Cruise Details

Name:	Discover Coastal Classics
Reference:	EMERALD2G16310727-1
Operator:	Emerald Cruises
Cruise Type:	Ocean
Cruise Rating:	Ultra Luxury
Ship:	Emerald Raiya
Regions:	Mediterranean
Departs On:	31 Jul 27
Departs From:	Dubrovnik
Arrives On:	14 Aug 27
Arrives At:	Piraeus
Cruise Nights:	14
Total Vacation Days:	15

Itinerary

Day 1: Dubrovnik (Croatia)

Your Mediterranean yacht cruise begins in the historic city of Dubrovnik. Often referred to as the Pearl of the Adriatic, this World Heritage-listed city is celebrated for its breathtaking architecture – red terracotta rooftops and pale stone walls creating a striking contrast against the turquoise waters below. Upon arrival, you'll be transferred to your Emerald luxury yacht to embark on
a voyage through intriguing cities and extraordinary coastlines. Please book your flight to arrive into Dubrovnik prior to 06:00 PM. Docked: 23:00

Arrives On: 31 Jul 27

Day 2: Kotor (Montenegro)

Enveloped by medieval walls, the fortified city of Kotor is a place of ancient stories and modern culture. Nestled between imposing mountains and the Adriatic Sea, this World Heritage-

listed setting is brimming with Venetian palaces, 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. Today choose between our EmeraldACTIVE or DiscoverMORE option. EmeraldACTIVE
Explore Historic Kotor on foot
Join a small group for an exhilarating adventure climbing the formidable city walls of Kotor, accompanied by an experienced guide. Designated as a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1979, the City Walls of Kotor span nearly 5 kilometers, encircling the city and offering adventurous souls breathtaking vistas of the Bay of Kotor and the historic Old Town. Meet your guide at the pier and set out on foot towards the entrance of the walls, adorned with a blend of well-preserved ramparts, gates, churches, and fortresses. As you commence your ascent along the rugged paths, delve into the past as your knowledgeable guide animates the history of these formidable fortifications and their pivotal role in safeguarding the city during numerous sieges. Take a well-deserved break midway to capture stunning photos of the panoramic views below. Then, resume your climb to the summit, where the impeccably preserved fortress of St. John awaits, offering a breathtaking panorama of the harbor and the charming red rooftops of the Old Town. Take a moment to marvel at the awe-inspiring scenery before beginning your descent back to the Old Town, filled with unforgettable memories of your ascent.
Activity Level: Active, Duration: 2 hours 30 minutes DiscoverMORE
Our Lady of the Rocks and walking tour of Kotor (extra expense, must be pre-booked)
A relaxing boat ride carries you across the breathtaking Bay of Kotor to the legendary island of Our Lady of the Rocks, a man-made islet steeped in maritime tradition. Visit the charming church and learn about the centuries-old custom of seafarers who gradually created the island by sinking stones and ships in honour of a sacred icon. Continue to the elegant town of Perast, known for its well-preserved Baroque architecture and picturesque waterfront. Stroll along cobblestone streets and enjoy the timeless atmosphere before visiting the Maritime Museum, where exhibits reveal the rich naval heritage of Montenegro and the strategic importance of the Bay of Kotor in European trade and naval history. The journey then returns to Kotor for a guided walking tour of its UNESCO-listed Old Town. Explore narrow medieval lanes, visit historic churches, and uncover the stories that shaped this fortified coastal city nestled between mountains and sea.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4 hours 30 minutes Anchored: 08:00 - 17:00

Arrives On: 01 Aug 27

Day 3: Sarandë (Albania)

