



## WINGS OVER THE MEDITERRANEAN (2024)

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Small Group Journeys, Wings Over the World



Europe, Portugal, Spain, Italy,  
Croatia



13 days from AU\$58,455 pp



13 Guests

## Journey Overview

*Wings Over the World itineraries feature private charter flights between destinations, allowing you the convenience of visiting remote places with less time spent getting there.*

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### Journey Highlights

- Fly in comfort between four countries throughout the Mediterranean aboard an exclusively chartered aircraft with a dedicated flight crew
- Discover the wonders of Portuguese royalty during a day at Sintra, a UNESCO World Heritage Site
- Explore the life and works of surrealist master Salvador Dalí on a day trip to Figueres
- Relax along the incomparable Amalfi Coast, indulging in a hands-on cooking lesson above the sparkling sea
- Roam the ancient ruins of Pompeii, witnessing a moment frozen in time by a volcanic eruption
- Customise your travel experience in Dubrovnik, with a choice of Design Your Day options

### Take 10 with an A&K Expert to Hear More About This Journey



## Itinerary

### **Day 1: Arrive Lisbon, Portugal**

Arrive in Lisbon, where you are met and transferred to your hotel in the city centre. Tonight, join your Resident Tour Director and fellow guests for a welcome reception and dinner.

***Four Seasons Hotel Ritz Lisbon | Meals: D***

### **Day 2: Lisbon | Private Dinner with Fado Performance**

Begin your day with a visit to the National Coach Museum to see ceremonial and promenade vehicles from the 17th to 19th centuries. Proceed to the Jeronimos Monastery to admire its Manueline-style architecture, and then explore the Calouste Gulbenkian Museum. Tonight, experience the magic of Portugal's ancient Fado tradition over dinner.

***Four Seasons Hotel Ritz Lisbon | Meals: BD***

### **Day 3: Sintra | Romantic Castles by the Sea**

Travel just outside Lisbon today to Sintra, designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site for its stunning 19th-century monuments. Explore the National Palace of Portugal, the best-preserved medieval royal residence in the country, and then proceed to the Pena Palace, decorated with vivid colours and evocative stone carvings. Return to Lisbon for time at leisure.

***Four Seasons Hotel Ritz Lisbon | Meals: B***

### **Day 4: Barcelona, Spain | A City Rich in History**

Leave Lisbon for a private exploration of one of Portugal's oldest wineries. After lunch, fly by private charter aircraft to sunny Barcelona. Take in the views from the hill of Montjuïc, and then ride the cable car to the port and savour dinner beside the sea before checking in to your hotel.

***The One Barcelona | Meals: BLD***

**Day 5: Barcelona | Gaudí's Magnificent Wonder**

View the Barcelona Pavilion, and then discover the Sagrada Família, a spectacular basilica designed by Catalan architect Antoni Gaudí. Enjoy your afternoon at leisure, perhaps stopping for lunch in the Central Market, also known as La Boqueria, free to explore the city. Tonight, gather for a flavourful tapas experience and a flamenco performance.

***The One Barcelona | Meals: BD***

**Day 6: Figueres | Birthplace of Salvador Dalí**

Travel overland to Figueres, where you are guided through the Salvador Dalí Theatre-Museum, designed by Dalí himself and considered the world's largest surrealist object. Continue to Girona, a city that boasts Romanesque towers, medieval stone ramparts and a cathedral with the widest Gothic nave in the world. Explore the charming old Jewish Quarter and visit the medieval Arab baths before returning to Barcelona.

***The One Barcelona | Meals: BD***

**Day 7: Naples, Italy/Sorrento | A Glimpse into History**

Fly by private charter aircraft to Naples. On arrival, enter the historic city centre for lunch at a traditional Neapolitan pizzeria. Afterwards, visit the National Archaeological Museum to view many of the treasures excavated from Pompeii and Herculaneum. Later, travel to the coastal town of Sorrento and settle into your hotel, where you enjoy a relaxing Scenic Sundowner experience overlooking the glittering Gulf of Naples.

***Grand Hotel La Favorita | Meals: BLD***

**Day 8: Amalfi Coast | A Lesson in the Local Cuisine**

Indulge in the many splendours of the Amalfi Coast, as you Ride Like a Local along the coast by ferry to colourful Amalfi itself. Proceed to the hilltop town of Ravello, where you take part in a cooking class, and then sample the local dishes you've helped create for lunch. Later, enjoy a seaside drive back to Sorrento, absorbing the postcard-perfect coastal seascapes along the way.

