

2022 Mediterranean Islands Golf Cruise

8 Nights | 4 Rounds | Rome - Barcelona | October 21 - 29

PerryGolf is proud to partner with **Azamara**® for an exceptional 8-night, 4-round golf and sightseeing voyage to some of the most beautiful islands in the **Mediterranean**. This cruise with less than 700 guests onboard the outstanding *Azamara Onward* begins in the iconic city of **Rome** with seven captivating ports of call ahead including **Elba**, **Corsica, Sardinia, Menorca, Mallorca, Valencia,** and finally, **Barcelona**.

The golf line-up includes four outstanding rounds at the highly rated courses of **Pevero**, **Sperone**, **Son Gual**, and **El Saler**. The first three have the added charm of all being island venues and our visits there are made superbly convenient via our floating boutique hotel Azamara Onward!

Azamara Onward, which serves as our perfect floating boutique hotel and clubhouse, is a mid-sized luxury vessel nimble enough to access smaller ports yet large enough to provide every amenity you would expect, from a choice of fine dining and live entertainment, to a well-equipped gym and full-service spa. Forty-six suites are available with English butler style service which routinely book early. Sailing schedules often include extended stays in port plus the occasional overnight which allows for a truly immersive experience. Better still, these cruises are inclusive of a selection of beers, spirits, soft drinks, bottled water, specialty coffees plus wine with lunch and dinner along with gratuities for housekeeping, dining and bar staff. Azamara also proudly boasts two unique signature events on each cruise – an **AzAmazing Evening**[™] and the **White Night** party – complimentary to all guests and consistently well received.

Every aspect of the golf program is fully managed by PerryGolf staff onboard and ashore. Your clubs will be ready and waiting at each venue. Tee times and pairings arranged and posted in advance. A convenient transportation schedule affords suitable time to warm up at the range, and to make the almost inevitable pro shop merchandise purchase. Carts are always included, subject to availability. A friendly competition is staged at a selected course, with prizes awarded at our farewell gathering. A snack lunch is included on-course plus an open bar operates in the clubhouse at the conclusion of the round. Our typical guest list which brings together like-minded individuals generally numbers between 40 and 50, with new friendships invariably formed during each cruise. Many guests are golfing couples but an equal number are golfers travelling with a non-golfing spouse. Specially arranged onboard golf group social functions, to which all accompanying non-golfing spouses are most warmly welcomed, further enhances the club-like environment. The award winning **Azamara Shore Excursions**® program, offering a wide variety of off ship excursions, also caters beautifully to our non-golfing guests during days when our golfing excursions are underway.

The "2022Mediteranean Islands Golf Cruise" is a genuinely full-featured vacation and a special opportunity to enjoy yourself in the company of like-minded new friends!

Photo Album

Detailed Itinerary



OCTOBER 21, FRIDAY: ROME (CIVITAVECCHIA), ITALY (IN PORT / 6:00PM)

Rome has something special to offer to all visitors, no matter their interests and tastes. Whether you daydream about fighting with gladiators in the Colosseum, debating with togaed senators in the Forum, tossing a coin in a fabled fountain, or being awestruck by the magnificence of St Peter's Basilica and Michelangelo's masterpieces, Rome seems to live up to its sobriquet – the Eternal City. When you need sustenance, today's Rome will provide delizioso pasta e vino. Or perhaps you draw strength from a little retail therapy – the Italians are also renowned for their sense of style.

Embark Azamara Onward beginning at 1:00PM. All aboard by 4:30PM.

Welcome Cocktails & Briefing this evening. Meet your fellow participants and PerryGolf staff.

Overnight: At Sea

OCTOBER 22, SATURDAY: PORTOFERRAIO, ELBA (8:00AM / 8:00PM)

Napoleon was once exiled to the island of **Elba** along with his household staff. Thanks to his little time-out here, the island enjoyed a golden age in the 1800s, when it was recognized as a prime location for the iron mills that brought prosperity to the area. Climb to the top of Medici Fortress, which was built in 1474, and you will be rewarded with sweeping views of the sea and the town below. Or take an open cable car to the peak of Mount Capanne for even more breathtaking views of the entire island, the Tuscan Archipelago, and the Mediterranean Sea.

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

Port Explorer Guide - Elba

Overnight: At Sea

OCTOBER 23, SUNDAY: OLBIA, SARDINIA (8:00AM / 6:00PM)

GOLF: **Pevero Golf Club**. The site of Sardinia's first golf course – along the rugged, ragged coastline of the peninsula between the Bays of Cala di Volpe and Volpero – lured the esteemed Robert Trent Jones for one of his earliest projects overseas.

