

Continental Voyager

ITINERARY NIGHTS: Venice (1), Cruise (7)

HIGHLIGHTS: Venice Walking Tour • Venice City Tour • Doges' Palace • Murano Glass-Blowing Demonstration

CRUISE PORTS: Dubrovnik • Bari • Corfu • Santorini • Rhodes • Piraeus/Athens



DAY 1 Board a flight to Italy!

DAY 2 VENICE Arrive in Venice and experience an extraordinary city. Your guide will lead you on a **Walking Tour** around the enchanted Piazza San Marco, the focus of the city. The square has been the scene of some of the most important religious and political activities of the city in addition to being the center of Venetian social life for almost a millennium.

DAY 3 CRUISE Begin your **Venice City Tour** at the Piazza Roma and walk along the Grand Canal to see the Rialto Bridge, St. Mark's Basilica, the Bridge of Sighs, the Clock Tower, and visit the magnificent **Doges' Palace** with its pink marble facade. Also see a **Murano Glass-Blowing Demonstration** near the cathedral. Board your luxury cruise ship and embark on a one-week Aegean odyssey to fabled shores and ports.



wall. It is said to be one of the prettiest spots in the world. Walk along the "Stradun" in the old town with its local craft shops and feel as if you had stepped back in time. A fascinating mix of Baroque, Gothic and Renaissance buildings, churches and monasteries await you in this medieval city. The ship will also make a short technical stop in Bari, Italy, capital of the Puglia region.

DAY 5 CRUISE Port of call: **Corfu, Greece.** Homer's island has enchanted visitors for ages, with its picturesque landscape and delightful climate. Once ruled by Venetian Doges, Turk-

ish sultans and Napoleonic invades, today's Corfiots are outspokenly Greek. Corfu is the

DAY 4 CRUISE Port of call: **Dubrovnik, Croatia.** This ancient city is set on a peninsula and surrounded by a 1,000-year-old protective

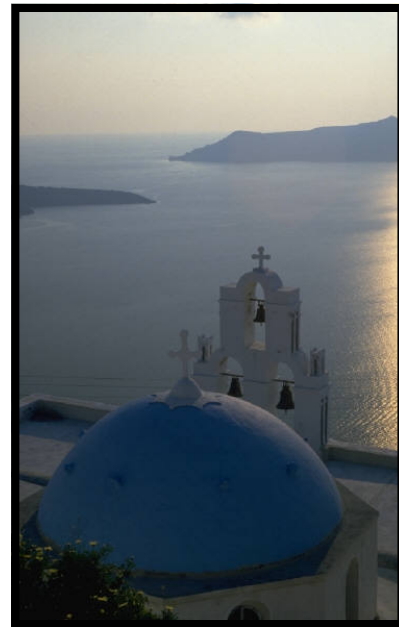
greenest of the Greek isles, where vineyards and olive orchards thrive among rugged mountains. Admire the medieval Palace of Phourio or the 17th century icons in St. George's church.

DAY 6 CRUISE Port of call: **Santorini.** Volcanic eruptions have made Santorini the most spectacular island in the Aegean. Enjoy beautiful views from the cliff-top village of Thera, or join a shore excursion to the recent excavations of the 3,500-year-old city of Akrotiri, believed by some to be the lost city of Atlantis.

DAY 7 CRUISE Port of call: **Rhodes, Greece.** Explore the beautiful "island of roses," at your leisure. The old town of Rhodes is a fascinating web of Byzantine, Turkish and Latin ruins. Cool yourself in a palace paved with marble and mosaics or stroll the same cobblestone streets that the Knights of St. John once walked. Or choose to visit the medieval walled Lindos, a picturesque village with whitewashed houses clustered beneath a soaring Acropolis.



DAY 8 CRUISE Port of call: **Piraeus/Athens, Greece.** Welcome to the birthplace of Western civilization and gateway to the ancient world. The majestic Parthenon rises above the city on the Acropolis, its ancient glory still visible in the timeworn stone. The Acropolis is also the site of the Propylea, the Temple of the Wingless Victory, the Erechtheion and the Acropolis



Museum. Shop for olive wood items and antiques in Monastiraki, or savor spiroasted souvlaki from a take-away stand while strolling through Plaka, the city's oldest quarter.

DAY 9 CRUISE Enjoy a day at sea. Relax on the deck, feast on culinary delights, sing along in the Piano bar, take an exercise class, or swim laps in one of the ship's pools.

DAY 10 DEPART Disembark in Venice and transfer to the airport, replete with excellent memories of your amazing voyage to the venerable pots of the Aegean.

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