

# **Cruise Details**

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Departs From:	Larnaca
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# Itinerary

# Day 1: Larnaca (Cyprus)

Your journey begins in Larnaca, where you'll be transferred to your Emerald Cruises luxury yacht. A vibrant seaside city, it is popular for its beautiful beaches, lively waterfront promenade, and rich history. >Please book your flight to arrive into Larnaca prior to 05:00 PM.

Arrives On: 30 Oct 25

#### Day 3: Rhodes (Greece)

On the lovely Greek island of Rhodes, the Medieval city, or old town, is a must-see attraction, recognized as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Encircled within four-kilometer length of walls, the city's medieval buildings, the Street of the Knights, and the Palace of the Grand Master give you a sense that you're back in the Middle Ages. Known as the 'Island of Knights', charming Rhodes is also famed for its delicious local dishes — be sure to try the melekouni (a traditional sweet) and

pitaroudia (chickpea fritters). cstrong>DiscoverMORE</strong><br /><span>Guided tour of Lindos (extra expense)<br />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.<br/>br />Activity Level: Strenuous, Duration:

4.5 hours</span><span></span>strong>DiscoverMORE</strong><br /><span>Walking tour of Medieval Rhodes and the Grand Masters Palace (extra expense)<br />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 ans 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.<br/>br />Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 3 hours</span>strong>EmeraldPLUS</strong><br/>br /><span>Local Folklore Performance<br />Embark on a captivating journey through the heart of Greek culture with our spectacular Greek Folklore Extravaganza! Our talented troupe of four performers is ready to transport you to the vibrant world of traditional Greek dance, music, and celebration.<br/>br />Duration: 2 hours

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#### Day 4: Bodrum (Turkey)

Stretching from Turkey's southwest coast into the Aegean Sea, the stunning twin bays of Bodrum are home to one of the Seven Wonders of the World, the Mausoleum at Halicarnassus, built between 350 and 353BC for the ruler, Mausolus. While Bodrum boasts a rich history, the city itself is a modern playground for Turkish and foreign visitors alike, with two contrasting sides in the east and west. In the evening, you will sail on to

Kos. kos. cstrong>DiscoverMORE</strong>cbr /><span>Turkish cooking class (extra expense)<br />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 down 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.br />Activity Level:Easy, Duration: 5 hourscy><strong>DiscoverMOREbr />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.<br />Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4 hours</span>Docked: 08:00 - 17:00 | 19:00 - overnight

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# Day 6: Réthymnon, Crete (Greece)

Rethiymno is a beautiful city located on the northern coast of the Greek island of Crete. It is a charming destination that offers a unique blend of traditional Cretan culture, stunning natural beauty, and rich history. Today choose between our EmeraldACTIVE or DiscoverMORE optionstrong>EmeraldACTIVE</strong><br /><span>Hiking at Milon Gorge, A Hidden Gem<br />Nestled within the stunning landscape of Rethymnon, Faraggi Milon is an enchanting gorge that presents a remarkable combination of natural beauty and peaceful exploration. Upon entering this captivating ravine, you will be welcomed by impressive cliffs draped in lush vegetation, accompanied by the soothing sounds of flowing water. Hiking through the Milon gorge offers an immersive experience for nature enthusiasts and those in search of a tranquil retreat. The breathtaking rock formations and the gentle rustle of leaves foster an atmosphere of peace, ideal for reflection and reconnection with nature. Continue to the charming village of Chromonastiri, where you can explore the narrow, winding streets adorned with traditional stone houses. Be sure to take the opportunity to delve into the area's intriguing history at nearby archaeological sites before concluding your journey.<br/>br />Activity Level: Strenuous , Duration: 3.3 hours</span>strong>DiscoverMORE</strong><br /><span>Taste of Tradition: organic farm experience (extra expense)<br />Immerse yourself in the experience of life on an organic farm while contributing to the preparation of authentic Cretan cuisine during this distinctive culinary excursion. Participate in a guided tour of the estate, featuring highlights such as the Watermill, Wine Press, Mini-Zoo, Chapel of St. Nicholas, and the Farm Shop. Discover the art of preparing and sampling traditional specialties, including homemade bread with organic olive oil, goat's milk cheese, 'raki', 'sfougato', and Cretan cheese pies, all culminating in a delightful organic Greek lunch.<br />Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4.3 hours </span>

