



Singles on Sailboats

Mallorca Bareboat Cruise

August 31 – September 7, 2024

Trip Details

Location: Mallorca is off the eastern coast of Spain, about 140 miles SSE of Barcelona and about 170 miles due east of Valencia

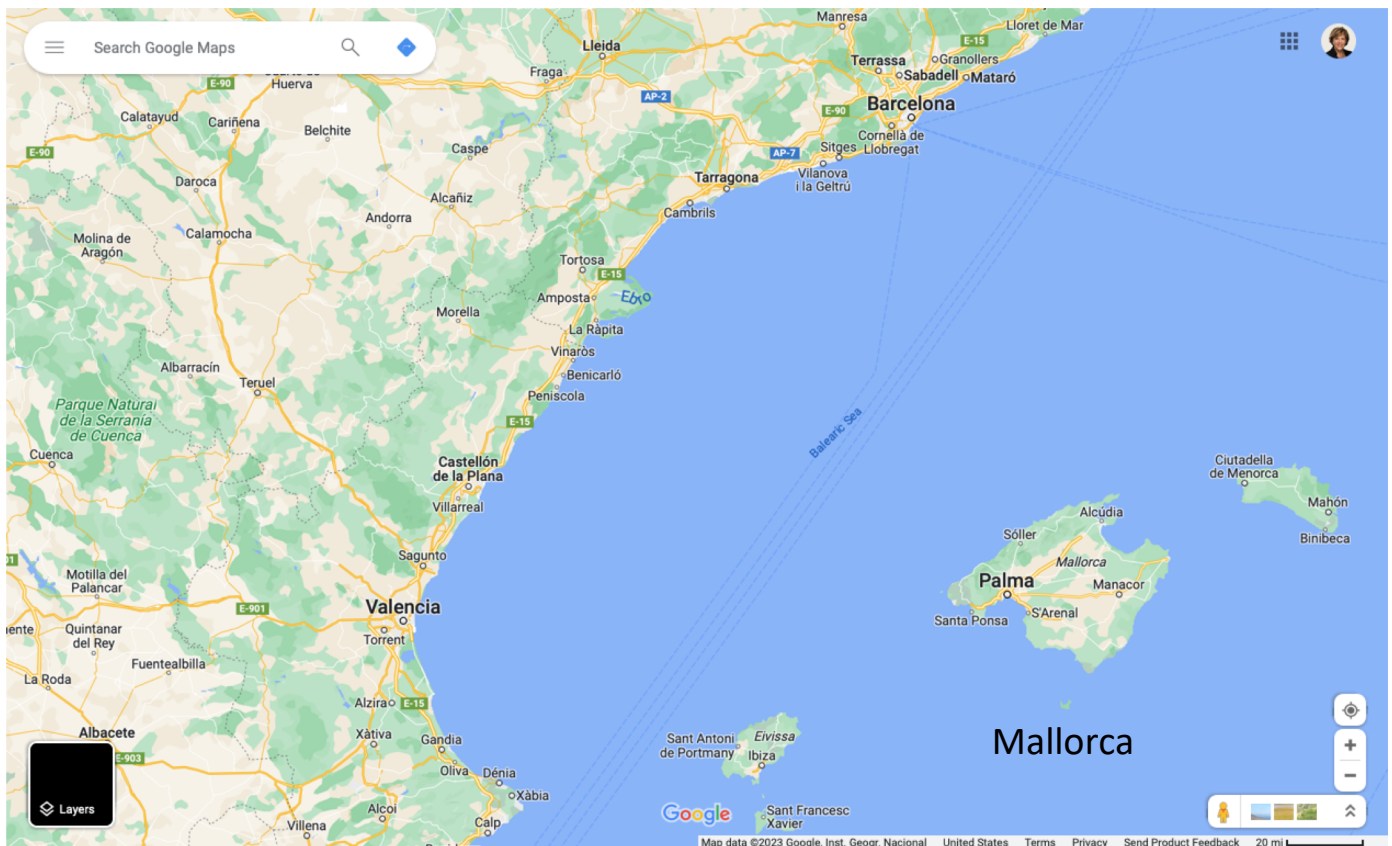
Departing and Returning: Marina Naviera Balear in Palma de Mallorca

Dates: August 31, 2024 – September 7, 2024

Cost per Person: \$1700 per person, excluding airfare, personal travel insurance, food and boat fuel

Charter Company: Navigare Yachting. Navigare Yachting is one of the world's leading premium charter operators with over 300 sailing yachts available in 10 countries worldwide

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About Mallorca

The island of Mallorca, also known as Majorca, is roughly 170 km from the Spanish mainland. It is the largest of the Balearic Islands with an area of 3640 square kilometers.

