

Le Commandant Charcot : 10D9N Scandinavia Wonderland & Christmas market

Price per person
from
MYR 42480



Tour Description

Luxury cruise aboard to experience a truly exceptional sea voyage with a difference. Discover expeditions to the majestic landscapes of the Arctic and the Antarctic. Great choice for couples, solo travelers and those who love small-ship cruising. Ponant Cruises offers exceptional bilingual service, world-class dining and elegantly-appointed accommodation and public areas in terms of the onboard experience. Choose a cruise on an Explorer Class vessel, you will benefit from several expedition-style features. Relaxing in the Blue Eye Lounge, an underwater multi-sensory environment that boasts comfortable seating and privileged views of life beneath the waves. Ponant's expedition ships also carry a fleet of Zodiacs deployed frequently throughout each itinerary for sightseeing excursions and trips ashore.

Cancellation Policy

- ~ Postpone or cancel free of charge up to 10 days after the booking is confirmed
- ~ From 10 days after the booking is confirmed to 365 days prior to departure: EUR 150 plus RM100 refund admin fees per guest per cruise for the cruise service only
- ~ From 364 to 211 days prior to departure: 10% of total price
- ~ From 210 – 91 days prior to departure: 25% of total price
- ~ Cancellation within 90 days prior to departure: 100% of total price

Payment Terms

- ~ Deposit payment of 25% must be received within 10 days after the booking is confirmed.
- ~ Balance payment must be made 90 days prior to departure
- ~ Booking made within 90 days prior to departure require full payment at the time of booking

Day 1 :- HELSINKI

Embarkation 02/12/2024 from 16:00 to 17:00

Departure 02/12/2024 at 18:00

Seated in the southern peninsula of Finland, **Helsinki** offers the buzz of a cosmopolitan city that has opted for both elegance and beauty. Explore its historical centre where the soft hues of neoclassical buildings are juxtaposed with spectacular modern constructions. The bustling **Kallio** district is teeming with boutiques and restaurants where you can taste some local specialities like *graavilohi* – a sweet, marinated, aromatic salmon dish. **Keskuspuisto** park, a stone's throw from the centre, is a good place to sit and unwind.

Dinner

Day 2 :- STOCKHOLM

Anchored opposite the old town, which shines brightly during this Advent period, you will be immersed in the unrivalled wonderland of **Stockholm as it prepares for Christmas** – *Jul* in Swedish. Singing and music resonate from the narrow and lit-up streets of the historic centre Gamla Stan. Share the Swedish enthusiasm for this time of the year and indulge in a hot *glögg* spicy mulled wine at the stalls of a Christmas market, amidst the aromas of cinnamon and ginger. In daylight hours, you will sail through the hushed decor of the **Stockholm archipelago**. A constellation of *skerries* – islets and reefs that rise to the surface of the water – stretches over fifty or so kilometres (30 miles) in the **Baltic Sea**. On the inhabited lands, bright red facades punctuate the blue-tinged landscape formed by the water and the sky.

Breakfast Lunch Dinner

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Breakfast Lunch Dinner

Day 4 :- VISBY, GOTLAND

Visby, a veritable Viking-era treasure anchored off the southeastern Swedish coast, is the largest town on the island of **Gotland**. Take shelter from the wind behind the *ringmuren*, the 3.5 km (2.2 mile) long perimeter wall that encircles the town, dotted with towers and gates. Dive into the history of this city, a **UNESCO World Heritage Site**, through the remains of the 12th-century church and **Saint Mary's Cathedral**. Learn more by visiting the **Gotland Museum**, which has many archaeological discoveries dating back to the Viking era. Wander the paved streets edged with cafés and restaurants where you can try the local speciality, *Saffranspannkaka*, saffron pancakes served with berries and cream. And if you visit a sheep farm, make the most of it to bring back a beautiful grey and curly sheepskin from one of the island's flock.

