

WORLD CRUISE 2023



ITINERARY



MSC Poesia - 119 Days – 53 Destinations – 33 Countries



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DAY		
-	Jan 4	CIVITAVECCHIA, Italy
1	Jan 5	GENOA, Italy
2	Jan 6	MARSEILLE, France
3	Jan 7	BARCELONA, Spain
4	Jan 8	Cruising the Mediterranean Sea
5	Jan 9	Crossing the Gibraltar Strait
6	Jan 10	FUNCHAL, Portugal
7	Jan 11	Cruising the Atlantic Ocean
8	Jan 12	Cruising the Atlantic Ocean
9	Jan 13	Cruising the Atlantic Ocean
10	Jan 14	Cruising the Atlantic Ocean
11	Jan 15	Cruising the Atlantic Ocean
12	Jan 16	BRIDGETOWN, Barbados
13	Jan 17	SAINT GEORGE, Grenada
14	Jan 18	Cruising the Caribbean Sea
15	Jan 19	WILLELMSTAD, Curacao
16	Jan 20	SANTA MARTA, Colombia
17	Jan 21	CARTAGENA, Colombia
18	Jan 22	Cruising the Caribbean Sea
19	Jan 23	PUERTO LIMON, Costa Rica
20	Jan 24	Transit the Panama Canal
21	Jan 25	Cruising the Pacific Ocean
22	Jan 26	PUNTARENAS, Costa Rica
23	Jan 27	CORINTO, Nicaragua
24	Jan 28	PUERTO QUETZAL, Guatemala
25	Jan 29	Cruising the Pacific Ocean
26	Jan 30	Cruising the Pacific Ocean
27	Jan 31	PUERTO VALLARTA, Mexico
28	Feb 1	CABO SAN LUCAS, Mexico
29	Feb 2	Cruising the Pacific Ocean
30	Feb 3	SAN DIEGO, USA

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Feb 4		Cruising the Pacific Ocean
Feb 5		SAN FRANCISCO, USA
Feb 6		SAN FRANCISCO, USA
Feb 7		Cruising the Pacific Ocean
Feb 8		Cruising the Pacific Ocean
Feb 9		Cruising the Pacific Ocean
Feb 10		Cruising the Pacific Ocean
Feb 11		KAHULUI, USA
Feb 12		HONOLULU, USA
Feb 13		Cruising the Pacific Ocean
Feb 14		Cruising the Pacific Ocean
Feb 15		Cruising the Pacific Ocean
Feb 16		Cruising the Pacific Ocean
Feb 17		Cruising the Pacific Ocean
Feb 18		APIA, Samoa
Feb 19		International date line crossing
Feb 20		SUVA, Fiji
Feb 21		Cruising the South Pacific Ocean
Feb 22		Cruising the South Pacific Ocean
Feb 23		AUCKLAND, New Zealand
Feb 24		Cruising the Tasman Sea
Feb 25		Cruising the Tasman Sea
Feb 26		SYDNEY, Australia
Feb 27		SYDNEY, Australia
Feb 28		Cruising the Tasman Sea
Mar 1		BRISBANE, Australia
Mar 2		Cruising the Coral Sea
Mar 3		CAIRNS, Australia
Mar 4		Cruising the Coral Sea
Mar 5		ALOTAU, Papua New Guinea
Mar 6		KIRIWINA, Papua New Guinea

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62	Mar 7	RABAU, Papua New Guinea
63	Mar 8	Cruising the Pacific Ocean
64	Mar 9	Cruising the Pacific Ocean
65	Mar 10	Cruising the Pacific Ocean
66	Mar 11	Cruising the Pacific Ocean
67	Mar 12	MANILA, Philippines
68	Mar 13	MANILA, Philippines
69	Mar 14	Cruising the South China Sea
70	Mar 15	KEELUNG, Taiwan
71	Mar 16	ISHIGAKI, Japan
72	Mar 17	NAHA, Japan
73	Mar 18	Cruising the Pacific Ocean
74	Mar 19	OSAKA, Japan
75	Mar 20	OSAKA, Japan
76	Mar 21	SHIMIZU, Japan
77	Mar 22	TOKYO, Japan
78	Mar 23	TOKYO, Japan
79	Mar 24	Cruising the Pacific Ocean
80	Mar 25	NAGASAKI, Japan
81	Mar 26	BUSAN, Republic of Korea
82	Mar 27	Cruising the Japan Sea
83	Mar 28	SHANGHAI, China
84	Mar 29	SHANGHAI, China
85	Mar 30	Cruising the China Sea
86	Mar 31	Cruising the China Sea
87	Apr 1	HONG KONG, Hong Kong
88	Apr 2	SHEKOU, China
89	Apr 3	Cruising the China Sea
90	Apr 4	DA NANG, Viet Nam
91	Apr 5	NHA TRANG, Viet Nam
92	Apr 6	Cruising the China Sea

