

The Greek Island of Santorini

Nairites and friends 90th Anniversary Cruise Italy, Croatia, Turkey and the Greek Islands

23 - 30 June 2023





Rhodes

This fully inclusive cruise takes you in 5-star luxury from the Italian city of Trieste along the stunning Croatian coast to Split and chic Korcula. Continue into the Aegean Sea and Greek islands including the most spectacular of all, Santorini as well as the historic island of Rhodes. Cruise to Turkey and visit Ephesus with its dramatic Roman archaeology before finishing in Athens.

There are a range of optional escorted visits to beautiful coastal towns and sites of historical interest, as well as ample leisure time to enjoy the relaxed local way of life and the excellent facilities on board the Ms Oosterdam. The ship has a range of cabins to choose from.

Extend before the cruise in Venice (a short drive from Trieste where the cruise embarks) and at Athens at the end of the cruise.

The itinerary has detailed information on the sites visited. You may book a shore excursion or explore by yourself. Costs on both the shore excursions and pre and post extensions will be supplied separately.

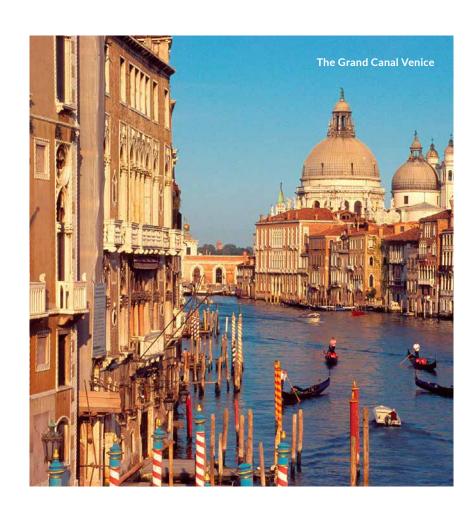
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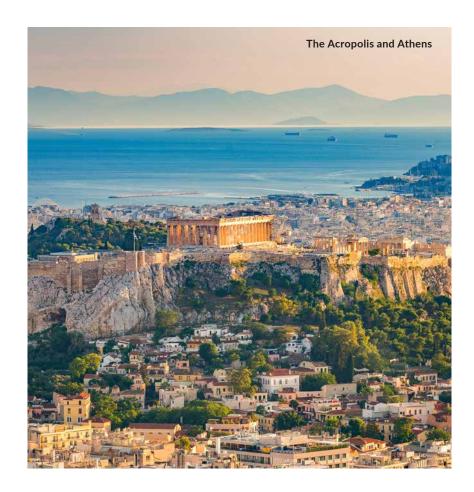
# Pre cruise extension in Venice

#### 21 - 23 June 2023

Spend two nights in Venice before the cruise. Arrive and transfer to your hotel. The following morning take part in sightseeing tour of this unique, beautiful city of palaces and canals. The afternoon is at leisure to further explore or perhaps take a Gondola ride through the canals. The next day transfer to Trieste and board the cruise.

Please contact Jon Baines Tours for more information.





# Post cruise extension in Athens

# 30 June - 2 July

At the end of the cruise there is the option to extend in Athens for an additional two nights. Transfer from the cruise ship in the morning directly up the Acropolis and the acclaimed Acropolis Museum. Continue to your hotel with dinner at a local restaurant that evening. The next day is at leisure to further explore Athens and perhaps wander around the Plaka with its markets, boutiques and shops.

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# 7 Nights Cruising

Am:



## Day 1: Trieste Italy (Fri, 23 June)

**Pm:** Board the Ms Oosterdam and depart from Trieste. **Optional pre tour in Venice.** 

#### Day 2: Split, Croatia (Sat, 24 June)

Am: Arrive mid-morning and depart late evening. Split is the point of access to the many islands along the coast. Much of its old town is within the walls of Diocletian's Palace, a 1,700-year-old UNESCO listed fortress on the seafront. Roman Emperor Diocletian built the palace as his retirement home and over the centuries many conquerors have taken refuge within its thick walls. Today, Split is a lively city. Explore its labyrinthine streets and experience its historic heart. See lively cafés and shops tucked into the ancient palace, or venture beyond it to discover busy squares and markets, quiet trails and beautiful beaches. Optional shore excursion visiting historic Split.

