



Cruise Details

Name:	Adriatic & the Greek Islands
Reference:	EMERALDE16D160526-1
Operator:	Emerald Cruises
Cruise Type:	Ocean
Cruise Rating:	Ultra Luxury
Ship:	Emerald Kaia
Regions:	Mediterranean
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Departs On:	16 May 26
Departs From:	Dubrovnik
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Arrives On:	27 May 26
Arrives At:	Piraeus
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Cruise Nights:	11
Total Vacation Days:	12

Itinerary

Day 1: Dubrovnik (Croatia)

Your cruise begins in the historic city of Dubrovnik, where you will 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: 16 May 26

Day 2: Dubrovnik (Croatia)

Known as the 'Pearl of the Adriatic,' Dubrovnik presents a compelling city set along Croatia's Dalmatian Coast; its walled Old Town presents one of the finest examples of a medieval citadel in Europe. With its storied history and breathtaking views of iconic terracotta rooftops and the alluring Adriatic Sea, Dubrovnik offers visitors the perfect blend of cultural exploration and a relaxing beach holiday. Discover **Discover MORE** Walking tour of Dubrovnik

(extra expense, must be pre-booked) Embark on a captivating walking tour of Dubrovnik, starting with a scenic coach journey from the pier to Pile Gate. Explore the Franciscan Monastery, where the mesmerizing cloister and Europe's oldest operating pharmacy, dating back to 1317, await you. Discover the Cathedral Treasury, Admire the exterior of other notable sites, soaking in the rich history and architectural beauty of Dubrovnik. After the guided tour, take advantage of some free time to further explore the town at your own pace, perhaps wandering through charming alleyways or pausing to indulge in local cuisine. Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 3.5 hours

DiscoverMORE Dalmatian family experience (extra expense, must be pre-booked) Travel by motorcoach to Cilipi, a quaint village near Dubrovnik. Our experience will begin with a brief stroll through the village alongside our hosts, allowing us to meet the residents and gain insight into their everyday lives. You'll also savor authentic, home-cooked Croatian dishes as we partake in a meal that reflects the daily culinary traditions of our host family. Activity Level: Easy, Duration: 3 hours

Docked: 08:00 - 18:00

Arrives On: 17 May 26

Day 3: Korčula (Croatia)

The sixth-largest island in the Adriatic, Korcula, is among the most beloved in Croatia. Its Old Town, referred to by locals as 'Little Dubrovnik', is a delightful mix of medieval churches, palaces, and photogenic squares, while the villages of Cara and Smokvica are renowned for producing the country's signature dry white wine.

DiscoverMORE A walking tour of Korcula (extra expense) Discover the rich historical tapestry of Korcula, traverse cobblestone streets through centuries of art and history, visiting 14th- to 16th-century fortifications, the Rector's palace, and the City Museum housed in a 16th-century mansion. Uncover Korcula's vibrant history in the small cathedral, Museum of Icons, and glimpse Marco Polo's believed birthplace. Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 2 hours

DiscoverMORE Buggy tour (extra expense) Start your excursion with scenic journey by minibus to explore the captivating Peljesac and Korcula archipelago, reaching the buggy pick-up point. Set off on your two-seater convertible buggy, winding through gravel roads above Lumbarda village, surrounded by picturesque olive groves and vineyards. Enjoy a delicious snack and local wine tasting at a charming restaurant before continuing to Lumbarda Beach, where you'll have time to swim in crystal-clear waters and relax in the sun. Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4 hours

Note: All driving guests must have a valid driver's license and minimum of 18 years old. Please wear comfortable shoes, your swimsuit under comfortable clothing and bring a towel if you plan to swim.

Offshore: 08:00 - 18:00

Arrives On: 18 May 26

Day 4: Kotor (Montenegro)

Encircled by medieval walls, the fortified city of Kotor is a destination that seamlessly combines ancient history and 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 lanes and café-hemmed squares. Today choose between our EmeraldACTIVE or DiscoverMORE option.

