**Romantic Greek Islands and Eastern Mediterranean**  
**Featuring:**  
Rome, Sicily & Naples, Italy - Mykonos, Santorini, Athens, Rhodes & Crete, Greece and the very special port of Valletta, Malta!  
**October 9 - 21, 2018  13 Day - 11 Night Cruise/Tour**

Join us and sail the sparkling blue waters of the Eastern Mediterranean.

Your cruise begins and ends in Civitavecchia, the port just outside of Rome where you'll enjoy an included sightseeing tour of this Eternal City! Then set sail for some of the most beautiful ports in the Eastern Mediterranean. Stroll through the narrow winding streets of picturesque Mykonos with its whitewashed houses and signature blue trim. Ride the donkeys up the winding path to the top of stunning Santorini. Explore the ruins of ancient Pompeii and discover the 16th century lighthouse in Chania's Venetian Harbor. Rediscover some of the favorite ports in the Eastern Mediterranean and marvel at the beauty and history of locales you've not visited. From Crete to Rhodes and Malta to Sicily, this delightful cruise/tour takes you there!

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**Itinerary**

**October 9, 2018 - Your Adventure Begins**
Today you board your overnight flight to Rome, beginning the trip of a lifetime as you enjoy the Romantic Greek Islands and the Eastern Mediterranean!

**October 10, 2018 - Rome**
On arrival in Rome, you are met by your escort set out on an included panoramic city tour before checking in to your hotel. This evening, enjoy our famous TRIPS Welcome to Italy dinner that you won't soon forget!  
Overnight: Rome (D)

**October 11, 2018 - Board the Norwegian Spirit**
After a leisurely breakfast you'll transfer to Civitavecchia, the Port of Rome, to board the Norwegian Spirit. After enjoying a late lunch onboard, take time to explore your home for the next 10 nights. Norwegian's Freestyle Cruising offers a wide range of amenities, activities, restaurants, and entertainment all designed to provide you with exactly what you want. The ship sails at 5pm. (B/L/D)

**October 12, 2018 - A Day at Sea**
Enjoy a relaxing day at sea exploring the Spirit. Check out the Tivoli Pool, four outdoor hot tubs or the Roman Spa for a massage. If you're feeling lucky, Maharajah's Casino is the place to be. With 17 dining options, you'll surely find just the thing you're hungry for - French, Italian, Asian or a burger hot off the grill! (B/L/D)

**October 13, 2018 - Mykonos, Greece**
The Spirit docks in lovely Mykonos this morning at 12pm. Known as "The Jewel of the Aegean Sea", Mykonos is the most famous of the Greek Islands. With the incredible blue sky as a backdrop, you'll be captivated by the famous windmills and whitewashed buildings. Stroll along the narrow alleyways and streets to find treasures of all sorts; a tiny red roofed church or taverna set along the waterfront. What a wonderful place to spend the day exploring! The Spirit sails from Mykonos at 8pm. (B/L/D)

**October 14, 2018 - Piraeus (Athens), Greece**
The Spirit docks in Athens from 8am to 5pm today. Athens, the center of Greek civilization for some 4,000 years is full of wonderful sites you might choose to visit. At the Acropolis see the iconic Parthenon, one of the most architecturally perfect structures in the world! There is also the temple of Olympian Zeus, one of the largest in antiquity, and Hadrian's Arch. The core of the historic center is surely the Plaka, inhabited without interruption since antiquity. Stop in at a local taverna for a traditional Greek meal and great people watching! See where the first modern Olympic Games were held in 1896 and the most recent nearly 100 years later in 2004. (B/L/D)

**October 15, 2018 - Rhodes, Greece**
Today finds you in the Greek Island of Rhodes from 9am to 5pm. The Old Town is one of the best preserved medieval settlements in the world and inside its imposing wall you'll discover a history of 2,400 years. Ancient statues, marble crest, the Street of Knights and the Palace of the Grand Masters. Today, the island is one of the most sought-after holiday destinations in Europe with emerald waters, sandy beaches and imposing castles! (B/L/D)

**October 16, 2018 - Santorini, Greece**
This afternoon be sure to be on deck as you sail into Santorini at 8am. The views of the whitewashed buildings atop of the cliffs are truly incredible. Reaching the town of Santorini can be quite an experience! For those who are adventurous, you might opt to ride the donkeys up the series of switch-backs! If that's not quite what you had in mind, there is a cable car that provides amazing views! Exploring is a delight as around every corner, the view is more spectacular! You'll surely recognize that postcard view of the blue domed church as you make your way along the island's winding streets. For a true Greek culinary experience, enjoy an Ouzo at a local café with a rousing cheer of Opa! Your ship sails at 5pm. (B/L/D)
Chania is one of the most beautiful and picturesque cities in Greece with an atmosphere that has a touch of Florence and Venice! The Chania harbor is picturesque with its historic Venetian Lighthouse. Crete was the setting for the novel Zorba the Greek written by Nikos Kazantzakis who is buried on the island. Wander the streets of old town and you'll find little has changed since it was written! You may choose to visit the magnificent Minoan Palace of Knossos, considered Europe's oldest city. Inhabited for millennia, it is the most important archeological site on Crete. You'll be here from 7am to 12pm. (B/L/D)

October 18, 2018 - Valletta, Malta

With 7,000 years of history, the Maltese Islands are steeped in culture and heritage. Valletta, the capital city of Malta is one of the most unique ports on this itinerary. Because of the strategic importance of the island, during WWII, Valletta was the most heavily bombed city in Europe. Over 3,000 bombing raids over a period of two years resulted in significant damage and later, the Maltese people achieved the distinction of being the only entire population to be awarded the George Cross, Britain's highest civilian hero for bravery. Today, you'll find streets and piazzas dating to the mid-16th century, in a city that has been described as “a city of palaces built by gentlemen for gentlemen”. Narrow side streets are full of quaint shops and cafes with an atmosphere that has a touch of Florence and Venice! The cathedral belies a magnificent interior which appears more like a jewelry box than a church.

The famous port of Messina is your port of call today from 8am to 6pm. Shakespeare set his lovable farce Much Ado About Nothing here and the expression ‘stuck between a rock and a hard place’ refers to the Straits of Messina. And in Homer’s epic poem, The Odyssey, the hero Odysseus needed to sail through the treacherous Straits of Messina. Another must see is the quaint village of Taormina spectacularly perched on a cliff overlooking the Ionian Sea. With charming shops and cafes lining the cobblestone streets it’s the perfect place to enjoy la dolce vita. (B/L/D)

October 20, 2018 - Naples/Pompeii, Italy

Today finds you in Naples, home of pizza, eggplant parmesan and Sofia Loren! Stroll the streets looking for that perfect sidewalk cafe or opt to visit nearby Pompeii. Built on the same spot as today’s city, only 20 feet of ash in the eruption of Mount Vesuvius in 79AD, it was rediscovered in 1599. If you’ve been to Pompeii, you might elect a day trip to the stunning Amalfi Coast and the charming town of Sorrento to sample homemade mozzarella at a local farm! SoYou'll be docked in Naples from 7am to 7pm. (B/L/D)

October 21, 2018 - Civitavecchia (Rome)

Return to Rome, docking at Civitavecchia at 6am. After breakfast you'll be assisted with your airport transfer. Memories of your delightful Mediterranean Cruise are sure to last a lifetime! (B)

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- Complimentary unlimited beverage package includes all drinks up to $5.00
- 5 night specialty dining package (excludes extra charged items)
- Gratuities included for both packages

See your club director for details of these very special TRIPS inclusions!

Inclusions

- Roundtrip airport transfers
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