

MEDITERRANEAN CRUISE

OCTOBER 5-14, 2024

**ITALIAN RIVIERA + FRANCE
ABOARD CELEBRITY ASCENT
HOSTED BY DAVE DAHL**



JOIN US!

Join Dave Dahl, former Chief Meteorologist for KSTP-TV, on this Mediterranean adventure!

Experience the joys of la dolce vita on an award-winning cruise to the Italian Riviera and other gems of the Western Mediterranean. This spectacular destination has a bounty of treasures waiting to be discovered, from mouthwatering cuisine to magnificent archaeological sites and some of the world's greatest art treasures. And your home away from home, the brand new Celebrity Ascent, is a destination all its own.

As an added bonus, you'll enjoy this trip of a lifetime with special host, Dave Dahl, former Chief Meteorologist for KSTP-TV. Born and raised in Minnesota, Dave received his bachelor's degree in meteorology from Florida State University and then spent the next 43 years providing Minnesota with daily weather forecasts until his retirement in 2020.

Begin your cruise in the enchanting seaside city of Barcelona, Spain, then continue on to discover the French ports of Nice and Ajaccio, Corsica. From there you will visit Italy's most beautiful coastal destinations, as well as the incredible historical port of Valletta, Malta. Dive into the azure ocean off the island of Sardinia and marvel at the grandeur of Mount Etna in Sicily. Explore the Colosseum and the Vatican in Rome. And don't forget to savor all of the fresh mediterranean flavors along the way.

During the cruise, embark on exciting shore excursions that include in-depth city tours, wine tastings, cooking classes, and more. There's no shortage of beauty and wonder awaiting you on a luxury Mediterranean cruise with Celebrity Cruises.

CRUISE ITINERARY

DAY	DATE	PORT	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE
SATURDAY	OCTOBER 5	BARCELONA, SPAIN	EMBARK	5:00 PM
SUNDAY	OCTOBER 6	DAY AT SEA		
MONDAY	OCTOBER 7	NICE (VILLEFRANCHE), FRANCE	8:00 AM	6:00 PM
TUESDAY	OCTOBER 8	AJACCIO, CORSICA, FRANCE	8:00 AM	5:00 PM
WEDNESDAY	OCTOBER 9	CAGLIARI, SARDINIA, ITALY	9:00 AM	7:00 PM
THURSDAY	OCTOBER 10	DAY AT SEA		
FRIDAY	OCTOBER 11	VALLETTA, MALTA	8:00 AM	6:00 PM
SATURDAY	OCTOBER 12	MESSINA, SICILY, ITALY	8:00 AM	6:00 PM
SUNDAY	OCTOBER 13	NAPLES (CAPRI), ITALY	7:00 AM	6:00 PM
MONDAY	OCTOBER 14	ROME (CIVITAVECCHIA), ITALY	6:00 AM	DISEMBARK



TOUR INCLUSIONS

- » 9 night/10 day cruise onboard the Celebrity Ascent in chosen cabin category
- » All-inclusive meals while onboard the ship
- » All-inclusive beverage package onboard the ship - includes specialty coffees, juices, sodas, bottled water and alcoholic beverages
- » Onboard ship activities and entertainment
- » Special Group Welcome Reception
- » Gatherings with host, Dave Dahl, throughout the cruise
- » All onboard gratuities for wait staff, bar staff, and cabin stewards
- » Complimentary wifi in cabins and public spaces for one device per person
- » All taxes, port charges, and fees

PRICING

INSIDE CABIN

\$2,995 per person, based on double occupancy (\$3,100 for non-cash/check payment*)

OCEANVIEW CABIN

\$3,295 per person, based on double occupancy (\$3,410 for non-cash/check payment*)

VERANDA CABIN

\$3,795 per person, based on double occupancy (\$3,930 for non-cash/check payment*)

Prices include cruise cabin, cruise taxes and fees, port charges, and gratuities.



