

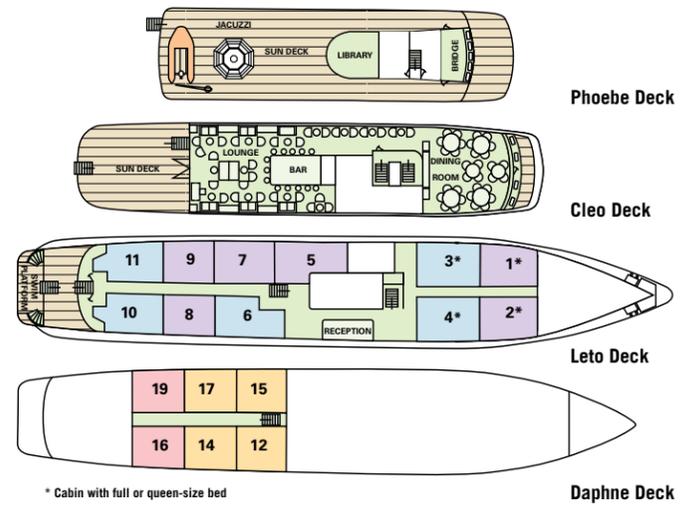


The 17-Cabin Private Yacht

# CALLISTO



## DECK PLAN



\* Cabin with full or queen-size bed

The most memorable voyages take place aboard a private yacht, where one is part of a small, select, sociable community. Cabins are appointed very comfortably. Public areas, whether indoors or out on deck, are warm, inviting places where friends meet for conversation, a drink, or to pass a pleasant hour with a good book. The cuisine is superb, and the service is considerate and congenial. This is the exceptional experience you'll enjoy aboard *Callisto*.

### A PRIVATE YACHT EXPERIENCE

The luxurious private yacht *Callisto*, accommodating just 34 guests, is ideal for our unique approach to cruising. Her small size allows visits to unspoiled ports, pristine beaches, and intimate coves and harbors that have been familiar to fishermen and other sailors of small craft for thousands of years, but which are inaccessible to large commercial cruise liners. The limited guest list assures a group large enough to bring together an interesting mix of travelers, but small enough to foster a genuine spirit of camaraderie.

### INTIMATE ELEGANCE

All 17 exterior cabins resemble guest rooms in a fine home beautifully furnished, comfortably arranged, and complete with the amenities one would expect from a thoughtful host: large windows (portholes on Daphne Deck), generous storage space, climate control, mini-refrigerator, safe, telephone, TV, DVD/CD player, and marble bathroom with shower. The yacht's public areas, including an elegant restaurant surrounded by large picture windows, a spacious lounge and bar, and a library (with Internet access) surrounded by windows, are decorated with rich fabrics, handsome woodwork, gleaming brass, antiques, and fine works of art. The yacht also features a Jacuzzi, two broad decks for sunbathing, and a swimming platform. Wi-Fi is available throughout the ship.

### FINE DINING

*Callisto's* hotel staff requisitions fresh provisions from many ports of call. You will enjoy just-baked bread and the ripest produce from local markets, resulting in menus of classic regional specialties as well as creative Continental fare prepared by expert European chefs. Meals are served at a single unassigned seating in the restaurant, or alfresco on the sun deck. Select fine wines are complimentary with lunch and dinner.

Join us aboard *Callisto* and discover for yourself the pleasure of exploring the world from a private yacht.

### CRUISE AND LAND RATES

per person, double occupancy

CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION	RATE
<b>D</b>	Outside cabins on Daphne Deck with portholes	\$9,995
<b>C</b>	Outside cabins on Daphne Deck with portholes	\$10,695
<b>B</b>	Outside cabins on Leto Deck with picture window	\$11,695
<b>A</b>	Outside cabins on Leto Deck with two picture windows	\$12,595

**SINGLE SUPPLEMENT:** A limited number of cabins have been designated for single travelers in Categories B & C at a supplement of \$1,995 to the per person, double occupancy rates listed above.

**AIRFARE & TRANSFERS:** Airfare is not included in the Cruise and Land 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) toll-free at 877-711-9896. Please have your tour code (11819) and dates handy for reference. Complimentary transfers are provided for all participants arriving on October 30 and departing on November 10.

