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Shore Excursions

**Fremantle - Portsmouth**

14<sup>th</sup> April – 24<sup>th</sup> May

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# ITINERARY & MAP



DAY	DATE	PORT	ARRIVE	DEPART
Sat	14-Apr-12	Fremantle		4.00pm
Sun-Sun	15-22 Apr-12	At sea		
Mon	23-Apr-12	Port Louis	10.00am	8.00pm
Tue	24-Apr-12	Pointe des Galets	7.00am	1.00pm
Wed-Fri	25-27 Apr-12	At sea		
Sat	28-Apr-12	Durban	10.00am	8.00pm
Sun	29-Apr-12	At sea		
Mon	30-Apr-12	Mossel Bay*	12.00noon	7.00pm
Tue	01-May-12	Cape Town	2.30pm	
Wed	02-May-12	Cape Town		5.00pm
Thu-Sun	03-06 May-12	At sea		
Mon	07-May-12	Jamestown*	9.00am	6.00pm
Tue	08-May-12	At sea		
Wed	09-May-12	Georgetown*	7.00pm	
Thu	10-May-12	Georgetown*		6.00pm
Fri-Mon	11-14 May-12	At sea		
Tue	15-May-12	Porto Grande	8.00am	5.00pm
Wed-Thu	16-17 May-12	At sea		
Fri	18-May-12	Santa Cruz de Tenerife	7.00am	3.00pm
Sat	19-May-12	At sea		
Sun	20-May-12	Casablanca	7.00am	1.30pm
Mon	21-May-12	Lisbon	2.30pm	9.00pm
Tue-Wed	22-23 May-12	At sea		
Thu	24-May-12	Portsmouth	12.00noon	

\*Access by ship's tender, weather permitting

## GENERAL INFORMATION & CONDITIONS

To enhance the enjoyment of your cruise, we have created a programme of optional shore excursions designed to show you the highlights of each of our ports of call. Our Shore Excursions Manager will be pleased to assist you with your choice of tours to help you make the most of your time ashore.

### HOW TO BOOK

#### **BOOKING ON BOARD**

Just complete the booking form with your tour selections and hand it in at the Shore Excursions Desk in the Reception area. Opening hours will be shown in your daily programme. Details of the times when bookings close will be featured in the daily programme.

### PAYMENT

Payments are debited to your shipboard account and the Shore Excursion Manager will ask you to sign your agreement that the tours to be charged are correct and will then issue your tickets accordingly.

### EXCURSION TIMINGS

Durations of tours are approximate and may vary. The sequence in which sites are visited may also change in order to avoid congestion and provide better service. Please consult the daily programme, which will direct you to assemble in the Main Lounge fifteen minutes prior to a tour's scheduled departure. A member of staff will escort each group of participants to the quayside and the coaches at the appropriate time. All excursions are subject to a minimum and maximum number of participants.

In ports where both morning and afternoon excursions have been proposed, the timings have, wherever possible, been arranged so passengers may, if they wish, take advantage of more than one excursion per day. Lunchtime is scheduled in advance, but passengers selecting two half-day excursions should be aware its duration may be limited.

### EXCURSION PRICES

The prices include transport and entrance fees, meals, drinks and guides where indicated, according to the published itinerary.

Teenagers between the ages of 12 to 18 years will be charged full adult prices. Children under 12 years of age are entitled to 35% discount on the half-day and full day tours, except on Reunion Island tours where no reduction will apply. Children under two years old are not deemed to be occupying a seat and will therefore not be charged for the tours and do not require a ticket.



## REFUNDS

Excursions may be cancelled or modified depending on the number of guests participating. Most excursions require a minimum number of guests to operate. If the minimum is not met, excursions may be cancelled by the Tour Operator and full refund will be issued. It should be noted that excursions operate rain or shine.

We regret that we are unable to refund the cost of tours which are cancelled by passengers after bookings close, unless the cancellation is for medical reasons duly certified by the Ship's Doctor. Please note that no refund is payable in respect of meals not taken on board the ship.

## VIDEO AND CAMERA FEES

Information about video cameras and camera fees will be conveyed whenever available. We cannot be held responsible if passengers are required to pay fees we were not informed about in advance.

## PASSENGERS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE

Passengers under 18 years of age will not be able to participate in shore excursions unless accompanied by a parent or responsible adult.

## DRESS WHILST ASHORE

We recommend that you wear appropriate clothing and flat, comfortable shoes, as some walking will be necessary in order to gain full enjoyment from the excursion programme.

When visiting churches and other religious sites, conservative dress will be required. When visiting the mosques and some temples shoes must be taken off, we therefore recommend that you bring along some thick socks. When going ashore we suggest that you do not wear expensive jewellery or carry more cash and credit cards than necessary.

## SNORKELLING EQUIPMENT

Some tours have a limited amount of snorkelling equipment available but generally you will enjoy the tours more if you take your own equipment. Snorkelling equipment is not available for rental on board and is difficult to find ashore. Although some tours include mask and snorkel, fins are generally not available.

## GENERAL INFORMATION & CONDITIONS

### PASSENGERS WITH SPECIAL MOBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Please note that access on certain forms of transport and entrance to some attractions, visitor sites and venues may be restricted. Should you have any concerns whatsoever about the suitability of any of our tours, we strongly advise you to discuss it with the Shore Excursion Manager prior to reserving one of the tours.

Guests requiring use of a wheelchair on excursions must be accompanied by a suitable companion to assist and must provide their own collapsible chair.

### SMOKING

For the comfort of all passengers, smoking is not permitted on coaches or any other means of transport.

### INSURANCE

The company recommends that you obtain insurance protection before leaving home against loss or damage to baggage and personal effects, trip cancellation and emergency evacuations, accidental death or injury, illness and medical expenses sustained or incurred in connection with your voyage. We cannot assume liability for baggage or other personal effects lost or damaged while those items are in the custody of an airline, hotel or other service providers. For further information, should you require, please consult with your travel agent.

### RESTORATION WORK

Please note that restoration work on certain buildings or sights in a port of call may involve the use of scaffolding and/or screens, which may impair the view.

### TRANSPORTATION

Guests should consider that standards of transportation vary considerably throughout the world. Air-conditioned motor coaches are not available in many areas. In some destinations, local buses are the best available. Guests wishing to join the tours with their fellow travellers should leave the ship together, as this will help the shore excursion staff to allocate sufficient space in the same vehicle. Passengers who leave during a tour, for which transportation is included, must thereafter provide for their own transportation and services at their own expense. Passengers who do not join these pre-arranged shore excursions must rely on whatever transportation is available in each port.

## LIABILITY

The provisions in these Terms and Conditions presented herewith govern the company liability towards passengers in respect of Shore Excursions. Participation by a passenger in Shore Excursions is upon such passenger's acceptance of the present terms and conditions. Participation may also be subject to the independent tour operators' own terms and conditions. Shore Excursions are performed by independent local Shore Excursion providers. The company acts only as an agent for such independent Shore Excursion operators and does not provide or supply the excursion services. We will exercise reasonable care and skill in selecting the excursion providers and require them to comply with all relevant local, national and/or international standards and legislation. The health, safety and comfort of our passengers is paramount. We therefore require all Shore Excursion providers to have insurance and to have and to adhere to their own safety management rules and systems. The company shall have no liability for claims of loss, damage, injury, or death under any circumstances whatsoever arising out of passenger(s) participating in excursions and/or activities operated by independent Shore Excursion providers. The company assumes no responsibility or liability for any goods purchased while participating in a Shore Excursion.

## IMPORTANT NOTES

For the safety and assurance of passengers, all the tours are operated under the management of responsible and experienced local agents. Only the authorized Shore Excursion Manager on board is permitted to arrange or accept payment for such excursions or act as an excursion agent during the cruise. Passengers are cautioned not to leave anything behind or unattended during the tour, especially items such as identity documents, cash, debit or credit cards, medicines, valuables, cameras, mobile phones, coats, umbrellas or other items, and are reminded that the Company is not liable for any loss of, or damage to any baggage or other property which occurs ashore, for any reason whatsoever.

