

## 2020 Arabian Gulf Golf Cruise

## 10 Nights | 5 Rounds | Dubai - Dubai | November 10 - 20

PerryGolf proudly partners with **Azamara Club Cruises** for a fantastical 10 night, 5 round voyage onboard the outstanding 690-guest *Azamara Pursuit* through Arabian Gulf. Here you will see what uber imagination and unlimited resources can achieve. We visit **Dubai**, **Khor Al Fakkan**, **Muscat**, **Doha** and **Abu Dhabi**. The golf program is equally striking, boasting five fine layouts with impressive facilities including the **Majlis Course of Emirates**, **Royal Golf Club Bahrain** and **Saadiyat Beach**.

This region offers incredible history, culture, food, and shopping, and will deliver a truly once in a lifetime experience to guests fortunate enough to participate. Our embarkation and disembarkation port of Dubai also offers easy air access with nonstop service from many cities of the world. Experience **Dubai's** over-the-top opulence at the Burj Al Arab hotel and Gold Souk. Admire the beautiful beaches in **Khor Al Fakkan**. In **Muscat** , visit old town bazaars, sip tea at the elegant Al Bustan Palace Hotel, and head to the desert for off-road fun. Make your way to the Souq Waqif in **Doha**, the renovated Arabic market quarter. In **Abu Dhabi**, don't miss Sheikh Zayed Mosque, an astounding monument that rivals the Taj Mahal. You'll be impressed by three new museums which opened in 2015-2016: the Louvre, Guggenheim, and Zayed National Museum.

Our golf program is also terrific. This region boasts some of the finest golf facilities in the world, with outstanding layouts and the highest of service levels. Our planned lineup includes **Almouj** in **Muscat**, the private **Royal Golf Club** in **Bahrain**, **Doha Golf Club** in **Qatar**, an annual stop on the European Tour; **Abu Dhabi's Saadiyat Beach** and the **Majlis Course of Emirates Golf Club** in **Dubai**, annual host venue to the European Tour's **Dubai Desert Classic**. Our sailing schedule also ensures you will enjoy quality sightseeing time at these destinations in addition to playing these fine golf courses.

Azamara Pursuit is a mid-sized luxury vessel nimble enough to access smaller ports yet large enough to provide every amenity you expect from fine dining and live entertainment to a full-service spa. Forty-six suites are available with English butler style service which routinely book early. Particularly enjoyable about a PerryGolf / Azamara cruise is how the schedule will include many extended stays in port plus the occasional overnight which permits a truly immersive experience. Better still, **Azamara Club Cruises** are inclusive of a full selection of beer, spirits, soft drinks, bottled water, specialty coffees plus wine with lunch and dinner along with gratuities for housekeeping, dining and bar staff.

Every aspect of the golf program is managed by PerryGolf staff onboard and ashore. Your clubs will be waiting your arrival at the golf course. Tee times and pairings will be posted the night before. Casual competitions will be arranged and prizes awarded. Lunch is included while you play plus there will be an open bar at the clubhouse when you finish. Carts/caddies, transfers, local taxes, service charges and gratuities (excluding caddies) are included.

The guest list will number between 40 and 60, most of whom are golf couples. It's also common to have non-golfers who will enjoy themselves as a luxury cruise guest starting with *Azamara Pursuit's* fabulous facilities combined with a wide selection of **Azamara Shore Excursions**. The "2020 Arabian Gulf Golf Cruise" is a full-featured vacation and a unique opportunity to enjoy yourself in the company of like-minded new friends!



Photo Album

## **Detailed** Itinerary

## NOVEMBER 10, TUESDAY: DUBAI, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES (IN PORT / 6:00PM)

Embark Azamara Pursuit from 1:00PM onwards.

Welcome Cocktails & Briefing this evening and a chance to meet your fellow participants.