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93	Apr 7	SINGAPORE, Singapore
94	Apr 8	PORT KLANG, Malaysia
95	Apr 9	PENANG, Malaysia
96	Apr 10	Transit the Malacca Strait
97	Apr 11	Cruising the Indian Ocean
98	Apr 12	Cruising the Indian Ocean
99	Apr 13	COLOMBO, Sri Lanka
100	Apr 14	Cruising the Arabian Sea
101	Apr 15	Cruising the Arabian Sea - Gulf of Oman
102	Apr 16	Cruising the Persian Gulf
103	Apr 17	DUBAI, United Arab Emirates
104	Apr 18	DUBAI, United Arab Emirates
105	Apr 19	KHASAB, Oman
106	Apr 20	MUSCAT, Oman
107	Apr 21	Cruising the Gulf of Oman - Arabian Sea
108	Apr 22	Cruising the Gulf of Aden
109	Apr 23	Cruising the Red Sea
110	Apr 24	Cruising the Red Sea
111	Apr 25	Cruising the Red Sea
112	Apr 26	AQABA, Jordan
113	Apr 27	SUEZ CANAL TRANSIT
114	Apr 28	SUEZ CANAL TRANSIT
115	Apr 29	Cruising the Mediterranean Sea
116	Apr 30	HERAKLION, Greece
117	May 1	Cruising the Mediterranean Sea
118	May 2	CIVITAVECCHIA, Italy
119	May 3	GENOA, Italy
-	May 4	MARSEILLE, France
-	May 5	BARCELONA, Spain

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

MSC Cruises has opened sales for the **MSC World Cruise 2023** featuring **53 stunning destinations in 33 countries across six continents** with a focus on aspirational locations in Asia. The spectacular 119-day voyage on board **MSC Poesia** will commence on **5 January 2023 from Genoa** in Italy and the ship will undertake a 30,000 nautical mile journey that will eventually cross 24 separate time zones with other embarkation ports of Civitavecchia/Rome, Marseille and Barcelona.

Crossing the Atlantic Ocean from Europe, MSC Poesia will visit the tropical islands of the Caribbean and then sail through the Panama Canal, an experience that will live long in the memory for all on board. Next on the voyage of a lifetime will be the west coast of Central America with calls in Costa Rica, Nicaragua, Guatemala and Mexico before heading to San Francisco.

The Pacific leg will feature visits to Maui, Hawaii, Samoa, Fiji, Auckland in New Zealand, Sydney, the Australian Gold Coast, Cairns and the incredible Great Barrier Reef, Papua New Guinea and the Philippines. The ship will then arrive in Japan during the beautiful cherry blossom season with calls at Kyoto and Tokyo.

Guests will further discover the sights and sounds of Asia with visits to Shanghai, Vietnam, Singapore and Malaysia. Crossing the Indian Ocean to the Gulf region of the Middle East, MSC Poesia will then head home to the Mediterranean via the Suez Canal, yet another unforgettable experience to behold.

The fare includes **15 shore excursions**, and naturally you can book others either in advance or during the cruise. Your booking features a **Dine & Drink Package** so house wines, draught beer and a selection of other drinks are on us during lunch and dinner. You can also enjoy **30% off laundry services** throughout the cruise.



HIGHLIGHTS



Puerto Limon, Costa Rica – the stunning beaches and lush rainforest are a haven for any nature lover. Here guests will have the unique experience of interacting with native sloth species or discovering the rich history that the 2nd largest city in Costa Rica has to offer.

HIGHLIGHTS



San Francisco, USA – Guests will not want to miss a chance to get a look at the iconic Golden Gate bridge, visit the famous penitentiary-turned-prison Alcatraz, or taste the local California wines in one of the United States’ most famous cities.

Honolulu, USA – Hawaii is renowned for its sandy beaches, crystal clear waters and looming volcanoes. On Oahu, the Hawaiian capital is home to all three of these treasures, where guests can partake in a luau or simply say ‘aloha’ to a day of sunbathing on the famous Waikiki Beach.



