



## Cruise Details

Name:	Discover the Mediterranean from Cannes to Athens
Reference:	EMERALD2M29250426-1
Operator:	Emerald Cruises
Cruise Type:	Ocean
Cruise Rating:	Luxury
Ship:	Emerald Azzurra
Regions:	Mediterranean
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Departs On:	25 Apr 26
Departs From:	Cannes
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Arrives On:	12 May 26
Arrives At:	Piraeus
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Cruise Nights:	17
Total Vacation Days:	18

## Itinerary

### Day 1: Cannes (France)

Your unforgettable yacht cruise begins in Cannes, nestled along the chic French Riviera. Here, you'll be transferred to your Emerald Cruises luxury yacht and begin your voyage through the Western Mediterranean. Please book your flight to arrive into Nice prior to 05:00 PM. Docked: 23:00

Arrives On: 25 Apr 26

### Day 2: Monte-Carlo (Monaco)

Officially known as the Principality of Monaco, the sovereign city-state of is renowned worldwide for its opulence and glamour, boasting high-end casinos, a yacht-lined harbour, the prestigious Grand Prix motor racing event and exclusive Monte Carlo quarter. This gem of the Côte d'Azur is also home to Monaco's royal household, several museums and numerous cultural events hosted throughout the year, celebrating anything from music and dance to theatre and the visual

arts.

**DiscoverMORE**

Eze & Cap Ferrat (extra expense, must be pre-booked)

Your first stop is the enchanting village of Eze, dramatically positioned 1,401 feet above sea level. Wander through the medieval streets, flanked by beautifully restored homes that now house delightful boutiques and artists' studios. As your journey continues, the route takes you to Saint Jean Cap Ferrat, where rugged cliffs meet the azure sea, adorned with luxurious villas. Your next highlight is the celebrated "Ile de France" museum, situated in a stunning villa that once belonged to Baroness Béatrice Ephrussi de Rothschild.

Activity Level: Strenuous, Duration: 5 hours

**DiscoverMORE**

Saint-Paul de Vence & Grasse (extra expense, must be pre-booked)

Commence on a captivating journey from Monaco, venturing inland to explore the charming towns of Grasse and Saint Paul-de-Vence. Begin with a guided tour of a perfume factory in Grasse, where you'll learn about the intricate process of distilling essences from flowers, a tradition dating back centuries. Next, journey through the picturesque Gorges du Loup canyon en-route to Saint-Paul de Vence, a medieval village renowned for its artistic heritage and stunning views.

Activity Level: Strenuous, Duration: 8.5 hours

Offshore/Docked: 08:00 - 21:00

Arrives On: 26 Apr 26

### Day 3: Santa Margherita Ligure (Italy)

Welcome to Santa Margherita Ligure, an Italian resort town revealing panoramic views and revered for its timeless elegance and style. For those seeking la dolce vita, you'll find it in abundance here. Stroll the Santa Margherita promenade, or the pebbly beachfront, admiring the gleaming yachts and sailing boats. Explore a beautiful Baroque church or sample, freshly caught, succulent red shrimps.

**DiscoverMORE**

Downhill hike to Portofino (extra expense)

Meet your guide at the Santa Margherita pier and board your vehicle to journey to the quaint village of Nozarego, where your hiking adventure to Portofino begins. The trail weaves through lush Mediterranean flora, vineyards, and olive groves, with the vibrant vegetation intermingling with medieval architecture. Pause for a picnic featuring local focaccia and a glass of wine before continuing your hike. Once you arrive in Portofino, enjoy a guided tour of this iconic destination.

