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## CENTRAL AMERICA JEWELS & PANAMA CANAL LUXURY CRUISE

Let yourself fall under the spell of an itinerary whose every port of call unveils its finest assets, between the lushness of the Costa Rican jungles and the magic of Panama's crystal-clear waters. During an unforgettable 8-day journey between Col on and Puntarenas aboard *Le Dumont-d 'Urville*, you will set off to discover these wild regions where nature reigns supreme, but also to encounter the ancestral people who are guardians of age-old traditions and this unique biodiversity. Sail between two worlds, where the ocean whispers ancient secrets and the tropical forests shelter an infinity of wonders. At each port of call on your trip, each guest will be able to choose one included activity from the selection offered by PONANT. During this cruise, set off to encounter an Embera community in the heart of the Darien Park jungle, from Playa Muerto; explore Panama's cultural and botanic diversity by visiting its capital, Panama City; or discover the beauty of the San Blas archipelago, between idyllic beaches and an encounter with the Kuna community , from Holandes Cayes. The diversity of options on offer promises intense and varied experiences. (Find the full list of excursions under the Itinerary tab.) Your journey in Central America will start with the discovery of Holandes Cayes 's white sands and paradisiacal waters, right in the heart of the coral islets of the San Blas archipelago. You will then sail towards the Panama Canal, the legendary maritime route crossing the Isthmus of Panama and linking the Atlantic Ocean and the Pacific Ocean. You will navigate the Miraflores locks , which make up the canal's final section before the Pacific Ocean, and arrive in Fuerte Amador. On this artificial peninsula on Flamenco Island, you will be captivated by the dense, pristine vegetation and its

unique biodiversity. Then, *Le Dumont-d 'Urville* sails to the beautiful Darien National Park in Panama . This little corner of paradise is a UNESCO World Heritage site and home to remarkable plants and wildlife. Sandy beaches, rocky coastlines, mangroves, swamps and tropical rainforests vie with each other for beauty. This will also be an exceptional opportunity to journey back in time as you discover the Embera tribe. These proud people have successfully preserved their traditions and their ancestral way of life. Sailing northwest! You will leave the Panamanian shores to head for the Costa Rican coast. In Golfito , admire unique tropical vegetation. As the gateway to explore one of Central America's largest primary tropical forests, Golfito represents a veritable enchanted interlude. As a grand finale, you will arrive in Puntarenas , which is the end of your journey between the Panamanian shores and the Costa Rican coastline. The encounters with the wildlife described above illustrate possible experiences only and cannot be

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Day 2 - San Blas Islands

Located on the north-east coast of Panama, the San Blas archipelago is a string of coral islands in the heart of the Caribbean Sea. More than 300 islands and cays cover an area of 300 square kilometres offering travellers a multitude of treasures. Sheltered behind a long coral reef, the San Blas Islands are full of enchanting anchorages. The long sandy white beaches bound by crystal-clear waters will allow you to relax and enjoy incredible marine fauna before engaging with the Kunas Indian community. Still subsisting on hunting and fishing, they will welcome you in their villages of bamboo houses gathered near the beaches.

Day 3 - Crossing the Panama Canal

Aboard your ship, experience something unique, that has inspired the imagination of numerous adventurers in the 20th century: sailing the Panama Canal. Its construction started in 1880 under the direction of Ferdinand de Lesseps. Abandoned then resumed, this marvel of engineering was completed by the United States and opened in 1914. The canal crosses the Isthmus of Panama and links the Atlantic to the Pacific. Including three levels of locks and by raising ships to the level of Lake Gatun, almost as if the water was a lift, it allows them to avoid having to round Cape Horn.

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**ITINERARY**

Day 1 - Colón

Colon is the second largest city in Panama, at the Caribbean entrance of the Panama Canal. Colon is today an important port, and the free trade zone created in 1953 contributed greatly to the development of the city. Colon was founded in 1850 by Americans working on the Panama railroad connecting the Atlantic and Pacific coasts through the isthmus of Panama; the city rapidly overshadowed the older Caribbean ports of Panama when the canal opened.



#### Day 4 - Fuerte Amador, Flamenco Island

An artificial peninsula situated at the Pacific entrance to the Panama Canal, Fuerte Amador is the gateway to several noteworthy sites. Right near there, the impressive Miraflores Locks are a shining example of the engineering feats deployed during the construction of the Panama Canal. Further north, in villages nestling amid dense vegetation, lives the Embera tribe, guardian of the forest and of the Chagres River. This proud people have successfully preserved their traditions and their ancestral way of life, which predate the colonisation of the region by the Spanish.

#### Day 5 - Playa Muerto, Darien National Park

The most remote and least developed region of Panama, the province of Darien is an unspoilt land with an extremely rich variety of flora and fauna. Listed by UNESCO as World Heritage, Darien National Park offers its extraordinary scenery of rocky coastlines, mountain ranges, mangroves, rivers and creeks. Discover Playa Muerto, a tiny coastal village home to the Emberas Amerindian community. You will visit the village, attend traditional songs and dances of the locals, and admire beautiful local craft.

