





#### **GREECE**

# ITALY IN STYLE & THE GREEK ISLANDS JOURNEYS (TOUR CODE: 12936)

STARTS AND ENDS	TRAVEL PERIODS	EXPERIENCE	TRAVEL STYLE
Venice to Athens	02 Jun 25 & 08 Sep 25	Cruising Escorted	Group Journeys

Experience your dream holiday with a 16-night journey through Italy's art cities complemented by an enchanting Aegean Sea cruise, where you'll discover the breath-taking islands of Mykonos and Santorini.

## Highlights

- Guaranteed Departures. Small group sizes (max 24 passengers). English speaking only tour with an experienced Tour Director.
- Cruise the Aegean Sea aboard Celestial Cruise with Full Board included!
- Discover the city of Athens and its iconic landmarks such as the majestic Acropolis
- Explore the beauty of Piazza San Marco, Venice's iconic square
- · Visit Siena, one of the most important cities in medieval Europe
- · Uncover the splendor of the Vatican City

Start in Venice for an Italian immersion along its enchanting canals and captivating architecture. Explore Bologna and Florence, bastions of the Renaissance. Wander the medieval streets of Assisi, a UNESCO site. Unveil Michelangelo's masterpieces at the Sistine Chapel and marvel at Pompeii's ruins. Embrace the Amalfi Coast's beauty. Return to Rome for a Pizzeria cooking master class and an unforgettable dinner.

Fly to Athens and, the next day cruise the Aegean Sea aboard Celestial Cruise. Over the course of the 4-night Iconic Aegean tour, you'll experience the beauty of the Aegean Sea, indulge in delicious cuisine, explore ancient history, and immerse yourself in the enchanting Greek culture. With stunning vistas, authentic experiences, and comfortable accommodations on the cruise, this journey promises an unforgettable adventure through the Mediterranean islands. Your journey will end with 2 post-nights in Athens to discover what the city has to offer.





















- ENTIRE Cooling-Off Period
- ENTIRE Change of Mind
- ☑ ENTIRE On Ground Support
- ENTIRE AUD Prices
- ENTIRE Industry Accredited
- ENTIRE Australian Owned

# **INCLUSIONS**

- 16-night accommodation in 4-star hotels
- 4-night onboard the Celestial Cruise
- Transportation by coach
- Private transfers to/from airport as per itinerary
- Onboard the cruise: All meals (breakfast, lunch & dinner), glass of soft drinks, wine or beer during meals, tea-time, Midnight Snack, Entertainment and Activities on board
- Daily Breakfast at the Hotel
- Dinners as per itinerary
- Chianti wine testing, Typical "Aperitivo" in Siena
- Guided visits in Rome, Venice, Bologna, Florence, Perugia & Siena
- Entrance fees for Sistine Chapel, Pompei and Royal Palace Caserta included
- English-Speaking Only Tour Director throughout the journey (expect during the Cruise)

## **ITINERARY**

# Intro Map

Italy in Style & The Greek Islands Journeys



# 1 Venice Airport Venice

Meet & greet at the airport and take a private transfer to your hotel.

At 19:00, meet with your Tour Director (TD) at the hotel's Reception Desk for a welcome meeting. You will also meet your fellow travelers. Your TD will give you all the relevant details of the city and will inform you of the schedule for the following day.

The rest of the day is at leisure

Overnight stay in Venice at the Casanova Hotel or similar.



# Venice

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

Join your fellow travelers to discover the one and only Venice on a beautiful walking tour of the city. Discover Piazza San

Marco, known as St Mark's Square. Stroll across the Rialto Bridge and browse the lively Rialto fish market.

Afternoon at leisure to continue exploring this awesome city, otherwise add in an optional tour to Murano & Burano islands.

In the early evening, join your fellow travelers for an amazing **Gondola ride** to your Welcome Dinner at a local restaurant.

Overnight stay in Venice at the Casanova Hotel or similar.

