

Maddalena Archipelago, Sardinia

Sardinia Treasures

11 Days | SMALL GROUP JOURNEY
MAXIMUM 12 GUESTS

Discover Sardinia, where ancient civilisations, rugged landscapes, and turquoise seas converge. The seclusion of the Mediterranean's second largest island has provided it with unspoiled pristine landscapes and a unique window into the past. Its 'Nuraghes' or rock monolith structures date to the Bronze Age and its cultural traditions, passed through generations, are still visible in its Blue Zone villages. This tour offers a unique cultural adventure with striking beauty.

NEW TOUR



Highlights & Inclusions

- 10 nights in exquisite 4 and 5-star hotels
- 10 breakfasts (B), 4 lunches (L), 2 dinners (D)
- Guided sightseeing of Cagliari, Alghero and Castelsardo
- Excursion to the ancient town and archaeological ruins of Nora
- Guided tour of the UNESCO World Heritage Listed Su Nuraxi di Barumini
- Visit a 'Blue Zone' village and meet the local centenarians
- Visit the murals of Orgosolo
- Wine tasting and lunch at a local winery
- Sardinian traditional cooking class
- Boat excursions to Neptune's Grotto (ferry) and to the Maddalena Archipelago with lunch (small group sailing yacht)
- Entrance to Nora archaeological ruins, Su Nuraxi di Barumini, Alghero's San Francesco Church and Castelsardo's Cathedral Crypt
- Tour Director accompanying group
- Deluxe VIP transport
- Airport transfers on first and last day

Note: hotel city taxes, if applicable, are not included.

Choose your date from AUD $10,490
Twin Share per person

Day 1 Cagliari

Welcome to Cagliari, Sardinia's vibrant capital. With its hilltop Castello district, elegant boulevards, and sweeping views over the Golfo degli Angeli, Cagliari offers a charming blend of Mediterranean soul and ancient history. Settle into your hotel for an evening at leisure.

STAY 3 NIGHTS: **Palazzo Tirso Cagliari Mgallery 5-star or similar**

Day 2 Cagliari (B, L)

Enjoy a guided walking tour of Cagliari, exploring its medieval walls, Roman ruins, and historic churches. Learn about the city's layers of Phoenician, Roman, Pisan, and Spanish heritage. Later, participate in a Sardinian cooking class featuring regional recipes, followed by a welcome lunch with local wines. The afternoon is yours to enjoy at leisure.

Day 3 Cagliari – Nora – Chia – Cagliari (B)

Venture south along the coast to the ancient city of Nora, one of Sardinia's oldest settlements. Discover its Roman amphitheatre, mosaics, and sea-facing ruins on a guided tour of this captivating archaeological site. Continue to the turquoise waters of Chia Beach, where you can enjoy time for swimming and an independent lunch before returning to Cagliari for an evening at leisure.

Day 4 Cagliari - Barumini - Oliena (B, D)

Travel inland toward Sardinia's mountainous heart, stopping at the UNESCO-listed Su Nuraxi archaeological site in Barumini for a guided visit. This Nuragic fortress complex, dating back to the 2nd millennium BCE, provides unique insight into Sardinia's prehistoric civilization. Continue through Samugheo for an independent lunch, before arriving in Oliena, nestled at the foot of Mount Corrasi. This evening, enjoy an organised dinner in the hotel.

STAY 2 NIGHTS: **Su Gologone Experience Hotel 4-star** or similar


Cagliari


Su Nuraxi di Barumini


Bosa, Sardinia


Neptune's Grotto near Alghero, Sardinia


Alghero, Sardinia

Day 5 Oliena – Blue Zone - Orgosolo - Oliena (B, L, D)

Explore Sardinia's famed Blue Zone, where people live exceptionally long and healthy lives. Travel by jeep through mountain villages such as Orgosolo, known for its striking political murals. Meet local artisans and centenarians and enjoy a rustic winery lunch showcasing the region's timeless way of life. In the evening, enjoy an included dinner in the hotel.

Day 6 Oliena – Bosa – Alghero (B, L)

Depart for the coast, stopping in colourful Bosa, a picturesque riverside town with a rich history of leather tanning and hilltop Malaspina Castle. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant and some time to explore the cute town, before continuing to Alghero, a Catalan-influenced city with cobblestone streets and a stunning seaside promenade. On arrival, the rest of your evening is at leisure.

