

2019 Iberian Peninsula Golf Cruise

9 Nights | 5 Rounds | Lisbon to Barcelona | September 5 – 14 PRE-CRUISE OPTION - Lisbon with Golf at Oitavos Dunes & Penha Longa

PerryGolf is proud to again partner with Azamara® for an exceptional golf and sightseeing voyage around the Iberian Peninsula on board the outstanding *Azamara Journey*. This voyage will also feature a special and scenic daylight sailing of the **Guadalete River** to and from the historic city of **Seville**. Our itinerary begins in **Lisbon**, Portugal and concludes in the vibrant Spanish city of **Barcelona**. The golf lineup includes the highly regarded **Oceanico Faldo Course** in Portugal's Algarve Region; The Jose Maria Olazabal designed **Royal Seville Golf Club**; **Valderrama**, consistently rated #1 in continental Europe; Mallorca's Son Gual and Barcelona's renowned **El Prat** completing the five round program. A three night precruise option is offered including play at the highly rated **Oitavos Dunes** and **Penha Longa**.

PerryGolf's cruise staff will be on board and ashore to oversee all aspects of your golf experience from daily pairings to the handling of your golf clubs.

Many guests are golfing couples along with a number who are golfers travelling with a non-golfing spouse who are exceptionally well catered to as well. In addition to the fabulous on board facilities, which all will enjoy during our "sea time" as we traverse the Iberian Peninsula, a wide selection of **Azamara Shore Excursions**® are offered in each port.

On board, our guests are absolutely spoiled. The 690-passenger (410 crew) *Journey* is large enough to provide every comfort and amenity; outstanding restaurants and bars, an exceptional full service spa, an excellent variety of evening entertainment. Yet she is small enough to provide an intimate, clubhouse style experience while comfortably navigating smaller harbours. In addition to "normal" cruise features, all soft drinks, specialty coffees, boutique daily wines, and a choice of select standard beers and cocktails are inclusive within the cruise fare, as are all gratuities. Forty-six suites are available on *Journey* attended by English-style butler service. If you are inclined to indulge, we recommend you make your arrangements without delay.

Detailed Itinerary

SEPTEMBER 5, THURSDAY: LISBON, PORTUGAL (EMBARK BY 3:30PM / SAIL 5:00PM)

Embark *Azamara Journey 1:00PM*. All aboard 3:30PM. Welcome Cocktails & Briefing this evening. Meet your fellow participants.

Overnight: At Sea

SEPTEMBER 6, FRIDAY: PORTIMAO, PORTUGAL (8:00AM / 8:00PM)

Portimão is located in the District of Faro in the Algarve Region of Portugal, and is the host venue for many prestigious sailing events. The Lisbon to Dakar Rally passes through, and there is also surfing and kitesurfing.



This is a great place for seafood restaurants with grilled sardines being the specialty.

Enjoy Portimão on your own or via Azamara Shore Excursions®.

GOLF: **The Oceânico Faldo Course** at Amendoeira, designed by Sir Nick Faldo, opened for play in 2008. In a modern twist of a traditional recipe, cacti and wild herbs replace the role of Sunningdale's heather, and spartan holm oaks and ancient olive trees take the place of a lush English woodland, and desert scrub bunkers of crushed limestone replace Berkshire's sandy tracts in a golf course that revels in the classic principles of strategic play. It also enjoys great views, in particular on the back nine.

Overnight - At Sea

SEPTEMBER 7, SATURDAY: SEVILLE, SPAIN (2:30PM / IN PORT)

Enjoy a scenic morning navigation of the **Guadalete River** on board Azamara Journey, an opportunity denied to larger ships. Our early afternoon arrival allows a half day and overnight in this historic Spanish city.

Seville - the passionate nature of Sevillanos is evident in their devotion to bullfighting, flamenco, and fiesta. Food too, it appears, as Seville is credited with the invention of tapas. Join in with the locals as they graze from bar to bar, making an entire meal out of the experience. The city also has a rich history evident in its old quarters and landmarks. The great cathedral is immense, lavishly ornamented with paintings and sculptures, and copious quantities of gold. The Alcazar, the main palace, is exquisitely decorated in Moorish style, with themed gardens laid out in terraces.