**Eve:** Depart late evening.

### Day 3: Korcula, Croatia (Sun, 25 June)

Arrive early morning and depart late afternoon. Korčula Old Town is the island's treasured highlight. As you glide down the Strait of Pelješac, admire the peninsula's dramatic karst slopes dropping off into the Adriatic Sea and the 19 islets of the archipelago around the canal. Korčula Old Town is the island's treasured highlight. Its stone architecture and historic ambiance reflect almost four centuries of Venetian rule, with towered gates, lion statues magnificent palazzos and elaborate stonework peppering the charming streets. Venturing out of the Old Town, you will encounter historic villages, picturesque bays, waterfront promenades and welcoming locals. Korčula is one of the last places on earth where knightly games like the Moreška dances are still regularly performed and where medieval fraternities still keep up their centuries-old traditions. The island is a treasure trove of history, nature and serenity. Optional shore excursion visiting Korcula.

Pm: Depart late afternoon

#### Day 4: At Sea (Mon, 26 June)

Am: A full day cruising into the Aegean Sea with the opportunity to relax or take part in the wide range of entertainment options onboard, take part in the fitness activities or relax in the Greenhouse Spa and Salon





Am:

**Ephesus** 

# Day 5: Santorini, Greece (Tues, 27 June)

Am: Arrive early morning and depart early evening. Santorini, the jewel in the crown of Greece's Cyclades, is best known as the island with the giant volcanic caldera at its heart. Enjoy the art, food and legendary wines of this island that some believe may have been the site of the lost civilization of Atlantis. Best of all enjoy the stunning views from the clifftop cafes, bars and restaurants. Optional shore excursion visiting Santorini.

# Day 6: Rhodes, Greece (Wed, 28 June)

Am: Arrive early morning and depart early evening. Rhodes Town, offers an enduring blend of history and architecture, and the island's interior is filled with lushly forested hills. To the south, Lindos, one of the most stunning villages in all of Greece, is watched over by a picture-perfect ancient ruin on the hill above. Though many civilizations have left their mark on Rhodes, its independent spirit has endured and the island has managed to retain its natural beauty, from the mountain heights down to the gorgeous beaches and coves.

Optional shore excursion visiting Rhodes.

### Day 7: Ephesus, Turkey (Thur, 29 June)

Arrive early morning and depart early evening. Kusadasi in Turkey is the gateway to one of the most legendary cities of the ancient world: Ephesus. St. Paul preached in its Great Theater, while the facade of the Celsus Library survives as a testament to the city's role as a center of learning and culture. Near to Ephesus, the Temple of Artemis (also known as the Temple of Diana), one of the Seven Wonders of the ancient world, once stood, drawing pilgrims from around the Mediterranean. While it no longer stands, it is possible to walk amongst its foundations and the remains of its towering columns. Other historic sites can also be found nearby: The House of Mary is believed to be the home of Jesus's mother at the end of her life, and the Basilica of St. John, constructed in the 6th century, marks the location of his tomb. (Like Mary, he spent his final years in Ephesus). Optional shore excursion visiting Rhodes.

# Day 8: Athens, Greece (Fri, 30 June)

Am: Arrive in the early morning and transfer to the airport or extend in Athens.









The Ms Oosterdam provides a spacious and stylish sailing environment with superb facilities. Restaurants include; the Dining Room, a sophisticated multi course restaurant; the Pinnacle Grill; the Lido Market with a wide range of dining choices from around the world; the Italian restaurant Canaletto; Diveln, a poolside grill and Explorations Café for a relaxing tea or coffee. Please note, there is a surcharge dining at some restaurants onboard. There is always a selection of curries in the Lido and an Indian menu in the Dining Room.

