

Destination: MEW

Itinerary: Genoa, Marseille, Barcelona, Tangier, Casablanca, Ceuta, Malaga

Ship: MSC LIRICA

Departure port: Genoa (Portofino),

Italy

Departure date: 2023-03-29

Duration: 10 Nights

### Malaga (Granada), Spain 2023-04-05



### MAL02 - MIJA, THE WHITE TOWN

**CITY TOUR** 

Situated only a little way inland from the beautiful Costa del Sol coastline approx. 1 hour's coach ride from Malaga lies Mijas, a pretty little Andalusian town with cobbled streets and typical white-washed buildings. Thanks to its elevated location at a height of 428 metres above sea level, the town's Pueblo Mijas district is known for its views of the African coast, the Atlas mountains, the rock of Gibraltar and a generous portion of the Costa del Sol. There are many small independent stores mainly selling meticulously crafted artisan products, including attractive pottery and clothing. You will have some free time to enjoy Mijas on your own before heading back to Malaga and your ship. Please note: This tour includes moderate walking and is not available to guests who use a wheelchair; guests of limited mobility are requested to evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability before taking part.

Price per person Adult: € 49.00 Child: € 35.00



### **MAL01 - CITY TOUR**

**CITY TOUR** 



Situated in the deep south of Spain on the Mediterranean coast, the city of Málaga is not just a popular tourist attraction for its sunny climate and beaches; it is also one of the world's oldest cities and the birthplace of Pablo Picasso. Your half-day excursion begins with a guided tour through the main streets of the city, passing the Alameda Principal - a grand boulevard flanked by lush trees - on the way. A visit to the 16th-century Cathedral, one of the most important examples of Andalusian Renaissance architecture, as well as a look around the Gibralfaro fortress are equally on the tour itinerary. Your return to the port and your ship brings the tour to an end. Please note: the visit to the Cathedral and the Gibralfaro fortress must be reconfirmed during your cruise. Guests are requested to wear appropriate attire for religious visits. If the Cathedral is closed on Sundays, public holidays or during special events, the visit will be external. This tour includes moderate walking and is not available to guests who use a wheelchair; guests of limited mobility are requested to evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability before taking part.

Price per person Adult: € 55.00 Child: € 42.00

### MAL05 - MARBELLA & PUERTO BANÚS

**CITY TOUR** 





Your half-day excursion to the seaside resort of Marbella - one of Spain's most popular holiday destinations on the Costa del Sol and certainly one of the prettiest - begins with a scenic 1-hour coach ride from Malaga port. Marbella is ideally set, tucked away in between the Sierra Blanca mountains and the Mediterranean Sea, Your guide will show you around the key sights of the city, such as the 16th-/17th-century Iglesia de la Encarnación, a fabulous church built in late Gothic style that features an ornate golden altar. The next stop is the pretty marina at Puerto Banús, a suburb of Marbella. You will have some free time to have coffee, explore the resort and admire the beautiful yachts moored in the luxury marina before returning to the port and your ship. Please note: external viewings only of the places visited. Wheelchair users must be accompanied by a paying helper to provide assistance 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.

### Price per person

Adult: € 55.00 Child: € 42.00



Note for guests with disabilities



### MAL10 - ROMANTIC MÁLAGA

SOMETHING **SPECIAL** 







Make a date with Málaga and discover all the romance of this lovely seaside city the birthplace of Pablo Picasso. Your first stop on this half-day jaunt will be the vantage point at Mount Gibralfaro for you to savour the amazing views of the surrounding area and capture the moment by taking some photos. On returning to the city, a guided walk will give you a chance to amble down the main streets of Málaga. Your guide will keep you entertained with interesting snippets about the citys history and stories of some famous weddings that were celebrated in the town. A well-earned chance to have a rest and enjoy the lively ambience of one of Málagas best tapas bars then follows at El Pimpi. Your snack of tasty tapas and a drink will be accompanied by the soothing sounds of serenades sung to a soft guitar by a group of costumed university students known as a tuna. Having originated in 13th-century Iberia, the tradition remains popular as a means for students to earn money for their keep. Your quide will tell you all about it as you sit, sip and savour the authentic flavours and sounds of Spain. Your return the port brings your tour of romantic Málaga to a close. Please note: this excursion is not suitable for guests with walking difficulties or using a wheelchair.

