



Shores of Iberia

Spain & Portugal

aboard *Sea Cloud II*

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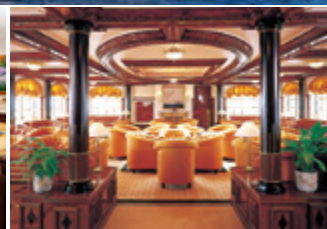
Program Highlights

- ❖ **SAIL** aboard the magnificent, three-masted *Sea Cloud II*, a perfect marriage of the seafaring elegance of a bygone era and superior modern comforts and amenities.
- ❖ **EXPLORE** the beautifully lit palace and gardens of the incomparable Alhambra Palace during a private evening opening.
- ❖ **DELIGHT** in private performances of dramatic and colorful flamenco in Seville and soulful fado in Lisbon.
- ❖ **SAVOR** local flavors during gourmet meals ashore—Andalusian specialties in Granada, a tapas lunch in Seville, and a tasting at a historic port lodge in Porto.
- ❖ **LUXURIATE** with an overnight in port in Lisbon, allowing ample time to explore this celebrated city, along with a visit to lovely Sintra.



Sea Cloud II

Christened in 2001, the *Sea Cloud II* is perhaps the most luxurious three-masted sailing yacht on the seas today. Like Marjorie Merriweather Post's legendary *Sea Cloud*, the *Sea Cloud II* combines the seafaring elegance of a bygone era with the highest modern standards of luxury. In the grand tradition of the world's finest sailing vessels, guests experience this marvelous ship under sail (weather permitting), as the skilled crew hand-sets more than 30,000 square feet of canvas. The *Sea Cloud II* offers an intimate setting of just 47 beautifully appointed cabins, gracious common areas, world-class service, and five-star dining.





Follow in the wake of the ancient Spanish and Portuguese mariners on this 7-night cruise around the Iberian Peninsula aboard the beautiful *Sea Cloud II*. After an introduction to the region's Moorish heritage at the incomparable Alhambra Palace in Granada, embark the *Sea Cloud II* in Málaga for a transit of the Strait of Gibraltar, including a stop at the iconic Rock of Gibraltar. Visit Seville, capital of the Spanish province of Andalusia; Lisbon, Portugal's capital and the departure point for most of the Portuguese expeditions of the Age of Discovery; and Porto, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and the center of port wine production.

Throughout the cruise, learn about the strategic importance of the great Portuguese and Spanish port cities, enjoy the rhythms of fado and flamenco, and sample outstanding wines and distinctive regional cuisines. Expert lecturers and experienced on-site guides will provide insights and context for each destination throughout the program.

A journey aboard the *Sea Cloud II* is an intimate experience on one of the most elegant and luxurious vessels afloat. This magnificent three-masted barque combines the seafaring elegance of a bygone era with the highest modern standards of luxury. In the grand tradition of the world's finest sailing vessels, guests experience the *Sea Cloud II* under sail, as the skilled crew hand-sets over 30,000 square feet of canvas.



TOUR COST:

\$8,990–\$19,990 per person
double occupancy

\$13,490–\$19,490 per person
single occupancy

INCLUDED:

seven-night cruise • three hotel nights • meals as shown in itinerary • house wine, beer, and soft drinks with all group lunches and dinners • entrance fees and port charges • gratuities for all services • group airport transfers on arrival and departure days • pre-departure information • tour manager throughout

NOT INCLUDED:

Airfare to destination • private transfers • travel insurance • deviations from the scheduled tour • other items of a personal nature

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