

ROOM DIRECTORY



Monarca
Location

BASTIA – CORSICA



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Welcome message



Welcome to Corsica, welcome to Monarca Location!

We are delighted to welcome you and your family for a stay on our beautiful island.

Every home we manage is prepared as if welcoming friends: clean, comfortable and designed to make you feel at home from the very first moment.

Throughout your stay, our concierge team will be on hand to help you enjoy the best experiences:

- 1 – Ideas for family activities
- 2 – Favourite local spots
- 3 – Practical tips for discovering the region in total peace of mind

Don't hesitate to contact us – we'll be delighted to help!

For your next holiday in Corsica, remember to book directly on our website to benefit from the best rates, exclusive offers and direct contact with your concierge.

www.monarcalocation.com

We hope you have a wonderful time discovering new things and, above all, making fantastic memories with your family.

See you soon, The Monarca Location team

The Monarca Location story



Monarca is, first and foremost, the name of a flamboyant orange butterfly, both fascinating and majestic.

This butterfly devotes its entire life – and sometimes several generations – to a long migratory journey from Mexico to Canada.

A lifetime dedicated to movement, discovery and passing on knowledge ...

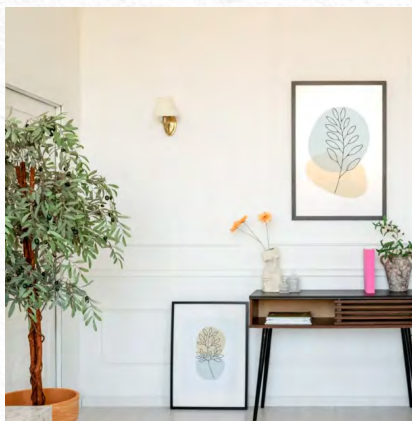
What better metaphor to represent our company, born of a passion for travel and hospitality?

Monarca Location is much more than just a rental platform. It's a Corsican concierge service bringing together committed owners, island tourism professionals and local craftspeople who all share the same ambition:

To offer travellers more than just a place to stay, ensuring they enjoy an authentic experience in which they truly feel at home. Monarca Location has been growing, developing and expanding for over a decade.

We offer an exclusive selection of exceptional properties, as well as a full range of personalised services designed to ensure that our clients' holidays run smoothly and are always a success.

And now, every owner can entrust their property's management directly to our teams, benefiting from advantageous pricing, professional follow-up and the same guarantees as offered by major international platforms – all while supporting a local, human-scale network based on trust and quality.



Contact

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Website: www.monarcalocation.com

Practical information

Check-in: From 16:00

Check-out: From 10:00

03–Transport

Car hire or airport/port/rental shuttle

04–Internal regulations

Living in harmony





04. Check-in

Maintaining and cleaning our accommodation are essential steps in guaranteeing Monarca Location quality.

We need the time to prepare each property with the utmost care before your arrival.

Please respect these times to ensure optimum preparation for subsequent travellers.

Your concierge will contact you 24 hours before your arrival to arrange for you to be met on site. Don't hesitate to let them know what you need or want: early or late arrival, cot, special requests, etc.

Please fill in the form sent by email as soon as possible. This allows us to plan your stay in advance and personalise every detail. Of course, you can change or update it at any time before your arrival.

In some of our properties, self-check-in can be arranged. Our concierge will explain the procedure to you and give you all the information you need to make it as straightforward as possible.

They will also be available by telephone to support you as you get settled in.



05. Check-out

An important process!!!

At Monarca, we care about the upkeep of our homes and living in harmony together.

The concierge will inform you by message or email of the steps to follow. Failure to carry out these steps may result in part or all of your deposit being retained.

Don't hesitate to let us know what you need or want: late departure, luggage drop-off, transport, etc. **YOU CAN USE THE FORM SENT BY LA MESSAGERIA**

For all properties, the following steps must be taken before you leave:

- 1 – Empty your bins, in both the kitchen and bathroom.
- 2 – Place dirty white linen on the floor, please do not remove decorative fabrics, cushions, bed covers, mattress protectors or pillow protectors.
- 3 – Place towels in the shower tray or bathtub.
- 4 – Clean the kitchen.
- 5 – Check and put away dishes, empty the dishwasher.
- 6 – Don't leave any opened food in the fridge.
- 7 – Return interior and exterior furniture to its original position.
- 8 – Clean the plancha or barbecue.
- 9 – In case of self-check-out, please ensure that windows and doors are correctly closed. Please make sure that you leave your keys, car-park passes and door remotes, etc. in the place indicated. If you forget to do so, you will be billed for the replacement with service price upon invoicing.

06. House rules



Internal Regulations – Monarca Location

Thank you for taking care of the villa as if it were your own.

The aim of these rules is to ensure everyone's comfort, safety and peace of mind.

Failure to comply with these rules may result in deductions from your deposit or the cancellation of your rental contract without refund.

