



Cruise Details

Name:	Discover the Charm of the Greek Isles & the Amalfi Coast
Reference:	EMERALD2G06101026-2
Operator:	Emerald Cruises
Cruise Type:	Ocean
Cruise Rating:	Luxury
Ship:	Emerald Azzurra
Regions:	Mediterranean
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Departs On:	10 Oct 26
Departs From:	Piraeus
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Arrives On:	27 Oct 26
Arrives At:	Civitavecchia
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Cruise Nights:	17
Total Vacation Days:	18

Itinerary

Day 1: Piraeus (Greece)

Your cruise begins in Greece and Athens, the ancient Greek capital that presents a remarkable blend of rich tradition and modern dynamism. Here, you'll be transferred to your Emerald Cruises luxury yacht to start your memorable voyage. Please book your flight to arrive into Athens prior to 02:00 PM. Docked: 19:00

Arrives On: 10 Oct 26

Day 2: Delos (Greece)

A small rocky island at the heart of the Cyclades archipelago, Delos is one of the most important mythological and archaeological sites in Greece and a UNESCO World Heritage-listed Site. In the afternoon, you'll sail on to Mykonos, a world-famous island whose allure lies in its blend of traditional Greek culture and cosmopolitan flair. Whitewashed houses with vibrant blue doors that line the atmospheric streets of Mykonos Town add to the charm, so too, the island's historic

windmills. </p></p><p>Included Excursion
Guided tour of Delos
Set foot on a journey to the sacred island of Delos, a cradle of ancient Greek mythology and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Delos holds a unique place in history, believed to be the birthplace of Apollo and Artemis. Explore the extensive site, where each step reveals the layers of history, from ancient sanctuaries to the remnants of prosperous civilizations.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 2.30 hours</p><p>DiscoverMORE
Mykonos Town & Mosaic Art Experience (extra expense, must be pre-booked)
Discover the creative soul of Mykonos on this immersive mosaic workshop led by celebrated local artist Irene Syrianou. Stroll through the winding lanes of Mykonos Town to the tranquil Cine Manto garden, where you'll step into the timeless art of mosaic-making. Under Irene's expert guidance, learn to hand-cut and shape tiles, crafting your own unique piece while exploring the fascinating history of mosaics—from ancient Greece to modern sustainability. Afterward, enjoy a relaxed walk-through town and free time to browse, photograph, or simply soak in the island's vibrant charm.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 3.5 hours</p><p><p>Offshore/Docked: 12.30 - 19:00</p></p>

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Day 3: Bodrum (Turkey)

<p><p>Known for its stunning turquoise waters, white sandy beaches, and vibrant nightlife, Bodrum, along Turkey's southwest shores, attracts both local and international visitors year-round. </p><p>The town is steeped in history and home to several historical sites, including the impressive Bodrum Castle, built by the Knights of St. John in the 15th century. The castle now houses the Museum of Underwater Archaeology, highlighting artifacts from shipwrecks discovered in the Aegean Sea. </p></p><p>DiscoverMORE
Turkish cooking class (extra expense)
Immerse yourself in the art of Turkish cooking as local culinary experts guide you through immersive cooking sessions. Choose to observe or actively participate in preparing traditional dishes, all while sipping on a glass of wine and soaking in the culinary wisdom passed through generations. Depart with more than just memories; take home a collection of written recipes that capture the essence of the feast you've prepared. With these culinary treasures in hand, you can recreate the magic of Turkish cuisine in your own kitchen.
Activity Level: Easy, Duration: 5 hours</p><p>DiscoverMORE
Knights' Castle and Mausoleum of Halicarnassus (extra expense)
Embark on a captivating journey through Bodrum, as you explore its ancient wonders. Start with a short bus ride to the Mausoleum of Halicarnassus, one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World. Marvel at the remains of this monumental tomb, built by Artemisia II for her husband, King Mausolus. Next, visit the Castle of Bodrum, a medieval fortress constructed from stones of the mausoleum. Explore its historic walls

and exhibits, including the Sunken Boat Museum, which showcases maritime artifacts from various epochs. Conclude your excursion with leisure time in Bodrum's charming centre, where you can stroll through bustling streets or relax at a seaside café.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4 hours
Docked: 09:00 - 22:00

Arrives On: 12 Oct 26

Day 4: Rhodes (Greece)

The lovely Greek island of Rhodes harbors a rich history, boasting fascinating landmarks such as the ancient Acropolis of Lindos, the Palace of the Grand Master in Rhodes Town, and the medieval Old Town, which is a designated UNESCO World Heritage Site. Rhodes also entices visitors with its stunning natural scenery, boasting sandy beaches lapped by crystal-clear waters, and lush green hillsides.