Breakfast, Dinner



# 3 Venice Bologna Florence

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

Depart southwards to **Bologna**, famous for its towers, churches and lengthy porticoes, Bologna has a well-preserved historical center City tour & Archiginnasio. The Archiginnasio of Bologna is one of the most important buildings in the city of Bologna; once the main building of the University of Bologna, it currently houses the Archiginnasio Municipal Library and the Anatomical Theatre.

Continue towards **Florence**, famous Tuscany capital, and the Italian city of Renaissance.

Overnight stay in Florence at Villa Neroli or similar.

Breakfast



# § 4 Florence

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

Today you'll explore Florence on a walking city tour. Piazza Signoria, Duomo, Battistero, Campanile Giotto, Ponte Vecchio, old markets...Florence was a center of medieval European trade and finance, and UNESCO declared the Historic Centre of Florence a World Heritage Site in 1982.

Afternoon is at leisure for you to enjoy your own time in this stunning city of arts.

Overnight stay in Florence at Villa Neroli or similar.

### Breakfast



# § 5 Florence

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

Alternatively, you can add one of our optional extras to Pisa and Lucca (extra cost).

Overnight stay in Florence at Villa Neroli or similar.

#### Breakfast



# §6 Florence Siena Perugia

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

Depart to "The Road of Chianti". A Chianti wine is any wine produced in the Chianti region of central Tuscany. Sangiovese is the blend's dominant grape variety. Wine tasting in one of the classic vineyard and cellar.

Continue to **Siena**, one of the most important cities in medieval Europe. Its historic center is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The city is famous for "The Palio", a horse race held twice a year in Piazza del Campo. "Aperitivo" (light lunch) in Piazza del Campo with local products and wines.

After lunch, depart towards Perugia.

Overnight stay in Perugia at Perugia Plaza or similar.

Breakfast, Lunch



# 7 Perugia Assisi Rome

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

Discover today the historical city of Perugia. Going back to the Etruscan times, Perugia was one of the main cities. The city is also known as the universities town.

Depart to Assisi. The city of St Francis. Assisi is the birthplace of St. Francis, who founded the Franciscan religious order in the town in 1208, and St. Clare, who with St. Francis founded the Poor. UNESCO collectively designated the Franciscan structures of Assisi as a World Heritage Site in 2000.

Continue your journey in the early afternoon towards Rome, The Head of the World.

Overnight stay in Rome at Hotel Villa Pamphili or similar.

## Breakfast



Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

Set out for morning city discovery and enjoy one the most historical cities in the world, Rome City tour. We finish our tour at Saint Peter's Square located directly in front of Saint Peter's Basilica in Vatican City.

Afterwards, we will visit (entrance included) the famous Sistine Chapel. Its importance lies mainly in the frescoes that decorate the interior, most particularly the Sistine Chapel ceiling and The last Judgment both by Michelangelo.

Overnight stay in Rome at Hotel Villa Pamphili or similar.

#### Breakfast



# Rome

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

Alternatively, you can add one of our optional extras to discover the art of Rome visiting Major Basilica Santa Maria Maggiore, San Giovanni in Laterano (The cathedral of Rome), & Michelangelo's Moses in San Pietro in Vincoli (extra cost).

In the early evening, join your fellow travelers for a Farewell Dinner at a local restaurant.

Overnight stay in Rome at Hotel Villa Pamphili or similar.

Breakfast, Dinner

## ₹10 Rome Pompei

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

Early departure to **Pompei**. Visit of the ancient city ruins stopped in time after a devastated eruption of the Vesuvius. (Entrance included)

Perhaps after History and ruins we need to try some Vesuvian wine (Lacryma Christi) Wine tasting & light lunch at the vineyard.

Overnight stay in Pompei at Habita79 Pompeii - Mgallery Hotel or similar.

Breakfast, Lunch



# ₹ 11 Pompei

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

Today the day is at leisure for you enjoy your time.

Alternatively, you can add one of our optional extras to Naples to take the boat to Capri (extra cost).

Overnight stay in Pompei at Habita79 Pompeii - Mgallery Hotel or similar.