Smoking

Smoking is strictly prohibited inside the accommodation.

Ashtrays are available outside.

Please use them to keep the premises clean and avoid any risk of fire, which is particularly high in Corsica.

Pets

Pets are permitted by prior arrangement only.

Their presence is the responsibility of the tenant (in terms of cleanliness, nuisance and furniture).

Events and nuisances

Parties, groups or events are not permitted without the written agreement of the concierge team. Please respect the peace and quiet of your neighbours, especially between 22:00 and 08:00. Noise nuisance may result in a call-out and deduction from your deposit.

Maintenance & furniture

Please take care of the furniture, both inside and out.

Any damage, breakage or malfunction must be reported immediately to the concierge team. Any damage not reported will be invoiced.

Security & closing

Make sure you close doors, windows and outside access when you leave the premises.

Do not leave valuables unattended:

Monarca Location cannot be held responsible for theft.

Barbecue & plancha

These may only be used in the dedicated areas, and under the responsibility of the tenant, including cleaning after use. In case of non-compliance, you may be billed 150 euros.



Pool/spa (if available)

Access reserved for tenants only.
Children must be supervised by an adult at all times.
Professional maintenance is carried out once a week,
while tenants are responsible for minimum daily maintenance.

Environment

Please sort your waste and comply with local collection regulations.

Selective sorting in Corsica:

Yellow bin: recyclable packaging

Green bin: glass

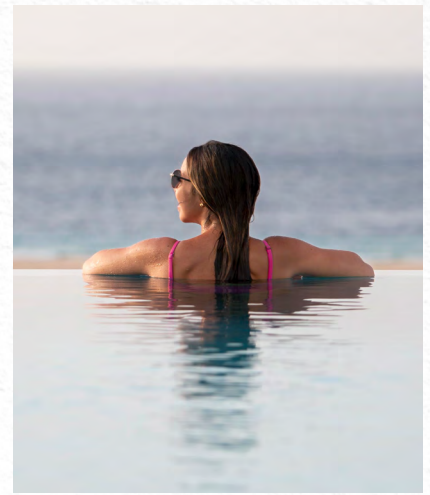
Grey or black bin: household waste

Brown bin: compostable waste

Water and electricity are precious commodities on the island:
please ensure reasonable and responsible use.

Banned items

Tents, lilos, jacuzzis, inflatable pools and other equipment not supplied
are forbidden without the concierge team's approval.
Candles and lanterns are not permitted due to the risk of fire.



To sum up

This is your home ... but don't forget that your neighbours should feel at home too

By respecting the premises, you help to preserve the quality of our property and the well-being of future travellers.

We wish you an unforgettable stay in Corsica

The Monarca Location team



07. General accommodation information

Wi-Fi

A personalised card containing the network name and password is provided in the property.

If you have difficulty connecting, we can offer you a description or a short explanatory video.

Upon arrival, don't hesitate to ask the concierge for assistance connecting your equipment.

Air conditioning & energy savings

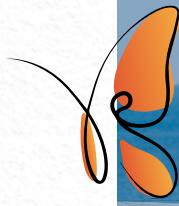
Please turn off the air conditioning when you leave and on the day of your departure.

During your stay, keep the windows closed to maintain a stable temperature and limit energy consumption.

If you open the windows, remember to turn off the air conditioning: this prevents over-consumption and keeps appliances working properly.

Water in Corsica is precious: make sure to use it responsibly.





If there is a swimming pool or spa in your rental property

External regulations – Swimming pool, equipment & safety

Access to the swimming pool is strictly reserved for tenants.

Children must be accompanied and supervised by an adult at all times. Their safety is the sole responsibility of their accompanying adults.

Outdoor bathing towels are available on request.

Our pools and spas are serviced once a week by qualified professionals. The water is also analysed upon arrival and departure. You are responsible for day-to-day maintenance (leaf collection, using the net, etc.). Our concierge will explain the procedure and provide you with the necessary equipment.

Barbecues and planchas, if included in your accommodation, may only be used in the areas provided for this purpose, and are entirely your responsibility – including clean-up after use.

You are responsible for looking after parasols, loungers and outdoor furniture.

In Corsica, the wind can pick up quickly: remember to close and secure your furniture when leaving.

If any damage to furniture or external equipment is noted upon check-out, you may be sent a report and an invoice for repair or replacement.

08. Transport:

Transport in Corsica – Our Monarca Location solutions

Getting around the island can be a little tricky if you don't have your own vehicle or don't plan to hire one.

Monarca Location offers solutions for every situation:

1 - Car hire

If you would like to hire a car for the duration of your stay, Monarca Location can provide cars from private owners at preferential rates reserved exclusively for our clients. Don't hesitate to contact us by telephone or email for a personalised quote. A wide range of options are available, to suit all budgets and occasions.

