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TREASURES OF THE MEDITERRANEAN WORLD

A Family Learning Adventure from Rome to Athens

With KATHLEEN M. LYNCH, Professor of Classics
at the University of Cincinnati

Aboard the Deluxe *Le Lyrial*

July 13–23, 2019





Rethymnon, Crete

Dear Traveler,

In summer 2019, history comes alive for the whole family in Italy, Greece, and Turkey. Aboard the luxurious *Le Lyrial*, with **only 122 staterooms and suites**, I invite you and your loved ones to embark on a voyage of discovery, where ancient cities, idyllic islands, mythology, and history are intertwined. **Discover many of the most important sites of the ancient civilizations of Greece and Rome**, such as the Colosseum, Pompeii, Olympia, Ephesus, and Athens' Parthenon, plus the iconic islands of Santorini and Crete.

Grandparents, parents, and children will learn about Greek and Roman history, literature, mythology, and culture aboard ship and while exploring ashore. **Experienced youth education counselors** will lead groups of similarly-aged children and young adults in the Young Explorers Program™—educational and recreational activities developed to enhance kids' appreciation of the sites visited, from discovering how archaeologists piece together the past to competing in a mock Olympics on its original grounds.

Accompanying us will be Archaeological Institute of America (AIA) host and popular lecturer **Kathleen M. Lynch**, Professor of Classics at the University of Cincinnati, who will enrich the program through lectures and informal discussions on the archaeological sites of Italy, Greece, and Turkey, as well as on mythology and life in the ancient world. Professor Lynch will be joined by Jason Weiser, host of the popular "Myths and Legends" podcast.

We hope you will join us next summer on this enriching voyage among the *Treasures of the Mediterranean World*. This program is co-sponsored with other groups, so I suggest you do not delay making your reservations—please contact us at aia@studytours.org or (800) 748-6262.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "R. Todd Nielsen". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal line extending from the end.

R. Todd Nielsen

Director, AIA Tours

Archaeological Institute of America

FEATURED LECTURERS



KATHLEEN M. LYNCH, Archaeological Institute of America host, is Professor of Classics at the University of Cincinnati and a classical archaeologist with a focus on ancient Greek ceramics. She earned her Ph.D. from the University of Virginia, and has worked on archaeological projects at sites in Greece (Athenian Agora, Olynthos, Corinth, Pylos), Turkey (Gordion, Troy), Italy (Morgantina), and Albania (Apollonia).

Kathleen's research considers what ancient ceramics can tell us about their use and users. Athenian figure decorated pottery from Athens is her specialty, and her book, *The Symposium in Context* (2011 ASCSA Publications), won the AIA's 2013 James R. Wiseman Award for best publication in archaeology. It explores the kitchen cupboards of an Archaic Athenian house. At Cincinnati, Kathleen teaches mythology, Greek and Roman archaeology, and graduate seminars on topics such as Pausanias, the 2nd century A.D. traveler; Greek iconography; and ancient art and art history. She has been a lecturer on the AIA's national circuit for many years; is an AIA Academic Trustee and is on the AIA Annual Meeting Program Committee; and serves as the Treasurer for the AIA's local Cincinnati Society. In her spare time she enjoys knitting. Kathleen has lectured to excellent reviews on five previous AIA-sponsored cruises.



JASON WEISER is the writer and host of "Myths and Legends," a weekly podcast started in 2015 that adapts world folklore and mythology for the modern audience. From Hercules to Baba Yaga, King Arthur to Mulan, Osiris to Anansi, and more, Jason taps into his training in English literature, narrative theory, and literary analysis from Ohio State University to narrate new retellings as closely to the originals as possible.

He has published more than 100 episodes that have been downloaded over 60 million times worldwide. His work has been featured on BuzzFeed, Mental Floss, CBC Radio, multiple conferences, Spotify, Apple Podcasts, and beyond. He is also an Academy of Podcasters award nominee for best arts podcast as well as a 2016 Best of iTunes show creator.

YOUNG EXPLORERS™ PROGRAM

Experienced youth education counselors will lead groups of children and young adults (aged 8-17) in the **Young Explorers™ Program**, a series of educational and recreational activities designed from a youthful perspective. Young Explorers™ will enjoy guided excursions of the natural world—beach walks, forest hikes, boat rides, and more. And they will participate in carefully crafted explorations of ancient sites—Pompeii, Zeus's Temple at Olympia, the Palace of Knossos on Crete, the Parthenon—where history and legend will come alive.

