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Cruise Details

Name:	Ultimate Voyage: Mediterranean Rivieras & Atlantic Gems: Italy to Africa
Reference:	SCENIC493M041028-1
Operator:	Scenic Ocean Cruises
Cruise Type:	Ocean
Cruise Rating:	Ultra Luxury
Ship:	Scenic Ikon
Regions:	Mediterranean
Departs On:	04 Oct 28
Departs From:	Civitavecchia
Arrives On:	03 Nov 28
Arrives At:	Dakar
Cruise Nights:	30
Total Vacation Days:	31

Itinerary

Day 1: Civitavecchia (Italy)

Welcome to Rome, the ‘Eternal City’, where ancient monuments and elaborate churches sit alongside busy cafes and designer boutiques. The port of Civitavecchia, dates to the second century and remains one of the busiest ports in the Mediterranean. Your next-generation first-in-its-class Discovery Yacht, Scenic Ikon, will be waiting for you here.

Upon arrival you’ll be warmly welcomed by the Captain and crew. Meet your personal butler and settle into your spacious suite, then toast the beginning of your voyage as you sail away from this ancient harbour. Please book your flight to arrive into Rome prior to 01:00 PM.

Arrives On: 04 Oct 28

Day 2: Livorno (Italy)

The city of Livorno has been welcoming sailors and traders from around the globe for over 400 years. As one of Italy's most vibrant port cities, Livorno serves as the gateway to the magnificent Tuscany region, renowned for its picturesque landscapes, delectable cuisine, and rich artistic heritage. Located conveniently close to Florence and Pisa, both World Heritage-listed cities, Livorno offers easy access to these iconic destinations. Discover Florence’s Renaissance masterpieces, including the Duomo and Uffizi Gallery, or stand in the shadow of the Leaning Tower in historic Pisa.

Arrives On: 05 Oct 28

Day 3: Portofino (Italy)

The beautiful fishing village of Portofino is nestled on Italy's Riviera and is one of its most famous resort towns. Postcard-perfect and brimming with Mediterranean charm, Portofino is the epitome of la dolce vita. Brightly coloured buildings sit against crystal-clear water with lush pine-covered hills in the distance.

Explore the luxury boutiques, dine on exquisitely fresh seafood and soak in the atmosphere of the exclusive Piazzetta, where superyachts line the harbour and celebrity sightings are not uncommon.

Arrives On: 06 Oct 28

Day 4: Calvi, Corsica (France)

Calvi, on the French island of Corsica, has a long and illustrious history. Founded in the 13th century, its fiery medieval citadel still stands above red tiled roofs. It’s been a tourist hotspot since the 1920s, thanks to its moon-shaped bay lined with a golden, sandy beach and forested mountains on the horizon.

Today, Calvi has the feel of a chic resort on the French Riviera, with waterfront restaurants, luxury hotels and multi-million-dollar yachts at anchor. Explore the alleys of this historic old town, walk the ramparts of the citadel and find the house that is said to be the birthplace of Christopher Columbus.

After a day of exploration, return to the comfort of your yacht where exceptional dining awaits — a perfect end to an unforgettable day.

Arrives On: 07 Oct 28

Day 5: Monte-Carlo (Monaco)

Monte Carlo is the epitome of luxury and elegance, nestled within the principality of Monaco. Explore the opulent streets lined with designer boutiques and bask in the Mediterranean sun along the picturesque coastline. With its world-class entertainment, exclusive clubs, and prestigious events, Monte Carlo captivates visitors with its timeless allure and sophistication. Whether you're seeking excitement at the famous Casino de Monte-Carlo or simply relaxation in the lap of luxury, an unforgettable late-night stay here awaits.

