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*Voyages of Exploration*  
Treasures of the Sea of Cortez

# The alluring *Astoria*



With her handsome profile and traditional walk around promenade deck, the 16,144grt Astoria is a classic, beautifully restored, ocean going cruise ship. Carrying just 550 adult guests, she offers a delightfully intimate cruise experience.

## *Ship*

*“Astoria was originally built as a trans-Atlantic ocean liner and in 1994 the vessel was virtually stripped to her hull and re-constructed, at a cost of US\$150 million, and restored as a beautiful, more contemporary cruise ship”*

Her facilities include the impressive Olissipo Restaurant with an alternative dining option in the Lotus Buffet, a choice of five comfortable lounges and bars including the Calypso Show Lounge, plus a nightclub, cinema and auditorium, casino, shopping boutique, photo shop, library, card and bridge room, and a beautiful marbled reception area.

There's a Wellness Centre with fitness equipment, sauna, massage facilities and a beauty salon. And outside, Astoria offers extensive deck areas, a swimming pool, pool bar and the popular Aelos Bar which overlooks the pool and promenade deck.



Discover the

# Sea of Cortez



The narrow sea is home to a rich ecosystem, and breathtaking nature, infused with the Mexican cultural essence. From virgin exotic islands, such as La Isla Espiritu Santo, to world known vacation destinations, like Cabo San Lucas.

## Ports

The Gulf of California is a marginal sea of the Pacific Ocean that separates the Baja California Peninsula from the Mexican mainland. It is bordered by the states of Baja California, Baja California Sur, Sonora, and Sinaloa with a coastline of approximately 4,000 km.

Port of embarkation: Puerto Peñasco, Sonora (Rocky Point)	La Paz, Baja California Sur
Topolobampo, Sinaloa	Loreto, Baja California Sur
Mazatlán, Sinaloa	Santa Rosalia, Baja California Sur
Cabo San Lucas, Baja California Sur	Guaymas, Sonora



DAY	ITINERARIO
THURSDAY	PUERTO PEÑASCO (Rocky Point)
FRIDAY	At sea
SATURDAY	Topolobampo
SUNDAY	At sea
MONDAY	Mazatlán
TUESDAY	Cabo San Lucas
WEDNESDAY	La Paz
THURSDAY	Loreto
FRIDAY	Santa Rosalía
SATURDAY	Guaymas
SUNDAY	At sea
THURSDAY	PUERTO PEÑASCO (Rocky Point)

Example of itinerary

# Highlights of the *Sea of Cortez*



## **PUERTO PENASCO (ROCKY POINT) - PORK OF EMBARKATION**

But more and more Arizona vacationers are discovering some equally beautiful seaside beauty in the Rocky Point area on the Sea of Cortez in Mexico which is only about 60 miles from the Arizona border.



## **TOPOLOBAMPO - COOPER CANYON**

The Copper Canyon, 600 miles south of the Mexican border, is composed of a network of gorges that makes it several times the size of the Grand Canyon.



## **MAZATLAN - OLD MAZATLAN**

Mazatlán's gorgeous four-mile boardwalk could give Puerto Vallarta's a run for its money, especially as this Malecón is also decorated with several unusual yet beautiful statues and monuments.



## **CABO SAN LUCAS - LAND'S END (EL ARCO)**

Located at the southern end of Cabo San Lucas and sandwiched between Playa del Amor and Playa del Divorcio, these rock formations were created from the rough winds and seas of the southern Baja Peninsula.



## **LA PAZ - OLD TOWN**

Where La Paz stands today was visited by Hernan Cortez back in 1535, but the city only started to develop in the mid-19th century thanks to the expansion of the pearl diving industry.



## **LORETO - BAHIA LORETO**

Loreto National Marine Park is a feast for the senses and the sciences. Blue whales, humpbacks, dolphins, sea turtles, plankton, magnificent frigate birds, blue footed boobies brown pelicans, angel fish, parrot fish, sierra, dorado, rainbow wrasses, puffer fish.



## **SANTA ROSALIA - WHALE WATCHING**

With several species of whales making their way to the area every year, whale watching is extremely popular in Cabo, with many visitors saying it's an absolute must-do activity.



## **GUAYMAS - ECOTURISM**

A widevariety of ecosystems located in the coastal area of the state of Sonora, you can enjoy lots of water sports and recreational activities. You'll also find stunning beaches, desert, and mountains.