HIGHLIGHTS



Sydney, Australia – Sailing by the Sydney Opera House and towering Harbour Bridge, guests will have two days to explore the Australian capital. Whether they choose to visit the famous Taronga Zoo for a chance to see real-live kangaroos or learn to surf at Bondi Beach, this is a destination for everyone.



HIGHLIGHTS



Tokyo, Japan – The bright lights of Tokyo are one of six Japanese cities the *MSC Poesia* will visit during the world tour. With a plethora of uniquely Japanese activities to experience, guests may choose between traditional tea ceremonies, observing Sumo wrestlers' morning practice sessions and discovering the restaurant offerings that make Tokyo the most Michelin-starred city in the world.

Shanghai, China – One of China's most iconic cities will give guests an opportunity to immerse themselves in the Far East, visiting the Jade Buddha Temple, walking along the Bund waterfront or taking a day trip to the Zhujiajiao water town, where the historic homes and bridges will have guests feeling they've stepped back in time.

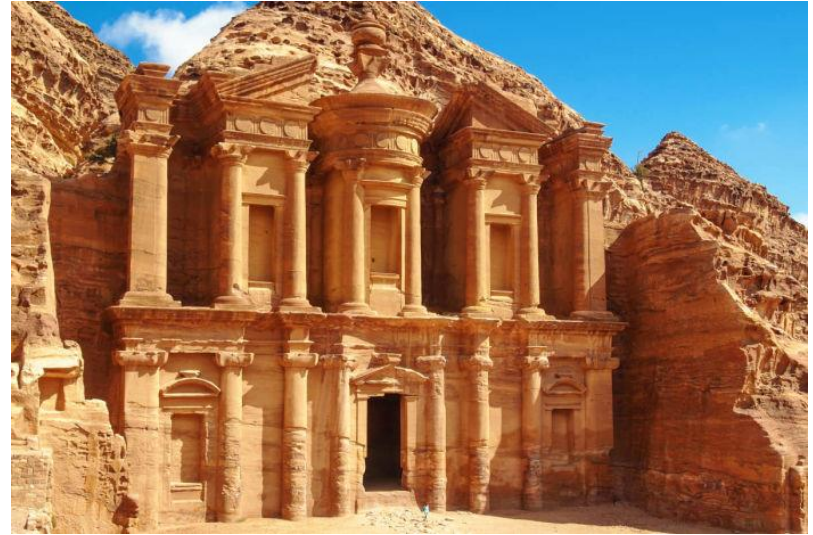
HIGHLIGHTS



Da Nang, Vietnam – Vietnam’s 5th largest city is one of the country’s most beautiful. Guests may opt to climb the one-of-a-kind Marble Mountains, bask in the sun on My Khe Beach or discover the many stunning pagodas that the city is known for.

Singapore – Framed by the unmistakable Marina Bay Sands Hotel and the city’s symbol, the Merlion, Singapore is a paradise for shoppers, with breath-taking malls that are as beautiful as they are well-stocked. The historical Raffles Hotel and eye-opening Gardens by the Bay make this small island a taste of the best of both worlds, modern meets classic.

HIGHLIGHTS



Aqaba, Jordan – This city rests on the Red Sea coast and is a haven for divers and history buffs alike. From snorkelling in the Aqaba Marine Park to Mamluk Castle and the Aqaba Archaeological Museum, this destination has something to satiate everyone's interests.

MSC POESIA



FIND OUT WHAT MAKES THE SHIP SO SPECIAL

Make yourself at home on a ship of superlatives, designed and finished to ensure you will cruise in comfort from the moment you step on board. Ship highlights include a theatre, two pools and whirlpools, the MSC Aurea Spa and our very own onboard medical center plus attending doctor.



MEDICAL CENTER

- 230 m²
- Supervised by a doctor and medical personnel
- Emergency services available around the clock
- Comprehensive range of medications held on board



CABINS & SUITES

- 1,275 Cabins
- 18 Suites



BARS & LOUNGES

- Le Rendez-vous Bar Deck 5
- Bar dei Poeti Deck 6
- Bar Smeraldo Deck 6
- Giada Bar Deck 6
- The Zebra Bar Deck 6
- Il Grappolo d'Oro Deck 7
- Pigalle Lounge Deck 7
- The Hitchcock Lounge Deck 7
- Mojito Bar Deck 13
- Piraña Bar Deck 13



