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PERILLO TOURS SETS SAIL ON A 10-DAY MEDITERRANEAN YACHT CLUB CRUISE

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*Pricing starts at \$2,490 per person, double and includes deluxe land and cruise accommodations, gourmet dining, private butler service, airport transfers, sightseeing and more**

Perillo Tours is introducing a 10-day Yacht Club Cruise on the magnificent new MSC Splendida through the Western Mediterranean seas of Italy, Spain and France, with stopovers in the ports of Genoa, Barcelona, Malta, Sicily, Civitavecchia, and Marseille. The new MSC Splendida features gourmet restaurants, a sports complex, casino, indoor-outdoor pools, a theatre with top entertainment, and a private wood paneled "club" that looks and feels exactly like a high end yacht. This luxury cruise, which collectively has five departures between January 6, 2012 and March 2, 2012, is scheduled to depart the U.S. late on Fridays and return on Sundays allowing guests to take only five days off for a full 10-day vacation. Pricing for "Yacht Club Cruise" ranges from \$2,490 to \$2,890 per person, double. Single supplements and international air flights from your home city are also available. For more information, please visit: <http://perillotours.com/cruises/msc-yacht-club-cruise-2012/index.html>

Following an overnight flight to Genoa, the adventure at sea starts on with an orientation of the Yacht Club, settling into the spacious suites CruiseCritic.com calls "the best suites at sea" and enjoying the personal butler service. On Sunday morning, guests wake up in Barcelona, the grand capital of Catalonia, to take in the works of famous architect Gaudí, visit the famous Benedictine Monastery in Montserrat or catch a Flamenco show for some evening entertainment. The next day guests will have the day at sea to relax at the spa, linger at lunch and enjoy the boat. On Tuesday, the ship arrives in Malta's tiny capitol, La Valletta, a World Heritage Site and nothing short of an open air museum and a living experience of baroque architecture. Dotted with quaint cafes and wine bars, guests will tour the city, relax on the beach, swim with the dolphins and fall in love with this little known Mediterranean gem.

On Wednesday, the ship arrives in Messina, Italy, the gateway to the best of Sicily. A short distance away is the gorgeous hilltop resort town of Taormino, as well as the majestic (and still active) volcano, Mount Etna, and the charming village of Tindari, home of the "Black Madonna." The next day, guests will have plenty of time to explore the Eternal City at the port of Civitavecchia outside of Rome.

The last stop will be in Marseille, France to explore the seaside gem, Cassis, a quieter version of St. Tropez and the lovely Avignon. On Saturday morning, set sail back to Genoa for a relaxing evening at the NH Marina Hotel. While in Genoa, guests will have a chance to visit the Genoa Aquarium, the second largest in Europe, visit the quaint seaside village of Portofino or head to the historical center of Genoa, "Piazza dei Ferrari."

The prices include all costs aside from gratuity for the guides and international airfare: Seven-night cruise of the Western Mediterranean with Yacht Club Suite with balcony; one night stay in Genoa at the first class NH Marina Hotel; arrival and departure airport transfers in Italy; personal butler service; private gourmet dining; room service; access to private shipboard areas, pool, bar, and spa; special private restaurants/menu selections; complimentary beverages; exclusive retail services.

ABOUT PERILLO TOURS

For 66 years and three generations, the Perillo family has perfected the art of traveling to Italy, making Perillo Tours America's leading tour operator to Italy. From the major cities to the charming hill towns off the beaten path, Perillo's itineraries are crafted with the ideal balance of sightseeing, free time and activities that offer a glimpse of Italy's rich traditions. Perillo Tours also recently launched ItalyVacations.com - a site which arranges fully customized trips to Italy for individual travelers.

Reservations, brochures and information can be obtained from travel agents and Perillo Tours, telephone (800) 431-1515; web site: www.perillotours.com.