Sarandë is a popular coastal town on a crescent-shaped bay in Albania. The once-sleepy fishing village has 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. From Sarandë, you’ll journey across the strait to Corfu, a large island with sandy coves and hills studded with
olive, cypress and citrus trees. Included Excursion
Butrint UNESCO Ruins & Lekursi Castle Views
Follow the scenic coastline of southern Albania to discover the remarkable UNESCO World Heritage Site of Butrint, where ancient history and unspoilt natural beauty combine in one extraordinary setting. Travel through the fertile Vurgu Plain, passing Lake Butrint, a protected wetland renowned for its rich birdlife and biodiversity, before arriving at the ancient city of Butrint. Once a thriving Greek, Roman, Byzantine, and Venetian settlement, this remarkable archaeological site invites you to explore its fascinating ruins, including temples, theatres, and ancient city walls, while your guide reveals the story of more than two thousand years of history. Continue to Lekursi Castle, a magnificent 16th-century Ottoman fortress perched high above Sarandë. From its commanding position, enjoy spectacular panoramic views across the Ionian Sea, Sarandë, and the island of Corfu. Relax with refreshments at the castle before departing for the return journey.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4 hours EmeraldPLUS
Performance on board featuring Traditional Greek Dances
Experience the vibrant spirit of Greek culture during this lively onboard excursion celebrating both tradition and modern expression. The performance begins with authentic traditional dances from Corfu and the Ionian Islands, including Lefkada, Ithaca, and Kefalonia. Performed in colourful traditional costumes, each dance reflects the rhythm, history, and character of island life, offering genuine insight into local customs and heritage. The program continues with energetic modern Greek favourites, such as Syrtaki, Zorba, and Zeibekiko, bringing a contemporary flair to the celebration. You are warmly invited to participate in a short and enjoyable Syrtaki lesson, making it easy for everyone to join the fun — no prior experience required.
Duration: 40 minutes Docked: 12:30 - 17:00

Arrives On: 02 Aug 27

Day 3: Corfu (Greece)

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Day 4: Corfu (Greece)

One of Greece’s most beloved and beautiful islands, Corfu is in the Ionian Sea and has a rich history and magnificent architecture displaying Renaissance and Baroque influences. Its UNESCO-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 largest square in Greece, the impressive Spianada, a leafy green space with gardens and historical monuments. The island is also dotted with authentic Greek villages and beaches lapped by aquamarine waters. DiscoverMORE
Guided walking tour of Corfu town (extra expense)
Wander through the timeless streets of Corfu Old Town, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, where Venetian elegance, rich history, and vibrant local life combine to create one of Greece's most enchanting historic centres. Pass beneath the historic Bonati Arch before exploring the atmospheric Jewish Quarter, home to a synagogue that reflects centuries of

Corfu's multicultural heritage. Admire the elegant Town Hall, a fine example of Venetian architecture, and continue to the iconic Church of St. Spyridon, recognised by its distinctive red-domed bell tower and dedicated to the island's patron saint. Following the guided walk, enjoy free time to browse local boutiques, relax at a café (own expense), or continue exploring the charming streets and hidden squares before departing for the return journey.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 2 hours DiscoverMORE
4x4 adventure of the Corfiot countryside (extra expense)
Take the wheel and discover the hidden landscapes of Corfu on a self-drive 4x4 adventure through mountain villages, scenic viewpoints, and spectacular coastline. Drive through the seaside resorts of Kontokali, Gouvia, and Alykes before climbing winding mountain roads to the traditional village of Sokraki, one of the island's oldest settlements. Surrounded by olive groves and pine forests on the slopes of Mount Korakio, enjoy breathtaking views across the Ionian and Adriatic Seas. Continue through the picturesque villages of Troubetta, Vistonas, and Makrades, where traditional Corfiot life remains largely unchanged. Pause at a local restaurant in Lakones to enjoy a selection of traditional Greek meze while taking in panoramic views over the island. Your adventure concludes at the beautiful Paleokastritsa Bay, where you may enjoy a swim in the crystal-clear waters or simply relax beside one of Corfu's most picturesque bays before departing for the return journey.
This is a self-driving tour; a valid driving license is required and 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 hours 30 minutes Docked: 20:00 (day prior) - 23:00

Arrives On: 03 Aug 27

Day 5: Parga (Greece)

