



Cruise Details

Name:	Discover the Mediterranean from Athens to Venice
Reference:	EMERALD2D03250426-2
Operator:	Emerald Cruises
Cruise Type:	Ocean
Cruise Rating:	Ultra Luxury
Ship:	Emerald Kaia
Regions:	Mediterranean
Departs On:	25 Apr 26
Departs From:	Piraeus
Arrives On:	09 May 26
Arrives At:	Venice
Cruise Nights:	14
Total Vacation Days:	15

Itinerary

Day 1: Piraeus (Greece)

Your Mediterranean cruise begins in the ancient Greek capital, Athens, where you'll be transferred to your Emerald Cruises luxury yacht to embark on a tour of fascinating cities and extraordinary coastlines.

Please book your flight to arrive into Athens prior to 06:00 PM.

Docked: 23:00

Arrives On: 25 Apr 26

Day 2: Port information not found

Today, it's time to sail through the 19th century Corinth Canal, a feat of engineering and narrow waterway that crosses the isthmus of Corinth in Greece into the Ionian Sea. Sail to the small port of Itea, then embark on a journey to the archaeological site of Delphi, regarded by the Ancient Greeks as the centre of the world and today, a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

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Guided tour of Delphi (extra

expense, must be pre-booked)
Enjoy an extraordinary journey from the picturesque town of Itea to the legendary sanctuary of Apollo, where the renowned oracle once spoke. Step into the rich history of Delphi as you explore the ancient Sanctuary of Apollo and the Delphi Museum, a treasure trove of antiquities that transport you back in time.
Activity Level: Strenuous, Duration: 4 hours</p><p><p>Docked: 13:00 - 19:00</p></p>

Arrives On: 26 Apr 26

Day 2: Itea (Greece)

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Day 3: Lefkáda Island (Greece)

<p><p>Known as the 'Caribbean of Greece', Lefkada is connected to the mainland by a narrow bridge, making it one of the few islands here accessible by car. One of the most fascinating places in Lefkada is the Castle of Agia Mavra, dating back to the 14th century and built to protect Lefkada from invasions. </p></p><p>DiscoverMORE
Lefkada tour with Faneromeni Monastery (extra expense)
Kick off your journey at Nidri Port, where our friendly guides will greet you. Get ready to visit the tranquil Monastery of Faneromeni, a peaceful haven surrounded by lush landscapes. From the monastery, your adventure continues to the lively centre of Lefkada Town, where a gastronomic journey awaits. After your flavourful experience, enjoy some free time to stroll through the picturesque streets of Lefkada Town.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4 hours</p><p>DiscoverMORE
Drive to Porto Katsiki , wine tasting and olive museum (extra expense)
Set sail on a captivating exploration of Lefkada's rich cultural heritage. Your first stop is the Olive Museum in Sivros, a haven of time-honoured traditions and the esteemed olive cultivation methods that have defined the island for generations. Continue to the stunning Porto Katsiki, a gem of natural beauty celebrated for its unspoiled beaches and clear waters. Get ready to awaken your senses at the renowned Winery of Lefkas Earth, where the craft of winemaking harmonizes with the island's lush surroundings.
Activity Level: Easy to Moderate, Duration: 5.5 hours</p><p><p>Offshore 08:00 - 19:00</p></p>

Arrives On: 27 Apr 26

Day 4: Parga (Greece)

<p><p>On mainland Greece, Parga offers a carefree holiday atmosphere. Enjoy the sunshine on one of the many beaches, explore traditional Greek villages and marvel at the 11th century Parga Castle, which offers an incredible bird's eye view of the resort town and coastline.</p></p><p>DiscoverMORE
Sightseeing tour of Meteora monasteries including a Greek lunch (extra expense)
Enjoy the scenic drive to Meteora, where

the landscape transforms into a breathtaking display of gigantic rocks etched by centuries of wind and weather. Explore two of these remarkable monasteries, each perched atop towering rocks, offering panoramic views of the surrounding landscape. After exploring the Meteora Monasteries, journey to the charming Kalambaka Village and treat your taste buds to a traditional Greek meal.

