# Mediterranean Escape June 2-9, 2019

Barcelona Uncorked Pre-Cruise | May 30-June 2, 2019 A Taste of Tuscany Post-Cruise | June 9-12, 2019







Dear DRI Friends,

Cindy and I are excited for this opportunity to invite DRI members to join us for the 2019 ABOTA International Meeting. We fell in love with the Mediterranean during our first ABOTA International Meeting and vowed to return to some of our favorite ports and explore new ones.



We start in Barcelona with its renowned architecture, home to Gaudi, the extraordinary Sagrada Familia, Miro, Picasso's early years, fine dining, tapas bars, and vibrant nightlife. Arrive at your leisure and spend a few days exploring this magnificent city before we set sail on an exciting cruise.

Embarking from Barcelona on the elegant *Silver Whisper* for a fabulous 7-night cruise, we sail to Valencia and discover its mix of old and new, great central park and world-famous paella. Then, we are on to Palma de Mallorca for its stunning scenery and famous pearls. Next, we will enjoy a relaxing day at sea, taking advantage of our luxurious ship and its amenities amongst friends with a special evening of dinner and dancing while cruising to spend the following two days in the French Riviera gems of Saint Tropez and Monte Carlo. The last stop is our favorite seaport town of Portofino. Stroll along fishing villages and relish unmatched pesto, delicious seafood and refreshing Italian wines and spritzers. We then sail to Civitavecchia (Rome) to end the cruise but hope you stay with us for a few more days for *A Taste of Tuscany*.

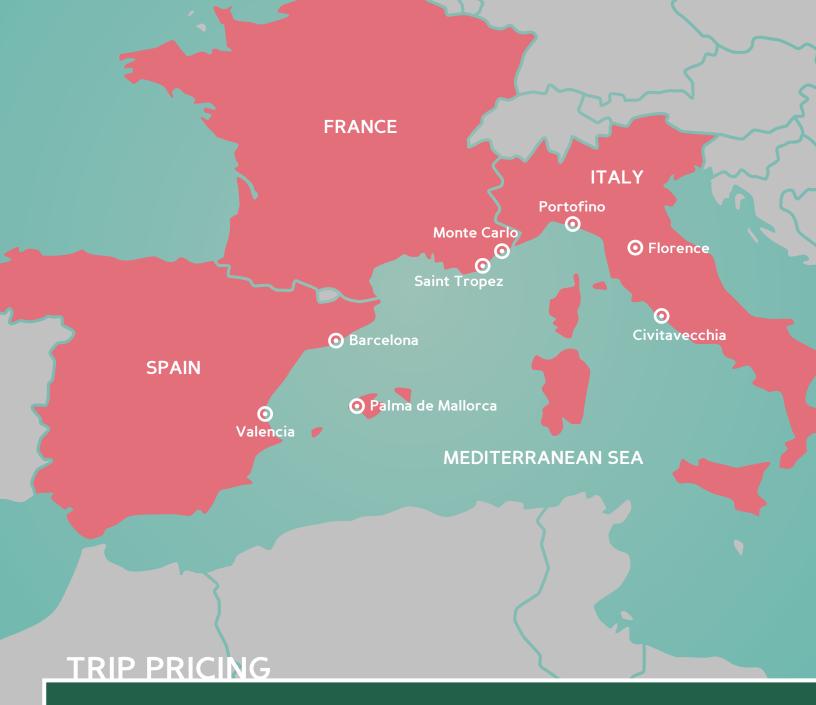
Disembarking at Civitavecchia, we depart to Florence (Firenze), in the heart of Tuscany, with a stop for lunch at the famous Piazza del Campo in Siena, a World Heritage Site. Romantic Florence is an art historian's dream and where we spend the next three nights. Take in the incredible city views during our rooftop reception on the first night. Taste the many different wines from the region with our Tuscany winery visit. Optional side trips will also be available and will allow you to further explore the surrounding area to appreciate its delightful cuisine, charms, Chiantis and Super Tuscans. Our final farewell dinner will be a feast of all things Tuscan. We hope you will join us for an unforgettable escape!