Enjoy Seville on your own or via **Azamara Shore Excursions**®.

Overnight: In Port - Seville, Spain

SEPTEMBER 8, SUNDAY: SEVILLE, SPAIN (IN PORT / 4:00PM)

Enjoy a second day in Seville.

GOLF: **Royal Seville Golf Club** was designed by **Jose Maria Olazabal**. Its balanced and well manicured layout is set through trees and lakes and hosted the 2004 World Cup of Golf, the 2008 & 2010 Spanish Open on the European Tour, and it is ranked within the top five in Spain by Golf Digest.

Following golf we make a scenic navigation of the **Guadalete River** as we head back out to sea for our sailing to Gibraltar.

Overnight - At Sea

SEPTEMBER 9, MONDAY: GIBRALTAR, UNITED KINGDOM (8:00AM / 9:00PM)

The Rock of Gibraltar is a sight to behold rising nearly 1,400 feet out of nowhere located in a strategic position at the southern end of the Iberian Peninsula. It overlooks the Straits of Gibraltar and is linked to Spain by a narrow isthmus. Most of the upper Rock, starting just above the town, is a nature reserve with spectacular views accessible by cable car. Gibraltar is imposing but small. It measures less than six square kilometres and is



inhabited by around 30,000 people made up of Gibraltarians, British, Moroccans, Indians and Spanish. There is a colony of the famous, camera-hogging Barbary apes who run free in a semi-wild state. Gibraltar is a British self-governing colony and a member of the European Union by virtue of Britain's membership.

Enjoy Gibraltar on your own or or via **Azamara Shore Excursions**®.

GOLF: **Valderrama** is a perennial World 100 layout consistently been rated among the five best in Continental Europe. "The Augusta of Europe" is a private club originally designed in 1974 by Robert Trent Jones on a hill above the old Andalucian village of Sotogrande. He was recalled in 1985 for a remake that has subsequently hosted a plethora of championships including the Volvo Masters and the 1997 Ryder Cup remembered for Europe's late, great and charismatic captain Severiano Ballesteros.

Overnight - At Sea

SEPTEMBER 10, TUESDAY: AT SEA

A day at sea. No golf. No sightseeing. No worries. Here's your chance to reset with the help of four restaurants plus cafes and lounges, a pool, sun decks, a spa, fitness center, jogging track, hair salon, shops, casino and cabaret lounge. Azamara's clubhouse style ambience provides a hybrid of luxury and big-ship cruising with every amenity presented in an intimate setting with superb service. Note that the best cocktails are found along with the best views on Deck 10 in the Living Room where you can admire the Murano glass and gaze out the floor-to-ceiling windows.

Overnight: At Sea

SEPTEMBER 11, WEDNESDAY: PALMA DE MALLORCA, SPAIN (8:00AM / 8:00PM)

The original city of **Palma** dates back to Roman times; modern day residents of the old quarter are still digging up artifacts in their gardens. Balanced on a seawall above the marina is the amazing gothic Cathedral, icon of the city, with some of the world's largest stained glass windows. Also high on the artistic scale is the Museum of Contemporary Spanish Art featuring works by masters including Picasso, Miró, Gris, and Dali. Mother Nature's aesthetic achievements can be found in the Caves of Drach—mystical caverns where the play of shadow and light on the rock formations stimulates the imagination.

GOLF: **Son Gual** has been lauded since it opened in 2007. The Thomas Himmel designed layout is considered the finest of the Balearic islands and is one of the most talked about venues in southern Europe, with the European Golf & Travel Media Association naming it as 'The Discovery of 2010'. Son Gual enjoys a lovely location, peppered with mature olive trees and wild flowers, with its design and conditioning being of the very highest standard.

Enjoy it on your own arrangements or via Azamara Shore Excursions®.

