

Discover The Quiet Beauty Of Majorca (the Balearic Islands) On Your Dream Yacht Worldwide

Day 1: Palma

Walk along the cobblestone streets of Palma. Visit one of the most famous Gothic cathedrals in Europe: the Palma Cathedral, known as "La Seu," which roughly translates as "the seat" and probably refers to the bishop's seat. And take in Palma's historic atmosphere and charm before boarding at 3 pm. Dine aboard or ashore at one of Palma's great restaurants is a good option. Il Paradiso, a restaurant near the Port Calanova Marina on Avenue Joan Miro, is known for its stunning harbor views and good food. Spend overnight aboard.

Day 2: Palma-Port Andratx (21 nm/3.5 hr)

After a leisurely breakfast, set sail for Andratx. Along the rocky coastline, you'll pass spot Cala Portals Vell beach. It's popular with sailors and offers dinghy service ashore if you want to eat at the restaurant. Rounding the cape you can try the golden, sandy beach at El Toro, which offers calm waters protected by Port Adriano. Once you reach the harbor of Andratx, one of the prettiest in Majorca, you can anchor there for the night. Originally a fishing village, today's Andratx boasts an excellent marina, exclusive shops and fine restaurants. The historic part of Andratx's old city sits on the hills above (to ward off pirates centuries ago).

Day 3: Port Andratx-Soller (29 nm/5 hr)

As you head north, you'll encounter Sa Dragonera (The Dragon), which is the main island off the coast and home to the Sa Dragonera Natural Park with its huge colony of sea gulls. There are two good spots for anchoring on the east side of the island, though they should be used only when the sea is calm. Eat lunch aboard. Along the way, you'll pass by Cala de Valldemossa where actor Michael Douglas owns in impressive home. Anchor in the port of Soller for the night.

Day 4: Soller

After breakfast aboard, visit the picturesque port of Soller where you can climb the El Fara lighthouse. Or travel inland a short distance via a vintage tram (nicknamed the "Orange Express") to visit the town of Soller with its ancient olive trees and fragrant orange groves. The valley in which the town is nestled and the surrounding mountains are a UNESCO World Heritage Site and a favorite destination for ecotourists. Eat lunch in one of the local tapas bars or in a café. In the afternoon, there are also two nice beaches at either end of Soller Bay for swimming and sunbathing.

Days 5–6: Soller–Pollensa (44 nm/7 hr)

Eat a hearty breakfast, and then sail to the port of Pollensa at the foot of the Tramantura mountain range where you can anchor for the night. Along the way, you may want to stop at Cala Sa Calobra, a pebble beach and a small cove wedged between two cliffs. Nearby, the Torrent de Pareis (Paradise Stream) has carved a deep chasm in the cliff, which has its own pebble beach.

Day 7: Pollensa-Cala Ratjada (22 nm/3.5 hr)

The village of Pollensa is a quintessential Majorcan town where locals gather at the Cafe Espanyol after church on Sunday to visit with one another. If you're searching for the perfect beach, head north to reach the beautiful sandy beaches of beaches at Cala Agulla. Go ashore to relax on the beach and swim or hike up to the Capdepera lighthouse at to enjoy the panoramic views. It's a short sail to the resort at Cala Ratjada where you can eat dinner and anchor overnight.

Day 8: Cala Ratjada-Porto Cristo (9 nm/1.25 hr)

Named after Jesus Christ, Porto Cristo's natural harbor has been sheltering fishing boats for centuries. Today, this peaceful fishing village and its harbor cater to visitors from all over the globe. There are popular beaches near Porto Cristo, but there are plenty of alternatives as well. Glass bottom boat tours are popular. Europe's largest underground lake, Lake Martel, is a relatively short walk from the Nautico Marina area (or you can hire a taxi). The lake lies in the Cuevas del Drach (the dragon's caves), a large, limestone cavern system. There are 1-hour tours of the impressive stalactite formations, and visitors are often treated to short classical music concerts by musicians who take advantage of the fine acoustics. There are charming cafés in the Placa del Carme as well as restaurants overlooking the marina.

Day 9: Porto Cristo-Porto Colom (14 nm/2.25 hr)

Porto Colom's large, natural harbor provides excellent and safe overnight anchorage. Porto Colom was named after Christopher Columbus and still retains the feel of a quaint fishing village. A nice nearby beach can be found at Platja de s'Arenal, which is divided into s'Arenal Gran and s'Arenal Petit. S'Arenal Gran has good underwater conditions for anchoring boats. The beach is both sandy and rocky and is sheltered from the Mediterranean's winds and waves.

Day 10: Porto Colom-Cala Figueras (12 nm/2 hr)

Head to Cala Figueras and enjoy the scenic coastline along the way, part of which belongs to Mondrago National Park. You can stop at Cala Mondrago a small, beautiful beach with clear deep-turquoise water that is great for swimming and snorkeling. This beach has a restaurant. Nearby is Cala s'Amarador with its white-sand beach edged in pine forests. Both coves have depths of up to 6 m (20 ft) and sandy bottoms, but they are exposed to east and southeast winds. If needed, there are port facilities nearby (within 2.1 nm) in Porto Petro. Dock for the night in Cala Figueras.

Majorca. The port of Cala Figueras is still primarily a fishing community with picturesque whitewashed cottages and boathouses that stretch down to the water's edge. Eat dinner aboard and enjoy the quiet natural setting, or try one of the local dishes at a café or restaurant near the marina.

Day 12: Cala Figueras-Colonia Sant Jordi (14 nm/2.5 hr)

It's a relatively short sail from Cala Figueras to the port town of Colonia San Jordi. Colonia is known for its beautiful white-sand beaches, including Es Carbo, where the Spanish royal family is known to visit. Colonia is also just 10 km (a little over 5 nm) from the Cabrera archipelago and the National Maritime Park of Cabrera (a good day trip by ferry). In addition to serving as a sanctuary for Mediterranean sea life, the park has a lighthouse, caves and a 14th century castle.

Days 13-14: Colonia Sant Jordi-Palma (27 nm/4.5 hr)

Enjoy another day at the beach and bring a picnic lunch. This time, visit Es Trenc, a 2-mile-long (3.2 km) natural and more isolated beach with lovely golden sand and crystal clear waters. There are many popular restaurants and tapas bars along Avinguda de la Primavera (Primavera Avenue) for lunch or dinner. After an early breakfast on the following morning, set sail for Palma.

Day 15: Palma

Return to Palma for disembarkation in the morning.

<u>Note</u>: This itinerary is subject to change depending on meteorological and technical conditions. The above-mentioned navigation times were based on an average speed of 6 knots. Navigation times may vary depending on sea and weather conditions.