Splendors of the Mediterranean

Europe & Mediterranean coasts / Palermo to Athens

From 08/07/2027 to 08/14/2027 - 8 days / 7 nights ◆ EXTEND YOUR STAY IN A CLUB MED RESORT: Gregolimano

CRUISES CLUB MED 2

Welcome aboard Club Med 2, for a unique experience that provides a gateway to the world. Elegance and comfort are the essence of this magnificent 5-masted sailing ship

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The beauty of the starry sky with Paul Wagner

Watch as a family, on the upper deck of Club Med 2 alongside Paul Wagner, a passionate astronomer and former speaker at the Palais de la Découverte, the shooting stars dancing in the sky, illuminating the night with exceptional magic. An unforgettable experience that will immerse you in the wonder of the starry skies.

SPLENDORS OF THE MEDITERRANEAN

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EUROPE & MEDITERRANEAN COASTS / PALERMO TO ATHENS

YOUR CRUISE

Days	Stages	Arrival	Departure	Nautical Hall*
1 - Saturday	Palermo		22:00	Closed
2 - Sunday	Lipari	08:00	18:00	Without waterskiing
3 - Sunday	Catania	08:00	13:00	Closed
4 - Tuesday	Gallipoli	08:00	18:00	Without waterskiing
5 - Wednesday	Parga	08:00	18:00	Open*
6 - Thursday	Katakolon	08:00	18:00	Closed
7 - Friday	Cythera	08:00	18:00	Open*
8 - Saturday	Athens	07:00		Closed

Day 1: Boarding from 16h to 19h Day 8: Landing from 9h to 11h

*Les conditions météo et les administrations locales font autorité pour l'ouverture du hall nautique au mouillage.

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YOUR ITINERARY

DAY 1 - SATURDAY 7 AUGUST

PALERMO

The historic centre holds an irresistible fascination for visitors. The civilisations that helped weave its history have left their mark on the sun-scorched stones and the shady little streets. Boat docked, no water sports and no direct access to a beach. Passengers boarding and disembarking at this port of call.

DAY 2 - SUNDAY 8 AUGUST

LIPARI

The island's volcanic origins have forged the most astonishing landscapes. Invaded time and again, its citadel reveals the island's multi-facetted personality through the multiple influences of its architure. Ship at anchor. No Water sports.

DAY 3 - SUNDAY 8 AUGUST

CATANIA

Catania is Sicily's second-largest city and dates back thousands of years. Home to the Byzantines, Arabs, and Normans, this city has Baroque palaces, churches, and ruins at the foot of Mount Etna. Boat is docked, no nautical activities are planned.

DAY 4 - TUESDAY 10 AUGUST

GALLIPOLI

Gallipoli, meaning "beautiful city" in Greek, honours past and future with its mix of contemporary architecture in the borgo and the splendour of its ancient palaces in the historic centre. Ship at anchor, water sports available (no water skiing), no direct access to a beach.

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DAY 5 - WEDNESDAY 11 AUGUST

PARGA

This picturesque hillside harbour town has superb views of the bay and the Ionian islands. From the covered walkway of the Venetian citadel, the grandiose views of this historical seaside setting are well worth the climb. Boat at anchor, water sports available.

DAY 6 - THURSDAY 12 AUGUST

KATAKOLON

This small port full of cafés and boutiques is the gateway to Olympia, the city that hosted the first Olympic Games. The atmosphere is reminiscent of pastoral life in a bygone era. Ship docked, no water sports, beach.

DAY 7 - FRIDAY 13 AUGUST

CYTHERA

The mythical birthplace of Aphrodite, this island's timeless beauty has inspired painters and poets alike. Located just off the Peloponnese, it is a peaceful getaway with rocky coves and deserted beaches beside calm waters. Boat at anchor, water sports available.

DAY 8 - SATURDAY 14 AUGUST

ATHENS

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. Ship docked. Passengers may board and disembark here.