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## Day 7: Réthymnon, Crete (Greece)

Continue exploring Rethymno today. The city's historic centre is filled with narrow streets, picturesque alleys, and beautiful Venetian architecture. The old town is a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and it's easy to see why. The buildings are adorned with intricate stone carvings, ornate doorways, and brightly coloured shutters. coloured shutters. /><span>Guided Tour to Knossos Palace & Heraklion (extra expense)<br />Embark on a captivating journey through Cretan history with this full-day sightseeing tour to Knossos and the city of Heraklion. Enjoy a scenic drive of approximately 75 minutes to Knossos, the ancient capital of the renowned King Minos. Discover the remarkable ruins of the ancient palace complex, which served as the administrative and religious hub of the entire region. The restoration of the palace complex, undertaken by Sir Arthur Evans, has faced some criticism for its modern interpretation; however, it provides visitors with a unique opportunity to envision the palace's original grandeur and appreciate its intricate design.<br />For first-time visitors to Heraklion, the city may present a refreshing blend of historical legacy and modern development as it celebrates its vibrant past while looking forward to a promising future. Explore significant landmarks such as the Loggia, Morosini Fountain, Saint Titus Cathedral, Saint Marcus Basilica, the Fortress, Agora, and the Market Street. After a delightful lunch, you will reconvene before boarding the coach to continue your journey to the port.<br />Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 7 hours </span>Docked: overnight -18:00

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#### Day 8: Santorini (Greece)

One of the most photogenic islands in the world, Santorini is an eye-catching place with whitewashed buildings clustered on top of soaring cliffs rising out of the ocean. Santorini is renowned for the beauty of its iconic architecture, domed rooftops, volcanic-sand beaches and world-famous sunsets.strong>DiscoverMORE</strong><br /><span>Akrotiri, Oia and winery visit (extra expense)<br />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<br/>str />Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 5.5 hours </span>

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## Day 9: Syros (Greece)

Syros is a charming island located in the Cyclades group of islands in the Aegean Sea. Known for its rich history and vibrant culture, it is famed for its unique architectural style, which reflects its historical development. The contrast between the neoclassical mansions in Ermoúpolis and the Cycladic-style whitewashed houses in other parts of the island creates a distinctive aesthetic. In the afternoon, you will sail on to Kos. >strong>Included Excursion</strong><br /><span>Walking tour of Ermoúpolis<br />Depart the pier for a guided walking tour of Ermoúpolis, the capital of Syros known for its amphitheater-like layout around the harbor. Discover its stunning Neo-Classical architecture, starting at St. Nicholas Church and the Unknown Soldier Monument. Stroll through the Vaporia area, or 'Little Venice,' visit the historic Apollo Theatre, and explore Miaoulis Square, home to the Syros Philharmonic and Town Hall. Stop by Greece's first high school and a vibrant shopping district, then admire an El Greco icon in the Church of the Dormition.<br />Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 1.3 hours </span>

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Day 9: Mykonos (Greece)

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#### Day 10: Mykonos (Greece)

This world-famous Greek island is popular for its lively party lifestyle, gleaming whitewashed buildings with blue-domed roofs and bustling waterfront area brimming with restaurants, cafés, and fashionable boutiques. You can also explore the historic Windmills of Mykonos and Little Venice with its stunning seafront homes and from Mykonos itself, visit the sacred island of Delos, whose archaeological ruins are today, a UNESCO World Heritage-listed site. strong>DiscoverMORE</strong><br />span>Island tour of Mykonos, Ano Mera Monastery and wine tasting experience (extra expense)<br />Begin your adventure in the traditional village of Ano Mera and explore the 16th-century Monastery of Panagia Tourliani, dedicated to Mykonos' patron saint. Admire intricate icons depicting scenes from the New Testament and unravel the monastery's rich history. Indulge your senses in the flavours of Greece with a wine tasting experience at a Mykonian Farm. Conclude your tour in the iconic Mykonos town, a labyrinth of whitewashed buildings and narrow streets.<br />Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4 hours</span>Docked: overnight - 17:00

Arrives On: 08 Nov 25

## Day 11: Piraeus (Greece)

After breakfast, you can set off to explore Athens and discover the hidden gems of this Greek hotspot. In the afternoon, we'll welcome you back on board your Emerald Cruises luxury yacht for the second half of your journey, where you'll get to explore the Adriatic.