Activity Level: Strenuous, Duration: 4 hours

**DiscoverMORE**

Culinary experience in Rapallo (extra expense)

Meet Guido, a passionate local chef whose enthusiasm for Rapallo's culinary heritage is infectious. As you stroll through the vibrant food market, guided by Guido, you'll learn about the key ingredients that make Ligurian cuisine so distinctive. Then, it's off to Guido's charming bottega, where the real fun begins! You'll dive into the traditional method of making pesto alla Genovese. To sweeten the experience, you'll also prepare pandolce, a traditional festive cake that encapsulates the warmth of Italian hospitality. As your culinary creations take shape, you'll toast to your culinary achievements with a glass of sweet Moscato from nearby Portofino, enjoying the perfect pairing of flavors.

Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4.75 hours

Later in the morning, you'll sail on to Portofino. Set along the Italian

Riviera, Portofino boasts a rich gastronomic scene, a picturesque harbour and narrow streets lined with charming, pastel-hued houses, high-end boutiques and seafood restaurants.

**EmeraldACTIVE**  
Portofino lighthouse & Brown Castle Walk  
Experience the charm of Portofino as you walk through its stunning landscapes, historic sites, and breathtaking views. Discover the historic Brown Castle its ancient walls and learn about its fascinating history, from its construction in the 16th century to its role in local lore. Enjoy San Giorgio Church and its beautiful frescoes and tranquil atmosphere before heading to the lighthouse.

Activity Level: Strenuous, Duration: 2 hours  
Offshore: 14:00 - 23:00

Arrives On: 27 Apr 26

### Day 3: Portofino (Italy)

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### Day 4: Portovenere (Italy)

Along the Ligurian coast of Italy's northwest shores, Porto Venere presents an ancient town with a romantic history, thanks to its penchant for attracting famous poets and artists over the centuries. This UNESCO World Heritage Site boasts wonderful swimming spots, beloved amongst others, by the iconic poet Lord Byron, who regularly bathed and meditated here in the early 1800s. One of Porto Venere's most striking features is its gothic-style Church of St. Peter, dating back to the 12th century, perched atop a rocky headland overlooking the sparkling sea.

**Included Excursion**  
Walking tour of PortoVenere  
Explore the picturesque medieval village of Portovenere, celebrated by Petrarch as the "panoramic miracle" of the Gulf of La Spezia. Begin your journey at the Roman gateway and stroll along Carugio Capellini, discover Byron's grotto, San Lorenzo Church and admire the artwork inside, including the mysterious Madonna Bianca painting, said to have been discovered washed up from the sea.

Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 2 hours  
**DiscoverMORE**  
Cinque Terre by private boat (extra expense)  
Start your day in Portovenere, a UNESCO-listed town. From there, board your private motorboat and set off to explore the Cinque Terre coast. Your first stop will be Monterosso with a guided tour of the village, treat yourself to a delicious pesto bruschetta paired with local wine. Next, visit Vernazza, a charming fishing village known for its picturesque port surrounded by soft pastel-coloured buildings. Enjoy some leisure time before returning to Portovenere.

Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4.5 hours  
Offshore: 07:30 - 05:30 (next day)

Arrives On: 28 Apr 26

### Day 5: Carrara (Italy)

Early in the morning, you'll sail onwards to Tuscany and Marina di Carrara. This lovely seaside village is famous for the, pale and premium Italian marble that is mined and quarried from the nearby mountains, used to create some of the world's most important artistic wonders, such as the iconic statue, Michelangelo's David. These shimmering mountains of the purest marble contrast beautifully with the coastal scenery of Marina di

**DiscoverMORE**  
Medieval Lucca by bike (extra expense)  
Experience the charm of Lucca by e-bike, guided by an expert, for an unforgettable exploration of the town center. Discover notable sites such as the statue of Giacomo Puccini, Piazza San Michele, and San Michele Church, as well as the ancient Roman forum that showcases the blend of the old and the new. The tour then proceeds to Piazza Anfiteatro and Torre Guinigi, iconic landmarks you won't want to overlook. After cycling along the walls, you'll have some leisure time to explore the city.  
Activity Level: Easy, Duration:

