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- A day exploring the impressive ruins of 3,000-year-old Syracuse, Sicily, once the largest city in the ancient world
Thursday, October 11
DEPARTURE
Depart on an overnight flight to Venice.

Friday, October 12
VENICE, ITALY / SEA CLOUD II
Arrive this morning in Venice. Enjoy lunch at the Hotel Europa & Regina, overlooking the Grand Canal. A canal cruise brings you to Sea Cloud II for embarkation. Gather on deck for a champagne toast as you sail out of the Venetian Lagoon, past the Doge’s Palace and the Church of San Giorgio Maggiore.

Saturday, October 13
TRIESTE, ITALY
Step ashore in the former Austro-Hungarian seaport of Trieste and visit the Piazza Unità d’Italia, with its Romanesque and Gothic Cathedral of San Giusto. A short walk takes you to Borgo Teresiano, the historic area whose buildings reflect the 18th-century opulence of Empress Maria Teresa’s reign in the region. Tonight join the captain for a welcome reception followed by dinner.

Sunday, October 14
RAVENNA, ITALY
Ravenna, capital of the Western Roman Empire from the 4th to the 7th centuries, is home to some of the most stunning mosaics in the world. See the exquisite Mausoleum of Galla Placidia and Theodoric’s two great churches, with their extraordinary mosaic processions. At the Basilica of San Vitale the splendors of the Byzantine court are reflected in the depictions of Emperor Justinian and Empress Theodora.

Monday, October 15
AT SEA
Experience the thrill of sailing under wind power during a day at sea. As Sea Cloud II crosses the Adriatic, observe as the crew practices the art of trimming the sails by hand, or perhaps settle into a comfortable deck chair with a favorite book.

Tuesday, October 16
DUBROVNIK, CROATIA
In the spectacular walled city of Dubrovnik, discover the influence of the Venetian architects in the city’s main street, Placa. View ancient manuscripts on a visit to the Franciscan Library, as well as the paintings in the Dominican and Franciscan Monasteries and the Rector’s Palace. Gather for a performance by a folkloric a cappella choir before returning to the ship for lunch.

Wednesday, October 17
OTRANTO / LECCE, ITALY
Following a morning at sea, arrive at Otranto, where two excursion options are offered. A walking tour of Otranto includes the Cathedral of Santa Maria to admire its splendid mosaic of the Tree of Life, the Byzantine Church of San Pietro and its frescoes, and the views of the port from the Bastione dei Pelasgi. Alternatively, drive to Baroque Lecce, with its exuberantly ornamented churches, palaces, and houses carved from the honey-colored local stone. Visit the Piazza Sant’Oronzo, the Roman amphitheater, and the Basilica of Santa Croce. See the restored 16th-century cathedral and the adjoining archbishop’s palace.
Thursday, October 18
SARANDE, ALBANIA
Albania, for a long time closed to the rest of the world, can now be seen in all its untamed beauty. In Butrint, a UNESCO World Heritage site, view some of the archaeological findings and ruins representing various periods in this ancient city’s development. Alternatively, visit another UNESCO World Heritage site, the Ottoman town of Gjirokaster. Afterwards, drive to one of Europe’s most unique natural phenomena—the Blue Eye Spring, with its sparkling turquoise water. B, L, D

Friday, October 19
AT SEA
As Sea Cloud II crosses the Adriatic back to Italy, you may wish to visit the captain on the bridge and attend lectures by Professor Kelly and other experts. B, L, D

Saturday, October 20
SYRACUSE, SICILY
This morning explore Syracuse, one of the most important cities in antiquity. Discover the ancient Greek and Roman theaters in the Archaeological Zone, and see the cathedral in the Old Town, built upon the ruins of the Temple of Athena. View Caravaggio’s *Burial of St. Lucy*, housed in the church of Santa Lucia alla Badia (pending confirmation). Alternatively, visit *Il Biviere*, a unique Mediterranean garden. You are then invited for a private visit to the Palazzo Beneventano del Bosco. Toast a memorable voyage tonight at the captain’s farewell dinner. B, L, D

Sunday, October 21
VALLETTA, MALTA / RETURN
Disembark for the return flights home or continue on the optional Malta postlude. B

OPTIONAL PRELUDE IN VENICE
October 10–12, 2018
During a two-night stay in Venice, discover the Doge’s Palace—richly adorned with artistic masterpieces by Titian, Veronese, and Tintoretto—and marvel at the glittering mosaics of Basilica San Marco during a specially arranged private tour. Visit the jewel-like early Renaissance church of Santa Maria dei Miracoli. The treasures of the Accademia and dinner at a private palazzo are additional highlights. Accommodations are at the deluxe Hotel Europa & Regina, located on the Grand Canal.

Prelude rate: $2,299 per person, double occupancy. Single supplement: $399.

Rate includes: Two nights at Hotel Europa & Regina; two breakfasts, one reception, and one dinner. Sightseeing as noted.

OPTIONAL POSTLUDE IN VALLETTA
October 21–23, 2018
Spend two nights in Valletta, the European Capital of Culture for 2018, and visit the medieval walled city of Mdina, Malta’s old capital. In quaint Rabat, explore St. Paul’s Catacombs and see the Domus Romana, a first-century B.C. Roman house with exquisite mosaics. Discover the Neolithic Temple of Hagar Qim, one of the oldest freestanding temples in the world. View a Caravaggio masterpiece at St. John’s Co-Cathedral, and see tapestries and armor at the Grand Master’s Palace. Accommodations are at the landmark Phoenicia Hotel in Valletta’s historic center.

Postlude rate: $1,399 per person, double occupancy. Single supplement: $399.

Rate includes: Two nights at The Phoenicia hotel; two breakfasts, one lunch, and one dinner. Sightseeing as noted.

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Dubrovnik, photo by Antonio Fernández (left), Syracuse Cathedral, photo by Harvey Barrison (right)

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Valletta’s historic center.

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masterpiece at St. John’s Co-

TEMPLE OF ATHENA. VIEW

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Sea Cloud II (top); Gjirokaster, Albania, photo by Pats Place (center); Otranto, photo by Suzi Guese (above)

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