### Breakfast



# 2 Pompei Amalfi Coast & Positano Pompei

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

Bond for Salerno. Take a stunning boat tryp to discover the **Costiera Amalfitana**. Stops in Amalfi & Positano.

Overnight stay in Pompei at Habita79 Pompeii - Mgallery Hotel or similar.

Breakfast, Dinner



# ≥ 13 Pompei Caserta Rome

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

Departure to **Caserta** to visit The Royal Palace of Caserta (Reggia di Caserta) Former royal residence in Caserta, constructed by the House of Bourbon-Two Sicilies as their main residence as kings of Naples. The Royal Palace of Caserta is the largest former royal residence in the world.

Continue back to Rome. In the early evening, join your fellow travelers for an authentic and traditional farewell dinner at a Pizzeria cooking master class, followed by an unforgettable dinner.

Overnight stay in Rome at Hoxton Hotel or similar.

Breakfast, Dinner

## § 14 Rome Athens

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel. Take a private transfer to the airport.

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The rest of the day is at leisure

Overnight stay in Athens at Hotel Golden Age of Athens.

Breakfast, Dinner

# § 15 Athens Board your Cruise at Lavrion (Athens) Mikonos

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

All aboard the Celestial Olympia Cruise to discover the beauties of the Aegean Sea and its unique Mediterranean islands.

This breathtaking 4-night Iconic Aegean tour gives you an unforgettable feast of ancient history, authentic cuisine, Greek culture and stunning vistas. From the captivating capital of Athens, your voyage takes you through crystal-clear waters to discover an exciting blend of thrilling attractions, dramatic cliffs, rolling landscapes and all the romanticism of the Greek islands. Set yourself up in your exterior XB cabin, where you'll be staying for the next 4 nights.

Join your Tour Director and fellow travelers to discover the ship followed by your private welcome dinner onboard.

Overnight stay onboard the Celestial Discovery in an Exterior Stateroom Cabin.

Breakfast, Dinner



# 2 16 Cruise: Kusadasi (Turkey) Patmos

Enjoy your full buffet breakfast on board the ship.

**Ephesus shore excursion**: Today, the ruins of Ephesus are a favourite international and local tourist attraction and were designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Overnight stay onboard the Celestial Discovery in an Exterior Stateroom Cabin.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



# § 17 Cruise: Rhodes Island

Enjoy your full buffet breakfast on board the ship.

Day at leisure to enjoy your cruise and the Mediterranean scenery. Choose amongst the various shore excursions offered by Celestial cruises. Your Tour Director will help you organizing them.

Overnight stay onboard the Celestial Discovery in an Exterior Stateroom Cabin.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



# § 18 Cruise: Crete (Heraklion) Santorini

Enjoy your full buffet breakfast on board the ship.

Day at leisure to enjoy your cruise and the Mediterranean scenery. Choose amongst the various shore excursions offered by Celestial cruises. Your Tour Director will help you organizing them.

Overnight stay onboard the Celestial Discovery in an Exterior Stateroom Cabin.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



# 2 19 Cruise: Lavrio Port (Athens)

Enjoy your full buffet breakfast on board the ship.

Arrive at Lavrio, Athens' Port, at 0600 and commence disembarkation. Once at the port, your Tour Director will guide you to meet your Greek local guide to discover the city of Athens.

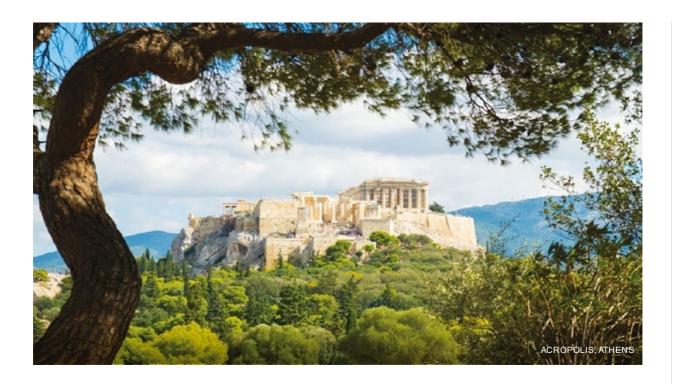
Drive through Panatenaico Stadium, where moders Olympics took over in 1896. Stop at Zeus Temple, father of all Gods. Continue to discover the main sites of Athens, such as the Parliament, Currency Museum, the Catholic Cathedral, Academia 's neoclassic buildings, the University, the National Library and Adriano's Arc.