Phone: +33 6 32 53 98 09

Email: contact@monarcalocation.com

2 - Private transport with driver: K-DRIVER

We can also offer you the services of our preferred partner K-DRIVER: experts in bespoke transport in Corsica. As a Monarca Location client, you'll have exclusive priority access via a dedicated telephone number. **The drivers and guides speak several languages and offer all types of vehicles, from saloon cars to vans.**

KDRIVE covers all types of journeys:

○ Port/Airport/Accommodation transfers

○ Full- or half-day private outings

(with driver and guide if required)

You can also find out more about all their services on their website:

www.k-driver.com

Bespoke travel for evenings, events and dinners

Direct K-DRIVER contact details: +33 6 15 11 22 01/+33 6 66 49 61 84

Book early and quote code **Monarcaholidays** for preferential rates.

3 - Other options

If none of these solutions meets your needs, you'll find the following at Bastia-Poretta airport:

A direct shuttle service is available to Bastia city centre, as well as a taxi rank just outside the terminal.

Our team will be happy to provide you with information on the times and prices of these services upon request.

09. Discovering the region and sightseeing:



Cap Corse:

Discover Cap Corse – The island's authentic soul

Nicknamed 'the island within the island', Cap Corse embodies the wildest and most authentic Corsica.

This majestic peninsula to the north of Bastia offers a spectacular landscape where sea, mountains and tradition harmoniously intertwine. Between hilltop villages, Genoese towers, coastal paths and unspoilt coves, each bend in the road reveals a new, breathtaking panorama.

Here, nature reigns supreme: the maquis scrubland releases its delicious aromas, the cliffs plunge into the turquoise sea and time seems to stand still. It's a region of character and emotion, bursting with maritime history, preserved heritage and sincere hospitality.

Whether you're a lover of hiking, hidden beaches, culture or gastronomy, Cap Corse promises a total immersion in the Corsican soul: between sea and mountains, authenticity and elegance.

*By sea,
on the ground or
in the air!*



1. Erbalunga

A picturesque little fishing village, with its authentic harbour, colourful facades and Genoese tower on the seafront.

2. Macinaggio & the Customs Trail

Macinaggio is the largest marina on Cap Corse, and the ideal starting point to take on the famous Customs Trail hike to Baracaggio beach.

Tip: bring shoes and water – this route is superb for coastal nature lovers.

3. Nonza

Hilltop village with a famous black-pebble beach and a Genoese tower overlooking the bay.

Magical moment: photo stop from the tower or on the terrace of a panoramic restaurant.

4. Centuri

A charming fishing port in the Cap's far north, renowned for its lobster.

Meal suggestion: lunch at the port – for fresh seafood and a calm atmosphere.

5. Pietracorbara

Beach with fine sand and turquoise water on the livelier east coast – ideal for families.

Activity : swimming, beach-hut break, 'White Water Trail' walk.

6. Moulin Mattei (near Centuri)

An iconic viewpoint on the west coast of Cap Corse, located between Ersa and Centuri.

Recommended timing: Panoramic view at sunset.

7. Seneca Tower

Genoese tower perched between Pino and Luri, offering spectacular views of both Cap coasts.

8. Tamarone Beach/Barcaggio Beach

Almost untouched beaches on the tip of the Cap – both very natural and rarely visited.

Tip: pack a picnic and water, and enjoy the peace and quiet.

9. Pino

A small, typical farming village on the west coast: a great place to stop off.

For a pleasant break: coffee in the village, with the calm sea and mountain views.

10. White Water Trail (Pietracorbara)/other walks

A variety of hikes: from Pietracorbara (more accessible) or the summit of Monte Stello (1,307 m) for experienced hikers.

Note: bring suitable footwear and water, and check the weather.



The most beautiful beaches of Cap Corse:

With its wild coves, turquoise waters and unspoilt landscapes, Cap Corse has one of the most spectacular coastlines on the island.

Here is a selection of not-to-be-missed beaches, from the most little-known to the most iconic.

1. Nonza Beach – (West coast)

25 mins from Saint-Florent

This legendary beach stands out for its black and silvery volcanic sand. It lies at the foot of the hilltop village of Nonza, overlooked by its emblematic Genoese tower.

Accessed via a staircase, it's just perfect for a moment of contemplation or a photo shoot.

Atmosphere: wild, dramatic and unique in Corsica

Tip: stunning views from the village lookout

2. Barcaggio Beach – (Northern tip of Cap Corse)

Ersa

At the northernmost tip of the Cape, this light-sand beach with its turquoise water offers an exceptional panoramic view of the island of Giraglia. Its peaceful atmosphere and natural dunes make it the perfect place for nature lovers.

Atmosphere: quiet, unspoilt, family-friendly

Access: small winding road, bring water and light shoes.