Activity Level: Strenuous, Duration:

10.5 hours

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Kayaking Adventure (extra expense)

Our journey commences at the serene Ai Giannakis beach, where we embark on a scenic kayaking route that unveils breathtaking landscapes and enchanting bays. As we navigate the turquoise waters, the captivating natural beauty of the surroundings comes to life, especially as we pass by the striking vertical cliffs. Highlights of the excursion include a visit to Aphrodite's Sea Cave and a leisurely entry into the picturesque harbour of Parga, where we can admire the verdant isle of Panagia. We will take a brief intermission to enjoy a snack and recharge before continuing our adventure. We will paddle through the area's captivating islets before making our way back to our original departure point at Ai Giannakis beach.

Activity Level:

Moderate, Duration: 3.5 hours

Offshore 08:00 - 19:00

Arrives On: 28 Apr 26

Day 5: Corfu (Greece)

This ruggedly beautiful Greek island is dotted with whitewashed houses and olive trees and is edged with shimmering turquoise waters. The UNESCO World Heritage-listed Old Town of Corfu has a rich history and magnificent architecture displaying Renaissance and Baroque influences. Explore quaint fishing villages, relax on the many idyllic beaches and coves and stroll through the largest square in Greece, the Spianada.

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Guided walking tour of Corfu town (extra expense)

Commence your adventure by passing through the historic Bonati Arch, an entryway to Corfu's Old Town that sets the stage for a captivating exploration. Discover the Jewish Quarter, where a 300-year-old synagogue bears witness to the rich tapestry of Corfu's past. Marvel at the Venetian stylings of the Town Hall, a masterpiece from the late 1600s that stands as a testament to the island's historical significance. Behold the iconic view of the red-domed bell tower of St. Spyridon Church, a religious landmark dating back to the 16th century.

Activity Level: Moderate, Duration:

2 hours

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4x4 adventure of the Corfiot countryside (self-driving tour, extra expense)

Journey through charming seaside resorts such as Alykes, Kontokali, and Gouvia, where the beauty of the coastal landscape will captivate you. Continue your exploration to the village of Troubetta, where a mountain ridge provides a stunning backdrop showcasing the islands of Mathraki and Othoni. Indulge in the flavours of Greece with a typical Greek meze at Castellino restaurant in Lakones. Your journey culminates at the bay of Paleokastritsa.

Note: A valid driving license is required and must be over the age of 23 years old. For non EU guests an international driving license is required. Jeeps are equipped with manual gearboxes, not automatic.

Activity Level: Moderate, Duration:

4.5 hours

Docked: 23:30 (day prior) - overnight

Arrives On: 29 Apr 26

Day 6: Sarandë (Albania)

Today, it's time to rise early in the morning and leave Corfu, setting sail for Sarandë, a popular coastal town perched on a crescent-shaped bay in Albania. The once sleepy fishing village presents a bustling seaside promenade, pebbled beaches and ancient ruins adorned with intricate mosaics and historical artefacts.

Included Excursion

A guided tour of Butrint
Your adventure begins as you traverse the serene River Bistrica, meandering through the rocky channels of Cuka, and crossing the vast plains of Vurgu. Your ultimate destination awaits at the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Butrint, a testament to centuries of human civilization. Delve deep into the lower part of Butrint, unravelling its mysteries and stories. Gain insights into the significance of each ancient ruin, from temples to theatres, and envision the bustling life that once thrived within these ancient walls.

Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 3 hours

Docked: 09:00 - 13:30

Arrives On: 30 Apr 26

Day 7: Kotor (Montenegro)

Encircled by medieval walls, the fortified city of Kotor is an enthralling place of ancient history and modern culture. Nestled between imposing mountains and the Adriatic Sea, this UNESCO World Heritage-listed setting reveals Venetian palaces, cobblestone lanes and café-hemmed squares. As the sun is setting, you'll set sail for Croatia and the stunning city of Dubrovnik. Today choose between our EmeraldACTIVE or DiscoverMORE option.