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Guided tour of Lindos (extra expense)
Immerse yourself in the allure of Lindos as you ascend to the Acropolis on foot for the intrepid explorers. At the summit, unlock the secrets of the past as you explore the remnants of ancient civilizations. Let the charming ambiance of whitewashed houses and narrow streets transport you to a bygone era, creating a perfect backdrop for exploration and relaxation.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4.5

hours
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Walking tour of Medieval Rhodes and the Grand Masters Palace (extra expense)
Commence your exploration at the awe-inspiring Palace of the Grand Masters, a fortress with roots tracing back to the 14th century. Follow the enchanting Knight's Street and wander through the medieval essence of the old town, as the cobbled street unveils the stories and heritage of these noble warriors. Immerse yourself in the unique atmosphere of this esteemed World Heritage site.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 3 hours
Docked: 08:00 - 17:00

Arrives On: 13 Oct 26

Day 5: Santorini (Greece)

One of the most photogenic islands in the world, stunning Santorini is an eye-catching destination, iconic for its whitewashed buildings clustered atop soaring cliffs rising out of the Sea. This hugely popular volcanic island is renowned for the striking beauty of its gleaming white architecture and domed rooftops found throughout the traditional hillside villages, and legendary sunsets.

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Akrotiri, Oia and winery visit (extra expense)
Explore the remnants of the prehistoric city of Akrotiri, often hailed as the "Greek Pompeii," embark on a sensory journey at one of the most famous wineries, perched above the port of Athinios and overlooking the breathtaking Santorini caldera. Indulge in a wine-tasting experience, savouring the distinct flavours of Santorini's renowned wines. Conclude your adventure in the charming village of Oia, celebrated for its iconic whitewashed houses before arriving to Thira, the capital of the island.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration:

5.5 hours

Offshore: 08:00 - 22:00

Arrives On: 14 Oct 26

Day 6: Khania (Greece)

Welcome to Chania, a charming coastal town located on the northwest coast of the Greek island of Crete. Chania is known for its picturesque Venetian harbor, narrow winding streets, and vibrant atmosphere. The town has a rich history that is evident in its blend of architectural styles, including Venetian, Ottoman, and Greek influences. Here, you can enjoy a range of activities, including relaxing on one of the beautiful beaches and exploring historical sites, such as ancient ruins and museums.

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Walking Tour of Chania with Cretan Olive Oil Tasting (extra expense)
Embark on a journey where flavour meets tradition. Discover the art of olive cultivation and harvesting as you unravel the secrets behind premium olive oil production. Learn how to read and understand olive oil labels while gaining insight into quality standards that distinguish exceptional extra virgin olive oil. Enjoy a guided tasting of four distinct olive oils, served by the glass, where you'll explore the rich organoleptic profiles of two unique olive varieties alongside two naturally infused oils.
Next, journey to the enchanting town of Chania, gracefully wrapped around its iconic Venetian Harbour and 15th-century lighthouse. Wander through charming narrow streets lined with architecture shaped by centuries of diverse cultural influence. Make your way to the vibrant heart of the Old Town and stroll through the bustling marketplace, where aromatic herbs, locally produced honey, and a wealth of traditional products await. A perfect blend of culture, flavour, and history—before your return to port.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration:

3.45 hours

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Guided visit of Chania and Botanical Gardens (extra expense)
Discover the rich history and natural beauty of Crete on this guided tour through charming Chania and its lush botanical gardens. Begin in the heart of Chania's Old Town, where Venetian, Ottoman, and Greek influences shape the architecture and atmosphere. Stroll through the lively marketplace filled with local herbs, honey, and traditional products. After some free time to explore or shop, continue to the tranquil Botanical Park, where winding paths lead through vibrant displays of fruit trees, native herbs, and aromatic plants—offering a peaceful, sensory journey into Crete's diverse flora.
Activity Level:

Moderate, Duration: 4.15 hours

EmeraldPLUS
Local folklore performance on board
Experience the heart and soul of Crete through a captivating onboard folklore performance. In this lively cultural showcase, four talented dancers will take you on a rhythmic journey through the island's rich heritage. Dressed in traditional attire and accompanied by live music, they will perform a variety of authentic dances representing the vibrant spirit of Greek folk traditions.
Event duration: 1 hour

Offshore: 08:00 - 19:00

Arrives On: 15 Oct 26

Day 7: Hydra (Greece)

Renowned for its stunning natural beauty and historic charm, this picturesque island is distinctive for its rugged terrain, clear turquoise waters, and lush greenery. The main centre, also named Hydra, is a charming and bustling port town brimming with narrow cobblestone streets and traditional, whitewashed buildings adorned with bougainvillea-covered balconies. There are no cars or motor vehicles allowed on the island, making it a peaceful and low-key getaway from the usual hustle and bustle of city life.

EmeraldACTIVE
Discover the Island's Wild Beauty
Uncover the untamed charm of Hydra on a guided hiking tour that blends scenic exploration with local insight. Led by a knowledgeable guide, you'll journey along tranquil trails that reveal the island's hidden gems—breathtaking viewpoints, rugged coastlines, and stories rooted in centuries of history. The hike adjusts to the group's pace, making it suitable for both relaxed walkers and those seeking a bit more adventure. With energy bars and water provided along the way, you'll be free to take in the pristine Aegean surroundings and enjoy an authentic taste of Hydra's natural and cultural heritage.

Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 3 hours
EmeraldACTIVE
A stroll through Hydra
Step back into the heroic past of Hydra – once a proud maritime powerhouse of the Aegean. In the late 18th century, the island's impressive fleet of brigs, corvettes, and brigantines connected ports across the Mediterranean and played a vital role in Greece's struggle for independence. Today, Hydra invites you to experience this rich legacy firsthand. Wander through its charming harbor and cobbled alleys, where history blends effortlessly with timeless island beauty. Discover the island's seafaring heritage at the Hydra Museum, where captivating artifacts and exhibits bring its naval story vividly to life. Visit the elegant Church of the Virgin Mary, distinguished by its Venetian bell tower and graceful dome – a serene symbol of the island's cultural heritage.
Complete your journey with a relaxed stop at a traditional taverna, savoring authentic Greek meze and a glass of ouzo while soaking up Hydra's warm hospitality and unmistakable charm – an unforgettable blend of history, culture, and island atmosphere. Activity Level: Easy to Moderate, Duration: 2.30 hours
Offshore: 09:00 - 22:00

Arrives On: 16 Oct 26

Day 8: Piraeus (Greece)

After breakfast, set off to explore Piraeus and uncover the ancient history of this storied city. In the afternoon, we'll welcome you back on board your Emerald Cruises luxury yacht for the second half of your journey.

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Docked: 06:00 - 18:00

Arrives On: 17 Oct 26

Day 9: Mykonos (Greece)

An island embedded in the Cyclades archipelago, Mykonos is well-known for its vibrant atmosphere and charming whitewashed buildings with vivid blue accents. Mykonos Town, the main town on the island, presents a delightful maze of narrow streets lined with fashionable boutiques, restaurants, and bars. The town is also home to iconic landmarks such as the historic windmills. Little Venice is another popular area, known for its colourful houses and waterfront cafés. Later, you'll overnight in Paros.

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Offshore/Docked: 08:00 - 18:00 | 22:00 - 18:00 (next day)

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Day 9: Páros (Greece)

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Day 10: Páros (Greece)

Paros ranks as one of the prettiest Greek islands in the heart of the Aegean Sea, with its verdant green landscape brimming with vineyards and orchards laden with citrus fruits and pomegranates. Wander the winding streets of the capital Parikia, admiring the quintessential Cycladic architecture and quaint white houses adorned with bright blue doors and window boxes filled with blooming bougainvillea. Today choose between our EmeraldACTIVE or DiscoverMORE option.

