

PORT VENDRES, FRANCE

Port Vendres, French Expressionists of Collioure

ACTIVITY LEVEL: MODERATE

Depart from the port and drive to **Collioure** to discover the Fauvism Road. Follow your guide in the footsteps of two French Fauvist painters: Matisse and Derain, who used to live in this small fishermen town. You will discover paintings in the exact places the artists got inspired to create them. You will be charmed by the bloom of colors, the light and the scenic landscapes and town. Fauvism is an art movement from the early 20th century. The particularity of this movement is the explosion of colors in the paintings and also a break with traditional academic painting. At that time it was a real innovation, very shocking for the public. Let the guide tell you everything about this passionate period. During this walk your guide will also take you to pay a visit to the **Mayorca's King Castle**, extended by Pierre IV of Aragon and Vauban as well as the famous **Little Church of N-D_Des Anges**. Then, you will have time at leisure to stroll in the shops and numerous art galleries. Drive back to Port Vendres.

Please note: Wear comfortable walking shoes. The paintings made by artists, are actually reproductions from Matisse and Derain Arts. The works of art are spread around the village. You do not visit any

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Port Vendres: Perpignan and Tasting

ACTIVITY LEVEL: MODERATE

Depart from Port Vendres for a pleasant 45-minute drive to **Perpignan**. This city will charm you with its architectural and historical heritage, but also with its culture of wine. You will take a walking guided tour of the historical city center passing through the **Castillet Tower** which is the only part of the medieval curtain wall that still remains, the **Loge Square** and the **Town Hall** with the statue of **Aristide Maillol**, the **Cathedral of St John the Baptist**, passing through narrow streets and squares full of the colors and accents of the South. Then, walk to a wine cellar where an oenologist will introduce you to the **Art of Tasting Wine**. First, how to describe the smell of a wine, then its color and at last the **tasting of 3 wines**, 1 white, 1 rose and 1 red accompanied by tapas. You will have an hour of free time to stroll in the little streets or have a look at the shops before you board your motor coach for your drive back to the ship.

Please note: Wear comfortable walking shoes. The streets of Perpignan are cobblestone and there are uneven surfaces and steps

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