*This information represents the shore excursion plans and intentions at the time of publication of the present document (November      ). Subsequent unforeseeable events may cause us to change our plans, thus affecting the published itineraries and/or fares. In the event of such changes you will be notified promptly. However, all information must be considered as subject to alterations, amendments and modifications. We do not accept liability for any loss resulting from our failure to provide an advertised service, or where delay occurs to those services, for any reason whatsoever.*

## OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS



Hindu God

## PORT LOUIS, Mauritius Island

*Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> April*

### ➤ **A – Southern Delights**

(Full day with lunch) – approx. 7 ½ hrs.

The South West part of Mauritius offers the most spectacular sceneries of the island.

Start with a photo stop at Trou-aux-Cerfs, the dormant volcanic crater and from where you will have spectacular views of the island including Rempart Mountain, which Mark Twain described as a 'vest pocket Matthehorn'. Some 400 years ago, Mauritius has been discovered by navigators sailing from Europe. Today, Mauritian craftsmen skillfully reproduce their vessels. Visit the factory where every part of the ship is done by expert hands. Ship models have become one of the most appreciated souvenirs of Mauritius. Now at the Grand Bassin, sacred lake, where devotees pray and worship. This natural lake resting in the crater of a volcano is a place of pilgrimage especially for all Hindus. Visit one of the most ancient places of pilgrimage in Mauritius and discover the fascinating Hindu Gods and Goddesses who seems to be the guardians of that peaceful area. Arriving at Black river Gorges, a stop will be made at the viewpoint which offers a breathtaking view over and which is the deepest gorge in Mauritius.

Lunch will be served in one of the typical Mauritian restaurant at Chamarel village (Incl. ½ bottle of water and ½ bottle of wine or a beer or a soft drink). After lunch stop at the Chamarel falls and the coloured earths. The Chamarel waterfall is among the highest waterfall on Mauritius; it plunges more than 100 meters down against a scenic backdrop of forests and mountains. A photo stop will be made at Chamarel Waterfall. The coloured earths of Chamarel were promoted as Mauritius' first Tourist attraction back in the 1960. The colours red, brown, violet, green, blue, purple and yellow never erode in spite of torrential downpours and adverse climatic conditions. The volcanic ashes are naturally displayed in an orderly pattern of 7 colours. You shall then start your drive back along the West coast (approx. 1h30 drive).

*Subject to a minimum of 18 / maximum of 250 participants.*

*Light clothes (e.g. walking shorts, cotton t-shirts), light or casual shoes or rubber, mosquito repellent, hat, sun cream and sunglasses will be most comfortable during this tour.*

*This tour is not suitable for passengers with strong walking difficulties and confined on wheelchairs.*

***Please note this tour conflicts with Tour B, C and D.***



Ile aux Cerfs

## ➤ **B – Eastern Sailing Magic**

(Full day with BBQ lunch) – approx. 7 ½ hrs.

The catamaran on the East coast gives the opportunity of admiring the Green scenery combined with the Turquoise colour of the sea. Transfer by coach to the East coast (approx. 1h30 drive each way). Embark on the catamaran and set sail along the East coast. You will have the opportunity to swim. Snorkeling equipment is being provided on board in limited number (mask, snorkel and fins).

A mouth watering BBQ lunch (incl. water/soft drink/beer/wine/ rum cocktail/juice) will be prepared and served by the extremely friendly Mauritian crew. Finish this unforgettable day on the legendary Ile-aux-Cerfs is a real invitation to relax and chilled out. It's wide sparkling sand bank and warm crystal clear waters is all what you have been dreaming before your arrival in Mauritius.

*Subject to a minimum of 25 / maximum of 100 participants.*

*Light clothes (e.g. walking shorts, cotton t-shirts), light or casual shoes or rubber, mosquito repellent, hat, sun cream, sunglasses and beach towel will be most comfortable during this tour.*

*This tour is not suitable for passengers with strong walking difficulties and confined on wheelchairs.*

*Catamaran capacity: .26-30 persons.*

*Toilets are available on board.*

***Please note this tour conflicts with Tour A, C and D.***

## ➤ C – Colonial Mauritius

(Afternoon) – approx. 4 ½ hrs.

Departing from the pier you will start by the Market and the Caudan Waterfront Commercial centre. A wander through this lively market of Port Louis will allow you to experience the local colour, cries, scents and odours of the throngs of people that gather to bargain for spices, fruits, vegetables, grains and craftwork.

You will see then La Citadelle, the stone fortress of Port Louis overlooking the harbour. Stop at this ancient British fortress overlooking the busy town of Port-Louis. Admire the view which this fortress offers over the capital city.

Then, go to Marie Reine de La Paix for a photo stop. This place of religious worship is the place where big Catholic masses are organized only for specific big occasions. The Austell was constructed after the Second World War and in the middle of the Austell stands Holy Maria holding the World in her hands as if protecting it from another war. From Marie Reine de La Paix you will have a nice view over the town of Port-Louis as well as the suburbs area of Port Louis.

Continue then to Eureka Colonial House for a guided visit of one of the oldest colonial house of the island built in 1830 with a magnificent garden surrounded by waterfalls of Moka River and the Moka Range 100 doors and windows. It is situated in a five-acre estate. Water or juice or soft drinks and snacks will be served. Return to the pier.

*Subject to a minimum of 18 / maximum of 150 participants.*

*Light clothes (e.g. walking shorts, cotton t-shirts), light or casual shoes or rubber, mosquito repellent, hat, sun cream and sunglasses will be most comfortable during this tour.*

*This tour is not suitable for passengers with strong walking difficulties and confined on wheelchairs.*

***Please note this tour conflicts with Tour A, B and D.***



Port Louis





Pamplémousses botanical garden

## ➤ **D – Mauritian Heritage** (Afternoon) – approx. 4 ¼ hrs.

Start your visit with a photo stop at St François D'Assise Catholic Church. This Catholic Church situated in the village of Pamplémousses figures among the oldest Catholic parish of the island. A long time ago the sale of slaves were held just behind the same church. It was apparently built under the supervision of Mahe de Labourdonnais who is known as the founder of Port Louis in the French period.

Proceed then for the visit of the Pamplémousses Botanical Garden. Collection of indigenous and exotic plants. A guided walk through these gardens will highlight a large collection of indigenous and exotic plants. Species include the giant Victoria regia water lilies, rare Mascarene plants and the talipot palm which is said to flower once every sixty years and then die. Possibly you will also get a glimpse of the live giant tortoises that live in a colony within the gardens.

You will follow then to Sugar World. This excellent museum in the former Beau Plan sugar factory not only tells the story of sugar in fascinating detail, but along the way covers the history of Mauritius, slavery, rum trade and more. It is a tribute to all those men and women who have worked so hard to develop the island and its industries. You will have the opportunity to take some special Sugars back home and enjoy refreshment (water or soft drink or fruit cocktail) under the veranda of Le Fangourin restaurant.

Port Louis is the capital of the island of Mauritius. A volcanic island situated in the Indian Ocean east of Madagascar. Before returning to the vessel, you will stop at La Citadelle, the stone fortress of Port Louis overlooking the busy town of Port-Louis.