3. Tamarone Beach – (Near Macinaggio)

5 mins from the port of Macinaggio

Tamarone Beach is easy to reach and surrounded by scrubland, revealing a stretch of golden sand bathed in translucent waters.

It is also the starting point for the Customs Trail, a spectacular coastal walk.

Atmosphere: nature and relaxation

Tip: beach huts on site for a lunch opposite the sea

4. Pietracorbara Beach – (East coast)

30 mins north of Bastia

One of the few fine sandy beaches on Cap Corse – perfect for families. Its shallow waters and easy access make it a popular destination for travellers and locals alike.

Atmosphere: family-friendly

Tip: ideal for leisurely swims and picnics

5. Sisco Beach – (East coast)

20 mins from Bastia

A small beach lined with grey pebbles and clear water, surrounded by green mountains.

The place is peaceful and authentic, often frequented by the inhabitants of the neighbouring village.

Atmosphere: peaceful and local

Tip: perfect for a quiet afternoon

6. Albo Beach – (West coast)

Ogliastro

A magnificent pebble beach with turquoise waters, dominated by a Genoese tower.

This is a wild and typically Corsican setting, between sea and mountains.

Atmosphere: authentic and natural

Tip: beautiful light at the end of the day

7. Giottani Beach – (Barrettali)

Typical little port on Cap Corse

A charming pebble cove bordered by a picturesque old fishing port.

It's a peaceful spot, perfect for swimming in an unspoilt setting.

Atmosphere: intimate and picturesque

Tip: excellent snorkelling spot

8. Tollare Beach – (Northern tip)

Between Barcaggio and Centuri

Another very quiet, light-sand beach, sheltered by a small fishing port.

Less busy than Barcaggio, it offers absolute peace and quiet – plus crystal-clear waters.

Atmosphere: very wild

Tip: ideal for lovers of tranquillity

9. Farinole Beach – (West coast, near Saint-Florent)

15 mins from Saint-Florent

A beautiful beach of sand and pebbles, with deep-blue waters.

This is one of the largest on Cap Corse, surrounded by green hills.

Atmosphere: athletic (popular surf spot)

Tip: perfect for sunsets and photos

10. Misincu Beach – (Porticciolo/Cagnano)

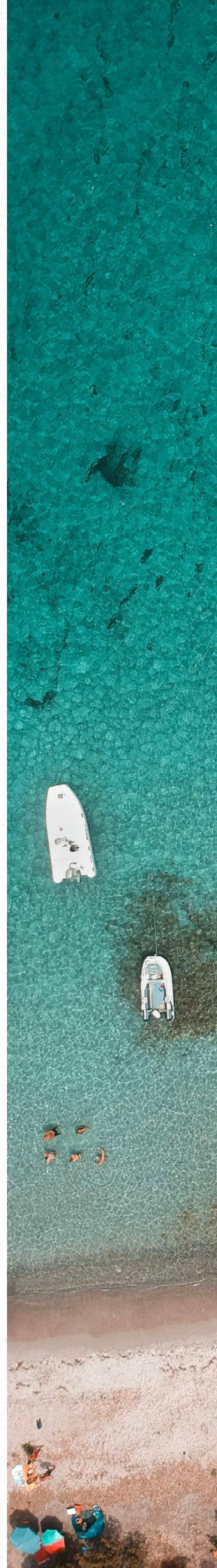
East coast, between Pietracorbara and Macinaggio

A small, discreet beach bordered by scrubland and olive groves.

Ideal for a peaceful stopover or a gentle swim.

Atmosphere: private and relaxing

Tip: typical Corsican charm, far from the crowds



The best restaurants:

Restaurant Le Pirate – 1 Port, 20222 Erbalunga

Phone: +33 4 95 33 24 20

Website: restaurantlepirate.com

Budget: €60 per person

Speciality: fresh fish and shellfish, harbour view, gourmet cuisine.

Hôtel-Restaurant Le Saint Jean – Botticella, 20275 Ersa

Phone: 04 95 47 71 71

Hôtel le Saint-Jean (Ersa, Cap Corse)

Budget: ~€30–50

Speciality: Corsican family cuisine, in a panoramic sea/mountain setting.

Hôtel-Restaurant Petra Cinta – 1 Barcaggio, 20275 Ersa

Phone: 04 95 36 87 45

Hôtel-Restaurant Petra Cinta

Budget: ~€40–70

Speciality: certified cuisine from the terroir, short supply chains, local products.

Le Vieux Moulin – Port de Centuri, 20238 Centuri

Phone: 04 95 35 60 15

Le Vieux Moulin

Budget: ~€30–55

Speciality: fresh fish, local cuisine opposite the sea in a tranquil atmosphere.