CRUISE ITINERARY

DAY 1 SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2024 **BARCELONA, SPAIN**

Depart at 5:00pm

Today you start your cruise adventure and board your ship in Barcelona. Formerly a sleepy Spanish city, Barcelona has recently been reborn as an eclectic fusion of the modern and medieval. This coastal city exudes European charm and is a major destination with must-see architectural gems that date back some 2,000 years. You'll encounter fascinating examples from the Roman Empire, the Middle Ages, the Modern masters like Gaudí, and many Cataluñian greats. Outstanding art museums can be found throughout the city, proudly displaying the works of world-renowned artists and countrymen, including Goya, Pablo Picasso, Salvador Dalí, and Joan Miró.

For a respite from the hustle and bustle of the city center, venture to the awaiting Mediterranean Sea and all the seaside has to offer. Maybe a brisk hike in the nearby forest covered Collserola Hills or the hilltop in Montjuïc with its botanical gardens is the perfect recharge for a rollicking evening in one of the premier party capitals of the world. Round out your visit to Barcelona dining at a tapas bar and savor a variety of delicious small dishes to share—from traditional Spanish to the more innovative.

DAY 2 SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2024 **DAY AT SEA**

Relax and unwind. Soak in the ocean views, show off your culinary prowess at a cooking class, try your luck at the casino, or treat yourself to an escape at the spa.

DAY 3 MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2024 **NICE (VILLEFRANCHE), FRANCE**

Tendered: 8:00AM to 6:00PM

This jewel of the French Riviera is home to some of the world's most luxurious hotels and terraced cafes. Stroll the ultra-famous Promenade des Anglais or see masterpieces by Matisse, Renoir, Monet and Chagall in one of Nice's many museums.

DAY 4 TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2024 **AJACCIO, CORSICA, FRANCE**

Docked: 8:00AM to 5:00PM

On the West coast of Corsica lies Ajaccio, the island's largest town. Replete with all the charm and sophistication of a French Mediterranean resort—palm trees, sandy beaches, bountiful shopping, beautiful marina and colorful cafes, bars and bistros—you would not be amiss to liken Ajaccio to the more well-known South-of-France hotspots, such as the Cote d'Azur, Cap d'Antibes or Marseille.



A great place to start your investigation of Ajaccio is to stroll down to the Maison Napoleon, the eponymous birthplace of the iconic French military leader, and the nearby cathedral where he was christened. Famed for being Napoleon Bonaparte's birthplace, Ajaccio tips its hat to its most famous and storied resident throughout town, from his childhood home to seafront statues, museums, and street names. Take a scenic tour to the Austerlitz Square, Iles Sanguinaires viewpoint and the narrow, picturesque streets of old Ajaccio.

Sample some of the local fresh market's delights for in-season delicacies, pastries and the fresh fish, vegetables, cheeses, and Corsican wines. Dining in town is essentially a French experience with a bit of Italian tossed in. Be sure to try the island's popular pork charcuterie and fritelli, the doughnut made with chestnut flowers.

DAY 5 WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2024

CAGLIARI, SARDINIA, ITALY

Docked: 9:00AM to 7:00PM

As you approach this lovely port from the sea, you'll marvel at the castles and cathedrals, perched on successive terraces. Originally settled over 2,700 years ago, Cagliari retains much of its original seaside charm. Pristine waters and white

sand beaches surround the island, offering great opportunities to scuba, snorkel, and swim in the Tyrrhenian Sea.

Once home to Italian nobility and aristocrats, this ancient city boasts the 3,000-year-old ruins of Nora, ancient temples and thermal baths of Sardinia, and the Neolithic Nuraghic Village of Su Nuraxi di Barumini.