With warmest regards,

Mike and Cindy Maguire
2019 ABOTA National President & First Lady

**CRUISE ITINERARY** 

DATE	DAY	PORT	ARRIVE	DEPART
June 2, 2019	Sunday	Barcelona, Spain	Embarkation	6:00pm
June 3, 2019	Monday	Valencia, Spain	8:00am	6:00pm
June 4, 2019	Tuesday	Palma de Mallorca, Spain	10:00am	Midnight
June 5, 2019	Wednesday	Day at Sea		
June 6, 2019	Thursday	Saint Tropez, France	8:00am	11:30pm
June 7, 2019	Friday	Monte Carlo, Monaco	8:00am	11:00pm
June 8, 2019	Saturday	Portofino, Italy	8:00am	6:00pm
June 9, 2019	Sunday	Civitavecchia (Rome), Italy	8:00am	Disembark



3 Night Barcelona Uncorked Pre-Cruise: May 30-June 2	<b>2, 2019 \$1,</b> 995	or	(\$2,O65 <sup>*</sup> )
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#### Mediterranean Cruise: June 2-9, 2019

Vista Suite	<b>\$</b> 3,850	or	(\$3,985 <sup>*</sup> )	Medallion Suite	\$7,895	ог	<b>(\$</b> 8,172 <b>*</b> )
Terrace Suite	\$4,495	or	(\$4,653 <sup>*</sup> )	Silver Suite	\$8,795	ог	<b>(\$</b> 9,102 <b>*</b> )
Veranda Suite 1	\$4,995	ог	(\$5,17O*)	Royal Suite	\$12,500	ог	(\$12,938*)
Veranda Suite 2	<b>\$</b> 5,195	ог	(\$5,377*)	Grand Suite	\$12,950	ог	(\$13,404*)
Veranda Suite 3	\$5,395	ог	(\$5,584 <sup>*</sup> )	Owner's Suite	\$13,850	ог	<b>(\$14,335*)</b>
Veranda Suite 4	\$5,595	ог	(\$5,791 <sup>*</sup> )				

3 Night A Taste of Tuscany Post-Cruise: June 9-12, 2019 \$2,990 or (\$3,095\*)

All prices are quoted per person, based on double occupancy and include all items listed under the Tour Inclusions.

\* Price based on non-cash payment.







Barcelona, the cosmopolitan capital of Spain's Catalonia region, is an enchanting seaside city with boundless culture, defined by quirky art and architecture, imaginative food and vibrant street life. Its restaurant scene, anchored by the central Boqueria market, ranges from fine dining to tiny tapas bars.

Barcelona's architectural treasures span 2000-plus years. Towering temple columns, ancient city walls and subterranean stone corridors provide a window into Roman-era Barcino. Fast forward a thousand years to the Middle Ages by taking a stroll through the shadowy lanes of the Gothic Quarter, past tranquil plazas and soaring 14th-century cathedrals. In other parts of town bloom the sculptural masterpieces of Modernisme, a mix of ingenious and whimsical creations for which this city is so well known such as La Sagrada Familia Cathedral with its newly completed Interior and other pieces by Gaudi's architectural contemporaries.

The night holds limitless possibilities in Barcelona. Start with sunset drinks from a panoramic terrace or dig your heels in the sand at a rustic beachside chiringuito. As darkness falls, live music transforms the city: the rapid-fire rhythms of flamenco, brassy jazz spilling out of basements, and hands-in-the-air indie-rock at vintage concert halls. Take a walk through Barcelona, and you'll see that every street has its own unique story to tell.

"The world is a book and those who do not travel read only one page."
-Saint Augustine





city.

