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HIGHLIGHTS

- Enjoy an educational program with lectures by David Aguilar and other experts
- Experience the thrill of sailing aboard the elegant *Sea Cloud* to ancient towns that were once centers of the Greco-Roman, Carthaginian, and Byzantine worlds
- Discover the Baroque cathedral in Syracuse, built on the ruins of a 2,500-year-old Greek temple
- Visit Agrigento, whose Valley of the Temples contains some of the finest Greek ruins in the world
- Explore the capital city of Palermo, dotted with Baroque churches, Arab mosques, and Byzantine mosaics
### SCHEDULE BY DAY

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<td>Tuesday, October 2</td>
<td>Valletta, Malta / Sea Cloud</td>
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<td>Arrive in Valletta and gather for lunch before transferring to the awaiting Sea Cloud. Enjoy a bon voyage toast on deck as you sail out of the historic harbor en route to Sicily.</td>
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<td>Wednesday, October 3</td>
<td>Syracuse (Sicily), Italy</td>
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<td>Splendid Syracuse, once the largest city in the ancient world, was a formidable rival to Athens. Discover the cathedral built on the ruins of the Temple of Athena and admire dramatic, well-preserved theaters where Aeschylus’ plays were performed. By special invitation, Barone Beneventano will welcome you to his Baroque palazzo for a tour and light refreshments. In the early evening the captain hosts a welcome reception and dinner.</td>
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<td>Thursday, October 4</td>
<td>Porto Empedocle / Agrigento (Sicily)</td>
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<td>Pindar called Agrigento “the most beautiful city built by mortal men” and the nearby ruins of the Valley of the Temples demonstrate why. The Temple of Concord, perhaps the best-preserved Greek temple in the world, inspired the UNESCO logo.</td>
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<td>Friday, October 5</td>
<td>Trapani / Segesta (Sicily)</td>
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<td>Explore Segesta’s splendid Doric temple, strangely unfinished, whose columns are said to produce organ-like tones on windy days. Later you may visit either Erice—a hilltop medieval town whose Norman castle sits atop the ruins of a temple of Venus—or Mazara del Vallo, to see its 2,400-year-old, seven-foot bronze statue the “Dancing Satyr,” rescued from the sea by fishermen in 1998.</td>
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<td>Saturday, October 6</td>
<td>Palermo (Sicily)</td>
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<td>Sicily’s capital of Palermo was the envy of Europe under the Normans. Their enlightened rule produced the golden mosaics you will see in the 12th-century Palatine Chapel, described by Guy de Maupassant as “the most surprising religious jewel ever dreamt of.” After lunch on board, drive to Monreale to admire the brilliant mosaics in the magnificent Norman cathedral. Afterwards, enjoy a cocktail reception at the Opera House.</td>
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Sunday, October 7
LIPARI
(AEOLIAN ISLANDS), ITALY
Early this morning sail through the Aeolian archipelago, volcanic islands off the north coast of Sicily. Tender ashore to Lipari, which has known uninterrupted occupation since the Neolithic Age. The Archaeological Museum within the fortress walls boasts a superb collection of artifacts, including extraordinary masks from this and other islands.

Monday, October 8
AT SEA
Experience the thrill of sailing aboard our fine ship, attending lectures and delighting in the grace and romance of a bygone era of travel.

Tuesday, October 9
NAPLES, ITALY / RETURN
Disembark Sea Cloud in Naples this morning and transfer to the airport for the flights home, or remain in Italy for the optional postlude.

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JOHN STEWART
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