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# Day 12: Náfplion (Greece)

Famous for its beautiful architecture, historical sites, and stunning sea views, Nafplion is a popular destination for both Greek and international guests. The town is characterized by its narrow cobblestone streets, neoclassical buildings, and charming Venetian and Ottoman architecture. The iconic Palamidi Fortress, perched on a hill overlooking the town, offers panoramic views of the surrounding area.

4 hours</span><strong>DiscoverMORE</strong><br /><span>Ancient Corinth and Canal view (extra expense, must be pre-booked)<br />Explore the historic city of Corinth, once powerful and blessed with a prime location. Enjoy a guided walking tour that includes the site of St. Paul's trial, the Temple of Apollo with its seven standing columns, and the remains of the Market Place. Visit the Fountain of Priene and Lechaion Road, then take photos at the Corinth Canal bridge, originally proposed in ancient times to connect the Ionian and Aegean seas.<br />Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4 hours </span>

Arrives On: 10 Nov 25

Day 13: Khania (Greece)

It is a charming coastal town located on the northwest coast of the Greek island of Crete. It is known for its picturesque Venetian harbour, narrow winding streets, and vibrant atmosphere. The town has a rich history that can be seen in its mix of architectural styles, including Venetian, Ottoman, and Greek influences. It offers a range of activities from relaxing on beautiful beaches to exploring historical sites such as ancient ruins and

museums. strong>DiscoverMORE</strong><br /><span>Taste & Tradition: organic olive oil tasting (extra expense) <br />Embark on a distinctive journey through flavors and traditions. Discover the intricacies of olive cultivation and harvesting, gain insights into olive oil guality, and learn how to interpret olive oil labels. Delve into two cutting-edge production techniques that yield high-quality extra virgin olive oil: one utilizing a traditional stone mill and hydraulic press, and the other employing modern experimental cold extraction methods. The experience culminates in a tasting session featuring four distinct olive oils, where you'll explore the organoleptic qualities of two different olive varieties along with two naturally infused oils.<br />Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 2.3 hours</span>strong>DiscoverMORE</strong>cbr /><span>Guided visit of Chania and Botanical Gardens (extra expense)<br />The charming town of Chania is centred around its Venetian Harbour and a 15th-century lighthouse, featuring a series of picturesque narrow streets and architecture influenced by centuries of foreign rule. Head towards the heart of Chania and explore the Old Town, stopping by the lively marketplace known as the "Agora," where you'll discover a variety of herbs, locally sourced honey, and more. After your guided tour, you can enjoy some leisure time before heading to the Botanical Park. Stroll through lush fruit trees, aromatic herbs, and ornamental plants while immersing yourself in the fresh air and delightful scents of the surroundings.<br />Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4.15 hours</span><strong>EmeraldPLUS</strong><br /><span>Local folklore performance on board<br />Enjoy a captivating performance featuring exceptionally talented dancers that will demonstrate their remarkable skills and artistry, providing an immersive cultural experience. They will take the audience on a rhythmic journey through various folk traditions,

highlighting the diversity of dance styles, all set to the harmonious accompaniment of live traditional music.<br />Duration: 1 hour</span>Offshore: 08:00 - 18:00

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# Day 14: Gythio (Greece)

Gythio is a beautiful seaside town on the southern side of the Peloponnese. It is your gateway to explore the ancient Sparta and the Byzantine town of Mystras. You will also visit the unique Museum of Olive Oil in Sparta and the "Valley of Keada", where it is said that the Spartans threw off the cliff traitors and criminals.

