

VIKING DAILY

Thursday, April 10, 2025

Weather: Partly Cloudy. 63° F / 17° C

Sunrise: 7:19 AM | **Sunset:** 8:26 PM



Barcelona brims with history, stunning architecture and rich culture. Kissed by Mediterranean breezes, Spain's Catalan capital is a feast for the senses. Long strolls on wide boulevards—such as Las Ramblas, the mile-long leafy pedestrian way, and the Passeig de Gràcia, lined with some of Europe's most elegant buildings—set the tone for a city that moves to its own tempo. The leisurely pace is best expressed at the ubiquitous tapas bars, where small yet flavorful portions are nibbled one plate at a time with lingering glasses of Rioja. Native son and famed surrealist architect Antoni Gaudí adorned his city with whimsy, whether along fantastical city blocks or with his colossal masterpiece, the towering La Sagrada Família Cathedral.

Viking Mars

Please take me back to the ship: Por favor, llévame de vuelta al barco .

Contacts

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Ship Location

Moll Adossat Terminal B

Arrival Time

Overnight

Back On Board

5:00 PM

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Today on *Viking Mars*

MORNING

8:00 AM–8:00 PM

Blåbær Hair Ritual: Treat your hair from root to tip with a conditioning blueberry hair treatment, neck and scalp massage, shampoo and blow dry. Treatment charge applicable. Reserve at Spa Reception.

The Nordic Spa (1)

9:00 AM–6:00 PM

Sports Deck Is Open: Sports equipment is available for use.

(Weather permitting)

Sports Deck (9)

10:00 AM–3:00 PM

Drain the Oceans: “Secrets of the Spanish Armada” Draining the Spanish Armada reveals a clash of warships had devastating consequences for Spain’s Empire. *(All episodes available on your stateroom TV under Television Series > Science/Nature > Drain the Oceans.)*

(1 hr., In Loop)

Cinema 2 (2)

AFTERNOON

4:00–5:00 PM

Afternoon Tea: Enjoy tunes performed by our Resident Pianist, Artur while enjoying afternoon tea.

Wintergarden (7)

4:15 PM

Port Talk: Sète, France Discover the history, heritage and culture of Sète, France. *(All port talks are recorded and available on-demand by tuning your stateroom TV to Viking Enrichment >Port Talks & Lectures>Port Talks.)*

Star Theater (2)

5:00 PM

Back On Board: Please ensure you have embarked by this time. *Viking Mars* will be preparing to set sail for Sète, France. *(172 nautical miles)*

5:00 PM

Future Travel Presentation – The New Ocean Itineraries in 2026 and 2027:

Join your Travel Consultant, Roy, to learn more about our new Ocean itineraries and the exclusive benefits of booking your next voyage while on board.

Torshavn (2)

5:30 PM (Approx.)

Guest Emergency Drill: We will announce a series of important safety messages; please listen carefully. Some of our crew will be wearing life jackets and will be positioned around the ship. Onboard services will be curtailed during these important announcements. To ensure a timely departure, we kindly ask for your full attention.

EVENING

6:00–6:45 PM

Munch Moments: Agnes and Paulina, our Classical Duo perform traditional Norwegian music while Munch’s masterpieces celebrating architecture and nature grace the Atrium screen.

Atrium (1)

6:00–7:45 PM

Explorers’ Acoustics: Our Guitar Entertainer, Jobie performs acoustic favorites alongside sweeping views.

Explorers’ Lounge (7)

6:15 PM

Viking Resident Historian Iconic Lecture with Dr. John Bratzel: “History of France” Follow France’s trajectory from her early history through nationhood to today’s role as a global leader.

Star Theater (2)

6:30 PM

Meet Your Onboard Jewelry Specialists: Sip a complimentary glass of sparkling wine as Armando and Corina, guest Jewelers, Shirlyn & Germain—experts in their field—highlight our exclusive collection of fully guaranteed and authentic jewelry.

Juveler (2)

6:30–11:00 PM

Onboard Shops: Designed in the spirit of great boutiques, featuring Bric’s, Dior, Bering and more. Discover the perfect memento. Fall in love with elegant jewelry and bring home the perfect gift.

Onboard shops (1 & 2)

7:00–8:45 PM

Atrium Classics: Our Resident Pianist, Artur performs classics in the heart of the ship.

Atrium (1)

7:30 PM

Rum Tasting: Discover an amazing selection with our beverage team. To sign up, please visit Guest Services on Deck 1. An additional charge will be applied.

Torshavn (2)

8:00–8:30 PM

Late Night Team Trivia: Join your Assistant Cruise Director, Arianna to test your general knowledge in teams of up to six.