EmeraldACTIVE
Guided hike of Kotor's city walls
Declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1979, the City Walls of Kotor stretch for almost 5 kilometres, encompassing the city and offering those who embrace the challenge of climbing them, wonderful views of the bay of Kotor and the Old Town. Step back in time as your knowledgeable guide brings to life the history of the fortifications and the important part they played in the protection of the city. Climb to the highest point, where you'll find the well-preserved fortress of St John and be rewarded with a magnificent view of the harbour and the red roofs of the Old Town.
Activity Level: Strenuous, Duration: 2.5 hours

Or

EmeraldACTIVE
Panoramic Kotor Walk
Step back in time on a guided walking tour along the lower section of the city walls, where history comes alive at every turn. As you stroll through this atmospheric part of the old town, you'll uncover the fascinating story of the city's defensive architecture and its crucial role in shaping centuries of local life. Your guide will share intriguing tales, hidden details, and memorable moments connected to the ancient fortifications, bringing stone and history together in a vivid and accessible way. Designed at a relaxed pace, this tour offers an authentic, immersive experience—perfect for travellers who want to explore, learn, and truly feel the spirit of the old city.
Activity Level: Easy, Duration: 2 hours

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Our Lady of the Rocks and walking tour of Kotor (extra expense)
Discover the magic of Montenegro with a scenic boat ride across the Bay of Kotor to the legendary Our Lady of the Rocks, a man-made island crowned by a centuries-old church and maritime museum. Continue to the elegant town of Perast, where baroque architecture and waterfront views set the scene for a visit to the Maritime Museum. Conclude your journey in Kotor's Old Town, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, with a guided walking tour through its labyrinth of stone lanes, historic churches, and vibrant squares that reveal the city's rich and layered past.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 5.5 hours

Docked: 08:00 - 17:00

Arrives On: 19 May 26

Day 5: Sarandë (Albania)

Today, it's time to rise early in the morning and leave Corfu, setting sail for Sarandë, a popular coastal town perched on a crescent-shaped bay in Albania. The once sleepy fishing village presents a bustling seaside promenade, pebbled beaches and ancient ruins adorned with intricate mosaics and historical artefacts.

Included Excursion
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Departing from Saranda, journey through southern Albania's stunning landscapes, from the River Bistrica and rocky

Cuka channel to the tranquil marshes of Lake Butrint. Visit Butrint, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, where history and nature intertwine. Wander among Greek, Roman, Byzantine, Venetian, and Ottoman ruins set within lush forests teeming with birdlife and butterflies, while learning the fascinating story of this ancient city. Next, head to Lekursi Castle, a 16th-century Ottoman fortress perched above Saranda. Enjoy panoramic views of the Ionian Sea, the city, and Corfu, especially at sunset, and relax with a refreshing drink at the castle bar before returning to the pier. A seamless blend of history, nature, and breathtaking vistas—experience the very best of southern Albania.
Activity Level: Easy, Duration: 3.75 hours</p><p><p>Docked: 12:30 - 17:00</p></p>

Arrives On: 20 May 26

Day 6: Corfu (Greece)

<p><p>This ruggedly beautiful Greek island is dotted with whitewashed houses and olive trees and is edged with shimmering turquoise waters. The UNESCO World Heritage-listed Old Town of Corfu has a rich history and magnificent architecture displaying Renaissance and Baroque influences. Explore quaint fishing villages, relax on the many idyllic beaches and coves and stroll through the largest square in Greece, the Spianada.</p></p><p>DiscoverMORE
Guided walking tour of Corfu town (extra expense)
Commence your adventure by passing through the historic Bonati Arch, an entryway to Corfu's Old Town that sets the stage for a captivating exploration. Discover the Jewish Quarter, where a 300-year-old synagogue bears witness to the rich tapestry of Corfu's past.
Marvel at the Venetian stylings of the Town Hall, a masterpiece from the late 1600s that stands as a testament to the island's historical significance. Behold the iconic view of the red-domed bell tower of St. Spyridon Church, a religious landmark dating back to the 16th century.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 2 hours</p><p>DiscoverMORE
4x4 adventure of the Corfiot countryside (self-driving tour, extra expense)
Journey through charming seaside resorts such as Alykes, Kontokali, and Gouvia, where the beauty of the coastal landscape will captivate you. Continue your exploration to the village of Troubeta, where a mountain ridge provides a stunning backdrop showcasing the islands of Mathraki and Othoni. Indulge in the flavours of Greece with a typical Greek meze at Castellino restaurant in Lakones. Your journey culminates at the bay of Paleokastritsa.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4.5 hours
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.</p><p>EmeraldPLUS
Greek dance performance onboard
Experience authentic traditional dances from Corfu and the Ionian Islands – including Lefkada, Ithaca, and Kefalonia – brought to life by skilled performers in exquisite traditional costumes. Each piece tells a story of local history, character, and rhythm, offering an immersive insight into the rich heritage and enduring customs of these remarkable islands.
Event duration: 40 minutes</p><p><p>Docked: 21:00 (day prior) - 23:00</p></p>

