

## **Ensemble Experience**

### **BARCELONA, SPAIN**

Ship/Sailing:	Seven Seas Voyager	April 18, 2009
Tour Date:	April 25, 2009	
Ship Time in Port:	9:00 am -	10:00 pm
Tour Name:	<b><i>Jean Leon Winery</i></b>	
Full Day Tour:	Depart: 9:30 am	Return: 2:30 pm

Spend a delightful day learning about Spanish wines and visiting the Jean Leon Winery. But first you will stop to see one of Barcelona's most famous monuments, la Sagrada Familia, the amazing unfinished church designed by Gaudì. Your guide will explain the different facades as you take a short walk around the exterior of the building. There will be time to take pictures before rejoining the coach to begin the one-hour drive to Sant Sadurní d'Anoia, in the Penedés region, where you will visit the cellars of Jean Leon, owned by Torres Wine Cellars.

This vineyard was founded by Jean Leon, a Spanish-American gentleman who emigrated to the United States and became famous in Hollywood before returning here to create the winery. You will hear his extraordinary story and adventures that culminated in his dream becoming reality.

Jean Leon was the first winery to produce Cabernet Sauvignon and Chardonnay wines from foreign grape varieties that were perfectly adapted to the Mediterranean climate. This was done by applying a balanced mix of tradition and the most modern viticultural techniques.

When you arrive you will be greeted by a wine specialist and shown through the cellar. First, there will be a video presentation explaining Jean Leon's life as well as the foundation of his wine producing company. Then you will visit the Cellar Museum followed by a guided tour of the winery with explanations of the different wine-making techniques used here.

After the tour enjoy a privileged tasting of three wines produced in this cellar accompanied by an assortment of regional snacks that will be a light lunch break until you get back to the ship. As you sip your wine admire the spectacular views from the cellar's tasting room. This visitor center is located in a prime spot at the heart of the Penedés region, perched on top of a hill so the panorama over the numerous vineyards and small villages in the district make the view of the landscape a very unique and special one.

Now it is time to sit back and relax during the return drive to Barcelona where you will have the option of being dropped off in the city to shop or returning directly to the ship.

Ensemble *Experience* shore excursions are capacity controlled, subject to change without notice and require a minimum number of participants. All times are approximate. Your Ensemble Traveler host onboard will advise final details.