Explorers’ Lounge (7)

9:00 PM

The Viking Mars Vocalists present tonight’s performance of “The ABBA Songbook” Join our Viking Vocalists for a musical performance celebrating the Swedish pop phenomenon, ABBA.

Renowned for their irresistible melodies, prepare for an evening filled with nostalgia and feel-good fun.

Star Theater (2)

9:00–9:45 PM

Musical Interlude: Relax in the heart of the ship with accompaniment from our Classical Duo, Agnes and Paulina.

Atrium (1)

9:30–10:15 PM

Torshavn Acoustics: Our Guitar Entertainer, Jobie performs acoustic favorites in an intimate environment.

Torshavn (2)

10:00–10:45 PM

Cocktails & Conversation: Enjoy a drink and conversation with melodies by our Classical Duo, Agnes and Paulina.

Explorers’ Lounge (7)

10:00–10:45 PM

Steinway Melodies: For the perfect accompaniment, join our Resident Pianist, Artur.

Atrium (1)

10:30 PM–Closing

Late-night Tunes: Join the Viking Band and Resident Vocalists, Elsa and Arlando for entertainment and spirits in our romantic lounge.

Torshavn (2)

Things to Remember

Guests are reminded to carry their **Stateroom keycard and Government issued Photo ID** when proceeding ashore today.

Local Currency

The local currency in Barcelona, Spain is the Euro (EUR). The approximate exchange rate is **€0.91 EUR to \$1.00 USD**. We regret that Euro cannot be purchased or exchanged on board.

Port Map

A port map of the ship’s docking location can be viewed digitally on your tablet or smartphone. Please see the back page of the Viking Daily and scan the Port Map QR code with your device’s camera.

Shore Excursions

The following shore excursions **meet Pierside (Ashore):**

GROUP 1 – 4	Iconic Barcelona (Included)	(4½ Hours)	Meets at	7:15 AM	QV
GROUP 5 – 7	Best of Barcelona & Our Lady of Montserrat	(9 Hours)	Meets at	7:15 AM	QV
GROUP 8	Gaudí's Houses of Modernism	(5½ Hours)	Meets at	7:15 AM	QV
GROUP 10 – 18	Iconic Barcelona (Included)	(4½ Hours)	Meets at	7:45 AM	QV
GROUP 19	The Picturesque Town of Sitges	(4½ Hours)	Meets at	7:45 AM	QV
GROUP 20	Leisurely Walk Through Barcelona	(3½ Hours)	Meets at	8:45 AM	QV
GROUP 21	The Artists of Barcelona	(7 Hours)	Meets at	9:15 AM	QV
GROUP 22	Scenic Santa Maria de Montserrat Abbey	(5¾ Hours)	Meets at	9:45 AM	QV
GROUP 23	Scenic Santa Maria de Montserrat Abbey	(5¾ Hours)	Meets at	10:15 AM	QV
GROUP 24	Gaudí Architecture & La Sagrada Família	(5 Hours)	Meets at	10:45 AM	QV
GROUP 25	Gaudí Architecture & La Sagrada Família	(5 Hours)	Meets at	10:45 AM	QV
GROUP 26	The Gothic Quarter: Back to the Origins of the City	(4 Hours)	Meets at	11:45 AM	QV
GROUP 27 – 36	Iconic Barcelona (Included)	(4½ Hours)	Meets at	12:15 PM	QV
GROUP 37	Gaudí Architecture & La Sagrada Família	(5 Hours)	Meets at	12:15 PM	QV
GROUP (B) 1 – 4	Iconic Barcelona (Included)	(4½ Hours)	Meets at	12:45 PM	QV

- Only excursions marked above with “(QV)” require a **Quietvox** audio headset. Your local tour guide will determine the extent to which the Quietvox will be used. Please plan ahead and charge your headset.
- Excursion durations are approximations and may be subject to change due to local conditions and circumstances beyond our control.
- We kindly ask that you allow guests with limited mobility access to the front seats on all motor coaches.
- If you would like to be in the same excursion group as your travel companions (e.g. family and friends), please plan in advance to meet and disembark the ship together.
- Remember to bring your shore excursion ticket(s). They will be collected by your tour guide and only guests who are able to present their ticket(s) will be permitted to board the motor coach.
- Be sure to arrive on time at your respective meeting location. Today, departures to and from shore excursions cannot be delayed as we may experience a higher volume of traffic and your punctuality will help ensure we remain on schedule. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Value-Added Tax (VAT) Notice & Refunds

As this itinerary sails within Spain, members of the European Union (EU), products purchased in our onboard shops and spa will be subject to a VAT of 21% as per EU regulations. Guests who reside in countries outside of the EU may be eligible for a global tax refund. For more information, please speak with our onboard staff.

