



WHERE AND WHEN ?

- Corsica is one of the 18 regions of France
- Its capital, Bastia, is 1h35 from Paris by plane, 50mns from Nice
- It's the fourth largest island in the Mediterranean Sea
- A single chain of mountains makes up two-thirds of the island
- It's nicknamed The Island of Beauty

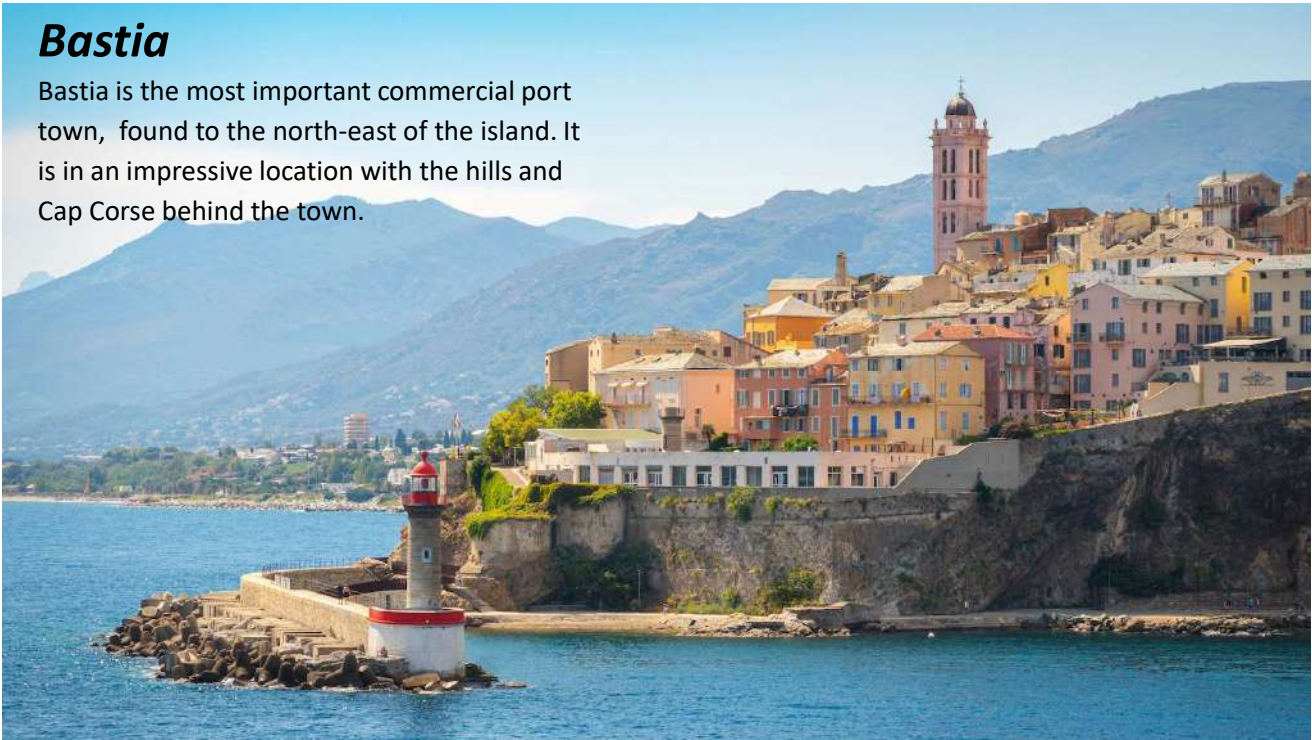
OUR TRIP

- 9 days (8 nights)
- May 27 – June 5, 2025
