

From the Tagus River to the Celtic Shores: A Musical Odyssey

From **24/04/2021**
to **01/05/2021**

Ship: **LE DUMONT-D'URVILLE**

From **Lisbon**
to **Fairlie (Glasgow), Scotland**



In partnership with **RADIO CLASSIQUE**, with the exceptional presence of **Alain Duault**.

Portugal, Spain, the United Kingdom and Ireland: **PONANT** invites you sail along the **Atlantic coastline** of these four European countries during an **8-day cruise** aboard *Le Dumont-d'Urville*.

You will embark in **Lisbon**, the Portuguese capital. There are two UNESCO World Heritage monuments, the monastery of Jerónimos and the Belém Tower, on the banks of the River Tagus.

From the port of Leixões, you will sail to **Porto**. The capital of the northern region, this 'city of granite' is not only known for its wine, but also for its remarkable historic town centre which is listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

You will then head for La Coruña and Cee, in Spain. Not far from here, you will be able to visit the site of **Santiago de Compostela**. This major pilgrimage destination is home to many Romanesque, Gothic and Baroque monuments, bearing witness to its rich past.

Your ship's next port of call will be the **Isles of Scilly**, a strange little archipelago whose landscapes seem to have come straight out of Enid Blyton's famous story, *The Rockingdown Mystery*. Here, long sandy beaches run alongside green fields, while ruins of old castles stand proud on hilltops.

Before you disembark in Fairlie (Glasgow), do not miss the visit to **Dublin**, the Irish capital brimming with convivial atmosphere and authentic charm.



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YOUR STOPOVERS :

LISBON

Embarkation 24/04/2021 from 16h00 to 17h00
Departure 24/04/2021 at 18h00

Portugal's capital city located on the banks of the Tagus, only a few kilometres from the Atlantic coast, is a city of exceptionally rich cultural diversity. At the mouth of the river harbour, impose two UNESCO World Heritage monuments, **Jeronimos monastery** and **Belem tower**. The Alfama hillside is also worth visiting: known for its **fado** bars and its **Moorish streets**, this district is the oldest one of the city and one of the most typical. Not far from there, Chiado's elegant streets are home to big fashion labels and are an invitation to a bit of of luxury shopping.

LEIXÕES - PORTO

Arrival 25/04/2021 midday
Departure 25/04/2021 late afternoon

Located at the mouth of the Douro River, the port of Leixões lies less than 10 kilometres from Porto. A UNESCO World Heritage Site, the historic centre of Porto is worth a visit for its famous **Ribeira district**, the metallic silhouette of the Dom-Luis bridge looming over its ancient houses, its richly decorated Baroque churches and its national **Soares dos Reis** museum. The **São Bento station** is also interesting for its typically Portuguese decoration, using *Azulejos*, blue square ceramic tiles decorated with geometric patterns or figurative scenes.

CEE

Arrival 26/04/2021 early morning
Departure 26/04/2021 early morning

Cee is located at the end of a bay on the north-western Spanish coast. A stone's throw from the marina, the **maritime promenade** is a great place to stroll alongside one of the town's beaches or luxuriant gardens. The centre can be reached by a pleasant walk down quaint streets bordered by pines and palms. These streets lead you to the market square with its shops offering a profusion of all kinds of delicious food. You'll want to dally under the arcades and perhaps be tempted by a slice of *bica gallega*, a regional cake that's both moist and crunchy. Try it with a *cortado* or a *machado*, two delectable espresso drinks.

LA CORUÑA

Arrival 26/04/2021 late afternoon

Departure 26/04/2021 evening

La Coruña stands on a peninsula in north-west Spain. As you enter the harbour, you can see the imposing **Castillo de San Antón**, which houses archaeological collections from Galicia. In the old town, you'll travel back in time as you meander through the streets from the medieval church of Santiago to the contemporary **Domus** building, a museum dedicated to human biology and psychology. Brightly coloured tramways connect to the waterfront, on one side, Riazor beach, and on the other, the Hercules tower: this lighthouse overlooking the Atlantic, is a UNESCO World Heritage site, listed for its history dating back to Antiquity.

AT SEA

Arrival 27/04/2021

Departure 27/04/2021

During your day at sea, make the most of the many services and activities on board. Treat yourself to a moment of relaxation in the spa or stay in shape in the fitness centre. Depending on the season, let yourself be tempted by the swimming pool or a spot of sunbathing. This day without a port of call will also be an opportunity to enjoy the conferences or shows proposed on board, to do some shopping in the boutique or to meet the PONANT photographers in their dedicated space. As for lovers of the open sea, they will be able to visit the ship's upper deck to admire the spectacle of the waves and perhaps be lucky enough to observe marine species. A truly enchanted interlude, combining comfort, rest and entertainment.

ISLES OF SCILLY

Arrival 28/04/2021 early morning

Departure 28/04/2021 late afternoon

Nestling in the clear waters of the Atlantic Ocean, at the south west tip of Cornwall, the Isles of Scilly form a small British island chain whose climate, landscapes and lifestyle are unlike any other and seem to have come straight from an Enid Blyton story. Here, everything resembles a tropical paradise. The long sandy beaches run alongside lush green meadows teeming with semi-exotic flowers, whilst the ruins of ancient castles loom from the tops of the hills. Veritable havens of peace that inspired the legendary Avalon of King Arthur, they are today listed as an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and the rugged coastline plays host to wildlife that is as varied as it is exceptional, including the very rare Atlantic grey seal.

COBH

Arrival 29/04/2021 early morning

Departure 29/04/2021 late afternoon

From the very endearing small town of Cobh, you will set out to discover Cork, rich with a history that goes back to Viking times. During our visit here, we invite you to take an exceptional trip to Blarney Castle, dating from 1446 and renowned for its legends and its ancient stones. At the end of your visit, do not miss the chance of kissing the "Stone

of Eloquence”, located at the top of the monument, which legend tells will confer its powers upon you.

DUBLIN

Arrival 30/04/2021 early morning

Departure 30/04/2021 early afternoon

The Irish capital stretches along the banks of the Liffey to Dublin bay, on the East coast of Ireland. Discover Ireland’s warm conviviality in the pedestrian district of **Temple Bar**. Its cobbled streets are brimming with fabulous shops, pubs and arts centres. Next to Trinity College, famous for its 18th century library, you can stroll along Grafton Street: in one of its famous tea shops, try a delicious scone and clotted cream served hot and melt-in-the-mouth with jam. Not far from here, the majestic O’Connell bridge leads you to the avenue with the same name, on which **Spire**, a luminous contemporary sculpture presides.

FAIRLIE (GLASGOW), SCOTLAND

Arrival 01/05/2021 early morning

Disembarkation 01/05/2021 at 07h30