*Subject to a minimum of 18 / maximum of 150 participants.*

*Light clothes (e.g. walking shorts, cotton t-shirts), light or casual shoes or rubber, mosquito repellent, hat, sun cream and sunglasses will be most comfortable during this tour.*

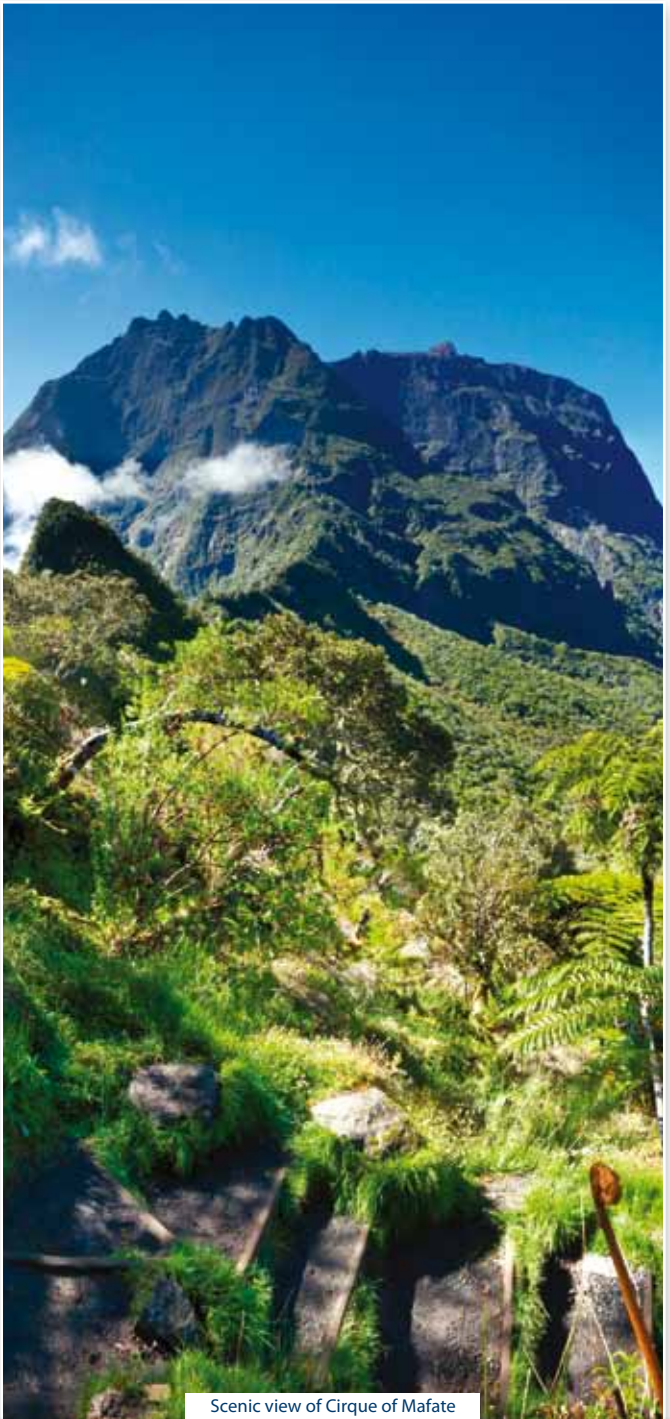
*This tour is not suitable for passengers with strong walking difficulties and confined on wheelchairs.*

***Please note this tour conflicts with Tour A, B and C.***





Chamarel Waterfall



Scenic view of Cirque of Mafate

## POINTE DES GALETS, Reunion Island



Maïdo View

*Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> April*

### ➤ **A – Piton Maïdo**

(Morning) – approx. 4 ½ hrs.

This tour will lead you to Piton Maïdo which affords breathtaking views on the Cirque of Mafate. From the belvedere, the amazing view over the Cirque of Mafate, with its impressive height and the verticality of its cliffs will bring you out of breath.

Leaving the pier, your bus will head to the Western coast in direction of St-Paul and you will start going up to the mountainous centre of the island. You will pass through various little villages of West Coast's heights until a wonderful viewpoint, located at the edge of a cliff 2090 metres high. If weather conditions are fine, you will be able to admire the breathtaking view over the ancient crater, the Cirque of Mafate with its unique three villages (the most isolated of the island) which are only accessible by foot in 5-7 hours. You will go down to the village of "La Petite France", the centre of the Geranium district. You will visit a small Geranium Distillery, where you will be explained the distillation process and where you will be able to buy geranium essences as well as other essential oils and perfumes. Then return to the ship.

*Subject to a minimum of 30 / maximum of 150 participants.*

*Passengers are advised to wear comfortable shoes, a raincoat, and a hat and sun cream. At least do not forget your camera.*

*This tour is not suitable for passengers who suffer from vertigo.*

*A jacket is recommended, as the temperature is much cooler at higher altitudes. Mist and cloud often surround the higher peaks and plains; they lift, drop and swirl spasmodically during the day and can affect the visibility on this tour.*

*This tour will have a very early departure from the ship.*

***Please note this tour conflicts with Tour B.***



## ➤ B – Cirque of Salazie

(Morning) – approx. 4 ½ hrs.

Salazie is situated in the most humid place of the Island. You'll discover a multitude of waterfalls, the most famous of which is "Voile de la Mariée" (Veil of the bride), rivers and a profusion of lush vegetation: bamboo, chayote, water-cress, banana trees... Leaving the pier, you will head to the Northern Coast of Reunion Island by the seashore road.

You will quickly cross the capital of St Denis taking the Eastern direction towards Ste Marie and Ste Suzanne. Arriving in St André, you will visit a vanilla plantation. You will discover the history and the culture of this precious orchid which is an integral part of past and of the heritage of the island.

After the visit, you will take the road leading to the Cirque. Salazie is a long, deep, sheer-walled canyon full of twisted hills and valleys, and waterfalls tumble down the rocks on every side. Although the cirque is generally swathed in mist and cloud, the most breathtaking sites of this cirque is the towering waterfall known as "Le Voile de la Mariée".

After a photo stop, you will come back to St Denis and some free time will be given to browse around. Then return to the ship.

*Subject to a minimum of 30 / maximum of 150 participants.*

*Often sprayed by the rain, we strongly advised to be equipped with a raincoat and anti-mosquitoes. Take also comfortable shoes, a hat and sun cream. At least do not forget your camera.*

*This tour is not suitable for passengers confined on wheelchairs.*

*This tour will have a very early departure from the ship.*

***Please note this tour conflicts with Tour A.***



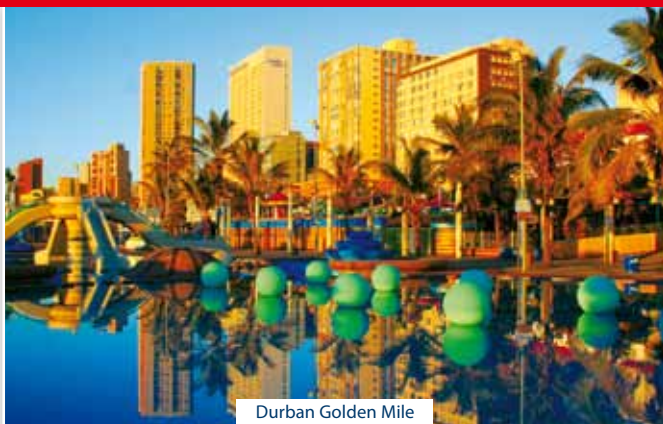


Mafate cirque from Maïdo



Durban city hall

## DURBAN, South Africa



Durban Golden Mile

**Saturday, 28<sup>th</sup> April**

### ➤ **A – Durban City Tour**

(Afternoon) – approx. 3 ½ hrs.

Durban is an intriguing cultural blend of East, West and Africa, which with its warm all-year summer climate, inviting and luke-warm Ocean lined with golden beaches, offers a subtropical carnival atmosphere all year round.

Your tour of this bustling metropolis, often called the cultural 'melting pot' of South Africa, includes a drive through the sports corridor with its impressive sporting facilities to the Blue Lagoon area on the Umgeni River where you get a panoramic view of the whole bay of Durban. Then pass the so-called Apartheid Beaches, the Marine Parade "Golden Mile" where you will see the rickshaws, en route to the impressive developments at the new Point Waterfront area.

Drive past the busiest harbour in Africa and various historical monuments, and then through the city centre where the second railway station, the City Hall and the Post Office buildings each have a story to tell. Stop at the vibrant Viktoria Street Market where you get a glimpse into the local Indian culture and bargain for souvenirs and spices. Your last visit, before returning to the vessel, is to the botanical gardens with its extensive collection of trees and plants from all over the world, as well as a famous cycad collection and orchid garden. The visit will be made at your own pace.

*Subject to a minimum of 30 / maximum of 400 participants.*

*Comfortable & flat walking shoes recommended as some walking is involved at the Viktoria Street Market (steps) as well as at the Botanical Gardens.*

*This tour is not suitable for passengers confined on wheelchairs.*

*The order of the sites visited may be altered to avoid congestion.*

***Please note this tour conflicts with Tour B.***



Zulu traditional hut

## ➤ **B – Valley of 1000 Hills**

(Afternoon) – approx. 4 hrs.