- The 27th and 5th are travel days

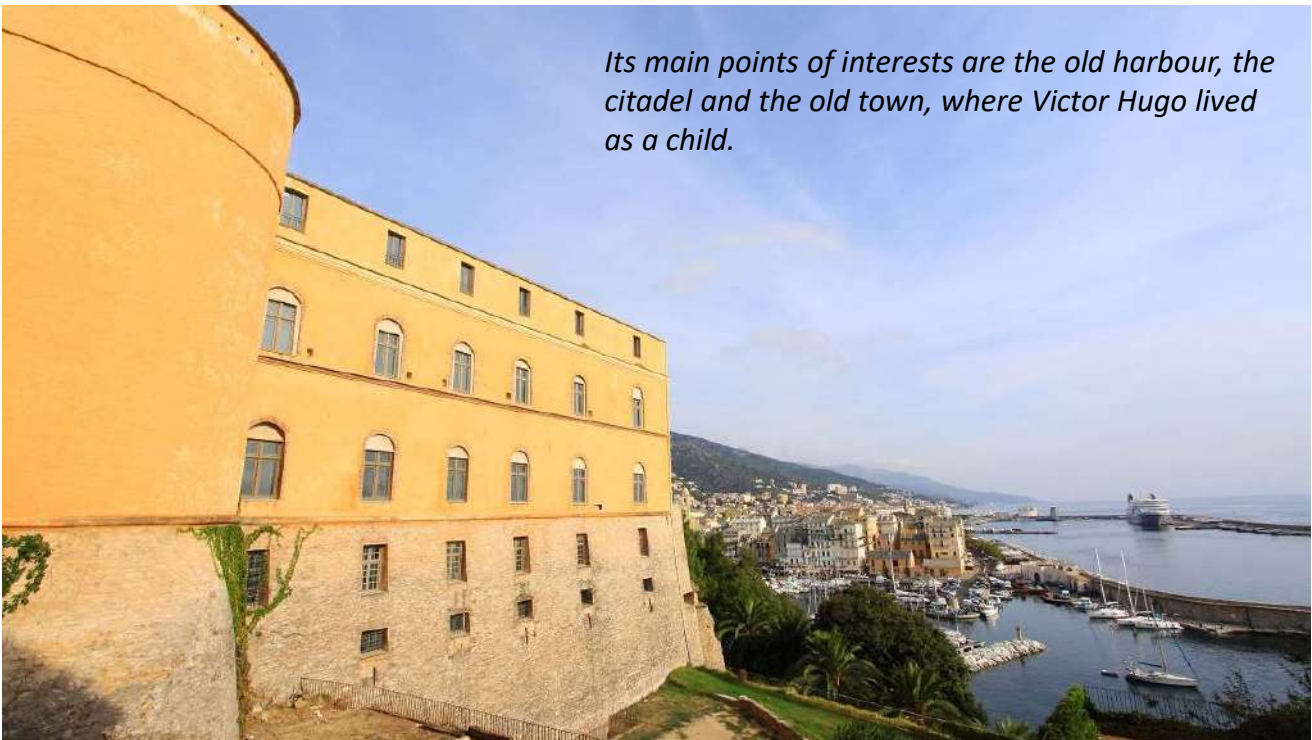


Bastia

Bastia is the most important commercial port town, found to the north-east of the island. It is in an impressive location with the hills and Cap Corse behind the town.



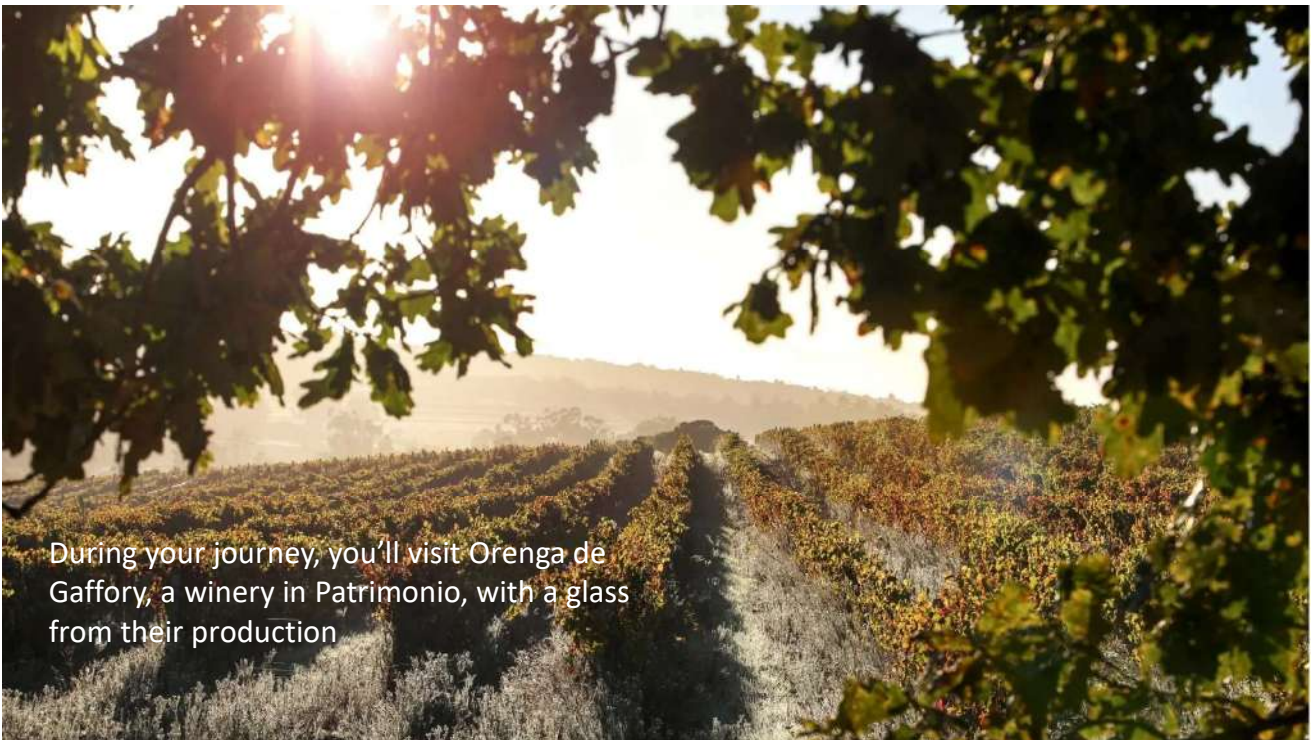
Its main points of interests are the old harbour, the citadel and the old town, where Victor Hugo lived as a child.



