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# The highlights of Spain & Portugal Small ship cruise

£2,150 PER PERSON

**Available from June to October 2018**

Experience a harmonious balance between conventional cruising and private yachting, along with an exciting 8 day voyage of discovery, unravelling the glories of Spain and Portugal. Each day you will discover a new port of call, a hidden cove with crystal blue waters to cool you, a glimpse of ancient history to amaze you and rich cultural diversity to intrigue you. Seville, built along the Guadalquivir river with several UNESCO classified monuments and a rich Moorish and Spanish heritage.

## **At a Glance:**

### **Included:**

- Full board ( Not including alcoholic drinks)
- Housewarming cocktails
- Exploration of two countries

### **Highlights:**

- Optional shore excursions
- UNESCO classified monuments
- The Alhambra Palace.
- Jerez de la Frontera, an andalucian world famous for its architecture, sherry and fine horses.
- Ronda, birthplace of bull fighting.
- Gibraltar, a British outpost right in the South of Spain

# Trip Summary

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## Day 1

Welcome to Portugal!

Lisbon

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## Day 2

Portimao, Portugal

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## Day 3

Seville

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## Day 4

Seville – Jerez de la Frontera - Cadiz, Spain

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## Day 5

Gibraltar - Bolonia or Arroyo Beach

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## Day 6

Gibraltar - Porto Banus (for Ronda), Spain

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## Day 7

Malaga - Granada, Spain

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## Day 8

Disembarkation in Malaga, Spain

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## Day 1



### Welcome to Portugal!

Porto is one of the oldest cities of the country, and, as such, its path is sinuous and picturesque. It is a unique experience to stroll through its streets and feel the pulse of the city. Take the tram to the mouth of the river Douro and get to know the excellent beaches and the outdoor cafés, visit admiring churches and monuments and encounter the non-conformist modernism of the new contemporary buildings of architects like Siza Vieira, Souto Moura or Rem Koolhaas.

Currency: EURO

Time: GMT +1 hr

Language spoken: Portugese (English and French are also spoken)



### Lisbon

You will be met at 1 pm at your Lisbon Hotel and transferred to Portimao to embark your ship. We arrive in Portimao at approximately 4 pm. Dinner on board.



### Harmony G

The Harmony G is a modern vessel with a sleek high-tech look very similar to the private yachts to be found in the famous ports of the world. The 53 meter long / 7.2 meter wide Mega Yacht was launched in January 2001 and renovated in 2009-10 and in 2013. It complies with the most stringent SOLAS safety regulations ,while its powerful engines and state of the art stabilisers allow for safe and comfortable cruising.

Life on board centres around the Indoor / Outdoor lounge and its American bar, on Upper Deck. The classy dining room located on Main Deck is surrounded by large windows. The spacious Sun deck is the ideal place to bask under the sun, read a good book or just gaze at the scenery.



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## Day 2



### Portimao, Portugal

Our half day optional excursion will take us to Silves, largely destroyed by a 17th century earthquake. Marvel at the centuries-old Moorish castle complex with an underground water reservoir, a 13th Century Cathedral built by Alfonso X of Castile on the site of a former Mosque and a fine strong 15th century bridge over the Rio Arade. During your visit to Silves, you'll also have time to browse the historic exhibits at the Museu Arqueológico. We leave Silves visit and travel into the Serra de Monchique to reach the picturesque city of Monchique nestled between two hills. The city retains its 16th century charm and you will walk through its cobbled streets with small doorways housing various artisan trades.. We return to Portimao for late lunch and prepare for departure. Overnight at sea to Seville.



## Day 3



### Seville

Morning sailing up the Guadalquivir river and midday arrival. Afternoon optional excursion in Seville, one of the most beautiful cities in Europe, where Moorish and Spanish art and culture have left their mark. Our optional excursion will bring you to the Cathedral, the Alcazar Palace and its Andalusian gardens, the Maria Luisa Park and the quaint and elegant district of Santa Cruz. Overnight in port.



## Day 4



### Seville – Jerez de la Frontera - Cadiz, Spain

Full day optional excursion in Seville and to Jerez de la Frontera, famous for its wines, horse breeding and flamenco. Your tour will enable you to see the Alcazar, the cathedral. (The ship departs with passengers not participating in the excursion at 8:30 to reach Cadiz). Guests rejoin the ship in Cadiz in the evening. Late night sailing.



## Day 5



### Gibraltar - Bolonia or Arroyo Beach

Swim Stop and possible deck BBQ. Early afternoon arrival at Gibraltar. Afternoon optional excursion in

the “Rock”. We depart by bus from the port to reach the top of the Rock, perched on the summit of Gibraltar for a breathtaking view. We continue to St. Michael’s Cave to admire the stalactites & stalagmites, and then we visit the WWII Tunnels. The tour will end in Main Street where you will have some free time for shopping. Overnight in port.



## Day 6



### **Gibraltar - Porto Banus (for Ronda), Spain**

Early morning sailing to Porto Banus. Arrival in Porto Banus and swimstop at anchor. After lunch we enjoy an optional excursion to Ronda, 50 km inland a city which retains much of its historic charm, particularly its old town and the nearby 18th century Puente Nuevo. Ronda is also famous as the birthplace of modern bullfighting, today glimpsed once a year at the spectacular Feria Goyesca. Plaza de Toros is now a museum, and visitors can stroll out into the arena. Our optional excursion will include visits to the an elegant cloistered 16th century convent and old Ronda, La Ciudad, with its cobbled streets hemmed by handsome town mansions, some still occupied by Ronda's titled families such as the Casa de Don Bosco. We will walk to the leafy Plaza Duquesa de Parcent, which boasts a convent, two churches, including the toy town bell tower of the Iglesia Santa Maria de Mayor. The ship will sail to Malaga at 3 pm and guests participating in the excursion will rejoin the ship in Malaga. Late night arrival in Malaga. Overnight in port.



## Day 7



## Malaga - Granada, Spain

Optional full day excursion to Granada, one of the most fascinating cities in Europe and the last Muslim city to fall to the Christians in 1492. We will visit one of the most brilliant jewels of universal architecture is the Alhambra, a series of palaces and gardens built under the Nazari Dynasty in the 14th C. We will also visit the Cathedral and enjoy time at leisure before returning to the ship. Overnight in port.



## Day 8

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### Disembarkation in Malaga, Spain

Disembarkation 9 am.



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Your holiday ends here

## Information & Documents

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### Prices (per person)

Price based on 2 adults sharing accommodation in a Category C compartment. Prices are correct at time of writing and are subject to availability and/or change and can be withdrawn at any time. Single supplements apply. Full terms and conditions are available on the website.

### Upgrades and extensions

Flights and Stay upgrades, as well as extensions to this itinerary are available, please ask for details.

### Financial Protection

If booked as a flight-inclusive holiday this is financially protected under the ATOL scheme.

### Travel Insurance

If you require travel insurance we can put you in touch with our preferred supplier who will be able to

offer you preferential rates. Please ask for details.