Continue to discover the highlight of the day, the Acropolis Archeological area. Propileos, Atenea Nike's Temple, the original Erection's Temple, and Poseidon.

Check in at your hotel and rest of the day at leisure for you enjoy this historically stunning city of Athens.

Overnight stay in Athens at Hotel Golden Age of Athens.

Breakfast



# 320 Athens

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

Day at leisure for you enjoy the city. Optionally, you can have Delphi full day with lunch. (extra cost)

In the early evening, join your fellow travelers for a final Farewell dinner.

Overnight stay in Athens at Hotel Golden Age of Athens.

Breakfast



# 321 Athens Athens Airport

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at your hotel.

Take a private transfer to the airport.

END OF OUR SERVICES.

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# **ACCOMMODATION**

#### Hotel Casanova

#### Venice

Hotel Casanova is a four-star hotel located in the heart of Venice, Italy. It offers its guests a perfect blend of modern comfort and classic Venetian style. Thanks to its central location, guests have easy access to various iconic landmarks, including St. Mark's Square and the Rialto Bridge. The hotel features elegantly designed rooms. For guests seeking relaxation, the hotel offers a panoramic terrace that provides stunning views of the city. The hotel provides a wide range of services, including concierge, luggage storage, and ticket assistance. The on-site restaurant serves a range of delicious Italian cuisine, while the bar offers a variety of beverages. Hotel Casanova is the perfect destination for travelers seeking a comfortable and memorable stay in Venice, Italy.



### Villa Neroli

### Florence

Each room of the Hotel Villa Neroli is treated in detail, from the pastel tones of the walls to the style of the furnishings. The rooms have recently been renovated to ensure the guests a pleasant and relaxing stay, in an environment with a contemporary design and impeccable comfort to make every moment of the holiday even more precious. The hotel reserves a range of special services for all its guests, which will make your stay in Florence even more unforgettable. All services are designed to best satisfy every single need.



# Perugia Plaza Hotel

#### Perugia

The Perugia Plaza Hotel offers its customers all the services to make their stay in Perugia comfortable and unique. ideal for for weekends, business trips or meetings and conferences in Perugia. Rooms equipped with all comforts. The rooms welcome the customer by responding to your different needs.



# Habita79 Pompeii - Mgallery Hotel

#### Pompe

MGallery Hotel Collection offers a new travel experience and represents the ideal starting point for discovering the Pompeii excavations, the other enchanting archaeological sites of the region as well as the Sorrento peninsula and the Amalfi coast, whose beauty is renowned all over the world.

Located in the heart of Pompeii, a few steps from the entrance to the UNESCO heritage site, HABITA79 combines contemporary hospitality with the high international standards guaranteed by the Accor group.

Equipped with a very modern panoramic rooftop, the hotel is located just 25 minutes by car from the center of Naples and is served by 3 railway stations in the immediate vicinity.



# **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE	LOCAL CURRENCY
Greek	Euro(€)
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• We work with a selection of hotels in each location. All bookings are subject to availability, which means our team will confirm your specific hotels upon confirmation and payment of deposit.

# Excluded

- International airfares and taxes
- Domestic airfares and taxes, unless otherwise specified in our holiday package
- Visa expenses, processing and issuance fees
- Porto Local City Tax are not included, to be paid directly to the hotel
- Meals other than as specified in our holiday package
- Travel Insurance or expenses of a personal nature (mini-bar, phone call, laundry, etc.),
- Tips or gratuities to guides, drivers, porters, hotel, restaurant or boat staff, etc.
- · Or any other travel expense that has not been included in our holiday package (Entrance tickets to sites and museums)

# IN PARTNERSHIP

