

ROME TO ATHENS 9 NIGHTS MEDITERRANEAN CRUISE

This voyage from Civitavecchia to Piraeus links Italy's volcanic islands with the storied shores of Greece. After calling at pastel-hued Ponza, the route continues to the Aeolian archipelago, with Lipari and a sail-by of active Stromboli. In Sicily, elegant Taormina overlooks the Strait of Messina, followed by Calabria's historic Crotone. Crossing the Ionian Sea, the journey explores Greece's western and southern coasts, from colourful Parga and Katakolon, gateway to ancient Olympia, to Pylos and the fortified rock of Monemvasia, before concluding near Athens.



ITINERARY

Day 1 Civitavecchia (Port for Rome), Italy

Civitavecchia is an important seaport serving Rome, the Italian capital. As a key entry point for Mediterranean cruises and ferries crossing the Tyrrhenian Sea, Civitavecchia offers a gateway to a variety of destinations in Italy and beyond. The city is 70 km from Rome and 62 km to Fiumiccino airport.

Day 2 Ponza - Pontine Islands, Italy

The pastel houses of Ponza Town rise in neat terraced rows from the busy harbour where sleekly groomed yachts and ramshackle fishing boats moor side by side. Happily, there are few tourists here, so it's a delight to wander through the unspoiled town.



Day 3 Lipari - Aeolian Islands, Italy & Stromboli, Italy (sailing in area)

The Aeolian archipelago is made up of 7 islands of volcanic origin, of which only Stromboli and Vulcano are still active volcanoes. The main island is Lipari, which offers travellers arriving by boat a beautiful panorama of its Acropolis, presided over by the Cathedral. Its marina is bustling with shops, boutiques and stalls... it's an island where life is good.

Known as the "Lighthouse of the Mediterranean," Stromboli is one of the world's most active volcanoes, rising dramatically from the sea in a perfect cone of black lava. As the ship sails in the surrounding waters, passengers gather on deck to watch the island's smoking summit and the famous Sciara del Fuoco, where glowing ash and stones occasionally tumble down the slope. The volcano last erupted significantly in 2019, and its gentle, frequent activity creates a mesmerising natural spectacle. Whether at sunrise or sunset, sailing near Stromboli is an unforgettable moment of raw beauty and quiet awe.

Day 4 Taormina - Sicily, Italy

Barreling under full sail through the narrow Strait of Messina past Scylla and Charybdis, where rock and whirlpool almost claimed Ulysses, you arrive in lovely Taormina. Perched on the shoulder of Mt. Etna, Taormina inspired Goethe to say that'It is the greatest work of art and nature.'

Day 5 Crotone, Italy

Crotone is a historic coastal city in southern Italy, known for its rich Greek heritage and beautiful beaches along the Ionian Sea. The city boasts ancient ruins, including the remains of the Temple of Hera Lacinia at Capo Colonna, and a charming old town with narrow streets and vibrant piazzas. Visitors can enjoy fresh seafood and traditional Calabrian cuisine at local trattorias. Crotone's scenic waterfront and historical sites make it a captivating destination for those exploring the Calabria region.

Day 6 Parga, Greece

Nestled in a sheltered bay along Greece's Ionian coast, Parga is a jewel of vibrant colour and easy charm. Passengers can wander through its cobbled lanes lined with flower-filled balconies and bright façades, or stroll the promenade overlooking the crystal-clear bay. Above the town, the ruins of a Venetian castle offers panoramic views of the surrounding islands and green hills. Those seeking a swim will find inviting beaches just a short walk from the harbor. With its seaside cafes, the colored waterfront and the ruins of the castle, Parga embodies the beauty of the peaceful Ionian coast in all its tranquil and picturesque splendor.

Day 7 Katakolon, Greece

A charming port town on Greece's Peloponnese peninsula, Katakolon serves as a gateway to the ancient site of Olympia, the birthplace of the Olympic Games. Passengers can explore



the ancient ruins with our optional tour. Katakolon itself offers a picturesque waterfront lined with shops and cafes, providing a relaxing prelude or conclusion to the historical exploration of Olympia.

Day 8 Pylos, Greece

Homer's 'Wise King Nestor' was very wise indeed to build his magnificent palace near Pilos. For the city's harbour of Navarino Bay and the land-locked lake that was the original harbour were a perfect refuge from storms - and invaders. And it was at this site on October 20, 1827, with the help of Britain, Russia and France, that modern Greece attained independence, defeating the Turkish navy in the Battle of Navarino Bay.

