

MALAGA TO ROME

A NINE NIGHT HOLIDAY INCLUDING A FIVE NIGHT CRUISE ON BOARD THE ROYAL CLIPPER | 21 - 30 APRIL 2012

This late spring holiday to the southern Mediterranean sunshine is the perfect way to start the summer. Our itinerary begins with a few days in the historic old city of Malaga, where the new Picasso Museum has created real excitement in recent years. This gateway also offers the opportunity to enjoy a longer stay on the coast or in a hacienda in the heart of the Andalucian countryside before embarking on the Royal Clipper, the largest and most impressive of the clippers. The cruise then plots a course across the Mediterranean to the Balearic islands with their unique Catalan flavour and sparkling coastlines, before crossing to the Italian coast and finishing in Rome; the Eternal City.

SUGGESTED ITINERARY

- Fly from London to Malaga.
- Private car transfer from the airport to hotel.
- Two nights' accommodation with breakfast, staying in a double room at the 5* boutique hotel Posada del Patio. The old city of Malaga dates back over two thousand years and is an underappreciated cultural gem. As testament to this long history the city is home to archeological remains from the 1st century BC (including a Roman theatre), the well-preserved Moorish castle, and the imposing Baroque Cathedral. More recently, the city celebrated its rebirth as a cultural destination with the opening of the new Picasso Museum.
- Complimentary entrance tickets for the Picasso Museum.
- Private car transfer from the hotel to Malaga port.



Board the Royal Clipper on 23 April for a five night cruise. From Malaga the ship sails to the Balearic islands, stopping at the old cities of Palma and Mahon, before crossing to Italy and sailing into Civitavecchia, the port of Rome.

- Private car transfer from Civitavecchia to your hotel in the centre of Rome.
- Two nights' accommodation with breakfast, staying in a double room at the 5* Hotel Bernini Bristol in Rome. One of the world's most unforgettable capital cities, Rome has captured the imagination of artists, poets, generals and travellers for more than two thousand years. The legacies of the Roman Empire, the Catholic Church and the Italian Renaissance have created a uniquely rich tapestry of extraordinary architecture, outstanding art and some of the world's most famous ancient ruins. On top of this lives a modern, bustling capital city with excellent shopping, and world-class restaurants.
- Complimentary entrance tickets for the Vatican Museum & Sistine Chapel or Borghese Gallery.
- Private car transfer from the hotel to airport.
- Fly from Rome to London.



RECOMMENDED HOTELS

Posada del Patio ★★★★★, Malaga

The city's newest and only 5* hotel opened in 2010 and is located in the heart of the historic centre, within easy walking distance of the Cathedral, the Picasso and the Thyssen Museums; the train station is 10 minutes by taxi. It has a wonderful rooftop swimming pool with views over the city and 109 bedrooms, furnished in a contemporary style. Important archaeological remains were discovered during construction, including part of the city's Arabic walls and these are on display along with other historical objects. The 'Wall Bar' is a great place to have a cocktail before enjoying dinner in the restaurant 'Baraka'.

These are two of our favourite hotels, however we feature a range of hand picked hotels in Rome and throughout Andalucia, please ask for further details.

Hotel Bernini Bristol ★★★★★ Superior, Rome

This grand 19th Century hotel recently reopened after a comprehensive refurbishment, and now boasts 127 luxurious rooms decorated in either modern or classic styles. The public areas retain the original splendour with antique tapestries on the walls and high ceilings with Venetian glass chandeliers. The hotel has a great location at the foot of the Via Veneto and right on the Piazza Barberini and the views from the rooftop restaurant to St Peter's are spectacular.

PRICE INFORMATION

Holiday price, based on sharing a double room from: £1,942 per person. Prices based on staying at our recommended hotels, alternative hotels and regional airport departures available on request.

EXTEND YOUR STAY

Take the opportunity to spend a week relaxing at one of our recommended hotels in the countryside or on the famously sunny coast. For example: Travel out on the 17 April and stay for 4 nights at the Hacienda De San Rafael, set among sunflower and cotton fields in the heart of the Andalucian countryside, before returning to Malaga on 21 April. Supplement from £798 per person.

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