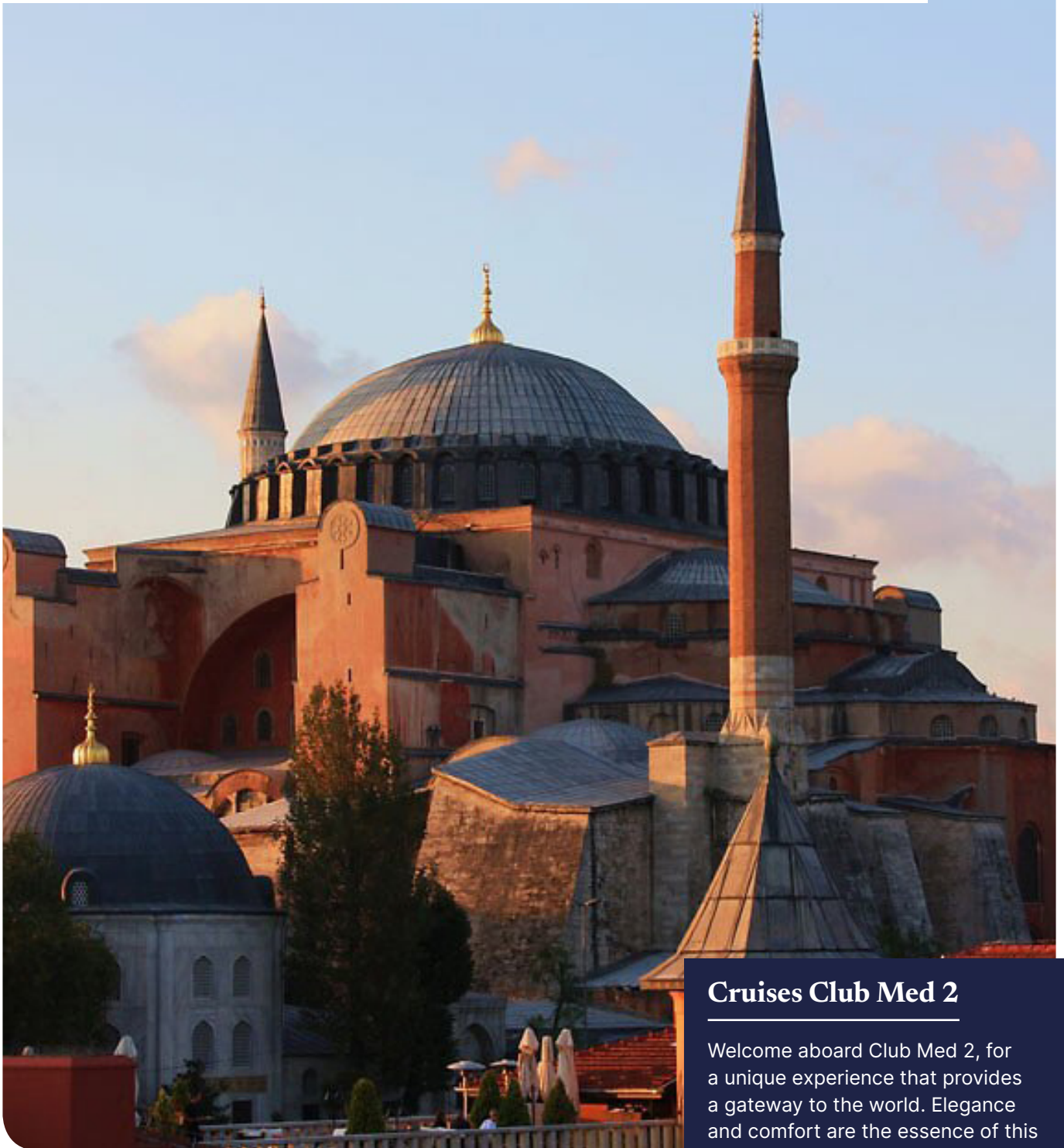




Treasures of Istanbul and the Aegean Sea

Ideal family cruise

Europe & Mediterranean coasts / **Istanbul to Lavrio**
From 08/02/2025 to 08/09/2025 - 8 days / 7 nights