STAY 3 NIGHTS: Carlos Smy V 5-star or similar

Day 7 Alghero (B)

Embark on a guided walking tour to uncover Alghero's Spanish roots and visit the 14th-century Church of San Francesco. Then, enjoy a return ferry excursion (weather permitting) to Neptune's Grotto, a dramatic sea cave carved into Capo Caccia's limestone cliffs. The evening is at your leisure.

Day 8 Alghero (B)

Spend a full day at leisure in Alghero. Discover the local coral craft shops, relax by the beach, or explore the town's medieval bastions and nearby archaeological sites such as Anghelu Ruju necropolis or Nuraghe Palmavera.

Day 9 Alghero - Castelsardo - Costa Smeralda (B)

Journey north along the coast, stopping in Castelsardo. Explore this fortified medieval town, perched dramatically above the sea with a guided tour including shuttle transport and admission to the Cathedral's Crypt. After time for an independent lunch, continue to your beautiful hotel in Cannigione in the glamorous Costa Smeralda region.

STAY 2 NIGHTS: Colonna Resort 5-star or similar

Day 10 Costa Smeralda - Maddalena Archipelago - Costa Smeralda (B, L)

Set sail on a full-day small-group cruise through the Maddalena Archipelago (weather permitting), a protected national park of pristine islands and turquoise waters. Enjoy a leisurely onboard lunch and time to swim or relax before returning for an evening at leisure.

Day 11 Costa Smeralda - Olbia (B)

Transfer to Olbia port or airport. Your Sardinian adventure ends here, taking with you the lasting impressions of this island's deep-rooted history, cultural treasures, and rugged natural beauty.

Feature hotel | ★★★★

Su Gologone Experience Hotel, Oliena

Stay 2 nights

- This boutique hotel celebrates island culture and craft creating a true artistic haven, with rooms individually styled with local textiles, ceramics and artisan décor
- Exceptional culinary focus with traditional Sardinian dishes, garden-to-table produce, and unique dining settings



Departures and Pricing

2026 STARTS	ENDS
Cagliari	Olbia
09-May-26	19-May-26
23-May-26	02-Jun-26
08-Jun-26	18-Jun-26
27-Jun-26	07-Jul-26
18-Jul-26	28-Jul-26
02-Sep-26	12-Sep-26
26-Sep-26	06-Oct-26

2027 STARTS	ENDS
Cagliari	Olbia
08-May-27	18-May-27
22-May-27	01-Jun-27
05-Jun-27	15-Jun-27
26-Jun-27	06-Jul-27
17-Jul-27	27-Jul-27
04-Sep-27	14-Sep-27
25-Sep-27	05-Oct-27

Price from AUD $10,490 Twin Share per person

Single Supplement $4,000

*Prices for each departure are listed on our website. Prices are in Australian Dollars (AUD) and in other currencies on request.

ORMINA INSIGHTS ★★★★★

A handpicked escape – Ormina Tours CEO note

We are thrilled to offer this new and comprehensive small group journey of beautiful Sardinia. Quite literally, Sardinia is an open-air museum to generations past and is unique to the other parts of Italy. I highly recommend that our guests also extend a few days with us so they may visit Bonifacio in the southern tip of Corsica, which is quite accessible from Costa Smeralda.



Nora, Sardinia



Portofino, Italy



Our most popular tour extensions

PRE-TOUR RECOMMENDATION

Piedmont & the Italian Riviera (8 Days) Small Group Journey

- Extend pre-tour to discover the Piedmont region, famed for its award-winning Barolo and Barbaresco wines and the world's best truffles... a foodie's paradise
- Relax along the Italian Riviera as you discover the true meaning of La Dolce Vita amongst the coastal beauty of Sanremo, picturesque Portofino, and historic Genoa

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Sicily Bella (10 Days) Private Regional Discovery

- Experience Sicily Bella as a private journey back to back with Sardinia Treasures for the perfect discovery of the lesser-known southern Italy
- Explore Sicily's stunning coastline, rugged mountains, active volcano, ancient ruins and historic villages

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POST-TOUR RECOMMENDATIONS

A Wild Corsica (8 Days) Private Regional Discovery

- Extend your Mediterranean discovery to the rugged French island of Corsica
- Featuring dramatic coastal cliffs, ancient ruins, artisan villages, unspoilt beaches, and cultural gems – from Napoléon's birthplace in Ajaccio to the UNESCO-listed Gulf of Porto and Filitosa's prehistoric wonders

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