

# VALENCIA, SPAIN

Arrive: 0800 Thursday, October 15

Onboard: 1800 Friday, October 16

**Brief Overview:** The third largest city in Spain, Valencia has much to offer visitors in the way of culture and architecture. The juxtaposition of the medieval Old Town and the very modern architectural wonder of the City of Arts and Sciences, make this a place you will wish you had more time to explore. An historic coastal town, Valencia is the birthplace of **Paella**, the traditional fisherman's feast. Every March, visitors from around the world descend on Valencia to take part in the annual celebration of **Las Fallas**. This festival involves two weeks of activities culminating in a five-day (March 15-19) extravaganza of parades, daytime fireworks, and massive paper mache floats that are burned in public squares. Just outside the city is the fishing lake of Albufera, where fishermen still employ techniques of net fishing that have been used for hundreds of years.



**Out of town:** A trip to **Madrid & Toledo** takes visitors to a very different part of Spain both culturally and geographically. For voyagers who want to experience a Spanish Festival, the Festival of Pilar, in **Zaragoza, (VLC 201-201)** provides a great opportunity to engage in this typical Spanish experience. A trip to **Mallorca**, is a great opportunity for voyagers interested in a career in hospitality, marketing or tourism to meet with experts and visit destinations in one of the premier European markets.



## Highlights

### Art and Architecture:

Day 1: VLC 100-101 City Orientation  
Day 2: VLC 301-201 Madrid & Toledo

### Cultural highlights:

Day 1: VLC 108-101 Valencia, Albufera & Paella  
Day 1: VLC 103-103 Flamenco at Night w Dinner  
Day 2: VLC 201-201 Zaragoza Festival of Pilar

### Fun/Active:

Day 1: VLC 102-101 City & Old Town by Bike  
Day 2: VLC 104-201 Scavenger Hunt: Looking for the Holy Grail  
Day 2: VLC 106-201 Oceanographic w Christine Dudgeon

### SAS Exclusive:

Day 2: VLC 202-201 Mallorca: Tourism 101

### Taste of Spain:

Day 2: VLC 105-201 Paella Lunch in Traditional Barraca  
Day 2: VLC 107-201 Food & Fun Tapas Workshop

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# Day 1: Thursday, October 15

**IMPORTANT:** If you are registered in one of the following courses, you have a field lab on this day.

Do not make any other travel plans as this is a designated class day in port for your course:

COURSE #	FACULTY	Thursday 15 October
SEMS 2500 105	Professor Andrea Roberts	Managerial Finance
SEMS 3500 108	Professor Gerry Johnson	Transportation: The Making of the Modern World
SEMS 3500 105	Professor Yuwei Shi	Business and Global Issues

## VLC 100-101

## CITY ORIENTATION

## HALF-DAY



The 2007 America's Cup reintroduced Valencia to the world. Since then, the city has been working hard to mix the old part of the city with one of the most modern urban developments in Europe. Begin with a panoramic drive towards the Bullring and the Central

Station. Once at the Central Market Square, commence your walking tour to admire the Gothic-style building that houses La Lonja, the Silk Exchange exhibition pavilion. Reach Plaza de la Reina on foot and visit the Cathedral.

After the visit of the Old Quarter, drive to the Fallas Museum, where you will have an hour and fifteen minutes to explore the unique, annual celebration that is known as [Las Fallas](#). Before returning to the ship, take a moment for some amazing architectural photos of the City of Arts and Sciences. Participants may opt to remain here to explore on their own or return to the ship.

NOTE: Itinerary may change due to logistics & traffic.

**Please note:** Proper attire is required to enter the Cathedral. Shoulders and knees must be covered.

STANDARD PRICE		Early Booking
Adult	\$36	\$35
Child	\$18	\$17
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	October 15	0915
Return	October 15	1315
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Old Town</li> <li>• Central Market</li> <li>• Bull Ring</li> <li>• Cathedral visit</li> <li>• Fallas Museum visit</li> </ul>		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION: 20		
MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 50		





See most of the highlights of Valencia with a 1-hour “drive-by” and walking tour (City of Arts & Sciences, Bullring, Town Hall, Central Market, and the Cathedral – no entrances included) before heading out of town toward the coast

(approximately 1 hour drive-time) to the Vall D'Uxo. Here voyagers will enjoy the fascinating San José Caves via a small boat trip on a subterranean river through unusually named caverns – “The Bat Cave”, “The Oven Door”, “The Dog Kennel”, “Diana’s Lake”, “The Siphon Gallery”, “The Blue Lagoon” and “The Medusa” to name a few. You will not be the first visitors to this awe-inspiring place of natural beauty – there is evidence that our ancestors were doing cave paintings here 14.000 years ago! The dim lighting, strange echoes and unusual rock formations make a visit here unforgettable. After this, we will return to Valencia.

