

Aurelia

Coastal Republic

A sample plan — every real city PDF has this depth of content

FAMILY OF 4

A day-by-day plan built for parents with young kids

Trip plan prepared for

Sample family — ages 8, 10, and two adults

2027-05-15 ' 2027-05-19

5

days

21h

activities

\$265

tickets & dining

Booking timeline

When to book what — most trip regrets come from booking too late

9 weeks before **Book international flights**

Prices typically bottom out 6-8 weeks before international departure. Set fare alerts on Skyscanner, Google Flights, or Hopper.

9 weeks before **Book hotel or Airbnb**

Best-value places sell out first. Choose refundable rates in case plans change.

6 weeks before **Check passport validity**

Most countries require 6+ months validity beyond your return date. Renewals take 6-8 weeks (or \$60 rush).

4 weeks before **Buy travel insurance**

Cancel-For-Any-Reason (CFAR) insurance MUST be purchased within 14-21 days of your first booking. World Nomads, SafetyWing, or InsureMyTrip.

4 weeks before **Call your bank + credit card companies**

Set travel notice so cards aren't frozen. Confirm zero foreign-transaction-fee cards (Chase Sapphire Preferred, Capital One Venture).

21 days before **Reserve: Il Giardino Verde**

Popular spot — book on OpenTable / TheFork or via hotel concierge.

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21 days before **Reserve: Trattoria del Porto**

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14 days before **Book: Museum of Coastal Antiquity**

Expected cost: \$18. Book on the official site to avoid resale markup.

14 days before **Buy an eSIM**

Airalo or Holafly — \$10-20 for a week of local data. Install BEFORE you fly.

14 days before **Download offline maps**

Google Maps ' hamburger menu ' Offline maps ' download the city.

7 days before **Book: Harborfront Promenade**

Expected cost: Free. Book on the official site to avoid resale markup.

7 days before **Book: Sunset Cliff Walk**

Expected cost: Free. Book on the official site to avoid resale markup.

7 days before **Enroll in STEP (US)**

step.state.gov — free, tells your embassy you're in-country.

7 days before **Confirm all reservations**

Email each restaurant/tour to reconfirm — some cancel no-shows.

3 days before **Check-in online for your flight**

Seat selection opens 24-72h before. Airlines often let you check in from home.

2 days before **Currency exchange**

Get \$100-200 local currency from your bank (better rate than airport ATM).

Day before **Pack per checklist + verify docs**

Passport, wallet, phone, charger, meds — every trip needs these four in a carry-on.

Day 1 — Arrival

2027-05-15 · 2 activities · 3h 30m · \$29

Light afternoon after travel — young kids will be jet-lagged. Keep it easy.

14:30 '16:30	Botanical Gardens A shaded 20-hectare park with rare Mediterranean plants and quiet reading nooks. Kid-friendly. 2h · \$6 · recommended Try nearby: Il Giardino Verde Vegetarian-friendly garden restaurant inside the botanical grounds · \$20-32 per person
19:30 '20:00	Family dinner — Casa Bianca Family-run trattoria off the tourist path — homemade pasta, generous portions 1h 30m · \$18-28 per person · recommended

Day total: 3h 30m · \$29 per person

Day 2

2027-05-16 · 3 activities · 5h 30m · \$7

Downtime built in — 2 activities plus a family dinner.

09:30

'11:30

Harborfront Promenade

Walkable arrival-day intro to the old town — the port, the fish market, and the seawall. Easy on jet lag.

2h · Free · must-see

Try nearby: Trattoria del Porto

Traditional Aurelian seafood — the octopus stew is what locals order · \$25-40 per person

14:00

'16:00

Sunset Cliff Walk

A 4km coastal path ending at a viewpoint locals gather at every evening. Bring a jacket.

2h · Free · must-see

Try nearby: La Terraza

Rooftop small-plates with sunset harbor views — reserve 2 weeks ahead · \$40-60 per person

19:30

'20:00

Family dinner — Café Marina

Best gelato in the old town — 40+ flavors, all house-made, cash preferred

1h 30m · \$5-8 · recommended

Day total: 5h 30m · \$7 per person

Day 3

2027-05-17 · 3 activities · 7h · \$126

Downtime built in — 2 activities plus a family dinner.

09:30

'12:30

Aurelian Cooking Class

Hands-on class with a local chef — you cook a 3-course meal and eat what you make.

3h · \$85 · recommended

Try nearby: Panificio San Marino

300-year-old bakery — early morning croissants, savory tarts by mid-morning · \$4-10

14:00

'16:30

Museum of Coastal Antiquity

The city's oldest institution — bronze-age artifacts, historic maritime maps, and a rooftop café with harbor views.