Overnight: At Sea

SEPTEMBER 12, THURSDAY VALENCIA, SPAIN (7:30AM / 7:00PM)

Valencia has come a very long way since 138 BC when it was founded as a Roman colony. Today it is Spain's



third largest city after Madrid and Barcelona. It has one of the world's most prosperous local economies. The story you'll probably take home however is about one of the most striking ranges of architecture imaginable. Of course you'll find antiquity in many forms such as Valencia's Gothic cathedral which was built over a mosque after the Christian reconquest of 1238. You will also find the space-age City of Arts and Sciences, a massive project by neofuturistic architect Santiago Calatrava (World Trade Center Transportation Hub) whose showpiece is Oceanogràfic – one of the world's biggest aquariums, with polar zones, underwater tunnels and an underwater restaurant. The juxtaposition is startling. And you'll have two full days to immerse yourself in it!

Enjoy Valencia on your own or via **Azamara Shore Excursions**®.

Overnight: At Sea

SEPTEMBER 13, FRIDAY: BARCELONA, SPAIN (8:00AM / IN PORT)

Barcelona is the 11th most visited city in the world according to MasterCard's 2014 Global Destinations Index and 3rd most popular in Europe behind London and Paris. There's a lot to like in this Olympic City (1992) from the food to the beaches, the weather and the night life. For many visitors however Barcelona is about architecture, especially the work of Antoni Gaudi. His Sagrada Familia in the city center is astounding. Construction began on the church in 1882; it is scheduled for completion in 2026 on the 100th anniversary of Gaudi's death. Azamara ships will almost always dock at the foot of Las Ramblas just steps from the Christopher Columbus statue. You will literally walk off the ship and into the city. No taxi required!

Enjoy Barcelona on your own or via **Azamara Shore Excursions**®.

GOLF: **Real Club de Golf El Prat** is located to the north of Barcelona at Terassa. It was the first golf course in continental Europe to be designed by Greg Norman to give it a unique character that places an emphasis both on aesthetic appeal and playability. Norman's designs have traditionally given the impression they have been part of the landscape for generations.

Overnight: In Port - Barcelona, Spain

SEPTEMBER 14, SATURDAY: BARCELONA, SPAIN (DISEMBARK AT 9:00AM)

9:00AM Disembark Azamara Journey.

PRE-CRUISE OPTION - OITAVOS DUNES & PENHA LONGA SEPTEMBER 2-5

Enjoy a three (3) night pre-cruise stay in beautiful Lisbon at the **Oitavos Dunes Resort** including golf at two of the area's finest golf courses - **Oitavos Dunes** and **Penha Longa**.

- * Three (3) nights in Oitavos Dunes based on twin occupancy, with daily breakfast
- * Green fees and starting times for two (2) rounds of golf with shared electric golf cart
- * Transfers from the ship to hotel, and to/from each golf course (airport transfers excluded)
- * Box lunch at each golf course with open bar for select standard beers, wines and spirits
- * Welcome dinner including drinks and wines
- * Management and handling of golf equipment



- * All gratuities for golf related staff including drivers & golf bag handling staff
- * Full-time PerryGolf program manager

Golf Schedule

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Oitavos Dunes

Oitavos Dunes Located on the famous Estoril coast, 25 kilometres from Lisbon. The Arthur Hills designed course is set among pine woods and reforested dunes, in an area of great natural beauty. Surrounded by the Sintra mountains to the North and by the Atlantic Ocean to the South and West. Since is opening in 2001 it has been a regular host for professional tournaments, including serving as host for the European PGA Tour's Portugese Open. A world renowned layout, often ranked.



Penha Longa

Penha Longa Designed by Robert Trent Jones Jr., this layout opened in 1992. The championship course measures more than 7,000 yards and is particularly attractive due to the conditioning and breathtaking views of the ocean with Estoril and Cascais in the foreground, and also of the Sintra Hills. Typically ranked among the top 50 courses in Europe, it can challenge the recreational golfer of the profession. It was the host site for the 1994 & 1995 Portuguese Open Championships.

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