



VARIETY CRUISES



THE CAPE VERDE ARCHIPELAGO 2019-20

ISLAND HOPPING CRUISES IN VOLCANIC & VIBRANT LOCALES

Aboard the 25-cabin M/Y Harmony V
November – December 2019 & March 2020 |
8-day cruises from Sal, Palmeira

A cruise voyage the archipelago of Cape Verde with its welcoming locals and its intoxicating mixture and spellbinding blend of African and Portuguese influences in architecture, food, customs and traditions. Being blessed with a pleasant year-round climate, the archipelago offers a diverse range of landscapes from verdant mountain ranges, lush hills and jungles to explore, to volcanic landscapes or wide deserted beaches. Highlights include:

Sal - Boa Vista - Praia - Fogo - San Vicente - Santo Antao



THE HARMONY V MEGA YACHT

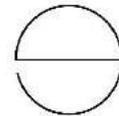
The **M/Y HARMONY V** is a modern elegant yacht with a sleek high-tech look very similar to the private yachts to be found in the famous ports of the world.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

Length: 55 m
 Rebuilt/Launched: 2009
 Cabins: 25
 Capacity: 49 passengers
 Crew: 16-18

The **M/Y HARMONY V** is a 183 ½ ft-wide elegant yacht and was rebuilt/launched in July 2009. The HARMONY V complies with EUROSOLAS safety regulations, ISPS (International Ships Port Safety Code) ISM, (International Safety Management), while its powerful engines, generators and state of the art stabilizers will allow for safe and comfortable cruising.

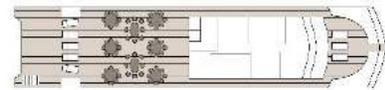
Service on board is provided by your Captain, the Cruise Coordinator and your experienced Marine and Hotel crew members. Service will be attentive or unobtrusive according to your requirements and priority is always given to the safety and comfort of passengers. Organized excursions are available for most ports of call and can be pre-booked or reserved 24 hours in advance.



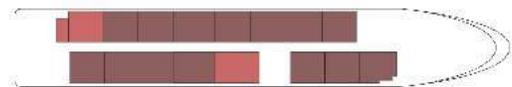
HARMONY V
OUR FINE INFINITY



360°
SUN DECK



INFINITY
UPPER DECK



RIVIERA
MAIN DECK



CATEGORY PREMIUM



CATEGORY A



CATEGORY B



CATEGORY C



DINING & BAR



LOUNGE



THE MEGA YACHT HARMONY V

CABIN SPECIFICATIONS

The 25 cabins of the M/Y HARMONY V are located on the Main deck (9 cabins) and on the Upper Deck (16 cabins). All cabins are premium and contemporary, decorated with soft color furnishings. All 16 cabins on the Upper Deck offer flexible bedding configuration, which can be set to offer either two twin beds or a double bed. All cabins offer large windows and en suite bathrooms with shower and elegant Corian finishing on walls and floors. The cabins are equipped with flat screen TV sets, DVD players, mini fridge, hairdryers, individually controlled A/C and safe deposit boxes.

LIFE ON BOARD

During the day, life on board centers around the Bar Lounge and Dining Room at the Main Deck and meals are also served "al fresco" depending on the weather and the ship location. The Mega Yacht accommodate all guests at one single seating and provide a high standard of cuisine, always with some local flavor. The classy dining room is surrounded by large windows providing beautiful views of the ports of call. The Sun Deck is the ideal place to bask under the sun, read a good book or just gaze at the scenery.

MAIN DECK LOUNGE & DINING ROOM

The classy dining room is surrounded by large windows providing beautiful views of the ports of call. The spacious dining room seats all passengers in a single, unassigned seating and food is served at the table or displayed on the state of the art hot & cold buffet which also includes a "a la minute cooking" section.

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OUTDOOR/INDOOR DINING ROOM & LOUNGERS

Located on the Upper Deck, the outdoor dining area, also convertible into indoor area provides beautiful views of the ports of call visited and meals are served alfresco weather permitted. Sun loungers are available to bask under the sun, read a good book or just gaze at the scenery.

