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Your 16-night journey includes: 11-night small ship cruise to Portimão, Seville, Gibraltar, Tangier, Casablanca, Agadir, Arrecife; 2 nights at a Deluxe hotel in Lisbon; 2 nights at a Deluxe hotel in Las Palmas

Join Vantage Deluxe World Travel on a comprehensive small ship luxury cruise across the Western Mediterranean. Beginning in Lisbon, this sweeping voyage will visit incredible ports throughout Portugal, Spain, Morocco, and the Canary Islands. From UNESCO World Heritage Sites and historical highlights to tasty traditional cuisine and engaging guided tours, you'll enjoy 13 included features and Cultural Discoveries throughout your 5-star small ship voyage.

Board the 5-star Ocean Odyssey and explore famed monuments in Lisbon, visit medieval towns in Portimão, see the treasures of Seville, discover Tangier's labyrinthine medina, delve into the history of Casablanca. Treat your tastebuds to traditional fare, such as Portuguese pastéis de Belém and Moroccan tagine. In addition to Vantage's included activities, you'll have ample free time to further explore many of these destinations at your leisure. Plus, you'll enjoy extended hotel stays in Portugal and the Canary Islands.

All throughout your memorable Mediterranean cruise, you'll enjoy the luxury amenities and 5-star service for which Vantage is known. Treat yourself to an indulgent spa treatment, soak in the top-deck hot tubs, work up a sweat at the fitness center, try your hand at hot rock-cooking at the ship's specialty restaurant, or simply relax with a cocktail while taking in the views from the panoramic Observation Lounge. After a day of shoreside exploration, retreat to your sumptuous stateroom, an oasis at sea. Our small passenger-to-crew ratio and top-of-the-line personalized service ensures an

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incomparable, world-class journey for all our guests.

JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

OCEAN ODYSSEY



Sail aboard the luxurious, 5-star *Ocean Odyssey*

LISBON



Discover the endless nooks and crannies of UNESCO-listed and cobblestoned Lisbon

PORTIMAO



Delve into the history of Portugal's Moorish roots during an included excursion

SEVILLE



Explore the historic sites of Seville, from the famed Spanish Steps to the UNESCO-listed Seville Cathedral

GIBRALTAR



Experience the British side of Spain in Gibraltar

ARRECIFE



Uncover the natural wonders of the volcanic Canary Islands in Arrecife

YOUR PRICE INCLUDES

- **Purchase your airfare from Vantage** and your airport transfers, fuel surcharges, and government taxes and fees are included
- **Accommodations:** 11 nights on board the *Ocean Odyssey*, 2 nights at the *Corinthia Hotel Lisbon* (or similar), and 2 nights at a Deluxe hotel in Las Palmas
- **37 meals:** 15 breakfasts, 10 lunches, and 12 dinners, with complimentary wine, beer, and soft drinks during dinner on board
- **13 included features and Cultural Discoveries**
- **Gratuities for local guides and drivers**
- **The services of a Vantage Cruise Director and Program Manager**, plus shipboard commentary, regional experts, and private motorcoach for excursions
- **Complimentary Destination Manager service on board** ship to assist with all your personal requests such as spa reservations, hotel reservations, and other special requests in port
- **Complimentary Vantage Deluxe Concierge Service** prior to your journey, to plan celebrations, activities, or provide regional expertise. Log into My Portfolio and submit a request, or send an email any time up to two weeks prior to your departure at Concierge@vantagetravel.com
- **Complimentary unlimited Wi-Fi**
- **All transfers and baggage handling overseas**
- **Vantage's 5% Travel Reward**, received upon your return, to use toward your next Vantage journey

SPECIAL INTEREST



SMALL SHIP CRUISING HIGHLIGHTS

Our 5-star fleet offers an authentic sailing experience to make your journey unforgettable. While onboard, indulge in a relaxing massage at the spa, or try hot-rock cooking at the onboard restaurant. Then, disembark for an eye-opening visit to a local winery or a walking tour of some of the world's most iconic cities and undiscovered gems. All the while, enjoy these world-class ship amenities:

- 77 cabins, including a landmark 15 solo cabins, most of which have full walk-out balconies, for the most flexible style of travel — plus, suites designed for comfortable triple-occupancy as well as adjoining room options
- A culinary program offering gourmet dining incorporating regional fare, with wine and beer included at dinner
- Spa, massage, and hair services available at the onboard spa
- Sauna
- Two hot tubs
- Fitness center
- Curated lectures, programs, musical performances, and cultural events
- Low passenger-to-crew ratio, plus onboard Destination Manager
- Knowledgeable staff by region
- Onboard medical doctor (travelers are responsible for medical fees associated with doctor visit and medications)
- Gift Shop
- Library with over 200 titles
- Separate, intimate dining space for groups or special events (available upon request)
- Complimentary unlimited WiFi (WiFi on certain segments of trips may not be available)
- Entertainment programming with 100 movie titles
- Environmentally friendly standards with reduced emissions into air and sea and lower energy consumption
- Dynamic positioning technology
- State-of-the-art safety technology, Polar Code 6 compliant, and fully compliant with the latest SOLAS requirements in expedition cruising
- Rolls-Royce stabilizer system; "Safe Return to Port" technology



UNESCO & HISTORICAL HIGHLIGHTS

- Visit Belém Tower and Monastery of Jerónimos in Lisbon
 - Visit Gibraltar, which has been a British territory longer than the United States has been in existence
 - Learn about the castles and cathedrals of The Algarve during visits to Silves and Monchique
 - See the monuments of Lisbon that honor its central role in the Age of Discovery
 - Visit the Hassan II Mosque in Casablanca
- See Seville Cathedral and Plaza de España
 - Jameos del Agua, Cueva de los Verdes, and La Graciosa Island in Arrecife



CULINARY HIGHLIGHTS

- Get a true taste of Morocco with an included lunch of traditional tagine, a savory stew comprised of a rich mixture of spiced meat, poultry, or fish combined with vegetables or fruit
- Sample traditional pastéis de Belém, a Portuguese custard pastry



PHOTOGRAPHY HIGHLIGHTS The magnificent Mediterranean is a wonder for the senses, from its sprawling landscapes to its ancient landmarks. Here are a few tips to help you capture beautiful and memorable pictures:

- Take your time to capture an image. Think like a photographer and slow down to compose your shot. Remember: tourists take pictures, while photographers make images
- From the Hassan II Mosque in Morocco to the vast landscapes on the coastline, you'll encounter large landmarks on this trip, which might create pressure to fit everything into one shot.

Instead, try focusing on a distinctive feature rather than trying to incorporate everything into frame

- Incorporate your surroundings. Don't try to edge out other tourists from your photos, but use them to enhance the scene. Try tilting the camera at your target, including tourists and the real scene in the background or forefront, and the image instantly is more intriguing than a generic snapshot
- Pursue quirky composition — shooting off-center makes for a more artsy, unique shot



SOLO TRAVEL HIGHLIGHTS On this small ship ocean cruise, independent travelers will enjoy solo-friendly features, such as:

- Onboard Destination Manager to personalize your expedition
- Water-sport opportunities, depending on the location
- Solo-friendly social activities, including a Solo Connection mixer
- Onboard entertainment, lectures, and cooking demonstrations
- Health and wellness options, including onboard spa, hot tubs, and a gym



CONCIERGE SERVICE HIGHLIGHTS

Prior to your expedition cruise, our complimentary Concierge service will be available to help you customize your journey. Here are just a few services your Concierge can provide:

- Do you have a special birthday, anniversary, family reunion or other important event you want to celebrate on board? Let your Concierge know and he or she can make all the special arrangements, whether it's a private reception in your suite, a

gathering in the lounge, and more

- Restaurant reservations. Just notify your Concierge of your interests, and he or she will be happy to make recommendations, and will call ahead to reserve your table
- Special excursions. Would you like a limo to take you for a special night in the city? Perhaps you'd like to look up long-lost relatives. Your Concierge is here to help!
- Extend your stay! Your Concierge can help modify your hotel reservations and flights if you decide to stay on
- Tickets to local concerts, exhibits, theater, sporting events, and more

Take advantage of this free, start-to-finish service by making your requests prior to your journey. Call 1-888-982-6824 or email Concierge@vantagetravel.com to speak to a Concierge today, or simply log into My Portfolio up to two weeks prior to departure. During your journey, your onboard Destination Manager can assist with any special requests such as spa reservations, hotel reservations, and more.