RESTAURANTS

- Le Fontane 771 seats Deck 5
- Il Palladio 730 seats Deck 6
- Kaito Sushi Bar 56 seats Deck 7
- Villa Pompeiana & L'Obelisco 737 seats Deck 13



ENTERTAINMENT

- Poker Room Deck 6
- Teatro Carlo Felice Deck 6-7
- Card Room Deck 7
- Casino Royal Deck 7
- Library Deck 7
- Photo Arcade Deck 7
- Via delle Arti Deck 7
- S32 Disco Deck 14
- Baby Club Indoor Playroom Deck 14
- Children Outdoor Pool & Games Deck 14
- Junior Club Deck 14
- MiniClub I Dinosauri Deck 14
- Teen's Club Deck 14
- Virtual Games Deck 14



SPORT

- Gym by Technogym® Deck 13
- Power Walking Track Deck 14
- Shuffleboard Deck 14-15
- Mimigo® Deck 15
- Sport Centre (basketball, tennis court, volleyball) Deck 16



POOLS & SPA

- Le Rendez-vous Bar Deck 5
- Bar dei Poeti Deck 6
- Bar Smeraldo Deck 6
- Giada Bar Deck 6
- The Zebra Bar Deck 6
- Il Grappolo d'Oro Deck 7
- Pigalle Lounge Deck 7
- The Hitchcock Lounge Deck 7
- Mojito Bar Deck 13
- Piraña Bar Deck 13

WHAT IS INCLUDED – F&B PACKAGE + ONBOARD SERVICES

Dine & Drink Package

NAME	DESCRIPTION
DINE & DRINK PACKAGE (ADULT)	Drinks in the Main on-board restaurants during Lunch and Dinner opening hours and in the Buffet restaurant during assigned Lunch and Dinner Hours only. The package includes a variety of wines served by the glass (white, red, rose & sparkling wines), draught beer, mineral water, fountain-soda & fruit juices (by the glass). The package is not valid for use in any speciality restaurant or bars outside of the buffet area. Only for Bella and Fantastica Experience
DINE & DRINK PACKAGE (CHILD)	Drinks during lunch and dinner in Main Dining Room and Self-service Buffet (Speciality Restaurants are not included). Mineral water, fountain-soda & fruit juices (by the glass). Only for Bella and Fantastica Experience

Onboard Services

Onboard Services	OR12LAU - 30% discount on Laundry price
Delivery Date	05 Jan 2023
Price Basis	Per Person
Price Type	Per Stay
Delivery Instructions	30% discount on Laundry price list onboard



WHAT IS INCLUDED – 15 EXCURSIONS

Tour description and Useful Info

CARTAGENA - PANORAMIC SIGHTSEEING TOUR

This is an opportunity to experience the uniquely magnificent city of Cartagena de Indias from the comfort of your air-conditioned motor coach. Cartagena is a UNESCO World heritage site and a living breathing city that has been remarkably well preserved. Departing from the pier side and accompanied by expert local guides your first stop will be a panoramic view of the imposing military fort of San Felipe de Barajas, which is situated outside the walled city. This immense building is considered to be the most outstanding feat of Spanish military engineering in the New World with its construction beginning in 1536 and lasting for 121 years. Move on to Getsemani, one of the city's historical and most storied neighbourhoods, home to lovely colonial architecture and an authentic Colombian vibe that have made it such a popular spot in recent years. You will then continue to the historic colonial city. The immense walls took 194 years to be completed and enabled Cartagena to defend itself from the numerous attacks of English pirates and other would be invaders. The Spanish colonial architecture is some of the most impressive and best preserved in South America with its imposing merchant's houses, narrow streets, flower bedecked balconies stunning civic buildings and beautiful churches. You will continue to Bocagrande, which in complete contrast with the old city, is modern with high rise apartment complexes, hotels and restaurants. Here you will have the opportunity to visit the wonderful world of emeralds in Caribe jewelry and their Emerald museum, before returning to the port. This museum also keeps the legendary 260 pounds PETRA, the largest emerald bearing vein ever unearthed in Colombia with more than sixty crystals with terminations weighing more than two thousand carats.



