



Capri - Calvi Cruising Guide

Capri

Day 1

As one of Italy's most romantic ports of call, the island of Capri offers the bustling capital of Capri Town on the east with its smart trattorias, galleries and boutique-riddled side streets. Sail west for the more serene locations of Anacapri where you will sun bed-strewn beaches, unique crafts, and fine local food and wine. Spend your evening enjoying the sophisticated ambience of Capri.

Have lunch at La Fontelina in Marina Piccola or Add'o Riccio or dinner in some of the famous restaurants like the Lemon Tree, set in the open air in the midst of a lemon orchard.

Take the yacht's tender and join the rowing boat excursion to the surreal Blue Grotto, a 60-meter long cavity known since Roman times.



Naples or Ischia

Day 2 - overnight to Porto Cervo

Naples

In the shadow of Vesuvius and the 2000-year-old ruins of Pompeii, relax onboard as you begin your cruise through the Bay of Naples, maybe stopping to take in the beautiful town of Sorrento. Famous for Limincello and its amazing views over the Gulf of Naples being made up of high cliffs and luxury hotels.

Maybe stop off at Marina di Stabia and partake in a VIP tour of Pompeii.

Ischia

Besides the island's classic, virtually untouched natural beauty, Ischia draws most travellers to its shores with the promise of the healing benefits of its hot springs which are believed to offer both beauty and health benefits. Stroll the pretty streets of Ischia's main town before heading around to Casamicciola and indulging in the area's famed natural spas.



Porto Cervo

Day 3

Porto Cervo is the main centre and meeting point of the internationally renowned Costa Smeralda, one of the most prestigious tourist destinations in the world. Porto Cervo is in the Gallura region, on the northeast coast of Sardinia. Created by Prince Karim Aga Khan, at the end of the 1950s, Porto Cervo was once an exclusive retreat for the international jetset. It is still one of the most luxurious resorts in the world, but with the 2004 opening of Olbia airport, at just a thirty minute drive from Porto Cervo, it has become more widely accessible. The Costa Smeralda is, however, an exclusive holiday destination, with designer boutiques, spa hotels, the finest restaurants and exclusive nightspots.

Porto Cervo is a small and picturesque village of soft pastel-coloured buildings, positioned in a natural port surrounded by gentle hills. The land and seascapes are incredibly beautiful, with many islands and the finest beaches.



Cala di Volpe

Day 4

On the most strikingly romantic stretch of the Costa Smeralda, Hotel Cala di Volpe, a Luxury Collection Hotel, resembles a charming fishing village, with its picturesque Sardinian houses and landing stage jutting out into a sea of translucent turquoise, emerald green and deepest azure.

The Cala di Volpe Restaurant for a romantic candlelit supper; the Pool Bar for a cooling drink or tasty snack; the Pontile Piano Bar and the Lobby Bar, both with panoramic view of Cala di Volpe bay; the Barbecue, for delicious grills of fresh Sardinian seafood, the perfect venue for chic gala dinners or banquets.



Bonifacio, Corsica

Day 5

Bonifacio is a star attraction in Corsica, drawing visitors from all over the island and overseas to marvel at its medieval houses precariously teetering on the edge of the imposing limestone cliffs.

Bonifacio's Old Town, with a labyrinth of narrow streets and historic buildings, was built by the Genoese and is a fascinating place to wander around. Founded in 828 AD by Count Bonifacio of Tuscany, it's natural harbour bears a striking resemblance to the home of the Laestrygonians referred to in Homer's Odyssey of the 7th century BC.

Bonifacio also boasts a busy marina filled with impressive yachts and lined with chic bars, restaurants and hotels, enhancing the vibrancy of this fashionable coastal resort.

Add to this the fact that Bonifacio is close to several idyllic, unspoiled Corsican beaches as well as staggeringly beautiful mountains, and you have a near perfect, varied holiday destination.



Ajaccio and Calvi, Corsica

Day 6 & 7

Cruise into the beautiful town of Ajaccio. Commanding a lovely sweep of bay, the city breathes confidence and has more than a whiff of the Côte d'Azur. Everyone from solo travellers to romance-seeking couples and families will love moseying around the centre, replete with mellow-toned buildings and buzzing cafes – not to mention its large marina and the trendy route des Sanguinaires area, a few kilometres to the west.

A busy port during the Roman era, Calvi takes its name from the Calvus – 'bald' rock that would come to form the foundations of the Citadel. Standing proud on its headland, any visitor to Calvi must visit this thirteenth century fortress, which has lost none of its fascination over the centuries, and remains a remarkable example of architectural and cultural heritage. Within the walls you'll find cobbled passages tightly packed with houses, dominated by the Cathédrale Saint Jean-Baptiste, which stands at the highest point of the Citadel.





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