Arrives On: 21 May 26

Day 7: Parga (Greece)

On mainland Greece, Parga radiates a carefree holiday atmosphere. Enjoy the sunshine on one of the many gorgeous beaches, explore traditional Greek villages, and marvel at the 11th-century Venetian castle, which offers an incredible bird's eye view of the resort town and sparkling coastline.

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Sightseeing tour of Meteora monasteries including a Greek lunch (extra expense)

Enjoy the scenic drive to Meteora, where the landscape transforms into a breathtaking display of gigantic rocks etched by centuries of wind and weather. Explore two of these remarkable monasteries, each perched atop towering rocks, offering panoramic views of the surrounding landscape. After exploring the Meteora Monasteries, journey to the charming Kalambaka Village and treat your taste buds to a traditional Greek meal.

Activity Level: Strenuous, Duration:

10.5 hours

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Kayaking Adventure (extra expense)

Our journey commences at the serene Ai Giannakis beach, where we embark on a scenic kayaking route that unveils breathtaking landscapes and enchanting bays. As we navigate the turquoise waters, the captivating natural beauty of the surroundings comes to life, especially as we pass by the striking vertical cliffs. Highlights of the excursion include a visit to Aphrodite's Sea Cave and a leisurely entry into the picturesque harbour of Parga, where we can admire the verdant isle of Panagia. We will take a brief intermission to enjoy a snack and recharge before continuing our adventure. We will paddle through the area's captivating islets before making our way back to our original departure point at Ai Giannakis beach.

Activity Level: Strenuous, Duration: 3.5 hours

Docked: 08:00 - 22:00

Arrives On: 22 May 26

Day 8: 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 islands here accessible by car. One of the most fascinating places in Lefkada is the Castle of Agia Mavra, dating back to the 14th century and built to protect Lefkada from invasions.

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Lefkada tour with Faneromeni Monastery (extra expense)

Kick off your journey at Nidri Port, where our friendly guides will greet you. Get ready to visit the tranquil Monastery of Faneromeni, a peaceful haven surrounded by lush landscapes. From the monastery, your adventure continues to the lively centre of Lefkada Town, where a gastronomic journey awaits. After your flavourful experience, enjoy some free time to stroll through the picturesque streets of Lefkada Town.

Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4 hours

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Flavors of Lefkada (extra expense)

Escape the coast and discover the authentic countryside of Lefkada on an immersive farm-to-table journey. Departing from Nydri Port, enjoy a scenic drive to the island's only regenerative organic farm, a proud member of the Slow Food

International network. Explore the fields on a guided tour, meet the passionate farmers, and learn how traditional methods blend with sustainable practices. Enjoy a guided tasting of award-winning Extra Virgin Olive Oil and gain expert insight into selecting and using premium olive oil. Take part in a hands-on cooking class, preparing classic Greek dishes such as tzatziki and dakos, before sitting down to a fresh farm-to-table lunch with sourdough bread and a glass of local wine. Afterward, enjoy free time to explore the farm or relax in the peaceful surroundings before returning to Nydri Port. A perfect blend of nature, flavor, and tradition—an authentic taste of Lefkada’s soul.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 3.25 hours
Docked: 08:00 - 19:00

