Cruise Details

Name:	Adriatic, Corinth Canal & the Greek Islands
Reference:	EMERALDE16D070827-1
Operator:	Emerald Cruises
Cruise Type:	Ocean
Cruise Rating:	Luxury
Ship:	Emerald Azzurra
Regions:	Mediterranean
Departs On:	07 Aug 27
Departs From:	Dubrovnik
Arrives On:	18 Aug 27
Arrives At:	Piraeus
Cruise Nights:	11
Total Vacation Days:	12

Itinerary

Day 1: Dubrovnik (Croatia)

Welcome to Croatia and the historic city of Dubrovnik. From Dubrovnik, you'll be transferred to your Emerald Cruises luxury yacht to embark on a voyage discovering fascinating port towns and cities and extraordinary coastlines. Please book your flight to arrive into Dubrovnik prior to 07:00 PM. Docked: overnight

Arrives On: 07 Aug 27

Day 2: Dubrovnik (Croatia)

Known as the 'Pearl of the Adriatic,' Dubrovnik presents a compelling city, set along Croatia's rugged Dalmatian Coast. The walled Old Town, encircled with massive stone walls completed in the 16th century, presents one of the finest examples of a medieval citadel in Europe. DiscoverMORE
Walking tour of Dubrovnik (extra expense, must be pre-booked)
Step inside the magnificent walls of Dubrovnik Old Town, a

UNESCO World Heritage Site, where centuries of history, elegant architecture, and vibrant city life await. A short coach transfer brings you to Pile Gate, the grand entrance to the Old Town, where your guided walk begins along the famous Stradun, Dubrovnik's historic main street. Visit the beautiful Franciscan Monastery, renowned for its peaceful cloister and home to one of Europe's oldest working pharmacies, established in 1317. Along the way, admire the exteriors of Dubrovnik's most celebrated landmarks while your guide shares the fascinating history of this remarkable medieval city. Following the guided tour, enjoy free time to explore the Old Town at your own pace, browse local shops, or relax at a café (own expense) before returning independently to the designated coach departure point for the transfer back.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 3 hours 45 minutes DiscoverMORE
Traditional Dalmatian Meal Experience at family owned local restaurant (extra expense, must be pre-booked)
Escape to the peaceful Konavle Valley and experience authentic Croatian hospitality with a traditional meal in one of the region's most renowned family-run restaurants. Travel through the picturesque countryside to family owned Konoba, beautifully situated on the banks of the Ljuta River. Surrounded by lush greenery, this charming family-owned restaurant is celebrated for preserving the culinary traditions of Konavle and Dalmatia using fresh, locally sourced ingredients and recipes passed down through generations. Relax in the tranquil riverside setting while enjoying a traditional meal accompanied by local wines. Afterwards, take time to browse the small shop offering regional wines, local delicacies, and handcrafted souvenirs before departing for the return journey.
Activity Level: Easy, Duration: 3 hours Anchored: 08:00 - 18:00

Arrives On: 08 Aug 27

Day 3: Korčula (Croatia)

The sixth-largest island amid the Adriatic, Korcula is among the most beloved in Croatia. The main town, also named Korcula, is home to a picturesque Old Town, referred to by locals as ‘Little Dubrovnik’ and a delightful mix of medieval churches, palaces, and photogenic squares. This Dalmation island is also home to a celebrated wine culture; the quaint villages of Cara and Smokvica are renowned for producing the country’s signature dry white wines. Today choose between our EmeraldACTIVE or DiscoverMORE option. EmeraldACTIVE
Lumbarda Coastal Walk & Sabulum Winery
Discover the natural beauty and renowned winemaking traditions of Korcula on a leisurely journey through the picturesque village of Lumbarda. A short drive brings you to Lumbarda, a charming coastal village famous for its sandy bays, rolling vineyards, and relaxed Mediterranean atmosphere. Join your guide for a scenic walk along the coastline, where panoramic views of the Adriatic Sea accompany paths winding through centuries-old vineyards that have shaped the island's landscape and traditions. Continue to the acclaimed Sabulum Winery, where you will learn about Korcula's distinctive wine heritage before enjoying a tasting of locally produced wines. Afterwards, depart for the return journey.
Activity Level: Active, Duration: 2 hours 45