EmeraldACTIVE

Guided hike of Kotor's city walls
Declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1979, the City Walls of Kotor stretch for almost 5 kilometres, encompassing the city and offering those who embrace the challenge of climbing them, wonderful views of the bay of Kotor and the Old Town. Step back in time as your knowledgeable guide brings to life the history of the fortifications and the important part they played in the protection of the city. Climb to the highest point, where you'll find the well-preserved fortress of St John and be rewarded with a magnificent view of the harbour and the red roofs of the Old Town.

Activity Level: Strenuous, Duration: 2.5 hours

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Our Lady of the Rocks and walking tour of Kotor (extra expense)
Discover the magic of Montenegro with a scenic boat ride across the Bay of Kotor to the legendary Our Lady of the Rocks, a man-made island crowned by a centuries-old church and maritime museum. Continue to the elegant town of Perast, where baroque architecture and waterfront views set the scene for a visit to the Maritime Museum. Conclude your journey in Kotor's Old Town, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, with a guided walking tour through its labyrinth of stone lanes, historic churches, and vibrant squares that reveal the city's

rich and layered past.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration:

5.5 hours</p><p>EmeraldPLUS
An exclusive concert on board featuring a guitar duo
Embark on a mesmerizing musical journey with two of Montenegro's most celebrated guitarists, Srdjan Bulatovic and Darko Nikcevic. Known for their extraordinary talent and captivating performances, this dynamic duo will treat you to an unforgettable experience filled with soul-stirring melodies and vibrant rhythms.
Duration: 1 hour</p><p><p>Docked: 09:00 - 16:00</p></p>

Arrives On: 01 May 26

Day 8: Dubrovnik (Croatia)

<p><p>Dubrovnik, known as the 'Pearl of the Adriatic', is a compelling city on Croatia's Dalmatian coast.</p></p><p><p>*Please verify with the Shore Excursion Manager onboard whether a DiscoverMORE tour is available today.</p></p><p><p>Docked: 23:00 (day prior) - Overnight</p></p>

Arrives On: 02 May 26

Day 9: Dubrovnik (Croatia)

<p><p>Dubrovnik's walled Old Town presents one of the finest examples of a medieval citadel in Europe. With its storied history and breathtaking views of iconic terracotta rooftops and the alluring Adriatic Sea, Dubrovnik offers the perfect blend of cultural exploration and a relaxing beach holiday.</p></p><p>DiscoverMORE
Walking tour of Dubrovnik (extra expense, must be pre-booked)
Embark on a captivating walking tour of Dubrovnik, starting with a scenic coach journey from the pier to Pile Gate. Explore the Franciscan Monastery, where the mesmerizing cloister and Europe's oldest operating pharmacy, dating back to 1317, await your discovery. Admire the exterior of other notable sites, soaking in the rich history and architectural beauty of Dubrovnik. After the guided tour, take advantage of some free time to further explore the town at your own pace, perhaps wandering through charming alleyways or pausing to indulge in local cuisine.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 3.5 hours</p><p>DiscoverMORE
Dalmatian family experience (extra expense, must be pre-booked)
Travel by motorcoach to Cilipi, a quaint village near Dubrovnik. Our experience will begin with a brief stroll through the village alongside our hosts, allowing us to meet the residents and gain insight into their everyday lives. You'll also savor authentic, home-cooked Croatian dishes as we partake in a meal that reflects the daily culinary traditions of our host family.
Activity Level: Easy, Duration: 3 hours</p><p><p>Offshore: 08:00 - 18:00</p></p>

Arrives On: 03 May 26

Day 10: Trogir (Croatia)