For further information on this travel program, please contact  
 AIA Tours at (800) 748-6262, Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. E.T.  
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ADVANCE INFORMATION



ARCHAEOLOGICAL INSTITUTE OF AMERICA TOURS

# LOST CITIES OF LIBYA

*Greco-Roman Civilization Between the Desert and the Sea*

Featuring Archaeological Institute of America Lecturer & Host  
**NANCY WILKIE**



Lepis Magna

Aboard the 17-Cabin Private Yacht *Callisto*  
 October 29 – November 10, 2011

ON THIS UNIQUE VOYAGE, WANDER AMIDST LIBYA'S SPECTACULAR ANCIENT SITES. We shall start our voyage on the island of Crete with its fabled palaces of Knossos and Phaestos. After departing Crete we will set sail for Libya. From Derna, we will discover Cyrene, founded in the 7<sup>th</sup> century B.C. by Greeks. Built on the edge of a plateau, sprawling Cyrene commands a superb position, overlooking the valley and the sea. We will also have the opportunity to explore nearby Apollonia, set on a broad bay. Voyaging along Libya's coast we will call in Benghazi, Libya's second largest city, which provides our base for exploring the ancient nearby settlements. The highlight of our visit to Khoms will be Leptis Magna, founded 3,000 years ago by the Carthaginians, with a degree of splendor that rivaled Rome itself. Located by the sea, Sabratha's ruins include temples, public baths, fountains, and a museum noted for its collection of mosaics. El Djem provides us with its great Roman amphitheater and Museum. After disembarking in Hammamet, we will visit the ancient and fabled city of Carthage. For this exciting moment in travel history, we have an exceptional ship: the exquisite and intimate private yacht *Callisto*, designed with the comfort of her guests in mind.



## Archaeological Institute of America Lecturer & Host

**Nancy Wilkie** is a distinguished archaeologist and professor who has lectured on numerous AIA Tours throughout the Mediterranean, including the first AIA tour of Libya by land (September 2004) and several voyages along the North African coast. Nancy is the William H. Laird Professor of Classics, Anthropology, and the Liberal Arts, and Co-Director of the Archaeology Concentration at Carleton College in Northfield, MN, where she has been on the faculty since 1974. She is also an Honorary President of the Archaeological Institute of America, a member of The Explorers Club, and on the Managing Committee of the American School of Classical Studies at Athens.

In 2009-10 Nancy served as the AIA's Charles Eliot Norton lecturer, one of the highest honors that the Institute bestows. In April 2003 the President appointed her to the Cultural Property Advisory Committee of the U.S. State Department, on which she currently serves. The Committee reviews requests from foreign governments for the protection of their cultural property and recommends a course of action to the U.S. State Department. A graduate of Stanford University (1964), Nancy received her M.A. and Ph.D. (1975) from the University of Minnesota. She began her archaeological career in 1968 when she joined a pioneering program of survey and excavation in the region of the Palace of Nestor at Pylos in Greece. Since then Nancy has worked on archaeological projects in Greece, Egypt, and Nepal, and has authored more than 30 articles and co-edited three books on archaeology.

## ITINERARY

*Saturday, October 29, 2011*  
**USA**

Fly from U.S.

*Sunday, October 30*  
**HERAKLION, CRETE, GREECE**

Arrive in Heraklion, Crete and transfer to *Hotel Megaron*.

*Monday, October 31*  
**HERAKLION | KNOSSOS | RETHYMNON | EMBARK**

Crete, Zeus's legendary birthplace, was home to the Minoan civilization, Europe's first. A morning tour visits Knossos, where the brilliance and refinement of the Minoans are revealed. The largest Bronze Age palace on Crete, Knossos is a labyrinth of corridors, stairways, and chambers decorated with frescoes illustrating life as it was 4,000 years ago. Continue to the Heraklion Museum's temporary exhibit. After lunch at a local tavern, transfer to Rethymnon to board *Callisto*.

*Tuesday, November 1*  
**AGHIA GALINI | PHAESTOS | AGHIA GALINI**

Today *Callisto* calls at the small port of Aghia Galini to visit the beautifully situated Minoan palace of Phaestos, known for its breathtaking view of Mount Dikti and the Plain of Messara. The remains are actually two distinct palaces built one on top of the other.