Port Explorer Guide - Dubai

**Overnight: At Sea** 

### NOVEMBER 11, WEDNESDAY: AT SEA

Today it's time to relax and reset. Make your reservations early for **The Sanctum Spa**, a world-class wellness facility offering a full range of health, beauty and restorative treatments. Complimentary fitness and nutrition classes are available along with a fully equipped gym on Deck 9 offering magnificent sea views. There's room for everyone on the Pool Deck both in and out of the sun. Service to your lounge chair is available from **The Pool Bar** where the attentive staff is always ready to offer an inclusive cocktail, beer, bottled water, soft drink or fresh towel. **The Patio** restaurant serves casual fare during the day then completely transforms itself into a sit-down al fresco dining experience at night with table linens and candles. Elegant specialty dining is available for beef at **Prime C** and Italian at **Aqualina**. **Windows Café** serves casual buffet dining with every imaginable choice indoors and out at the sensational Sunset Bar.

What a way to spend a day!

**Overnight: At Sea** 

## NOVEMBER 12, THURSDAY: MUSCAT, OMAN (8:00AM / IN PORT)

An important trading port between East and West since the first century, **Muscat's** influence once extended as far as East Africa and Zanzibar. While much of the city's construction is new, it all displays traditional Arabic stylistic elements, creating a handsome and cohesive whole that incorporates a rich history. Two seemingly invincible mountainside forts from the 1500s flank the palace of the sultan, though today they are both museums. A major highlight is the Muttrah Souq, Muscat's oldest market. Colourful and bustling, it is a fascinating place to browse as well as barter for exotic spices, traditional handicrafts, or gold and frankincense.

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

#### Port Explorer Guide - Muscat

**Overnight: In Port - Muscat, Oman** 



## NOVEMBER 13, FRIDAY: MUSCAT, OMAN (IN PORT / 6:00PM)

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Enjoy another full day in Muscat on your own or via Azamara Shore Excursions®.

#### Port Explorer Guide - Muscat

**Overnight: At Sea** 

## NOVEMBER 14, SATURDAY: AT SEA

Enjoy another relaxing day at sea onboard Azamara Pursuit.

#### **Overnight: At Sea**

### NOVEMBER 15, SUNDAY: AL-MANAMA, BAHRAIN (8:00AM / 8:00PM)

GOLF: **Royal Golf Club Bahrain** was designed by Colin Montgomerie and hosted the European Tour's inaugural Volvo Golf Champions tournament in January 2011. The Montgomerie championship course offers a unique blend of links and desert golf, taking advantage of Bahrain's natural rough desert terrain and combining it with vast manmade lakes. The desert feel is retained through the use of sandy waste bunkers and the attractive indigenous vegetation and grasses used in the landscaping. The rolling links-style fairways and undulating greens are immaculately maintained.

SIGHTSEEING: **AI Manamah** is one of the Arabian Gulf's important trading centers, the port of AI Manamah (or Manama as it is often referred to) is the capital of Bahrain and home to a very diverse population, with Portuguese, Middle Eastern, and British influences evident throughout the centuries. It's also home to one of the largest mosques in the world, the AI-Fateh Mosque, the UNESCO World Heritage site of Bahrain Fort with excavations that date back to 3000 BC, and the Tree of Life, a famed lone tree that thrives in the middle of a dry desert, making it a complete mystery to modern science. Outdoor activities here include dolphin watching, scuba and pearl diving, and bird watching; and with alcohol permitted in Bahrain, Al Manamah—and its accompanying nightlife—is a popular destination for locals and expats alike.

Enjoy Al Manamah on your own or via Azamara Shore Excursions®.

#### Port Explorer Guide - Al Manamah

**Overnight: At Sea** 

## NOVEMBER 16, MONDAY: DOHA, QATAR (7:00AM / 8:00PM)

GOLF: **Doha Golf Club** is the proud home of the European Tour's annual Commercial Bank Qatar Masters.



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SIGHTSEEING: **Doha** is the capital of Qatar, a bustling and cosmopolitan city which has undergone rapid economic expansion, as evident by stunning new buildings, resorts, and sporting venues, not to mention fantastic shopping malls and revitalized souqs. One of Doha's premier highlights is the waterfront promenade Al-Corniche, showcasing Doha Bay, city skyscrapers, and Palm Tree Island. In its efforts to become a regional hub of culture, Doha has also built a number of museums such as the Museum of Islamic Art. In addition to featuring Islamic art from three continents spanning 1,400 years and being designed by renowned architect I.M. Pei, it's also home to the restaurant IDAM by legendary chef Alain Ducasse.