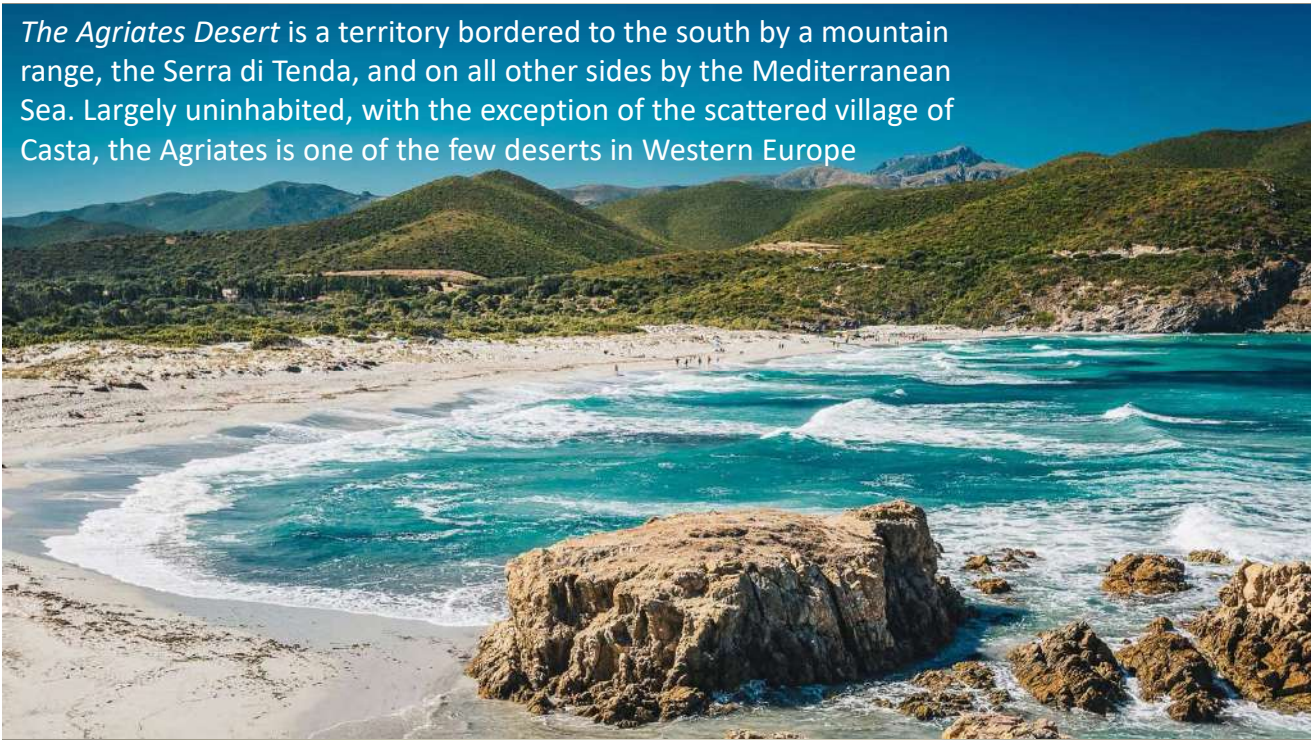
Erbalunga is an ancient fishing village on Cap Corse. It's the most northerly coastal settlement of Cap Corse, with vertiginous roads and sloping maquis beyond.



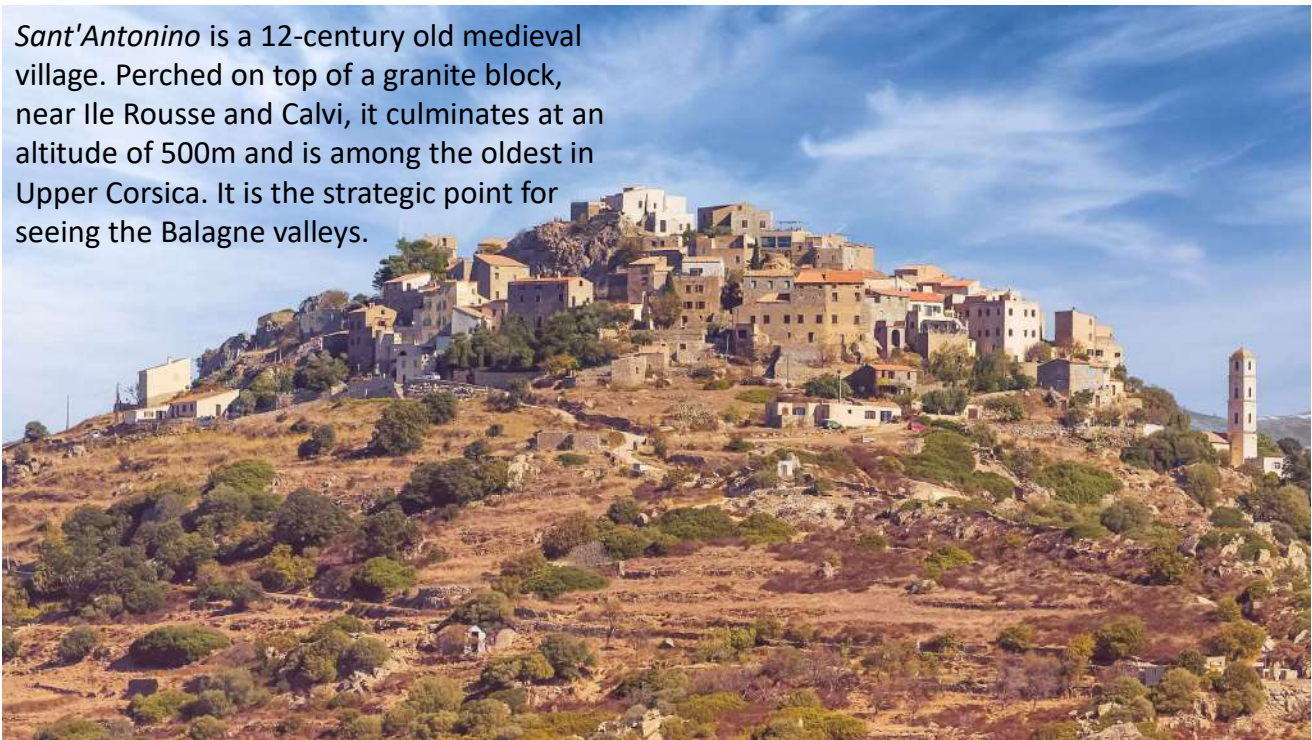
During your journey, you'll visit Orega de Gaffory, a winery in Patrimonio, with a glass from their production.