<p><p>Discover Trogir, a charming coastal town where history meets beauty. Stroll through its UNESCO-listed old town, brimming with well-preserved medieval architecture, vibrant markets, and serene waterfront views. Explore the stunning Cathedral of St. Lawrence, wander cobbled streets, and indulge in delightful local cuisine, all while soaking in the Mediterranean atmosphere. Today choose between our Included Excursion, EmeraldACTIVE or DiscoverMORE option.</p></p><p>Included Excursion
A walking tour of Split
A panoramic drive through the town of Split brings you to the Mestrovic Gallery. Continue to the Old Town of Split that is built on and around the spectacular 4th-century Roman Palace of the Emperor Diocletian. Your walking tour starts with a visit to the Palace's cellars and the Cathedral of St Duje, the charming Temple of Jupiter and view other landmarks such as the Golden Gate, the Silver Gate and Peristyle Square from the outside.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4 hours</p><p>EmeraldACTIVE
Guided hike to Marjan hill
Explore the natural beauty and rich history of Split with a leisurely walking and hiking excursion through Marjan Park Forest. Pass by the quaint fishing port and venture through the oldest neighbourhood, immersing yourself in the city's centuries-old charm. Ascend Marjan's winding trails, shaded by majestic pine trees. Learn about the hill's rich heritage and the efforts of the Marjan Association to preserve its pristine beauty since the 19th century.
Activity Level: Strenuous, Duration: 2.5 hours</p><p>DiscoverMORE
Guided tour of Trogir (extra expense)
Experience the charm of narrow streets, offering a glimpse into life in days gone by. Join a guided walking tour to explore Town Loggia, the Town Hall, and the Cipiko Palace, culminating in a visit to the highlight—the Cathedral of St. Lawrence.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4 hours</p><p>EmeraldPLUS
Klapa performance on board
Immerse yourself in the rich cultural heritage of the Dalmatia region with an enchanting Klapa Performance on board. Delight in the harmonious melodies of traditional Dalmatian songs as the Klapa ensemble serenades you with their captivating vocals. Typically performed by male singers, klapa music is celebrated for its rich sound and cultural significance, captivating audiences with its timeless beauty.
Event duration: 1 hour</p><p><p>Offshore: 08:00 - 05:00 (next day)</p></p>

Arrives On: 04 May 26

Day 11: Trogir (Croatia)

<p><p>In the morning, get ready to set sail from Trogir to Zadar. A historic city set on a peninsula; Zadar boasts relics from a variety of eras. Explore the old churches, Roman ruins, and unique modern attractions, including the Sun Salutation and Sea Organ, which are innovative sound and sun-activated art pieces. </p></p><p>DiscoverMORE
Walking tour of Zadar and Rural estate visit (extra expense)
Embark on a captivating journey that blends history, nature, and the warm hospitality of Croatia. Your adventure begins with a scenic walking tour of Zadar, a city steeped in cultural richness. Stroll through charming streets and admire

architectural wonders, including the famous Sea Organ, Greetings to the Sun, the Forum, and the Cathedral of St. Anastasia. Next, take a scenic drive to the picturesque village of Nadin, where you'll arrive at the eco-friendly Odzakovic Estate. Greeted by a host in traditional Croatian folk attire, you'll be immersed in the estate's warm, rustic atmosphere. Delight in a traditional Croatian aperitif while learning about the region's storied winemaking tradition. Your visit also includes a fascinating tour of the estate's ethnographic museum, showcasing the local customs, crafts, and traditions.

Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4.5 hours

Docked: 14:00 - 22:00

Arrives On: 05 May 26

Day 11: Zadar (Croatia)

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Day 12: Opatija (Croatia)

On the western peninsula of Croatia, southwest of the city of Rijeka, Opatija provides alluring views across the Adriatic towards the Kvarner Islands and the distant Istrian mountains. Known as the 'Nice of Croatia', Opatija reveals lovely seaside promenades and fairy-tale villas. While here, be sure to sample one of the famous local dishes, mussels with pršut or fish stew.

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Wine Roads to Motovun & Groznjan (extra expense)

Venture into the heart of Istria on a captivating full-day excursion that blends medieval charm, scenic landscapes, and the region's finest flavors. Travel through lush hills to Motovun, a fortified hilltop town famed for its truffles and historic ambiance. Explore its cobblestone streets and ancient walls before heading to Groznjan, an artists' haven brimming with creative spirit. After time to wander its galleries and stone alleys, unwind with a curated wine tasting featuring local varietals and regional delicacies. This immersive experience showcases the very best of Istrian culture, history, and cuisine.

Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 7.5 hours

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Hiking to Kamacnik Spink (extra expense)

Board your motor coach for a scenic one-hour journey to Gorski Kotar, specifically the Vrbovsko area, where your hiking adventure begins in the breathtaking Kamacnik Canyon. Immerse yourself in the natural beauty that surrounds you, walking alongside the creek and crossing sturdy wooden bridges that elegantly arch over the small rapids or stretch over the water's edge. The trail leads you through a lush valley, creating a truly enchanting scene.

Activity Level: Strenuous, Duration: 5 hours

Offshore: 08:00 - 19:00

Arrives On: 06 May 26

Day 13: Piran (Slovenia)

Piran is a pretty town of red-tiled, whitewashed buildings clustered on the tip of the Slovenia's Piran peninsula. Part of the Venetian empire from the late 13th century to the end of the

18th century, Piran is esteemed for its gothic-style Venetian architecture.

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Postojna cave and Predjama Castle with Home Hosted Experience (extra expense)
Experience the natural and cultural treasures of Slovenia on a captivating journey to two of its most iconic sites. Begin with a visit to the world-famous Postojna Cave, a breathtaking underground marvel carved by nature over millions of years. Accompanied by expert guides, explore its awe-inspiring chambers and spectacular limestone formations, uncovering the hidden secrets of this vast subterranean world. After the cave visit, enjoy time to browse for local souvenirs and keepsakes before continuing to the nearby Predjama Castle. Built dramatically into a cliffside cave, this extraordinary medieval fortress is steeped in legend and offers stunning views and fascinating tales of knights, sieges, and rebellion. Your day continues with a warm welcome at a private local home, where you'll enjoy an authentic Slovenian lunch prepared with traditional ingredients—offering a taste of the region's rich culinary heritage.
Activity Level: Easy, Duration: 8 hours

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Slovenia's alluring Lipica Stud (extra expense)
Embark on an unforgettable journey to the prestigious Lipica Stud Farm, renowned for its rich equestrian heritage and majestic Lipizzaner horses. Immerse yourself in the splendour of the stud farm with a guided walking tour, where you'll discover the elegant stables and lush pastures that have bred these noble creatures for centuries. Enjoy the added charm of a horse carriage ride through the picturesque surroundings.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 5 hours

Offshore: 08:00 - 23:00

Arrives On: 07 May 26

Day 14: Venice (Italy)

Venice is an enchanting city that exudes an atmosphere not found anywhere else in the world. Established in the 5th century, the city stretches across 118 small islands in the marshy Venetian Lagoon along the Adriatic. Admire the grandeur of the canals and see St Marks Basilica.

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Walking tour of Venice with Doge's Palace (extra expense)
Depart from the pier and take a scenic 20-minute ride in a private motorboat to the Saint Mark's district, navigating along the stunning Canale della Giudecca. Marvel at the impressive Marciana Library, the towering belltower and the clocktower. Adjacent to the cathedral stands the magnificent Doges' Palace with its exquisite façade and intricate loggias. Next, you'll see the iconic Ponte dei Sospiri, or Bridge of Sighs, which connects the palace to the former ducal prison, steeped in legend and history.
Activity Level: Strenuous, Duration: 4.5 hours

Docked: 09:00 - overnight

Arrives On: 08 May 26

Day 15: Venice (Italy)

<p><p>Your Emerald Cruises voyage concludes here. From your luxury yacht, you will be transferred to the airport for your journey home or to continue your holiday. </p></p><p>Please book your flight to depart out of Venice after 11:00 AM.</p><p><p>Docked: 09:00 (day prior)</p></p><p><p>*Please verify with the Shore Excursion Manager onboard whether a DiscoverMORE tour is available on disembarkation day. </p></p><p><p>The itinerary is a guide only and may be amended for operational reasons. As such Emerald Cruises cannot guarantee the cruise will operated unaltered from the itinerary states above. Please refer to our terms and conditions for further information.</p></p>

Arrives On: 09 May 26

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