ITINERARY



Saturday, July 13, 2019

FLY FROM THE USA

Sunday, July 14

ROME, ITALY

Transfer to the hotel *Westin Excelsior Rome*, located in the Via Veneto district. In the evening, gather with fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception at the hotel, where Professor Kathleen Lynch and our Young Explorer™ Counselors will introduce you to the program ahead. (R)

Monday, July 15

ROME | CIVITAVECCHIA | EMBARK

Travel to the center of old Rome for a tour of the Colosseum and Forum, where important events in the history of the Republic and the Empire are memorialized. In the afternoon, transfer and embark *Le Lyrial*. (B,L,D)

Tuesday, July 16

SALERNO | POMPEII & HERCULANEUM

The excursion for adults leads to Pompeii and Herculaneum, Roman cities both destroyed and preserved by the eruption of Mount Vesuvius in A.D. 79. No other sites so completely capture the character of life in the early Roman Empire. Children head to a farm in the Sorrentine Hills, where they learn about the cultivation of oranges, lemons, olives, and grapes, as well as the making of mozzarella, before visiting Pompeii in the afternoon. (B,L,D)

Wednesday, July 17

AT SEA (B,L,D)

Thursday, July 18

KATAKOLON, GREECE | OLYMPIA

Olympia is an ancient sanctuary dedicated to Zeus and one of four sites where the Panhellenic games were held. Tour the sacred area. Young Explorers™ will be invited to compete in mock Olympic Games staged for them on the site of the ancient games. (B,L,D)

Friday, July 19

RETHYMNON, CRETE | KNOSSOS

Crete was once home to the Minoans, Europe's earliest developed civilization. From quaint Rethymnon, travel to Knossos and its fabled, partially-reconstructed Palace—a maze of frescoed corridors and chambers showing life as it may have been four millennia ago—and home to the labyrinth of the legendary Minotaur. Also visit the Heraklion Museum, which houses treasures from Knossos. Young Explorers™ may choose to hike a portion of the Imbros Gorge on a guided walk through narrow passages lined with caves. The walk ends on the coast for a swim. (B,L,D)

Saturday, July 20

SANTORINI

In the second millennium B.C., volcanic eruptions shrouded Santorini (or Phira) in pumice and ash and collapsed the island into a fractured caldera. This explosion led to Santorini's wild, multihued beauty while sending its Minoan civilization into irreversible decline. Adults will visit the stunning archaeological site of Akrotiri and the Prehistoric Museum, while Young Explorers™ board a sailboat to Nea Kameni, the island in the center of Santorini's caldera, where they hike to the summit of the volcano to learn about the area's geology. Families reunite in Phira Town for lunch and free time. (B,L,D)

Sunday, July 21

KUSADASI, TURKEY | EPHEBUS

Renowned as the center of worship of the goddess Cybele, later known as Artemis, Ephesus was also the site where St. Paul addressed the Ephesians. Excavations continue and archaeologists are restoring the Terrace Houses, which offer a glimpse of daily Ephesian life. See the façade of the Library of Celsus, Temple of Hadrian, and the Great Theater. (B,L,D)

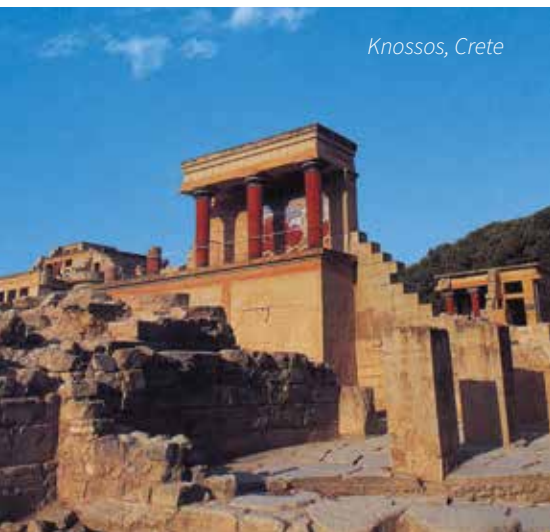
Monday, July 22

ATHENS, GREECE | DISEMBARK

Disembark *Le Lyrial* in Athens to explore the Acropolis, perhaps one of the most important ancient monuments in the Western world, and the stunning Acropolis Museum. After lunch at a taverna, adults visit the ancient Agora, while Young Explorers™ discover the city on an iPad-based interactive game to complete "The Labors of Hercules." Spend the night at the *Divani Caravel* hotel. (B,L,D)

