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MONDAY, OCTOBER 17
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 has a superb collection of artifacts, including extraordinary masks from this and nearby islands.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14
DEPART U.S.
Depart the U.S. on an overnight flight to Naples.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15
NAPLES, ITALY / SEA CLOUD II
Upon arrival in Naples, transfer to the awaiting Sea Cloud II. As your journey begins, enjoy a bon voyage toast on deck, followed by dinner.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16
DAY AT SEA
Today experience the thrill of sailing aboard the legendary Sea Cloud II. As she carries you through the gentle waters under a set of billowing sails, the day is yours to enjoy the grace and romance of a bygone era of travel. Attend afternoon lectures and join the captain for cocktails followed by the welcome dinner.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18
PALERMO (SICILY), ITALY
Dock in Palermo, the capital of Sicily, for a morning visit to the 12th-century Palatine Chapel in the Palace of the Norman Kings. Described by Guy de Maupassant as “the most surprising religious jewel ever dreamt of,” the chapel is known for its extraordinary golden mosaics. Then visit the Regional Gallery when it is closed to the public. After lunch on board, drive to Monreale to discover the magnificent Norman cathedral, whose brilliantly colored mosaics depict scenes from the Old and New Testaments. Return to Palermo for a special reception at Palazzo Gangi.
**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19**

**TRAPANI (SICILY), ITALY**

Arrive at the port of Trapani and depart on a morning excursion to Segesta to view its splendid Greek temple and theater. Following lunch on board, you may wish to drive to the medieval hilltop town of Erice. Alternatively, travel to the village of Mazara del Vallo to see its spectacular seven-foot bronze statue, only recently retrieved from the sea by local fishermen. With his flying hair and goat ears, the 2,400-year-old figure was quickly dubbed the “Dancing Satyr.” In the early evening, Sea Cloud II sails along the northern coast of Sicily.

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20**

**PORTO EMPEDOCLE (SICILY), ITALY**

Enjoy a relaxing morning on board. After lunch, arrive in Porto Empedocle and drive to Agrigento, which Pindar called “the most beautiful city built by mortal men.” Tour the Valley of the Temples, with some of the finest Greek ruins in the world. Return to the ship and set sail for Syracuse.

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21**

**SYRACUSE (SICILY), ITALY**

Today explore Syracuse, one of the most important cities in antiquity. Discover the dramatic, well-preserved Greek and Roman theaters of the Archeological Zone. On Syracuse’s beautiful Ortigia Island, see the cathedral built on the ruins of the Temple of Athena as well as Caravaggio’s prized painting, *The Burial of St. Lucy*, in the Church of Santa Lucia alla Badia. By special invitation, visit the baroque palazzo of Barone Beneventano, who will welcome the group for a tour and afternoon refreshments. Sea Cloud II remains in port overnight.

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22**

**SYRACUSE**

Drive to the fourth-century Villa del Tellaro, where artful mosaics depict hunting scenes and the story of Hector. Continue to the lovely town of Noto, set amid olive groves and almond trees on a plateau overlooking the Asinaro Valley. A walking tour will introduce you to the town’s baroque treasures. Return to Syracuse in the late afternoon. Early this evening, enjoy the captain’s farewell dinner as Sea Cloud II sets sail for Malta.

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23**

**VALLETTA / U.S.**

Disembark Sea Cloud II in Malta this morning and transfer to the airport for flights to the U.S.
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Per person, double occupancy

- 204 to 206* $6,995
  Cabin Deck. State Rooms. Twin berths, shower.

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- 303 to 319 $13,995

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EARLY this morning sail for a tour and afternoon invitation, visit the baroque on the ruins of the Temple of Island, see the cathedral built Greek and Roman theaters of SYRACUSE (SICILY), ITALY

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21

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