

# The Panoramic Tour of Monaco, Monte Carlo & Cannes

**3 February 2017**

**09:00** Departure from the conference center

Professional and experienced licensed guide during the tours.

Transportation by a comfortable AC non smoking Luxurious car / Van with professional driver.

**20:00** Returning to the hotel

**Price: FREE**

**During the Tour will visit the Historical Places**

## Monaco and Monte Carlo

Monte Carlo Casino's Building  
Hotel de Paris Monte Carlo  
Prince's Monaco Palace  
Formula One Monaco Grand Prix  
Monte Carlo Harbor in Monaco

## Cannes

Cannes Film Festival  
Cannes Harbor

**Note: Only, the museums entrance fee and lunch will be paid by the participants.**

## Historical Places Information

### 1. Monte Carlo Casino's Building



Officially named "**Casino de Monte-Carlo**", the **Monte Carlo Casino** is a gambling and entertainment complex located in Monaco. It includes a casino, the Grand Théâtre de Monte Carlo, and the office of Les Ballets de Monte Carlo. The Casino de Monte-Carlo is owned and operated by the Société des bains de mer de Monaco, a public company in which the Monaco government and the ruling family have a majority interest. The company also owns the principal hotels, sports clubs, foodservice establishments, and nightclubs throughout Monaco. The idea of opening a gambling casino in Monaco belongs to Princess Caroline, a shrewd, business-minded spouse of Prince Florestan I. Revenues from the proposed venture were supposed to save the House of Grimaldi from bankruptcy. The ruling family's persistent financial problems became especially acute after the loss of tax revenue from two breakaway towns, Menton and Roquebrune, which declared independence from Monaco in 1848 and refused to pay taxes on olive oil and fruit imposed by the Grimaldis.

### 2. Hotel de Paris Monte Carlo



**The Hotel de Paris Monte-Carlo** is a hotel located in Monaco, It was opened in 1863 as part of the development of Monaco by the Société des Bains de Mer (SBM) under the auspices of Charles III of Monaco. The Hôtel de Paris Monte-Carlo is a luxury hotel at the heart of Monaco, and is owned and operated by SBM, along with the Hôtel Hermitage Monte-Carlo, the Monte-Carlo Beach Hotel and the Monte-Carlo Bay Hotel & Resort. The hotel is regularly listed on the annual Conde Nast Traveller Gold List. It has notable restaurants, including the Michelin 3-star Louis XV and Michelin-starred Le Grill, as well as the Le Bar Americain listed on World's Best Bar selection.

### 3. Prince's Monaco Palace



The **Prince's Palace of Monaco** is the official residence of the Prince of Monaco. Built in 1191 as a Genoese fortress, during its long and often dramatic history it has been

bombarded and besieged by many foreign powers. Since the end of the 13th century, it has been the stronghold and home of the Grimaldi family who first captured it in 1297. The Grimaldi ruled the area first as feudal lords, and from the 17th century as sovereign princes, but their power was often derived from fragile agreements with their larger and stronger neighbours. Thus while other European sovereigns were building luxurious, modern Renaissance and Baroque palaces, politics and common sense demanded that the palace of the Monegasque rulers be fortified. This unique requirement, at such a late stage in history, has made the palace at Monaco one of the most unusual in Europe. Indeed, when its fortifications were finally relaxed during the late 18th century, it was seized by the French and stripped of its treasures, and fell into decline, while the Grimaldi were exiled for over 20 years.

### 4. Formula One Monaco Grand Prix



The Formula One Monaco Grand Prix has had a **support open-wheel race** in many of its editions. The race was first held as a Formula Junior race in 1950, won by Stirling Moss, but it was only brought back as a permanent event in

1959. Formula Junior was replaced by Formula Two and Formula Three in 1964 and the support race was now held with F3 cars. A European Formula Three Championship was introduced in 1974 but the Monaco race was not part of it and instead attracted drivers from the various national and international F3 series held in Europe. After the end of the European Championship it was one of the two unofficial European F3 races along with the Masters of Formula 3. The F3 race was cancelled after 1997 and replaced by an International Formula 3000 race, held until 2004. The F3 race was resurrected once again in 2005 as a part of the Formula Three Euroseries, but this championship never returned as it had mostly followed the DTM calendar. The World Series by Renault has raced next to Formula One since 2005. Three drivers have won the Monaco Grand Prix Formula Three support race twice: Peter Arundell for Lotus in 1961 and

1962, Alain Ferté for Oreca in 1981 and 1982 and Gianantonio Pacchioni for Tatuus in 1993 and Prema Powerteam in 1995.

## 5. Monte Carlo Harbor in Monaco



Monte Carlo Harbor is the only deep-water port in Monaco. The port has been in use since ancient times. The modern port was completed in 1926, and underwent substantial improvements in the 1970s. It covers almost 40 acres (160,000 m<sup>2</sup>), enough to provide anchorage for up to 700 vessels. The port is located in the La Condamine district. Harbour pilots are required for all vessels longer than 30 metres. The depth of water in the harbour ranges from seven metres for standard berths and up to 40 metres for the outer piers and cruise ship docks. In 2010 the Finnish manufacturer of marinas and pontoons Marinetek was hired to deliver three new pontoons to Port Hercule. Monaco's old fixed piers were replaced by Marinetek's floating concrete pontoons. The renovation was completed in 2011. In 2011, Jean Michel Jarre performed a free concert in front of 85,000 spectators, to celebrate the wedding of Prince Albert II and Charlene Wittstock.

## 6. Cannes Film Festival



The **Cannes Festival** named until 2002 as the **International Film Festival** (*Festival international du film*) and known in English as the **Cannes Film Festival**, is an annual film festival held in Cannes, France, which previews new films of all genres, including documentaries, from around the world. Founded in 1946, the invitation-only festival is held annually (usually in May) at the Palais des Festivals et des Congrès. On 1 July 2014, co-founder and former head of French pay-TV operator Canal+ Pierre Lescure took over as President of the festival. The Board of Directors also appointed Gilles Jacob as Honorary President of the festival. The 2016 Cannes Film Festival took place between 11 and 22 May 2016. Australian film director George Miller was the President of the Jury. *I, Daniel Blake*, directed by British director Ken Loach, won the Palme d'Or.

## 7. Cannes Harbor



The Port of Cannes, also known as the "Old Port" as it is older than neighbouring Port Pierre Canto, is a busy and popular place to be on the French Riviera. It is one of the famous destinations along this coastline, where many boat and yacht owners like to stay, particularly during the spring and summer. It is located in the centre of Cannes, directly west of the Palais des Festivals and the famous Croisette. One of its outstanding features is its "porosity" with the city. In other terms, the marina is perfectly integrated into the town centre of Cannes, without barriers and with large docks, making it a very popular place for walkers and visitors as well as boat owners. The Old Port of Cannes is therefore the stage for many of the events which take place in Cannes throughout the year, such as the famous Cannes Film Festival each May, the boat show, and many more, be it in summer or winter.