The Agriates Desert is a territory bordered to the south by a mountain range, the Serra di Tenda, and on all other sides by the Mediterranean Sea. Largely uninhabited, with the exception of the scattered village of Casta, the Agriates is one of the few deserts in Western Europe

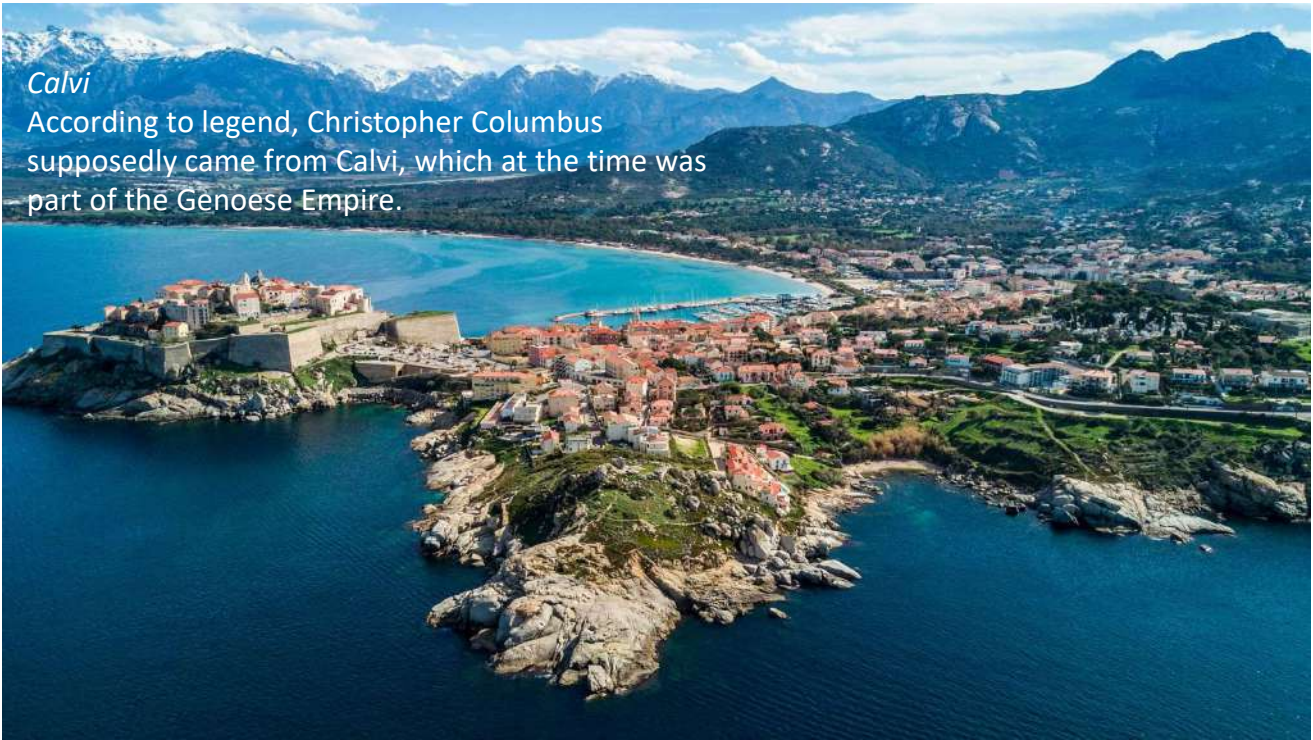


Sant'Antonino is a 12-century old medieval village. Perched on top of a granite block, near Ile Rousse and Calvi, it culminates at an altitude of 500m and is among the oldest in Upper Corsica. It is the strategic point for seeing the Balagne valleys.