VALENCIA is thriving with its cultural, dining and nightlife scenes. It's home to paella and some of the liveliest festivals. The Old Town is always buzzing, from the stunning cathedral to Mercado Central. Content with Madrid and Barcelona grabbing the headlines, Spain's third largest city is low-key and wonderfully inviting and pleasant thanks to the city's innovative design to divert its flood-prone river to the outskirts of town and convert the riverbed into a long, winding park through the

PALMA DE MALLORCA is a stunner of a port. Year-round sunny weather and dazzling seaside scenery makes it one of the largest, most popular and, without a doubt, the swankiest of Spain's Balearic Islands. The Gothic Cathedral is located in the geographical heart of the city with medieval streets, lined with shops, galleries, restaurants and homes, all around it. Aside from its turquoise-blue seas, lush green foliage, rugged mountains and picturesque villages, Mallorca is also famous for its pearls and leather goods. For the active and adventurous, there are scenic paths and trails for a light stroll or a rigorous hike.

SAINT-TROPEZ went from a sleepy fishing village to a sexy haven for the jet-set overnight thanks to Brigitte Bardot's visit in the 50s. Tropezians have never looked back since and have thrived on this image drawing the rich with their spaceship-sized yachts jostling for the millionaire moorings and the beautiful rubbing shoulders at the at the hottest beach clubs and bars in town. For those looking for a little solitude, there are quaint hillside villages to explore, shops to peruse and wines to taste while admiring the scenery below.







## FLORENCE June 9-12, 2019





Cradle of the Renaissance, romantic, enchanting and utterly irresistible, Florence (Firenze) is a place to feast on world-class art and gourmet Tuscan cuisine. Florence, capital of Italy's Tuscany region, is home to many masterpieces of Renaissance art and architecture. One of its most iconic sights is the Duomo, a cathedral with a terracotta-tiled dome engineered by Brunelleschi and a bell tower by Giotto. The Galleria dell'Accademia displays Michelangelo's "David" sculpture. The Uffizi Gallery exhibits Botticelli's "The Birth of Venus" and da Vinci's "Annunciation."

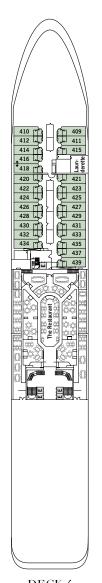
Few cities are so compact in size or so packed with extraordinary art and architecture masterpieces at every turn. The urban fabric of this small city, on the banks of the Arno river in northeastern Tuscany, has hardly changed since the Renaissance and its narrow cobbled streets are a cinematic feast of elegant 15th- and 16th-century palazzi (palaces), medieval candle-lit chapels, fresco-decorated churches, marble basilicas and world-class art museums brimming with paintings and sculptures by Botticcelli, Michelangelo et al. Unsurprisingly, the entire city center is a Unesco World Heritage site.

Stand on a bridge over the Arno several times in a day and the light and mood changes every time. At sunset, hike to Piazzale Michelangelo to be dazzled by a palette embracing every known shade of soft pink, orange and fiery amber. Surprisingly small as it is, Florence looms large on the world's 'must-sees' list – and not just for its unmatched treasure chest of art. Rich in culture, backdropped by history and anchored by family, faith and food, Florentine lifestyle is enviably sweet. Enjoy a go-slow afternoon passeggiata, indulge in an aperitivo at dusk, savour la dolce vita...the sweet life!



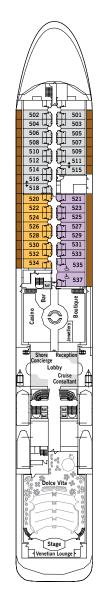
### Silver Whisper

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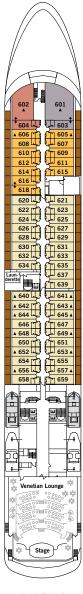
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The Restaurant



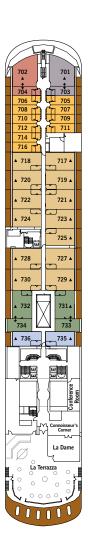
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Casino Dolce Vita Boutique Reception/Guest Relations Shore Concierge VenetianLounge



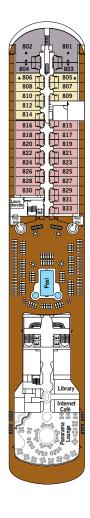
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Venetian Lounge



