

17 Days | Italy, The Adriatic and Greece | With VIKING

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From **\$15,999** pp twin share



Combine Venice, the Adriatic & Greece and Italian Sojourn for a sweeping voyage brimming with ancient history

On land and on board, you will uncover the rich cultural traditions of Greece, Montenegro, Croatia and Italy

Featuring scenic cruising among the emerald islands of Dalmatia, an overnight in romantic Venice and a circumnavigation of Italy's boot

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Description







Do Not Miss Out on flying for FREE with VIKING for selected

2025 and 2026 Departures

For selected 2025/2026 River voyages in Europe with included flights are in Economy Class on Viking's choice of airline and from selected major gateway cities in Australia.

Deal must end 28th March 2024.

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Indulge in the ultimate luxury travel experience as you embark on a breathtaking journey with Viking Cruises, sailing through the enchanting landscapes of the Mediterranean.

Picture yourself aboard one of our meticulously crafted river cruise ships, as you set sail from the iconic city of Athens towards the eternal beauty of Rome, or opt for the reverse direction, immersing yourself in the timeless allure of this region on selected dates throughout 2025 and 2026.

Prepare to be captivated as we seamlessly blend two of our most sought-after itineraries, "Combine Venice, the Adriatic & Greece" and "Italian Sojourn," into a singular, extraordinary 15-day cruise. This unparalleled journey promises an immersive exploration of ancient history, cultural richness, and breathtaking scenery at every turn.

From the moment you step on board, you'll be enveloped in a world of

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elegance and comfort, where every detail is meticulously curated to ensure your utmost satisfaction. Our expert crew members are dedicated to providing unparalleled service, attending to your every need and desire as you traverse the Mediterranean in style.

As we embark on this extraordinary adventure, prepare to uncover the rich tapestry of cultural traditions woven throughout Greece, Montenegro, Croatia, and Italy. Each destination holds its own unique allure, offering a glimpse into centuries-old civilizations and enchanting landscapes that have inspired poets, artists, and explorers for generations.

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One of the highlights of your journey includes scenic cruising among the emerald islands of Dalmatia, where rugged coastlines give way to pristine beaches and charming seaside villages. Here, you'll have the opportunity to soak in the beauty of the Adriatic Sea, surrounded by breathtaking panoramas that seem straight out of a postcard.

But the wonders don't end there. Prepare to be enchanted by an overnight stay in the romantic city of Venice, where labyrinthine canals and ornate palaces beckon you to explore their hidden treasures. Lose yourself in the timeless charm of St. Mark's Square, or embark on a gondola ride through winding waterways as the city comes alive with the soft glow of twilight.

As we continue our voyage, you'll have the unique opportunity to circumnavigate Italy's iconic boot, tracing its coastline from north to south. From the picturesque villages of Cinque Terre to the ancient ruins of Pompeii, each port of call offers a new perspective on Italy's rich history and cultural heritage.

Throughout your journey, our experienced guides will be on hand to provide insightful commentary and enriching excursions, ensuring that you gain a deeper understanding of the destinations you visit. Whether you're exploring ancient ruins, sampling local delicacies, or simply soaking in the Mediterranean sun on deck, every moment promises to be an unforgettable experience.

Don't miss your chance to embark on this once-in-a-lifetime adventure with

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Viking Cruises. Join us as we sail through Mediterranean dreams, uncovering the hidden gems of this fabled region one port at a time. Book your voyage today and discover the magic of luxury river cruising with Viking.





Itinerary

Day 1

Australia X Athens, Greece

Today you will board your flight to Athens (or Rome if you are doing the program in reverse). Enjoy the services of your flight as you head North!

Meals: Inflight Menu

Day 2

Athens (Piraeus), Greece

Welcome to Greece! On arrival to Athens, complete your arrival formalities and make your way to the port. Embark your ship and settle into your stateroom. Athens has been called the "birthplace of democracy." Its legacy looms large from atop Acropolis Hill, the pinnacle of ancient Greece. This open air museum is an astonishing repository of once-mighty structures. From its colonnaded Parthenon—more than 2,600 years ago—revered Greek philosophers like Plato and Aristotle formulated new ideas of government and debated its role in civic life to captivated audiences. Remnants of spiritual life are also here in the several temples to Athena and Zeus.

Meals: All Meals Onboard

Accommodation: You will be advised of your Viking Cruise Ship on your booking confirmation

Day 3

🚊 Olympia (Katakolon), Greece

Katakolon is huddled around a pretty little harbor dotted with colorful fishing boats. Nearby, the fertile valleys of the western Peloponnese are a bounty of olive groves, vineyards and orchards, and lead to the legendary city of Olympia. The well-kept ruins here transport visitors back to the days of the earliest athletes who competed for nothing less than the favor of the gods. The remains evoke the glory of the Games, and the Olympia Archaeological Museum features statues that once overlooked the site.