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Your cruise

Days	Stages	Arrival	Departure	Nautical Hall
1 - Saturday	Istanbul			Closed
2 - Sunday	Istanbul		13:00	Closed
3 - Monday	Bozcaada	08:00	16:00	Without waterskiing
4 - Tuesday	Çeşme	08:00	18:00	Closed
5 - Wednesday	Patmos	08:00	18:00	Open*
6 - Thursday	Naxos	08:00	18:00	Open*
7 - Friday	Milos	08:00	18:00	Open*
8 - Saturday	Athens/Lavrio	07:00		Closed

Day 1: Boarding from 16h to 20h
Day 8: Landing from 9h to 11h





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Itinerary of your cruise

Day 1 - Saturday ISTANBUL	On the banks of the majestic Bosphorus, this is a city that straddles continents. With Sultanahmet influenced by the East and Beyoglu by the West, Istanbul is teeming with stunning sights. The city feels at ease with its cultural heritage, creating an atmosphere that blends the cosmopolitan with the traditional. Ship docked, no water sports. Boarding and disembarkation port of call.
Day 2 - Sunday ISTANBUL	To dazzle seems to be the millennial vocation of the hinge city between Europe and Asia. At ease in her cultural heritage, she fuse with cosmopolitan and traditional atmospheres. Ship docked in port.
Day 3 - Monday BOZCAADA	This heavenly little island is dominated by a mediaeval fort and is a real haven of peace. The narrow streets of white stone houses are built into the mountainside and are a delight to stroll around and try to spot the Turkish and Greek influences. Boat at anchor, beach and water sports available.
Day 4 - Tuesday ÇESME	Throughout its history, the town has been home to many civilisations and cultures. The Lydians, the Persians, the Kingdom of Pergamum, the Roman State, the Byzantine and Ottoman Empires all ruled over the town in their turn. Its fascinating history stems from its multicultural past. Boat at anchor, dive locker closed.
Day 5 - Wednesday PATMOS	The Monastery of Saint John the Theologian, founded in 1088, is the most famous sight on Patmos. This island paradise also has long sandy beaches and picturesque villages, with houses in the traditional Dodecanese style. Ship at anchor, water sports available.
Day 6 - Thursday NAXOS	This land of ancient legends boasts imposing hills and beaches. Dominated by a Venitian castle, there are plenty of beautiful walks in and around the picturesque mediaeval town of Chora. Ship at anchor. Water sports.
Day 7 - Friday MILOS	This volcanic island with astonishing landscapes and pink, white and gold beaches is the home of the celebrated Venus. Ship at anchor. Water sports.
Day 8 - Saturday ATHENS/LAVRIO	The Greek capital opens the pages of its age-old history. In the heart of modernity, the Acropolis and the narrow streets of the Plaka district reveal their splendour and charm. Boat docked in Lavrio, no water sports and no direct access to a beach. Passengers boarding and disembarking at this port of call.