*Wednesday, November 2*  
**DERNA, LIBYA | CYRENE | DERNA**

From Derna, on Libya's Cyrenaican coast, take a full-day excursion to Cyrene, one of North Africa's great cities of antiquity. Founded by Greek colonists from Thera (Santorini) in the 7<sup>th</sup> century B.C., Cyrene was built on the side of a hill, facing the plain and the sea. Its substantial ruins and monuments testify to its wealth and power.

*Thursday, November 3*  
**DERNA | APOLLONIA | DERNA**

This morning we'll journey to Apollonia to explore the site and visit the Museum, which displays excellent mosaics from the region's early Byzantine churches.

*Friday, November 4*  
**BENGHAZI**

Today explore Libya's second largest city, Benghazi, a major commercial port and a cultural center, where we will visit the covered Souq al-Jreed. Arab, Ottoman, and Italian rule have influenced the different streetscapes, buildings, and quarters in Benghazi.

*Saturday, November 5*  
**SURT**

Today *Callisto* calls in the city of Surt. Enjoy a tour of the city, including the General People's Congress complex and the Great Man-Made River reservoir.

*Sunday, November 6*  
**KHOMS | LEPTIS MAGNA | KHOMS**

This morning, call at Khoms on Libya's Tripolitanian coast. Nearby are the ruins of Leptis Magna, one of the Mediterranean's most compelling ancient sites. Leptis Magna achieved its prominence in the 3<sup>rd</sup> century A.D. under the Severan emperors, who launched an unprecedented, lavish building scheme, embellishing the city with extraordinary public buildings. Excellently preserved to the present day because of its burial under shifting sands, this glorious coastal city is a unique example of ancient town planning. Spend the day exploring the city's magnificent buildings, monuments, temples and streets. Also visit Villa Sileen, a recently restored Roman residence with vivid mosaics depicting chariot races and gladiatorial combat scenes.

*Monday, November 7*  
**TRIPOLI | SABRATHA | TRIPOLI**

Tripoli was settled by Phoenicians, colonized by Greeks, and conquered by Romans, who erected the impressive triumphal arch honoring Marcus Aurelius. Later, Tripoli grew wealthy from the Saharan caravan trade. In the morning, travel to nearby Sabratha, the ancient city that began as a Carthaginian trading post, became a permanent settlement in the 4<sup>th</sup> century B.C., and flourished in

the Roman period. Located by the sea, Sabratha's ruins include temples, public baths, fountains, and a museum noted for its collection of mosaics. In the afternoon, tour the Jamahiriya Museum, housed in the massive medieval Citadel, and the city's colorful souks.

*Tuesday, November 8*  
**SFAX, TUNISIA | EL DJEM | SFAX**

Arrive in Sfax and drive to El Djem to explore its great Roman amphitheater, built in the 3<sup>rd</sup> century A.D. to house 35,000 spectators. Many of the amphitheater's stones were used to build the village of El Djem in the 17<sup>th</sup> century. Continue to the Museum, with its fine collection of mosaics.

*Wednesday, November 9*  
**HAMMAMET | DISEMBARK | CARTHAGE | TUNIS**

Disembark in Hammamet and travel to storied Carthage, founded by Phoenicians in the 9<sup>th</sup> century B.C. The site includes several Phoenician remains, such as Tophet, the sanctuary of the gods Tanit and Baal, as well as many monuments from the Roman period. After lunch, visit the Bardo Museum, world-renowned for its spectacular collection of Roman mosaics, and enjoy time at leisure visiting the Medina and its souks. Overnight in Tunis at *The Sheraton Hotel*.

*Thursday, November 10*  
**TUNIS | USA**

Transfer to Tunis's airport for the return flight to the U.S.



Sabratha

## PROGRAM INCLUSIONS

- 1-night stay in Heraklion at *Hotel Megaron*
- 1-night stay in Tunis at *The Sheraton Hotel*
- 9-night cruise aboard the 17-cabin private yacht *Callisto*
- Welcome and farewell cocktail receptions aboard ship and at the hotel
- 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 Nancy Wilkie
- 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; passport and visa 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



Cyrene