Arrives On: 23 May 26

Day 9: Gythio (Greece)

Gythio is a picturesque fishing port on the southeastern coast of the Peloponnese, once the ancient harbor of Sparta and today a relaxed gateway to the wild Mani Peninsula. Stroll its seafront lined with neoclassical houses and seafood tavernas, wander across to tiny Marathonisi (Kranai) Island with its lighthouse and historic tower, or simply enjoy nearby beaches and views over the Laconian Gulf.

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Guided tour Mystras and Sparta (extra expense)
Travel to the lower slopes of Mount Taygetos, where the evocative ruins of ancient Mystras, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, stand as a powerful reminder of Byzantium’s former glory. Once the capital of the Byzantine Despotate of the Morea, Mystras flourished as a center of art, culture, and scholarship. Enjoy a guided exploration of this remarkable archaeological site, where medieval churches, frescoed chapels, and the remains of grand palaces overlook the fertile plain below. Afterward, take some free time to wander through its narrow paths and absorb the serene atmosphere of this once-mighty fortress town. Continue to the modern village of Sparta, built near the site of the ancient city-state. Though little remains of classical Sparta, its legacy of courage and discipline endures. Pause for photos at the imposing statue of King Leonidas, the legendary warrior who led 300 Spartans at the Battle of Thermopylae.
Activity Level: Moderate, Duration: 4 hours
Docked: 12:00 - 18:00

Arrives On: 24 May 26

Day 10: Mykonos (Greece)

This world-famous island's allure lies in its 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 adorned with vibrant blue doors and visit the island’s historic windmills.

Included Excursion

Guided tour of Delos
Set foot on a journey to the sacred island of Delos, a cradle of ancient Greek mythology and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Delos holds a unique place in history,

believed to be the birthplace of Apollo and Artemis. Explore the extensive site, where each step reveals the layers of history, from ancient sanctuaries to the remnants of prosperous civilizations.

Activity Level: Moderate, Duration:

2.50 hours

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Mykonos Town & Mosaic Art Experience (extra expense)
Discover the creative soul of Mykonos on this immersive mosaic workshop led by celebrated local artist Irene Syriano. Stroll through the winding lanes of Mykonos Town to the tranquil Cine Manto garden, where you'll step into the timeless art of mosaic-making. Under Irene's expert guidance, learn to hand-cut and shape tiles, crafting your own unique piece while exploring the fascinating history of mosaics—from ancient Greece to modern sustainability. Afterward, enjoy a relaxed walk-through town and free time to browse, photograph, or simply soak in the island's vibrant charm.

Activity Level: Moderate, Tour duration: 3.50 hours
Docked/Offshore: 07:30 - 06:00 (next day)

Arrives On: 25 May 26

Day 11: Páros (Greece)

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

bougainvillea.
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Lefkes and Naoussa with wine tasting (extra expense)

Our adventure begins in the picturesque village of Lefkes, a hidden gem nestled amidst the breathtaking beauty of Paros and once the island's vibrant capital. From there, make your way to the quaint fishing village of Naoussa, where you can meander through its inviting alleyways and lively harbour. The highlight of your journey awaits at a century-old winery, where you'll embark on a guided tour that offers a behind-the-scenes glimpse into the art of winemaking on Paros. As the tour concludes, settle into the atmospheric surroundings of the underground cellars or on the terrace for a private tasting experience unlike any other.
Activity Level: Easy to Moderate, Duration: 4.10 hours
Offshore: 10:30 - 18:00

Arrives On: 26 May 26

Day 12: Piraeus (Greece)

Your luxurious yacht cruise concludes in the history-laden capital, Athens, the birthplace of democracy and Western civilisation. Here, you will 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: 06:00
*Please verify with the Shore Excursion Manager onboard whether a DiscoverMORE tour is available on disembarkation

day. </p></p><p><p>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.</p></p>

Arrives On: 27 May 26

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