



ITALY CRUISE: HIDDEN TREASURES FROM FLORENCE TO VENICE (2025)

Sail along nearly the entire navigable coast of beautiful Italy on an all-encompassing A&K voyage. From the iconic cities of Venice and Rome to exotic Sicily and less frequented treasures such as Matera, Urbino, Sardinia and Corsica, you will see all this amazing country has to offer.

Cruises, A&K Luxury Expedition Cruises



Europe, Italy



12 days from AU\$24,485 pp



148 Guests

Journey Overview

Join A&K's famed Expedition Team for a 12-day, spectacularly all-encompassing voyage that explores the landmarks and hidden gems of Italy. Begin with two days in Florence before cruising on all-balcony Le Dumont d'Urville to more iconic destinations, including Rome, Venice and Sicily. You also visit less frequented treasures such as Matera, Urbino, Sardinia and Corsica.

Journey Highlights

- Cruise the best of Italy for nine nights on exclusively chartered Le Dumont d'Urville, enjoying all-balcony accommodations and a capacity limited to just 148 guests
- Spend two nights at a luxury hotel in Florence's city centre
- Sail with a remarkable team curated by A&K featuring our acclaimed Expedition Team, a skilled service staff and crew, and one of the best personnel-to-guest ratios at 1 to 1.2
- Experience all-inclusive cruising with included gratuities, unlimited house drinks, every onboard meal and most meals ashore, port charges, complimentary Wi-Fi, and Traveller's Valet laundry service
- Enjoy a choice of included curated excursions led by A&K local guides throughout your voyage
- Delight in the enchanted islands of Corsica and Sardinia
- Explore historic Sicily and idyllic Puglia with special excursions that include farmhouse visits, cooking lessons and nature walks
- Spend a full day exploring timelessly romantic Venice
- Discover Le Marche and visit Urbino's historic centre, a UNESCO World Heritage Site
- Combine this expedition with our Adriatic Voyage: Croatia, Montenegro & Greece for the European cruise of a lifetime

Combine this cruise with [Adriatic Voyage: Croatia, Montenegro & Greece \(Sep 13-21, 2025\)](#) and save 5%. [Contact one of our expert Journey Designers](#) or talk to your travel advisor to learn more.



Itinerary

Sep 2: Arrive Florence, Italy

Arrive in Florence and transfer to The Westin Excelsior, where you join your fellow A&K guests for an elegant welcome reception.

The Westin Excelsior, Florence

Sep 3: Florence | Heart of the Renaissance

Gracing the banks of the Arno River, Florence is the definitive cradle of the Renaissance, boasting one of the most impressive collections of art and architecture in the world. Today, you might embark on a walking tour of the historic city centre and the Oltrarno District. Alternately, leave the city behind for a truffle hunt in the rolling hills of Tuscany. Art lovers might opt for a tour of the Accademia and Uffizi galleries, home to such Renaissance masterpieces as Michelangelo's David, Leonardo da Vinci's *The Annunciation* and Botticelli's *Birth of Venus*. Enjoy the evening at leisure in Florence.

The Westin Excelsior, Florence | Meals: BL

Sep 4: Tuscany & Livorno | Tuscan Treasures

The charming region of Tuscany captures the very essence of the Italian heartland. Today, opt for Tuscan adventures in Florence, Pisa or Lucca. You might choose a visit to Palazzo Vecchio, the former residence of the powerful Medici clan; explore Pisa's grand Baptistery, Campo Santo, Duomo and world-famous Leaning Tower; or stroll Lucca's picturesque town centre, Piazza dell'Anfiteatro, and its impressive 16th-century ramparts. Later, drive to the port of Livorno and board your expedition vessel. Once you are settled in to your cabin, join your fellow guests for a welcome dinner celebrating the anticipation of the exciting cruise to follow.

Le Dumont d'Urville | Meals: BLD

Sep 5: Rome | The Eternal City

Disembark in the port of Civitavecchia and transfer to Rome, the former capital of one of the greatest empires the world has ever seen. Built one century on top of the other, the Italian capital's landscape of iconic Imperial Roman ruins stands layered amid the modernity of a cosmopolitan metropolis. Here, you might explore the Vatican's incomparable treasures, tour central Rome's narrow streets and iconic Trevi Fountain (pausing for a private visit to Palazzo Colonna) see the Colosseum and enjoy some free time in the charming Trastevere district, or savour a hands-on culinary experience at a former Papal palace in the hilltop village of Castel Gondolfo.