Back on board, unwind

and enjoy a beautifully curated meal — crafted with care, served with elegance and enjoyed at your own pace

Arrives On: 08 Oct 28

Day 6: Bandol (France)

Tucked along the coast of Provence, Bandol is a charming seaside town known for its serene beaches, colourful harbour and renowned vineyards. Stroll the lively promenade, browse local markets or relax at a waterfront café. Wine lovers may recognise Bandol for its celebrated rosés and full-bodied reds, some of the finest in the region.

As evening falls, unwind with live entertainment on board — the perfect way to reflect on the day's discoveries in a refined and relaxed setting.

Later this evening, we set sail for Marseille, where you'll enjoy an overnight stay.

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The oldest city in France, Marseille dates to 600 BC. 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.

This evening, indulge in a world-class dining experience on board, with every detail thoughtfully prepared and every meal a moment to savour.

Arrives On: 10 Oct 28

Day 8: Sète (France)

Often called the 'Venice of Languedoc', Sète is a vibrant port city woven with canals, colourful facades and a strong maritime spirit. Explore the bustling waterfront, watch fishing boats unload the day's catch, or wander through the lively town centre filled with cafés, markets, and local charm. Seafood lovers will be in their element; Sète is famed for its fresh oysters and tielle, a savoury seafood pie.

Tonight, enjoy a curated selection of live entertainment designed to complement your journey — from soothing melodies to vibrant performances that bring the spirit of your destination to life.

Arrives On: 11 Oct 28

Day 9: Palamós (Spain)

Part of Spain’s Costa Brava, meaning ‘wild coast’, Palamós is an authentic working fishing village that beckons with Mediterranean charm and cultural richness. Explore the historic streets adorned with colourful buildings and quaint cafes, where the vibrant energy of local life fills the air. In nearby Figueres, the renowned Dalí Theatre-Museum brings the surreal works of Salvador Dalí to life in a mesmerising display of artistry. Immerse yourself in the masterpieces of one of the most influential artists of the 20th century.

Later this evening, we set sail for Barcelona, where you’ll enjoy an overnight stay.

Arrives On: 12 Oct 28

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Welcome to the vibrant city of Barcelona, a global magnet for travellers. Savour innovative Catalan cuisine, marvel at Gaudí’s Modernisme architectural masterpieces like La Sagrada Família, explore the edgy art scene and soak up the historic Gothic Quarter’s charm. End your day with a stroll along Las Ramblas, the city’s most famous boulevard, immersing yourself in its lively spirit.

Return to the port this afternoon to begin the second stage of your journey across two continents.

Arrives On: 13 Oct 28

Day 11: Palma de Mallorca (Spain)

Palma, a popular resort city and capital of the Spanish island of Mallorca, is a place where history comes alive. Its rich cultural heritage has been inherited from the Romans, Moors and Catholics who lived here successively since 123 BC. Wander the narrow, cobbled streets of Palma’s Casco Antiguo (Old Town) and admire its elegant archways, grand historic palacios, medieval churches and charming squares.

From Santa Maria Cathedral, a Gothic landmark, to La Almudaina, the Moorish-style Arab fortress converted into a royal residence, and Bellver Castle, a medieval fortress with a distinctive circular shape, Palma reveals a new chapter of history at every corner.

Arrives On: 14 Oct 28

Day 12: Valencia (Spain)

Spain’s third-largest city, Valencia is an inspiring blend of old and new. It has one of the largest historic centres in Europe, with buildings dating back to the 13th century, sitting close to modern architectural gems like the futuristic Ciudad de las Artes y las Ciencias. Join the locals riding bikes, playing sport, listening to live music or just relaxing in the sun in the magnificent Turia Garden.

Valencia is also famous for its food. Visit the impressive Central Market, an enormous Art Nouveau food hall selling everything from fresh fruit to charcuterie, pastries and wine. Make sure to try the city’s signature paella, made with excellent local seafood.