minutes DiscoverMORE
Buggy tour (extra expense)
Experience the rugged beauty of Korcula Island on an exciting self-drive buggy adventure, combining panoramic scenery, hidden beaches, and authentic island charm. Travel by minibus to the buggy base, where a safety briefing is provided before setting off in your two-seater buggy. Follow scenic gravel tracks through olive groves and vineyards above Lumbarda, enjoying spectacular views across the Pelješac Peninsula and the Korcula Archipelago. Along the route, discover secluded bays and stop at Lumbarda Beach, where you may enjoy a refreshing swim or simply relax by the crystal-clear waters. After the buggy adventure, enjoy refreshments at a local restaurant before free time in Lumbarda to explore the village, relax by the waterfront, or swim before departing for the return journey.
Note: Participants must have their driver's license with them as they will be driving the buggies during the excursion.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4 hours Docked: 08:00 - 18:00

Arrives On: 09 Aug 27

Day 4: Kotor (Montenegro)

Encircled by medieval walls, the fortified city of Kotor, set along Montenegro’s beautiful coastline, is an enthralling destination that seamlessly combines ancient history and vibrant modern culture. Nestled between imposing mountains and the Adriatic Sea, this UNESCO World Heritage-listed setting is sure to charm with its elegant Venetian palaces, cobblestone narrow lanes and café-hemmed squares. DiscoverMORE
Explore Historic Kotor on foot (extra expense)
Explore Kotor from a unique perspective on a guided walk along the lower section of the city walls. This relaxed stroll reveals the impressive defensive architecture that once protected the town and highlights Kotor’s strategic importance throughout centuries of Venetian and regional rule. As you walk through this historic area, hear fascinating stories connected to the old fortifications and gain insight into daily life within the walled city. The experience offers an authentic atmosphere and a deeper understanding of Kotor’s Old Town, a UNESCO World Heritage Site.
Activity Level: Easy, Duration: 2 hours DiscoverMORE
Our Lady of the Rocks and walking tour of Kotor (extra expense)
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 - 17:30

Arrives On: 10 Aug 27

Day 5: Sarandë (Albania)

Sarandë is a popular coastal town nestled on a crescent-shaped bay in Albania. This once sleepy fishing village welcomes with a bustling seaside promenade and pebbled beaches. Its relaxed atmosphere makes it a perfect base for exploring the nearby ancient ruins of Butrint, a UNESCO World Heritage Site renowned for its archaeological significance.
From Sarandë, you'll journey across the Straits of Corfu to one of Greece's largest and greenest islands, Corfu, alluring with sandy coves and rugged, verdant hills studded with olive, cypress, and citrus trees. Included Excursion
Butrint UNESCO Ruins & Lekursi Castle View
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: Easy, Duration: 3 hours 45 minutes EmeraldPLUS
Greek dance performance onboard
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.
Event duration: 40 minutes

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Day 5: Corfu (Greece)

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Day 6: Corfu (Greece)

The picturesque Old Town of Corfu harbours a rich history and magnificent heritage architecture displaying Renaissance and Baroque influences. Here, take a leisurely stroll through the largest square in Greece, the impressive Spianada, and soak up the local ambience. While on this stunning island, you can also explore authentic Greek villages and enjoy a relaxing dip at one of the many lovely beaches, lapped by clear waters. Included Excursion
Guided walking tour of Corfu town
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 (self-driving tour, 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.
Note: This is a self-driving tour; a valid driver's license is required. For no EU guests an international driving license is required. Vehicles are all manual transmission and self-driven.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4 hours 30 minutes Docked: 21:00 (day prior) - 23:00

