



## Cruise Details

Name:	Discover the Eastern Mediterranean
Reference:	EMERALD2D08170727-2
Operator:	Emerald Cruises
Cruise Type:	Ocean
Cruise Rating:	Ultra Luxury
Ship:	Emerald Raiya
Regions:	Mediterranean
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Departs On:	17 Jul 27
Departs From:	Piraeus
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Arrives On:	31 Jul 27
Arrives At:	Dubrovnik
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Cruise Nights:	14
Total Vacation Days:	15

## Itinerary

### Day 1: Piraeus (Greece)

Your unforgettable voyage begins in Greece and its ancient capital, Athens. The birthplace of democracy and western civilisation, this enthralling city presents a remarkable blend of rich traditions and modern dynamism. Here, you'll be transferred to your Emerald luxury yacht to begin an incredible odyssey along the coasts of Greece and Turkey. Please book your flight to arrive into Athens prior to 02:00 PM.

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### Day 2: Delos (Greece)

This morning, step ashore on Delos, one of Greece's most significant mythological and archaeological treasures. According to legend, this sacred island was the birthplace of Apollo and Artemis. Wander among remarkably preserved ruins, grand mosaics and ancient temples that paint a vivid picture of classical civilisation. Later, sail to glamorous Mykonos, where Cycladic

charm meets cosmopolitan flair. Lose yourself in the maze of narrow lanes lined with whitewashed houses and chapels. Discover chic boutiques, waterfront tavernas and the island's iconic windmills overlooking the Aegean. As evening falls, Mykonos reveals its vibrant energy, offering the ideal blend of tradition and modern sophistication.

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#### Day 2: Mykonos (Greece)

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#### Day 3: Pátmos (Greece)

Often referred to as the 'Island of the Apocalypse', tranquil Patmos holds deep spiritual significance. In a cave overlooking the sea, Saint John is believed to have received the visions described in the Book of Revelation. Its historic centre, Chora, is a World Heritage Site made up of whitewashed buildings and narrow cobblestone streets lined with traditional Greek tavernas, shops and some 40 chapels. The island has a wild and rugged volcanic landscape that rolls down to deserted pebbled beaches and the sparkling Aegean Sea. Spend time soaking up the beauty, spirituality, and cultural significance of this island.

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#### Day 4: Kusadasi (Turkey)

Set along Turkey's western Aegean coast, Kusadasi is a lively Turkish coastal town rich in history and culture. Its strategic location has made it a crossroads of civilisations for thousands of years. From here, you may explore the nearby ancient city of Ephesus, one of the best-preserved classical cities in the Mediterranean. Wander along marble streets lined with grand columns, temples, and the magnificent Library of Celsus. Back in Kusadasi, vibrant bazaars and seaside promenades offer a colourful taste of Turkish hospitality.

Arrives On: 20 Jul 27

#### Day 5: Kos (Greece)

Kos welcomes you with glorious landscapes and remarkable historical heritage. Known as the birthplace of Hippocrates, the father of modern medicine, the island offers a fascinating journey into the ancient world. Explore the Asklepion, once a renowned healing sanctuary, along with Roman villas, ancient agora and medieval fortifications. The main town is a mishmash of architectural styles, and you'll find whitewashed dwellings side by side with Muslim mosques, 1930s Italian-style buildings and the medieval Neratzia Castle. Kos also boasts beautiful beaches and relaxed island charm, perfect for leisurely exploration.

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#### Day 6: Santorini (Greece)

Arriving by sea at Santorini offers a breathtaking first impression, with whitewashed villages perched dramatically atop volcanic cliffs above the Aegean. Stroll through Oia's narrow lanes, where blue-domed churches and cascading bougainvillea create postcard-worthy scenes at every turn. Relax on distinctive volcanic-sand beaches or sample crisp local wines cultivated in mineral-rich soil. As you sail away, the sun sinks into the Aegean and Santorini's legendary sunset paints the sky in hues of gold and crimson – a moment to cherish forever.