Tuesday, July 23

ATHENS | FLY TO THE USA (B)



Knossos, Crete



Minoan pottery at the Heraklion Museum



Pompeii

PROGRAM INCLUSIONS

Included

- One night at our hotel in Rome (pre-cruise) and in Athens (post-cruise) with reception (in Rome) and breakfast
- Pre- and post-cruise sightseeing in Rome and Athens
- Comprehensive 7-night cruise aboard the deluxe *Le Lyrial*
- Complete program of shore excursions led by expert guides
- Young Explorers™ activities
- Enrichment program of lectures and discussions by featured guests Kathleen M. Lynch & Jason Weiser
- All meals aboard ship including early riser's coffee & pastry, breakfast, lunch, afternoon tea, and dinner; meals ashore as indicated in itinerary
- French-inspired gourmet cuisine, with menu creation and chef training by Ducasse Conseil
- Complimentary open bar aboard ship including select wines served with lunch and dinner
- Welcome and farewell cocktail receptions aboard ship
- 24-hour room service aboard ship
- Airport/hotel/pier transfers and handling of luggage
- Gratuities to shipboard personnel, porters, guides, and drivers
- Port taxes and charges
- Pre-departure materials

Not included

Airfare; visa and passport fees (if applicable); luggage, cancellation, and accident insurance; personal expenses such as laundry, telephone calls, internet, spa services and beverages other than those specified above



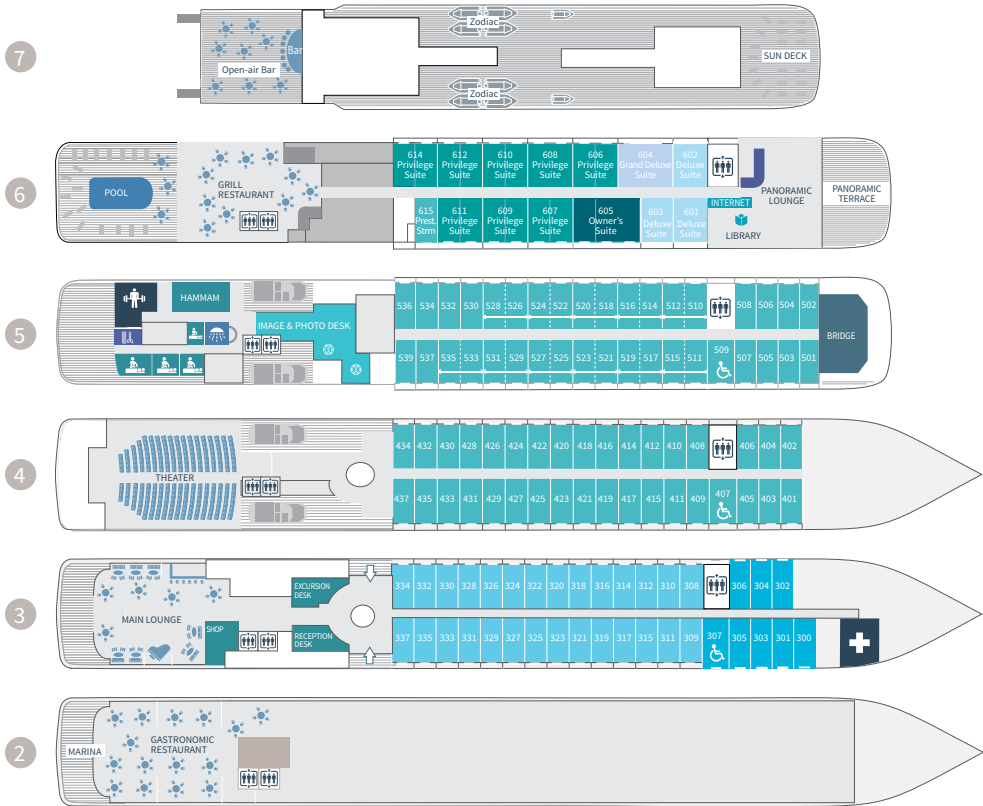
Prestige Stateroom

LE LYRIAL



The deluxe, five-star *Le Lyrial* is one of the most beautifully conceived and technologically sophisticated small ships afloat. Designed in France and built in Italy, *Le Lyrial* boasts an elegantly understated aesthetic that one associates with European sensibility and craftsmanship with room for no more than 244 guests. It is one of four sister ships of the PONANT cruise line, selected as Best Luxury Cruise Line by Cruise Critic’s editors in 2014.