Calvi

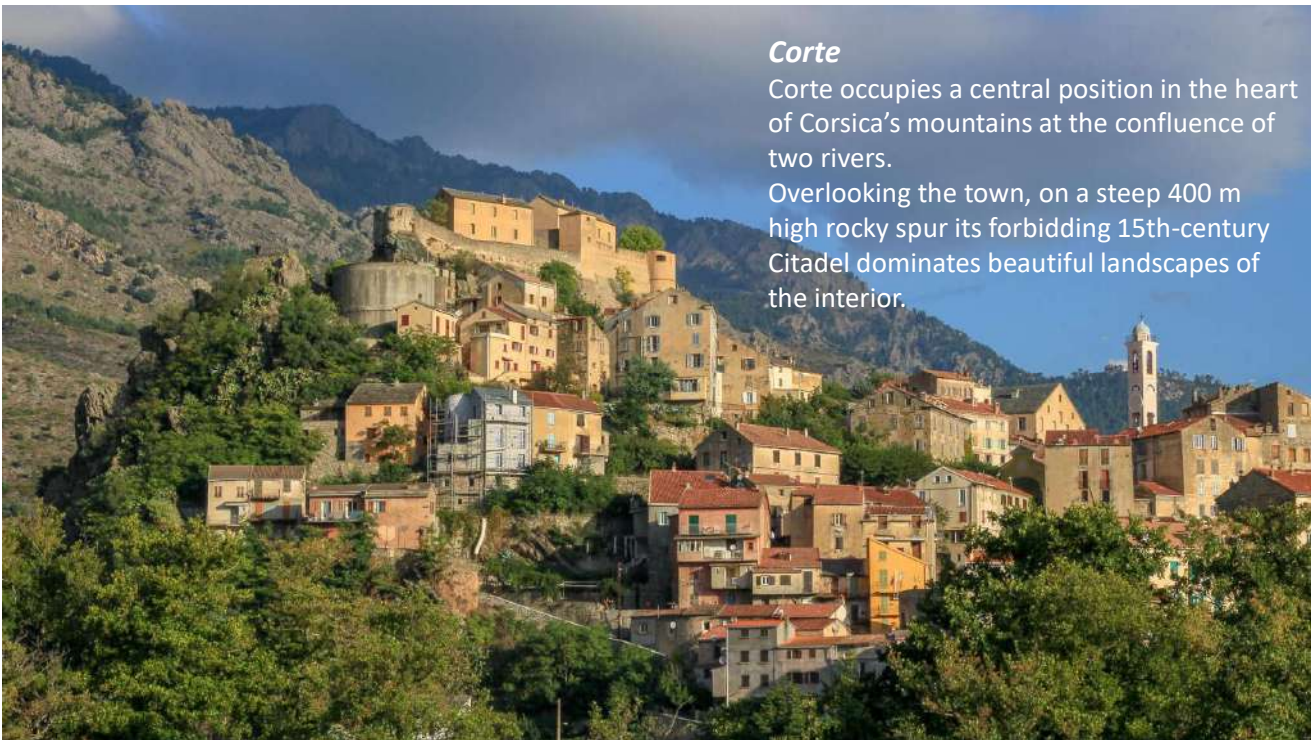
According to legend, Christopher Columbus supposedly came from Calvi, which at the time was part of the Genoese Empire.



Corte

Corte occupies a central position in the heart of Corsica's mountains at the confluence of two rivers.

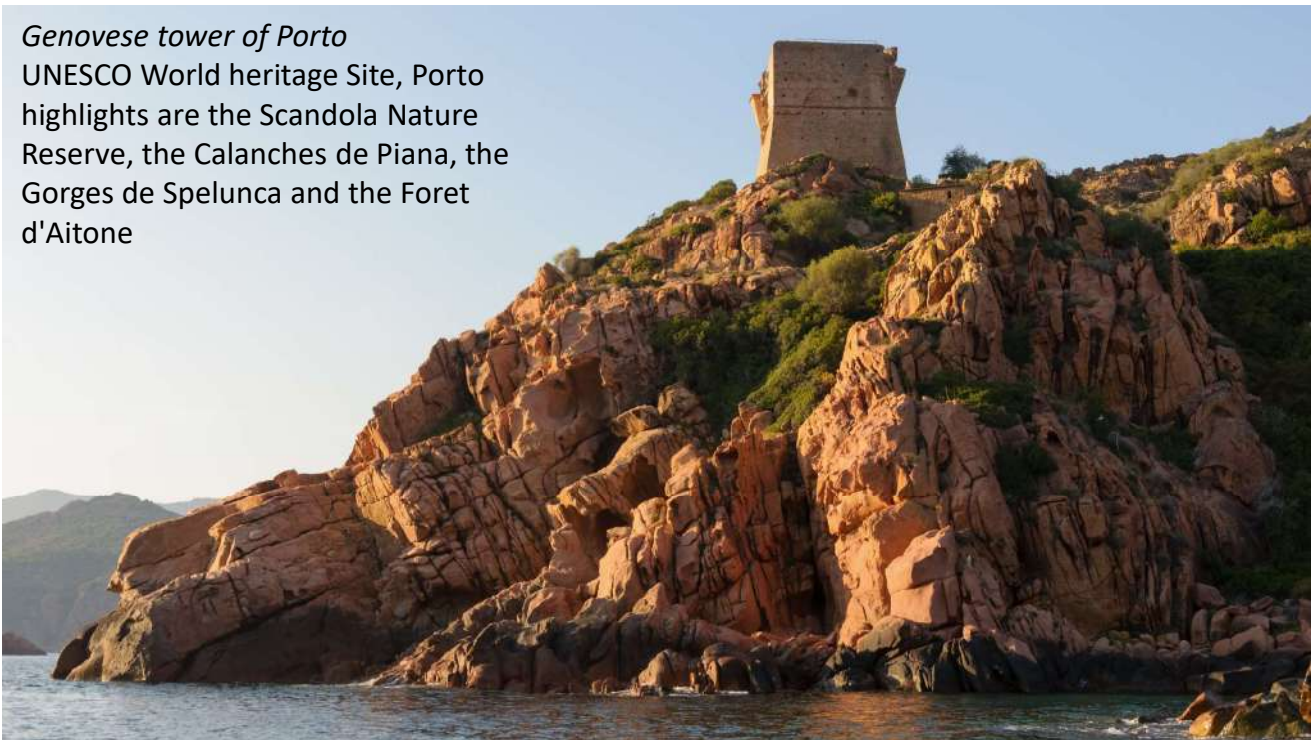
Overlooking the town, on a steep 400 m high rocky spur its forbidding 15th-century Citadel dominates beautiful landscapes of the interior.