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#### Port Explorer Guide - Doha

**Overnight: At Sea** 

## NOVEMBER 17, TUESDAY: SIR BANI YAS, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES (9:00AM / 6:00PM)

**Sir Bani Yas** is a natural island and the largest island in the United Arab Emirates. The name originates from the Bani Yas tribe who first inhabited Abu Dhabi. The island was originally the home to Arabia's largest wildlife reserve which was established in 1977. Now, Sir Bani Yas showcases nature through activities such as adventure safaris, kayaking, mountain biking, archery, hiking and snorkeling, and was recently awarded the 'World's Leading Sustainable Tourism Destination' at the 2014 World Travel Awards. The island is also home to UAE's only discovered Christian monastery. Believed to have been built around 600 AD, and abandoned in 750 AD, the monastery was initially discovered during excavations in 1992.

Enjoy Sir Bani Yas on your own or via Azamara Shore Excursions®.

#### Port Explorer Guide - Sir Bani Yas

#### **Overnight: At Sea**

## NOVEMBER 18, WEDNESDAY: ABU DHABI, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES (7:00AM / 10:00PM)

GOLF: **Saadiyat Beach Golf Club** boasts the first oceanfront course of the Arabian Peninsula. Designed by Gary Player it is located on Saadiyat Island and set along an azure coastline. The imaginative golf course routing provides a spectacular variety of golf experiences with every hole having its own unique character. From the creation of an aquatic habitat, to the introduction of salt-water lagoons, restoration of the beach and sand dunes, the course has been designed with strict environmentally friendly guidelines and a true sensitivity to the surrounding natural environment.

SIGHTSEEING: Abu Dhabi is the capital of the United Arab Emirates and is the largest emirate by area. It is



home to the seat of government, the Al Nahyan royal family, and a population of approximately 20% Emirati citizens and 80% expats. Its commitment to local culture and heritage, combined with international influences, is what makes Abu Dhabi an intriguing, exciting, and hospitable mix of new and old. Be sure to visit **Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque** with 82 domes, 24-carat gold-gilded chandeliers, and the world's largest hand-knotted carpet, it's a stunning place of worship. Go for a stroll along the waterfront of Corniche Road—which features separate pedestrian and bike paths, restaurants and cafés, and Corniche Beach—enjoy a desert Jeep safari, or shop to your hearts' content at the many upscale malls and local souks throughout the city.

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#### Port Explorer Guide - Abu Dhabi

#### **Overnight: At Sea**

## NOVEMBER 19, THURSDAY: DUBAI, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES (7:00AM / IN PORT)

GOLF: **Emirates Golf Club, Majlis Course**\* is annual home to the European Tour's Dubai Desert Classic, and enjoys a worthy reputation worldwide as an excellent layout. The course features hundreds of indigenous species of flora and fauna, beautifully complemented by meandering fairways and seven fresh and saltwater lakes. The Majlis which was the first grass course in the Middle East takes its name from the Arabic word for 'meeting place'. One of the most prominent features on the course is the Majlis building itself positioned between the 8th and 9th holes and a Dubai landmark since 1988.

\*Play at The Emirates Majlis course will be walking with caddies. It was designed as a walking course. Caddie fees and tips covered by PerryGolf. No carts permitted during this time. Guests who require a golf cart will play The Emirates Faldo Course.

SIGHTSEEING: **Dubai** may already be mistaken for a movie set featuring a futuristic metropolis, and even greater plans are in the works. Located in the middle of the desert where almost nothing existed 20 years ago, there are so many building projects that foreign construction crews vastly outnumber citizens. Everything is the biggest, tallest, and the first of its kind, including manmade islands shaped like palm trees and the world's first underwater hotel. It's a striking collection of styles, including modern interpretations of ancient architecture. Consider a visit to the top of Burj Khalifa or the Souk Al Bahar, an Arabesque shopping mall located in the heart of the prestigious Downtown Burj Khalifa, on the Old Town Island.

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#### Port Explorer Guide - Dubai

**Overnight: In Port - Dubai, UAE** 

## NOVEMBER 20, FRIDAY: DUBAI, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES (IN PORT)

Disembark Azamara Pursuit at 9:00AM.



## Golf Schedule

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