The breathtaking Valley of 1000 Hills is an exciting component of Durban and South Africa's province of KwaZulu-Natal – the Zulu Kingdom.

Experience warm country hospitality, just a half an hour's drive from the centre of Durban.

The area is named after the thousands of hills which tumble down to the mighty Umgeni River, which flows from the distant towering Drakensberg Mountains to the warm inviting Indian Ocean.

The seemingly eternal tranquility of these rolling hills belies the blood-soaked drama that unfolded almost two centuries ago with the arrival of King Shaka's unstoppable regiments. Immediately after his coronation in 1816, the 'Black Napoleon' set about subjugating all the tribes that today constitute our Kingdom of the Zulu, and the Thousand Hills' Debe clansfolk were given no exemption – those who did not flee either capitulated to the monarch of Africa's newest empire or stood, fought and were overwhelmed by Shaka's military genius. Today, opportunities abound to discover at first hand the intricacies of ethnic customs and beliefs that inform day-to-day life in the many welcoming, beehive hatted villages that adorn these hillsides.

At Phezulu village, the world famous Gasa clan has over the last 30 years, allowed visitors to Phezulu the opportunity to savour the taste and feel the rhythm of Africa. You will be taken into traditional huts, where the various artifacts, beliefs and rituals are explained, giving you an insight into the fascinating Zulu culture. The Zulu dancing show is impressive with the dancers in their traditional



garb, showing off their skills with grace, agility and humour. After your visit at the village you will move on to the crocodile and snake park at Phezulu.

A Knowledgeable guide will teach you interesting facts about crocodiles and snakes, as well as you will meet 'Junior', a 106 year old Nile crocodile and have hands-on experience with Cleo, a 3.2 metres long Burmese python who weighs in at 42 kilograms and many more.

Before you return to the pier in Durban refreshments will be served.

*Subject to a minimum of 30 / maximum of 200 participants.*

*Comfortable & flat walking shoes recommended as this tour involves a substantial amount of walking on uneven ground.*

*This tour is not suitable for passengers with strong walking difficulties and confined on wheelchairs.*

*The order of the sites visited may be altered to avoid congestion.*

***Please note this tour conflicts with Tour A.***



Phezulu Safari Park Snake



Phezulu Safari Park Dancers





*Monday, 30<sup>th</sup> April*

### ➤ **A – Game Drive at Botlierskop Game Reserve** (Afternoon) – approx. 5 hrs.

Depart from the pier for your one hour drive to the Botlierskop Game Reserve.

Upon arrival you will board your open 4x4 vehicle and a qualified ranger will take you on a 2,5 hour Game Drive where you will experience close encounters with Rhinoceros, Lions (in a 100 ha enclosure), Buffalo, Giraffe, rare Black Impala, Mountain Zebra, Eland and Elephants (trained elephants) and many more species. The reserve comprises of over 26 different species of animals and more than 200 bird species. Thereafter you will re-board your coach and return to the pier (approx. 1 hour drive).

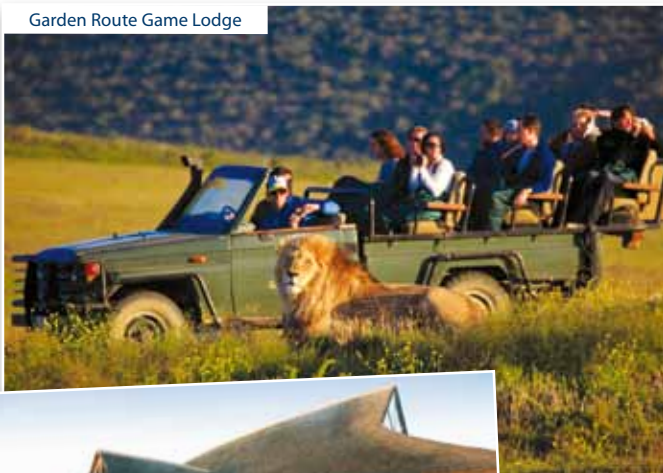
*Subject to a minimum of 30 / maximum of 90 participants.*

*Comfortable & flat walking shoes recommended as some walking is required at the Game Reserve as well as there are some steps to enter coach and open Game Drive vehicle.*

*This tour is not suitable for passengers with limited mobility or for guests confined on wheelchairs.*

*Participants on this tour will have an early lunch on board.*

***Please note this tour conflicts with Tour B & C.***



## ➤ B – Game Drive at Garden Route Game Reserve

(Afternoon) – approx. 5 hrs.

Depart from the pier for your one hour drive to the Garden Route Game Reserve.

Upon arrival you will board your open 4x4 vehicle and a qualified ranger will take you on a 2,5 hour Game Drive where you will get to view game such as Lion, Elephant, Rhino and Cheetah as well as Zebra, Giraffe, Buffalo, Red Hartebeest, Gemsbok and other antelope species.

Thereafter you will re-board your coach and return to the pier (approx. 1hour drive).

*Subject to a minimum of 30 / maximum of 56 participants.*

*Comfortable & flat walking shoes recommended as some walking is required at the Game Reserve as well as there are some steps to enter coach and open Game Drive vehicle.*

*This tour is not suitable for passengers with limited mobility or for guests confined on wheelchairs.*

***Please note this tour conflicts with Tour A & C.***



## ➤ C – Meet the Predators

(Afternoon) – approx. 3 hrs.

Depart from the pier for your 30 minute drive to Jukani Predator Park. Upon arrival you will meet your Nature Guide who will take you on a 2 hour Game Walk.

You will get the chance to view different lion species such as White Lion, Kalahari Lion, Bengal and White Tigers, Hyenas as well as wild dogs and smaller game in their camps while your guide will interact with the animals.

Thereafter you will re-board your coach and return to the pier.

*Subject to a minimum of 30 / maximum of 56 participants.*

*Comfortable & flat walking shoes recommended as walking is required at the Predator Park (1km).*

*This tour is not suitable for passengers with limited mobility or for guests confined on wheelchairs.*

***Please note this tour conflicts with Tour A & B.***



Bengal Tiger



Cable car to Table Mountain

## CAPE TOWN, South Africa



Table Mountain

*Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> May*

### ➤ **A – City Tour & Table Mountain**

(Afternoon) – approx. 4 hrs.

Cape Town is regarded as one of the most beautiful cities in the world. It offers its guests mountains, sea, fauna, flora, culture, and much more. Depart the pier for your half-day orientation tour of the City of Cape Town, and take in the natural wonder of the world-famous landmark of Table Mountain. The main feature of Table Mountain is a level plateau approximately 3 kilometres (2 miles) from side to side, surrounded by steep cliffs. The plateau, flanked by Devil's Peak to the east and by Lion's Head to the west, forms a dramatic backdrop to Cape Town and its Table Bay harbour, and together with Signal Hill forms the natural amphitheatre of the City Bowl. The highest point on Table Mountain is towards the eastern end of the plateau and is marked by Maclear's Beacon, a stone cairn built in 1865 by Sir Thomas Maclear for trigonometrical survey. It is 1,086 meters (3,563 ft) above sea level, about 19 meters (62 ft) higher than the cable station at the western end of the plateau. The flat top of the mountain is often covered by clouds, formed when a south-easterly wind is directed up the mountain's slopes into colder air, where the moisture condenses to form the so-called "table cloth" of cloud. The main vegetation of the mountain is the unique and rich Cape fynbos (meaning "fine bush"), which forms part of the Cape Floral Region protected areas. These protected areas are a World Heritage Site, and an estimated 2,200 species of plants are found on the mountain alone. Amongst these species are many kinds of proteas.

The most common animal on the mountain is the dassie, or rock hyrax. They especially cluster around the upper cable station. There are also porcupines, mongooses, and tortoises.

The Table Mountain Aerial Cableway takes passengers from the

lower cable station on Tafelberg Road, about 302 m above sea level, to the plateau at the top of the mountain. The upper cable station offers views overlooking Cape Town, Table Bay and Robben Island to the north, and the Atlantic seaboard to the west and south.

