

Tarragona

Mediterranean balcony before returning to the ship.

Montblanch & the Poblet Monastery Tour TAR002



Approximately 4 hours • \$139

Discover the history and tradition of Catalonia during this half-day excursion. Leaving Tarragona by coach, you'll travel to the Ducal Village of Montblanch—capital of the region. This medieval city that was the residence of kings and knights. Enter by the St. George's Gate, where tradition says St. George killed the dragon. Your walking tour of the city will take you past the Temple of Sant Miquel, the Church and the Hospital of Santa Magdalena, the Royal Palace, the remains of the Jewish Quarter, the main square and the church of Santa Maria La Majo. Re-board your coach and head for the Poblet Cistercian Monastery, surrounded by a beautiful forest. This UNESCO World Heritage Site is one of the most impressive monuments in all of Spain. Rejoin your coach for the drive back to Tarragona and to the ship.

Montserrat Monastery & Codorniu Cellars Tour TAR003



Approximately 8 hours • \$199

From the port of Tarragona, a coach will take you to the town of Sant Sadurn d'Anoia—home of the Codorniu Cellars. On a tour of the cellars, you will learn that the champagne from the Penedes region is called Cava and is well worth tasting! Traveling northwest through the picturesque Spanish countryside, enjoy a spectacular view of the Montserrat Mountain Ridge—4,050-foot-high fingers reaching to the sky. On a natural platform at 2,380 feet above sea level, you will visit the Montserrat Monastery—a Benedictine Abbey founded in the 11th century. The tour includes a visit to the 16th-century basilica. Lunch will be served at a local restaurant before you return to the ship.

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Valencia Highlights Tour VLC001



Approximately 4½ hours • \$89

Drive along the Avenida del Puerto, past the bullring and central station. At the Square Central Market, set out on a walking tour to admire the Gothic-style buildings that house the Silk Exchange exhibition pavilion. Your drive then continues to the Carmen Quarter Cultural Centre. Near the City of Arts & Science designed by the architect Calatrava, you will visit the Fallas Museum. At Torres de Serranom view the Plaza of the Virgin of the Forsaken Basilica. Use your free time at the Cathedral for an inside visit or to step inside the Miguelete Tower. Leaving the core of Valencia you will return to the ship.

Valencia & Lladró Tour VLC002



Approximately 4 hours • \$109

Complete your visit to Valencia by exploring the City of Porcelain—the Lladró Art Center. Having only recently opened their door to visitors, Lladró now lets you explore behind the scenes of its incredible creations. From the pier it is a half-hour to the City of Porcelain. Upon arrival, enjoy a multimedia presentation of the history and inspiration of its art before beginning a leisurely stroll through the production facilities. See the pouring of the molds, the immense kilns used for firing, and the artisans delicate work of hand-painting each piece. The sculptures born in the City of Porcelain are exported to more than 120 countries. From Lladró, return to Valencia and the National Ceramics Museum housed in the sumptuous former palace of Valencia's nobility, the Marquis of Dos Aguas. The alabaster work on the main façade is a beautiful example of Baroque design and within this extravagant home are sweeping staircases and opulent rooms peppered with the history of ceramics. Finally, you will return to the ship via motor coach.