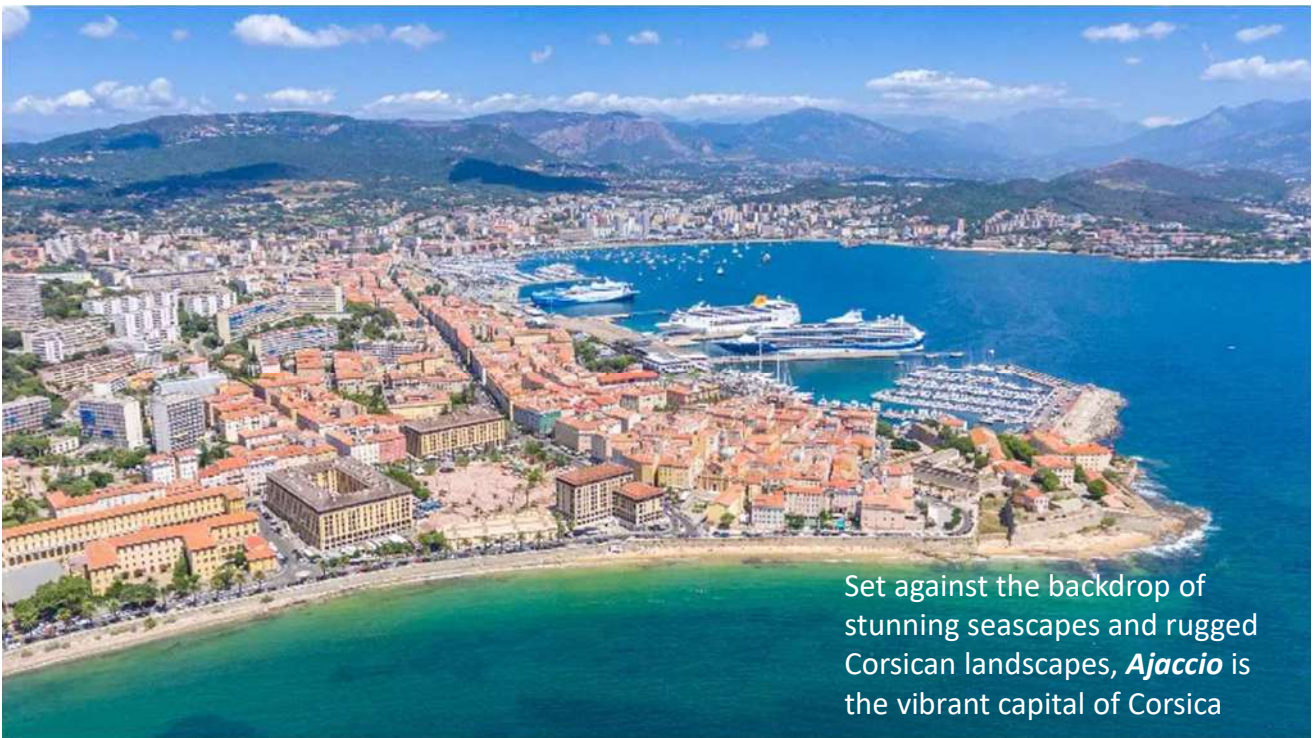
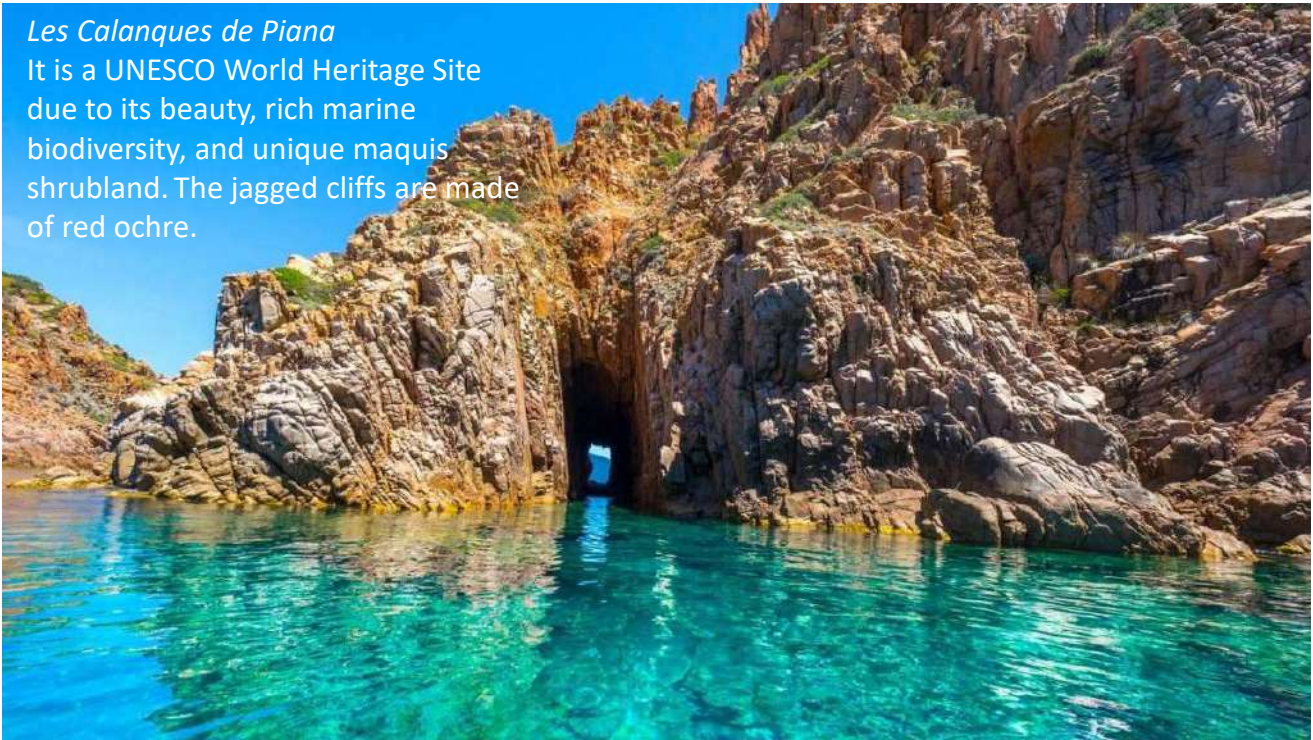
Genovese tower of Porto