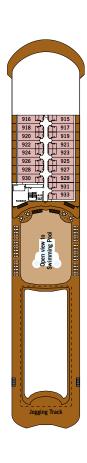
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La Terrazza La Dame The Connoisseur's Corner Conference/Card Room



DECK 8

Pool Pool Bar The Pool Grill Library Internet Café The Panorama Lounge



DECK 9

Jogging Track

The amenities of a grand resort. The charms of a stylish boutique hotel. Silversea's Millennium Class ship **Silver Whisper** invites you to enjoy Silversea's world-class accommodations, shipboard conviviality and warm, individualized service, paired with the enhanced spaces and amenities of a larger ship. Revel in the pampering treatments of an expanded wellness spa, shop the hottest trends from top designers at the shipboard boutiques, and enjoy dynamic full-scale productions in a multi-tiered show lounge. A multi-million dollar refit makes her one of the most technically up to the minute ships at sea.





#### OWNER'S SUITE

Available as a one-bedroom configuration or as two-bedrooms (as illustrated) by adjoining with a Vista Suite.

ONE BEDROOM: 919 SQ. FT. / 85 M<sup>2</sup>
INCLUDING VERANDA (220 SQ. FT. / 20 M<sup>2</sup>);

TWO BEDROOM: 1,264 SQ. FT. / 117 M<sup>2</sup>
INCLUDING VERANDA (220 SQ. FT. / 20 M<sup>2</sup>)

\*Diagram shown is a two-bedroom configuration (requires purchase of an additional Vista Suite). Listed price of Owner's Suite is based on one-bedroom configuration.



DECK 10

Fitness Centre

Zagara Spa

Beauty Salon

Tor's Observation Lounge

#### **SUITE CATEGORIES**

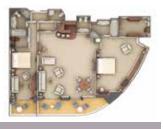
Owner's Suite
Grand Suite
Royal Suite
Silver Suite
Medallion Suite
Veranda 4
Veranda 3
Veranda 2
Veranda 1
Terrace Suite
Vista Suite

#### **SPECIFICATIONS**

Crew				
Officers European				
Guests				
Tonnage 28,258				
Length 610 Feet/186 Metres				
Width 81.8 Feet/24.9 Metres				
Speed 18.5 Knots				
Passenger Decks				
3rd Guest Capacity				
Connecting Suites				
Handicap Suites				
Built				

Suite diagrams shown are for illustration purposes only and may vary from actual square footage. Please refer to suite specifications for square footage.

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#### **GRAND SUITE**

Available as a one-bedroom configuration or as two-bedrooms (as illustrated) by adjoining with a Veranda Suite.

ONE BEDROOM: 941–1,090 SQ. FT. / 87–101 M<sup>2</sup>
INCLUDING VERANDA (103–116 SQ. FT. / 10–11 M<sup>2</sup>):

TWO BEDROOM: 1,286-1,435 SQ. FT. / 119–133 M<sup>2</sup> INCLUDING VERANDA (163–176 SQ. FT. / 16–17 M<sup>2</sup>)

\*Diagram shown is a two-bedroom configuration (requires purchase of an additional Veranda Suite). Listed price of Grand Suite is based on one-bedroom configuration.



#### SILVER SUITE

Silver Suites accommodate three quests.

653-701 SQ. FT. / 61-65 M<sup>2</sup> INCLUDING VERANDA (110-123 SQ. FT. / 10-11 M<sup>2</sup>)



#### VERANDA 1 - 4

Veranda Suites 605, 606, 640-645, 648, 649, 652, 653, 656 and 657 accommodate three guests. Veranda 3 and Veranda 4 offer preferred central location with identical accommodations to Veranda 1 and Veranda 2

345 SQ. FT. / 32 M² INCLUDING VERANDA (60 SQ. FT. / 6 M²)



#### ROYAL SUITE

Available as a one-bedroom configuration or as two-bedrooms (as illustrated) by adjoining with a Veranda Suite.