# Discover the *Sea of Cortez*

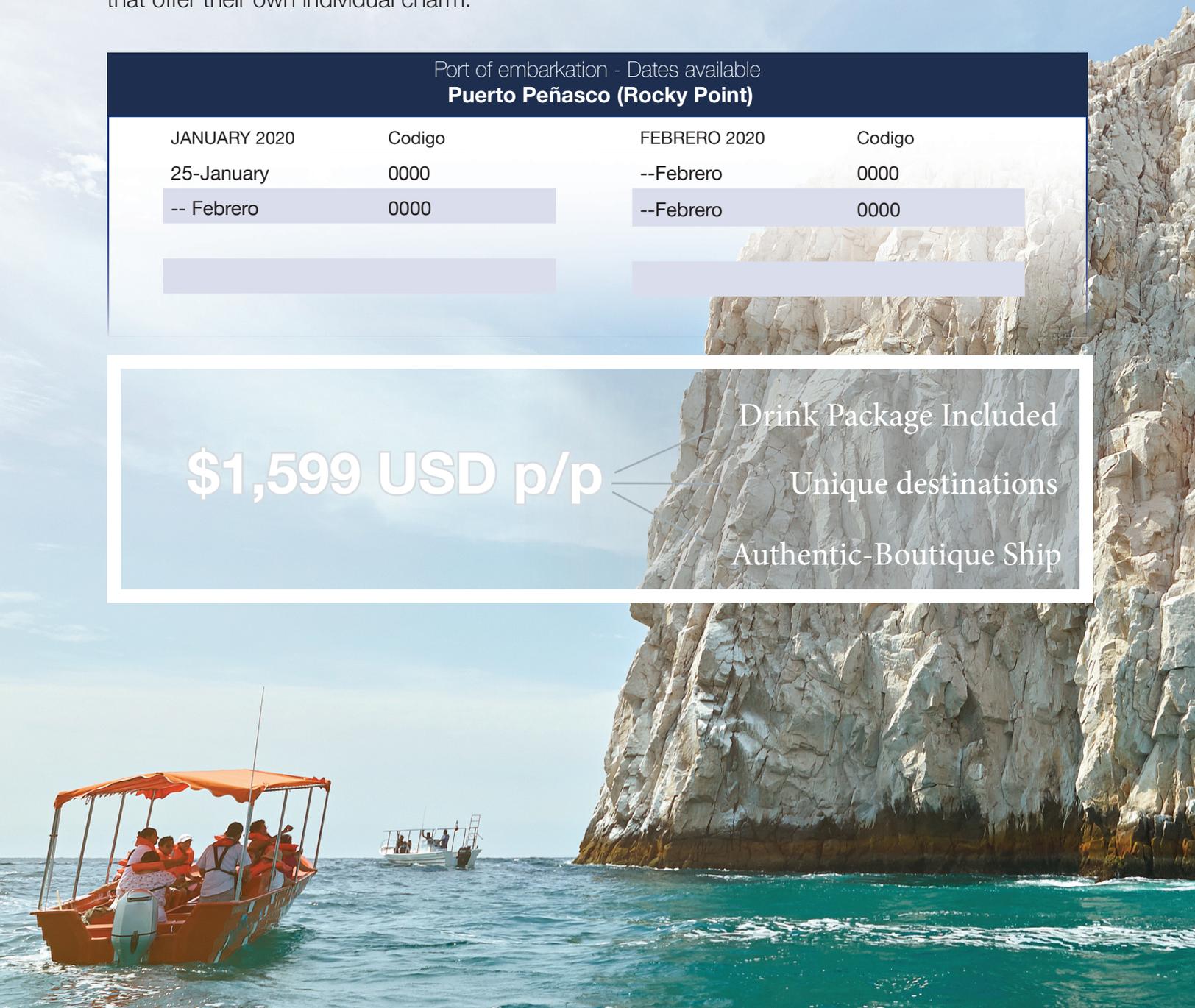
The Sea of Cortez is a unique destination that has been described as a “living aquarium” by Jacques Cousteau and has served as inspiration to many including that of John Steinbeck. With its many islands designated as UNESCO World Heritage sites, it is home to an impressive array of marine mammals and birds.

CMV Expedition Voyages offers an authentic memorable way to explore the sea by visiting 8 ports that offer their own individual charm.

Port of embarkation - Dates available <b>Puerto Peñasco (Rocky Point)</b>			
JANUARY 2020	Codigo	FEBRERO 2020	Codigo
25-January	0000	--Febrero	0000
-- Febrero	0000	--Febrero	0000

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