Arrives On: 22 Jul 27

#### Day 7: Páros (Greece)

The paradise island of Paros rose to power and prosperity in the sixth century BC for its high-quality marble, Parian marble, used for the construction of many temples and public buildings. It's home to ancient ruins, Venetian castles and traditional Greek architecture, and draws in visitors to its stunning beaches, crystal-clear azure waters and charming local villages. The main town, Parikia, is nestled on a hill overlooking the port. Its cobbled lanes are bustling with activity, lined with shops, cafés and restaurants serving delicious local Greek cuisine. It also has a historic Frankish castle built in the 1200s. The island's other town, Naoussa, is a picturesque harbour where wooden boats sway and waterside restaurants grill freshly caught seafood.

Arrives On: 23 Jul 27

#### Day 8: Piraeus (Greece)

This morning, enjoy time at leisure exploring Athens, the ancient capital of Greece. The historic birthplace of democracy and western civilization, this enthralling city offers a remarkable array of architectural wonders and storied Greek heritage, such as the iconic Acropolis. You'll also find yourself charmed by Athen's modern dynamism and vibrant Greek lifestyle. In the afternoon, you'll be welcomed back on board your Emerald Cruises luxury yacht for the second half of your journey, memorable for its explorations of the stunning Adriatic coastlines.

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#### Day 9: Port information not found

Today you'll cruise through the 19th-century Corinth Canal. A feat of engineering, this narrow waterway was cut from solid rock and is more than six kilometres long with walls rising to about 79 metres (260 feet) at their highest point. It crosses the isthmus of Corinth in Greece, linking the Gulf of Corinth with the Saronic Gulf and shortening the sea route between the Ionian

and Aegean Seas. Cruise 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. This well-preserved World Heritage site is nestled within the mountainside and was a sacred space where pilgrims could hear prophecies believed to come directly from the Gods.

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#### Day 9: Itea (Greece)

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#### Day 10: Lefkáda Island (Greece)

Known as the 'Caribbean of Greece' for its lush landscape and crystal-clear waters, Lefkada is connected to the mainland by a narrow bridge, making it one of the few Greek islands accessible directly by road. One of the most fascinating places in Lefkada is the Castle of Agia Mavra, which dates to the 14th century and was built to protect the island from invasions. The island's modern marina has a thriving drinking and dining scene, while the town centre has many churches and museums.

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#### Day 11: Parga (Greece)

Located on the north-west coast of mainland Greece, Parga is built like an amphitheatre around a tranquil bay, its buildings vibrant in pastel colours and its waterfront home to a host of tavernas and bars. The 11th-century Parga Castle was built by the Venetians on a hilltop, boasting views across the resort town and the Ionian Sea. The coastline has a string of postcard-worthy beaches, and the Ionian islands are a short boat excursion away.

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#### Day 12: Corfu (Greece)

One of Greece's most beloved and beautiful islands, Corfu lies in the Ionian Sea and has a rich history and magnificent architecture displaying Renaissance and Baroque influences. Its World Heritage-listed Old Town has roots dating back to the 8th century BC and features architecture shaped by later Venetian and European influences. It is a labyrinthine maze of alleyways, home to the impressive Spianada – the largest square in Greece – a leafy space with gardens and historical monuments. The island is home to authentic Greek villages, as well as beaches lapped by aquamarine waters. Your luxury yacht will spend the evening in Corfu, allowing you to wander the atmospheric Old Town after dark.

Arrives On: 28 Jul 27

### Day 13: Sarandë (Albania)

Your yacht will leave Corfu early this morning and cruise towards Sarandë, a coastal town perched on a crescent-shaped bay in southern Albania. The once sleepy fishing village comprises a bustling seaside promenade, pebbled beaches and ancient ruins, including the ruins of an ancient synagogue thought to date from the fifth or sixth century, adorned with intricate mosaics and historical artefacts.

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### Day 14: 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 World Heritage-listed setting is a blend of Venetian palaces, a 12th-century cathedral, cobblestone lanes and café-hemmed squares. Climb the 1,350 steps up to St John's Fortress, where you'll have spectacular views over the Bay of Kotor.

Arrives On: 30 Jul 27

### Day 15: Dubrovnik (Croatia)

Your time on board comes to an end in the dazzling city of Dubrovnik, along Croatia's stunning Dalmatian Coast. Coined the 'Pearl of the Adriatic,' this World Heritage-listed city is renowned for its breathtaking architecture, with red terracotta-tiled roofs and pale stone walls striking against the turquoise waters lapping below. From your luxury yacht, you'll be transferred to the airport for your journey home or to continue your holiday.

Please book your flight to depart out of Dubrovnik after 12:00 PM.

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