4.5 hours  
**DiscoverMORE**  
4x4 Adventure: The famous Carrara Marble Quarries (extra expense)  
Take a scenic drive through the charming villages along the Liguria and Tuscany coasts before arriving at the Apuane Mountains. As we ascend to the quarry area, we will explore the marble extraction and treatment process. A visit to these quarries offers a glimpse into the lives and work of the "Carrarini," the local marble workers. Following our exploration, we will enjoy a lunch break featuring Lardo di Colonnata croutons and other local delicacies with IGP certification.  
Activity Level: Easy, Duration:

3.5 hours  
**EmeraldPLUS**  
Soprano Serenade  
Immerse yourself in the rich and timeless world of Italian music with an unforgettable performance by the talented opera singer Luisa Kurtz, accompanied by the acclaimed pianist Carlos Morejano. Together, they will take you on a captivating journey through Italy's extraordinary musical heritage, featuring iconic opera arias, traditional art songs, and beloved classics. Feel the passion and emotion as Luisa's powerful and expressive voice fills the room, perfectly complemented by Carlos' intricate and masterful piano playing (performed on an electronic keyboard). This magical evening offers an unparalleled opportunity to experience the beauty, artistry, and elegance of Italian music, leaving you inspired and truly enchanted.  
Event duration: 1 hour  
Offshore: 08:00 - 22:00

Arrives On: 29 Apr 26

#### Day 6: Livorno (Italy)

Along the western coast of Tuscany, the bustling city of Livorno boasts a modern seaport, but is best known for its scenic beauty, picturesque views of the azure Mediterranean Sea and delicious fresh seafood. The city's culinary scene is not surprisingly heavily influenced by its seaside location, tempting with signature dishes such as 'cacciucco', a traditional fish stew that's a must-try for every visitor. **DiscoverMORE**  
Guided tour of Florence (extra expense)  
Florence, the heart of the Renaissance, boasts stunning architecture and rich history. Start at the iconic Duomo, with its impressive dome by Brunelleschi.

Stroll across the Ponte Vecchio, lined with jewellers, and see the charming Piazza della Signoria and Santa Croce square. Embrace the vibrant culture and artistic legacy that makes Florence truly enchanting.

Activity Level: Moderate, Duration:

8.5 hours

**DiscoverMORE**  
San Gimignano and wine tasting (extra expense)  
Experience the enchanting beauty of San Gimignano, a medieval hilltown famed for its striking skyline of towers and rich cultural heritage. This tour combines a guided exploration of this UNESCO World Heritage site with a delightful wine tasting experience and a traditional Tuscan lunch, making it an unforgettable day in the heart of Tuscany.

Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 8 hours  
Offshore: 08:00 - 20:00

Arrives On: 30 Apr 26

#### Day 7: Calvi, Corsica (France)

According to local legend, Calvi, set on the beautiful island of Corsica, is where the intrepid 15th century explorer, Christopher Columbus, was born. While historians may debate this, the natural beauty and rich culture of Calvi is undisputed. Calvi's gorgeous beach is a crescent-shaped bay of powdery white sand fringed by maritime pines, while the town has evolved as Corsica's 'culture capital', hosting several music festivals over the idyllic summer months.

**DiscoverMORE**  
Discover old Corsica and its villages (extra expense)  
Your first stop is the ancient circular village of Sant' Antonino, perched majestically on a rocky outcrop overlooking the sea. Next, venture to the hilltop village of Pigna, nestled in the heart of the Balagne region. This charming village, adorned with flower-filled streets and a quaint village square, is a haven for artists and artisans. Your journey continues through the scenic countryside, passing through the historic villages of Corbara and Aregno. Marvel at the timeless beauty of these ancient settlements before returning to Calvi.