Among many more

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- La Vela d'Oro (Macinaggio)
- U Palmentu (Centuri)
- Le Pirate (Erbalunga)
- A Mugliarese
- A Casetta
- A Piazzetta
- La Table des Américains
- A Campinca
- U Fanale
- U Santa Marina

Saint Florent and Patrimonio



Saint-Florent – The Corsican Saint-Tropez with authentic charm

Nestling between the sea and the mountains, Saint-Florent is often dubbed the 'Saint-Tropez of Corsica' – but here, luxury is combined with authenticity and a gentle way of life.

As a former fishing port turned elegant seaside resort, the village is home to a lively harbour, picturesque little streets, heavenly beaches and seafront terraces on which to enjoy a stroll.

It's the ideal starting point for discovering the famous Agriates Desert and its legendary beaches, Saleccia and Lotu, accessible by boat or 4x4.

Between relaxation, gastronomy, heritage and seaside getaways, Saint-Florent is the perfect embodiment of the Corsican art of living, combining light, elegance and authenticity.

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List of locations in Saint-Florent:

Saint Florent Citadel

Majestically perched on a headland, it overlooks the port and offers a panoramic view of the Gulf of Saint-Florent.

Roya Beach

Saint-Florent's main beach: easy to get to, calm waters and ideal for a family break.

Agriates Desert

An unspoilt natural area on the outskirts of Saint-Florent, leading to the beaches of Lotu and Saleccia – it's ideal for exploring by boat or on foot.

Lotu Beach

A turquoise, almost wild beach, accessible by shuttle from Saint-Florent – the 'Corsican Caribbean' experience.

Santa Maria Assunta Cathedral (or Nebbiu Cathedral)

12th century Pisan-Roman building, bearing witness to the region's rich heritage.

The beaches of Saint-Florent

Between elegance and unspoilt nature:

Saint-Florent is the jewel of the Nebbiu region, renowned for its sublime beaches with turquoise waters and bordered by wild landscapes and majestic mountains.

Some are easily accessible from the town centre, while others can be reached by boat or 4x4: what they share is a unique blend of Mediterranean charm and natural beauty.



1. Roya Beach – closest to the centre

5 minutes from the port of Saint-Florent

This is the resort's main beach, perfect for families thanks to its shallow waters and fine sand.

A range of watersports activities are offered: paddleboarding, kayaking, jet-skiing and sailing, among others.

Atmosphere: friendly and lively

Access: on foot or by car (easy parking)

Tip: ideal for children or swimming at sunset.

2. Lotu Beach (Lodo) – the wild pearl of the Agriates

Accessible only by boat or 4x4 from Saint-Florent

Considered one of the most beautiful beaches in Corsica, its immaculate white sand and translucent turquoise water never fail to enchant.

Situated in the Agriates Desert, this beach is surrounded by untouched nature.

Atmosphere: heavenly and unspoilt

Access: maritime shuttle from the port or 4x4 track

Tip: bring water and a picnic, as there are no services on site.

3. Saleccia Beach – the most legendary

340 m from Palombaggia Beach

This iconic Corsican beach reveals a real postcard setting: white sand, emerald sea and fragrant pinewood.

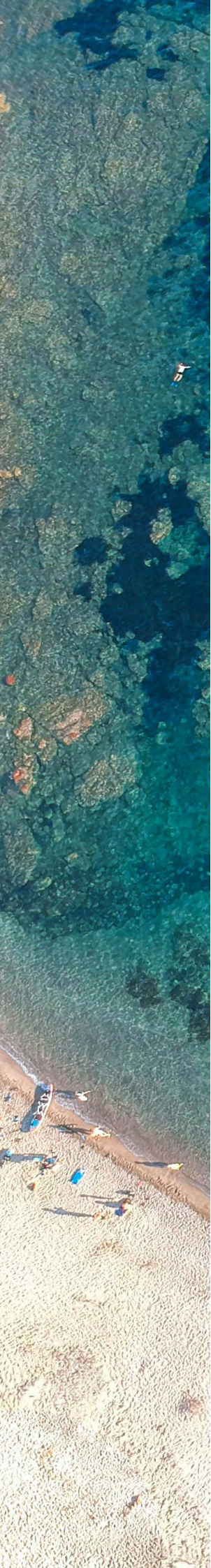
Several scenes from the film *The Longest Day* were shot here.

Atmosphere: wild and majestic

Access: by boat from Saint-Florent, or 4x4 via Casta

Tip: also accessible on foot from Lotu (45-minute walk)





4. Ospedale Beach (or Olzu) – discreet charm

Just a few minutes from the town centre, towards Oletta

This less-frequented pebble beach offers a magnificent view of the Gulf of Saint-Florent. It's an excellent spot for a peaceful moment or a sunset.

Atmosphere: calm and romantic

Access: by car (car park nearby)

Tip: perfect spot for a picnic at the end of the day

5. Tettola Beach – between sand and pebbles

Route de Patrimoine, 5 minutes from Saint-Florent

A small, discreet cove lined with pine trees – ideal for a quick break without leaving the town. The seabed is superb for snorkelling.

