

## NEOLITHIC GREECE & ADRIATIC HIGHLIGHTS - 9 NIGHT CRUISE ATHENS TO VENICE

UNESCO World Heritage Sites such as Saranda's Butrint National Park and Dubrovnik's Old Town beckon you to explore natural wonders and cinematic history. After a late-night experience of Mykonos' legendary nightlife, navigate the Corinth Canal, as only small vessels like ours can do. Launch directly into hidden coves near Dubrovnik and Fiskardo with opportunities to play with marina water toys straight from the yacht. For unbelievable views of the Bay of Kotor, hike to the top of San Giovanni Fortress at sunset with an extended evening in Kotor. Delve deep into Dubrovnik's local culture with a late departure from port, enjoying a wine tasting of Croatian and Montenegrin wine, coupled with delectable platters of meat and cheese.



#### **ITINERARY**

#### Day 1 Piraeus (Athens), Greece

Athens is still as iconic as ever. Winding pathways from ancient times transformed into modern-day roads and streets lead you to the monumental gateway of the Acropolis and other archaeological sites. It is a land soaked in history and mythology, but not stuck in the past. As you wend through back alleys, passing the street art and getting serenaded by street musicians, you are never lost. You are simply taking a journey to an unknown destination. You may find yourself at the likes of the Church of Agioi at the southeast corner of the Holy Apostles Ancient Agora, a less-crowded historical site away from the flocks of tourists. Try your hand at haggling with local vendors at the Plaka or Monastiraki flea market. There are so many handmade wares and trinkets to peruse and purchase. Keep an eye out for the more risqué souvenirs if you want a good laugh.



Aside from venturing through the cradle of Western Civilization, you can explore the port of Piraeus. It is the biggest port in Greece and one of the most important ports of the Mediterranean. Centuries of history have transformed this seaside town from a wartime fortress to a major shipping and transportation center.

## Day 2 Mykonos, Greece

Narrow, winding streets between the iconic architecture of whitewashed houses with blue domes create the archetypal image of modern-day Greece. Dotting the horizon up on the hill lie the renowned windmills among the Cyclades. The aroma of an old bakery, which still uses a 15th-century, wood-burning stove, entices you with the delicious scents of Greek pastries and baked goods. It is not a visit to Mykonos without sampling the local favorite, loukoumádes, fried dough dripped in honey, and sometimes topped with sesame seeds. Raise a glass to new friends and adventure with a round of ouzo and a serving of mostra at a local taverna. Taking the ferry to Delos, you reach an uninhabited island dedicated solely as an archaeological site known as the birth site of the sun god Apollo. It's the only island in the world entirely comprised of ruins..

## Day 3 Corinth Canal Transit & Itea (Delphi), Greece

Greece's Parliament did not authorize the canal's construction until 1869, and even then, work did not begin until 1882. But a lack of capital set back the construction. In 1890 work on the Corinth Canal started once more and was finally completed for its use for the first time on October 28, 1893. Its final construction stands at 70 feet wide at sea level, 81 feet wide at its top level, 300 feet tall and only about four miles long. Its narrow construction is too small for modern freight ships, but smaller expedition vessels and private boats can freely navigate

its route for an adventurous tour. Before heading into the legendary Delphi, you can dock in the charming coastal town of Itea. Feel free to explore Miami Beach (not to be confused with Florida's), its prestigious Blue Flag beach. The expansive local fields of Amfissa olive trees create a lush, green landscape known as the "sea of olives." The peak of Mount Parnassus in the distance adds to the sense of wonder in this picturesque scenery made for an impromptu photo shoot. When you're ready for some ruins, the Oracle at Delphi awaits. To explore the Sanctuary of Apollo and other ancient remnants, you must climb the slopes of the mountain on a path known as the Sacred Way. It is here you will gaze upon what's called the navel of the world. As you stand among the crumbling stones that make up the Athenian Treasury and ancient stadium, you cannot help but get swept back in time. There is a great sense of adventure that makes you feel like a certain iconic archaeologist as you step over stones the ancient Greeks once walked. Panoramic views behind the remaining structures create a richer picture of life before modern times. The surrounding environment creates a harmonious balance between nature and manmade marvels. Delphi is a place where history and mythology become entangled, where one cannot exist without the other. Everything feels simpler. But that does not make it any less inspiring. It is a privilege to witness these ancient Greek ruins that have stood the test of time.