The capital city is Palma, located on the western coast of the island, is a popular tourist destination as well as the supply center of the Balearic Islands. The old town has many hidden gems to offer; picturesque streets and beautiful trees line the small streets of the island's capital.

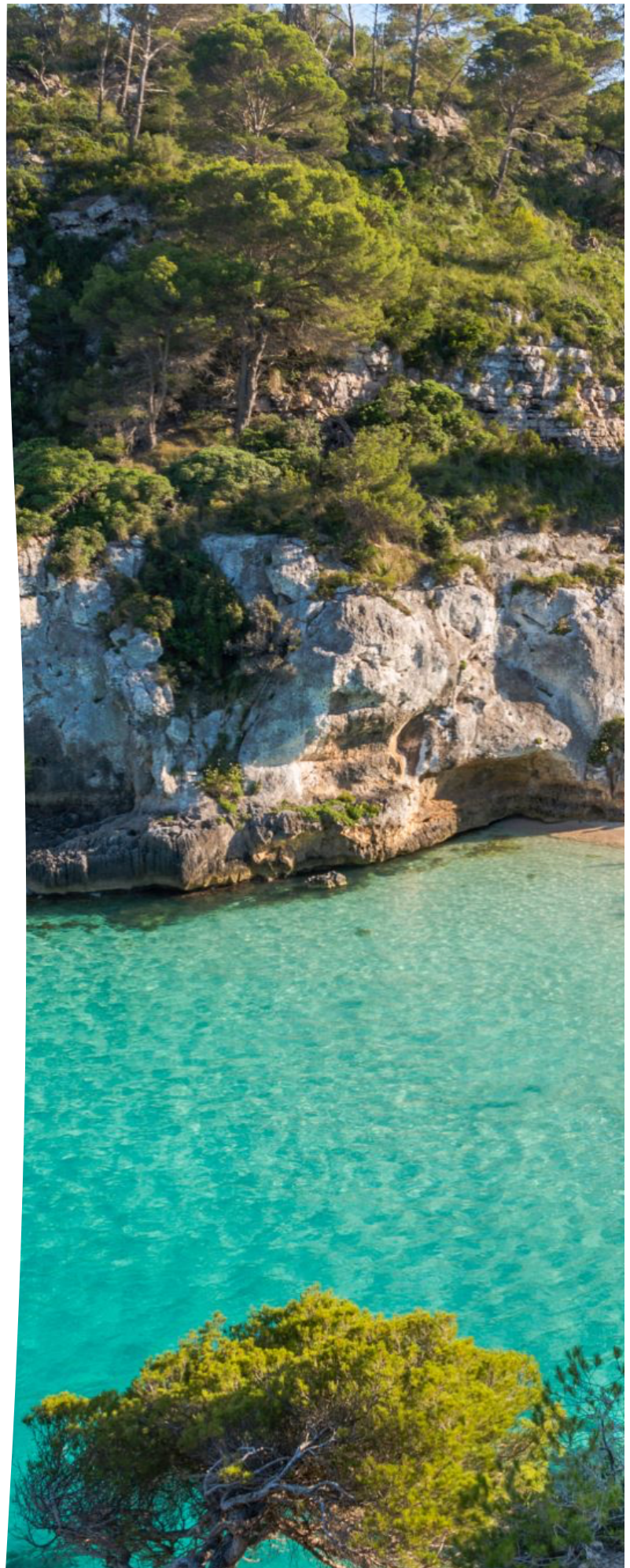
Mallorca's coastline is 550 km in length and surprisingly diverse.

On the northwest side of the island a large mountain range stretches along the steep coastline. It reaches 1445 m at its highest peak, the Puig Major. The 90 km long stretch of coast between Cap Formentor and Dragonera is strikingly beautiful.

