

PORT INFORMATION



VILLEFRANCHE



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Port Adventures:

Check your ticket for the correct meeting time and location for your tour. Your Port Adventures Team will direct you to transportation.

Take Ashore

- ✓ This Map
- ✓ Photo ID for adults and children (Passport copy is valid) & Key to the World Card
- ✓ Cash & Credit Cards

Travel Safety Tips

As in any tourist destination, you will want to take some basic precautions to make the most of your time ashore.

- Be aware of your surroundings, especially in crowded areas.
- Avoid wandering from the main shopping and tourist areas into unfamiliar territory. If venturing out independently, have a plan, use only licensed taxi operators.
- Leave your valuables in your stateroom safe and avoid carrying large amounts of cash. Exercise caution when using ATMs.
- Cameras and handbags should be carried close to your body or concealed out of sight. People who carry handbags or backpacks are particularly vulnerable to purse snatchers on scooters.
- When going ashore, each adult and child is required to carry a passport or a copy of their passport. European Guests are required to carry a valid national photo ID.
- In general, use the same level of precaution you would use in any tourist destination.

Please remember that while in a foreign country, you are subject to its laws.

Villefranche



VILLEFRANCHE OVERVIEW

Villefranche is a busy town and part of the Côte d'Azur. A couple of features that make it attractive to visitors are the seaside, with beaches, terrace cafés, restaurants and the lovely old town. From the main road above, you can look down across the red tile roofs of the old town, with the distinctive church and bell tower in the center. Like the medieval villages of the "back country," the narrow cobblestone and bricked streets slope steeply down (in this case towards the sea) or traverse along the slope, with vaulted passages beneath the houses. There's quite a medieval feeling here, with just the many little restaurants to remind you you're in tourist country. There are also quiet little squares, like the Place Félix Poullan beside the church, and the Place de l'Eglise just below, with a bench circling a beautiful big tree. Built on the terraced hills overlooking the Mediterranean Sea, the Promenade des Marinieres stretches along the waterfront of a deep-water harb or that served as the base for the US 6th Fleet until 1967, and is still used sometimes as a harbor by the US Navy. On the water's edge is the massive wall and Citadel, a fortress built in 1557 by Emmanuel Philibert, Duke of Savoy. Today, the Citadel houses the Town Hall, a congress centre, three museums, and an open air theatre.

The fort of Mont Alban offers an incomparable view of Cap Ferrat and the Eastern coastline as far as Italy. From the Plateau Saint-Michel, the view stretches westward to the Bay of Angels in Nice, Cap d'Antibes

and the Esterel in the distance more than 25 miles (40 km) away. On a clear winter day, one may also observe the mountains of Corsica in the distance.

The bay of Villefranche – between the Cape of Nice and Cap Ferrat is one of the deepest natural harbors of any port in the Mediterranean Sea and provides a safe anchorage for large ships. The city limits extend to the hills surrounding the bay climbing from sea level to an altitude of 1750 ft (520 m) at Mont-Leuze. The three "Corniches" or main roads linking Nice to Italy pass through Villefranche and offer spectacular vistas of the coast and surrounding hills.

Capital: Paris

Location: Located about 4 miles (6km) east of the city of Nice

Taxi: A limited number of taxis are available at the pier.

Currency: Euro

Language: French

Population: Approximately 5,471 (2010)

Banking: Banks are available outside the port.

Post Office: The main post office is located off Avenue Albert 1st, and is open Monday – Friday 9:00 am – 12:00 pm, Saturday 8:30 am – 11:30 am