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## TO THE CROSSROAD OF EUROPE & ASIA

A Voyage from Istanbul to the Black Sea,  
the Meeting Place of East and West

*Aboard the 57-Cabin Corinthian II*

*August 7 - 18, 2010*

REDUCED RATES  NO SINGLE  
SUPPLEMENT  
*for Single Travelers*



*One of Odessa's onion-domed churches*

Dear Traveler,

I invite you to join one of the AIA's most popular lecturers, Professor Hector Williams, to explore the Black Sea this summer. Ancient Greek and Roman cultures flourished along its southern shore, and the Byzantines and Ottomans spread their civilizations north and west from Constantinople (Istanbul), their capital and one of the oldest cities in the world. Russian czars and then Soviet leaders prized the Black Sea as a gateway to the Mediterranean.

Every port of call on this itinerary has been carefully selected so that you can experience a fascinating interplay of cultures. You will explore the remains of ancient Greek cities as well as a Mongol-Tatar palace in the Crimea, visit a Genoese castle and trading post in the Ukraine, and wander through the corridors and garden of Livadia, the favorite summer residence of Nicholas and Alexandra, and later the site of the Yalta Conference.

Our ship is the all-suite *Corinthian II*. Built in the style of a private yacht, it accommodates only 114 guests in 57 suites, all with views of the Black Sea.

The cities, ancient sites, and shoreline of the Black Sea are enchanting, yet few travelers have experienced them. This summer, join Professor Williams aboard *Corinthian II* and discover for yourself one of the great crossroads of civilization.

Sincerely,

R. Todd Nielsen  
Director, AIA Tours  
Archaeological Institute of America



## ARCHAEOLOGICAL INSTITUTE OF AMERICA LECTURER AND HOST

HECTOR WILLIAMS has been excavating in the Mediterranean since 1968. He specializes in the Greek and Roman periods, applications of geophysics to archaeology, and underwater archaeology. He is Professor of Classics and Classical Archaeology at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver, and has been directing UBC's two archaeological projects in Greece, at Mytilene (Lesbos) and Stymphalos (in ancient Arkadia), for over a quarter century. Professor Williams has also done fieldwork in Italy, Turkey, Malta, North Africa, and the Near East. He helped found the Underwater Archaeological Society of British Columbia in 1975, is a Corresponding Member of the Hellenic Institute of Nautical Archaeology in Athens, and until recently chaired the Archaeological Institute of America's Underwater Archaeology Committee. He is past Chair of the Board of the Vancouver Maritime Museum.

Professor Williams has published more than fifty books and articles on archaeological subjects, and in 1990 was elected a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries of London in recognition of his contributions to archaeological scholarship. He is a past President of the Archaeological Institute of America - Canada, and has been lecturing on the AIA's national circuit since 1974. Professor Williams has led numerous study tours to excellent reviews, including six AIA-sponsored voyages in the Mediterranean and a 2005 Black Sea voyage. On this program, he plans to discuss such topics as underwater archaeology in the Mediterranean and Black Seas, the medieval Genoese trading empire in the region, and the rich variety of cultures—Scythians, Sarmatians, Greeks, Romans, and others—north of the Black Sea in antiquity.

Also joining us will be **David J. Keeling**, lecturer for the American Geographical Society, and **Allen Rokach**, lecturer on travel photography.

*All lecturers are subject to change.*



*The Genoese Fortress in Sudak*

## ITINERARY



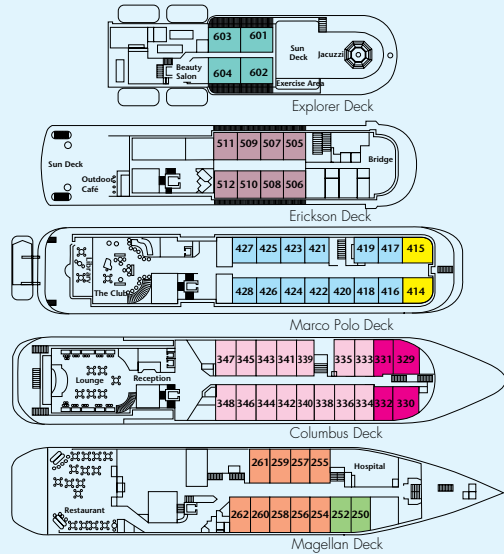
August 7	FLY FROM USA
August 8	ISTANBUL, TURKEY   EMBARK
August 9	ISTANBUL
August 10	AT SEA
August 11	KERCH, CRIMEA, UKRAINE
August 12	TAGANROG, RUSSIA   TANAIS
August 13	FEODOSIYA, CRIMEA, UKRAINE   SUDAK   FEODOSIYA
August 14	YALTA
August 15	SEVASTOPOL   CHERSONESOS   BAKHCHYSARAY   SEVASTOPOL
August 16	ODESSA
August 17	VARNA, BULGARIA
August 18	ISTANBUL, TURKEY   DISEMBARK   FLY TO USA



*Turkish delights at the Grand Bazaar*



## DECK PLAN AND RATES | *per person, double occupancy*



**NO SINGLE SUPPLEMENT:** A limited number of cabins have been designated for single travelers in Categories D - A at no supplement. Singles in Categories AA, VS, and PHS are available at double the per person, double occupancy rates.

CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION	ORIGINAL RATE	YOUR REDUCED RATE
<b>E</b>	Deluxe suites on Magellan Deck with portholes and sitting area. 225 sq. ft. Suites 250 - 252	<del>\$9,095</del>	\$6,595
<b>D</b>	Deluxe suites on Columbus Deck with window and sitting area. 225 sq. ft. Suites 329 - 332	<del>\$10,095</del>	\$7,595
<b>C</b>	Deluxe suites on Magellan Deck with portholes and sitting area. 235 sq. ft. Suites 254 - 262	<del>\$11,195</del>	\$8,695
<b>B</b>	Deluxe suites on Columbus Deck with window and sitting area. 235 sq. ft. Suites 333 - 348	<del>\$12,495</del>	\$9,995
<b>A</b>	Deluxe suites on Marco Polo Deck with window and sitting area. 235 sq. ft. Suites 416 - 428	<del>\$13,495</del>	\$10,995
<b>AA</b>	Deluxe suites on Marco Polo Deck with forward and side windows and sitting area. 285 sq. ft. Suites 414 - 415	<del>\$14,495</del>	\$11,995
<b>VS</b>	Deluxe Veranda Suites on Erickson Deck with private balcony and sitting area. 300 sq. ft. Suites 505 - 512	<del>\$16,995</del>	\$12,995
<b>PHS</b>	Deluxe Penthouse Suites on Explorer Deck with private balcony and sitting area. 400 sq. ft. Suites 601 - 604	<del>\$17,995</del>	\$13,995
<b>VS &amp; PHS suites are provided with private butler service and other exclusive amenities.</b>			

## PROGRAM INCLUSIONS



- 10-night cruise aboard the all-suite, 57-cabin *Corinthian II*
- Welcome and farewell cocktail receptions aboard ship
- All meals aboard ship, including house wine, beer, and soft drinks with lunch and dinner
- Open bar aboard ship throughout the cruise
- Complete program of tours and excursions
- Educational program of lectures and discussions by AIA lecturer and host Hector Williams and additional onboard lecturers
- Professional Travel Dynamics International tour staff
- Complete pre-departure materials
- Baggage handling and transfers abroad on the designated program arrival and departure dates
- Port and embarkation taxes
- Gratuities to porters, guides, and drivers

**NOT INCLUDED:** Airfare; visa and passport fees (if applicable); luggage and trip cancellation insurance; meals, soft drinks, and alcoholic beverages other than those specified above; personal expenses such as laundry, telephone calls, faxes, and e-mail service; and gratuities to shipboard personnel

**AIRFARE & TRANSFERS:** Airfare is not included in the rates. Please contact your preferred airline, travel agent, or the air desk operated by Valerie Wilson Travel, Inc. (VWTI) for airfare information and to reserve flights. Consultants are available Monday – Friday from 9:00 am – 5:30 pm (EST) at toll-free 1-877-711-9896. Please have your tour code (10421 RP) handy for reference. Complimentary transfers are provided for all participants arriving on August 8 and departing on August 18.

For reservations or further information, please contact  
AIA Tours at (800) 748-6262 or [aia@studytours.org](mailto:aia@studytours.org)



## CORINTHIAN II



*The Ideal Combination of Cruise-Ship  
Grandeur and Small-Ship Intimacy*



In an era of mega cruise ships that carry thousands of passengers, the *Corinthian II* is a delightful alternative. More like a private yacht than a cruise ship, *Corinthian II* accommodates only 114 guests in 57 suites. *Corinthian II*'s limited guest capacity, fine facilities, and distinctive style of operation attract like-minded travelers who return again and again to enjoy its custom-crafted itineraries and a style of cruising that is rarely found today. More than just a cruise, each voyage provides a comprehensive experience that reveals the singular aspects of the destinations. Aboard, a sense of community and a spirit of camaraderie prevail.

All of *Corinthian II*'s suites face outside, providing views of the sea and landscape.

Several have a private balcony. There are expansive open deck areas and other facilities, including a gym, library, beauty salon, two lounges, a sun deck with Jacuzzi, and an outdoor cafe. A spacious restaurant accommodates all guests in an open, unassigned seating. The cuisine is outstanding, and the overall service is efficient and friendly while unobtrusive. An elevator serves all decks. A resident physician attends a well-equipped infirmary.

Served by 70 seasoned officers and crew, *Corinthian II* complies with the latest international safety regulations and is outfitted with the most current navigational technology.

FOR RESERVATIONS OR FURTHER INFORMATION,  
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### GENERAL INFORMATION

**PAYMENTS:** A \$1,000 deposit per person is required to confirm your reservation. Final payment is due 90 days prior to departure & must be by personal check.

**CANCELLATIONS & REFUNDS:** All cancellations are subject to a \$300 per person fee. Cancellations received 61-90 days prior to departure will be assessed a penalty equal to 50% of the total program cost per person. Cancellations received within 60 days of departure are subject to 100% cancellation penalties.

**INSURANCE:** We recommend the purchase of trip cancellation insurance. Details will be sent upon registration.

**ITINERARY:** The itinerary, accommodations, and arrangements are subject to change at the discretion of Travel Dynamics International.

**SHIP'S REGISTRY:** Malta CST #204 3599-40 TDI

**DUE TO SPACE LIMITATIONS, THIS IS ABBREVIATED INFORMATION. PLEASE CONTACT US FOR COMPLETE TERMS AND CONDITIONS.**

*Cover: Chersonesos, an evocative ancient city near Sevastopol*

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*Hagia Sophia, Istanbul, Turkey*