#### Day 6 - At sea

During your journey at sea, make the most of the many services and activities on board. Treat yourself to a moment of relaxation in the spa or stay in shape in the fitness centre. Depending on the season, let yourself be tempted by the swimming pool or a spot of sunbathing. This journey without a port of call will also be an opportunity to enjoy the conferences or shows proposed on board, depending on the activities offered, or to do some shopping in the boutique or to meet the PONANT photographers in their dedicated space. As for lovers of the open sea, they will be able to visit the ship's upper deck to admire the spectacle of the waves and perhaps be lucky enough to observe marine species. A truly enchanted interlude, combining comfort, rest and entertainment.

#### Day 7 - Golfito

The town of Golfito lies on the Pacific coast of Costa Rica, in the province of Puntarenas, one of the most humid regions in the world. It was occupied by the indigenous Brunca tribe during the Pre-Columbian era. Once specialised in the export of bananas, Golfito has today become the starting point for visitors who want to reach one of the largest primary tropical rainforests in Central America. Meanwhile, the beaches of Golfo Dulce are some of the most beautiful in Costa Rica, with the lush forest, home to many tropical birds and monkeys as well as a variety of rare species of plants, as their backdrop.



#### Day 8 - Puntarenas

The capital of the eponymous province, Puntarenas is sometimes called "the pearl of the Pacific", for its unique charm. It sits on the Pacific coast of Costa Rica, along the Gulf of Nicoya, lined with long expanses of wild natural environments. Further inland, among the countless natural wonders to be found in the generous rainforest of the Costa Rica's national parks, Poas and Arena volcanoes towers up in all their majestic glory. In this luxuriant natural setting, Costa Rica protects one of the planet's richest biodiversity: monkeys, sloths, tropical birds, iguanas, crocodiles, waterfalls, canyons, and more than ten thousand species of tropical plants.

Please note:

Itineraries are subject to change.



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## YOUR SHIP: LE DUMONT D'URVILLE

**YOUR SHIP:** Le Dumont d'Urville

**VESSEL TYPE:**

**LENGTH:**

**PASSENGER CAPACITY:**

**BUILT/REFURBISHED:**

Featuring innovative and environmentally-friendly equipment, elegantly designed staterooms, spacious suites with large windows, and lounge areas that open onto the outside, this new limited-capacity yacht boasting just 92 staterooms and suites will offer you a truly unique cruising experience. As the first ship in a new series that remains true to the Ponant spirit, Le Dumont d'Urville will embody the unique atmosphere that is the cruise line's hallmark: a subtle blend of refinement, intimacy and comfort. Aboard this ship that flies the French flag, you will experience the incomparable pleasure of an intimate cruise, with the possibility of exploring an ever-increasing range of destinations in an ethnic-chic ambiance with luxury service. Experience a luxurious setting where the accent is on authenticity and passion for travel. **RESTAURANTS** As it is an essential part of French culture, gastronomy will naturally have pride of place aboard this new ship. Through its two restaurants, Le Dumont d'Urville will invite you on a journey to elegance and epicureanism. In a relaxed atmosphere, a first dining area located on Deck 3 and able to seat 70 will serve grilled meats daily, along with a variety of salads and desserts. To the back of Deck 4, you will find a 260 m<sup>2</sup> panoramic restaurant which can

accommodate all of our passengers in a single sitting. Designed differently to that on our other ships, this dining area, which opens onto the outside, will have a buffet of salads, desserts and cheeses at your disposal. Our discreet and attentive crew will provide table service for hot meals. **PUBLIC AREAS** Like Le Boreal and its sisterships, Le Dumont d'Urville has many common areas that are designed and equipped to meet all of your needs while preserving the intimacy of each passenger. A 140 m<sup>2</sup> reception area includes: A reception/concierge desk, An excursions desk, The ship's administrative services, The sales office, manned by our Guest Relations Officer, Our 50 m<sup>2</sup> boutique which sells clothing, jewellery, beauty products, postcards and various accessories, Toilets accessible to passengers with reduced mobility. A new hydraulic platform with adjustable height provides: Easier boarding than on any other cruise ship, Easier Zodiac embarkation and disembarkation for expeditions, Easier access to the sea for swimming and practising various water sports such as kayaking or paddle-boarding. A pool deck offering: A pool with a panoramic view, equipped with a counter-current swimming system, A pleasant solarium, An outdoor bar and lounge with armchairs and sofas. A 200 m<sup>2</sup> main lounge which can accommodate all of our passengers to share convivial moments and to host activities organised during the day or evening. Lastly, a theatre that seats 188, equipped with: The latest sound and lighting technology, A LED wall as the stage backdrop, for the projection of high-resolution images and videos. Please click the following links to read more about Ponant and the other Ponant