The top cable station offers viewpoints, curio shops, a restaurant and walking trails of various lengths. Table Mountain is the only terrestrial feature to give its name to a constellation, that being "Mensa", meaning The Table. The constellation is seen in the Southern Hemisphere, below Orion, around midnight in mid-July. Following your descent from the upper cable station on Table Mountain, return to the coach for a city orientation tour.

Cape Town is an eclectic mix of Georgian, Victorian, Egyptian, Cape Dutch and Art Deco architecture with history dating back to 1652. Take in the sights of Adderley Street, the Castle of Good Hope, City Hall and the Grand Parade as well as the traditional Malay Quarter Bo Kaap en route. Enjoy a walk through the Company Gardens and some time at your leisure before you return to the pier.

*Subject to a minimum of 30 participants.*

*Comfortable & flat walking shoes recommended as this tour involves a substantial amount of walking (Table Mountain).*

*If the Table Mountain cable car is not running due to bad weather, a stop at the spectacular Signal Hill view site above Cape Town will be made as an alternative, a visit would also be made to Blouberg Beach, a short distance from the city along the shores of Table Bay (from this beach guests may take the "classic" picture postcard shot of Table Mountain and the city, viewed across the bay).*

*Congestion is possible at Table Mountain due to the popularity of the site and therefore the actual order of the sites may be altered.*

*This tour is not suitable for passengers with limited mobility.*

*It is possible for passengers in wheelchairs to manage this tour with assistance of a travel partner.*

*The order of the sites visited may be altered to avoid congestion.*





## ➤ **B – Cape of Good Hope & Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens**

(Full day with BBQ lunch) – approx. 8 ½ hrs.

After you depart from the pier the road leads you via the suburbs of Sea Point, Clifton, Camps Bay and Llandudno to Hout Bay, a small fishing village on the Atlantic seaboard.

Continue via the famous Chapman's Peak Drive to the Cape of Good Hope Nature Reserve, which was founded with the aim of preserving the unique Cape Fynbos landscape.

Arriving at the Cape of Good Hope Nature Reserve, drive through the reserve and descend to the Cape of Good Hope.

Rejoining the main road, continue towards Cape Point, the most south-westerly tip of Africa. Take a walk or ride the funicular (at own expense) to the Lighthouse and enjoy spectacular views of the surrounding landscape, the tempestuous coastline and the all-embracing mountain chains. Thereafter you visit the Cape Point Ostrich Farm for a short informative tour on the farm and to enjoy an authentic South African BBQ-Braai for Lunch (incl. either local wine, beer or soft drinks).

The return journey to Cape Town leads via the False Bay coastline to Simon's Town, where the South African Navy Headquarters are located. A short visit will be made to the African Penguin colony at Boulders Beach.

You will pass through Kalk Bay, a colourful fishing village and Muizenberg. With its long beaches this suburb is well known as surfer's paradise.

Your last stop for the day will be at the Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens, world renowned for its beauty and diversity of the Cape's flora. The estate covers more than 528 hectares of which only 36 hectares are cultivated gardens. Make your way through some of these different and diverse gardens, highlighting the best plants the Cape Peninsula has to offer.

Return to the pier via the picturesque Southern Suburbs of Cape Town.

*Subject to a minimum of 30 / maximum of 400 participants.*

*Comfortable & flat walking shoes recommended as this tour involves a substantial amount of walking.*

*Chapman's Peak Drive might be closed due to regular maintenance.*

*This tour is not suitable for passengers with walking difficulties and confined on wheelchairs.*

*Depending on the amount of participants one group will have to start with lunch (that will be served around 10h30) while the other group will start with the tour and will have lunch around 11h15.*

*This tour will have a very early departure from the ship.*

***Please note this tour conflicts with Tour C and D.***



## ➤ C – Stellenbosch & Wine Tastings

(Full day with lunch) – approx. 7 hrs.

Depart from the pier for the scenic drive to Stellenbosch. Stellenbosch is the second oldest town founded in South Africa. It is an architectural jewel and has been classified as a national monument. Upon arrival, you will take an orientation drive through Stellenbosch, followed by an hour at your leisure. Take a stroll through the centre of this beautiful university town, with its unique Cape Dutch architecture and oak-lined streets dating back to the 16<sup>th</sup> century. Numerous Cape Dutch style houses and the Theological Seminary are found in Dorp Street, the main road of the town. Visit Oom Samie se Winkel, a shop reminiscent of a bygone era. Close to the Braak is a small flea market and the centre of the town has numerous shops, galleries, restaurants and coffee shops to be explored during some time at leisure. Next, you will drive along the Helshoogte Pass and the Franschhoek Valley in direction of Paarl where you will be invited to participate in a cellar tour followed by a tasting of award-winning wines. Later, a lunch will be served including some South African dishes for a complete culinary experience (incl. local wine or beer or soft drinks). After lunch return drive to Cape Town. Before embarking on to your cruise, you will drive up to Signal Hill for a photo shoot. Enjoy breathtaking views overlooking the city, Table Bay and Table Mountain.

*Subject to a minimum of 30 / maximum of 400 participants.*

*Comfortable & flat walking shoes recommended.*

*Walking is required in Stellenbosch and the Wine Estate, but not too strenuous. Depending on the number of participants one group might start with the tasting and the other one with the cellar tour. Should nearly all seats be sold the group will be split in 3 groups, one starting with lunch, one starting with the tasting and one starting with the cellar tour.*

*This tour will have an early departure from the ship.*

*Lunch will be served early during the tour (11h20 and 12h00).*

***Please note this tour conflicts with Tour B and D.***

## ➤ D – Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens & Wine Tasting

(Morning) – approx. 4 hrs.

Depart the pier and make your way along the picturesque Southern Suburbs of Cape Town to the Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens, world renowned for its beauty and diversity of the Cape's flora. The estate covers more than 528 hectares of which only 36 hectares are cultivated gardens. Explore some of these different and diverse gardens, highlighting the best plants the Cape Peninsula has to offer. The visit will be made at your own pace. The next stop for the day is the historic Groot Constantia Wine Estate with its unique Cape Dutch architecture. Founded in 1685, it is one of the oldest trademarks in the world. Here you will enjoy a memorable wine tasting of some of this estates award winning wines as well as a cellar tour. Canapés will be served during the tasting.

*Subject to a minimum of 30 / maximum of 400 participants.*

*Comfortable & flat walking shoes recommended.*

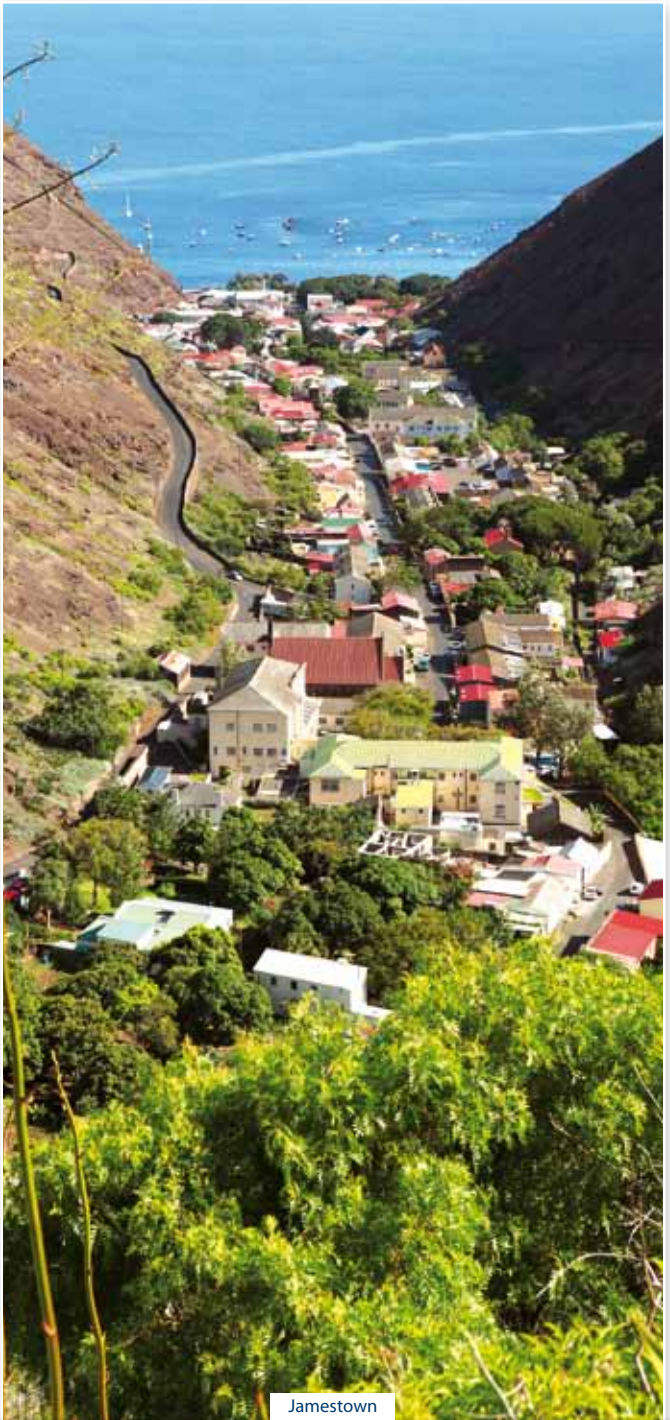
*Walking is required at the Botanical Gardens and the Wine Estate, but not too strenuous. Depending on the number of participants the order of the sites visited may be altered in order to avoid congestion. Also at wine estate one group will start with the tasting and the other group will start with the cellar tour.*