Parga, on mainland Greece, has a carefree holiday atmosphere. Enjoy the sunshine on one of the many beaches, explore traditional Greek villages, and marvel at the 11th-century Castle of Parga, which offers an incredible bird’s-eye view of the resort town and coastline. DiscoverMORE
Sightseeing tour of Meteora monasteries including a Greek lunch (extra expense)
Travel through the scenic landscapes of mainland Greece to the extraordinary Meteora, a UNESCO World Heritage Site where centuries-old monasteries crown towering sandstone pillars in one of the world's most remarkable cultural landscapes. Enjoy a scenic drive to Meteora, where monks first settled in the caves during the 11th century before establishing the first monasteries in the 14th century. Visit two monasteries, admiring their remarkable frescoes, gilded icons, intricate wood carvings, and priceless religious treasures while learning about the monastic way of life that continues today. Following your visits, continue to Kalambaka for a traditional Greek lunch before departing for the return journey.
Activity Level: Active, Duration: 10 hours DiscoverMORE
Kayaking Adventure (extra expense)
Paddle along the spectacular coastline of Parga, discovering hidden coves, crystal-clear waters, and dramatic sea cliffs on an unforgettable sea kayaking adventure. After a short transfer to Ai Giannakis Beach, receive your safety briefing

and equipment before setting off by kayak. Paddle through the turquoise waters, passing secluded bays and towering limestone cliffs while taking in views of Aphrodite's Sea Cave and the picturesque harbour of Parga, overlooked by the small green island of Panagia. Pause for a short break to enjoy refreshments before continuing your journey through the area's beautiful islets and returning to Valtos Beach.
Activity Level: Active, Duration: 3 hours Anchored: 08:00 - 22:00

Arrives On: 04 Aug 27

Day 6: Lefkáda Island (Greece)

Known as the 'Caribbean of Greece', 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, dating to the 14th century and 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. DiscoverMORE
Lefkada tour with Faneromeni Monastery (extra expense)
Sample the flavours and traditions of Lefkada while exploring the island's spiritual heritage and vibrant capital. Begin with a visit to the peaceful Monastery of Faneromeni, Lefkada's most important religious site, beautifully set amidst pine forests overlooking the Ionian Sea. Discover its fascinating history, admire the traditional architecture, and enjoy time to explore the tranquil grounds. Continue to Lefkada Town, where you will savour a selection of local specialities showcasing the island's rich culinary traditions. Afterwards, enjoy free time to stroll through the charming streets, browse local boutiques, or relax at a café (own expense) before departing for the return journey.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4 hours DiscoverMORE
Flavors of Lefkada (extra expense)
Escape into the peaceful countryside of Lefkada for an authentic farm-to-table experience, where sustainable farming, traditional flavours, and hands-on cooking celebrate the island's rich culinary heritage. Travel to the island's only regenerative organic farm, a proud member of the Slow Food International network. During a guided walk, discover how traditional farming methods combine with modern sustainable practices before enjoying a guided tasting of the farm's award-winning extra virgin olive oil. Learn how to recognise premium-quality olive oil and gain practical tips for selecting and using it at home. Continue with a hands-on Greek cooking experience, preparing classic local dishes under the guidance of your hosts. Afterwards, relax and enjoy a delicious meal prepared with fresh seasonal ingredients, accompanied by locally produced wine. Before departing for the return journey, take time to explore the farm, browse local products, or simply unwind in the tranquil surroundings.
Activity Level: Easy, Duration: 3 hours 15 minutes Anchored: 08:00 - 19:00

Arrives On: 05 Aug 27

Day 7: Itea (Greece)