***Grand Hotel La Favorita | Meals: BL***

### **Day 9: Sorrento | A Time in the Sun**

This morning, visit a local organic farm, strolling through their garden to see how it showcases the local biodiversity and basking in the sun-warmed scents of aromatic herbs. Then, gather in the on-site dairy to learn how traditional fresh mozzarella is crafted by participating in a hands-on demonstration. Then, taste the delicious results accompanied by an aperitif, concluding this delightful Chef's Table experience. Return to Sorrento for an afternoon at leisure, free to hike the rugged hills, visit the lyrical island of Capri or simply relax.

***Grand Hotel La Favorita | Meals: B***

### **Day 10: Pompeii & Dubrovnik, Croatia | Adriatic Crossing**

Journey to historic Pompeii to explore this UNESCO World Heritage Site, where the daily life of ancient Italy was frozen in time by ash and debris from an eruption of nearby Mount Vesuvius in AD 79. Then, fly by privately chartered aircraft to Dubrovnik, where you settle into your luxurious hotel, and then enjoy dinner.

***Hotel Excelsior Dubrovnik | Meals: BLD***

### **Day 11: Dubrovnik | Silk Weavers Visit**

Start your day by observing silk weavers at work in Konavle who practice an intricate craft handed down through the generations. After lunch, stroll in Dubrovnik with your local guide to see the Franciscan monastery, Dubrovnik Cathedral and the Rector's Palace, a masterpiece of secular architecture. Enjoy the rest of your day at leisure.

***Hotel Excelsior Dubrovnik | Meals: BL***

### **Day 12: Dubrovnik | Design Your Day**

Today, enjoy one of these **Design Your Day** activities.

- **Attend a Cooking Class with a Wine Tasting** and then savour what you created for lunch.
- **Embark by Sea Kayak** on a refreshing, tranquil paddle around Dubrovnik's picturesque Old Town and Lokrum Island.
- **Visit *Game of Thrones* Shooting Locations** on a walking tour, led by a local who worked as an extra on the celebrated television series.

Tonight, gather for a farewell dinner.

***Hotel Excelsior Dubrovnik | Meals: BD***

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## Day 13: Depart Dubrovnik

After breakfast, transfer to the airport to board your departing flight.

**Meals: B**

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## Journey Details

Minimum age is 10 years.

First group event: welcome briefing at 5:30 p.m. on Day 1.

Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:00 p.m. on Day 12.

### Flight Details:

Lisbon–Barcelona (1 hr 45 min)

Barcelona–Naples (1 hr 45 min)

Naples–Dubrovnik (55 min)

**Aircraft:** Bombardier Challenger 850 or comparable (Aircraft and seating configuration subject to change).

## Included with every Wings Over The World Journey

- Unique Itinerary Made Possible by Private Chartered Flights
- English-Speaking Resident Tour Director and Local Guides
- Hand-Selected Luxury Accommodations
- Airport Meet and Greet with Private Transfers
- Travelling Bell Boy Luggage Handling
- Breakfast in Bed on Select Days
- Full Breakfast Daily; Select Lunches and Dinners
- Your Choice of Activity on Design Your Day
- Traveller's Valet Laundry Service
- Internet Access
- Entrance Fees, Taxes and All Gratuities Except for Resident Tour Director
- 24/7 A&K On-Call Support

## Customise this Journey

**Talk to one of our expert Journey Designers** or your travel agent about booking this tour as a private journey for your own small group with family or friends. Or, if you would prefer to travel privately, find out more about creating the perfect bespoke Tailor-Made Journey based on this itinerary.

# Map



## Accommodation

### Hotel Excelsior, Dubrovnik



Hotel Excelsior with its 158 rooms is just a short walk from the heart of the ancient city of Dubrovnik. The rooms and suites are tastefully furnished with understated décor counter-pointed against local colour in the form of original paintings by Croatian artists. With the fabulous Energy Clinic & Spa and heated indoor swimming pool opening onto the sunbathing terrace, the Excelsior is an oasis of calm. Try the relaxed beach restaurant for fabulous Mediterranean cuisine.

#### Why we like it

- Perfectly located near the Old City of Dubrovnik, only a short walk from the cultural and heritage centre of the city
- Three restaurants serve authentic local, national and international cuisine - including the signature fine dining restaurant Sensus
- The Energy Clinic Spa and Wellness Centre at the Hotel Excelsior. It offers an extensive range of high quality health and beauty services
- The hotel has an indoor pool and a number of Jacuzzi pools
- Sea view rooms with a balcony are a must to admire the lights of Old Dubrovnik at night whilst suites have their own terrace



## Dates & Pricing

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

### Sep 3, 2024 - Sep 15, 2024

Price	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
<b>AU\$58,455 pp</b>	AU\$11,070	Included	Call for Availability

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### Sep 17, 2024 - Sep 29, 2024

Price	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
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