UNESCO World heritage Site, Porto highlights are the Scandola Nature Reserve, the Calanches de Piana, the Gorges de Spelunca and the Foret d'Aitone



Les Calanques de Piana

It is a UNESCO World Heritage Site due to its beauty, rich marine biodiversity, and unique maquis shrubland. The jagged cliffs are made of red ochre.



Set against the backdrop of stunning seascapes and rugged Corsican landscapes, **Ajaccio** is the vibrant capital of Corsica

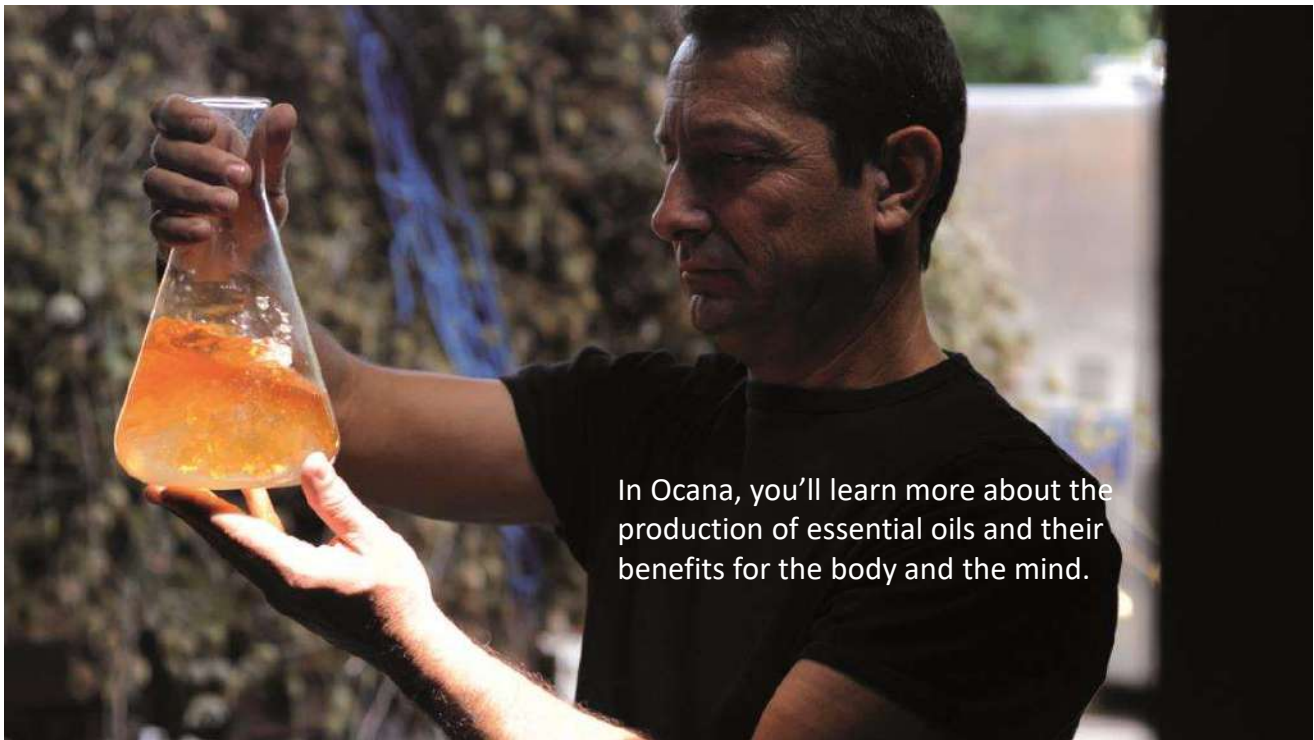


Ajaccio is also the birthplace of Napoleon Bonaparte and so the city is steeped in history, with its identity closely tied to the legendary figure.