ONE BEDROOM: 967–1,007 SQ. FT. / 90–94 M<sup>2</sup>
INCLUDING VERANDA (110–116 SQ. FT. / 10–11 M<sup>2</sup>):

TWO BEDROOM: 1,312–1,352 SQ. FT. / 122–126 M<sup>2</sup> INCLUDING VERANDA (170–176 SQ. FT. / 16–17 M<sup>2</sup>)

\*Diagram shown is a two-bedroom configuration (requires purchase of an additional Veranda Suite). Listed price of Royal Suite is based on one-bedroom configuration.



#### MEDALLION SUITE

Medallion Suites accommodate three guests.

521 SQ. FT. / 49 M<sup>2</sup> INCLUDING VERANDA (81 SQ. FT. / 8 M<sup>2</sup>)



#### VISTA SUITE/ TERRACE SUITE

A quiet sanctuary with large picture windows framing panoramic ocean views. 287 SQ. FT. / 27 M<sup>2</sup>

#### SILVER WHISPER

#### **Ship Features**

- Relax and unwind in the Panorama Lounge, a sophisticated yet amicable space offering beautiful ocean views as you enjoy your cruise.
- There is a wealth of luxury shopping experiences aboard all Silversea ships, featuring the most distinctive and appealing brands from across the globe.
- Applaud a broad spectrum of entertainment from full-scale production shows and classical soloists, to cultural entertainment and feature films.
- Come and indulge in a luxurious spa treatment. Facials, body wraps, massages: the spa is the perfect place to unwind.
- Enjoy a selection of games at the Silversea Casino or discover new games during your luxury cruise.
- On the pool deck, find chaise lounges arranged in the sun or shade and bubbling whirlpools. The pool water refreshing in warmer climates, heated for cooler weather.
- Set on the highest level at the very top of the ship, Tor's Observation Library is a quiet space for reading and reflection while being dazzled by the undulating seascapes that are constituent to life on board.
- The Fitness Center offers world-class equipment, classes and personalized services.
- If you appreciate good cognac or premium cigars, be sure to visit the Connoisseur's Corner to see the ship's exceptional selection.

#### Dining

- La Terrazza offers authentic Italian recipes and the freshest, sustainable ingredients come together in this restaurant at sea.
- Soft breezes and ocean views beckon at The Grill, especially as the sun goes down when cruise quests gather for cocktails at the outdoor bar and talk about the day's events.
- Enjoy Continental and regional specialities, as well as sweeping ocean views in the main dining room.
- La Dame, the only Relais & Châteaux restaurant at sea, features a menu of seasonally inspired dishes prepared with the freshest locally sourced ingredients.

#### All-Inclusive

- Butler service in every suite
- Shipboard gratuities included
- Beverages in-suite and throughout the ship (select wines, premium spirits, specialty coffees and soft drinks)
- Gourmet dining and open-seating
- In-suite dining and 24-hour room service





#### **HOTELS**



#### Hotel Pullman Barcelona Skipper

#### May 30-June 2, 2019 \* 3 Nights in Barcelona

- Overlooking the Mediterranean and close to the most charming beaches of the city, the Pullman Barcelona Skipper has an unbeatable location.
- Enjoy the panoramic views over the Olympic Port, the beaches and the famous Frank Gehry's sculpture; enjoy a refreshing cocktail or a dip in the pool - all at the top-floor Atic Bar.
- At the heart of the hotel, Tapas Bar is a lively, and bustling area, and the ideal place to meet before or after exploring the city.
- Indulge at the Spa Lounge, where treatments are designed to embrace each person holistically, taking care of their mind, body and spirit.
- Improving upon its already state-of-the-art facilities, the hotel is undergoing a complete renovation in 2018.