Arrives On: 15 Oct 28

Day 13: Cartagena (Spain)

A prized location with one of the world’s greatest natural harbours at its doorstep and surrounded by rich mineral deposits, Cartagena is sure to surprise and delight. Once inhabited by the Romans, Cartagena is recognised for the wealth of ancient sites in and around the city. Step back in time as you explore Cartagena’s magnificent Roman Theatre, one of Spain’s most impressive archaeological restorations. Follow in the footsteps of Roman citizens along the Decumano Maximo, a remarkably preserved street that once formed the city’s bustling main artery. Roman murals and mosaics adorn historical villas while late 19th century architecture complements the picturesque Mediterranean coast.

Arrives On: 16 Oct 28

Day 14: Almería (Spain)

Framed by desert landscapes and the sparkling Mediterranean, Almería is a vibrant city where Moorish heritage meets coastal charm. Be sure to visit the fortress of La Alcazaba, once among the most formidable Moorish strongholds of the 10th century. While in the charming old town, savour some tapas and a glass of crisp Andalusian wine before a leisurely stroll through St. Nicholas Salmerón Park.

Arrives On: 17 Oct 28

Day 15: Málaga (Spain)

Spend today exploring the city of Málaga on Spain’s Costa del Sol, a coastal city rich in culture and charm. With roots dating back more than 3,000 years, Málaga has evolved from a thriving 15th-century trading hub to a vibrant cosmopolitan city that draws millions of visitors each year for its brilliant beaches and artistic roots.

Málaga is the birthplace of Pablo Picasso and proudly pays homage to the virtuoso with a dedicated museum. Savour local flavours such as ‘tinto de verano’, an iced summer wine, and wander the streets filled with architectural treasures from colourful baroque designs to an historic Roman theatre.

Arrives On: 18 Oct 28

Day 16: Gibraltar (Gibraltar)

Perched on the southern tip of the Iberian Peninsula, Gibraltar is a natural fortress, and a little slice of Britain tucked within the borders of Spain. The skyline is dominated by the imposing Rock of Gibraltar, a 426-metre-high limestone promontory, home to the only wild monkey population in Europe – the curious Barbary macaques. On the streets below, you can explore dozens of British stores and traditional pubs, and marvel that you're a stone's throw away from Spain.

Arrives On: 19 Oct 28

Day 17: Tangier (Morocco)

At the northwestern tip of the African continent lies Tangier, guarding the Strait of Gibraltar where the Mediterranean Sea meets the Atlantic Ocean. Tangier's allure is timeless, inviting visitors to explore its rich history and vibrant present.

It's known as the 'White City' for the whitewashed houses strewn along winding streets, and many cultures and civilisations have left their mark here over the centuries. A strong Spanish influence makes it an excellent showcase for Spanish-Moorish architecture and its celebrated café culture boasts over 1,000 establishments. Today, modernisation is in full swing, and Tangier is the busiest port in the Mediterranean.

Arrives On: 20 Oct 28

Day 18: Portimão (Portugal)

On the western Algarve, Portimão is a small port city with a bustling historic centre. Enjoy the day exploring this once well-known fishing port, now transformed into a breathtaking promenade lined with shops selling traditional items and fantastic restaurants. Portimão is much loved for the steep limestone cliffs that surround its sandy beach of Praia da Rocha.

Arrives On: 21 Oct 28

Day 19: Lisbon (Portugal)

Explore Portugal's vibrant capital, Lisbon. Steeped in seafaring heritage, wander its charming, cobbled alleyways, explore ancient ruins, and admire white-domed cathedrals. Savour local 'pastéis de nata', a delicious traditional Portuguese custard tart, and enjoy panoramic views from Belém Tower, delving into a city where history and colourful culture blend seamlessly.

The final leg of your ultimate voyage begins this evening. Board Scenic Ikon and sip champagne as you sail away from the city.

