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Crossroads of Cultures

Canary Islands, Morocco & Iberia

Aboard Sea Spirit

April 22 – May 5, 2022

CRUISE HIGHLIGHTS

ENJOY a special tour of the rarely visited Dar El Bacha, the former palace of the last pasha of Marrakesh, and view its extraordinary painted ceilings, exquisite hand-cut *zellige* tiles, and art collections

MARVEL at the pastel-colored mansions in La Laguna, a UNESCO-listed historic quarter in the Canary Islands, and discuss centuries-old Spanish colonial homes with an architecture expert

DISCOVER the fascinating world of artist César Manrique, visiting his home and studio in the Canary Island of Lanzarote, and watch a performance in an awe-inspiring cave that Manrique transformed into a beautiful cultural space

SAIL through the Pillars of Hercules to arrive at the Rock of Gibraltar, and step ashore to tour the territory's World War II tunnels and view the famous Barbary macaques

EXPLORE the world's largest Gothic cathedral, a UNESCO World Heritage Site in Seville, which houses the tomb of Christopher Columbus





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Dear National Trust Traveler,

The fortunes and histories of the Canary Islands, Northern Africa, and the Iberian Peninsula have been intertwined for centuries. On a thrilling two-week voyage aboard the intimate *Sea Spirit*, join the National Trust as we sail from the Canaries to Madeira and onwards to Morocco, Spain, and Portugal. Explore vastly different cultures linked through the common influence of medieval Islamic culture.

Begin on the Canary island of Tenerife to stroll its UNESCO-listed historic quarter and chat with an architecture expert about its famed Spanish colonial buildings. Sail *Sea Spirit* to Gran Canaria, Columbus' last stop before departing for the New World, to view his namesake church. On nearby Lanzarote, marvel at how César Manrique used the island's spectacular landscapes to create masterpieces of art and architecture. Step ashore on Portuguese Madeira to savor a sip of its eponymous wine.

Morocco awaits, with its excellent museum collections, lush gardens, and opulent mosques in Marrakesh, Casablanca, and Rabat. A highlight in Marrakesh will be a special tour of superb art collections in a rarely visited former palace. Sail through the famous Strait to discover a vast underground fortress in Gibraltar. After *Sea Spirit* calls in Spain, you may opt for an exploration of the ancient city of Cádiz, or you may join an excursion to Seville for full access to the world's largest Gothic cathedral and the ornate Alcázar. This culturally enriching voyage will conclude in Portugal's gorgeous Algarve, home to the Museu de Portimão, a former sardine cannery that is now an award-winning museum. An optional one-night postlude is available in colorful Lisbon.

Join the National Trust on this beautiful sea voyage, experiencing a wealth of locations that will stimulate and surprise you at every turn.

Sincerely,

Meg Annacone-Poretz
Director, National Trust Tours

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FRIDAY, APRIL 22: DEPARTURE

Depart on an overnight flight to Tenerife.

SATURDAY, APRIL 23: TENERIFE, CANARY ISLANDS, SPAIN

Arrive in Tenerife, and transfer to the Hotel Botánico to enjoy a buffet lunch. Next, choose to explore the nearby Botanical Garden or spend a relaxing afternoon at the hotel. Later, gather at the hotel for a garden reception with cocktails followed by a welcome dinner. L,R,D

SUNDAY, APRIL 24: TENERIFE / EMBARK SEA SPIRIT

Drive to the UNESCO-designated Teide National Park, and enjoy a picnic lunch. Or opt for a full-day tour along the cobblestone streets of La Orotava. Admire its 17th-century heritage buildings and the Church of Our Lady of Conception, a Baroque architectural masterpiece. Following lunch, tour the UNESCO-listed historic quarter of La Laguna, known for its well-preserved mansions, town hall, and cathedral. Before boarding the awaiting *Sea Spirit*, view the opera house designed by Santiago Calatrava. B,L,D

MONDAY, APRIL 25: LAS PALMAS DE GRAN CANARIA

Devote the day to the capital city of Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Columbus's last stop before leaving for the Americas. On an architectural tour of the Old Town, see Teatro Pérez Galdós, an exceptionally beautiful concert hall, on a private visit. Explore the Christopher Columbus Church and House Museum, the 19th-century Town Hall, and the landmark cathedral. After welcome remarks from a town official, enjoy refreshments and lunch at Gabinete Literario, a 19th-century neoclassical building. The captain's welcome reception and dinner are on board tonight. B,L,R,D

TUESDAY, APRIL 26: ARRECIFE

On Lanzarote, an island known for its volcanic terrain, step ashore this morning in Arrecife. Visit legendary artist and activist César Manrique's landscape projects, home, and extensive art collection at the César Manrique Foundation, built on an old lava flow. Then attend a musical performance at Los Jameos del Agua, a series of lava caves containing an artists' workshop and gallery. At Timanfaya's El Diablo Restaurant, watch as chefs prepare your lunch using heat from a volcano. In the afternoon, continue to the volcanic park of Timanfaya, a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve. This evening, return to the ship and cruise to the port of Funchal. B,L,D