If you qualify for a VAT refund and would like to claim it, please bring your receipt along with your purchase, passport number, credit card details and home address to the boutique and Spa staff during opening hours.

Excursion Booking Deadline

The final deadline to book, change or cancel shore excursions for the port of **Marseille, France** is **Thursday April 10**, by 6:00 PM this evening at Guest Services on Deck 1 in the Atrium.

#MyVikingStory

As you enjoy your travels, we invite you to share your photos and the stories behind them on *MyVikingStory.com*. These might include special moments from your itinerary, such as your favorite view, meal, drink, thinking spot—even staff member. Also, while you are sharing your photos and stories with fellow Instagram, Facebook and Twitter friends, please remember to tag them **#MyVikingStory**

Viking Complimentary Shuttle Bus

Viking Mars is pleased to provide a complimentary shuttle bus service today, from the port into downtown Barcelona. This service will begin at **9:30 AM** from the port. The drop-off/pick-up location in town will be at **The World Trade Center**. The last shuttle bus from town back to Viking Mars will be at **4:00 PM**. Please note space is limited; shuttle buses will depart prior to listed times once the coach is full. The final schedule is subject to change, when due to local traffic conditions beyond our control. Local shuttle bus coordinators will be available both at the port and in town to assist you, if needed.

Dress code Reminder

Daytime attire is casual, including shorts (if the season is warm), slacks or jeans, and comfortable shoes for walking tours. Swimsuits, brief shorts, cover-ups and exercise attire should be reserved for the Fitness Center, pool areas and Sports Deck.

Evening attire is elegant casual for all dining venues, performances and special events; there are no “formal nights” in the evening. Required attire for ladies includes a dress, skirt or slacks with a sweater or blouse. For gentlemen, trousers and a collared shirt. A tie and a jacket are optional; jeans are not permitted. The evening dress excludes the World Café, where the dress remains casual after 6:00 PM.

Dining

Early Risers

The Living Room	Deck 1	6:00–9:00 AM
Mamsen's (Explorers' Lounge)	Deck 7	6:30–7:30 AM

Breakfast

The Restaurant	Deck 2	8:00–9:30 AM
World Café	Deck 7	6:00–10:00 AM

Late Risers

Mamsen's (Explorers' Lounge)	Deck 7	7:30–11:00 AM
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Lunch

The Restaurant	Deck 2	Closed
Pool Grill	Deck 7	11:30 AM–2:30 PM
World Café	Deck 7	11:30 AM–2:30 PM
Mamsen's (Explorers' Lounge)	Deck 7	11:30 AM–2:30 PM

Teatime

Wintergarden	Deck 7	4:00–5:00 PM
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Dinner

Manfredi's*	Deck 1	6:00–9:00 PM
The Chef's Table*	Deck 1	6:00–9:00 PM
The Restaurant*	Deck 2	6:00–9:00 PM
World Café (A Taste of Spain)	Deck 7	6:00–9:00 PM

Reservations can be made during opening hours for breakfast or lunch in the World Café or by calling Ext 2052.

*Dress code: elegant casual.

Coffee and tea are available 24 hours from the World Café.

Snacks

Pool Grill	Deck 7	2:30–5:00 PM
Mamsen's (Explorers' Lounge)	Deck 7	4:00–5:00 PM
Mamsen's (Explorers' Lounge)	Deck 7	10:00 PM–Midnight

Lounges & Bars

The Viking Bar	Deck 1	6:00 AM–Midnight
Torshavn	Deck 2	9:00 PM–Closing
Aquavit Bar	Deck 7	10:00 AM–10:00 PM
Explorers' Lounge	Deck 7	10:00 AM–Midnight
Pool Bar	Deck 7	10:00 AM–7:00 PM

Directory

Boutique & Shops (1/2)	Ext 9321	6:30–11:00 PM
Travel Consultant (2)	Ext 9710	By Appointment
Guest Services (1)	Ext 9710	24 Hrs
Fitness Center (1)	Ext 9311	6:00 AM–10:00 PM
The Nordic Spa (1)	Ext 9311	8:00 AM–8:00 PM
Medical Center (a)	Ext 9206	8:00–9:00 AM 5:00–6:00 PM
Room Service	Ext 6502	24 Hrs
MEDICAL EMERGENCIES	Ext 999	24 Hrs

To make an appointment with our Travel Consultant, please call 9710 or visit Guest Services on Deck 1.

Port Map

Barcelona, Spain



To view the port map, scan QR code with your camera.



CULINARY EVENT

Join us for

A TASTE OF SPAIN

Hosted by your onboard culinary team.

Check your *Viking Daily* for details.

Available on board
RUBIES

This gemstone is a royal gem and July birthstone. Browse the collection of ruby jewelry today.

To learn more, visit **Juveler** on Deck 2.