Atmosphere: intimate and natural

Access: easy by car or bike

Tip: perfect spot for a morning swim

6. Catarelli Beach (or Fornello) – nature and tranquillity

On the road to the Agriates Desert, past Roya Beach

A beautiful but wilder and less crowded beach of sand mixed with pebbles. Popular for its panoramic views over the Gulf and its absolute peace and quiet.

Atmosphere: nature, authenticity and serenity

Access: small track (wear closed-toe shoes)

Tip: an excellent option for those seeking peace and quiet without going too far

7. Ospedale Marina Beach (small local cove)

Near the Saint-Florent exit, towards Oletta

A charming little cove, very popular with the locals.

Atmosphere: intimate and authentic

Tip: a discreet spot for a quick dip before dinner

Monarca Location tip



To discover the beaches of the Agriates Desert (Lotu & Saleccia), we recommend a boat trip from the port of Saint-Florent. Several local companies offer daily return transfers or private sunset tours for an unforgettable experience in Corsica.



Best restaurants in Saint-Florent:

Saint-Florent & Patrimonio

Le Bartavin – Hameau Palazzu, D81, 20253 Patrimonio

Phone: +33 4 95 38 37 94

Budget: ~€11–20

Speciality: pizzas and friendly Corsican cuisine, with panoramic terrace.

U Scontru – Patrimonio

Budget: ~€30–50

Speciality: revisited Corsican cuisine and local wines.

La Gaffe – Marina, 20217 Saint-Florent

Budget: ~€35–60

Speciality: harbour views, seafood, lively atmosphere

Among many more ...

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- U Lustincone (Patrimonio)
- Libertalia Bistro Tropical (Patrimonio)
- L'Olivier (Saint-Florent)
- Restaurant de l'Europe (Saint-Florent)
- POPPA (Saint-Florent)
- Auberge U Lustincone (Patrimonio)
- Osteria di San Martinu (Patrimonio)
- La Maison des Pizzas (Saint-Florent)

The best wine estates in Patrimonio

As the birthplace of Corsica's first PDO wine (AOC Patrimonio), this emblematic village is renowned for the quality of its powerful red wines, elegant rosés and fresh, aromatic whites, mainly made from Niellucciu and Vermentinu grapes.

Between sun-drenched hills, olive groves and views over the Gulf of Saint-Florent, each estate offers a unique experience – a blend of tradition, passion and the Corsican art of living.

1. Domaine Gentile

Route de Saint-Florent

One of the most famous estates in Patrimonio, headed up by the Gentile family for several generations.

The wines are elegant, well-balanced and representative of the local terroir.

- Speciality: Vermentinu and Niellucciu
- Tip: superb welcome at the wine cellar, with guided tasting possible

2. Domaine Orenca De Gaffory

D81, Route de Bastia – Patrimonio

A real leading name among Corsican vineyards, this estate covers more than 50 hectares.

Their wines stand out for their finesse and aromatic complexity, and regularly win awards.

- Speciality: top-of-the-range white and red wines
- Tip: discover cellar tours and contemporary art exhibitions in the winery's gallery

3. Domaine Leccia (Yves & Sandrine Leccia)

Route du Cap – Poggio-d'Oletta

An iconic winery and a trailblazer in the modernisation of Corsican vineyards, renowned for the purity of its wines and its respect for the terroir.

- Speciality: wines with character and great elegance
- Tip: taste them on site, with a superb view of the Patrimonio hills

4. Domaine Arena (Antoine & Jean-Baptiste Arena)

Route de Saint-Florent

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- Tip: discover cellar tours and contemporary art exhibitions in the winery's gallery

5. Clos Alzipratu (near Patrimonio, in Calenzana)

Though it's situated a little further south, this family-run winery is the perfect complement to a wine discovery tour of Haute-Corse.

- Speciality: full-bodied reds and elegant rosés
- Tip: perfect for discovering the diversity of the island's terroirs

6. Domaine Cordoliani

A more little-known winery, but much appreciated by connoisseurs for the precision and freshness of its wines.

- Speciality: Pure Vermentinu and fine rosés
- Tip: friendly welcome – a great option for an authentic tasting experience



7. Domaine Arena Grotte di Sole

Heart of Patrimonio

This historic vineyard takes its name from its exceptional south-facing terroir. Its distinctive wines are some of the most representative within the appellation.

- Speciality: powerful, elegant reds
- Tip: discover Corsica's wine-growing tradition for yourself

8. Domaine Giudicelli

Route de Poggio-d'Oletta

Thomas Giudicelli, a talented young winemaker, perpetuates the spirit of Patrimonio while adding a touch of modernity and precision.

- Speciality: fine, subtle and balanced wines
- Tip: perfect for those looking for a contemporary take on Corsican wine

9. Domaine Pastricciola

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10. Cave Coopérative de Patrimonio

Entrance to the village

For a first taster of the local terroir, this cooperative wine cellar brings together a number of producers and offers a wide range of products at low prices.