Activity Level: Strenuous, Duration: 4 hours  
Offshore/Docked: 07:30 - 14:00

Arrives On: 01 May 26

#### Day 8: Civitavecchia (Italy)

After breakfast, set off to explore the dynamic capital of Italy, Rome. 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: 02 May 26

#### Day 9: Positano (Italy)

Positano is a picturesque coastal village located on the Amalfi Coast. Renowned for its stunning cliffside views, colourful houses cascading down to the Mediterranean Sea, and narrow

winding streets, Positano is often considered one of the most beautiful destinations in the world. The village features a mix of striking architecture, with vibrant buildings adorned in pastel hues, bougainvillea draping over balconies, and charming shops selling local crafts and goods. Positano's charm lies not only in its breathtaking scenery but also in its rich history and culture. Here, visitors can indulge in delicious cuisine, including fresh seafood and traditional Italian dishes, often accompanied by local wines. We overnight in

**DiscoverMORE**  
Positano walking tour with local foodie tasting (extra expense, must be pre-booked)  
Stroll through the sun-soaked splendor of Positano on this immersive walking tour that blends culture, cuisine, and craftsmanship. Accompanied by a knowledgeable local guide, ascend the village's vibrant, winding streets to discover historic sites like the cathedral, charming boutiques, and postcard-worthy viewpoints. Along the way, savor authentic local flavors with tastings from family-run markets and bars. Visit a traditional sandal workshop to watch artisans create Positano's iconic handmade footwear. Conclude with the option to return to the pier or linger in town at your leisure.

Activity Level: Strenuous, Duration:

2.5 hours  
**DiscoverMORE**  
Leisurely Amalfi by local motorboat (extra expense, must be pre-booked)  
Discover the beauty and flavor of the Amalfi Coast on this delightful journey by land and sea. Begin with a scenic 45-minute motorboat ride along dramatic cliffs, secluded coves, and colorful villages. Arrive in Amalfi and enjoy free time to explore at your own pace—visit the striking Moorish cathedral or browse the charming shops and cafés. Later, rejoin your guide for a cruise to Positano, where vibrant streets, artisan boutiques, and local tastings await. Sample authentic specialties and soak in the coastal charm before your tour concludes.  
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 3.5 hours  
Offshore: 12:00 - 20:00

Arrives On: 03 May 26

#### Day 9: Sorrento (Italy)

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#### Day 10: Sorrento (Italy)

Sorrento is a charming town located on the Amalfi Coast of Italy. Known for its stunning views of the Bay of Naples and Mount Vesuvius, Sorrento is a popular destination for guests seeking a mix of breathtaking scenery, delicious cuisine, and historical sites. The town's historic centre is filled with narrow streets, lined with shops selling locally made ceramics, limoncello, and other traditional products. Visitors can also explore the town's ancient Greek and Roman ruins, including the Villa Pollio and the Museo Correale di

Terranova.  
**DiscoverMORE**  
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

In the evening, we set sail and overnight in Capri.

Offshore: 23:00 (day prior) - 17:00

Arrives On: 04 May 26

#### Day 10: Capri (Italy)

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#### Day 11: Capri (Italy)

An island in Italy's Bay of Naples, Capri is synonymous with stunning natural beauty. Turquoise waters and beautiful coves dot the dramatic coastline, and high-end hotels, shopping outlets and fine cuisine attract the rich and famous as they dock in the beautiful Marina Grande.

**DiscoverMORE** Capri from the sea (extra expense) After tendering ashore, board a traditional wooden boat for a scenic tour of Capri's striking coastline. Explore its grottoes, gorges, and rocky formations, home to about 850 plant species, including ancient Roman villa plants like Tarantine Myrtle and Acanthus. The island is renowned for its citrus and olive cultivation. During your cruise, view the Villa of Tiberius and the Blue Grotto, while visiting beaches like "Marina Piccola" and "Bianca Grotto." Afterward, you can explore Capri at your leisure or return to the ship by tender.