Adult: € 52.00 Child: € 39.00

### MAL11 - A SLICE OF ANDALUSIAN PARADISE









A whole host of authentic Andalusian impressions that go beyond just sea and sand are yours to enjoy on this leisurely outing that will take you through Málaga's surprisingly varied hinterland and begins with a scenic 40minute coach journey up to a traditional Spanish finca. Your entertaining and welcoming host will introduce you to the wonderful flavours of produce grown in the so-called "Sunshine Valley" before you move on to have breakfast in traditional Andalusian style - delicious! Next on your Andalusian adventure is the traditionally whitewashed village of Alora - one of the many pueblos blancos for which the region is known - that sits tucked away amid three rocky spurs. After a chance to stretch your legs and explore the narrow lanes of this appealing village, a further coach leg through breathtaking scenery will see you reach the mesmerisingly beautiful El Chorro Gorge, aka the "Málaga Lake District". The beguiling turquoise of the crystal-clear water surrounded by deep-green pine forests make these lakes a certain highlight of your outing. Some free time to enjoy the gorgeous surroundings ends the excursion before you return to the port and your ship. Please note: The tour is not available to guests who use a wheelchair; guests of limited mobility are requested to evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability before taking part.

### Price per person

Child: € 49.00



### MAL16 - MÁLAGA & THE PICASSO CONNECTION

**CULTURE AND** HISTORY







Sitting pretty on the Costa del Sol, the bustling city of Málaga is up for exploration on this appealing half-day sightseeing tour. Prepare to board a shuttle to reach the city centre and then, accompanied by your friendly guide, set off on a 30-minute walk that will acquaint you with the artistic legacy left by Picasso. You'll first cross Plaza de la Marina - Málaga's main square - en route to Plaza de la Merced and the house in which Picasso was born. Today, the building serves the purpose of showcasing the great man's life and works. Following this first introduction to the world of Picasso at the Museo Casa Natal (Birthplace Museum), a 15-minute walk will take you to the nearby Picasso Museum, which is housed in the 16th-century Buenavista Palace. Explore the museum and feel inspired by the many paintings, sculptures, drawings, ceramics and graphics created by Picasso throughout his life. After the visit, you'll have some free time to spend in Málaga city centre before the shuttle returns you to your ship. Please note: Wheelchair users must be accompanied by a paying helper to provide assistance 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. This tour is not available on Sundays and on Tuesdays afternoons.

### Price per person

Adult: € 65.00 Child: € 52.00



Note for guests with disabilities

### MAL15 - THE MANY FLAVOURS OF MÁLAGA

**CITY TOUR** 









After boarding a modern coach at Málaga pier, your journey of discovery begins with an orientational spin to see the city's most prominent sights and includes a brief photo call at Mount Gibralfaro, from where superb views are yours to enjoy. Moving on, prepare your senses for the myriad colours and aromas of Málaga's main market, the Mercado Atarazanas, a so-called "Historic-Artistic Monument". The market's old gate continues to stand proud as a reminder of the site's Moorish past. With your appetite whetted by this temple of foodie goodness, the next stop will be a classic Spanish café to indulge your palate with a thoroughly moreish sweet surprise: some deep-fried, sugar-dusted churros and a hug-in-a-mug serving of hot chocolate. Similar to a doughnut in texture, churros deliver a melt-in-the-mouth moment you will love to savour. Suitably fortified, the journey then continues through town towards the historical district, culminating at the elegant old-world environs of Málaga's main drag, which bears the grand name of Calle Marqués de Larios. Some time to call your own and do as you please then follows before you begin to make your way back to the port and your ship. Please note: This tour includes approximately 1.5 hours of moderate walking and is not available to guests who use a wheelchair; guests of limited mobility are requested to evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability before taking part. The visit to the Market will be external on Sundays or in case of afternoon calls.

