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**Itinerary**

**September 12 to 20, 2019**

Athens, Meteora, Delos, Mykonos, Pátmos, Rhodes, Nafplion, Santorini

**Day**

1. Depart the U.S.
2. Athens, Greece/Embark Le Bougainville
3. Volos for Meteora
4. Delos/Mykonos
5. Pátmos
6. Lindos/Rhodes
7. Santorini
8. Nafplion for Mycenae and Epidaurus
9. Athens/Disembark ship/Return to the U.S.

Cruise itinerary is subject to change.
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INCLUDED FEATURES

On board the exclusively chartered, Five-Star, small ship Le Bougainville

- Insights from Aegean historian Eleni Zachariou.
- Seven-night cruise round trip Athens, Greece, with port calls at Volos for Meteora, Delos, Mykonos, Patmos, Lindos, Rhodes and Santorini, and Nafplion for Mycenae and Epidaurus.
- Elegantly appointed, Five-Star Suite or Stateroom, each with a private bathroom and private balcony.
- Captain’s Welcome and Farewell Receptions.
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- All meals—early continental breakfast, buffet breakfast, buffet lunch, afternoon tea and dinner—throughout the cruise, featuring fine international and regional cuisine, served at single, unassigned seatings.
- Wine is served with lunch and dinner.
- Complimentary Wi-Fi throughout the ship.
- Blue Eye—the world’s first luxury, multisensory, underwater observatory.

EXPERT-GUIDED EXCURSIONS

- Excursion to the extraordinary UNESCO World Heritage site of Meteora, where 14th- and 15th-century Greek Orthodox monasteries sit atop towering natural sandstone pinnacles, with lunch.
- Walking tour of medieval Rhodes Town, a UNESCO World Heritage site, with a visit to the 14th-century Palace of the Grand Masters of the Knights of St. John.
- Visit to the Acropolis of Lindos.
- Tour of the Cave of the Apocalypse and the Monastery of St. John, a UNESCO World Heritage site, on the island of Patmos.
- Walking tour of UNESCO World Heritage-designated Delos’ splendid classical ruins including the Sanctuary of Apollo and the theater quarter.
- Tour of Santorini, featuring a visit to the renowned Museum of Prehistoric Thera and a cable car ride down from the hilltop town of Fira.
- Visit to Mycenae, a UNESCO World Heritage site and the “well-founded citadel” described in Homer’s The Iliad.

EXCLUSIVE CULTURAL ENRICHMENTS

- Time at leisure to explore the islands of Mykonos and Patmos.
- Guided tour of the phenomenal Minoan site of Bronze-Age Akrotiri on Santorini.
- Excursion to Epidaurus, featuring the UNESCO World Heritage-designated Sanctuary of Asklepios and its perfectly preserved theater.
- ISLAND LIFE® Forum with local residents who will discuss contemporary life on the ancient islands of the Aegean Sea.
- Traditional Greek music and dance performance.
- Special culinary presentation given by the ship’s pastry chef.

ENHANCED TRAVEL SERVICES

- Transfers and luggage handling aboard if your arrival(s)/departure(s) coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s).
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