



THE SOUTH

3 PERFECT DAYS

♥ DAY 1 // PREHISTORIC SURPRISES

Who were the mysterious ‘people of the sea’ who appeared on Corsican shores around 1100 BC? Chances are we’ll never know all of their secrets, but a visit to the menhir statues at Filitosa (p117) sure can make the head spin with ideas. From there, it’s an easy drive to the megaliths of Cauria (p126). A visit to the Bronze Age vestiges of Cucuruzzu and Capula (p146), in the heart of L’Alta Rocca, completes the trip.

♥ DAY 2 // BEACHSIDE HEDONISM

Start your day with a mooch around Porto-Vecchio’s *haute ville* (upper town), then head to Plage de Palombaggia (p139) before the crowds do. From here, don your best bikini and leg it south to Plage de la Folacca (p139) in time for lunch at Tamaricciu (p140). Spend the afternoon flopped out on a decadently thick mattress, or work your suntan far from the crowds at little-known Plage de Cateraggio (p140). Come dusk, feast on seafood at Le Gregale (p134).

♥ DAY 3 // THE ACTIVE LIFE

Your biggest decision for today: on land or at sea? If it’s at sea, head to Baie de Piantarella (p133) for a gentle kayaking excursion, then spend the afternoon diving with groupers at Mérouville (p131). If it’s on land, the *parc aventure* (adventure park; p144) in the Fôret de L’Ospédale beckons. Enjoy lunch at U Funtanonu (p144), then push on to Col de Bavella, where you can burn off the calories with a canyon descent (p148). Finish the day at A Pignata (p147) with an energy-replenishing Corsican meal.