Le Dumont d'Urville | Meals: BLD

Sep 6: Corsica, France | Mysterious French Isle

Arrive in the ancient fortress town of Bonifacio to explore Corsica, the enchanting mountainous Mediterranean island where Napoleon Bonaparte was born in 1769. Once ashore, explore the citadel's medieval houses, chapels, and web of alleyways. Afterward, you may wish to stroll the cobbled streets, historic buildings and quayside of Porto Vecchio's Old Town. Or, opt for a hike to Castellu d'Araghju for stunning views of the coast.

Le Dumont d'Urville | Meals: BLD

Sep 7: Sardinia, Italy | Hidden Island Gem

Today, explore the wild and remote island enclave of Sardinia, coming ashore in its historic port city and capital, Cagliari. Stroll the Old Town, taking in views of the Roman amphitheatre, and visiting Saint Mary and Saint Cecilia Cathedrals. Alternately, hike Sardinia's gentle hills and splendid vistas or sample local varietals and culinary specialties at a local winery.

Le Dumont d'Urville | Meals: BLD

Sep 8: Sicily | Ancient Treasures

Hosting a culture, landscape and flavour all its own, Sicily was colonised at various times by the Greeks, Romans, Arabs, Normans and Aragonese, with each group contributing something to see, taste and hear. Today, come ashore in the eastern Sicilian port of Messina. From here, you might opt for a walking tour of the intimate clifftop enclave, Taormina, pausing to take in stunning views of Mount Etna from the Greek Theatre. Alternately, set out on a 4x4 excursion to Mount Etna's crater or take a scenic drive capped off with a tasting of the region's distinctive local wines.

Le Dumont d'Urville | Meals: BLD

Sep 9: At Sea | Cruising the Ionian Sea

Relish a day of relaxation, enjoying the amenities of your ship and engaging presentations by our experts.

Le Dumont d'Urville / Meals: BLD

Sep 10: Bari | Gateway to Puglia

Disembark in Bari, vibrant capital of the Puglia region. Today, choose from a culinary experience at a local farmhouse, a visit to the intriguing Castel del Monte, a nature trek through the hills of Alta Murgia National Park or a drive inland to explore Matera's cave dwellings.

Le Dumont d'Urville / Meals: BLD

Sep 11: Ancona | Hidden Beauty of Le Marche

Explore Le Marche, a region renowned for its landscapes, history and artistic heritage. Disembarking in Ancona, you might opt to tour the Renaissance art and architecture of Urbino, privately visit the Villa Imperiale in Pesaro or savour a wine experience in the breathtaking countryside.

Le Dumont d'Urville / Meals: BLD

Sep 12: Venice | City of Bridges

From its earliest days, Venice's ethereal, romantic waterscape has bewitched artists, poets, musicians and travellers from around the world. Experience Venice's beguiling magic firsthand with a private water taxi tour, pausing at St. Mark's Square and the Rialto Bridge. Alternatively, you might explore St. Mark's Square on foot and go off the beaten path to discover the Basilica di Santa Maria Gloriosa dei Frari, the city's largest church. Or, escape to the Orto di Venezia winery and the glassworks of the Murano islands.

Le Dumont d'Urville / Meals: BLD

Sep 13: Depart Venice

Disembark and transfer to the airport for your flight or set sail on A&K's Adriatic Voyage: Croatia, Montenegro & Greece.

Meals: B

Journey Details

This journey contains some active elements, including walks over uneven terrain and optional, challenging hikes.

Minimum age is 7 years.

Categories 4–8 include room upgrade at the hotel and butler service aboard the ship.

First group event: welcome briefing at 6:30 p.m. on Sep 2.

Last group event: disembarkation by 9:00 a.m. on Sep 13.

Included with this Luxury Expedition Cruise

- An Exclusively Chartered, All-Inclusive Voyage Led by A&K's Expedition Team and Local Guides
- Airport Meet and Greet and Transfers
- Private Balcony with Every Onboard Accommodation and Butler Service with Every Suite
- Maximum Personnel-to-Guest Ratio of 1 to 1.2 and ship occupancy limited to 80 percent
- Culinary Program Featuring French-Inspired Cuisine, Including House Drinks, Afternoon Tea and Pastries
- 24-Hour Room Service and Breakfast in Bed on board
- Choice of Curated, All-Inclusive Shore Excursions
- Enrichment program, lectures and presentations
- Traveller's Valet® Laundry Service on board
- All Gratuities, Port Charges and Taxes
- Complimentary Wi-Fi on Board and in Hotels
- Onboard Service from an English-Speaking Staff, Including an Accredited Physician
- 24/7 A&K On-Call Support

Map



Extensions



Tuscany Pre-Tour
Extension (2025)

[See Details](#)

Accommodation

Le Dumont d'Urville



Launched in 2019, a luxury expedition ship exclusively chartered by A&K and featuring all-balcony accommodations.