Activity Level: Easy, Duration: 3 hours

**DiscoverMORE** Cabriolet tour of Capri (extra expense) Meet your guide at the pier for an unforgettable day in Capri, savoring local wines and traditional Italian cuisine. After a short walk to the taxi station, hop into a convertible taxi to the enchanting village of Anacapri. Choose between a chairlift ride to Mt. Solaro for breathtaking views or visit Axel Munthe's Villa. After exploring on your own, head to Capri town and enjoy free time at the main square, La Piazzetta, where you can shop and relax.

Activity Level: Strenuous, Duration: 4.5 hours

Offshore: 19:00 (day prior) - 18:00

Arrives On: 05 May 26

#### Day 12: Siracuse, Sicily (Italy)

Syracuse is a historic city nestled along the southeastern shores of Sicily, 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 meandering narrow streets lined with Baroque-era buildings, visit the stunning Cathedral of Syracuse, and enjoy fresh seafood at one of the delightful waterfront restaurants.

**DiscoverMORE**

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

Docked: 15:00 - 22:00

Arrives On: 06 May 26

### Day 13: Valletta (Malta)

Valletta, the capital city of Malta, is a living testament to the Baroque period, with well-preserved 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.

**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: Moderate, Duration: 4 hours

**DiscoverMORE**

Panoramic tour of Malta with wine tasting (extra expense)

Begin your journey with a scenic drive to Marsaxlokk, a traditional fishing village known for its colorful luzzu boats and tranquil harbor. Steeped in maritime history, Marsaxlokk is also where Napoleon is said to have landed in 1798. Enjoy the charm of this coastal gem as you take in its vibrant, authentic atmosphere. Next, travel to Zurrieq for a slow drive past the iconic Blue Grotto, offering mesmerizing views of the vivid blue waters, dramatic sea caves, and the remote Filfla Island, a protected seabird sanctuary. Continue through Malta's rural countryside to a local winery, where you'll be welcomed by the vintners for a guided introduction to Maltese winemaking. Enjoy a tasting of local wines paired with a traditional Maltese platter, highlighting the island's rich culinary heritage. From there, head to the coast for a photo stop overlooking St. Paul's Islands, where, according to tradition, the Apostle Paul was shipwrecked in 60 AD—an event that marked the



beginning of Christianity in Malta. On your return to the ship, relax and enjoy the passing panoramic views of Malta's rural and coastal beauty—a perfect ending to this immersive island experience.   
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4 hours  
Docked: 8:00 - 18:00

Arrives On: 07 May 26

#### Day 15: Itea (Greece)

Sail to the waterfront town of Itea, to explore the archaeological site of Delphi, regarded by the Ancient Greeks to be the centre of the world. In the evening get ready to pass through the Corinth Canal. Built during the 19th century, it connects the Gulf of Corinth in the Ionian Sea with the Saronic Gulf in the Aegean Sea.   
**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  
Offshore/Docked: 08:30 - 13:30

Arrives On: 09 May 26

#### Day 16: Páros (Greece)

Paros is one of the prettiest Greek islands in the heart of the Aegean Sea. Its verdant green landscape is adorned with vineyards and orchards laden with citrus fruits and pomegranates. Wander the winding streets of the capital Parikia, to see the quintessential Cycladic architecture and quaint white houses with bright blue doors and window boxes full of blooming bougainvillea.   
**DiscoverMORE**  
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  
**EmeraldPLUS**  
Local performance on board  
Duration: 1 hour  
Offshore: 08:00 - 22:00

Arrives On: 10 May 26

#### Day 17: 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: Easy to Moderate, Duration: 3 hours  
Offshore: 08:00 - 17:00

Arrives On: 11 May 26

#### Day 18: Piraeus (Greece)

Your luxurious yacht cruise concludes in the dynamic Greek capital, Athens, the birthplace of democracy and Western civilisation, 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 Athens after 01:00 PM.

Docked: 08:00

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Arrives On: 12 May 26

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