EmeraldACTIVE
Lefkes valley hike
Experience the soul of Paros on a guided hike along the ancient Byzantine Road, a thousand-year-old marble path once travelled by islanders and traders. Begin in the serene mountain village of Lefkes, where whitewashed alleys and traditional charm set the tone. Then venture 3.5 kilometres through olive groves, wildflower-dotted meadows, and shaded valleys. Along the way, take in sweeping views from the windmills hill, overlooking the Paros-Naxos channel and neighbouring Cycladic islands. This immersive hike blends natural beauty, rich history, and cultural insight into one unforgettable Parian adventure.

Activity Level: Strenuous, Duration: 4 hours
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Lefkes and Naoussa with wine tasting (extra expense)
Our adventure begins in the picturesque village of Lefkes, a hidden gem nestled amidst the breathtaking beauty of Paros and once the island's vibrant capital. From there, make your way to the quaint fishing village of Naoussa, where you can meander through its

inviting alleyways and lively harbour. The highlight of your journey awaits at a century-old winery, where you'll embark on a guided tour that offers a behind-the-scenes glimpse into the art of winemaking on Paros. As the tour concludes, settle into the atmospheric surroundings of the underground cellars or on the terrace for a private tasting experience unlike any other.

Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4 hours

Offshore: Overnight - 18:00

Arrives On: 19 Oct 26

Day 11: Port information not found

Built during the 19th century and a feat of engineering, the impressive Corinth Canal connects the Gulf of Corinth in the Ionian Sea with the Saronic Gulf in the Aegean Sea. Sail through this slenderest of canals to the waterfront town of Itea, where you'll have an opportunity to explore the archaeological site of Delphi, regarded by the Ancient Greeks as the centre of the world.

Included Excursion

Guided tour of Delphi

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: Moderate, Duration: 4 hours

Docked: 13:00 - 18:00

Arrives On: 20 Oct 26

Day 11: Itea (Greece)

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Day 13: Siracuse, Sicily (Italy)

Welcome to the southeastern coast of Sicily and Syracuse, a historic Italian city renowned for its ancient ruins, picturesque architecture, and stunning waterfront views.

Syracuse's historical centre, Ortygia, is a charming island connected to the mainland by a series of bridges. Stroll through the narrow, winding streets lined with Baroque buildings, visit the striking Cathedral of Syracuse, and sample fresh seafood at charming waterfront restaurants.

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Noto, the Baroque Jewel of Sicily and cannoli tasting (extra expense)

Discover the grandeur of Sicilian Baroque in the charming town of Noto, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. After a scenic 45-minute drive, walk through the Porta Nazionale into a city of golden stone and ornate facades. Marvel at architectural gems like the 18th-century cathedral, the Archbishop's Palace, and the elegant Villadorata Palace. Learn how the town rose from the rubble of a 1693 earthquake to become one of Sicily's most beautiful destinations. Cap off your visit with a delicious tasting of a traditional Sicilian cannolo at the famed Caffè Sicilia before enjoying free time to explore or shop.

Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4 hours

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Ortigia and local produce tasting (extra expense)

Step into the heart of ancient Syracuse with a guided walking tour of Ortigia, the city's picturesque island district. From the ruins of Apollo's Temple in Pancali Square to the elegant Corso Matteotti and lively Archimede Square, discover centuries of history and charm. Stroll through Cathedral Square and admire the stunning Arethusa Fountain overlooking the bay. Your journey concludes with a visit to the vibrant local market, where you'll sample regional specialties at a traditional dairy. After the tasting, return to the pier with your guide or continue exploring Ortigia at your leisure.

Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 3 hours

Docked: 08:00 - 19:00

Arrives On: 22 Oct 26

Day 14: Valletta (Malta)

The delightful capital of Malta, Valletta welcomes visitors with rich history, stunning architecture, and a vibrant cultural scene. The entire city is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and famed for its well-preserved 16th-century buildings, including the impressive St. John's Co-Cathedral and the Grandmaster's Palace.

