

# 2nd Lyric Festival at Sea

From **1/10/2023**  
to **8/10/2023**

Ship: **LE LYRIAL**

From **Civitavecchia (Rome)**  
to **Málaga**



In partnership with **RADIO CLASSIQUE**, with the exceptional presence on board of **Alexandra Marcellier** and **Alain Duault**.

**PONANT** invites you to discover gorgeous landscapes and exceptional cities during an **8-day cruise** between Italy, France and Spain aboard *Le Lyrial*.

Departing from **Civitavecchia** (Rome), your ship will set a course for **Bonifacio**, in the far south of the **Isle of Beauty**. Veritable fortress sculpted by the wind and the spray, the “sentinel city” will reveal its historical centre and its long cobbled streets.

You will sail towards **Barcelona**. Truly an open-air museum, the “prodigious town” reveals an astonishing range of artistic treasures and museums, combining Roman ruins, medieval districts and a number of avant-garde elements from the 20<sup>th</sup> Century.

After a call at **Palma de Mallorca**, one of the jewels of the Balearic Archipelago, known for its four main islands that are charming, picturesque and discreet, sitting atop the clear waters of the Mediterranean like grains of sand, you will join **Valencia**, with its remarkable architectural splendours.

From **Motril** you will set off to discover the magical city of Granada and its Alhambra Palace, listed as UNESCO World Heritage Site.

*Le Lyrial* will then sail on to **Marbella**. From the Paleochristian and Roman remains, in the area around this famous seaside resort, to the heart of the old town, its history can be read in its buildings, in particular the 10th century castle built by the Moors.

Then you will head to **Málaga**, end of your cruise.



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## YOUR STOPOVERS :

### CIVITAVECCHIA (ROME)

Embarkation 1/10/2023 from 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Departure 1/10/2023 at 6:00 pm

Built on an Etruscan site, between the Tyrrhenian sea and the Monti della Tolfa, Civitavecchia respires the **dolce vita**. This very modern and easy going town combines art and history with panache. You can also visit superb historical sites like **Fort Michelangelo** or the Cathedral of Saint Francis of Assisi. Just 80 kilometres from Rome, the town is a beautiful first step to the Italian capital.

### BONIFACIO, CORSICA

Arrival 2/10/2023 early morning

Departure 2/10/2023 midday

The spectacular town of **Bonifacio** located on the very tip of southern Corsica, clings to a narrow promontory of white rock overhanging the turquoise waters of the Mediterranean. You can admire its limestone cliffs hewn out by the wind, before setting off on a cultural tour of its cultural treasures. From the little paved streets in the ancient **Haute Ville**, to the promenade on the open-air medieval **chemin de ronde**, this stunning town will take you on a journey back in time. Frequented or secluded, there are numerous beaches to choose from, all in keeping with the high standards of the "Île de Beauté".

### BARCELONA

Arrival 3/10/2023 early afternoon

Departure 3/10/2023 late evening

Located on the seashore between the mountains of Montjuïc and Tibidabo, **Barcelona** offers its many visitors a perfect blend of tradition and modernism. Truly an open-air museum, the "prodigious town" reveals an astonishing range of artistic treasures and museums, combining Roman ruins, medieval districts and a number of avant-garde elements from the 20<sup>th</sup> Century. Over the years, it has been marked by some of the greatest artists, such as **Picasso, Miró** or **Gaudí**, most of whose work has been listed as World Heritage Sites by UNESCO. Take the time to stroll along **the Ramblas** and enjoy the gentle, typically Mediterranean lifestyle of the capital of Catalonia.

### PALMA DE MALLORCA, BALEARIC ISLANDS

Arrival 4/10/2023 midday

Departure 4/10/2023 late afternoon

**Palma de Mallorca** will reveal its many treasures: idyllic coves, majestic limestone cliffs that plunge into the clear sapphire- and turquoise-coloured waters of the Mediterranean, and vast plains planted with almond trees, olive trees

and vineyards. When your ship calls at the capital of the Balearic Islands, take a walk to discover its emblematic monuments, such as its **famous cathedral**, and amble through its old streets. Here, like a painting, the island's historical heritage forms a backdrop to the lively and warm cosmopolitan atmosphere of the Mediterranean.

## VALENCIA

Arrival 5/10/2023 early morning

Departure 5/10/2023 midday

**Valencia** - the city of Art and Sciences. Two hearts beat in this Spanish city: one is modern, avantgarde and almost futuristic; the other is more provincial, more traditional and nostalgic. Valencia has the temperament of a great Mediterranean city whose wide avenues form a border around the old town. The city has an abundance of architectural styles that coexist harmoniously, but above all it resolutely embraces the 21st Century with the futuristic structures of its Agora congress centre and City of Arts and Sciences, emerging from a crystal blue pool.

## MOTRIL

Arrival 6/10/2023 early afternoon

Departure 6/10/2023 late evening

On the shores of the **Mediterranean**, **Motril** enjoys a special place on the **Costa Tropical**. Sheltered from the cold northerly winds thanks to the mountains that surround this Andalusian city, the city benefits from an ideal micro-climate.

## MARBELLA

Arrival 7/10/2023 early morning

Departure 7/10/2023 late afternoon

In the province of **Malaga**, **Marbella** is a renowned seaside resort on the **Costa del Sol**. The remains of early Christian and Roman sites around this former mining town, located at the foot of the **Sierra Blanca** mountains, bear witness to a rich history. With its white houses on flowery little streets, the old town is perfect for a pleasant stroll. The **Plaza de los Naranjos**, former focal point of the city, is near the 10th-century Arabic castle and the **Church of Santa María de la Encarnación**. Not far from here, you'll be able to discover the magnificent viewpoints offered by **Ronda**, a picturesque town perched 700 metres (2,296 feet) high. Its **Puente Nuevo** bridge majestically crosses the gorges of the Guadalquivir River that cuts the town in two.

## MÁLAGA

Arrival 8/10/2023 early morning

Disembarkation 8/10/2023 at 7:00 am

A historical and festive town, Malaga is located in Andalusia, on the Costa del Sol. Between the marina and the beaches, the seaside promenade of La Farola offers an ideal setting for strolling and relaxing. Set slightly further back, the Malagueta bullring is one of the emblematic sites of the city. From the hill overlooking the old town, one can see **Gibralfaro castle** and **the Alcazaba**, two fortified ensembles rising out from the cypresses and maritime pines. To visit **Pablo Picasso's birthplace**, you will go first to the courtly plaza de la Merced. A few streets back from here, you can

explore the museum dedicated to the artist, in the Buenavista palace.