



## FRANCE

# SELF-CRUIISING CANAL DU MIDI (TOUR CODE: 12294)

### STARTS AND ENDS

in Your chosen base

### TRAVEL PERIODS

30 Mar 24 - 31 Oct 25

### EXPERIENCE

Cruising

### TRAVEL STYLE

Self-Drive Cruising

As you navigate your rental boat along the picturesque vineyards in the heart of the charming Languedoc wine region, you can fully embrace the serene and laid-back ambiance of Canal du Midi.

## Highlights

- Spend a 7-night self-cruising onboard **Horizon 1 Premier Boat** at the **Canal du Midi**, a **UNESCO World Heritage site**, with breathtaking scenery and iconic avenues of plane trees.
- Cruise alongside the green waters of the Canal du Midi, which twist and turn through the countryside, following the topography and passing through a **variety of charming towns, villages, and cities with a rich history, vineyards, sunflower fields, and more.**
- **Horizon 1 is perfect for couples** or a small group. It is packed full of features and has the largest sundeck of any boat of its size.
- See stunning cathedrals, ancient ruins and medieval cities such as **Carcassonne, Castelnaudary, Béziers, Narbonne and Toulouse** and be delighted with friendly cafés and gourmet restaurants

## Entire Bonus

Book early and save up to 25% on 2025

Lowest Price Guarantee - Limited Time Only

Pay in full and save an extra 2%

Family discount save an extra 5%

All the models of Horizon Premier boats have been designed in a similar format and with the same attention to detail; allowing you to enjoy the European in true style and comfort.

Each model has a slightly different cabin configuration to suit any party size up to twelve people. All Horizon models enjoy the same spacious sundeck, with a barbeque and sunbathing area. The light and airy saloon and fully equipped kitchen has oversized windows and opens up to a rear seating area through large sliding glass doors. The Horizon is the perfect boat to enjoy the spectacular scenery that fringe the waterway!

Additional boat options are available on this route. Please feel free to ask our helpful team for more information.

Key features:

- Roomy and comfortable saloon and kitchen with generous headroom and over-sized windows for uninterrupted views
- Spacious cabins with USB ports
- Spacious ‘fundeck’ with table, sink and BBQ hotplate
- Sunbathing area
- Separate shower cubicles in bathrooms
- Bow AND stern thruster for easier handling and wide walkways for easy access to all sides of the boat
- Twin seat at the front
- Large sliding glass doors to outside seating. Backrest flips so you can face either direction
- Air cooling and heating
- Additional ‘Horizon PLUS’ boat features: that ‘new boat smell’, memory foam mattresses, SMART TV and premium cushions on the sun deck seating



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INCLUSIONS

- 7-night Premier Boat rental and equipment
- A boat handling demo
- A galley (kitchen) with all the utensils and appliances you would expect
- Locks free
- On-board cruising information
- Technical support
- Towels and linen for all passengers

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Day	1-8	Canal du Midi Region
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Canal du Midi boating holidays present an opportunity to experience this fabulous waterway firsthand with your family and friends, inviting you to travel at a pace that lets you get to meet the people and relax amidst stunning natural beauty. Canal du Midi holidays are amongst our most popular offerings, and with so many bases to choose from there's a perfect cruise for you!

### **The perfect boating region for:**

#### **Wine Tasting**



Nestled in the Languedoc wine region, the Canal du Midi is an ideal location for wine tasting holidays. On your Canal du Midi cruise, tour vineyards, visit wine caves and taste free samples. Trèbes, Homps, Ventenac, Paraza, Marseillette and Capestang offer much for wine connoisseurs!

#### **History & Heritage**



The Canal du Midi is steeped in history and heritage. Through a Canal du Midi boat hire, you'll see stunning cathedrals, grand châteaux, ancient ruins and medieval cities. Carcassonne is a real gem. Museum fans will love Castelnaudary, Béziers, Narbonne and Toulouse!

#### **Gastronomy**



Friendly cafés and gourmet restaurants abound on the Canal du Midi! Try La Raffinerie in Béziers, Carcassonne's La Marquiere and L'Arbousier in Homps. Don't miss the slow-cooked bean and meat cassoulet (casserole), a French gastronomy specialty of Castelnaudary.

#### **Family**



There's something for the entire family on the Canal du Midi — amusements and rides at Luna Park in Le Cap d'Adge and the Raymond Chésa Leisure Park near Carcassonne. The kids will love watersports at Lac de Jouarres in Homs and Toulouse's Cité de L'Espace! Your Canal du Midi cruise will allow your children to have endless enjoyment on the most beautiful of holidays.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

French

### LOCAL CURRENCY

EUR

**Please note that this tour departs every Saturdays only.**

### Getting to the bases

Please see list of the different bases below. To find out how to get to each of the bases in this boating region, please contact our team:

- Castelnaudary
- Homs
- Trèbes
- Port Cassafières

### Cruising Advice

The Canal du Midi is easy to navigate and ideal for beginners, allowing you to make the most of your time on a family holiday.

**Tips:** If you are cruising down to Béziers, consider mooring at the top or bottom of the locks of Fonsérannes if you want to walk or cycle into Béziers for sightseeing.

Please note that navigation between South Narbonne and Port la Nouvelle is not possible (Canal de la Robine).

We highly recommend to be careful when navigating the section between Canal du Midi and Narbonne due to increased algae in the water.

### Excluded

- International airfares and taxes
- Domestic airfares and taxes, unless otherwise specified in our holiday package
- Visa expenses, processing and issuance fees
- Meals
- Travel Insurance or expenses of a personal nature (mini-bar, phone call, laundry, etc.),
- Tips or gratuities to guides, drivers, porters, hotel, restaurant or boat staff, etc.
- Or any other travel expense that has not been included in our holiday package