LISBON TO LAS PALMAS

DAY 1: Board an overnight flight to Portugal

DAY 2: Arrive in Lisbon, Portugal
Corinthia Hotel Lisbon or similar

DAY 3: Lisbon at your leisure
Corinthia Hotel Lisbon or similar

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DAY 1: Board an overnight flight to Portugal

Board an overnight flight to Portugal today. Or, depart earlier for your pre-trip extension to Madeira.

DAY 2: Arrive in Lisbon, Portugal

Welcome to Lisbon! If you purchased your airfare from Vantage, a representative will meet you at the airport to assist with transfers to your hotel. Tonight, join your fellow travelers for a Welcome Dinner at your hotel.

Included meals: Dinner
Corinthia Hotel Lisbon or similar

DAY 3: Lisbon at your leisure

You'll have a full day at leisure to explore more of Lisbon on your own.

Visit the Arco da Rua Augusta, a triumphal arch made entirely of stone, and walk up to the top for unparalleled views of Commerce Square. Standing over 100 feet tall, it was constructed in the late 18th century to commemorate Lisbon's reconstruction after the entire city was demolished by an earthquake in 1755. Perhaps you'll make time to visit the Abbey of Alcobaça. This UNESCO World Heritage Site was founded in AD 1153 and is one of the greatest examples of early Portuguese Gothic architecture.

Lisbon is also a paradise for foodies. From traditional tascas to exceptional eateries, there is sure to be something to delight every palate. Fresh seafood is abundant here, from classic bacalhau (salted cod) — a Portuguese favorite — to octopus à lagareiro. Whether it's a casual eatery or a Michelin-starred restaurant, there is no shortage of dining establishments in Lisbon. Your onboard Destination Manager can help with suggestions and reservations.

Destination Enhancement: Customize your journey when you add an optional excursion.

Enjoy a full-day tour of UNESCO-listed Sintra and the resort town of Cascais. Learn more
Included meals: Breakfast
Corinthia Hotel Lisbon or similar

DAY 4: Embark the Ocean Odyssey

Today, you'll proceed to the pier and step aboard the Ocean Odyssey to begin your small ship cruise. Along the way, enjoy an included panoramic and walking tour of the Portuguese capital. You'll explore the city's famed monuments, including UNESCO World Heritage Sites like Belém Tower and the Jerónimos Monastery. The latter is inextricably tied to the country's history of exploration, and it's said that Vasco da Gama spent his last night here before sailing to the Far East (his tomb is in the monastery). Your tour culminates in a stop at the towering Monument to the Discoveries: a massive white-stone tribute to some of the world's most intrepid sailors and explorers. While on your tour, sample pastéis de Belém, a traditional Portuguese custard pastry.

Upon arrival at the pier, get settled into your cabin and take time to explore the onboard amenities, including the boutique, spa, and fitness center. Stop by the Destination Manager's desk to make a spa appointment or organize a group dinner with your travel companions. Later, join the first of your daily port talks to learn about tomorrow's exciting destination. Tonight, enjoy a Welcome Dinner on board.

Included Feature:

- Panoramic Lisbon sightseeing tour

Culture Discovery:

- Sample authentic *pastéis de Belém* custard pastries

Included meals: Breakfast & dinner

Ocean Odyssey >

DAY 5: Portimão, gateway to the vistas and villages of The Algarve

Cruise along Portugal's scenic Algarve region this morning before mooring in Portimão, a former center of fishing and shipbuilding. From here, you'll head northeast to the medieval town of Silves, where you will enjoy a guided walking tour of this historic destination.

Situated along the banks of the Rio Arade, Silves is a charming destination full of winding streets, whitewashed buildings with red terracotta roofs, and groves of orange and lemon trees. Your first stop will be the Castelo de Silves, an impressive red-brick castle, believed to have been occupied by a Lithuanian castro until 201 BC, when the Romans conquered Silves, where they ruled over the next five centuries. The city was later conquered by the Umayyad Caliphate, who reinforced and expanded the structure, resulting in the castle seen today, and making it one of the most well-preserved Moorish fortifications in Portugal.