#### **Westin Excelsior Florence**

#### June 9-12, 2019 \* 3 Nights in Florence

- ❖ Ideally located on Piazza Ognissanti, near the famed Ponte Vecchio, the Uffizi Gallery and within walking distance of the city center
- The Westin Excelsior is an undisputed masterpiece in its own right: a stunning renaissance Palace with cutting edge contemporary interiors however flawlessly paired with unique renaissance features. A perfect mix of style and design decorated in period style, offering a taste of Florentine tradition.
- A contemporary glass-enclosed roof garden with 360-degree views of the city, SE•STO on Arno (rooftop restaurant) offers spectacular panoramas and exciting Mediterranean cuisine, while the ORVM Bar is the perfect place for a light lunch or an expertly prepared cocktail at the end of the day.
- Plush rooms featuring high ceilings, antique Florentine furnishings and plenty of natural light



#### June 9-12, 2019 🌣 3 Nights in Florence 💠 Optional Upgrade

- A Florentine jewel and an historic palace designed by Brunelleschi in the historic center of Florence, ideally located along the Arno River (located steps away from the Westin Excelsior Florence).
- ❖ Taste the delicious cuisine of the hotel's Michelin-starred restaurant, Restaurant Winter Garden by Caino, the heart of The St. Regis Florence experience, home to an innovative cuisine concept from classic Florentine recipes to tastes from the Mediterranean.
- Opulent guest rooms featuring Florentine, Medici and Renaissance style décor and authentic coffered ceilings, frescoes and brocades
- Signature St. Regis butler service including packing/unpacking upon request, hand-delivered coffee or tea in the morning and complimentary pressing service









#### **TOUR INCLUSIONS**

#### 3 Night Barcelona Uncorked Pre-Cruise

#### May 30-June 2, 2019

- Arrival transportation from Barcelona Airport to the hotel\*
- 3 nights at the luxe Hotel Pullman Barcelona Skipper with daily breakfast
- Hit the ground running on a walking tour and discover the vibrant seafront of Port Olympic
- Discover the mazelike Gothic Quarter and Antoni Gaudi's imposing Sagrada Familia
- Optional tours: Picasso Museum & historical city tour, visit to Montserrat or Codorniu for Cava tasting
- \* Catalan gala dinner featuring regional food, wine and entertainment
- Hospitality desk staffed with local experts
- Group transfer from the hotel to the ship

#### Mediterranean Escape

#### June 2-9, 2019

- \* Roundtrip airport transfers and luggage handling
- 7 nights aboard Silver Whisper
- Premium upgraded wines
- \* Exclusive tours and events
- Special entertainment
- Optional CLE Program available
- Gala dinner
- Hospitality desk staffed with local experts

#### 3 Night A Taste of Tuscany Post-Cruise

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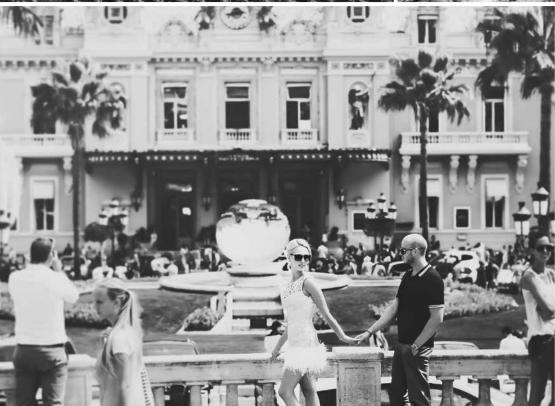
- Group transfer from Civitavecchia port to Florence
- Tour of Siena including lunch en route from Civitavecchia to Florence
- 3 nights at the lavish Westin Excelsior Florence with daily breakfast
- Rooftop welcome to Florence reception overlooking the Arno River
- Discovery tour of Florence and Michelangelo's David
- Day trip to charming hill town of San Gimignano with lunch and wine tasting at Verrazano Winery
- Optional tours: Uffizi Gallery, Cordon Bleu Cooking School, Pisa/ Lucca and Pitti Palace with Boboli Gardens
- Farewell to Tuscany dinner in the heart of Florence
- Hospitality desk staffed with local experts
- Departure transportation from hotel to Florence Airport



<sup>\*</sup>Transfers will be grouped based on arrival/departure time.













#### 2019 ABOTA INTERNATIONAL MEETING REGISTRATION

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