The north-east coast has spacious open bays with long sandy beaches. There one will find the Bay of Pollensa, renowned as one of the best sailing spots in Europe.

The east coast is crossed by the cave Serres de Levante, a mid-mountain range with heights of up to 500m.

On the southern coast there are numerous bays with picturesque beaches, safe anchorages and well-equipped marinas.



Sailing in Mallorca

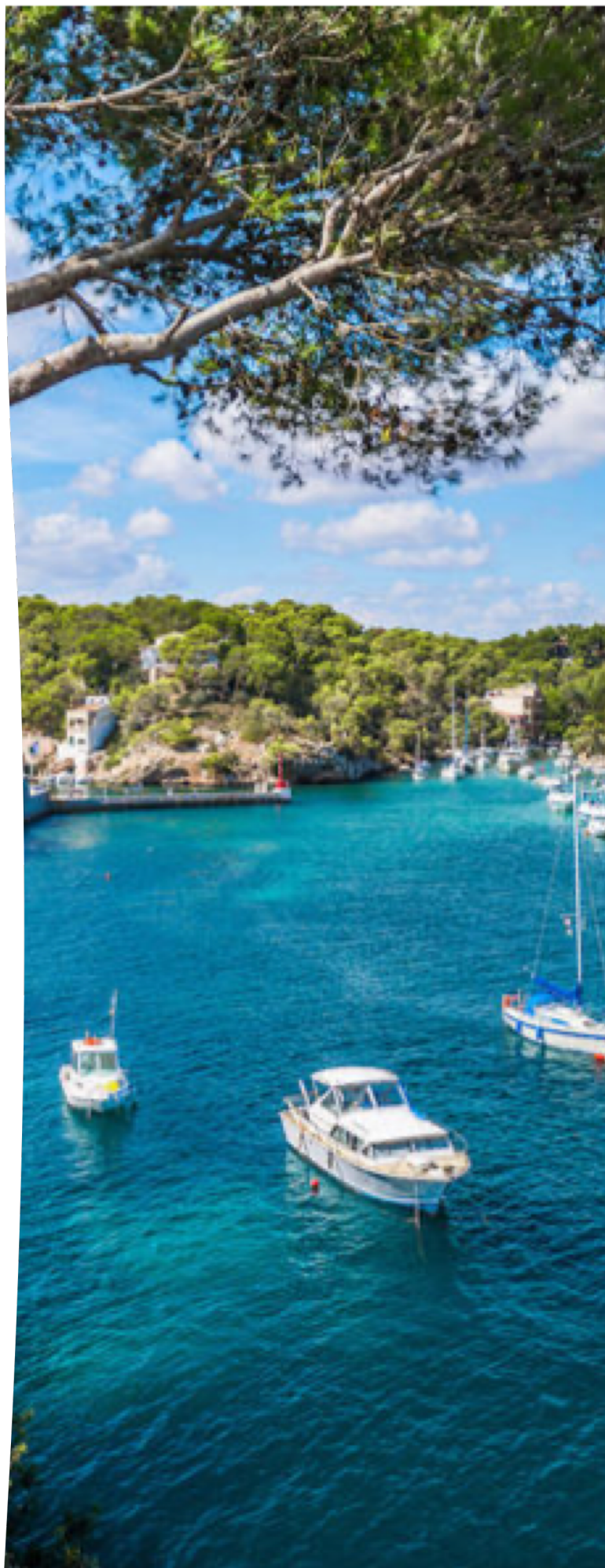
The island has an excellent maritime infrastructure. There are plenty of suitable anchorages with 42 ports and 83 anchorages in total.

Mallorca is an ideal sailing area for sailors of almost all abilities. Apart from maneuvering in the overcrowded and close ports, there are few navigational challenges. There aren't many shallows and the currents are relatively weak.

Winds tend to be gentle and stable except during the winter and occasionally in the fall when the Mistral and the Tramontana can bring strong winds and more challenging conditions.

The sailing season runs all year in Mallorca due to the Mediterranean climate. The temperatures in late August and early September are generally warm, with daytime temperatures averaging in the mid-80s and nighttime averages in the low to mid-60s. Mallorca has 300 days of sunshine a year on average.