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27: AT SEA

Attend lectures and enjoy the amenities of *Sea Spirit* as she crosses dazzling waters to Madeira. B,L,D

THURSDAY, APRIL 28: FUNCHAL, MADEIRA, PORTUGAL

On a morning walking tour, discover the narrow streets of Funchal's Old Town and the Mercado dos Lavradores (farmers' market), featuring Madeira's freshest fruits, vegetables, and flowers. Explore the gardens of Quinta do Palheiro Ferreiro, with their variety of plants growing among beautiful hills. In the afternoon, tour the Sacred Art Museum of Funchal. Before departing, enjoy a tasting of Madeira's eponymous wine. B,L,D

FRIDAY, APRIL 29: AT SEA

Relax aboard *Sea Spirit* as she sails east to Morocco. You may wish to enjoy a special screening of *Casablanca* in the lounge. B,L,D

César Manrique Foundation, Lanzarote,
photo courtesy of the Foundation



SATURDAY, APRIL 30: SAFI, MOROCCO / MARRAKESH

From Safi, travel east to Marrakesh. Marvel at the Kutubiyya mosque in the medina, the old walled section of town, and take a special tour of the rarely visited Dar El Bacha, the former home of the last pasha of Marrakesh and now a museum. Later, stroll in the colorful Majorelle Garden at Yves Saint Laurent's former home. Tour the YSL Museum and the famous Djemaa el-Fna Square before boarding the ship for Casablanca. B,L,D

Enjoy an optional, exclusive overnight stay in Marrakesh with a private jet flight to Casablanca and visit to Rabat. View the Marrakesh Jet-Set Excursion for more details.

SUNDAY, MAY 1: CASABLANCA / RABAT

Arrive this morning in Casablanca and continue to the dramatic Hassan II Mosque. Drive to Rabat for a visit to the new Mohammed VI Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art or the Archaeological Museum. Later explore the Kasbah des Oudaïas, in the oldest part of the city, with sweeping views of the ocean, before returning to the ship. B,L,D

MONDAY, MAY 2: GIBRALTAR, UNITED KINGDOM

Be on deck during lunch as the ship passes through the Strait of Gibraltar. Visit Saint Michael's Cave within the nature reserve, home to Gibraltar's famed Barbary macaques. Also, within the Rock, visit the World War II tunnels, a vast underground fortress built by British royal engineers during the conflict. Tonight, *Sea Spirit* sails to Spain. B,L,D

TUESDAY, MAY 3: CÁDIZ / SEVILLE

Ashore in Cádiz, you can opt to explore this ancient city, stopping to view its 18th-century cathedral and other highlights. Marvel at Francisco Goya's frescoes in the Oratorio de la Santa Cueva. In the afternoon, drive to Jerez de la Frontera to try sherry and meet the Marquis at the 13th-century Palacio del Virrey Laserna. Alternatively, travel to Seville. Visit the UNESCO-recognized Gothic cathedral and view Giralda Tower. Continue to the Alcázar, the longtime palace of the Spanish kings, and the nearby Murillo Garden. After lunch, visit La Casa de Pilatos, a 15th-century palace. This evening, return to the ship. B,L,D

WEDNESDAY, MAY 4: PORTIMÃO, PORTUGAL / SAGRES / LAGOS

Disembark in Portimão, and drive to Sagres, home of Prince Henry the Navigator and his famous school of navigation. Following lunch, continue to Lagos, the last port from which the *caravelas* set off for their voyages. Visit the Church of San Antonio and the evocative Slaves' Market. Before returning to the ship, explore the award-winning Museu de Portimão, a stunning museum housed in a former 19th-century sardine canning factory. B,L,D

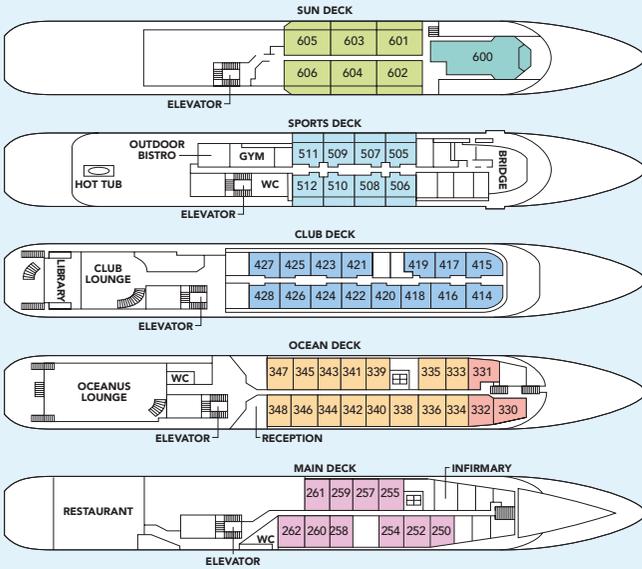
THURSDAY, MAY 5: LISBON / DISEMBARK

Disembark early this morning, and transfer to the airport for flights home. B

An optional postlude in Lisbon is offered from May 5–7, 2022. Please call National Trust Tours for details on the optional postlude and/or Marrakesh excursion at 888.484.8785

This itinerary is subject to change at the discretion of National Trust Tours and Arrangements Abroad. For complete details, please carefully read the terms and conditions at www.arrangementsabroad.com/terms.