Breakfast Lunch Dinner

Day 5 :- GDANSK

Dive into the medieval atmosphere of Gdansk, whose red brick **architecture** reflects its **Hanseatic** past. Look at the gabled houses, churches and galleries, admire the illuminated quaysides and enjoy its nocturnal buzz! At the **Christmas market**, let yourself be carried away by the enchantment of the enormous Christmas tree and wander among the delightful wooden chalets amidst the aromas of chocolate, cinnamon, orange and roasted walnuts. **Oliwa Park** offers spectacular illuminations at nightfall. Its **Cistercian abbey** and its **cathedral**, home to a magnificent sculpted wooden organ, are also well worth a visit. Finally, perhaps you will have the opportunity to make a nod to Chopin by attending a private concert at the **Polish Baltic F. Chopin Philharmonic**.

Breakfast Lunch Dinner

Day 6 :- AT SEA

The unrivalled comfort of *Le Commandant Charcot* makes it an ideal cocoon for your winter cruise. The interior spaces, opening wide out onto the exterior, were designed to let you easily reconnect with the surrounding landscapes. In the spa, you will be able to relax during long winter evenings. The Blue Lagoon, an outdoor pool heated thanks to an energy recovery system, the snow room, the detox bar and the uninterrupted outside promenade deck will enable you to make the most of the pure air, at every opportunity. Finally, you will have the opportunity to take part in more educational moments during conferences.

Breakfast Lunch Dinner

Day 7 :- RIGA

Considered the **Art Nouveau capital**, Riga captivates with its many contrasts. As you stroll through its **old town**, a **UNESCO World Heritage Site**, you will appreciate its **medieval architecture**, its cathedral, the remains of old walls and the narrow streets. Trace the origins of the Christmas market and the decorated tree invented here in 1510, in pagan times. In the old town's park, a stone's throw from a giant tree, the stalls offer local craft objects like wooden chandeliers, jewellery made from Baltic amber, hand-knitted gloves and Christmas decorations. Sheltered under a wooden hut, warm yourself up by sipping some mulled wine accompanied by gingerbread.

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Day 9 :- TALLINN

Tallinn unveils all its charms in winter, even if the days are short. Located in the far north of Estonia, this remarkably well-preserved city of the **Hanseatic League**, a **UNESCO World Heritage site**, has a myriad of exceptional historical monuments, such as the recently restored **St. Nicholas Church**. In December, the churches, shops, cafés and paved streets shine brightly and the atmosphere is festive. Come and make your wishes beneath the luxurious Christmas tree that dominates the Town Hall Square (*Raekoja plats*). At the **Christmas market**, you will find hand-knitted wool garments and share the traditional *glögi* mulled wine accompanied by spiced almonds.

Day 10 :- HELSINKI

Arrival 11/12/2024 early morning
Disembarkation 11/12/2024 at 08:00

Seated in the southern peninsula of Finland, **Helsinki** offers the buzz of a cosmopolitan city that has opted for both elegance and beauty. In the **historic centre**, softly coloured neoclassical buildings mix with spectacular modern structures. The lively district of Kallio is home to many boutiques and restaurants offering local specialities such as *graavilohi*, pickled, sweetened and flavoured salmon. And the large **Christmas craft market** is the ideal place to unearth Finnish design items.

Breakfast

Tour Prices

| Departure Dates | Prestige Stateroom | Deluxe Suite | Prestige Suite | Grand Prestige Suite |
|----------------------|--------------------|--------------|----------------|----------------------|
| 02 Dec - 11 Dec 2024 | RM 42,480 | RM 45,400 | RM 63,440 | RM 67,600 |
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What's included

Destination [Estonia](#) , [Finland](#) , [Latvia](#) , [Poland](#) , [Sweden](#)

Departure Location Helsinki

Return Location Helsinki

Price includes

- 9 nights shipboard on Ponant Cruise
- 24 hour room service (special selection)
- Butler service (special selection Butler service (special selection)
- Free unlimited WIFI onboard
- Evening entertainment and events
- All meals and beverages included wines

Price does not include

- Gratuities
- Personal expenses
- Any other service not mentioned in the programme.
- International air ticket