Circumnavigating the island on a sailboat is nearly 200 NM in distance, so some skippers may want to consider less aggressive itineraries.



Sample Itinerary 1 – Map

An aggressive trip!



Sample Itinerary 1 - Description

Before setting sail from Palma, explore the enchanting medieval architecture of the capital and see the La Seu Cathedral. There will also be lots of opportunities to sample local cuisine and get in the holiday mood.

Day 1, Aug 31 : Palma – arrive at Marina Naviera Balear for check-in by 5pm. Spend the night at the marina.

Day 2, Sept 1: Depart Palma and sail to **Port d'Andratx** - which many consider the loveliest harbor in the Mediterranean. Home to a stylish yacht club and many upscale restaurants, it remains at heart a working fishing port where one can relax outside at one of the many cafes. **21 NM**

Day 3, Sept 2: Sail to Port de Sóller - another port town with a good swimming beach and relaxed cafes and shops along the waterfront. The Cap de Formentor peninsular on the way to Pollensa has the most dramatic scenery on the island. **30 NM**

Day 4, Sept 3: Sail to Port de Pollensa - home to an elegant promenade and the old village of Pollensa, an interesting cultural site. This is also a wonderful area for hiking. **36 NM**

Day 5, Sept 4: Sail to Cala Ratjada – a lively seaside resort town, boasting several of the top beaches in Mallorca. Attractions include the historic lobster houses at the harbour, a full array of water sports, and gourmet restaurants. **27 NM**

Day 6, Sept 5: Cabrera Island – Worth a stop for the Cabrera Archipelago Maritime-Terrestrial National Park. Cruising is restricted here to protect the natural wildlife, and boats can only anchor in Puerto de Cabrera and will need a permit to visit (they are free and can be obtained online), but the islands are completely secluded and unspoiled. Sail to the hidden grotto and escape the tourist crowds for a few hours. **44 NM**

Day 7, Sept 6: Return to Palma, Marina Naviera Balear by 6pm today **30 NM**

Day 8, Sept 7 : Palma – Check out by 9am

Sample Itinerary 2 – Map

A more relaxed trip!



Sample Itinerary 2 - Description

Before setting sail from Palma, explore the enchanting medieval architecture of the capital and see the La Seu Cathedral. There will also be lots of opportunities to sample local cuisine and get in the holiday mood.

Day 1, Aug 31 : Palma – arrive at Marina Naviera Balear for check-in by 5pm. Spend the night at the marina.

Day 2, Sept 1: Depart Palma and sail to Es Trenc- Es Trenc has an extensive white sandy beach with crystal clear waters. Behind that, an extensive pine forest forms a very Mediterranean landscape. Around Es Trenc you will find other beaches of similar beauty like Sa Ràpita or Ses Covetes. Note: Don't miss out the chiringuito S'Embat in Ses Covetes beach. It's a magical place hidden inside the pine forest. In the evenings you can enjoy outdoor live music and a tasty barbecue of grilled vegetables in a relaxed and very good mediterranean vibes. **25 NM**

Day 3, Sept 2: Sail to Calo des Moro then on to Cala Figuera, passing through four of the most spectacular coves on the island: Cala Marmols, cala s'Almunia, Caló des Moro and Cala Llombards. Here small coves where rock, pine forests and crystal clear waters make a perfect match to form unique landscapes. Cala Figuera will be the perfect place to complete our second stage, with its natural anchorage sheltered from all winds. A picturesque cove with old fishing houses and llaüts moored. **16 NM**

Day 4, Sept 3: Sail to Cala Varques and Cala Sa Nau. Stop at the natural park of Mondragó, formed by a wild pine forest and endless routes for hikers. From here, sail to Cala S'Amarador to enjoy a swim in its crystal clear waters, then on to Cala Varques to discover the local marine life by snorkeling, free climbing on the cliff walls or exploring the hidden caves in the surroundings. In the evening, head to anchor in Cala Sa Nau, a narrow cove, very protected, that will serve as a natural port. It has a chiringuito on the sand, where one can enjoy a good fresh grilled fish. **22NM**