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Tour description and Useful Info

COSTA RICA - SCENIC DRIVE, CULTURAL SHOW & SHOPPING

Esparza sits on the Gulf of Nicoya, in the Puntarenas province. It is one of the oldest cities in Costa Rica, founded in the 16th century by the Spanish. Your scenic drive will start by heading east to Esparza, one of the most picturesque towns in Costa Rica's Central Pacific region. The central park and its church are emblematic of Costa Rica's hardworking rural towns. Local dancers in colourful costumes will greet you at the park for a cultural show where you can enjoy the masquerades and learn about the local traditions, you will also have a chance to browse for some handmade souvenirs. Continuing on your scenic drive you will go on some stretches along the Pacific Ocean and pass by mango and cashew plantations. You will also be able to observe the birds that thrive in this environment thanks to the sustainable practices followed here. Your journey continues as you head down to sea level, admiring the sweeping views and green rolling hills covered by pasture lands. With the ocean in the distance be sure to bring your camera to capture the unique views. A quick stop will be made to visit the fruit stands in Orotina, where you can browse around and find different traditional products, such as fresh tropical fruits, cashew seeds, "cajetas" and "cocadas" (traditional candy), plantain chips, cold drinks and many other typical snacks, giving you the opportunity to interact with friendly locals. Your tour ends with some shopping time at El Jardín souvenir market, giving you a great opportunity to sample their delicious fruits and taste a great cup of Costa Rican coffee.



WHAT IS INCLUDED – 15 EXCURSIONS

Tour description and Useful Info

SAN DIEGO HARBOR CRUISE

See the famous sea lions along with San Diego landmarks and historical sites with a San Diego harbour cruise. From the pier, a short walk brings you to your vessel for a narrated sightseeing cruise through San Diego Harbor. The narrated 2-hour cruise shows you the San Diego skyline, the Star of India and the iconic ships of the Maritime Museum, Harbor Island, Shelter Island and North Island Naval Air Station. U.S.S. Midway aircraft carrier, the U.S. Navy surface fleet, the Coronado waterfront, the Coronado Navy SEAL Base, and Coronado Bay Bridge. Your professional guide will share entertaining facts and history that helped to shape the city's distinctive waterfront. The fleet of luxury ships features three levels with comfortable indoor and outdoor seating, 360-degree views, and an on-board snack bar offering snacks, sodas, beer and wine for purchase. At the conclusion of the voyage, a short walk returns you to the ship, or you may want to linger on the waterfront and explore the area.



WHAT IS INCLUDED – 15 EXCURSIONS

Tour description and Useful Info

SAN FRANCISCO & GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE

San Francisco, in northern California, is a hilly city on the tip of a peninsula surrounded by the Pacific Ocean and San Francisco Bay. It's known for its year-round fog, iconic Golden Gate Bridge, cable cars and colorful Victorian houses. The Financial District's Transamerica Pyramid is its most distinctive skyscraper. In the bay sits Alcatraz Island, site of the notorious former prison. From the pier, depart along the Embarcadero towards downtown San Francisco then up the centre of town via Market Street to the top of one of the Twin Peaks. Here, far removed from the traffic below, is one of the most beautiful and peaceful places in all of San Francisco. Pause to admire the view over downtown and across the bay (if not obscured by the city's famous fog). From the belvedere, head down into Golden Gate Park and then to the Pacific coast for a photo stop overlooking the Cliff House and the endless beach nearby. Continue north through the Presidio, to view the iconic Golden Gate Bridge. Here you pause at the pavilion visitors center which offers excellent views of the bridge and informative information and representations of the bridge's history and engineering. The ample shop offers souvenirs and books memorializing the city and structure. You can also make an optional stop at lively Fisherman's Wharf. You may choose to depart the tour here and explore the area on the own. A short walk will bring you back to the ship when you are done exploring.



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Tour description and Useful Info

PEARL HARBOR TOUR

The Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor on 7 December 1941 was "a day that will live in infamy", President Roosevelt said. Learn about this event that brought the United States into World War II and view the lovely city of Honolulu, once the capital of independent Kingdom of Hawaii. Learn about the Pacific theatre of World War II, from the surprise attack on Pearl Harbor on 7 December 1941 to the surrender of the Japanese on the deck of the battleship U.S.S. Missouri in 1945. This tour includes round trip transportation and features the historic museums and iconic views as well as a self-guided visit at the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center including the Bookstore, Road to War Museum, Attack Museum and Remembrance Circle. Please note: limited number of guides in languages other than English. Should a tour guide for your language be unavailable, the tour will be in English only. No bags Permitted on this tour. The US Department of the Interior has instituted strict security measures at the Arizona Memorial . No purses, handbags, backpacks, camera bags, and other items that offer concealment are allowed in the Visitor Center. A camera is permitted. Please bring vital items in a manner that they can be placed in your pockets. Any bags brought on tour will need to be stored at an on-site storage area at \$5.00 per bag (cash only). The tour does not include the ticket neither for the Arizona Memorial and USS Bowfin (both on site at Pearl Harbor) nor for the USS Missouri, USS Oklahoma, Pacific Aviation (all three off site of Pearl Harbor on Ford Island). Tickets for venues not included in the tour price can be purchased on a first come first serve basis, at Pearl Harbor. Any questions can be addressed by the Park official on-site. Should you decide to purchase one of these tickets, please consider the time slot and the departure time of your return transportation. Please allow ample time as the return transportation to the ship won't be able to wait past the established departure time from Pearl Harbor.