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. After your visit, it’s time to pass through the 19th-century Corinth Canal. A feat of engineering, this narrow waterway was cut through solid rock and is more than six kilometres long, with walls that rise 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. DiscoverMORE
Guided tour of Delphi (extra expense)
Follow the scenic slopes of Mount Parnassos to Delphi, one of Greece's most important archaeological sites and a UNESCO World Heritage Site, once regarded as the centre of the ancient world. Visit the legendary Sanctuary of Apollo, where the famous oracle Pythia delivered her prophecies to pilgrims from across the ancient world. Walk along the Sacred Way, admire the impressive Temple of Apollo, the ancient Theatre, and the sacred Castalian Spring, where visitors once purified themselves before consulting the oracle. Continue to the Delphi Archaeological Museum, home to an exceptional collection of ancient treasures, including the famous Bronze Charioteer, one of the finest surviving masterpieces of classical Greek sculpture, and the Omphalos, believed by the ancient Greeks to mark the centre of the world. After exploring this remarkable sanctuary, depart for the return journey.
Activity Level: Active, Duration: 4 hours Anchored: 08:00 - 14:00

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Day 8: Piraeus (Greece)

After breakfast, enjoy time at leisure to explore Athens, the enthralling capital of Greece. Named after the Goddess of wisdom and warfare, Athens was once the epicentre of ancient Greece. Today, you’ll not only be captivated by the city’s historical legacies, such as the Acropolis, but also by the alluring Greek modern-day dynamism and cosmopolitan charm. In the afternoon, you’ll be welcomed back on board your Emerald Cruises luxury yacht, ready to embark on the second half of your journey, where you’ll get to explore the breathtaking Adriatic. DiscoverMORE
Athens City tour with Acropolis (extra expense, must be booked on board)
Experience the timeless wonders of Athens, where ancient history and authentic Greek flavours come together in an unforgettable journey through the city's most iconic landmarks. Begin with a guided visit to the magnificent Acropolis, ascending the sacred hill to admire the Parthenon, Erechtheion, Temple of Athena Nike, and Propylaea, while enjoying panoramic views over Athens and nearby landmarks including the Odeon of Herodes Atticus. Continue into the charming neighbourhood of Plaka, where narrow streets, neoclassical houses, and family-run shops create the perfect setting to experience traditional Athenian life.

Stroll through the lively market streets while sampling a variety of authentic Greek specialities, including local cheeses, olives, savoury pies, pastries, olive oil, wine, and regional spirits, as your guide shares the story behind Greece's celebrated culinary traditions.
Activity Level: Active, Duration: 5 hours Docked: 06:00 - 19:00

Arrives On: 07 Aug 27

Day 9: Delos (Greece)

A small rocky island at the heart of the stunning Cyclades archipelago, Delos is one of the most important mythological and archaeological sites in Greece and a World Heritage-listed Site believed to be the birthplace of the Greek God Apollo and his twin sister, 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. DiscoverMORE
Guided Tour of Delos (extra expense, must be pre-booked)
Discover the extraordinary archaeological treasures of Delos, one of the most important sacred sites of the ancient Greek world and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. For more than a thousand years, Delos was one of the Mediterranean’s most revered religious sanctuaries. According to Greek mythology, it was the birthplace of Apollo and Artemis, attracting pilgrims from across the ancient world and becoming a prosperous centre of religion, commerce, and culture. Join a guided walking tour through this remarkable open-air archaeological site, where exceptionally preserved ruins reveal the island’s rich history from the 3rd millennium BC through the Hellenistic and early Christian periods. Explore ancient temples, sanctuaries, marketplaces, theatres, and elegant residences while gaining insight into the civilizations that shaped this sacred island and the wider Aegean.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 2 hours DiscoverMORE
Explore Mykonos Town Highlights on Foot (extra expense, must be pre-booked)
Discover the timeless charm of Mykonos on a leisurely walking tour through the island’s enchanting capital, where traditional Cycladic architecture, rich history, and stunning coastal scenery come together.Explore the maze of whitewashed streets in Mykonos Town (Chora) as your guide shares fascinating insights into the island’s culture and history. Along the way, admire the iconic Panagia Paraportiani, one of Greece’s most photographed churches, and the charming Church of St. Nicholas, overlooking the old harbour. Continue through the picturesque waterfront district of Little Venice, where elegant historic houses line the sea, before reaching the famous Mykonos Windmills, offering panoramic views across the town and the sparkling Aegean.Pause to enjoy a traditional Greek cheese pie at a local bakery and a refreshing drink before free time to browse the boutiques, relax at a café, or continue exploring Mykonos Town at your own pace.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 2

hours 30 minutes Anchored: 07:30 – 11:00 | 12:30 – 19:00

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Day 9: Mykonos (Greece)