Day 5, Sept 4: Cabrera Island—the National Park of Cabrera is an experience that you can not miss. This archipelago, made up of 19 islands, is one of the most beautiful natural parks in Spain. Cabrera is a peaceful place to connect with the nature that surrounds you and recharge your batteries. They say that the island has the most transparent waters of the whole Mediterranean sea, so put on the glasses and fins, and spend time discovering the rich marine life. The island also offers numerous hiking trails to enjoy its virgin Mediterranean forests. **23 NM**

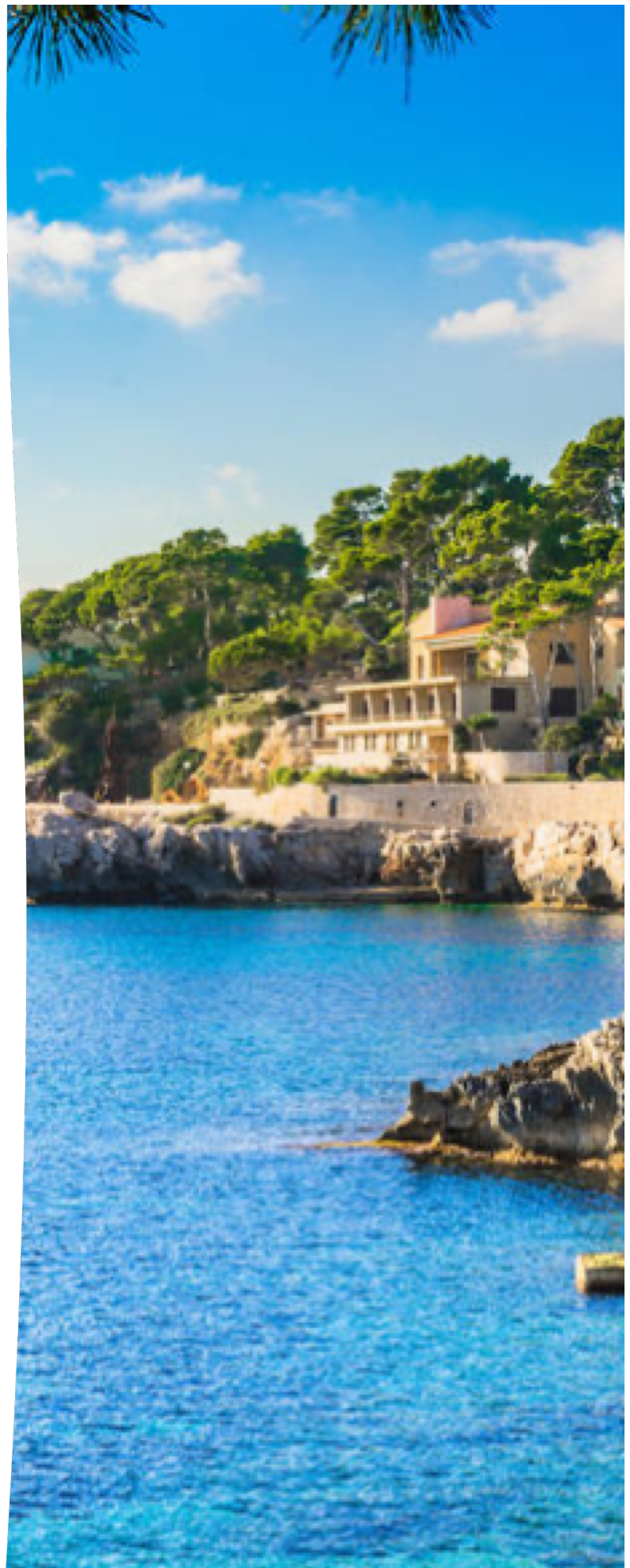
Day 6, Sept 5: Sail to Cala Del Mago— The beauty of Cala del Mago and its neighbour Portals Vells will leave you breathless. The pine forests bathe in their crystal clear waters. These coves are Mediterranean to the fullest. It's time for a dip in that turquoise water. After that, take that explorer soul you have inside out, the "Cova de la Mare de Déu" will be the icing on the cake of an excursion along the path that borders the sea. **30 NM**