Savor the distinct Italian flavor of Cagliari cuisine with pasta feasts, fresh seafood, and prime meats on menu at bistros and restaurants throughout the city. A stroll down Vias Garibaldi and Manno will bring you to the finest artisan shops and boutiques. Lovely handcrafts, regional cheeses, and island wines can be found at the open-air markets around the city for delightful keepsakes and souvenirs. With every Vespa that zips by and every golden-domed palazzi you see, you will come to realize that Cagliari is the most Italian of the Sardinian islands.

DAY 6 THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2024

DAY AT SEA

Take the time to recharge before the next adventure. Lounge by the pool, be spoiled at the spa, taste the delicacies or explore the venues on-board, until we arrive at the next amazing destination.



DAY 7 FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2024
VALLETTA, MALTA

Docked: 8:00AM to 6:00PM

In addition to a number of significant works of art, this town is known for the many fortifications built by the Knights of Malta, who for years helped care for European pilgrims and crusaders en route to and from the Holy Land. The walled city of Valletta was founded in 1565 by the Knights of St. John and it remains a masterfully preserved medieval treasure. From the glittering baroque interior of the Co-Cathedral of St. John to the charm found wandering the old cobbled avenues, it's no wonder this tiny city has earned World Heritage status.

Hidden among the foreboding fortresses and decorative masterpieces is a city with growing appreciation for contemporary design, exciting, culinary offerings, and burgeoning nightlife scene. Maltese cuisine is a fusion of Mediterranean dishes and influences with touches of French and Sicilian. Fresh seafood and the Maltese wines from the distinguished local vineyards are always on the menu.

Stroll along the cobblestone streets of Mdina to see its medieval churches, cathedrals, and palaces. Experience two Maltese treasures: The Blue Grotto

and Marsaxlokk village. Or, set off on a Maltese sightseeing adventure beginning at Valletta's Upper Barrakka Gardens. It's a wonderfully small capital that's bursting with stories. Valletta is a place you're sure to create a few stories of your own.

DAY 8 SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2024
MESSINA, SICILY, ITALY

Docked: 8:00AM to 6:00PM

Located in northeastern Sicily on the slopes of the Peloritani Mountains, Messina is an ancient place with a fascinating history. Marvel at the ruins of the Santa Maria Alemanna Church, built in 1220 A.D. You'll also want to see the Duomo, a Romanesque and Norman cathedral that includes a display of artifacts in its treasury.

DAY 9 SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2024
NAPLES, ITALY

Docked: 7:00AM to 6:00PM

Framed by Mount Vesuvius along a dramatic skyline, the 2,800 year-old port city of Naples is full of historical sites, churches, and museums that make it a fascinating place to explore. For all of Rome's notoriety, Naples, with its historic city center deemed a UNESCO World Heritage Site, has just as many important archeological sites and landmarks.



Visit the Museo Archeologico Nazionale for a world-class collection of Egyptian and Graeco-Roman artifacts. And, if you'd like to venture a little deeper, then exploring Naples from below the ground is a must. Start with a trip into the basement of the San Lorenzo Maggiore church where you'll find a partially excavated Roman market and a little deeper, just below the Roman ruins, you'll find remnants from the Greeks to discover.

And in the region where pizza was first invented, you know the food is going to be incredible. Whether you're looking for a thin, wood-fired Margherita pie, spaghetti alle vongole or a zeppole dusted with confectioner's sugar, Naples and her bountiful edible treasures is sure to please.

Only 35 miles down the coast, Salerno offers you a rich history, but also boasts a marvelous collection of parks, natural wonders, and unique vantage points to take in the beauty of the Tyrrhenian Sea. Two cities. One incredible stretch of Italian coastline.

DAY 10 MONDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2024
ROME (CIVITAVECCHIA), ITALY
Disembark

Today you depart from the ship in Rome and return to the U.S.

Civitavecchia was settled in 108 A.D. by the Emperor Trajan and has since served faithfully as a gateway to Rome, the capital of Italy.