- Speciality: accessible and typical wines
- Tip: an excellent starting point for discovering the appellation's different styles



Monarca Location tip

For a complete immersion, set off on the Patrimonio Wine Route which links these wineries – between sea and mountains.

Tastings, meetings with winemakers and breathtaking scenery: an unmissable experience in the heart of Haute-Corse.





Bastia and its villages

Between sea, history and authenticity

Bastia, the gateway to northern Corsica, enjoys a captivating blend of Italian elegance and Corsican soul.

This lively, colourful and cultural city stretches between mountains, sea and heritage, offering visitors a complete experience – from picturesque lanes to bustling harbours and panoramic views.

Its surrounding villages, clinging to the hillsides, tell the story of a more intimate and authentic Corsica, where time seems to stand still.

Highlights of Bastia

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Where to visit in Bastia

1. The Citadel (Terra Nova)

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- To see: Place du Donjon, the Bastia Museum (Governors' Palace), Sainte-Marie Cathedral and its typical narrow streets.
- Monarca tip: take advantage of the panoramic terrace to admire the port and the sea.

4. The Governors' Palace & the Bastia Museum

A place of memory and Corsican culture, retracing the history of the town and the Cap.

- Tip: a fun family visit, with exhibitions and panoramic sea views.

5. The Romieu Garden

7. The Cardo Lookout

As a former hilltop village that now forms part of Bastia, Cardo offers exceptional panoramic views across the bay.

- Tip: ideal for admiring Bastia at sunset.

2. The Old Port

An emblematic district – bustling from morning to night. Its pastel-coloured houses are reflected in the water, creating a typically Mediterranean tableau.

- To do: enjoy lunch on the terrace, a coffee by the water or a stroll at sunset.
- Tip: perfect for photos and summer evenings.

A terraced garden linking the citadel to the old port, just perfect for a stroll in the shade of the palm trees and bougainvillea.

- Peaceful atmosphere, romantic setting and magnificent views.

6. The Place du Marché Market

3. Saint-Jean-Baptiste Church

This 17th century Baroque church, a real symbol of Bastia, is the largest in Corsica.

- To see: its richly decorated interior and its two emblematic bell towers visible from the port.

(Place Saint-Nicolas)

A must for discovering local products: Corsican cooked meats, cheeses, jams, wines, honey and crafts.

- Open at weekends: friendly atmosphere guaranteed!



Villages around Bastia:

Miomo

A small coastal village 10 minutes from the town centre, famous for its Genoese tower, pebble beach and peaceful atmosphere.

Erbalunga (Brando)

One of the most beautiful villages in Corsica: an old fishing port with a bohemian atmosphere.

- Don't miss its Genoese tower, flower-filled lanes and seaside restaurants.
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Ville-di-Pietrabugno

Clinging to the mountainside, this town offers a breathtaking view of Bastia and the sea.

- Perfect for a quiet stroll or dinner.
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Sisco

A charming Cap Corse village, located 20 minutes from Bastia and surrounded by olive groves and streams.

- Hike in the valley, with a visit to the Genoese bridges.
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Pietracorbara

A little further north, this picturesque village boasts a magnificent sandy beach and an exceptional natural setting.





Best restaurants: :

Les Affranchis – 6 Rue Sainte-Croix, 20200 Bastia

Phone: 04 95 32 02 32

Budget: ~€25–60

Speciality: Corsican bistro cooking, local ingredients, warm atmosphere.

Radiche – Place de l'Hôtel de Ville, 20200 Bastia

Phone: +33 4 95 59 87 70

Budget: ~€40–70

Speciality: refined Corsican cuisine and seasonal products in an elegant setting.

Restaurant Nova – 2–4 Rue Fontaine Neuve, 20200 Bastia

Phone: 04 95 47 25 22

Budget: ~€30–60

Speciality: modern bistro cooking, terrace with views of the old port, plus cocktails & Corsican wines.

Chez Huguette – Rue de la Marine, Vieux Port, 20200 Bastia, Corsica.

Phone: +33 4 95 31 37 60

Speciality: Seafood and fish, Mediterranean cuisine.

Le Colomba – Quai Nord, Vieux Port, 20200 Bastia, Haute-Corse.

Phone: ?

Speciality: Carefully crafted cuisine: calamari a la plancha, fresh fish, pizzas, meats and a variety of dishes.

Among many more ...

- Café del Mare
- U Paisanu
- Chez Vincent
- ADN
- Le Mademoiselle
- Le Conti
- La Table de la Corniche (San-Martino-di-Lota)
- Timà
- La Luparad



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The most beautiful walks in Haute-Corse

1. The Customs Trail (Cap Corse – from Macinaggio to Centuri)

Duration: 7 to 8 hours (can be separated into sections)
Departing from: Tamarone Beach (Macinaggio)

This trail follows the old customs routes between wild coves, Genoese towers and turquoise beaches.