Day 7, Sept 6: Return to Palma, Marina Naviera Balear by 6pm today. **10 NM**

Day 8, Sept 7 : Palma – Check out by 9am

Travel Information

- **Mallorca is accessed via Palma/Son Sant Joan Airport**, a large international airport and the third largest airport in Spain. It is also possible to access the island by ferry or train from several mainland cities including Barcelona or Valencia, but it is generally an 8 or 9 hour trip.
- **Marina Naviera Balear** is near the city center in Palma and only about 8km (20 minutes) from the Palma Airport. Transfer by taxi is about 25 euros, mini-bus with 5-7 people about 50 Euros.
- **A Passport** is required to enter Spain, valid for 6 months beyond the expected travel period. No Visa is required for stays of under 90 days.
- **Local currency** is the Euro.
- **Electricity** in Spain is 220 volts, so a converter and a standard European two-pin adaptor will be needed for any appliances. Unless plugged into shore power, the boat will be on 12V power, so a car charger will be needed to charge phones, etc.
- **There are a wide variety (and price range) of hotels and AirBNBs available in Palma** for those wanting to arrive early or stay after the charter.
- **Note that the America's Cup will be held in Barcelona in the fall of 2024, so hotel rooms in that city may be scarce.** The opening ceremony is August 22, followed by the selection series races, and the final match starting on October 12.



Flight Information

All flights are shown into Palma/Mallorca Airport (PMI)

Airport	Major Airlines	Stops	Duration	Roundtrip \$ (economy)
Dulles (IAD)	American, United, Lufthansa, BA, Swiss Air	1-2	11+ hours, including layovers	\$850 - \$1,500
National (DCA)	American, United, BA	1-2	13+ hours	\$1000 - \$2,000
Baltimore (BWI)	Delta, BA	Most are 2 stops	12+ hours	\$1100 - \$2000
Philadelphia (PHL)	Iberia, Lufthansa, Swiss Air, United, BA	1-2 stops	11+ hours	\$1000 - \$2500

Medical Facilities

- Mallorca is known for its excellent medical facilities. Public hospitals in Mallorca generally offer free medical care to both residents and tourists, including emergency treatments. Public hospitals and private clinics on the island often have English-speaking medical staff to facilitate an easier communication.
- Having said this, participants should review their **health insurance** coverage before traveling to Mallorca to ensure it includes coverage for healthcare abroad, or arrange for trip insurance. **In fact, we will require that all participants have travel insurance to cover medical emergency treatment, evacuation and repatriation.**
- Mallorca boasts a variety of public and private hospitals that offer exceptional healthcare services.
 - **1. Public Hospitals:**
 - [Hospital Universitario Son Espases](#): Located in Palma de Mallorca, this premier public hospital boasts cutting-edge equipment and covers a wide range of specialties, including cardiology, oncology, neurology, and more. It also serves as an academic medical center.
 - **2. Private Hospitals:**
 - [Palma Clinic](#): Situated in Palma de Mallorca, **Palma Clinic** offers a wide range of **medical services**, maintaining a high standard of patient care.
 - [Clínica Rotger](#): Known for its comprehensive **medical services**, **Clínica Rotger** in Palma de Mallorca covers specialties such as cardiology, oncology, gynecology, and more.
 - [Palma Planas](#): **Palma Planas Clinic** in Palma de Mallorca offers a variety of **medical services**, including cardiology, gastroenterology, ophthalmology, plastic surgery, and more, with a patient-centered approach.
 - [Juaneda Mallorca](#): One of the **largest private clinics** on the island, Juaneda Mallorca provides general **medical care**, specialised consultations, surgical interventions, and rehabilitation with a focus on professionalism and individualized care.

Skipper Qualifications

Each skipper must possess a valid sailing license for the size and tonnage of the boat, required by Spain Maritime Law for the yacht in question. The following sailing licenses or permits issued by approved organizations are valid in Spain:

- ICC (International Certificate of Competence), International, Prerequisites: RYA “Day Skipper Course” or complete the ICC Assessment form to prove competence
- IPC (International Proficiency Certificate), Prerequisites: ASA 104 or US Sailing “Bareboat Cruising Course”
- The USA – US Sailing “Bareboat Cruising Course”, ASA “104 Bareboat Cruising Course” or above

A VHF license is required for either the skipper or a crew member on each boat, and you may apply for one with the FCC



Resources

- <https://www.seemallorca.com/getting-here>
- <https://www.spain.info/en/region/mallorca-island/>