Included Excursion

Guided tour of Mdina and Valletta

Begin with a scenic drive to Mdina, Malta's ancient capital, perched on a hilltop with sweeping island views. Often called the "Silent City," Mdina is one of Europe's best-preserved medieval towns. Stroll through its narrow, winding streets as your guide shares over 4,000 years of history. Enjoy free time to visit St. Paul's Cathedral, Palazzo Falson, browse for local crafts, or relax at a charming café. Continue by coach to Valletta, Malta's bustling present-day capital. Visit the stunning St. John's Co-Cathedral (closed Sundays), then enjoy a guided walking tour passing notable landmarks such as the Grand Master's Palace, Our Lady of Victories Church, and the Renzo Piano-designed Parliament.

Conclude your visit at the Upper Barrakka Gardens, offering a peaceful setting and panoramic views of the Grand Harbour, the Three Cities, and Fort Ricasoli.

Activity Level: Strenuous, Duration: 4 hours

Docked: 08:00 - 14:00

Arrives On: 23 Oct 26

Day 15: Trapani, Sicily (Italy)

Trapani is a lively and charming port city located on the western shores of Sicily, surrounded by breathtaking natural scenery, which includes the stunning Mediterranean Sea, the rolling hills of Sicily, and the towering peaks of the Egadi Islands. This centuries-old city also boasts rich history and culture, reflected in its impressive architecture, museums, and vibrant street life.

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Marsala, salt panes and wine tasting and Punic Warship Museum (extra expense)

Experience a scenic journey along the 'Salt Road,' passing windmills and salt mounds on your way to Marsala. Your first stop will be at the remarkable Ettore Infersa salt flats, where a centuries-old mill, restored by Ettore and Infersa,

stands as a testament to their passion for preservation. Continue your journey to downtown Marsala, a charming town situated on Cape Boeo, known as the ancient Lilybaeum. Rich in Carthaginian, Roman, Norman, Arab, and Spanish influences, Marsala offers a delightful walking tour where you can admire the exterior of the Cathedral, built upon a pre-existing Norman castle. Enjoy some leisure time in Marsala before proceeding to one of the world-renowned wineries. Here, indulge in a wine tasting experience.

Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 5 hours

Docked: 09:00 - 15:00

Arrives On: 24 Oct 26

Day 16: Sorrento (Italy)

Along the legendary Amalfi Coast, Sorrento is a much-loved resort town, perched atop cliffs that overlook the Bay of Naples and boasting stunning views of Mount Vesuvius across the water.

EmeraldPLUS

Tarantella performance on board

Immerse yourself in the vibrant energy of Tarantella, a celebration of Sorrento's rich culture and music from the late 19th century. Experience traditional dances and lively melodies that create unforgettable festivities. Watch mesmerizing footwork and engaging performers bring Tarantella to life on stage, while delightful musical interludes and strolling artists keep you entertained. Feel the rhythm and join in the dance, clapping along with the performers. Embrace the lively atmosphere and let Sorrento's cultural heritage sweep you off your feet!

Event duration: 1.15 hours

Offshore: 12:00 - 14:00 (next day)

Arrives On: 25 Oct 26

Day 17: Sorrento (Italy)

Sorrento is also popular for its picturesque narrow streets lined with distinctive pastel-hued buildings, boutiques and vibrant cafés. Stroll through the historic centre, filled with beautiful architecture and historic sites such as the 14th-century Chiesa di San Francesco Church and Villa Comunale Park.

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Guided tour of Pompeii (extra expense)

Step back in time and explore the captivating ruins of Pompeii, frozen in history by the eruption of Mount Vesuvius in 79 A.D. This archaeological site showcases the resilience of an ancient Roman town, waiting to be rediscovered. After a scenic 45–60-minute drive, with glimpses of Mount Vesuvius, embark on a guided walking tour through ancient streets, seeing well-preserved mansions, frescoes, and mosaics that reveal the opulence of its 20,000 inhabitants. Enjoy a soft drink and a slice of Neapolitan pizza before returning to Sorrento, with options to explore or head directly to the harbour.

Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 5.3 hours

Offshore: Overnight - 14:00

Arrives On: 26 Oct 26

Day 18: Civitavecchia (Italy)

Your luxurious yacht cruise concludes in Civitavecchia, an important seaport that traces its origins back to the 2nd century AD and gateway to Rome, the ancient Italian capital. Here, you'll be transferred to the airport for your return flight home or to continue your holiday.

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

Docked: 08:00

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