Once the center of the Ancient World from which emperors ruled over nearly all of western civilization, Rome is still a cultural mecca. Only a few cities in the world can boast such a well-preserved level of architecture, art, and religious iconography.

There's an enormous wealth of culture and history to discover on a cruise to Rome. Visit the ancient halls of the 50,000-seat Colosseum, gaze upon the ceilings of Sistine Chapel in Vatican City, and stroll the Capitoline Museum.

Roman culinary prowess is well respected and beloved the world over. Experience authentic pizza, hearty bowls of fresh pasta, excellent cheeses, wines, seafood, and delightful desserts like tiramisu and gelato at family-run trattorias that have been preparing these traditional dishes for centuries.

Walk the cobblestoned piazzas making your way to narrow side streets where you're sure to find craftsman shops and beautiful boutiques filled with gorgeous handmade accessories and homewares for keepsakes and souvenirs.



CELEBRITY ASCENT

Introducing Celebrity Cruises' newest award-winning resort at sea, Celebrity AscentSM, the fourth and most innovative ship in their highly awarded Edge[®] Series. Celebrity Ascent features 32 distinctive restaurants, bars, and lounges, including the newly designed Le Voyage by Chef Daniel Boulud. Ascent includes all the best of their Edge Series ships, from the inviting multi-deck Sunset Bar designed by Edge Series Travel Ambassador Nate Berkus, to the open-air Rooftop Garden, where two cantilevered floating pools offer breathtaking views six feet over the ship's edge. Celebrity Ascent takes their innovative outward-facing design further than ever, creating an even closer connection between you, the sea, and every exciting place on the horizon. Soak up the sun, salt breezes, and stunning scenery in newly expanded open-air spaces. Savor fine dining that rivals anything you'd find on land. And discover even more ways to relax and renew.

INAUGURAL DATE: FALL 2023 | OCCUPANCY: 3,260 | TONNAGE: 141,420 | LENGTH: 1,073 FT



EAT + DRINK

What you eat on vacation is almost as important as where you go. The captivating scents and flavors of your dining experience will transport you to new places—without even leaving your table. On Celebrity AscentSM, you'll embark on a culinary journey like no other.



SPA + WELLNESS

There's no better way to find your ultimate state of wellbeing than with the ocean as your backdrop. Whether you want to clear your mind, fine-tune your body, or reinvigorate your spirit, The Spa and Fitness Center is an indulgent escape where you can do it all.



RELAX + PLAY

The onboard activities and entertainment make for an unforgettable adventure. With hand-picked, top-class artists and musicians from all over the world, the Rooftop Garden and pool, a Vegas-style casino and more - there is something for everyone!



INSIDE CABIN

Interior Space: 181-202 sq. ft.

Stylishly designed with ample living space, bigger bathrooms, and more storage space, Inside Staterooms are a comfortable home away from home where you'll find it easy to unwind. Each inside stateroom on board Celebrity includes world-class amenities.



OCEANVIEW CABIN

Interior Space: 200-242 sq. ft.

Larger living spaces and breathtaking views of scenery that changes daily make Ocean View Staterooms the ideal place to unwind at sea. These perfectly indulgent spaces come furnished with Celebrity's eXhale® bedding featuring the luxury king-size Cashmere™ Mattress and everything else a modern traveler needs.



VERANDA CABIN

Interior Space: 202-228 sq. ft.

Veranda: 40 sq. ft.

Enjoy the great outdoors—and stunning ocean views—with the luxury of your own private veranda. And, with our state-of-the-art technology, you can precisely adjust nearly every comfort feature of your room.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

PLEASE NOTE A valid passport with 6 months validity from your scheduled return is required for U.S. citizens.

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RESERVATIONS All reservations will be handled directly with Carrousel Travel.

DEPOSIT \$1,250 per person due at time of booking

FINAL PAYMENT Due June 28, 2024

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From December 30, 2023 through March 29, 2024, \$750 per person

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