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YOUR EXCURSIONS

DAY 2 - SUNDAY 8 AUGUST

LIPARI / VULCANO (HALF DAY)*

Docked until 18:00

After a wonderful trip from Lipari to Vulcano, you will have free time to enjoy exploring one of the villages on Vulcano (The springs are closed)

DAY 2 - SUNDAY 8 AUGUST

LIPARI (1/2 DAY)*

Docked until 18:00

You'll begin by a tour of the island by bus, with fabulous views of the other Aeolian Islands, and a huge pummice stone quarry. You'll then return to Lipari and walk up to the citadel where you'll visit the finest archeological museum in Europe (including some amphora and other objects discovered by Club Med divers). You'll walk back down steps to the ship where you can stroll through Marina Corta.

Intermediate

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DAY 3 - SUNDAY 8 AUGUST

CATANE - ETNA AND TAORMINA (1 DAY - LUNCH NOT INCLUDED)*

Docked until 13:00

You'll drive to Etna. From the slopes of the famous volcano you'll have a wonderful view over the Gulf of Catania.
You can admire the profusion of plants that thrive on the slopes of the volcano (vines, orchids, etc) before going on to Taormina, where you'll be free to enjoy lunch and stroll at your own pace.

Intermediate

DAY 4 - TUESDAY 10 AUGUST

GALLIPOLI / LECCE (1/2 DAY, MORNING)*

Docked until 18:00

Discover Lecce and its many historic and architectural gems. It's known as the Florence of Southern Italy, and with good reason. Lecce feels like an open air museum, with a plethora of churches and palazzos. Their distinctive Leccese stone, known for its pale honey colour, is carved into extravagant unique forms.
Our guided tour will introduce you to the remarkable architectural style known as Leccese Baroque. After visiting the sumptuously decorated Basilica, you'll see the imposing facade of the Governor's Palace. (excursion requiring the European Covid/Green Pass digital certificate)

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GALLIPOLI / GALLIPOLI, FORTRESS OF PUGLIA (1/2 DAY)*

Docked until 18:00

On foot, accompanied by your guide, come and discover the historic center of Galipolli, an island located off the mainland. Walk the alleys of the city, admire the Baroque Sanctuary of Santa Maria del Canneto, built with taffy blocks. Continue to the Castle to admire the oldest fountain in Italy, of Greco-Roman period. After a passage near the Cathedral, you will visit the famous oil mill dug by the hand of man in the basement of Palazzo Granafei, testify to an important chapter of local history and end your visit with a short walk on the old walls before returning to the boat. (excursion requiring the European Covid/Green Pass digital certificate)

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DAY 6 - THURSDAY 12 AUGUST

KATAKOLON – OLYMPIA, BIRTHPLACE OF THE OLYMPIC GAMES AND SANCTUARY OF ZEUS*

Docked until 18:00

From your port call in Katakolon, discover Olympia, one of the most prestigious sites of Ancient Greece and a fascinating destination connected to the world of Alexander the Great.
Explore the peaceful sanctuary of Zeus, where the Olympic Games were held from 776 BC, bringing together the Greek world in a shared cultural and religious tradition.
Walk among the evocative ruins of temples, sporting facilities and the ancient stadium, following in the footsteps of a civilisation that shaped the Mediterranean.
Discover the cultural heritage of the Greek world that flourished during the era leading up to, and surrounding, Alexander the Great's epic conquests.
Your visit continues at the archaeological museum, home to remarkable treasures uncovered at Olympia, including masterpieces of Ancient Greek art.
An unforgettable journey into Ancient Greece and the cultural legacy that inspired Alexander the Great – a key stop on your "In the Footsteps of Alexander the Great" journey!

Intermediate

DAY 8 - SATURDAY 14 AUGUST

ATHENS - ACROPOLIS MUSEUM (1/2 DAY)*

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.

All levels

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

To make the most of your cruise with complete peace of mind, here is some information to keep in mind.

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.

BOARDING ARRANGEMENTS

Meeting place for boarding
Port de Palerme : Molo Vittorio Veneto al Porto, 90133 Palermo

SECURITY

Safety drill
Please be informed that an abandon ship drill will take place before the departure of Club Med 2. This drill is mandatory for all passengers in accordance with international maritime regulations concerning the safety of life at sea (SOLAS).

Infirmary
09:00-10:30 - 18:00-19:00

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