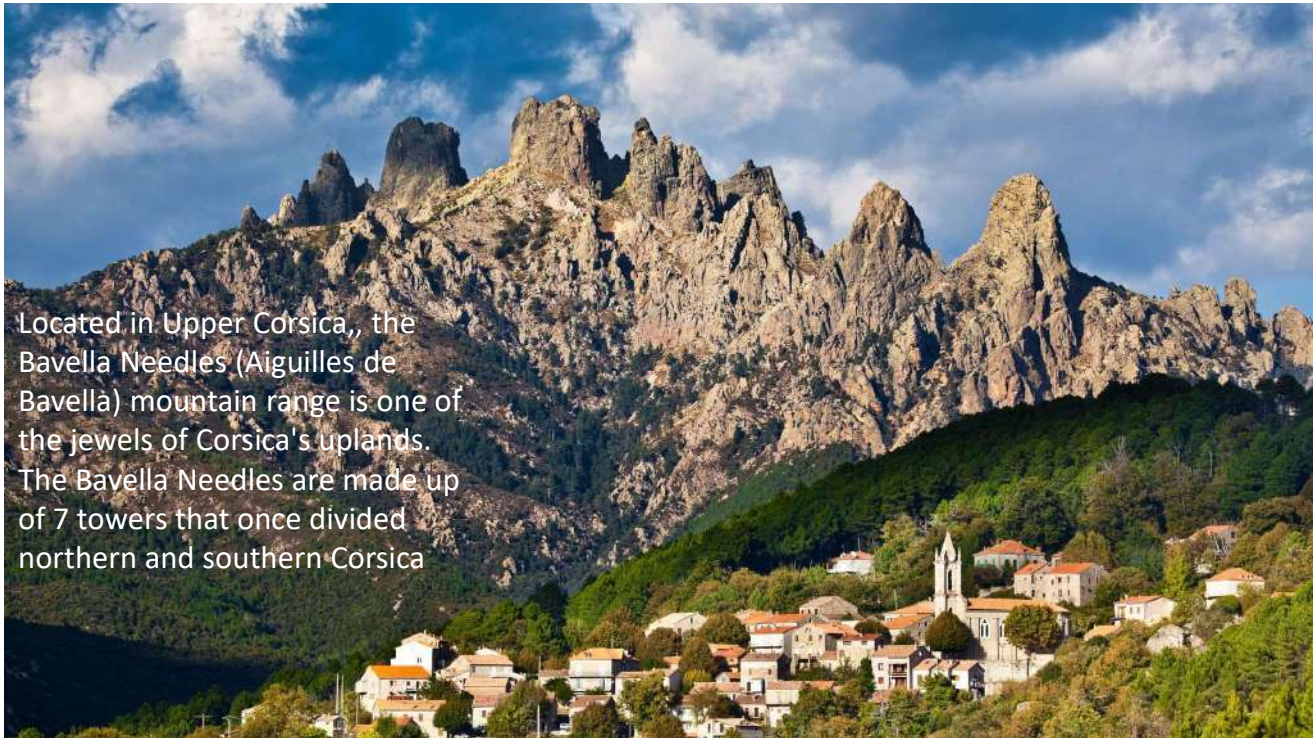




Corsica is renowned for its charcuterie, Olive oil, wine and goat's cheese. You'll visit local producers during your trip.



In Ocana, you'll learn more about the production of essential oils and their benefits for the body and the mind.





Perched on a dramatic limestone cliff overlooking the Tyrrhenian Sea, Bonifacio offers one of the most stunning coastal settings in Europe. This ancient town hangs precariously above the sea, providing spectacular views that extend along Corsica's coastline and all the way to the neighbouring island of Sardinia.





The **Lavezzi Islands** are an archipelago of 23 granite islands, islets, and reefs located 10 kilometers southeast of Bonifacio in the southern Corsica. They cover an area of 200 hectares and represent the southernmost point of mainland France.



SCHEDULE

Day 1: Flight out of USA

*Day 2: Arrival at **Bastia**, guided tour of the city.*

*Day 3: Tour of Cap Corse: **Erbalunga** & its winery*

*Day 4: **Agriates desert** and **Calvi***

*Day 5: **Corté**, route des merveilles and **Porto***

*Day 6: Boat tour from **Porto** to **Ajaccio***

Day 7: Bonaparte's house and local producers

*Day 8: **Sartene** and **Porto Vecchio***

*Day 9: Boat tour and guided tour of **Bonifacio**.*

Day 10: Transfer to Bastia or Figari, flight back to the US.

PRICE & PAYMENTS

What is included?

- Round Trip plane ticket
- 8 nights at 5 different hotels, 4-star wherever available (single room option available for an extra fee)
- Daily Meals
- All transfers and excursions
- Expert Local Guide

\$6207

Deposit \$1000 on registration
1st half of remainder due on January 1st
Final payment due on April 1st

\$6601 with single supplement

** 3.5% discount for cash or check payments **

IMPORTANT POLICIES

- A non-refundable deposit is required to secure your spot.
- We are not able to offer refunds for any reason. Therefore, we recommend purchasing travel insurance within 21 days of deposit, though travel insurance is not required. Scan QR for recommended insurance
- All travelers must have a valid passport that expires at least six months after the return date (June 5).
- Travelers should be in good health and capable of walking or participating in scheduled activities.
 - Normally, travelers can sit out any day or activity, but please note that on this trip, we'll be switching hotels fairly frequently to make sure we get to see all that Corsica has to offer, so there will be fewer opportunities to take a day off from planned activities than on some previous trips. Many activities will occur en route to our next hotel.
- L'Alliance Française and Travelbootik may make adjustments to the itinerary.