## Day 4 Katakolon (Olympia), Greece

Katakolon is a little seaside village on the western coast of Ilia and it's exactly what you picture when you think what a Greek village should be. You can taste the day's catch fresh from the fishermen's nets at the gateway to Olympia. With a small population and plenty of shops and restaurants to peruse, it's



the perfect way for travelers to get an intimate look at Greek life. The home of the first Olympic Games in 776 BCE, Olympia still holds wonder. As explorers wander onto the ruins the first thing that catches their eyes are the stone columns. Still standing where they were first lined up in ancient times, one cannot help but let their imagination run wild as they fantasize about running the first flame across the field. Many are tempted to take their place in history when they catch sight of the pedestals where Olympic winners once stood to receive their spoils. But please, don't stand on the victors' columns. It will have to be enough to admire them or strike a triumphant pose next to one of the first place pedestals. Fun fact: This is where the saying, "Don't rest on your laurels," came to be. Victors of the Olympic Games earned a wreath made of aromatic bay laurels as a symbol of their triumph. But these long-past victories were never meant to help them hold their social status long term. Wander further into the ruins and find the remains of the Temple of Zeus. The platform is roped off for visitors, but just standing at its base is enough to inspire awe. Visitors can spend hours at the site and marvel at how all those constructs have managed to keep standing after all this time.

#### Day 5 Fiskardo (Kefalonia), Greece

Amid the Ionian island of Kefalonia lies a small fishing village, Fiskardo, with all the charms of a tiny Greek town but the elegant feel of a luxurious getaway. As a popular choice for yachts to dock, the harbor hosts plenty of upscale seafood restaurants. Opt for a quick dip after a day of adventure at one of Fiskardo's many pebble coves. For a more typical beach day, venture about 40 minutes out to the famous Myrtos Beach. If you're seeking a day filled with activity, try diving, snorkeling or kayaking with the locals. Find great hiking at the Venetian Lighthouse, Cypress and Battery Trails.

### Day 6 Saranda (Butrint), Albania

The horseshoe-shaped bay of Saranda on the Albanian Riviera lies between the Ionian Sea and rolling hills of olive groves. When visiting, the Butrint National Park should hold a spot on your bucket list. This UNESCO World Heritage Site and Ramsar Wetland Site of International Importance holds the remains of a city from the Roman Empire, a scenic lagoon and breathtaking mountains. Surrounded by beaches and a promenade, Saranda is a quintessential Mediterranean destination when you're looking for a simple yet elegant experience. Wander over to the secluded natural bay of Mirror Beach on the way to Ksamil village.

## Day 7 Kotor, Montenegro

Along the Adriatic coast of Montenegro lies the fortified town of Kotor, known for its medieval old town with winding streets and historic squares, as well as its many Romanesque churches and Maritime Museum. For unbelievable views of the Bay of Kotor, hike to the top of San Giovanni Fortress. Stroll through the many vendors, taking in the sounds, scents and colors as they call out their daily specials, produce and homemade goods. Swim the stunning azure waters of the bay with a boat tour to the Blue Cave.

## Day 8 Dubrovnik, Croatia

Along the Adriatic Sea in southern Croatia lies Dubrovnik, a city well-known for its 16th-century Old Town. Filled with enchanting historic sites and containing a sense of stories past, the Croatian city has rightly earned its place among the list of UNESCO World Heritage Sites. Delve into the fantastical side of the city as you tour the streets that have become part of cinematic history. Take a break from the historic for a relaxing beach day with a quick ferry ride to the nearby Lokrum Island.





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## Day 9 Hvar Island, Croatia

The port town of Hvar shares its name with the Croatian island, renowned as a prime summer destination for yachting. Considered the crown jewel of Croatia's Dalmatian islands, Hvar has cultivated a reputation as rich in history, culture, literature and natural monuments. Drink in the stunning landscapes as Hvar is covered in vast fields of ancient olive trees, lavender and vineyards. Within its bounds you will find the oldest town in the entirety of Croatia, Stari Grad, established by the ancient Greeks. For a picture-perfect seaside locale, head over to Dubovica Beach along the Adriatic Sea.

#### Day 10 Venice, Italy

The iconic image of Venice shows a city with no roads, only canals, because it's built on over 100 small islands in a lagoon amid the Adriatic Sea. In the heart of the city close to Piazza San Marco you will find the Bridge of Sighs, an architectural jewel amid so many historical wonders. Venetian cuisine is renowned throughout Italy for its high-quality seafood. Positioned within a lagoon, local chefs and restaurants have the advantage of fresh-caught fish directly from the source and bringing it straight to their tables.

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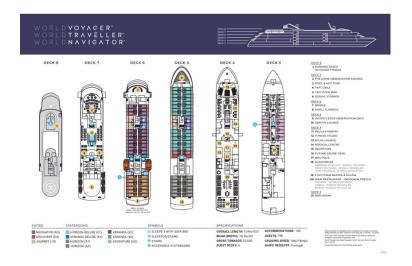




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