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Tour description and Useful Info

AUCKLAND MUSEUM AND CITY SIGHTS

explore beautiful Auckland on a narrated driving tour. We'll drive past the neo-classical Auckland Museum, home to exhibits on New Zealand and Pacific Islands cultures with a collection of Polynesian artefacts that can be explored independently. As you arrive in downtown, you will note the contrasts in architectural styles. See the colonial-era shops that line the charming streets of the exclusive Parnell Village shopping district. Cross Harbour Bridge and continue through the city for the completion of your tour and a return to port. Please note: this tour is unsuitable for guests using a wheelchair. Guides in languages other than English are limited. Should a tour guide for your language be unavailable, the tour will be in English only. The tour may have multiple departures during the day.



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Tour description and Useful Info

BEST OF BUSAN

While Busan is a highly popular seaside resort and South Korea's second largest city, it is to its appealing hinterland and the Haedong Yonggungsa Temple in its hillside location that this half-day outing will take you. After an initial coach transfer, you'll reach the temple, which dates to 1376, via a set of 108 steps, flanked by stone lanterns and the sea beyond. You'll have a little time to view the beautiful building before you move on to Dongbaekseom Island and its super-modern Nurimaru APEC House, a circular building made chiefly of glass that sits amid a landscape planted with camellias and pine trees. Last up, you'll get to visit Gamcheon Culture Village, a southern suburb that was once a shanty town and has recently undergone a major art-centric transformation. A walk through the colourful alleyways will reveal numerous murals, sculptures, playful art installations and even a charming statue of Antoine de Saint-Exupéry's Little Prince which overlooks the harbour. Your return to the ship then brings the tour to a close. Please note: the tour is unsuitable for guests of limited mobility or using a wheelchair. Guides in languages other than English are limited. Should a tour guide for your language be unavailable, the tour will be in English only.



WHAT IS INCLUDED – 15 EXCURSIONS

Tour description and Useful Info

HISTORIC HIGHLIGHTS OF DA NANG

Explore the historic and architectural highlights of Da Nang, the commercial and educational hub of Central Vietnam, and its environs. The tour begins when you board a coach and leave the port to visit the Da Nang Museum, located within the precinct of the national historic relic of Dien Hai Citadel, in the central Hai Chau district. The new museum was opened in 2011 and holds valuable documents and exhibits about the history of Da Nang and the surrounding area. Your next destination is the Son Tra district, bordered on three sides by water and popular with tourists. From here, you'll head to the area known locally as Bai But to visit the famous Linh Ung Pagoda, the most important in Central Vietnam in terms of both its scale and the quality of its architecture. Inside, in a courtyard, the Lady Buddha Da Nang statue rises majestically to a height of 67 metres, making it the tallest Buddha in Vietnam. Your tour then draws to a close with your return to the ship. Please note: as the visited sites are wheelchair-accessible (but without ramps), the tour is suitable for guests who use a wheelchair provided they are accompanied by a paying helper to aid with getting on/off the coach. Wheelchairs must be foldable/collapsible, as the coach has no ramps or lifts. Once on board, please contact the Shore Excursions' Desk staff promptly so they can help make arrangements. The number of guides in languages other than English is limited. Should a tour guide for your language be unavailable, the tour will be in English only. Guests are requested to wear conservative attire for visiting places of religious importance