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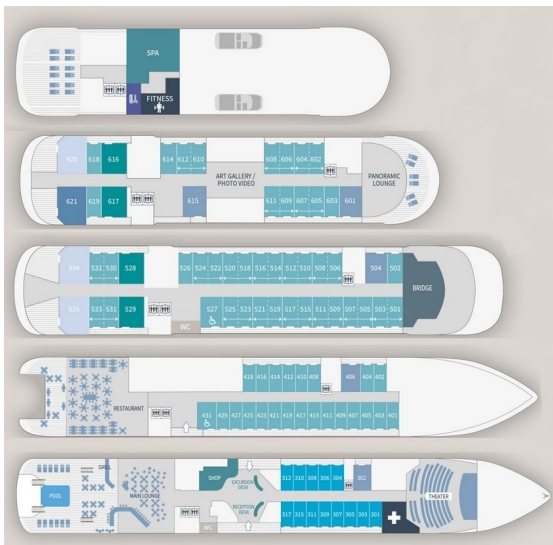
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## INSIDE YOUR SHIP



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- Grand Deluxe Suites Deck 5-6
- Prestige Suites Deck 5-6
- Deluxe Suites Deck 5-6
- Prestige Cabins Deck 4-5-6
- Deluxe Cabins Deck 3

Deluxe Stateroom

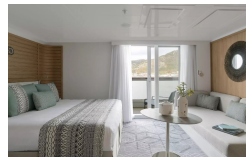


Deluxe Suite Deck 3



Deluxe Suite Deck 4

Deluxe Suite Deck 5



Deluxe Suite Deck 6

Grand Deluxe Suite Deck 6

Prestige Deck 5

Prestige Deck 6

Privilege Suite Deck 5

Grand Deluxe Suite Deck 5

Prestige Deck 4

Prestige Deck 5 Suite

Prestige Deck 6 Suite

Privilege Suite Deck 6



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Grand Deluxe Suite Deck 5	£10155 GBP pp
Prestige Deck 5	£4215 GBP pp
Privilege Suite Deck 6	£9245 GBP pp
Prestige Deck 5 Suite	£8375 GBP pp
Deluxe Suite Deck 5	£6195 GBP pp
Prestige Deck 6 Suite	£8809 GBP pp
Privilege Suite Deck 5	£9245 GBP pp
Prestige Deck 6	£4449 GBP pp
Deluxe Suite Deck 4	£6195 GBP pp
Prestige Deck 4	£4015 GBP pp
Grand Deluxe Suite Deck 6	£10155 GBP pp
Deluxe Suite Deck 3	£6195 GBP pp
Deluxe Suite Deck 6	£6195 GBP pp

Deluxe Suite Deck 3	£7569 GBP pp
Deluxe Stateroom	£4409 GBP pp
Prestige Deck 4	£4899 GBP pp
Privilege Suite Deck 6	£11319 GBP pp
Prestige Deck 5 Suite	£10245 GBP pp
Prestige Deck 6 Suite	£10785 GBP pp
Deluxe Suite Deck 5	£7569 GBP pp
Deluxe Suite Deck 4	£7569 GBP pp
Privilege Suite Deck 5	£11319 GBP pp
Grand Deluxe Suite Deck 6	£12429 GBP pp
Grand Deluxe Suite Deck 5	£12429 GBP pp
Deluxe Suite Deck 6	£7569 GBP pp
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Deluxe Suite Deck 5	£6195 GBP pp
Deluxe Suite Deck 4	£6195 GBP pp
Privilege Suite Deck 5	£9245 GBP pp
Prestige Deck 6 Suite	£8809 GBP pp
Prestige Deck 6	£4449 GBP pp
Grand Deluxe Suite Deck 6	£10155 GBP pp
Privilege Suite Deck 6	£9245 GBP pp
Deluxe Suite Deck 3	£6195 GBP pp
Prestige Deck 5	£4215 GBP pp
Grand Deluxe Suite Deck 5	£10155 GBP pp
Deluxe Suite Deck 6	£6195 GBP pp
Prestige Deck 4	£4015 GBP pp

Prestige Deck 6 Suite	£9379 GBP pp
Prestige Deck 5 Suite	£8915 GBP pp
Deluxe Suite Deck 3	£6589 GBP pp
Privilege Suite Deck 5	£9839 GBP pp
Deluxe Stateroom	£3845 GBP pp
Grand Deluxe Suite Deck 5	£10815 GBP pp
Deluxe Suite Deck 6	£6589 GBP pp
Deluxe Suite Deck 4	£6589 GBP pp
Privilege Suite Deck 6	£9839 GBP pp
Grand Deluxe Suite Deck 6	£10815 GBP pp
Deluxe Suite Deck 5	£6589 GBP pp
Prestige Deck 6	£4729 GBP pp
Prestige Deck 5	£4475 GBP pp
Prestige Deck 4	£4265 GBP pp

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