### Price per person

Adult: € 52.00 Child: € 42.00



### MAL18 - SEGWAY® TOUR OF MÁLAGA

ACTIVE & **ADVENTURE** 







The key sights of Málaga, one of the world's oldest cities with a history stretching back around 2.800 years, await you on this short jaunt, which will see you step off the ship and instead ride a Segway® as your means of transportation. This is not only one of the most ecological ways to get around, but also promises to be huge fun. After a short briefing on how to ride one of these devices, you'll be able to follow your guide on a comprehensive tour of the best locations in the city. At the end of your Segway®-powered exploration, you'll return to the ship. Please note: This tour is considered to be unsuitable for pregnant women and guests with prosthetics, neck/back problems. Min. age to take part: 10; min. weight to take part: 45; max. weight to take part: 100 kg.

# **Price per person** Adult: € 62.00

Child: € 62.00



MAL19 - Malaga by E-Bike

ACTIVE & **ADVENTURE** 







Price per person Adult: € 55.00 Child: € 55.00

### MAL23 - THE CAVES OF NERJA

NATURAL WONDERS







A 1-hour drive by coach from Malaga port will take you to the coastal town of Nerja, home to a famous network of caves that were re-discovered in modern times by a group of potholing friends in 1959. The caves were inhabited from approx. 25.000 B.C. to the Bronze Age, with cave paintings delivering lasting proof of human habitation. Considered to be one of the most beautiful complexes of its kind in Europe, the cave system is made up of various chambers with their characteristic stalagmites and stalactites, including the amazing Cataclysm Chamber - which houses a perpendicular central column that rises 32 metres into the air - and the so-called Hall of Nativity. You will also have some free time to enjoy the panoramic view from the "Balcony of Europe" before your tour concludes with your return to Malaga. Please note: the visit to the caves involves walking up and down winding steps, stairs, and narrow passages and on slippery ground. The tour is not suitable for guests with walking difficulties or using a wheelchair. Only cameras without a flash allowed inside the caves. Guests will have no access to the area where cave paintings are.

Price per person Adult: € 52.00 Child: € 39.00



### **MAL24 - FLAMENCO SHOW & INDEPENDENT EXPLORATION**

SOMETHING **SPECIAL** 









**Price per person** Adult: € 59.00 Child: € 45.00

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FAMILY FUN	Take your children on a journey of discovery, with a special programme for kids. The perfect family trip.
CITY TOUR	Explore the city centre with a guided tour and soak up the local scenery with a comfortable coach ride. The easy way to get to know your destination.
CULTURE AND HISTORY	Learn all about the history and culture of your destination, with visits to must-see locations and guided tours of key sites. The ideal route to local knowledge.
PANORAMIC TOUR	Admire your destination in total comfort, with a scenic coach tour taking in the best views and the main places of interest. The relaxing road to discovery.
SPORT AND ADVENTURE	Head ashore in search of adventure! Opportunities for sport and fun range from trekking and snorkelling to kayak tours and $4x4$ vehicle adventures. The active choice.
WONDER OF NATURE	Immerse yourself in spectacular scenery and discover the fascinating flora and fauna of your destination. Your passport to the wonders of the natural world.
SOMETHING SPECIAL	Pursue your interests in new places! From gastronomic tours and guided shopping trips to religious visits, there's a world of pastimes and passions to explore.
SEA AND SUN	Treat yourself to some pure relaxation, basking on a beautiful beach or enjoying the stunning views on a scenic boat trip. A winner for sea and sun lovers.
EASY & ACCESSIBLE	Leisurely explore the best each destination has to offer, in small groups, on tailor-made itineraries for slow walkers and people with limited mobility. Up-close experiences available for everyone.
MSC PROTECTOURS	Protectours offers you unforgettable experiences while focusing on environmental sustainability in order to preserve a beautiful world for future generations to enjoy.
MSC BIKE ADVENTOURS	One of the best ways to explore a city is from the seat of a MSC bicycle. See, hear, smell and feel the destination like never before.