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Day 10: Bodrum (Turkey)

Known for its stunning turquoise waters, pebbly and sand beaches, and vibrant nightlife, Bodrum, set along Turkey's southwest shores, attracts both local and international visitors year-round. This alluring town is also 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, displaying artifacts from shipwrecks discovered in the Aegean Sea. DiscoverMORE
Turkish Cooking Class (extra expense)
Immerse yourself in the authentic flavours of the Aegean on a memorable culinary experience in the traditional village of Çömlekçi, where local recipes and warm hospitality bring Turkish cuisine to life.Travel through the scenic countryside surrounding Bodrum to the charming rural village of Çömlekçi. Here, discover the secrets of regional Aegean cooking, renowned for its use of fresh herbs, olive oil, and seasonal ingredients. Watch local cooks prepare a selection of traditional dishes, or join in for a hands-on cooking experience while learning about the area's culinary traditions. Recipes are provided for you to recreate the dishes at home. Following the demonstration, gather around communal tables to enjoy the freshly prepared meal accompanied by local wines, sharing stories and conversation in a relaxed village setting.
Activity Level: Easy, Duration: 5 hours DiscoverMORE
Knights' Castle and Mausoleum of Halicarnassus (extra expense)
Explore the remarkable history of Bodrum, where the legacy of one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World meets one of Türkiye's finest medieval castles. Begin with a visit to the ruins of the Mausoleum of Halicarnassus, the monumental tomb built by Artemisia II in honour of King Mausolos. Once one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World, the mausoleum gave its name to all monumental tombs and remains one of Bodrum's most significant archaeological sites. Continue on foot to the impressive Castle of Bodrum, built by the Knights of St. John using stones from the ancient mausoleum. Explore its historic courtyards and the renowned Museum of Underwater Archaeology, where fascinating artefacts recovered from ancient shipwrecks span the Bronze Age to the Middle Ages, including the remains of a 13th-century BC Syrian merchant vessel and the exquisite treasures of the Carian Princess. Conclude your excursion with free time in the heart of Bodrum, where you can browse local shops, enjoy a café overlooking the harbour, or simply soak up the atmosphere of this vibrant seaside town.
Activity Level: Active, Duration: 4 hours Docked: 09:00–22:00

Arrives On: 09 Aug 27

Day 11: Rhodes (Greece)

The lovely Greek island of Rhodes harbours a rich history, evident in fascinating landmarks. These include the ancient Acropolis of Lindos and Palace of the Grand Master, one of the few examples of Gothic architecture in Greece, within the Medieval City of Rhodes, a designated World Heritage Site. Rhodes is also popular for its stunning natural scenery, extending to lovely sandy beaches lapped bycrystal-clear waters and lush green hills. Today choose between our Included Excursion or EmeraldACTIVE option. Included Excursion
Guided tour of Lindos
Discover the timeless beauty of Lindos, where ancient history, breathtaking coastal scenery, and traditional island charm combine in one of Rhodes' most iconic destinations. Travel along the island's picturesque east coast, passing fragrant citrus groves, vineyards, and ancient olive trees before arriving at the beautiful village of Lindos. From here, make the ascent on foot to the magnificent Acropolis of Lindos, dramatically perched above the village and overlooking the sparkling Aegean Sea. Explore the impressive archaeological site, including the Doric Temple of Athena Lindia, the remains of a Byzantine church, and the fortifications built by the Knights of St. John, while enjoying spectacular panoramic views across the coastline. Afterwards, descend through the charming whitewashed village to the picturesque St. Paul's Bay, traditionally associated with the Apostle Paul's arrival in AD 51.
Activity Level: Active, Duration: 4 hours 20 minutes EmeraldACTIVE
Walking Tour of Medieval Rhodes and Grand Master's Palace
Step into the medieval heart of Rhodes, where imposing fortifications, grand palaces, and centuries of history await within one of Europe's best-preserved walled cities and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Enjoy a guided walk from the quayside into the historic Old Town, where narrow cobbled streets and medieval architecture reveal the legacy of the Knights of St. John. Visit the magnificent Palace of the Grand Master, originally built in the 14th century as the residence of the Knights before later serving as an Ottoman fortress and an Italian royal residence. Today, it stands as one of Rhodes' most important historical landmarks. Continue along the famous Street of the Knights, lined with beautifully preserved inns representing the different nationalities of the Order, before concluding your guided tour with free time to browse the lively Socrates Street bazaar, where local shops offer souvenirs, handicrafts, and traditional products. Following the guided tour, participants may either return to the ship with the group or remain in Rhodes Old Town to explore independently before making their own way back to the ship.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 3 hours Docked: 08:00–17:00

