

CORSICA

0 20 miles 40 km



CALVI & LA BALAGNE p58

Calvi's citadel and the picturesque hilltop villages of the Balagne never fail to impress

CAP CORSE p44

A maquis-clad peninsula studded with Genoese towers and quaint fishing villages

GOLFE DE PORTO p83

Sheer pink cliffs that tumble into a turquoise sea

CORTE & THE CENTRAL MOUNTAINS p169

Oodles of picnic spots, natural rock pools and walking trails await



AJACCIO

p100

Sample la dolce vita at this chic seaside resort

L'ALTA ROCCA

p143

A land of megalithic remains, the iconic Aiguilles de Bavella and picturesque hilltop villages

BONIFACIO

p129

Overlooking an azure sea, this impregnable citadel has lots of beaches nearby

ÎLES LAVEZZI

p132

Laze, swim or snorkel the day away on these deserted islands

DISTANCE CHART (KM)

Bastia	146					
Bonifacio	131	171				
Calvi	155	92	231			
Corte	79	68	145	86		
Propriano	69	184	64	220	125	
Solenzara	127	105	66	165	79	79

Ajaccio Bastia Bonifacio Calvi Corte Propriano

Note: Distances between destinations are approximate

**LEGEND**

- Primary Road
- Secondary Road
- Tertiary Road
- Railway line
- Airport

ELEVATION

CONTENTS

INTRODUCING CORSICA	
GETTING STARTED	8
FESTIVALS & EVENTS	10
CULTURE	12
FOOD & DRINK	16
OUTDOORS	22
FAMILY TRAVEL	24
THE AUTHORS	27

ITINERARIES	29

BASTIA & THE FAR NORTH	33

GETTING STARTED	36
BASTIA	38
Essential Information	38
Orientation	38
Walking Tour	38
Exploring Bastia	41
Festivals & Events	42
Gastronomic Highlights	42
Recommended Shops	43
Transport	43
CAP CORSE	44
Eastern Cap Corse	45
Western Cap Corse	48
Inland Cap Corse	49
LE NEBBIO	50
St-Florent (San Fiorenzu)	50
Around St-Florent	54
Driving Tour	56
CALVI & LA BALAGNE	58

CALVI	59
Essential Information	59
Exploring Calvi	59
GETTING STARTED	62
Gastronomic Highlights	68
Nightlife	69
Recommended Shops	69
Transport	70
AROUND CALVI	70

ÎLE ROUSSE (ISULA ROSSA)	72
Essential Information	72
Exploring Île Rousse	72
Gastronomic Highlights	74
Recommended Shops	75
Transport	75
LA BALAGNE INTERIOR	75
Inland from Calvi	76
Inland from Île Rousse	78
THE WEST COAST	82

Transport	83
GOLFE DE PORTO	83
Porto	83
GETTING STARTED	86
North of Porto	91
Inland from Porto	91
Les Calanques (Les Calanches)	94
Piana & Around	95
GOLFE DE SAGONE	97
Cargèse (Carghiese)	97
Sagone (Saone)	98
Inland from Sagone	99
GOLFE D'AJACCIO & AROUND	100
Ajaccio (Ajacciu)	100
Around Ajaccio	106
Porticcio (Purtichju)	106
Driving Tours	107
THE SOUTH	111

GETTING STARTED	114
GOLFE DU VALINCO	116
Porto Pollo & Around	116
Propriano (Pruprià)	119
Campomoro	122
LE SARTENAIS	124
Sartène (Sartè)	124
Around Sartène	126
Tizzano & Around	127
LE SARTENAIS TO BONIFACIO	128
BONIFACIO (BUNIFAZIU) & AROUND	129

Exploring Bonifacio & Around	129	VALLÉE DE LA RESTONICA	177
Gastronomic Highlights	133	Exploring Vallée de la Restonica	178
Transport	134	Transport	179
PORTO-VECCHIO		VALLÉE DU NIOLO	179
(PORTI-VECCHJU)	134	Essential Information	179
Essential Information	135	Exploring Vallée du Niolo	179
Exploring Porto-Vecchio	135	Gastronomic Highlights	181
Gastronomic Highlights	135	LE BOZIU	181
Nightlife	137	Driving Tour	181
Recommended Shops	138	CORTE TO VIZZAVONA	183
Transport	138	BACKGROUND	185
AROUND PORTO-VECCHIO	138	-----	
South of Porto-Vecchio	138	HISTORY	186
North of Porto-Vecchio	141	ALL ABOUT CORSICA	200
L'ALTA ROCCA	143	OUTDOORS	206
L'Ospedale & Around	143	WALKING & THE GR20	214
Zonza	144	FLORA & FAUNA OF CORSICA	220
Quenza & Around	145	A FRAGILE ENVIRONMENT	225
Levie (Livia) & Around	146	CORSICAN FLAVOURS	230
Ste-Lucie de Tallano		FOOD GLOSSARY	238
(Santa Lucia di Tallà)	147	ACCOMMODATION	240
Col & Aiguilles de Bavella	148	-----	
THE EAST	150	Bastia & the Far North	241
-----		Calvi & La Balagne	243
LA COSTA VERDE	151	The West Coast	246
Cervione	151	The South	249
GETTING STARTED	154	The East	253
Le Morianincu	157	The Central Mountains	255
LA CASTAGNICCIA	159	DIRECTORY	258
Essential Information	159	-----	
Exploring La Castagniccia	159	TRANSPORT	266
Gastronomic Highlights	162	-----	
Transport	162	LANGUAGE	275
COSTA SERENA &		-----	
CÔTE DES NACRES	162	GLOSSARY	283
Ancient Aléria & Around	163	-----	
Le Fiumorbù	164	BEHIND THE SCENES	285
Casamozza	165	-----	
Solenzara & Around	165	INDEX	290
THE CENTRAL MOUNTAINS	168	-----	
-----		MAP LEGEND	296
CORTE (CORTI)	169		
Essential Information	169		
Exploring Corte	169		
GETTING STARTED	172		
Gastronomic Highlights	175		
Nightlife	177		
Recommended Shops	177		

© Lonely Planet. To make it easier for you to use, access to this chapter is not digitally restricted. In return, we think it's fair to ask you to use it for personal, non-commercial purposes only. In other words, please don't upload this chapter to a peer-to-peer site, mass email it to everyone you know, or resell it. See the terms and conditions on our site for a longer way of saying the above - 'Do the right thing with our content.'