

Mediterranean, Atlantic and Northern Europe: PONANT launches sales for Summer 2024



PONANT is launching sales for its Summer 2024 voyages bound for the Mediterranean, Atlantic and Northern Europe, with 50 new sailings to open up to the world from the tranquil and refined setting aboard its ships.

The programme includes discovering UNESCO World Heritage sites and visits to monuments at the heart of rich cultural heritages, against the backdrop and gentle rhythm of breathtaking scenery. From myriads of Greek islands to the cliffs of Ireland via unspoiled vistas in Algeria and turquoise waters in the Canaries, PONANT is offering 28 voyages to Mediterranean destinations and 22 to Northern Europe and the Atlantic.

Focus on five exceptional itineraries:

Islands and cities of the Mediterranean - NEW

Departing from Athens, *Le Bougainville* will bear guests away on a voyage linking Greece to the majestic Maltese coast. The route will take in Paros, tucked away in the Cyclades archipelago, then to car-free Hydra Island, before heading south to the preserved Venetian and Byzantine architectural gems on the Monemvasia peninsular. After calling into the port of Pylos to admire the ruins of Nestor's Palace, *Le Bougainville* will head back out to sea to discover Taormina at the foot of Etna's eternal snow. The final destination will be Valletta, the stronghold of the Knights of the Order of Malta. Onboard this sailing the Young Ocean Explorers Club, animated with Maud Fontenoy Foundation, will entertain the youngest guests. *Athens – Valletta, on* Le Bougainville. *From 23 to 30 July 2024, 8 days – 7 nights*.

From €3,860 - Find more about this journey

Landscapes and cultures of the Adriatic -NEW

Dotted with hundreds of captivating islands running along the coastlines and boasting an exceptional heritage, the Adriatic surprises, dazzles and enchants. Setting sail from the sublime city of the Doges, *Le Bougainville* will head to the Rovinj, the jewel of the Istrian coast. It will then reach the charming fishing village of Primosten, located in the north of Dalmatia, the city of Spilt and its historic centre listed as a UNESCO World heritage site, Hvar, Brac Island, Brijuni archipelago and Pula. Le ship will also call into the Slovenian city of Piran, girdled by ramparts, before returning to Venice the Serenissima and its lagoon.

Venice – Venice, on Le Bougainville. From 9 to 16 July 2024, 8 days – 7 nights. From €3.860 – Find more about this journey

Cultural treasures and Scandinavian panoramas

Departing from the historic city of Edinburgh, a UNESCO City of Literature, this voyage aboard *Le Dumont-d'Urville* and *Le Bellot* is an invitation to marvel at the landscapes and cultural treasures of Scotland and Scandinavia. The ship will be calling into the port of Kirkwall, located in the Orkney Islands which so many species of sea birds have made their home. It will then set course for Norway where all its secrets will be revealed from the colourful facades of Egersund to Arendal, the Venice of the North, via the radiant multi-cultural capital of Oslo. From there the route will take guests to Gothenburg in Sweden, then along the coast to Denmark's artistic capital Copenhagen, before arriving in Stockholm.

Rosyth (Edinburgh) – Stockholm, on Le Dumont-d'Urville and Le Bellot From 21 June to 2 July 2024, 12 days – 11 nights. From €7,870 – Find more about this journey

And also

Stockholm – Rosyth, on Le Bellot and Le Dumont-d'Urville. Two sailings, on 29 April and 17 August 2023, 12 days – 11 nights. From €7,870 – Find more about this journey

The Mediterranean: in the footsteps of the Great Civilisations - NEW

An exquisite interlude awaits on this voyage from Valletta to Antalya discovering the wealth of culture and history of the Mediterranean Sea, a link between peoples and crossroads of civilisations. In the quieter month of May, departing from the Maltese capital, *L'Austral* will sail towards Sicily and the Puglia region in southern Italy where a stunning coastline combines with historic remains for moments when time seems to stand still. Then it's on to Greece to the islands of Corfu and Ita to discover the mythical Delphi site and Hosios Loukas Monastery, both UNESCO World Heritage sites. Then comes Athens and Volos in Thessaly before Turkey opens the door to its treasures. The archaeological site of the ancient city of Ephesus recounts the great history of the Mediterranean, this being among the oldest cities of Magna Graecia in Asia Minor. And finally, the majestic city of Antalya welcomes guests at the end of a voyage rich in history and culture.

Valletta – Antalya, on L'Austral. From 9 to 19 May 2024, 11 days – 10 nights.

From €4,890 – Find more about this journey

And also

Antalya – Valletta on L'Austral. From 19 to 29 May 2023, 11 days – 10 nights. From €4,890 – Find more about this journey

British archipelagos and Celtic shores - NEW

From the coast of Brittany to the shores of Ireland, this voyage on the Atlantic Ocean at the crossroads of the English Channel and Celtic Sea will lead to the to the heart of landscapes of enigmatic beauty, between lush meadows, craggy cliffs and small colourful villages. Departing from the Corsaire city of Saint-Malo, the ship will head north-west to the Channel Islands where nature reigns supreme and the escape is total. It will then heads to the charming little town of Dartmouth at the mouth of the River Dart, before sailing along Cornwall's legendary cliffs to the Scilly Isles, a strange little group of islands where the scenery seems straight out of a famous Enid Blyton book. After two ports of call at Bantry and Cobh, the cruise draws to a close in Dublin, Ireland's lively and charmingly authentic capital.

Saint-Malo – Dublin, on Le Boréal and Le Lyrial. Two sailings on 27 April and 2 May 2024, 11 days – 10 nights. From €2,980 – Find more about this cruise

ABOUT PONANT -

Explore to Inspire: explore to better understand, learn, share and protect. For 35 years, PONANT has been committed to more responsible tourism and voyages of exploration which have meaning. The French-flagged fleet comprises 13 small ships equipped with state of the art environmentally friendly equipment. With PONANT, exploration is refined, authentic and a source of inspiration. For more information www.ponant.com

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