Next, you'll visit the 13th-century Silves Cathedral, classified as a Portuguese national monument in 1922. Originally built as a mosque during Portugal's Moorish occupation, it was converted into a Catholic cathedral during the Reconquista period of the Iberian Peninsula under the reign of King Afonso III. Although the style of the cathedral is mostly Gothic, it does contain some Baroque elements. You'll also have time to peruse the fascinating exhibits of the Silves Municipal Archaeological Museum before continuing to the market town of Monchique. Set among the pine and eucalyptus forests of the Serra de Monchique mountain

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range, this delightful mountain enclave of cobbled streets and artisan workshops is a charming contrast to Algarve's beach resorts.

Included Feature:

- Walking excursion of Silves and Monchique
Included meals: Breakfast, lunch & dinner
Ocean Odyssey >

DAY 6: Uncover the treasures of Seville

Today, you'll enjoy a sightseeing tour of Seville, the storied capital of Andalusia. Stop at the University of Seville, whose main building is housed in the former Royal Tobacco Factory where Bizet set the famous opening scene of his opera Carmen. Founded in 1551, the university is one of Spain's leading institutions of higher learning.

Next, you'll see the Plaza de España, inarguably the most well-known public square in Seville. Constructed for the 1929 Ibero-American Exposition, this is where you'll find the famed Spanish Steps, as well as elegant fountains and tiled mosaics. Continuing on, you'll view the exterior façade of the Plaza de Toros, Seville's famed 18th-century bullring. You may also have an opportunity to step inside the Seville Cathedral, a UNESCO World Heritage Site most notable as the final resting place of King Ferdinand III of Castile and Christopher Columbus.

At the conclusion of your tour, you'll have the remainder of the afternoon to continue exploring Seville at your leisure.

Included Feature:

- Half-day Seville sightseeing tour
Included meals: Breakfast, lunch & dinner
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DAY 7: Get a taste of Britain at the tip of Spain

Gibraltar, also known as The Rock of Gibraltar, is steeped in history dating back approximately 100,000 years when the earliest humans inhabited its limestone caves. However, it remained mostly unsettled until AD 711 when the first Moors of riq ibn Ziyd arrived. In fact, "Gibraltar" is a Spanish derivation of the Arabic Jabal riq, which translates to "mountain of riq." Gibraltar's position at the entrance to the Mediterranean made it a prized sight, and its people were subjected to many sieges from France, Spain, and Britain throughout the centuries that followed. It was finally captured by the British in the early 18th century and ceded to them under the 1713 Treaty of Utrecht. Today, Gibraltar's multicultural society makes it one of the most unique and interesting places to visit in the Mediterranean. During today's walking tour not only will you be able to visit some of Gibraltar's most interesting highlights, you'll also enjoy sweeping views of both the Strait of Gibraltar over Africa and the Bay of Algeciras. Keep your eyes peeled and cameras ready in case you catch a glimpse of the famed Barbary apes that live on the rock.

Included Feature:

- Walking tour of Gibraltar
Destination Enhancement: Customize your journey when you add an optional excursion. Join us this evening for a hosted Gibraltar pub crawl — a true British delight! Learn more
Included meals: Breakfast, lunch & dinner
Ocean Odyssey >

DAY 8: Gibraltar at your leisure

You'll have a full day to explore more of Gibraltar at your own pace today. Perhaps you'll head to

Europa Point, where you'll find the 19th-century Trinity Lighthouse, the Santuario de Nuestra Señora de Europa Catholic chapel; and the Ibrahim-al-Ibrahim Mosque, also known as the Mosque of the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques. Or maybe you'll pay a visit to the stunning St. Michael's Cave, the largest of Gibraltar's more than 150 caves. St. Michael's Cave is located almost 900 feet above sea level and is full of astounding stalactites and stalagmites. Another place worthy of a visit is the Gibraltar Botanic Gardens, also known as La Alameda Gardens. Located at the end of Main Street, this public garden, was commissioned in 1816 for the enjoyment of soldiers stationed here.