Ship Details

- Overall length: 131 metres
- Beam: 18 metres
- Average speed: 15 knots
- Passenger decks: 6
- Passenger capacity: 184, but limited to 148 exclusively on A&K charters
- Crew and A&K staff: 122 (personnel-to-guest ratio of 1 to 1.2)
- Gross tonnage: 9,900 GRT
- Standards: USPHS – U.S. Coast Guard's Rules Comfort Class 1 Clean-Ship Certification (meets or exceeds all IMO, EPA, IAATO and AECO operating standards)
- Technology: Advanced dynamic positioning system and highly efficient stabilisers
- Flag: French
- Language: English on all A&K charters

Amenities

- Private balcony with every guest stateroom and suite

- Complimentary butler service with every category of suite (an exclusive on A&K charters only, including welcome Champagne, nightly canapés, packing/unpacking on request and more)
- Stateroom and suite amenities include a hair dryer, large wardrobe and ample storage, safe, alarm clock, and luxury bath products
- Stateroom and suite electricity: 220v outlets — Europe 2-prong style (plus two 110/220 U.S. outlets)
- Sun Deck and multiple outer deck observation areas
- Outside heated pool
- Library with selection of books and games
- Two restaurants: Main and outdoor Grill
- Open bar with beer, wine, liquor, cocktails, soft drinks, coffee, tea and mineral water (excludes premium wines and spirits)
- Two lounges with bars: Main with live music and Panoramic with Terrace
- Complimentary 24-hour room service
- Complimentary in-cabin breakfast (on request)
- Three passenger elevators
- Fitness Centre with Kinesis® wall
- Full-service salon with spa, sauna and steam room
- Theatre with comfortable seating for all guests
- Boutique shop
- 24-hour medical facilities with certified doctor
- A&K's complimentary Traveller's Valet laundry service
- Complimentary wireless Internet on A&K charters (due to remote destinations, access and speed vary)

'Le Dumont d'Urville'