2h 30m · \$18 · must-see

Try nearby: Il Giardino Verde

Vegetarian-friendly garden restaurant inside the botanical grounds · \$20-32 per person

19:30

'20:00

Family dinner — Casa Bianca

Family-run trattoria off the tourist path — homemade pasta, generous portions

1h 30m · \$18-28 per person · recommended

Day total: 7h · \$126 per person

Day 4

2027-05-18 · 3 activities · 5h · \$103

Downtime built in — 2 activities plus a family dinner.

09:30

'12:00

Fishermen's Wharf Boat Tour

Small-group boat tour of the coast including a sea cave visit. Book the sunset slot.

2h 30m · \$45 · optional

Try nearby: Trattoria del Porto

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14:00

'15:00

Cathedral of San Marino

12th-century cathedral with a bell tower you can climb for panoramic views of the harbor.

1h · \$8 (tower) · recommended

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Day total: 5h · \$103 per person

Day 5 — Departure

2027-05-19 · 0 activities · 0m · \$0

One short morning visit, then head to the airport.

Free time — explore on your own.

Day total: 0m · \$0 per person

Budget breakdown

family · 4 travelers · 5 days

Category	Per person	Group of 4
Attractions & activities	\$162	\$648
Entry tickets and activity fees from your plan.		
Restaurants (dinner each day)	\$103	\$412
Midpoint of cost ranges; lunch usually \$10-20 extra per day.		
Lodging (estimate, mid-range)	\$560	\$2240
4 nights × ~\$140/night		
Local transport (estimate)	\$75	\$300
5 days of metro / taxis / ride share.		
Total trip estimate	\$900	\$3600

These are reasonable mid-range estimates. Travel hackers can cut 30-40%; luxury travelers easily 2-3×. Lodging assumes a mid-range hotel/Airbnb — actual prices vary by season and booking lead time.

If something goes wrong

Emergency reference for Aurelia, Coastal Republic

Local emergency numbers

Try (many countries)	112
Fallback (many countries)	911

Your embassy

US citizens: find the nearest US embassy or consulate at travel.state.gov (search "Coastal Republic"). They can help with lost passports, medical emergencies, arrests, and family emergencies. UK: gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice. Canada: travel.gc.ca. Australia: smartraveller.gov.au.

Medical help

In a medical emergency, call the local emergency number above — do NOT drive yourself. For non-emergencies, most major hotels can direct you to an English-speaking clinic. Ask the concierge or hotel front desk for the "nearest international hospital" or "tourist clinic."

Insurance

Keep your travel insurance policy number and 24/7 assistance hotline saved in your phone AND written on paper. Notify insurance BEFORE any non-emergency treatment for coverage. In a real emergency, treatment first, paperwork after.

Before you go

US citizens: enroll your trip in the free Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP) at step.state.gov so your embassy knows you're in-country and can reach you in a crisis.

Wallet card — fill in and cut out

Fill out this card and keep it in your wallet:

NAME: _____

PASSPORT #: _____

BLOOD TYPE: _____ ALLERGIES: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT (home): _____

INSURANCE POLICY #: _____

INSURANCE 24/7 LINE: _____

HOTEL: _____

Quick phrase guide

Aurelian essentials

English

Hello / Good day

Thank you

Please

Excuse me

Where is the bathroom?

How much?

The check, please

Help!

Local

Salvete

Gratias

Placet mihi

Ignosce

Ubi est latrina?

Quanti?

Ratio, placet

Auxilium!

Sounds like

sal-VEH-teh

GRAH-tsee-as

PLAH-ket MEE-hee

ig-NOHS-keh

OO-bee est la-TREE-nah

KWAHN-tee

RAH-tsee-oh PLAH-ket

owk-SEE-lee-um

Local tips that save time & money

Aurelia

Time savers

- Book the Coastal Antiquity museum for 9:30am opening — the tour buses arrive at 11am
- The Cliff Walk is 40% quieter before 8am and after 6pm
- The Old Town Food Market shuts at 2pm — go for late breakfast, not lunch
- The harbor ferry runs every 20 min but is packed at 8-9am and 5-6pm with commuters
- Book the Cooking Class 48h in advance — same-day rarely available
- Cathedral tower has only 1 elevator and a 30-min queue at midday — go before 10am
- Sunday is closing day for most small museums — plan larger attractions or Botanical Gardens
- The sunset viewpoint fills up 20 min before sunset — arrive earlier for the best spot

Money savers

- The Aurelia Museum Pass (~\$45) covers 6 major sites — pays for itself if you visit 3+
- Sunday mornings are free entry for the Cathedral tower and the Coastal Antiquity museum
- The 24-hour transit card (~\$8) covers all buses, trams, and the harbor ferry — worth it from day 1
- Water is free and safe from public fountains — bring a reusable bottle
- Lunch menus (menú del día) are 30-40% cheaper than the same restaurants at dinner
- Free walking tours meet at 10am and 3pm at the harbor statue — tip-based (10-15 AUC is standard)
- Farmers market prices drop by half in the last hour (typically 12:30pm)