Day 9 Monemvasia, Greece

From the shore, it's a big rock sticking out into the sea. Then you pass over the causeway, and through an iron fortress gate, and suddenly, the town of Monemvasia is before you, a perfectly preserved Byzantine fortified port, once 60,000 strong, now home to just a few hundred. You can readily see why the name Monemvasia means single entrance! In the rocky hills above, ancient Byzantine ruins loom over the town, while below a maze of red tiled roofs and twisting alleys hide tavernas and cafes and the home of revered Greek poet Yannis Ritsos.

Day 10 Piraeus (Port of Athens), Greece

Walking in the shadow of the Acropolis in the Agora, you can almost hear the voices of Plato, Socrates and Aristotle arguing about who was the greatest philosopher. Ancient Athens, the birthplace of democracy and epicenter of western civilization, is a city for all eternity. Piraeus is the port of Athens, just 15km from the city and 45km from the airport.

Please note:

Itineraries are subject to change.



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VESSEL TYPE:

LENGTH:

PASSENGER CAPACITY:

BUILT/REFURBISHED:

Royal Clipper carries just 227 guests in luxurious style. The spacious decks include three inviting swimming pools. Find your very own world of privacy on one of the hidden balconies on either side of the bow, or go to even further lengths to get the best seat in the house. Passengers are invited to climb the mast (with safety harness provided) and take in the views from the converted crow's nest which not only offers the chance for a brief moment of reflection, but also provides the most unparalleled views of the lands and seas around you. If you thought the exterior areas were impressive, you will be even more amazed by Royal Clipper's interior spaces. Included in these is a three-deck atrium that enables sunlight to flood into the elegantly appointed, three-tiered dining room; featuring unreserved seating, meticulously prepared cuisine and an easy-going dress code which aims to make everyone feel included. And if your time isn't taken up by searching out distant lands from the crow's nest or enjoying a lovingly prepared meal in the dining room; you can always take a seat in the observation lounge, find solitude in the library or pamper yourself in the spa and health club, located in the unique Captain Nemo Lounge. Here you will even find underwater glass portholes which mean that even the secrets of the deep are open to those who sail aboard. The legendary Preussen, the largest, fastest sailing ship the world had ever seen was launched in 1902. She ruled the seas for just eight years before she was involved in an accident in 1910. Royal Clipper was inspired by the Preussen and has the proud distinction of being the largest and only five-masted full-rigged sailing ship built since her predecessor was launched on her maiden voyage from Bremerhaven. With her complement of 42 sails, with a combined area of 56,000 square feet, Royal Clipper stands out amongst her peers in more ways than one. Heavier, longer and with the ability to carry more passengers than both Star Clipper and Star Flyer this extraordinary vessel cuts through the the waves in majestic fashion and leaves all that sail in her awestruck. For all the characteristics that she possesses from the grand age of sail, Royal Clipper is as new and thoroughly modern, boasting a state-of-the-art navigation systems to prove it. She also combines beauty with comfort by offering onboard luxury. For passionate travellers and sail cruising connoisseurs, the 439 foot Royal Clipper offers a sea-going experience like no other; finding an undeniable balance between the grandeur, adventure and tradition of classic sailing and the superb facilities, cabins and conveniences associated with the finest





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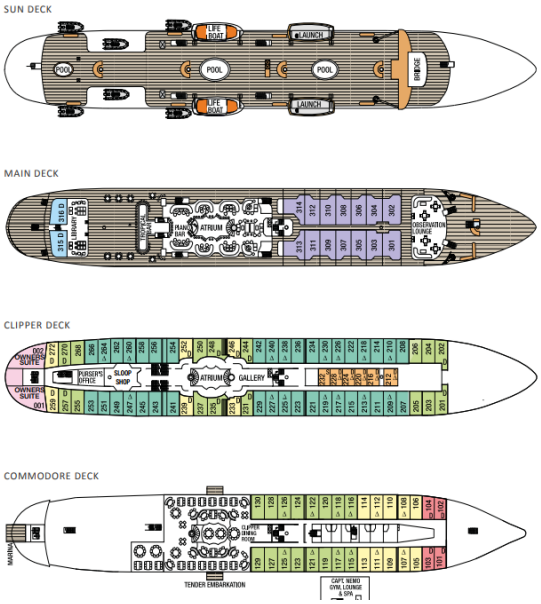
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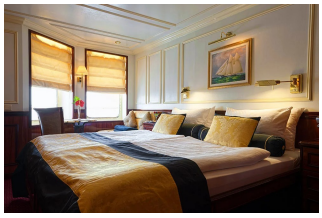


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DELUXE OUTSIDE SUITE



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PRICING

11-Sep-2027 to 20-Sep-2027

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