This is the essential Cap Corse walk, offering total immersion in the unspoilt landscapes of the north of the island.

○ Monarca tip: bring water and a hat and head back by boat from Barcaggio for an unforgettable experience.

2. The Restonica Gorges (Corte)

Duration: 3 to 5 hours depending on the route chosen
Level: medium to difficult
Departing from: Restonica Valley (15 mins from Corte)

A listed natural site: waterfalls, crystal-clear pools and glacial lakes (Melu and Capitellu).

This is a legendary hike in the heart of the Corsican mountains, ideal for lovers of the wilderness.

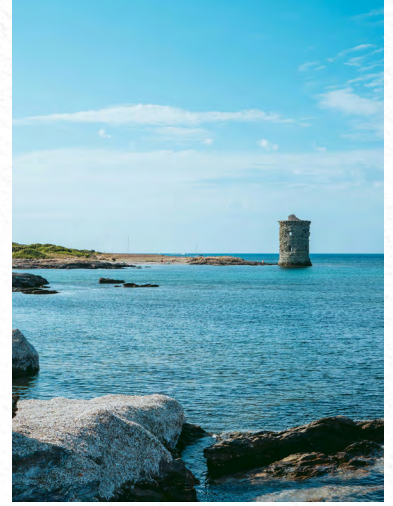
○ Monarca tip: set off early in the morning in summer, restricted parking.

3. Monte Stello (Cap Corse)

Duration: 6 to 7 hours (return)
Level: intense
Departing from: Olmeta-di-Capocorso

The iconic Cap Corse peak (1,307 m), offering 360° views of the Tyrrhenian Sea and the Mediterranean. A rewarding challenge for seasoned hikers.

○ Monarca tip: ideal on a clear day with panoramic views of Tuscany visible on certain days.





4. The Agriates Desert (between Saint-Florent and Ostriconi)

Duration: variable depending on the section (from 2 hours to 2 days)

Level: easy to medium

Departing from: Lotu or Casta Beach

The Agriates Desert, a former agricultural area turned protected nature reserve, offers lunar landscapes and sublime beaches (Saleccia, Malfalcu and more).

○ Monarca Tip: accessible on foot, by 4x4 or by boat – bivouac wild camping permitted in certain areas.

5. Monte Cinto (highest peak in Corsica – 2,706 m)

Duration: 8 to 10 hours

Level: difficult

Departing from: Lozzi (near Asco)

A demanding but spectacular alpine hike: red rocks and views over the whole north of the island.

○ Monarca tip: experienced hikers only, set off early with full equipment.

6. Capu di Muru e Falu (Balagne – Calenzana)

Duration: 4 hours

Level: medium

Departing from: Calenzana

A looped route through scrubland, old mills and plunging sea views.

A great alternative to the GR20 for a day out in Balagne.

○ Monarca tip: perfect in spring with the blooming flowers of the maquis scrubland.

7. Saleccia Beach from Casta (Agriates)

Duration: 2 hours 30 mins each way

Level: easy

Departing from: Casta (track)

A gentle walk through scrubland and dunes to one of Corsica's most beautiful beaches.

○ Monarca tip: you can return by boat from Saleccia for a change of scenery.

8. The forests of Bonifatu (near Calvi)

Duration: 1 to 3 hours

Level: easy

Departing from: Bonifatu Forest Centre

Shaded paths, natural pools, Genoese bridges and bubbling streams: a paradise for families and lovers of the great outdoors.

- Monarca tip: you can even take a dip in the natural pools.

9. Lake Nino (Niolo/Corte)

Duration: 5 to 6 hours

Level: medium to difficult

Departing from: Col de Verghju

A legendary high-altitude lake bordered by pozzines (green meadows), where wild horses and cows graze.

- Monarca tip: one of Corsica's most beautiful mountain landscapes.

10. The Ridges of Bastia (Cardo – Serra di Pigno)

Duration: 2 to 3 hours

Level: easy to medium

Departing from: Cardo (Bastia)

A panoramic walk with breathtaking views of Bastia, the sea and the Tuscan archipelago.

- Monarca tip: simply perfect at the end of the day to enjoy the sunset.



Monarca Location tip

Haute-Corse reveals an exceptional playground for nature lovers.

Before each outing, our concierges can advise you on weather conditions, difficulty levels, road access or available shuttles, as well as preparing picnics and other services.

Don't hesitate to contact them to plan your tailor-made hiking day.





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We offer a range of services to make your stay as enjoyable as possible:

- Extra cleaning on request
- Linen and towel replacement
- Home chef, meals or breakfast, picnic, etc.
- Airport and port transfers/guided tour/discovery day
- Personalised activities & outings
- Tastings and winery tours
- Massage & well-being, home sports coach

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