SEA SPIRIT



Sea Spirit (top); Classic suite (above)

Built in 1991, the intimate *Sea Spirit* underwent a total refurbishment of passenger accommodations in 2017. Her 58 suites range in size from 215 to 463 square feet. Guests enjoy single seating in the restaurant, a well-stocked library, and generous outdoor deck space. There are two multipurpose lounges for educational programs and entertainment. The ship has an elevator, a hot tub, and a well-equipped gym, but it does not have a hair salon or spa.

CRUISE RATES (per person)

Cabin Categories	Cabin Numbers	Double Rates	Single Rates
Superior Suites	414-428	\$9,999	\$11,999
Club Deck; approx. 215 sq. ft.; twin or queen-sized bed; picture window			
Comfort Suites	330-332	\$11,999	\$17,999
Ocean Deck; approx. 220 sq. sf.; twin or queen-sized bed; picture window			
Classic Suites	333-336, 338-348	\$12,999	\$19,499
Ocean Deck; approx. 226 sq. ft.; twin or queen-sized bed; picture window			
Main Deck Suites	250-255, 257-262	\$13,999	\$20,999
Main Deck; approx. 247 sq. ft.; twin or queen-sized bed; portholes, separate seating area			
Deluxe Suites	505-512	\$15,999	Inquire
Sports Deck; approx. 258 sq. ft.; twin or queen-sized bed; private balcony			
Premium Suites	601-606	\$17,999	Inquire
Sun Deck; approx. 322 sq. ft.; twin or queen-sized bed; private balcony			
Owner's Suite	600	\$21,999	Inquire
Sun Deck; approx. 463 sq. ft; king-sized bed; sofa bed; private deck above bridge			

RATES INCLUDE

- One night accommodations at the Hotel Botánico; eleven nights cabin accommodations aboard *Sea Spirit*
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, R=Reception, D=Dinner). Bottled water, soft drinks, juices, and coffee/tea with all meals; thoughtfully selected wine at welcome and farewell dinners
- Enrichment program of lectures and talks
- Airport/hotel/pier/airport group transfers for all participants on suggested flights
- Escorted sightseeing by private motor coach and entrance fees for included visits
- Taxes, service, and portorage charges
- Gratuities to local guides and drivers

NOT INCLUDED IN RATE International airfare; passport/visa fees; meals not specified; alcoholic beverages other than as noted in inclusions; personal items and expenses; excess baggage; airport transfers other than for those on suggested flights; trip insurance; optional postlude in Lisbon; optional Jet-Set Excursion to Marrakesh; any other items not specifically mentioned as included.

Villa Oasis, Marrakesh



OPTIONAL MARRAKESH JET-SET EXCURSION

APRIL 30–MAY 1, 2022

Enjoy a special overnight alternative excursion in Marrakesh, featuring a more leisurely exploration of its stunning sites and an amazing private jet ride over Morocco's gorgeous terrain. Delight in an exclusive tour of Marrakesh's magical Villa Oasis, the ornately decorated estate of Yves Saint Laurent. Stay overnight at the five-star La Mamounia Hotel, and wake up to fly in private style to Casablanca to visit the Hassan II Mosque. Continue to Rabat to tour the Mohammed VI Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art or the Archaeological Museum. Return to the ship in Casablanca.

Jet-Set Excursion Rate:

\$4,999 per person, double rate

\$5,689 single rate

Rate Includes: One night accommodations at La Mamounia Hotel; internal flight by private jet (Marrakesh-Casablanca); breakfast daily; two lunches; two dinners; sightseeing as per itinerary.

RESERVATION INFORMATION

To secure your cabin, please call National Trust Tours at

888-484-8785.

A deposit of \$1,000 per person (of which \$500 is non-refundable for administrative fees) is required.



OPTIONAL LISBON POSTLUDE

MAY 5-7, 2022

During your time in Lisbon, visit historic Belém Tower, the Jerónimos Monastery, and the Tile Museum in the Madre de Deus Convent, renowned for its blue-and-white glazed panels. Spend the evening exploring the Alfama Quarter, Lisbon's oldest neighborhood. Accommodations for two nights are at the Four Seasons Ritz Hotel, Lisbon.

Postlude Rate:

\$1,999 per person, double rate

\$2,599 single rate

Rate Includes: Two nights accommodations at the Four Seasons Hotel Ritz, Lisbon; breakfast daily; 1 lunch and dinner; sightseeing as per itinerary.

**Left: Eucharistic Allegory; c. 1660.,
Tile Museum, Lisbon**

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