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NEW WONDERS OF DUBAI

This discovery tour begins with a photo stop at the epitome of modern Dubai, the sumptuous Burj Al Arab Hotel, which is the only 7-star hotel in the world. The tour continues with a drive to the Palm Jumeirah, a magnificent man-made archipelago of islands in the shape of a palm tree where the impressive Atlantis Hotel is located. The next stop on the tour is the beautiful Dubai Marina, projected to become the largest man-made marina in the world. Next on the itinerary is a drive along Sheikh Zayed Road, taking you to the Souk Al Bahar where you will have free time to spend in the bazaar. The souk features over 100 shops in an eclectic retail mix that includes restaurants, cafés and lounges that flank the souk's extensive waterfront promenade. Literally meaning "The Market of the Sailor", Souk Al Bahar derives its name both from its traditional souk architecture – natural stone corridors, high archways and subdued lighting – as well as its unique "seaside" location on an island in Lake Burj. Please note: Wheelchair users must be accompanied by a paying helper to aid with getting on and off the coach; wheelchairs must be collapsible/foldable since the coach has neither a ramp nor a lift. Wheelchair users wishing to take part in this are requested to contact the Shore Excursions' Desk promptly once they are on board so that arrangements can be made.



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PANORAMIC CABO GIRAO & RIBEIRA BRAVA

Head to the Pico da Torre vantage point for the superb panoramic view, then continue up to Cabo Girão, the world's second-highest cliff face. The outlook from the safety railings is out of this world and it's a great place from which to take photos, but the views are equally lovely from a little way back. The final leg of the tour begins with a 1-hour drive to Ribeira Brava. Situated on the southwest of Madeira, this pretty little town is a hive of street cafés and shops. The town's name is believed to be derived from the wild (Brava) river (Ribeira) that used to regularly wreak havoc in the area. Your tour concludes with your return to Funchal and the ship. Please note: comfortable shoes and a coat recommended. Wheelchair users must be accompanied by a paying helper to aid with getting on and off the coach; wheelchairs must be collapsible/foldable since the coach has neither a ramp nor a lift. Wheelchair users wishing to take part in this are requested to contact the Shore Excursions' Desk promptly once they are on board so that arrangements can be made. Visibility from scenic outlooks depend on weather conditions the day of call.



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MARVELLOUS METRO MANILA, OLD AND NEW

Discover fascinating, multicultural Metropolitan Manila, one of the most densely packed urban areas in the world. Your tour begins with a scenic drive from Pier 15 through the grounds of the Cultural Centre of the Philippines. Look out for the Philippine International Convention Centre and the Folk Arts Theatre and next door, the Coconut Palace – a building made mostly from coconut materials! After a photo stop at Rizal Park, continue into the country's financial capital, the City of Makati. Drive down Ayala Avenue, home of the Philippine banking industry, onwards through Forbes Park, dubbed "Millionaire's Row," then on to the impressive American Cemetery and Memorial. Driving back to old Manila, you'll reach Intramuros – "The Walled City" – to see the centuries-old fortified walls, church ruins and relics from Spain's Conquistadores. Enjoy a photo stop at the Cathedral then head to Fort Santiago, a Spanish fort overlooking the entrance to Pasig River, for a visit before returning to the ship. Please note: comfortable shoes and a coat recommended. This tour includes climbing 50 steps to reach the Fort; Guests of limited mobility are requested to evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability before taking part. Limited number of guides in languages other than English. Should a tour guide for your language be unavailable, the tour will be in English only.



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HIGHLIGHTS OF KUALA LUMPUR

Batu Caves is a limestone outcrop located just north of Kuala Lumpur, with a series of caves featuring Hindu temples and shrines. Its other attractions include the huge statue of the Hindu deity Murugan at the entrance, and the steep climb up its 272 steps to finally view the stunning skyline of the city. The next visit on this tour is the National Monument, an enormous bronze monument built to pay tribute to the soldiers who gave their lives during the Communist Insurgency in the 1950s. After lunch at a local restaurant, the next stop will be a photo opportunity at the Petronas Twin Towers, an architectural wonder and the pride of Malaysia. Your tour will conclude with a photo stop at Independence Square, where you will see the 328-foot flagpole marking the spot where the Malaysian flag was hoisted to mark the country's independence from British rule. Please note: this tour is unsuitable for guests with walking difficulties or using a wheelchair. Limited number of guides in languages other than English. Should a tour guide for your language be unavailable, the tour will be in English only. Guests are requested to wear conservative attire for visiting the Batu Caves: tank tops, sleeveless shirts and shorts are strictly prohibited for women wishing to enter the caves. The Temple authority may demand payment for additional garments should inappropriately dressed women wish to enter. Guest can take snapshots of Petronas Twin Tower only from a distance during the final photo stop. You may find monkeys on the staircase leading to the Caves; they are not aggressive but please avoid carrying any plastic bag or food and do not provoke them. Only coffee, tea and a bottle of water are included in the lunch; any other drink must be paid with local currency or credit cards.