STANDARD PRICE		Early Booking
Adult	\$49	\$46
Child	\$25	\$23
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	October 15	0930
Return	October 15	1530
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Highlights of Valencia</li> <li>• Visit to San Jose Caves</li> <li>• Boat ride</li> <li>• Local Lunch</li> </ul>		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION: 20		
MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 50		



It will be a quick transfer and walk to the Bike Center where you will pick up your bike and start your **2.5 hour** cycle tour of the city. Leaving the bike center, head towards the Serrano Bridge and Towers that mark the entrance to the old walls of Valencia City. The walls are a great historical reference point and are among and one of the best-

preserved monuments in Valencia. Continue cycling and pass the Trinity Convent, the Fine Arts Museum, the Royal Gardens & Bridge. Crossing the De la Mar Bridge, take time to marvel at the City of Arts & Science-the fabulous and unusual architectural, cultural and entertainment icon. The complex, which opened in 2005, includes the Prince Felipe Science Museum, the Oceanographic Museum, and the Queen Sofia Palace of the Arts. From there it is only a short distance back to the pier.

STANDARD PRICE		Early Booking
Adult	\$46	\$44
Child	\$23	\$22
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	October 15	0915
Return	October 15	1315
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bike ride through the City</li> <li>• Active tour</li> <li>• City of Arts &amp; Sciences</li> </ul>		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION: 5		
MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 20 per departure		

VLC 107-101

STUDENT EXCHANGE

HALF-DAY



Academic sponsor, the University of Virginia, has operated UVA-in-Spain for more than 25 years. Meet up with UVA students who are studying in Valencia for the

semester and they can show you some of their favorite places in this vibrant



STANDARD PRICE		Early Booking
Adult	\$12	\$10
Child	\$12	\$10
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	October 15	Noon
Return	October 15	1500
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Student exchange</li> </ul>		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION: 20		
MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 30		

city.

Students will come to the ship and be matched in pairs or small groups. You may opt to invite students to eat lunch with you on the ship or seek out a local lunch at your own expense.

Please plan to bring a small gift for your student.

VLC 108-101

VALENCIA, ALBUFERA & PAELLA

FULL-DAY

On this full day tour you will enjoy the contrast of the city and the countryside. You will start your journey through the 3rd largest city in Spain on a panoramic drive by bus. Cross the Turia River and drive along the Gran Via and Calle Játiva passing the coliseum-like Bullring and Central Train Station into the heart of the old city to reach the Central market area.

Continue on foot through the Old Quarter as you explore some of the cities' Gothic architecture including the Central Market and the Silk Exchange, now an exhibition pavilion with an impressive façade that was constructed on spiral columns. Weave your way through the city's streets passing Santa Catalina Church and Plaza de la Virgen where there will be chance for a photo. You will end your walking at the symbolic Torres de Serrano where you will join the bus.



Leave the city and head south towards La Albufera. Set between

rice paddies and the sea, keep your eyes peeled for the local wildlife as you board a boat for a relaxing trip through the lagoon and learn about the flora and fauna of the Park. Visit a typical Barraca

before heading to a local restaurant for a **Valencian Paella lunch**. Return to the ship.



STANDARD PRICE		Early Booking
Adult	\$78	\$74
Child	\$39	\$37
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	October 15	1000
Return	October 15	1700
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Highlights of Valencia</li> <li>• Walking tour</li> <li>• Boat ride w/ fisherman</li> <li>• Typical Barraca</li> <li>• Paella Lunch</li> </ul>		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION: 20		
MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 45		

**VLC 103-103**

**FLAMENCO AT NIGHT WITH DINNER**

**EVENING**



Soak up the atmosphere of a local tavern with Spanish tapas, flamenco dancing and music. A visit to Spain would not be complete without tapas and a performance of flamenco.

A local tablao or tavern is the setting for an authentic flamenco performance. Flamenco is the music of Spanish gypsies, influenced by both western and Moorish sources. Sit back and drink in a traditional performance of its taccato, balletic dances, its haunting ballads and its fiery guitar music. While enjoying the music and wine (2-glass limit per person), you will also be served local Spanish tapas for dinner – small plates of Serrano ham, cheese and Spanish omelette. Don't just sit there, get on your feet and try some flamenco dancing for yourself!