Alternatively, unwind in the Greenhouse Spa and Salon with its thermal suites and hydropool, sun yourself in the open air Sea View Pool or do a workout in the well-equipped fitness centre. Entertainment options include the Lincoln Stage for a selection of concerts and performing arts; the Billboard for more contemporary music and High Score gaming room. The World Stage, the largest theatre onboard, is home to a variety of performances day and night, from lecture series with stories told by local experts, to dance performances and BBC Earth in Concert.

The ship also has a valuable art collection, ranging from antiques by traditional Dutch masters to creations by renowned contemporary artists, with an iPod tour available to view this excellent collection.

# The Cabins

The cost per person sharing an inside stateroom is USD \$1,704. The cost with an inside stateroom to yourself is USD \$2,775.

The inside cabin is approximately 143–225 SQ. FT (14–20 square metres). It has two lower beds convertible to one queen-size bed, premium massage shower heads and a host of amenities.

The cost per person sharing an outside stateroom is USD \$2,020. The cost with an inside stateroom to yourself is USD \$3,350.

The outside cabins are approximately 175–282 SQ. FT (16–26 square metres). The cabin has two lower beds convertible to one queen-size bed, a premium massage shower head and a host of amenities.

The cost per person sharing a verandah stateroom is USD \$2,348. The cost with a verandah stateroom to yourself is USD \$4,082.

The verandah cabins are approximately 228–405 SQ. FT (21–38 square metres). The cabins are filled with light from floor-to-ceiling windows overlooking a private verandah, these staterooms include a sitting area, two lower beds convertible to one queen-size bed with plush Euro-Top mattresses, and shower.

The cost per person sharing a Signature Suite is USD \$3,276. The cost with a Signature Suite to yourself is on request.

With a teak-lined verandah, floor-to-ceiling windows and comfortable sitting area, these comfortable suites are filled with light. The area is approximately 372–384 SQ. FT (34–36 square metres). They include two lower beds convertible to one queen-size bed with plush Euro-Top mattresses, plus a shower with premium massage head and a refrigerator.

Please contact us for a full deck plan.

# The cost includes

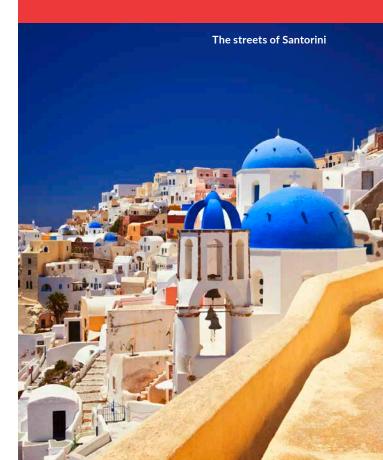
- Comprehensive briefing notes
- 7 nights' accommodation on the Ms Oosterdam
- All meals throughout the cruise onboard the Ms Oosterdam
- A variety of entertainment onboard
- Full use of leisure facilities onboard
- Exclusive Group one hour Cocktail Party
- \$20 Photo Credit per stateroom
- All port taxes

Prices on shore excursions and pre and post extensions in Venice and Athens are on request.

NB Please note all itineraries are subject to change according to local conditions. Due to the nature of the cruise places and cabins can be limited.

### The cruise cost excludes:

- Shore excursions and pre and post tours (we will provide optional pricing for the Nairites and friends on an exclusive basis)
- Meals on excursions
- All personal extras such as tips, drinks and laundry
- Transfers (unless taking pre or post extensions)
- Travel insurance and visas



# **About Us**

To travel with us is to dig below the surface, revealing the deeper destination. Of course, you will visit the great historical sites; marvel at the wonders of architecture and engineering; be moved by the riches of culture and art; and experience the most spectacular landscapes in the world. What we also do is make sure that you see the country as it is today, giving you privileged access that independent travel and other tour companies rarely get close to. We give you a variety of experiences, from the sublime to the humble, in the company of intelligent, curious, like-minded people. And while we can be worthy, we also make sure that you have a lot of fun.

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Split, Croatia (above); The Aegean Coast; Rhodes Harbour and Castle; The Acropolis, Athens (top)