Arrives On: 12 Aug 27

Day 7: Parga (Greece)

On mainland Greece, the resort town of Parga radiates a carefree holiday atmosphere. Enjoy the Mediterranean sunshine on one of the many lovely beaches, wander through through the atmospheric lanes of this traditional Greek town and marvel at the medieval castle, later rebuilt and fortified by the Venetians, which reveals an incredible bird's-eye view of this popular town and the sparkling Ionian 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: 13 Aug 27

Day 8: Nydri, Lefkada Island (Greece)

Known as the ‘Caribbean of Greece,’Lefkada is connected to the mainland by a narrow bridge, making it one of the few islands here accessible by car. One of the most fascinating spots on Lefkada is the Castle of Agia Mavra, dating back to the 14th century and built to protect Lefkada from invaders. As well as soaking up Lefkada’s natural beauty and centuries-old history, enjoy sampling the delicious local wines produced here. 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: 14 Aug 27

Day 9: Itea (Greece)

Today, you'll sail to the small port of Itea, then start your journey to the archaeological site of Delphi, regarded by the Ancient Greeks as the centre of the world and nowadays, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Afterwards, it's time to sail on your luxury yacht through the 19th century Corinth Canal, a slender waterway and feat of engineering that crosses the Isthmus of Corinth in Greece to the Saronic Gulf. This is a rare sailing experience, as few cruise vessels are able to navigate through this man-made canal. 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 Docked: 08:00 - 14:00

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Day 10: Delos (Greece)

A small rocky island embedded in the heart of the Cyclades archipelago, Delos is regarded as one of the most important mythological and archaeological sites in Greece. In the afternoon, you'll venture to stunning Mykonos. This world-famous island's allure lies in its intoxicating blend

of traditional Greek culture and cosmopolitan flair. Take a stroll through the winding narrow streets of atmospheric Mykonos Town, where you can admire the trademark whitewashed dwellings fronted by distinctive blue doors. Be sure to also visit the historic windmills – another iconic sight on this popular island. DiscoverMORE
Guided tour of Delos (extra expense)
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)
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 - 11:30 | 12:30 – 23:00

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Day 10: Mykonos (Greece)

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Day 11: Páros (Greece)

Welcome to Paros, one of the prettiest Greek islands in the Aegean Sea. Its verdant green landscape captivates with abundant vineyards and orchards laden with citrus fruits and pomegranates. Wander through the winding streets of the capital Parikia, admiring the quintessential Cycladic architecture and quaint, whitewashed houses adorned with bright blue doors and window boxes brimming with blooming

bougainvillea. DiscoverMORE
Lefkes and Naoussa with wine tasting (extra expense)
Journey through the timeless landscapes of Paros, where traditional villages, picturesque harbours, and local winemaking showcase the authentic character of the island. Begin in the charming hillside village of Lefkes, once the island's capital. Enjoy free time to wander its whitewashed alleyways, admire elegant neoclassical houses, and soak up the peaceful atmosphere of one of the Cyclades' most picturesque villages. Continue to the beautiful fishing village of Naoussa, where colourful boats, waterfront cafés, and narrow streets invite you to explore at a relaxed pace. The excursion concludes with a visit to a local winery, where you'll discover the island's long-standing winemaking traditions during a guided tour of the cellars, followed by a tasting of three locally produced wines served with fresh bread and cheese.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4 hours Anchored: 10:30 - 18:00

Arrives On: 17 Aug 27

Day 12: Piraeus (Greece)

Your luxurious yacht cruise concludes in the history-laden capital of Greece, Athens, the ancient birthplace of democracy and Western civilisation. After bidding farewell to your crew and fellow guests, from your 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

Note: 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. Please refer to our terms and conditions for further information.

Arrives On: 18 Aug 27

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