STANDARD PRICE		Early Booking
Adult	\$77	\$74
Child	\$39	\$37
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	October 15	1900
Return	October 15	2215
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Flamenco music and dance</li> <li>• Local tavern</li> <li>• Tapas dinner</li> <li>• A chance to dance yourself!</li> </ul>		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION: 25		
MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 50		

**VLC 302-102**

**HOMESTAY IN VALENCIA & PAELLA WORKSHOP**

**3 DAYS/2 NIGHTS**



ISE academic sponsor, the University of Virginia, has operated UVA-in-Valencia for more than 30 years. Through this partnership, voyagers will be matched with a family (a preference questionnaire will be provided) and a UVA student to experience typical life in this lovely and interesting city.

Explore the market, the old town and other destinations with your host family. Or just hang out at their home. A special paella cooking workshop and dinner will be held the evening of October 16 with students from UVA-in-Valencia. After 3 days in Valencia, take a train to re-join the ship in Barcelona.

STANDARD PRICE		Early Booking
Adult	\$260	\$235
Child	\$260	\$235
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	October 15	Noon
Return	October 17	2100
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Homestay in Valencia</li> <li>• Paired with a UVA student</li> <li>• Eat, sleep and see the city with a family</li> <li>• Paella cooking workshop and dinner</li> </ul>		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION: 20		
MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 30		

**Please Note: All meals are provided by the host family. Any special food preferences may be communicated on the Homestay Matching Questionnaire.**

## Day 2: Friday, October 16

VLC 104-201

SCAVENGER HUNT: LOOKING FOR THE HOLY GRAIL

HALF-DAY



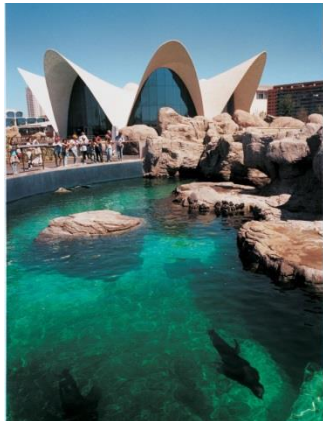
Explore some of the lesser-visited corners of this beautiful city on a fun quest to find the Holy Grail, which some legends place in Valencia! The search begins at the train station where you'll be assigned tasks and destinations around Old Town, to be accomplished on foot over the course of an hour and a half. Participants will be provided paper and pens and will be accompanied by an official guide. When you have completed the tasks, enjoy a 30-minute visit to the Cathedral of Valencia and make a photo stop at the City of Arts and Sciences on your way back to the ship.

STANDARD PRICE		Early Booking
Adult	\$46	\$44
Child	\$23	\$22
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	October 16	0900
Return	October 16	1300
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fun exploration of Old Town</li> <li>• Cathedral visit</li> <li>• Scavenger Hunt</li> </ul>		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION: 25		
MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 50		

VLC 106-201

OCEANOGRAPHIC MUSEUM WITH Christine Dudgeon

HALF-DAY



At the heart of the futuristic City of Arts and Science complex lies the Oceanographic Museum -- one of the largest marine parks in the world.



[Professor Christine Dudgeon](#), our resident voyage shark specialist from Australia, will add her unique perspectives on marine ecology when you visit, as you explore together the numerous secrets of the ecosystems of the world's seas and oceans at this amazing center. Highlights include submarine tunnels, an igloo, sea turtles, penguins, a shark and barracuda pool (sure to be interesting with **Professor Dudgeon**), and more than 45,000 underwater specimens from around the world.

STANDARD PRICE		Early Booking
Adult	\$51	\$ 49
Child	\$ 26	\$ 25
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	October 16	0900
Return	October 16	1300
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Oceanographic Museum</li> <li>• Faculty-member Christine Dudgeon</li> <li>• City of Arts and Sciences</li> </ul>		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION: 20		
MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 50		



And, yes, that's professor Dudgeon with the underwater camera on one of her adventures. Please NOTE: participants on this program will NOT be entering the water. This is a museum visit with an expert.

VLC 105-201

PAELLA LUNCH IN TRADITIONAL BARRACA

FULL-DAY



Participants will enjoy a unique experience at a typical Valencian farm house, known locally as a Barraca. Your immersion in the country life starts with a short walk to the Barraca Museum that houses an ethnological collection of farming tools. Then, have a short walk back to the Barraca that has been passed on from generation to generation in this family. Here you can spend time in the **vegetable patch**, collect some of the ingredients for the chef and admire the farm animals.