King of Sparta who led 300 warriors at the Battle of Thermopylae, before returning to the port.<br/>
/>Activity Level: Moderate/Strenuous, Duration: 4 hours</span>Offshore: 08:00 -<br/>
17:00

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#### Day 16: Giardini Naxos (Italy)

Giardini Naxos is a picturesque seaside town located on the eastern coast of Sicily, Italy. It is situated near the famous city of Taormina and offers stunning views of the Ionian Sea and Mount Etna. The town is known for its beautiful sandy beaches, clear blue waters, and vibrant waterfront promenade lined with restaurants, shops, and cafes. Giardini Naxos has a rich history, with archaeological sites dating back to ancient Greek and Roman times. Explore the ruins of a Greek settlement and Roman villas, as well as visit the nearby Taormina Archaeological Park. strong>DiscoverMORE</strong><br /><span>The Godfather tour (extra expense)<br />Embark on an unforgettable journey through the scenic landscapes and charming villages that immortalized Sicily in the legendary "Godfather" films. Venture inland to Savoca, visit the iconic "Bar Vitelli". Travel south to Fiumefreddo, home to the 'Castello degli Schiavi,' a splendid 1700s mansion showcasing rural Sicilian Baroque architecture. Experience the warm welcome of Baron Platania as he opens the doors of his residence.<br />Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 5 hours </span>strong>DiscoverMORE</strong><br /><span>Guided tour of Taormina (extra expense)<br />Settle in for a comfortable ride through the heart of Giardini Naxos, leading you to the crown jewel of Sicily-Taormina. Admire the exterior of the Cathedral, explore the ancient ruins of the Greek Theatre with the majestic Mount Etna as a backdrop, and take in the striking views of Palazzo Corvaia and the Odeon. Enjoy a leisurely walk along Corso Umberto, the vibrant shopping street that captures the lively spirit of the town.<br />Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4 hours </span>Offshore: 07:00 - 22:00

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# Day 17: Siracuse, Sicily (Italy)

Syracuse is a historic city located on the southeastern coast of Sicily, Italy. It is renowned for its ancient ruins, picturesque architecture, and stunning waterfront views. One of the city's most famous landmarks is the Archaeological Park of Neapolis, which is home to a well-preserved Greek amphitheatre, Roman amphitheatre, and an ancient quarry known as the "Ear of Dionysius". Syracuse's historical centre, Ortygia, is a charming island connected to the mainland by a series of bridges. Stroll through narrow, winding streets lined with Baroque buildings, visit the stunning Cathedral of Syracuse, and enjoy fresh seafood at waterfront restaurants.Strong>DiscoverMORE elegant Corso Matteotti shopping area, Archimede Square with its Artemis fountain, Cathedral Square, and the picturesque Arethusa fountain. Enjoy a local market where you can taste regional products.<br />Activity Level: Moderate, Duration:

3 hours </span>strong>DiscoverMORE</strong>cbr /><span>Noto, the Baroque Jewel of Sicily, and cannoli tasting (extra expense)<br />After the earthquake in 1693, Noto was beautifully rebuilt in the 18th century, showcasing stunning Sicilian baroque architecture. As a UNESCO World Heritage site, it continues to receive support for preserving its monuments. Upon arrival, you'll begin your exploration on foot, starting at the impressive Porta Nazionale, which leads to Noto's main street. Here, view the magnificent 18th-century cathedral and other notable buildings like the city hall, the archbishop's palace, and the Villadorata Palace. After your tour, indulge in a delicious Sicilian Cannolo at Caffè Sicilia.<br/>br />Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4 hours

Arrives On: 15 Nov 25

## Day 18: Mgarr, Gozo (Malta)

Mgarr, a small Maltese village known for its picturesque countryside and agricultural landscape, with abundant vineyards and olive groves scattered throughout the area. The village has a quaint and traditional feel, with charming old stone houses and winding cobbled streets and offers a unique and authentic Maltese