Arrives On: 10 Aug 27

Day 12: Santorini (Greece)

One of the world’s most photogenic islands, Santorini enchants with its whitewashed buildings cascading down dramatic cliffs overlooking the Aegean. Arriving by sea at Santorini offers a breathtaking first impression. Visit the main town of Fira for breathtaking caldera views or charming Oia, where blue-domed churches and cascading bougainvillea create postcard-worthy scenes in narrow lanes. 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. DiscoverMORE
Akrotiri, Winery & Oia (extra expense)
Journey through the history, flavours, and iconic landscapes of Santorini as you discover one of the Aegean’s most captivating islands. Begin with a visit to the remarkable archaeological site of Akrotiri, often referred to as the ‘Greek Pompeii.’ Buried beneath volcanic ash following the island’s great eruption, this exceptionally preserved Bronze Age settlement reveals sophisticated multi-storey buildings, advanced drainage systems, and fascinating insights into one of the ancient Mediterranean’s most advanced civilisations. Continue to a traditional Santorini winery, where you will learn about the island’s unique volcanic viticulture and enjoy a tasting of locally produced wines while overlooking the spectacular caldera. Complete your excursion in the picturesque village of Oia, famous for its whitewashed houses, blue-domed churches, and breathtaking views across the volcanic caldera and Thirassia Island. Afterwards, continue to Fira, where you may either return with the group or remain to explore the island’s capital independently before taking the cable car back to the Old Port at your convenience.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 5 hours 30 minutes Included Excursion
Round-trip cable-car ticket to Thira
Experience one of Santorini’s most iconic journeys with a roundtrip cable car ride between the Old Port of Gialos and Fira, offering spectacular views over the island’s dramatic caldera. After tendering from the ship, proceed to the Old Port of Gialos, where the Santorini Cable Car (Teleferico) provides a quick and scenic ascent up the steep caldera cliffs, connecting the port with Fira, the island’s lively capital. As the gondola rises, enjoy sweeping views of volcanic rock faces, whitewashed villages perched high above the cliffs, and the deep blue Aegean Sea below. Upon arrival in Fira, time is available to explore independently—stroll along the caldera rim, browse local shops, enjoy panoramic viewpoints, or relax at a café overlooking the breathtaking scenery. When ready, use the return cable car ticket to descend comfortably back to the Old Port and tender back to the ship.
Activity Level: Easy, Duration: At your leisure Anchored: 08:00–22:00

Arrives On: 11 Aug 27

Day 13: 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 harbour, narrow winding streets and vibrant atmosphere. The town boasts a rich history that is evident in itseclectic blend of architectural styles, with Venetian, Ottoman and Greek influences. Here, spend your day