If you want, you can join the cook and have a look at how the real and typical Valencian Paella is prepared over an open flame. Waiting for the Paella to be ready to eat, you can taste some VERY local foods like Valencian “chufa” and peanuts "of collaret de l'horta de Valencia". Once everything is ready, enjoy your lunch! After a relaxing day, return to the port by bus and reboard the ship.

STANDARD PRICE		Early Booking
Adult	\$88	\$84
Child	\$44	\$42
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	October 16	0945
Return	October 16	1415
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Country Farm</li> <li>• Barraca Museum</li> <li>• Paella Lunch</li> </ul>		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION: 20		
MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 50		

VLC 107-201

VALENCIA FOOD & FUN TAPAS WORKSHOP

HALF-DAY



Be prepared to enjoy a really fun day cooking typical Spanish food. Begin at the Central Market where you will take approximately one hour to buy the ingredients needed to prepare tasting tapas. Right opposite La Lonja, this Market is one of the oldest running food markets in Europe, still as lively as ever. Take a short walk with your groceries to the workshop location. The cook will show you that Spanish cuisine consists of a variety of dishes, which stem from differences in geography, culture and climate. Lots of seafood and fresh ingredients blend with Spain's varied cultural influences to create unique cuisines and diverse flavors. Spend approximately 2 hours preparing your own tasteful tapas today and enjoy the result of your cooking workshop before returning to the ship.

STANDARD PRICE		Early Booking
Adult	\$103	\$98
Child	\$52	\$49
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	October 16	1000
Return	October 16	1430
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Central Market</li> <li>• Local chef</li> <li>• Preparing Tapas</li> <li>• Tapas Lunch</li> </ul>		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION: 15		
MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 50		

**NOTE: OVERNIGHT PROGRAMS WILL DEPART VALENCIA and RETURN TO BARCELONA**

**VLC 301-201**

**MADRID & TOLEDO**

**3 DAYS/2 NIGHTS**



Brace yourself for a jam-packed 48 hours to the heart of Spain – Madrid!

**Day 1: VALENCIA-MADRID**

Leave the ship and travel by **AVE high-speed train** (200 MPH!) 1 hour and 40 minutes to the Spanish capital of **Madrid**. Madrid is an active and young city, characterized by intense cultural, artistic and commercial production. Once in Madrid your guide will take you

on a 1.5 hour panoramic tour of the city and then you will have free time for lunch at **Retiro Park**. The free time for lunch will be a nice chance to rest and at the same time to taste a few typical dishes. You will then have 2 hours inside the **Prado Museum** to enjoy the masterpieces of what is called the widest art gallery of the world. Your guide will take you inside the art gallery along a selected itinerary that includes some of the most famous masterpieces and figurative art. Hotel Check-in and free evening for personal activities

**DAY 2: TOLEDO**

Travel 45 minutes by train to the ancient city of **Toledo**— yes, it's THAT city and THAT iconic bridge. The architectural diversity stems from Arabian, Jewish, Mudejar, Gothic, Renaissance and Baroque influences here. Toledo was and still is the religious capital of Spain and it is also regarded as the city of three cultures (Christian, Jewish and Islamic). Not surprisingly, the city is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. You will spend a full day visiting the Old Quarter— visit the cathedral and the Church of Santo Tome. Lunch, on your own at a local cafe, is an opportunity to rest and enjoy typical local food. Return to Madrid and have the rest of the evening for **dinner on your own**. You should consider the Plaza Mayor.



**DAY 3: MADRID-BARCELONA**

Breakfast at the hotel; then visit the Royal Palace for a guided visit of the official residence of the Spanish Royal family that was built during the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> centuries. Enjoy a 2-hour walking tour in the old center of Madrid and then have some free time for lunch and maybe some shopping before taking the AVE train back to Barcelona.



STANDARD PRICE		Early Booking
Adult	\$499	\$479
Child	\$249	\$240
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	October 16	0815
Return	October 18	2000
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Madrid Prado Museum</li> <li>• Madrid Royal Palace</li> <li>• Toledo tour and lunch</li> <li>• Free time in Madrid</li> <li>• AVE High-speed train</li> <li>• Retiro Park</li> </ul>		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION: 20		
MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 40		



Day 1:

- Panoramic city tour of Madrid - history and landmarks
- Visit Prado Museum and see famous artwork by Goya, Velazquez and El Greco
- Free time for lunch Ride high-speed train to Madrid
- Evening at leisure

Day 2: (B)

- Visit ancient city of Toledo - World Heritage Site
- Visit cathedral, synagogue & monastery in Toledo
- Free evening