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PANORAMIC SHANGHAI & MAGLEV TRAIN

Get your fill of all things Shanghai on a mostly coach-based excursion that promises to deliver the best of the city. The first must-see is the Shanghai Maglev Train, whose magnetic levitation technology ensures a distance of 30 km/18 miles can be covered in just under 7.5 minutes at a top speed of 431 km/h (268 mph). The tour continues as the photo stop at Jin Mao Tower. Then you will be transferred over Nanpu Bridge to the French Concession, a Shanghai district under French rule from 1849 to 1946. Your tour guide will tell you about the quarter's history, after which you'll have some time to spend at its shopping and entertainments hub, the upscale Xintiandi, before you head back to your ship. Please note: this tour is not suitable for guests with walking difficulties or using a wheelchair. Limited number of guides in languages other than English. Should a tour guide for your language be unavailable, the tour will be in English only. Train may not reach the maximum speed.



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Tour description and Useful Info

DISCOVERING SYDNEY

This half-day guided tour gives you a chance to check out key sights from the comfort of a modern coach. Your stress-free jaunt begins directly next to Harbour Bridge in the city's oldest quarter, The Rocks. Look forward to an appealing blend of Victorian-era buildings and modern architecture, after which you'll head for city-centre sights such as the Sydney Tower – the city's tallest structure – as well as the 19th-century Queen Victoria Building, Chinatown and Mrs. Macquarie's Chair, a sandstone bench created for the wife of the then Governor Macquarie in 1810. This vantage point, perched at the end of a peninsula on Farm Cove, provides fabulous views of Sydney Harbour Bridge and the iconic Opera House, your next port of call. Following a short guided tour of the well-known building, you'll head for Sydney's most exclusive residential area at Watsons Bay, complete with a surfeit of high-end yachts, for a chance to take photos of the Sydney skyline. Next up is the surfing nirvana of Bondi Beach for another photo stop, after which the return journey to your ship will see you travel through Paddington, a district most noted for its pretty terraced houses with ironwork balconies. Please note: guests are recommended to wear sunscreen, sunglasses, comfortable walking shoes and a light sweater or cardigan. The tour involves some walking around the Opera House and approximately 200 steps throughout the Opera House tour, which is not wheelchair accessible and for guests with mobility problems. Limited number of guides in languages other than English. Should a tour guide for your language be unavailable, the tour will be in English only.



WHAT IS INCLUDED – 15 EXCURSIONS

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A GLIMPSE OF TOKYO

The sights of Tokyo are presented for your viewing pleasure on this half-day outing, which begins with a coach transfer to the Hamarikyū Gardens. Forming a welcome green contrast to the skyscrapers of the Shiodome District, the wooded park area also features seawater ponds with water levels varying depending on the tide and even one with an island and a teahouse. Next, you'll move on to the historical Asakusa quarter to stroll down Nakamise, a busy shopping street, en route to the 7th-century Sensō-ji Temple, one of the district's key landmarks. After a photo stop at the late 19th-century and moated Imperial Palace, which occupies space formerly taken up by Edo Castle, you'll get back on the coach for the short drive back to the ship. Please note: the number of guides in languages other than English is limited. Should a tour guide for your language be unavailable, the tour will be in English only. Wheelchair guests must be accompanied by a paying helper to aid with getting on and off the coach; wheelchairs must be collapsible/foldable since the coach has neither a ramp nor a lift. Wheelchair users wishing to take part in this are requested to contact the Shore Excursions' Desk promptly once they are on board so that arrangements can be made.



SALES DETAILS

GO LIVE DATE

- **November 11th 2020**

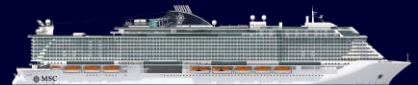
MSC CLUB MEMBERS

- Club Members enjoy the usual 5% cruise discount.
- On top of the 5% discount, members booking the MSC World Cruise 2023 will receive triple points for their chosen Experience. These points will be credited at the time of booking. For further info, please refer to Terms and Conditions of the programme.

EB BUNDLE - Confirmed

The EB Bundle price will include:

- Cruise
- 15 excursions (excursion codes and descriptions TBD)
- Laundry 30% discount (for further details, see next slide)
- Dine & drink package (for further details, see next slide)





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