Category 1
Classic Stateroom

Category 2
Deluxe Stateroom

Category 3
Prestige Stateroom

Category 4*
Deluxe Suite

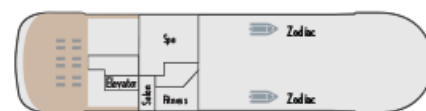
Category 5*
Privilege Suite

Category 6*
Prestige Two-Room Suite

Category 7*
Grand Deluxe Suite

Category 8*
Owner's Suite

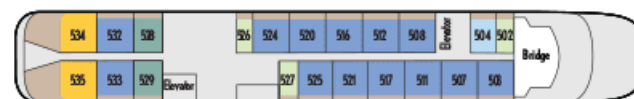
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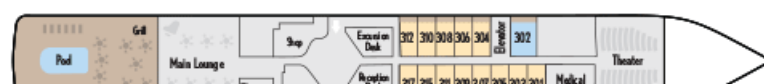
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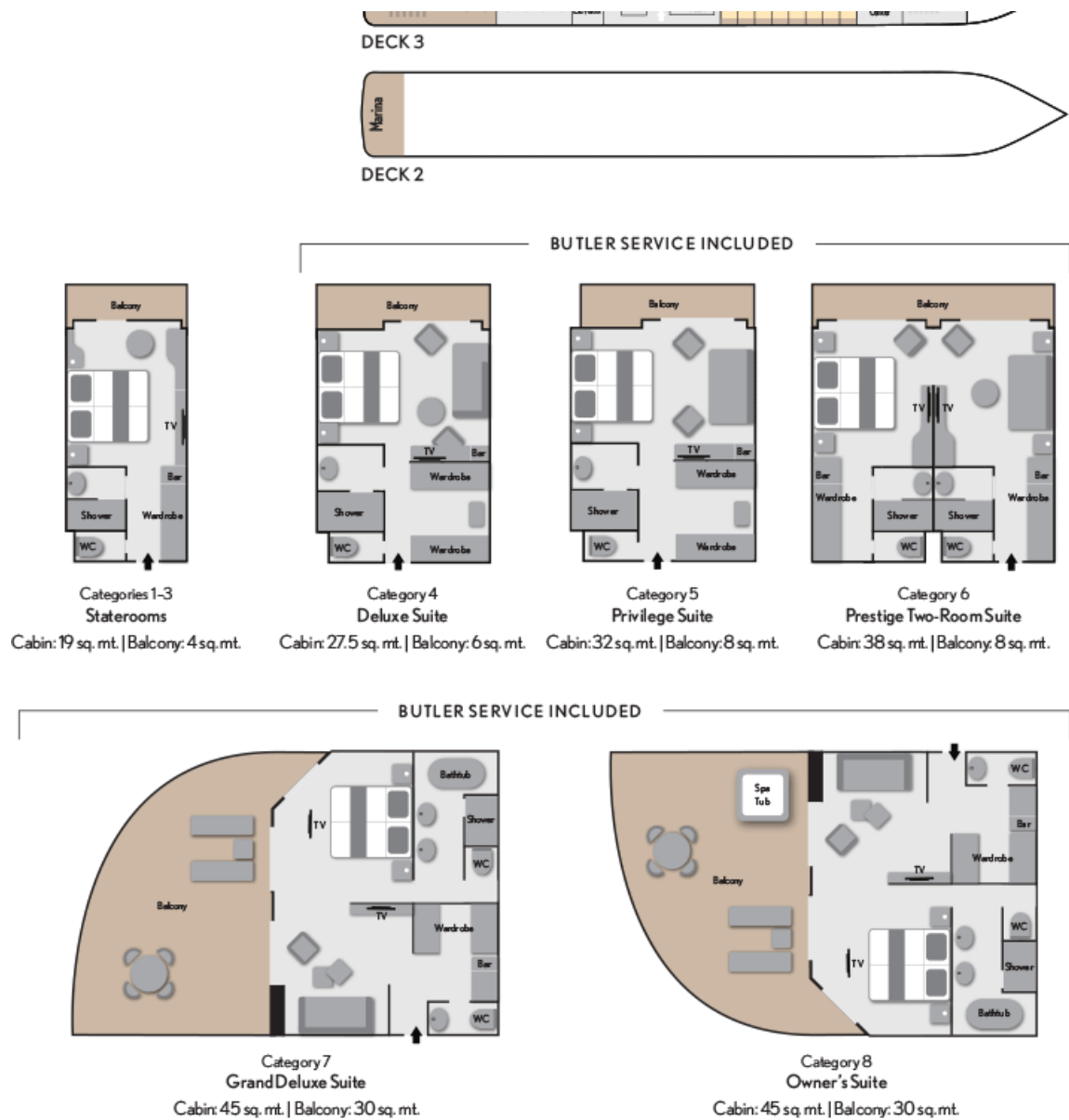


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Dates & Pricing

Prices are in AUD, per person, based on double occupancy

Sep 2, 2025 - Sep 13, 2025

Cabin Class	Price	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
Le Dumont d'Urville: Classic Stateroom - Category 1	AU\$24,485 pp	AU\$12,240	AU\$0	Available
Cabin Class	Price	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
Le Dumont d'Urville: Deluxe Stateroom - Category 2	AU\$27,545 pp	AU\$13,770	AU\$0	Available
Cabin Class	Price	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
Le Dumont d'Urville: Prestige Stateroom - Category 3	AU\$30,605 pp	AU\$15,300	AU\$0	Available
Cabin Class	Price	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
Le Dumont d'Urville: Deluxe Suite - Category 4	AU\$40,555 pp	AU\$30,420	AU\$0	Available
Cabin Class	Price	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
Le Dumont d'Urville: Privilege Suite - Category 5	AU\$45,150 pp	AU\$33,895	AU\$0	Available
Cabin Class	Price	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
Le Dumont d'Urville: Prestige Two-Room Suite - Category 6	AU\$57,395 pp	AU\$43,080	AU\$0	Available
Cabin Class	Price	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
Le Dumont d'Urville: Grand Deluxe Suite - Category 7	AU\$66,575 pp	AU\$49,970	AU\$0	Available
Cabin Class	Price	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
Le Dumont d'Urville: Owner's Suite - Category 8	AU\$71,170 pp	AU\$67,620	AU\$0	Available

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