experience.strong>DiscoverMORE</strong>cbr /><span>Best of Gozo (extra expense)<br />Your first stop today is the "Ggantija Temples," dating back to around 3600 BC, a significant archaeological site in Malta. Next, visit "Victoria," the capital of Gozo, nestled beneath the Citadel. Explore the city walls and admire the exterior of the Cathedral before boarding your coach to the "Basilica of Ta' Pinu," a renowned pilgrimage site established after a peasant woman heard the Blessed Virgin in 1883. Then, head to the stunning "Dwejra Seascapes" and Fungus Rock, known for its medicinal fungus, which the Knights of St. John fiercely protected. Capture photos of these unique seascapes, then visit "Calypso's Cave" for spectacular views of "Ramla I-Hamra" beach. On your way back, stop at the Qala belvedere for panoramic views of the Blue Lagoon in Comino, a filming location for "Troy" and "Count of Montecristo." <br />Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 5 hours</span>strong>DiscoverMORE</strong><br /><span>Culinary and Artistic Gozo (extra expense) < br /> Explore the rich artisanal heritage of Gozo with a visit to various craft workshops and galleries. Begin your journey at an artisan food-making facility, where you'll witness the meticulous process of creating Gozitan delicacies. From infused oils and vinegars to sun-dried figs and succulent fruit jams, experience the craftsmanship behind these delectable treats. Continue your exploration at Fontana Cottage, where traditional cottage industries come to life. Marvel at the intricate art of spinning and weaving wool and admire the delicate lacemaking known as "Bizzilla". Conclude your excursion at a sculpture gallery nestled within a private home, where you'll meet a local sculptor renowned for his Neolithic-style sculptures. Delve into the artist's creative process and admire his masterpieces crafted from

Gozo's soft limestone. Relax in the tranquil surroundings of the private garden as you savour a local snack and refreshing Maltese soft drink.<br />Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4 hours</span>Offshore: 08:00 - 17:00

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# Day 19: Porto Empedocle (Italy)

Porto Empedocle, positioned on the Strait of Sicily, is named after the philosopher, poet and politician, Empedocles, who resided there in the 5th century BC. It's a popular holiday haven for beach-loving tourists and is near the Valley of the Temples, the largest archaeological site in the world and an outstanding example of Greater Greece art and architecture.

Agrigento (extra expense)<br/>br />Founded in 581 BC, Agrigento—formerly known as Akragas—thrived in the 5th century, famously defeating the Carthaginians alongside Syracuse. Marvel at the remarkable temples that have stood the test of time as you reach to the archaeological park. Enjoy a leisurely walk, starting from the upper valley for breathtaking views of the temples amidst the beautiful landscape of almond and olive trees. After touring the temples, hop back on the bus to visit the Archaeological Museum, home to an impressive collection of ancient artifacts.<br/>br />Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4.3 hours

Arrives On: 17 Nov 25

# Day 20: Valletta (Malta)

Valletta, the capital city of Malta, is a living testament to the Baroque period, with wellpreserved buildings, ornate churches, and magnificent fortifications. The city is located on a hilly peninsula, offering breathtaking views of the Mediterranean Sea, and Valletta hosts lively markets and festivals. Today choose between our Included Excursion or DiscoverMORE option.strong>Included Excursion</strong><br /><span>Guided tour of Mdina & Valletta<br />Join us for an unforgettable journey through Malta's rich history as we explore the stunning cities of Mdina and Valletta. First, visit Mdina, the ancient capital perched on a hill. Wander through its charming streets and marvel at the medieval and barogue architecture while our expert guide shares stories from its 4,000-year history. Next, travel to Valletta, the current capital, where you can admire architectural wonders like St. John's Co-Cathedral and the Grand Master's Palace. Our excursion concludes at the serene Barrakka Gardens, where you can relax and enjoy stunning views of the Grand Harbour.<br />Activity Level: Strenuous, Duration: 4 hours </span>strong>DiscoverMORE</strong><br /><span>Panoramic tour of Malta with wine tasting (extra expense) < br />Join an unforgettable journey through Malta's scenic landscapes and historic treasures. Explore charming villages, stunning coastlines, and legendary landmarks, while immersing yourself in the island's rich culture. Our adventure starts with a scenic drive to the picturesque fishing village of Marsaxlokk, known for its colourful luzzu boats and serene harbour,

steeped in history and maritime charm, including tales of Napoleon's landing. Next, visit Zurrieq to see the iconic Blue Grotto, where you can admire its stunning azure waters and rugged sea caves, along with views of Filfla Island, a seabird sanctuary. Next, head to a local winery for a warm welcome and a fascinating wine tasting, featuring Malta's unique wines paired with a delightful platter.<br/>br />Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4 hours </span>

Arrives On: 18 Nov 25

## Day 21: Valletta (Malta)

Your luxurious yacht cruise concludes in Valletta, where 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 Valletta after 11:00 AM.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.

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