*This tour will have an early departure from the ship.*

***Please note this tour conflicts with Tour B and C.***



Groot Constantia Manor House



Jamestown

## JAMESTOWN (St. Helena Island) – United Kingdom



**Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> May**

### ➤ **A – Island Scenic Tour**

(Morning) – approx. 3 ¼ hrs.

Tour departs at the Seafront Landing area, and takes you through Main Street Jamestown and along Napoleon Street. Photo stop at Two Gun Saddle.

You will pass then by the Napoleons Tomb, where Napoleon Bonaparte was laid to rest before his body was taken to France in 1840; and will visit the Longwood House, Napoleons last residence, which is now a museum, the house consists of 9 rooms.

Photo stop at Sandy Bay Ridges, well known for its pleasant scenery of Mount Pleasant and Sandy Bay. You will pass then by the Plantation House Grounds, the oldest inhabitant Jonathan the tortoise can be seen in these grounds also the residence of the Governor of St Helena.

A last photo stop will be made at Ladder Hill, view down the 700 step Jacobs ladder, and of Jamestown and Harbour area an opportunity for passengers to photograph the cruise vessel in port at St Helena. Return to Jamestown.

*Subject to a minimum of 25 / maximum of 350 participants.*

*Comfortable and flat walking shoes recommended.*

*As guides are in limited number on the island, they will be allocated at each photo stop to provide all the information. The driver will only be able to give basic information during the drive.*

*Due to islands size and very small tourism industry, there are no large tour companies on the island. Private vehicles are rented and the owner of each vehicle will be the driver during the tour.*

*The use of flash is not permitted while the visit to Napoleons House.*

*This tour is not suitable for passengers confined on wheelchairs.*



## GEORGETOWN (Ascension Island), United Kingdom



Ascension Island

*Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> May*

**No optional shore excursions are proposed for you to enjoy at your own leisure Ascension Island.**

Ascension lies 700 miles to the north west of St Helena. It is a rocky peak of volcanic origin with 44 distinct craters. The last eruption took place about 600 years ago. Ascension is an important breeding site for the green turtle and various species of sea bird, notably the Sooty Tern or Wideawake and the Frigate Bird.

Facilities for visitors are limited but there are plenty of outdoor activities, a safe environment and great climate!

Due to the heat on Ascension Island, it is strongly advisable that passengers bring with them bottled water, sun protection, hat and wear sensible clothing and shoes.

Swimming off the beaches in Georgetown is strictly prohibited due to the treacherous undercurrents.

Please consult <http://www.ascension-island.gov.ac/> for more information.

*We wish you a pleasant visit!!*

## PORTO GRANDE (São Vicente Island), Cape Verde



*Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> May*

### ➤ **A – Island Discovery**

(Full day with lunch) – approx. 6 ½ hrs.

Leave the town on cobble stone streets towards the abandonment area of “Mato Inglese” – a village that was found by English traders in the 18<sup>th</sup> or 19<sup>th</sup> century. Take a deep breath in the middle of nothing and enjoy your hike on field pass through the central part of the island. The area is very arid, rock, colourful, filled with hills and mountains, with some little farmlands. Along the coast you will reach the beach “Praia Grande” with the contrast of with sand and mountains of black lava. Here you will enjoy some moments to relax while your guide will serve you the national liqueur “Grogue” and “Pontche”. On the beach “Baía das Gatas” famous for the music festival you will have the chance to take a short bath (approx. 30 minutes time) before enjoying lunch in a local restaurant (incl.: mineral water and coffee or tea). By bus you will pass through volcanic landscape to next stop, the top of the highest mountain of the island “Monte Verde” (750 m) with its plantations and spectacular views over the island and if the weather allows to the neighbour islands. Drive back to the vessel.

*Subject to a minimum of 15 / maximum of 70 participants.*

*Comfortable & flat walking shoes recommended as a large amount of walking in dry valley, mostly even is involved during the tour.*

*Bring your beach towel, swimming suit and sun protection cream with you in case you want to swim at “Baía das Gatas”. Depending on number of tour participants, lunch might be served in two local restaurants, consequently the group will be split in two. The tour guiding will be performed by the best available guides in the island and by Toyota Hiace vehicles of 14 seats, keep in mind that Cape Verde has limited tourism facilities. Those buses being the public transportation in the island have no A/C, no seat belts and no microphone. Public toilets in the island are very rudimentary and not recommended to use. Whenever possible and appropriated, a stop was planned for use of restroom. This tour is not suitable for passengers with walking difficulties and confined on wheelchairs.*

*Please note that lunch will be served early during the tour.*

***Please note this tour conflicts with Tour B1, B2, C1 and C2.***

## ➤ B1 / B2 – Mindelo Walking Exploration

(Morning/Afternoon) – approx. 3 hrs.

Discover Mindelo, the alive and cultural capital.

Transfer along the colonial harbour, visiting the local fish market and a market with its colourful goods and Portuguese “azulejos” showing historical themes of Mindelo. Amble along the historical quarter with hidden squares, church and town hall before visiting the vegetable market.

While visiting the cultural centre you will hear about cultural life in Mindelo and have the chance to listen to the music that made Cesária Évora famous and visit a shop of local handy craft. Transfer back to the vessel.

*Subject to a minimum of 20 / maximum of 110 participants per departure.*

*Comfortable & flat walking shoes recommended as this tour involves a substantial amount of walking (approx. 2hrs in the centre). Sun protection is also suggested.*

*To prevent pick pocketing we recommend leaving any valid items that are not need for the tour on board the ship.*

*The tour guiding will be performed by the best available guides in the island and by buses of 26/28 seats.*

*Those buses being the public transportation in the island have no A/C, no seat belts and no microphone.*

*Public toilets in the island are very rudimentary and not recommended to use.*

*Whenever possible and appropriated, a stop was planned for use of restroom.*

*This tour is not suitable for passengers with walking difficulties and confined on wheelchairs.*

*Note that passengers participating as well on tour C2 will have very limited time for lunch on board.*

***Please note this tour conflicts with Tour A and C1.***







Praia Grande

### ➤ C1 / C2 – Scenic tour

(Morning/Afternoon) – approx. 3 hrs.

A panoramic drive through fantastic landscapes, volcanic valleys, colourful coast and tasting the national liqueur in breath taking nature.

By bus you will pass through volcanic landscape to our first stop, the top of the highest mountain of the island “Monte Verde” (750 m) with its plantations and spectacular views over the island and if the weather allows to the neighbour islands.

Visit the famous “Baia das Gatas” where your guide will serve you some, the national liqueur “Grogue” and “Pontche”.

Along the coast you will reach the beach “Praia Grande” with the contrast of with sand and mountains of black lava. Here you will enjoy some moments to relax.