THE ISLANDS OF THE CAPE VERDE ARCHIPELAGO

ON THE M/Y HARMONY V 2019/20

DAY 1	Palmeira, Sal	Embarkation at 4pm at the port of Palmeira, Sal. Dinner on board and departure at midnight towards Boavista. Overnight at sea.
DAY 2	Sal Rei, Boa Vista	Early morning arrival at Sal Rei, Boa Vista. Boavista offers the most beautiful beaches of the archipelago, and amazing landscapes, both on its coasts and in the heart of the island. Relax on the beach or enjoy an all-day optional excursion to discover the most authentic aspects of the island: its villages with colorful facades, its artisans of ceramics, and its agriculture. Lunch at a local restaurant, before we return on board to sail towards Santiago island. Overnight at sea.
DAY 3	Praia, Santiago	Early morning arrival at Praia, Santiago, the largest of the islands of the archipelago. After a morning at leisure and lunch on board, the optional afternoon excursion will bring us to Cidade Velha, the first colonial city built in the tropics and classified by Unesco. The fort and the nearby settlements were once a thriving slave trade centre. Late in the evening we will sail north towards Fogo, the island of fire. Overnight at sea.
DAY 4	Sao Felipe, Fogo	Early morning arrival Fogo, with its dominating sight of the Fogo Volcano which rises 3,000 meters over the sea level. Our optional full day excursion will bring us at the top of the volcano, right at the crater edge. You will walk through a landscape of lava. Lunch will be at the crater's village. We will also visit the city San Felipe with a characteristic colonial charm. Late in the evening we will sail to Sao Vicente. Overnight at sea.
DAY 5	Mindelo, San Vicente)	Once a vibrant commercial island, it has evolved into a cultural center and Mindelo is one of the most well preserved colonial cities in Cape Verde. Our optional walking excursion will allow you to visit galleries and discover busy restaurants, musical events that give Mindelo its label of the Cultural Center of the Cape Verde. It is no surprise that the National Museum of Handicrafts is located in Mindelo. Overnight in port.
DAY 6	Mindelo, San Vicente – Porto Novo- Santo Antao)	Early in the morning depart for a short sail towards the island of Santo Antao, the greenest of all Cape Verde Islands with landscapes of verdant plantations of sugarcane alternate old craters. Our optional full day excursion will include the luxuriant Valley Paul where sugarcane is still exploited and where you will taste the "grogue" the national drink of the Archipelago. You will also reach the Valley of Ribeira das Patas and discover rock formations coming from lava formations. Dinner on board and overnight in port.
DAY 7	Porto Novo- Santo Antao	This morning, choose from two optional excursions: a) enjoy an optional full day excursion including lunch, discovering the major sites of the island, passing by the famous road of Corda, Água das Caldeiras, Ribeira Grande, Ponta do Sol and, of course, by Paul – a green jewel among the villages of Santo Antão. On the way we will visit plantations of sugar cane and we will taste in home-distillery “grogue” – the white rum made by sugar cane. Or b) enjoy an optional half day excursion, to the south-western part of the island - a safari through volcanic landscapes, pozzolans fields and isolated villages with dropwise agriculture and different kind of plantations. Return on board to depart towards Sal. Overnight at sea.
DAY 8	Palmeira, Sal	Early morning arrival at Palmeira port, Sal. Disembarkation at 8-9 am after breakfast.

OVERNIGHT IN PORT

Itineraries can be changed at the discretion of Variety Cruises and of the Vessel's Captain in case of adverse weather conditions - winds of 6/7 beaufort or more depending on the vessel- on port authorities not allowing a vessel to leave port or in case of other extraordinary conditions. Such itinerary changes do not entitle automatically passengers to any refunds but Variety Cruises guarantees that passengers are disembarked at the advertised port of disembarkation on time for their flights.