Day 3: (B)

- Guided Tour of Royal Palace
- Walking tour of Old Madrid of the Austrians
- Free time for lunch and shopping
- High-speed train back to Barcelona



Every town and city in Spain has their own special festival. The timing is right to experience the **Festival of Pilar** in Zaragoza (~3.5 hour bus ride). From October 12-20, the people of Zaragoza take to the streets for this wonderful

celebration of culture and history, music and dance.. Spontaneous flamenco dancing is common as well as a distinctive form of dancing known as Jota, that can be traced back to the 1600s. Join in the street celebrations and learn to **dance the jota** with the locals. Another novelty is the procession of the giants and big heads (gigantes y cabezudos) in which huge papier mache figures join the carnival on the street and mingle with the crowds. Bull fighting, street theater and fireworks are all part of this fun week in Zaragoza. Evening activities are centered in the area of "El Tubo" and participants should see the Paseo de los Bearnese and enjoy its spectacularly lit fountain at night. Dinner included.

In addition to the festivities, participants will also be impressed by some of the sights in Zaragoza including will visit the inside of Our Lady of the Pilar Basilica, the old market, the City Hall, Goya monument, and the Cathedral La Seo with its spectacular Moorish wall. Originally founded by Caesar Augustus as an important city in the Roman Empire, the Roman Forum, Fluvial Port and Theater Museums are also quite interesting to visit.

Before heading to Barcelona by bus you will have lunch in a local restaurant.

**PLEASE NOTE: The schedule of events for the FESTIVAL OF PILAR is not yet set, so the activities of this program will adjust once the official schedule is released. Hotel space is at a premium, so interested participants should register ASAP.**



STANDARD PRICE		Early Booking
Adult	\$359	\$342
Child	\$179	\$171
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	October 16	0900
Return	October 17	1730
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Zaragoza</li> <li>• Festival of Pilar</li> <li>• Jota &amp; Flamenco in the streets</li> <li>• Roman walls, theater</li> </ul>		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION: 15		
MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 30		



This program is designed specifically for students interested in a **career in marketing, hospitality or the tourism industry**. This is a one-of-a-kind opportunity to visit the island of Mallorca's **University of Balearic Islands (UIB)**, where officials from the university will

escort you on a private visit to the Auxiduc Luis Salvador building. There, you will attend a presentation from **Professor Natalia Ortiz, Vice Dean of the Faculty of Tourism**. Next, you will travel to **Parc Bit** (science and technology park) to visit the **Agència de Turisme de les Illes Balears** (tourism office of the Balearic Islands) before returning to the campus where you will enjoy lunch together. After lunch, savor a relaxing afternoon at the beach before check-in at the hotel, located close to the seafront with many restaurants and shops. The evening is free for exploring and dinner on your own.

On Day 2, take a short drive to the quaint 14th-century village of Valldemosa. Take a tour of the Cartuja, the former royal residence that became a Carthusian monastery in the Middle Ages and most-known from the George Sand book, *A Winter in Majorca*. Continue on to Deia, a charming village, where you will visit **Belmond La Residencia**, one of Spain's finest luxury boutique hotels. **Meet with one of the top managers** of the hotel to discuss the specifics of boutique hotel management and marketing strategies. You will visit the hotel and its lush gardens, followed by a snack.



From Deia you will be driven to Soller, once here accompany your guide on a walking tour through this charming village. You'll also have some free time on your own to explore, shop or relax at a café (at your own expense) before boarding your motor coach for the drive to the Airport.

**Please Note: Natalia Ortiz-de-Mandojana** earned her PhD in Management from the University of Granada (Spain) and is currently assistant professor at the University of Balearic Islands (Spain). She did a Post-Doctoral Fellowship at the Ivey Richard School of Business (London, Canada) and was a visiting researcher at the Cass Business School (London, UK).

#### Day 1: (L)

- Flight to Mallorca (airfare of 198.50€ included)
- Visit the University of Balearic Islands
- Dean of Faculty of Tourism
- Beach afternoon
- Free time for dinner near the hotel

#### Day 2: (B, snack)

- Valldemosa
- Belmond La Residencia
- Soller
- Flight
- Transfer back to the Ship

STANDARD PRICE		Early Booking
Adult	\$599	\$572
Child	\$433	\$413
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	October 16	0800
Return	October 17	2000
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• UIB (University of Balearic Islands)</li> <li>• Natura Parc Foundation</li> <li>• Wildlife Recovery and Captive Breeding Centers</li> </ul>		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION: 15		
MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 25		