On the way back to the cruise you will pass the agricultural valley “Ribeira de Calhau” and you will get to know about agriculture and the alimentation on the island.

*Subject to a minimum of 15 / maximum of 110 participants per departure.  
Comfortable walking shoes recommended. Sun protection is also suggested  
The tour guiding will be performed by the best available guides in the island  
and by buses of 26/28 seats.*

*Those buses being the public transportation in the island have no A/C, no seat belts and no microphone.*

*Public toilets in the island are very rudimentary and not recommended to use.  
Whenever possible and appropriated, a stop was planned for use of restroom.  
This tour is suitable for passengers with walking difficulties and confined on wheelchairs.*

*Note that passengers participating as well on tour B2 will have limited time for lunch on board.*

***Please note this tour conflicts with Tour A and B1.***

## SANTA CRUZ DE TENERIFE (Tenerife Island - Canary Islands), Spain



Las Teresitas Beach

*Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> May*

### ➤ **A – Taganana & North of the Island**

(Morning) – approx. 4 ½ hrs.

As you depart the busy harbour of Santa Cruz, you drive along the Maritime Avenue to arrive at the authentic fishing village of San Andrés.

It is known for its lovely beach “Las Teresitas”, with its 216.000 tons of golden, glittering sand, imported from the old Spanish Sahara. From the coast you shall ascend to the highest points in the area, offering breathtaking panoramic views of a wild landscape. You then reach the other side of Anaga Mountains and the hidden village of Taganana. Here you will visit its picturesque church. From this point you continue up hills again and through the lovely Mercedes Forest (a living museum of the tertiary period flora) to the Pico del Inglés, Mirador del Carmen and the view point Jardina, all offering exceptional panoramic views of the wild northern coast. You shall return to Santa Cruz via La Laguna, where you will visit the 18<sup>th</sup> century “Iglesia del Cristo” before returning to pier.

*Subject to a minimum of 30 participants.*

*Comfortable and flat walking shoes are recommended the surface is uneven.*

*This tour will have an early departure from the ship.*

***Please note this tour conflicts with Tour B.***

## ➤ B – Orotava Valley & Puerto de La Cruz

(Morning) – approx. 4 ½ hrs.

Leaving Santa Cruz in a northerly direction, you shall pass by the city of La Laguna, former capital, and the north airport called “Los Rodeos” used mainly for air traffic between the Canary Islands. The motorway continues into the Orotava Valley, the garden of Tenerife. Flowers of all kinds flourish on this magnificent sweep of land. Judging from the richness of the soil and the equable climate, it is no wonder that the ancient people believed that here was “The garden of Hesperides”, the daughters of the evening star. This exquisite natural beauty is only equalled by the unparalleled glory of its magnificent intricately carved wooden balconies and majestic mansions. At your arrival at La Orotava Village, you enjoy a brief walking tour through this lovely and quiet village, till reaching the famous House of Balconies where you will have the possibility to admire the beautiful house and their interior patio and also to buy some of the typical products that the island can offer.

You continue to Puerto de la Cruz, the former fishing village and today a fashionable tourist resort, with its “efficient” tourist facilities. You will enjoy a guided visit of the Botanical Garden (which dates from 1788) featuring trees and other vegetable species from every continent. Enjoy some free time in Puerto de la Cruz before returning to Santa Cruz.

*Subject to a minimum of 30 participants.*

*Comfortable and flat walking shoes are recommended as the surface is uneven.*

*This tour will have an early departure from the ship.*

***Please note this tour conflicts with Tour A.***



Teide hill and Orotava valley

## CASABLANCA, Morocco



Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> May

### ➤ A – Casablanca City Tour

(Morning) – approx. 4 hrs.

Main city in Morocco and capital in all but administration, Casablanca is now the largest port of the Maghreb. Departure from the pier, stop at Mohamed V Square after passing by the United Nations Square. Inside visit of the Hassan II Mosque, built for the 60<sup>th</sup> birthday of former Moroccan King Hassan II, is the largest religious monument in the world after Mecca. It has space for 25,000 worshippers inside and another 80,000 outside. The 210-metre minaret is the tallest in the world and is visible day and night for miles around. Drive through the sea side and residential area of Anfa. Visit of the Habous quarter dotted by attractive little shaded squares, narrow streets lined with arcades lead from one souk to another; photo stop at the Royal Palace gate. It's worth ducking into the Central Market nearby, to catch a glimpse of the everyday life of the city. It's essentially a foodstuff market, but there are handicrafts as well.

Free time for shopping before returning to the ship.

*Subject to a minimum of 30 participants.*

*Comfortable and non-slippery walking shoes are suggested.*

*During the visit of the Mosque the shoes must be taken off. Use of socks recommended.*

*Exposed shoulders or knees, short pants and tank tops are not acceptable.*

*Note that if the King is in Casablanca we will not stop at the Royal Palace.*

*All visitors are kindly advised to show respect towards the local culture, faith and related customs.*

*This tour will have an early departure for the ship.*

***Please note this tour conflicts with Tour B.***



Mosque of Hassan II

## ➤ B – Rabat

(Morning) – approx. 5 hrs.

Capital of a modern nation, Rabat symbolises the infinite variety of Morocco. Set in a rich, amber coloured landscape, dotted with distinctive nettle trees, it elegantly combines an ancient history with modern culture. Built on the banks of the Bou Regreg estuary, Rabat offers its visitors numerous flower-decked walks within earshot of the Ocean. The many fine buildings enclosed within its walls bear ample witness to its proud history as an imperial city. Drive to Rabat (approx. 75km – 1h15-drive). You will start with a photo stop at the Royal Palace gate. In the heart of the city stands the Tower Hassan, the last vestige of an unfinished mosque. Behind its marble columns, the Mohammed V Mausoleum engenders solemn respect and serene contemplation (inside visit).

In the maze of streets making up the Oudaïas Kasbah, Islamic art rubs shoulders with the modern city. The result is a glittering mosaic, enchanting passers-by. Some time will be given for shopping before starting your way back to Casablanca.

*Subject to a minimum of 30 participants.*

*This tour involves a fair amount of walking and comfortable walking shoes are suggested.*

*Note that if the King is in Rabat we will not stop at the Royal Palace.*

*When the King visits the Mohammed V Mausoleum, the inside visit will not be possible.*

*All visitors are kindly advised to show respect towards the local culture, faith and related customs.*

*This tour will have a very early departure for the ship.*

***Please note this tour conflicts with Tour A.***



Lisbon



## LISBON, Portugal



Belém Tower

### ➤ **A – Lisbon City Tour** (Afternoon) – approx. 5 hrs.

**Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> May**

Departure towards the centre of Lisbon, a lively and interesting modern capital which contains many historic buildings, squares and picturesque quarters. Rossio is Lisbon's main square, and the mile-long Avenue of Liberty leads up to the statue of the Marquis of Pombal, who had the city rebuilt after the disastrous earthquake of 1755. We proceed to the old part of the city to pay a visit to St George's Castle, a 8<sup>th</sup> century Moorish Castle. We descend by foot through Alfama Quarter and then drive in direction to Belem Quarter, to visit the Ajuda Palace, never completed as planned due to the exile of the royal family in Brazil caused by the Napoleonic invasion, it is still one of Europe's most perfect romantic buildings. Its interior is richly filled with furniture, tapestries, statues, and extravagant decorative arts, the result of unprecedented wealth in the 18<sup>th</sup> century when diamonds were discovered in the Portuguese colony of Brazil. We then descend by bus to Belém in order to admire the façade of the magnificent Hieronymites Monastery, a 16<sup>th</sup> century masterpiece in the Gothic-Manueline style, World Heritage Monument. Close to the monastery, you will have the chance to taste the famous "Pastéis de Belém" (small custard tart), a typical Portuguese pastry, with sugar and cinnamon. Nearby we will admire the Belem Tower exterior, from where the Portuguese explorers were given a rousing send-off, and the Monument to the Discoveries, built to commemorate the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the death of Prince Henry – the Navigator, the mastermind behind Portugal's voyages of exploration and subsequent wealth. We will then return to the ship, stretching along River Tagus, where you will see the huge and graceful 25<sup>th</sup> April Bridge built following the lines of the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco.