SIGHTSEEING: In a desirable location on the stunning Costa Smeralda, **Olbia** has been inhabited since the 8th century BC, but a recent archaeological discovery of 24 shipwrecks - two of them from the age of Nero - has landed it in the spotlight. The name Olbia means 'happy town', though its past has been somewhat difficult with the city destroyed and rebuilt many times throughout its history. Of course that makes it all the more interesting, as every empire that came and went has left something of value behind for you to see.

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Port Explorer Guide - Olbia

Overnight: At Sea



OCTOBER 24, MONDAY: PORTO-VECCHIO, CORISCA (7:00AM / 6:00PM)

GOLF: The birthplace of Napoléon Bonaparte is also home to **Sperone Golf Club**, a Cabell B. Robinson (for Robert Trent Jones) design opened on the southernmost tip of Corsica in 1990. Many compare the setting to Pebble Beach and Cypress Point. In several very memorable spots, Sperone is that good. The solid front nine winds through rugged Corsican undergrowth to a number of small raised greens. Eleven plays down toward the ocean and a slender ledge green sandwiched between large boulders. Twelve is a testy 3 par across a rocky canyon to an elevated cliff-top green. It's not a long layout so the round can be enjoyed with equal parts fun and photos!

SIGHTSEEING: Dating back to the 16th century, the fortified port town of **Porto-Vecchio** is now a Corsican resort destination. The Old Town district — with its cobblestone streets, charming buildings, and ruins of the ancient citadel — features fashionable shops, boutiques, and cafés while Porto-Vecchio's modern marina offers ferry rides to Bonifacio and the Lavezzi Islands nature reserve, plus a variety of places to enjoy a local beverage harborside. Visit the Church of Saint Jean-Baptiste, the Bastion San Antonia, and the Porte Genoise Gate for panoramic views of the sea, mountains and surrounding valley, or enjoy an afternoon at one of Corsica's two most famous beaches, Palombaggia and Santa Guilia, located just south of Porto-Vecchio. As dusk settles, head to the Old Town's Place de la République (main square) for its lively nightlife, bars, and restaurants.

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Port Explorer Guide - Porto-Vecchio

Overnight: At Sea

OCTOBER 25, TUESDAY: MAHON, MENORCA (1:00PM / 9:00PM)

Your arrival by ship is fortuitous as **Mahon** is most striking when approached by sea, perched atop a cliff overlooking the natural harbor. Shops cluster along streets between two plazas, one large and lined with cafés and restaurants, the other tranquil, and site of the Church of Santa Maria, known for a celebrated organ with four keyboards and more than 3,000 pipes; and Carmen, a convent whose cloisters now house the municipal market.

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Port Explorer Guide - Mahon

Overnight: At Sea

OCTOBER 26, WEDNESDAY: PALMA DE MALLORCA (8:00AM / 8:00PM)

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.

SIGHTSEEING: 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.

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Port Explorer Guide - Palma De Mallorca

Overnight: At Sea

OCTOBER 27, THURSDAY: VALENCIA, SPAIN (8:00AM / 10:00PM)

GOLF: **El Saler Golf Club** is located on the outskirts of Valencia within the Albufera Nature Park. Designed by Javier Arana, one of the most prestigious Spanish designers and opened in 1968, it sits nearby the beach occupying terrain dotted with pine trees and sand dunes and has a distinctly links feel. It's famous 'cats claw' – similar to the Monterey Peninsula's iceplant grass – is to be avoided in the rough.

SIGHTSEEING: **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!

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Port Explorer Guide - Valencia

Overnight: At Sea

OCTOBER 28, FRIDAY: BARCELONA, SPAIN (1:00PM / IN PORT)

Barcelona is routinely found among the most the world's most popular destinations and a top five in Europe along with Rome, London, Paris and Dublin. 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.

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Port Explorer Guide - Barcelona

VIDEO of how Sagrada Familia will look in 2026.



Overnight: In Port - Barcelona, Spain

OCTOBER 29, SATURDAY: BARCELONA, SPAIN (IN PORT / DISEMBARK AT 9:00AM)

Disembark Azamara Onward at 9:00AM.

Golf Schedule

PEVERO GOLF CLUB: PORTO CERVO, ITALY



Pevero Golf Club Sardinia's first golf course opened in 1972 and designed by Robert Trent Jones. It's found along the edge of a rugged, jagged coastline in chic Costa Smeralda sandwiched spectacularly between the Gulf of Pevero and the sparkling bay of Cala di Volpe. The outward half plays counter-clockwise; the inward clockwise. While the coastline is never in play, Jones has added several ponds to make water an ever-present danger plus he has wisely afforded generous landing areas so that the course is enjoyable even when confronted by the area's famed north wind – the Mistral.

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