Destination Enhancement: Customize your journey when you add an optional excursion. Set off on a full day tour of Gibraltar's significant sites, with refreshments included. Learn more
Included meals: Breakfast, lunch & dinner
Ocean Odyssey >

DAY 9: Get to know Tangier, Morocco's "City of Strangers"

Situated at the entrance of the Strait of Gibraltar on the northernmost tip of Morocco, Tangier has been settled by the Phoenicians, Romans, Vandals, Arabs, Portuguese, British, French, and Spanish over thousands of years. It's no wonder its nickname is the "City of Strangers"!

Today, you'll set off on a walking tour of the medina, a maze of alleyways containing both businesses and private residences. Contained within the walls of Tangier's 15th-century Portuguese fortress, the medina offers a glimpse into traditional daily life in this region.

Included Feature:

- Guided walking tour of Tangier's medina

Destination Enhancement: Customize your journey when you add an optional excursion. Enjoy a two-hour guided tour of Tangier's most notable sites, including the kasbah and the American Legation Museum. Learn more
Included meals: Breakfast, lunch & dinner
Ocean Odyssey >

DAY 10: Travel to Casablanca, Morocco's largest city

You'll venture to Casablanca today for a guided city tour, where you'll visit the Hassan II Mosque. Built by over 6,000 Moroccan artisans, this is the largest functioning mosque in Africa and 7th largest in the world. Constructed of hand-carved stone and wood, intricate marble flooring, and mosaic tilework, it is a true testament to Moroccan artistry.

Later, you'll get a true taste of Morocco with an included lunch of traditional tagine. Typically comprised of a rich mixture of spiced meat, poultry, or fish combined with vegetables or fruit, this savory stew has been a staple of North African cuisine for hundreds of years.

Following your tour, the remainder of the day is yours to spend at your leisure. The *Ocean Odyssey* will remain in port overnight.

Included Features:

- Casablanca city tour
- Visit Hassan II Mosque

Cultural Discovery:

- Traditional Moroccan Tagine lunch

Included meals: Breakfast, lunch & dinner
Ocean Odyssey >

DAY 11: Enjoy another leisurely morning in Casablanca

Following breakfast on board, you'll enjoy another leisurely morning in Casablanca. Perhaps you'll pop into one of the markets for unique last-minute souvenirs. Or simply relax on board and take in the views from the panoramic sundeck.

Destination Enhancement: Customize your journey when you add an optional excursion. Choose from two exciting optional tours in Morocco. Join us for a morning tour of Casablanca, including a photo stop at the magnificent Hassan II Mosque, OR head out on a city tour of Marrakesh's highlights and enjoy an overnight stay at a local hotel. [Learn more](#)
Included meals: Breakfast, lunch & dinner
Ocean Odyssey >

DAY 12: Sea and sun in Agadir

Today we'll arrive in Agadir. Located in the foothills of the Anti-Atlas Mountains, along the southern Atlantic coast of Morocco, this resort destination is known as much for its seaside promenade and numerous golf courses as it is for its maze-like souks and traditional hammams. With over 300 sunny days per year, and countless cafés and restaurants offering both traditional and trendy specialties, Agadir is a favorite destination for sun-seekers and foodies alike. Following a leisurely morning and lunch on board, you'll head out to explore this delightful seaside city for yourself during a guided tour.

Included Feature:

- Guided Agadir city tour
Included meals: Breakfast, lunch & dinner
Ocean Odyssey >

DAY 13: Delight in your ship's amenities during a day at sea

One of the true pleasures of a luxurious, small

ship cruise is the onboard experience as you sail from one incredible destination to another. From indulgent spa treatments and soothing hot tubs to elegant dining and engaging onboard lectures, you'll find everything you need to feel relaxed, pampered, and entertained today.

Onboard Enhancement: Customize your journey when you add an optional onboard experience. Enhance your time on board with one of our Vantage-exclusive activities, including wine and whiskey tastings, a multicourse Chef's Table Dinner, or an exclusive wine-pairing dinner.