*Subject to minimum 30 participants.*

*This tour involves considerable walking over cobbled stones, so flat and comfortable footwear is recommended. Note that to reach the Castle participants will face a walk up hill of approximately 15 minutes.*

***Please note this tour conflicts with Tour B, C and D.***

## ➤ B – Sintra & Pena Palace

(Afternoon) – approx. 4 hrs.

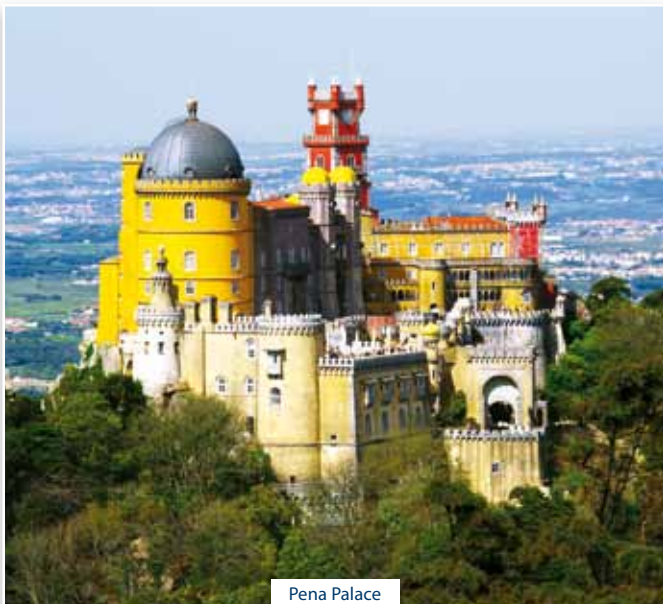
This excursion takes you west of Lisbon, to an area known for its lovely countryside and magnificent beaches, which combines the attractions of a cosmopolitan resort with the hilltop home of the former Royal Family. We start by driving through Belem, in the magnificent seaside road up to Estoril and Cascais. We continue then to Sintra, a little village, named as “Glorious Eden” by Lord Byron, who lived there for a brief period, enchanted with its dense and subtropical vegetation. We follow then to visit Pena Palace, or “Pena Castle” as it is more commonly known, the most complete and notable example of Portuguese architecture in the Romantic period. It stands on one of the rocky peaks of Sintra’s Mountain.

The Palace dates back to 1839, when the King Consort Fernando II of Saxe Coburg-Gotha (1816-1885) bought the ruins of the Hieronymite Monastery of Our Lady of Pena and started to adapt it for use as residence, according to his Romantic taste. We will have then the opportunity to walk through the village of Sintra and explore the narrow streets lined with cafés, where you will taste the famous cheese tartlets, known as “Queijada de Sintra”. We will then return to the ship along one of the most beautiful stretches of the Portuguese coastline.

*Subject to minimum 25 participants.*

*Flat and comfortable footwear is recommended. As the temperature at the Pena Palace is usually cold, carry as well as a woollen.*

***Please note this tour conflicts with Tour A, C and D.***



Pena Palace





Rossio Square

## ➤ C – Scenic Lisbon

(Afternoon) – approx. 3 hrs.

Drive in direction to Belem Quarter, to view the Hieronymites Monastery (photo stop), a 16<sup>th</sup> century masterpiece in the Gothic-Manueline style, World Heritage Monument.

Nearby you will admire the Belem Tower exterior (photo stop), from where the Portuguese explorers were given a rousing send-off, and the Monument to the Discoveries (photo stop), built to commemorate the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the death of Prince Henry – the Navigator, the mastermind behind Portugal's voyages of exploration and subsequent wealth. We continue stretching along River Tagus, where you will see the huge and graceful 25<sup>th</sup> April Bridge built following the lines of the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco and then towards the centre of Lisbon, a lively and interesting modern capital which contains many historic buildings, squares and picturesque quarters. Rossio is Lisbon's main square, and the mile-long Avenue of Liberty leads up to the statue of the Marquis of Pombal, who had the city rebuilt after the disastrous earthquake of 1755.

*Subject to minimum 30 participants.*

*This tour is suitable for passengers with walking difficulties.*

*Please note that this tour doesn't include any inside visit.*

***Please note this tour conflicts with Tour A, B and D.***



Óbidos

## ➤ D – Medieval Óbidos

(Afternoon) – approx. 4 hrs.

The west region of Portugal allows you to know Óbidos, one of the most important patrimonial masterpieces of Portugal.

We leave Lisbon heading westward in direction to Óbidos (approx. 90 km / 1h30 drive via the highway).

Enjoy a scenic drive through the Portuguese countryside that leads to the medieval town of Óbidos inside fortified walls, dating back to 308 b.C.

Since the day that King Dinis (Denis) gave the town to his young bride, Óbidos has been the token wedding gift to all Portugal's queens. You will feel as if you are travelling back in time as you explore the picturesque streets.

During the guided walking tour, you will visit the 17<sup>th</sup>-century Parish Church of Santa Maria, with its magnificent interior decorations in blue and white tiles and the picturesque Pillory Square.

You will then have the opportunity to taste the famous "Ginginha" (cherry liqueur) at a typical café in Óbidos. We finally return to Lisbon via the same way to rejoin the ship.

*Subject to minimum 30 participants.*

*This tour involves a certain amount of walking over uneven and cobblestone surfaces with steps, so flat and comfortable footwear is recommended.*

*Óbidos is a pedestrian area.*

***Please note this tour conflicts with Tour A, B and C.***



Óbidos

# PRICES

Port of call	Date	Tour code / Excursions		Approx. duration		Prices
						Adult
PORT LOUIS	23.04.12	A	Southern Delights	7h30	FD with lunch	138 AUD
		B	Eastern Sailing Magic	7h30	FD with BBQ lunch	165 AUD
		C	Colonial Mauritius	4h30	PM	76 AUD
		D	Mauritian Heritage	4h15	PM	76 AUD
POINTES DES GALETS	24.04.12	A	Piton Maïdo	4h30	AM	80 AUD
		B	Cirque of Salazie	4h30	AM	95 AUD
DURBAN	28.04.12	A	Durban City Tour	3h30	PM	50 AUD
		B	Valley of 1000 Hills	4h00	PM	85 AUD
MOSSEL BAY	30.04.12	A	Game Drive at Botlierskop Game Reserve	5h00	PM	120 AUD
		B	Game Drive at Garden Route Game Reserve	5h00	PM	120 AUD
		C	Meet the Predators	3h00	PM	85 AUD
CAPE TOWN	01.05.12	A	City Tour & Table Mountain	4h00	PM	90 AUD
	02.05.12	B	Cape of Good Hope & Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens	8h30	FD with BBQ lunch	185 AUD
		C	Stellenbosch & Wine Tasting	7h00	FD with lunch	128 AUD
		D	Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens & Wine Tasting	4h00	AM	80 AUD
JAMESTOWN	07.05.12	A	Island Scenic Tour	3h15	AM	60 AUD
PORTO GRANDE	15.05.12	A	Island Discovery	6h30	FD with lunch	115 AUD
		B1	Mindelo Walking Exploration	3h00	AM	50 AUD
		C1	Scenic tour	3h00	AM	45 AUD
		B2	Mindelo Walking Exploration	3h00	PM	50 AUD
		C2	Scenic Tour	3h00	PM	45 AUD
SANTA CRUZ DE TENERIFE	18.05.12	A	Taganana & North of the Island	4h30	AM	45 AUD
		B	Orotava Valley & Puerto de La Cruz	4h30	AM	50 AUD
CASABLANCA	20.05.12	A	Casablanca City Tour	4h00	AM	40 AUD
		B	Rabat	5h00	AM	45 AUD
LISBON	21.05.12	A	Lisbon City Tour	5h00	PM	72 AUD
		B	Sintra & Pena Palace	4h00	PM	70 AUD
		C	Scenic Lisbon	3h00	PM	40 AUD
		D	Medieval Óbidos	4h00	PM	60 AUD



Cape of Good Hope, South Africa



Mohamed V Mausoleum, Rabat



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# SHORE EXCURSIONS