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Excursions of your cruise

Day 2 - Sunday ISTANBUL / ISTANBUL BOSPHORUS (2 hours)*	It wouldn't be a trip to Istanbul without a cruise on the Bosphorus. Where the Sea of Marmara meets the Black Sea, soak in the city's beauty as you admire the rich and varied architecture of the residences and mosques that line the banks.
Day 2 - Sunday ISTANBUL / ISTANBUL BYZANTINE*	You will start with a visit to the Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople and then visit one of Istanbul's curiosities: the cistern-basilica before venturing freely into the maze of the Spice Market with its colorful atmosphere.
Day 2 - Sunday ISTANBUL / HISTORICAL ISTANBUL*	Discover the historic heart of Istanbul, home to the most iconic sights in the capital. Visit the Grand Bazaar, the biggest market in the world with 58 internal streets, the remains of the Constantinople hippodrome and the Blue Mosque, with its 6 minarets. You will visit then Hagia Sophia, an immense structure, once the Sancta Sophia basilica, now the Hagia Sophia mosque. Appreciate the sheer size of this monument, and its history as part of Byzantium, then Constantinople, and now Istanbul. Grand Bazaar is closed on Sundays and replaced by Spice Market.
Day 2 - Sunday ISTANBUL / TOPKAPI (1/2 day, morning)*	Lose yourself in the 700,000m ² of Topkapi Palace, the biggest palace in the world. Discover the many facets of this former official residence of the sultans, which served as the seat of government and the ministerial council, the treasury, mint and state university. Finish your visit in the harem, within the Sultan's private apartments. Due to restoration works, some rooms may be closed to visitors. Topkapi is closed on Tuesdays.
Day 3 - Monday BOZCAADA / DISCOVERY OF BOZCAADA (1/2 day, morning)*	This guided walk will introduce you to the charming little town of Bozcaada and its troubled history. You will walk through the narrow streets of the village and see the medieval fort that defended the island, then pass the group of white stone houses to the mosque built on the foundations of a Venetian building and to the very small and unique village museum. At the end of the guided tour, you can stroll freely through its non-paved streets, or take the time to stop in the small square where the locals meet for coffee.
Day 3 - Monday BOZCAADA / BOZCAADA WINE HERITAGE (1/2 day)*	Bozcaada is a small island, 6 or 7 km across, well known for the quality of its vines and the aromas of its wines. A third of its surface is devoted exclusively to vineyards. Famous since ancient times, today the wines of Bozcaada represent an important part of Turkish wines.
Day 5 - Wednesday PATMOS / PATMOS, THE ISLAND OF THE APOCALYPSE (1/2 day, morning)*	The Jerusalem of the Aegean! Between Skala and Chora, see the sacred cave where St John is thought to have described his vision of the apocalypse. Then visit the St John monastery and museum in Chora. Founded in 1088, the monastery was a real Medieval fortress, and the museum contains a fragment of St Mark's gospel.
Day 6 - Thursday NAXOS (1/2 day)*	The kouros of Melanes dates from 600 BC, a fabulous example of this ancient Greek stone art in the middle of a small garden. You'll visit the church of Drossiani at the entrance to the village of Moni, a beautiful 6th century Christian church that houses magnificent mural paintings. You'll drive through the centre of the island, stopping at one of its beautiful villages - Aprianthos, nicknamed "the marble village".
Day 7 - Friday MILOS - THE MANY FACES OF MILOS (1/2 day)*	Milos is the cradle of the history of the Cyclades since prehistoric times. This sightseeing tour will give you a chance to explore the beautiful scenery of this charming island with its lunar landscapes. It will take you to Plaka where you can see the stunning traditional architecture. You will see the marble Roman amphitheatre and the site where one of the most famous statues in the world once stood: The Venus de Milo. You can cool off after your sightseeing trip with a swim on Sarakinko Beach against an amazing backdrop (don't forget your swimsuit and beach towel).
Day 8 - Saturday ATHENS/LAVRIO - ACROPOLIS MUSEUM (1/2 day, morning)*	before your departure, we will offer you the chance to take an amazing tour of the latest discoveries made below the Acropolis Museum. You will be able to explore the remains of the private buildings, narrow streets and public places that made up this great city in ancient times, below the modern city of Athens Next, you will see major pieces from the Golden Age of Athens, including the Caryatids and the Parthenon Frieze. Transfer back to the airport or CM2 depending of the flight tickets.

* Excursion available at a preferential rate when booking your cruise. Subject to a minimum number of participants.



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Formalities

CUSTOMS FORMALITIES

For all UK citizens, a valid passport is essential when you travel abroad. A full 10-year passport is required for holidays to all countries featured on our website. The passport must be valid for at least 6 months beyond your return date with one blank visa page. Make sure your passport is valid and check with the embassy or the consulate of your destination country if you need a visa for your chosen destination prior to travel. It is vital that the name given when booking your holiday (printed on the ticket and itinerary) is exactly the same as written on your passport. Any child, however old, must have his/her own passport. Please note Club Med cannot be held responsible for any issue with regards to passport or visas.

HEALTH FORMALITIES

Safe Together.

Club Med has implemented new hygiene and safety measures to offer you peace of mind and a most joyful experience.

As part of the fight against Covid-19, health measures at the borders are being reinforced and may in particular require a virological screening test (for example PCR test) depending on your country of origin, transit or destination before your departure and/or before your return.

We suggest you obtain more information from the consular services of the countries concerned or on the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of your nationality and/or place of residence.

Recommended vaccinations: diphtheria, polio, tetanus, hepatitis A and B and typhoid.

Pregnant women who do not need constant medical supervision may come aboard, upon presentation of a medical certificate showing their due date and certifying that their pregnancy is compatible with the cruise.

The final day of the cruise must be before the end of the 26th week of pregnancy.

A doctor and a nurse are present on board.

Meeting place for boarding

Galataport Istanbul Kılıçlı Paşa Mah. Meclis-i Mebusan Cad. No: 8 İç Kapı No: 102, 34433 Beyoğlu/Istanbul

