In Gallura, the strip of land in the northeast of Sardinia lies the undisputed kingdom of luxury holidays: its symbol is a small and charming village by the sea, an architectural gem set in an area of natural beauty. Porto Cervo is a curious, artificial vision of Mediterranean beauty. In the summer, it becomes an extraordinary procession of hundreds of yachts and famous personalities: it is quite likely that you will find yourself in the square, shopping with stars of the cinema and the television.

Every day is a continuous stream of engagements with the international jet set: parties, social events, sports events, golf in particular. Porto Cervo offers some of the best restaurants like Gianni Pedrinelli, Cala di Volpe and Pitrizza as well as some of the most exclusive nightclubs in the world like Billionaire, Just Cavelli and Sottovento.
OLBIA

AN ANCIENT AND FLOURISHING CITY

The ancient Greeks called it *olbìa*, ‘happiness’. It is the gateway to the island and the driving force behind the economy of the Gallura area. Vestiges of the past dot the city. It’s known for the medieval San Simplicio basilica, and for cafes dotting central squares like Piazza Matteotti. The city looks out over a spectacular gulf that encompasses the Tavolara Marina Area. It is the access point to the exclusive Emerald Coast. The seemingly endless Olbian coastline is home to a myriad of turquoise inlets from which to choose, among them are the four beautiful bays of Porto Istana.

Look beyond its industrial outskirts and you’ll find a fetching city with a centro storico crammed with boutiques, wine bars and cafe-rimmed piazzas. Olbia is a refreshingly authentic and affordable alternative to the purpose-built resorts stretching to the north and south. **Relax and have lunch and dinner onboard, then travel to the Sottovento Night Club at midnight.**
PORTO ROTONDO

PICTURESEQUE IN EVERY SENSE

Exclusive clubs, nightlife, fabulous beaches: a dream location in the most north-eastern part of Sardinia. The unassuming village of Porto Rotondo is home to one of the most authentic travel experiences in Sardinia which is largely due to the lesser number of tourists in comparison with some other well known destinations. However, this most certainly does not give way to “lesser” experience as Porto Rotondo allows for a wonderful insight into the workings of a small town coastal village and retains an overall immersive local experience for the visitor, while still offering all the comforts of the modern world.

Infused with a large number of fine dining restaurants with world class cuisine, charming cafe’s serving high quality blends of coffee, a surprisingly vibrant nightlife and prominent historical attractions such as the San Lorenzo Church and a man made amphitheatre, Porto Rotondo has something for everyone.
CALA DI VOLPE
The Cala di Volpe is located in Porto Cervo, the tourist centre par excellence in Sardinia, favoured destination for the national and international jet set, place of meetings and social life, of unbridled luxury and high class fun. Yes, this near-perfect travel destination is overflowing with celebrities and attractions, and here you’ll find some of the most highly regarded Costa Smeralda hotels. Cala di Volpe (meaning the ‘bay of the fox’) is a small community located in Arzachena in the province of Olbia-Tempio, in north-east Sardinia, Italy.

Its strategic position offers easy access to other famous Sardinian beaches as well, such as Spiaggia del Principe, Grande and Piccolo Pevero, Liscia Ruja, and Romazzino. The small village is best known for the luxury hotel with the same name – Hotel Cala di Volpe – part of “The Luxury Collection” operated by the renowned Starwood hotel chain. Hotel Cala di Volpe has a legendary tale to tell since it was chosen as one of the film locations in “The Spy Who Loved Me” at the end of the seventies.
LA MADDALENA
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A QUIET PLACE OF TURQUOISE LAGOONS AND DESERTED ISLANDS

In the translucent seas of the La Maddalena archipelago, you’re in another world. It doesn’t feel like the Mediterranean here. It feels like a more rugged version of the Caribbean. Suspended between Sardinia and Corsica, this scatter of seven large islands and 55 tiny isolotti has some of the most spectacular beaches in Italy, and some of the cleanest and clearest water. One of Sardinia’s most ravishing beauty spots, the Arcipelago di La Maddalena provides some spectacular, windswept seascapes. Nelson and Napoleon knew the archipelago well, as did that old warhorse Giuseppe Garibaldi, who bought Isola Caprera for his retirement.

A national park since 1996, Parco Nazionale dell’Arcipelago di La Maddalena consists of seven main islands and 40 granite islets, as well as several small islands to the south. The seven principal islands are the high points of a valley, now underwater, that once joined Sardinia and Corsica. We recommend you visit the restaurant La Casitta. Ask the captain to book for you in advance. Enjoy cocktails and eat there for lunch during the day.
GORGEOUS AND RICH WITH HISTORY

The highlight of Corsica will be entering the Bonifacio harbour as the high jagged cliffs are memorising and unforgettable. With its glittering harbour, dramatic perch atop creamy white cliffs, and stout citadel above the cornflower-blue waters of the Bouches de Bonifacio, this dazzling port is an essential stop. Just a short hop from Sardinia, Bonifacio has a distinctly Italianate feel: sun-bleached town houses, dangling washing lines and murky chapels cram the web of alleyways of the old citadel. Bonifacio is also perfectly positioned for exploring the island’s southerly beaches and the Îles Lavezzi.

There is also a world class golf course perched on the cliffs as well as some beautiful hiking trails. We would recommend lunch at La Caravelle in the harbour and afterwards a walk up to the old town, an ancient city and with a beautiful castle at the top. There are also good restaurants port side some of which sell fresh fish from the tank. You can ask the crew to pick up fresh seafood and bring it to the yacht for you to eat.
Ajaccio is all class and seduction. Commanding a lovely sweep of bay, the city breathes confidence and has more than a whiff of the Côte d’Azur. Everyone from solo travellers to romance-seeking couples and families will love moseying around the centre, replete with mellow-toned buildings and buzzing cafes – not to mention its large marina and the trendy Route des Sanguinaires area, a few kilometres to the west.

The spectre of Corsica’s general looms over Ajaccio. Napoléon Bonaparte was born here in 1769, and the city is dotted with sites relating to the diminutive dictator, from his childhood home to seafront statues, museums and street names. Stop at Le Maquis to enjoy Mediterranean cuisine with a Corsican touch, with seafood and seasonal flavours.
The port town of Calvi, in the Balagne region of north-west Corsica, boasts the intrigue of traditional Corsican culture while effortlessly maintaining the comforts of a modern resort. Basking between the fiery orange bastions of its medieval citadel and a glittering moon-shaped bay that’s lined by a magnificent beach, Calvi has a long and venerable history. Locals insist that Christopher Columbus was born here, in the one Genoese city on Corsica that the French could never capture, while Admiral Nelson lost his right eye besieging the citadel on behalf of Pascal Paoli.

For an unforgettable lunch, grab a booth at the cosy hole-in-the-wall, U Casanu, cheerily decorated in yellow and green, and hung with watercolours by septuagenarian artist-owner Monique Luciani. Don’t miss the Caserne Sampiero, once home to the Genoese governor and now used by the legendary Foreign Legion, and the 13th-century Cathédrale St-Jean Baptiste, credited with saving Calvi from Saracen invasion in 1553.
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