relaxing on one of the beautiful beaches, exploring historical sites, or hiking through lush landscapes. DiscoverMORE
Walking Tour of Chania with Cretan Olive Oil Tasting (extra expense)
Immerse yourself in the flavours and history of Crete as you combine an authentic olive oil experience with a visit to the charming town of Chania. Begin with a visit to a traditional olive estate, where you will learn about the cultivation, harvesting, and production of premium extra virgin olive oil. Discover both an innovative stone mill with hydraulic press and a modern cold-extraction system before enjoying a guided tasting of four distinctive olive oils, exploring the unique characteristics of different olive varieties and naturally infused oils. Continue to the picturesque Old Town of Chania, where Venetian, Ottoman, and Greek influences blend around the historic Venetian Harbour and its iconic 15th-century lighthouse. Enjoy a guided walk through the atmospheric streets before free time to browse the lively Municipal Market area, known for its herbs, local honey, olive products, and traditional Cretan delicacies.
Activity Level: Active, Duration: 3 hours 45 minutes EmeraldPLUS
Local folklore performance on board
Experience the vibrant spirit of Crete through an authentic onboard folklore performance celebrating the island's rich musical and dance traditions. Enjoy an hour of captivating entertainment featuring four talented dancers performing a lively repertoire of traditional Greek dances.Accompanied by live traditional music, the performance showcases the rhythm, colour, and diversity of regional folklore, offering a memorable cultural experience inspired by the heritage of Crete.
Event duration: 1 hour Anchored: 08:00–19:00

Arrives On: 12 Aug 27

Day 14: Hydra (Greece)

Life slows down on Hydra. Renowned for its stunning natural beauty and historic charm, 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 urban life. It's ideal for walking, hiking or getting around by donkey, admiring the stone mansions, pebbly beaches and clear turquoise waters. The island's main centre, also named Hydra, presents a charming and bustling port town, brimming with narrow cobblestone streets and traditional, whitewashed buildings adorned with bougainvillea-covered balconies. DiscoverMORE
A stroll through Hydra (extra expense)
Step into the heroic maritime history of Hydra, once a powerful naval force in the Aegean. In the late 18th century, the island's fleet of brigs, corvettes, and brigantines connected Mediterranean ports and later played a decisive role in Greece's War of Independence. These wooden ships and their fearless crews became known as 'the wooden walls of Greek Independence.Stroll through Hydra's picturesque harbour and narrow stone alleys, absorbing the atmosphere of a town shaped by seafaring tradition. Visit the Hydra Museum, where artefacts and exhibits vividly recount the island's naval legacy. Continue to the elegant Church of the Virgin Mary,

distinguished by its Venetian-style bell tower and graceful dome overlooking the port. The experience concludes with a relaxed stop at a traditional taverna, where you enjoy authentic Greek meze accompanied by a glass of ouzo, embracing the island’s warm hospitality and enduring spirit.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 2 hours 30 minutes Anchored: 09:00–22:00

Arrives On: 13 Aug 27

Day 15: Piraeus (Greece)

Your luxurious yacht cruise concludes as you return to the ancient city of Athens. After bidding farewell to your crew and fellow guestsfrom the yacht, you’ll be transferred to the airport for your return flight home, or to continue your
holiday. DiscoverMORE
Athens City tour with Acropolis (extra expense, must be booked on board)
Experience the timeless wonders of Athens, where ancient history and authentic Greek flavours come together in an unforgettable journey through the city’s most iconic landmarks. Begin with a guided visit to the magnificent Acropolis, ascending the sacred hill to admire the Parthenon, Erechtheion, Temple of Athena Nike, and Propylaea, while enjoying panoramic views over Athens and nearby landmarks including the Odeon of Herodes Atticus. Continue into the charming neighbourhood of Plaka, where narrow streets, neoclassical houses, and family-run shops create the perfect setting to experience traditional Athenian life. Stroll through the lively market streets while sampling a variety of authentic Greek specialities, including local cheeses, olives, savoury pies, pastries, olive oil, wine, and regional spirits, as your guide shares the story behind Greece’s celebrated culinary traditions.
Activity Level: Active, Duration: 5 hours

Notes: This excursion is available for guests continuing on the next cruise and for disembarking guests with flights departing after 5:00 pm. After the visit to Plaka, disembarking guests will transfer directly to the airport, while in-transit guests will return to the ship by separate vehicle. Please book your flight to depart out of Athens after 01:00 PM. Docked: 06:00 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.

Arrives On: 14 Aug 27

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