[Learn more](#)
Included meals: Breakfast, lunch & dinner
Ocean Odyssey >

DAY 14: [Uncover the magnificent wonders of Arrecife](#)

Arrecife, the quiet capital of Lanzarote in the Canary Islands, is a beautiful port city filled with historic buildings and interesting venues. On today's guided tour, you'll be able to visit a few of these sites for yourself.

Your first stop will be Jameos del Agua. Originally conceived as a performance hall, this auditorium space is carved into the basalt rock of a volcanic tunnel. Completed in 1977, the auditorium offers fantastic acoustics with a stage set inside a section of the volcanic tunnel and terraced seating that follows the natural slope of the terrain.

Next, you'll visit Cueva de los Verdes, a lava tube found within the Monumento Natural del Malpaís de La Corona, a protected area of the Canary Islands. Created over 3 millennia ago from the lava flows of nearby Monte Corona, the cave system extends for over three-and-a-half miles above the sea, and almost one mile below

sea level.

Your final stop will be the cliffs of La Graciosa, a volcanic Island located across the Strait of El Rio. Created by the Canarian hotspot — a volcanically active region of the Canary Islands, just off the coast of northwest Africa — and with a year-round population of just under 1,000 residents, this island is a popular travel destination due to its tempered climate and sandy beaches.

Included Feature:

- Guided tour of Arrecife
Included meals: Breakfast, lunch & dinner
Ocean Odyssey >

DAY 15: Disembark the Ocean Odyssey in Las Palmas

Say goodbye to the Ocean Odyssey today as the cruise portion of your journey comes to a close. You will board a private transfer to your hotel in Las Palmas, with the remainder of the day at your leisure. Lunch and dinner today are on your own.

Included meals: Breakfast
A Deluxe Las Palmas Hotel or similar

DAY 16: Las Palmas walking tour

Founded in 1478 by Juan Rejón, an Aragonese captain serving in the Castilian navy, the Spanish city of Las Palmas is the capital of Gran Canaria and the 9th-largest city in Spain. With its North African flavor and mixture of Modernist, Bauhaus, and Spanish colonial architecture, this underrated destination is one of the most culturally diverse cities in the Mediterranean. Its expansive beaches, boasting soft sand and calm waters, are perfect for those seeking a relaxing spot to soak up the sun. The blend of Modernist

structures in the Triana district and the charming colonial architecture of Vegueta's Old Quarter make this one of the most interesting places to photograph in Europe. Today's guided walking tour will acquaint you with some of the unique and special sites to be found in this enchanting city.

Included Feature:

- Guided walking tour of Las Palmas
Included meals: Breakfast
A Deluxe Las Palmas Hotel or similar

DAY 17: Return home today

Today, you will head to the airport and board your return flight home.

Included meals: Breakfast

Please Note: Ocean cruising is not the same experience as river cruising; as such, you may experience fluctuating tides and weather patterns that may involve some rocking of your vessel. Itineraries will include all activities as planned except in extreme cases that can't be controlled by your shipboard crew. Day-by-day itineraries are preliminary and therefore subject to change. If changes occur while on tour, you will be notified by your Cruise Director or regional expert.

ACCOMMODATIONS



Ocean Odyssey

The intimate *Ocean Explorer* and *Ocean Odyssey* are the cruise industry's newest and most premier small ships built for global expedition travel, and ready to go to some of the world's most far-reaching destinations. Accommodating just 134 guests, the ship is outfitted with the latest satellite, sustainability, and navigation capabilities, including SOLAS "Safe Return to Port" requirements and ULSTEIN X-BOW® technology, a significant enhancement for smooth sailing in polar seas. On all Vantage expedition cruises, education is an essential component of the journey. Enjoy talks from notable scholars, onboard historians who travel alongside you, and handpicked regional experts. On polar expeditions with Vantage, you'll attend lectures, lessons, and activities offered by a 17-member Expedition Team of experts in fields ranging from biology to oceanography. In your downtime, you'll find relaxation and luxury aboard the *Ocean Explorer* and *Ocean Odyssey*. Visit the gym or onboard spa for a facial, massage, even a haircut. Soak in the hot tub after a rewarding day of sightseeing. Enjoy gourmet fare for breakfast, lunch, and dinner, plus outstanding culinary experiences built into your journey. And because there's no more than 134 fellow travelers on expedition cruises, you'll enjoy small group outings by day and share meals, stories, and fun with new friends by night. These fabulous expedition vessels offer:

- 77 cabins, including a landmark 15 solo cabins
- 30 triple-ready cabins available
- Vantage offers FREE roommate-matching services if you'd like to be paired while you travel
- Spacious, all outside-facing cabins
- 134-guest capacity
- Zodiac trips to get as close as possible to nature
- The latest satellite and navigation capabilities, including ULSTEIN X-BOW® technology
- Intimate crew-to-passenger ration, plus onboard Destination Manager

- Environmentally friendly standards with reduced emissions into air and sea and lower energy consumption

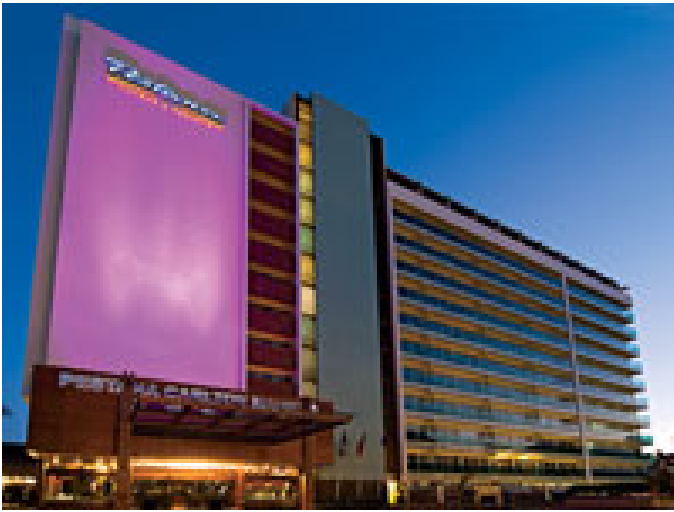
Amenities:

- A culinary program offering gourmet dining and regional fare, with wine and beer included at dinner
- Hot-rock cooking restaurant
- Multistory lounge and lobby
- Three bars and various lounges
- Top deck observation deck for gatherings, lectures, performances, and more
- Spa, massage, and hair services available at the onboard spa
- Sauna
- Two hot tubs
- Fitness center
- Curated lectures, programs, musical performances, and cultural events
- Low passenger-to-crew ratio, plus onboard Destination Manager (not available on expeditions)
- Onboard medical doctor (travelers are responsible for medical fees associated with doctor visit and medications)
- Gift Shop
- Library with over 200 titles
- Separate, intimate dining space for groups or special events (available upon request)
- Complimentary unlimited WiFi (WiFi on certain segments of trips may not be available)
- 20+ live TV channels featuring popular U.S. news channels, the Food Network, the Travel Channel, and National Geographic
- Entertainment and video on demand for 250 classic movies



Corinthia Hotel Lisbon ★★★★★

Soak in the best of Portugal's capital city with a stay at the Corinthia Hotel Lisbon. Located just minutes from multiple museums, shopping malls, and Lisbon's underground system, you'll be ideally situated to explore the gems of this historic city. Unwind after a day of exploration with a visit to the hotel's spa and indoor pool, or simply relax and gaze out over stunning views of the city. Room amenities include air-conditioning, a coffee-maker, an in-room safe, cable television, and Wi-Fi, as well as daily maid service.



Pestana Carlton Madeira Hotel

★★★★★

The Pestana Carlton Madeira Hotel is one of the most sophisticated 5-star hotels on Madeira Island, recently refurbished to reflect the newest trends. Located in Funchal, Madeira, the Pestana Carlton boasts a unique location with direct access to the Atlantic Ocean and magnificent ocean views, and rooms feature a private bathroom, cable TV, radio, telephone, air-conditioning, minibar, safety deposit box, balcony or terrace, coffee and tea facilities, and Wi-Fi. Not only that, but you'll have a guaranteed sea-view room!