DECK PLAN



FARES PER PERSON, DOUBLE OCCUPANCY

All accommodations aboard *Le Lyrial* face outside affording sea views, and, other than the eight superior staterooms, all feature a private balcony. All staterooms include a bedroom with either two twin-size beds or a king-size bed, sitting area (separate living room for the Prestige Suites), mini-bar, safe, spacious closets, climate control, telephone, WiFi access, TV with movies on demand, iPod player, and bathroom with marble vanity, shower, and fine amenities.

	ADULT	CHILD
SUPERIOR STATEROOM	\$5,490	\$4,190
DELUXE STATEROOM	\$5,790	\$4,340
PRESTIGE STATEROOM - DECK 4	\$6,290	\$4,590
PRESTIGE STATEROOM - DECK 5	\$6,590	\$4,740
PRESTIGE STATEROOM - DECK 6	\$6,790	\$4,840
DELUXE SUITE	\$8,890	\$5,890
PRESTIGE SUITE - DECK 5	\$11,590	\$7,240
PRIVILEGE SUITE - DECK 6	\$12,090	\$7,490
GRAND DELUXE SUITE - DECK 6	\$13,590	\$8,240
GRAND PRIVILEGE SUITE - DECK 6	\$16,890	\$9,890
OWNER'S SUITE	\$17,190	\$10,040

Additional children sharing a room receive discounted child rates. Please inquire for more information.

- Owner's Suite Deck 6
- Grand Privilege Suites Deck 6
- Grand Deluxe Suite Deck 6
- Privilege Suites Deck 6
- Prestige Suites Deck 5
- Deluxe Suites Deck 6
- Prestige Staterooms Decks 4 - 5 - 6
- Deluxe Staterooms Deck 3
- Superior Staterooms Deck 3

TERMS & CONDITIONS

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- From confirmation of booking date up to 91 days prior departure: 10% of full fare
- 90-61 days prior departure: 50% of full fare
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ITINERARY: PONANT GROUP reserves the right to withdraw and/or cancel a sailing or to make changes in the itinerary whenever, in its sole judgment, or in the judgment of the vessel owner or operator, conditions warrant it.

INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS/LIMIT OF LIABILITY: Passenger agrees that PONANT GROUP and SPONSOR act as agent and/or trustee for any person, ground and maritime agents and subcontractors, who provide any service forming, or in connection with, any part of the cruise. Transportation services to the port of departure, transfers to the ship, including hotel room and restaurant bookings or guided tours, are performed by independent suppliers who are not employees of PONANT GROUP and SPONSOR. In this respect, PONANT GROUP and SPONSOR act only as an agent and shall not be held liable for said services or for the acts or omissions of sub-contractors or others.

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S= fuel variation* x daily consumption**

SHIP CAPACITY ***

(*): MGO FOB Rotterdam 0,1% in US\$

(**): L'AUSTRAL, LE BOREAL, LE LYRIAL, LE SOLEAL: 20t.
LE LAPEROUSE: 10t.

(***): L'AUSTRAL, LE BOREAL, LE SOLEAL, LE LYRIAL: 244 passengers.
LE LAPEROUSE 173 passengers

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REGISTRATION

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Enclosed is my check or credit card no. for \$_____ (25% of total cruise price) as a deposit to hold _____ place(s) on **Treasures of the Mediterranean World**. I understand that final payment is due ninety (90) days prior to departure.

Please send your deposit and this form to:
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P.O. Box 938, 47 Main Street, Suite One,
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Fax: 603-756-2922

Please make check payable to: **EOS Passenger Account - AIAMedTreasures7/19**

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Please select cabin category in order of preference (1st, 2nd & 3rd choice):

- ____ Superior Stateroom
- ____ Deluxe Stateroom
- ____ Prestige Stateroom - Deck 4
- ____ Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5
- ____ Prestige Stateroom - Deck 6
- ____ Deluxe Suite
- ____ Prestige Suite - Deck 5
- ____ Privilege Suite - Deck 6
- ____ Grand Deluxe Suite - Deck 6
- ____ Grand Privilege Suite - Deck 6

☐ Twin Beds ☐ King Bed

☐ Single Occupancy

☐ Share (cannot be guaranteed)

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