and unique character. Enjoy scenic viewpoints, cultural landmarks and photo stops that capture the island’s authentic charm.

Belle Île, Eden Garden & Port Coton: Visit Eden Garden where the owner will take you on a guided walk. Then marvel at the rock pyramids of the Port Coton Needles.

Belle Île & Oyster Tasting: Enjoy a short sightseeing tour before arriving at the famous Castel Clara restaurant for delicious local oysters paired with a glass of white wine.?

Hiking Belle Île from Port Jean to Le Palais: Follow your guide on a hike along the wild coast, admiring pretty coves,

turquoise waters and picturesque ports. Anchored: 10:00 – 20:00

Arrives On: 25 May 27

Day 23: Dublin (Ireland)

Your cruise finishes in the Irish capital, an ancient city with a vibrant culture and music in its soul. Savour one last breakfast in your suite before saying goodbye to your new friends and the crew who shared this voyage with you, taking with you memories of a truly unforgettable journey. Scenic transfers are only available for flights departing out of Dublin after 12:00 PM. Docked: 8:00 #Spa treatments at additional cost. +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. Helicopter not operational in France. Submersible not operational in Europe. 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.

Arrives On: 27 May 27

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