Arrives On: 22 Oct 28

Day 21: Porto Santo Island (Portugal)

Step ashore in the tranquil beauty of Porto Santo, a hidden gem of the Madeira archipelago. Stroll through the charming town of Vila Baleira, where whitewashed houses and quiet lanes reflect the island’s peaceful pace of life. Discover local landmarks linked to Christopher Columbus (who lived here while preparing for his famous voyages of discovery) and take in views of the island’s nine-kilometre golden beach, one of Portugal’s best-kept secrets.

Later, set sail for Funchal, Madeira where you’ll enjoy an overnight stay.

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Day 21: Funchal, Madeira (Portugal)

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The main island of Madeira is a little piece of Portugal in the middle of the Atlantic. The capital, Funchal, became a popular holiday destination for European aristocracy in the 19th century and the city still retains this air of busy prosperity. On its edge is the vibrant Mercado dos Lavradores market, bursting with local produce. The city is famous for its gardens, so plan a visit to the Madeira Botanical Garden, Monte Tropical Gardens and Santa Catarina Park.

Arrives On: 25 Oct 28

Day 23: Santa Cruz de La Palma (Spain)

It’s just a short hop across to Santa Cruz de La Palma, a charming port city nestled on the eastern coast of La Palma Island in the Canary archipelago. Founded in 1493, it grew to be the third largest port in Europe in the 16th century. Today, its cobbled streets are quiet, lined with colourful houses, grand churches, and well-preserved colonial architecture complete with wooden balconies and tumbling flower boxes. Immerse yourself in the rich history and cultural heritage of this historic city as you explore local markets and indulge in delicious cuisine.

Arrives On: 26 Oct 28

Day 24: Las Palmas de Gran Canaria (Spain)

Las Palmas is a vibrant coastal city and the capital of Gran Canaria, offering a delightful mix of culture, history, and laid-back island life. With its year-round mild climate, you can enjoy a relaxing stroll along the Canteras Beach promenade, one of the most famous urban beaches in Spain. Browse local shops, stop for a coffee or tapas at a seafront café, or take in views of the Atlantic. For those interested in culture, the nearby Santa Catalina Park area offers lively squares, gardens, and access to museums and galleries, all within easy walking distance.

Arrives On: 27 Oct 28

Day 25: Santa Cruz de Tenerife (Spain)

From your suite’s private verandah, watch Tenerife awaken at sunrise. Santa Cruz, the Canary Islands’ vibrant capital, offers diverse beaches, from golden sands to striking volcanic black. Be immersed in lively Canarian culture, savouring local cuisine, colourful traditions and historic landmarks like Plaza de España.

Arrives On: 28 Oct 28

Day 28: Mindelo, São Vicente Island (Cape Verde)

Around 500 kilometres off the coast of Senegal, Cape Verde is made up of 15 volcanic islands (nine of which are inhabited) spread across 4,000 square kilometres of ocean. São Vicente is the second most populated of the Cape Verde islands and Mindelo is its busy capital.

São Vicente island is also home to some of the country’s greatest musicians, writers and thinkers, making Mindelo a vibrant town where you can immerse yourself in rich cultural traditions.

Arrives On: 31 Oct 28

Day 29: Praia, Santiago Island (Cape Verde)

Step into the lively spirit of Praia, Cape Verde’s bustling capital. Wander through colourful streets and vibrant markets, where the rich mix of African and Portuguese influences come alive. Discover local crafts, taste delicious traditional dishes and soak up the friendly island atmosphere. Whether you’re exploring the historic Plateau area or enjoying views by the waterfront, Praia promises a warm and authentic experience.

Arrives On: 01 Nov 28

Day 31: Dakar (Senegal)

Your Signature Yacht Cruise concludes this morning in the city of Dakar, the vibrant capital of Senegal. Known for its rich culture, bustling markets, lively music scene and beautiful coastline, Dakar offers a unique blend of tradition and modern energy.

Disembark after breakfast as you bid farewell to your fellow guests and crew, carrying with you memories of an unforgettable voyage. Please book your flight to depart out of Dakar after 12:00 PM. #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.
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