Meals: All Meals Onboard



🔔 Corfu (Kérkyra), Greece

Corfu has a rich history shaped by conquerors and by royalty seeking tranquility. Corfu's Old Town and Fortress—fashioned by the once powerful Venetian Republic—comprise a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Its narrow warrens lead to one of Europe's largest public squares and a lovely promenade once exclusively reserved for the local aristocracy. Everywhere, magnificent coastal views unfold and scenic byways lead to history-rich enclaves, from the archaeological site of Paleopolis and the stunning Vlacherna Monastery to a former Greek royal villa.

Meals: All Meals Onboard

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Day 5

â Kotor, Montenegro

Kotor is Montenegro's picturesque capital set amid glorious mountains and dramatic scenery. Towering cliffs soar above the narrow Kotor ria—a submerged river canyon often called Europe's southernmost fjord. Kotor is also home to one of the Adriatic's best-preserved medieval Old Towns. The charms of this red-roofed city are endless, from the mismatched towers of its Romanesque cathedral to its narrow streets. Its stunning Venetian walls were built in 1420, remnants from Kotor's nearly 300 years as a province of the Venetian Republic.

Meals: All Meals Onboard

Accommodation: You will be advised of your Viking Cruise Ship on your booking confirmation

Day 6

Dubrovnik, Croatia

Dubrovnik is a historic jewel, with its spectacular Adriatic setting, 12th-century medieval streets and incredibly preserved structures. So stunning is its Old Town, the playwright George Bernard Shaw famously called it "paradise on Earth." It is all spectacularly surrounded by a towering medieval wall. Inside, the ancient city's Stradun is lined with authentic stone houses. The peaceful 14th-century Franciscan Monastery and Apothecary, housing the world's oldest working pharmacy and fine collection of Renaissance paintings, provide insight into the ages.

Meals: All Meals Onboard



Split, Croatia

Built around the Roman Palace of Emperor Diocletian, Split is one of Croatia's oldest cities. Its promenade commands majestic views over a bay and the Adriatic Sea. Despite evidence of Split's origins in the 6th century BC, the city is traditionally considered over 1,700 years old—counting from the construction of the palace. Its well-preserved remains have been seamlessly assimilated into the modern city. An Ethnographic Museum is found at the palace's heart and shops line the passageways of its ancient basement. Diocletian's ancient mausoleum is now a stunning cathedral.

Meals: All Meals Onboard

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Day 8

Laly Venice (Chioggia), Italy

Chioggia is a charming fishing community steeped in its age-old seafaring traditions. It is also the gateway to Venice, famed for its wondrous patchwork of graceful piazzas, tranquil canals, artful footbridges and Gothic splendor. All things Venetian begin in St. Mark's Square, where its elegant campanile, or bell tower, rings over the rooftops, and the Byzantine-Gothic St. Mark's Basilica seems to preside over all. Beyond St. Mark's and away from the crowds, Venice is a hushed and intriguing city to explore on foot, with medieval echoes marking every step.

Meals: All Meals Onboard

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Day 9

Legion Venice (Chioggia), Italy

The Venetian Republic ruled Adriatic waves for a millennium. During the 8th century as the Roman Empire began to decline, many Europeans fled to Venice and its neighboring towns, including Chioggia. Merchants put their skills to use, and the city-state was soon thriving. The Venetian Lagoon's canal banks feature buildings influenced by Byzantine and Islamic architecture, reflecting Venice's powerful trading network. The first Vaporetto traversed the Grand Canal in 1881; alongside the gondolas, these iconic Venetian water buses are at the heart of Venice's transport network.

Meals: All Meals Onboard



La Venice (Chioggia), Italy

Part of the Venetian landscape for centuries, the gondola was once the city's primary form of transport. During the 1500s, some 10,000 crafts plied the canals. The flat bottom was designed for the shallow depths of the Venice Lagoon, and its narrow width allowed the gondolier to achieve greater speed and maneuverability. Today, a few public gondolas serve as traghetti, or ferries, conveying people across the Grand Canal, while several hundred, painted black by local law, usher explorers into narrow canals, piloted by capped gondoliers in iconic striped shirts.

Meals: All Meals Onboard

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Day 11

🚊 Šibenik, Croatia

Šibenik is the oldest Croatian city on the Dalmatian Coast. The remarkable architecture of this UNESCO World Heritage Site spans the centuries, having witnessed the rise and fall of empires, from Byzantine to Venetian. In its remarkably preserved Old Town, narrow cobblestone streets lead past medieval houses and churches, all surrounded by four historic fortresses, including the imposing St. Nicholas Fortress. St. James Cathedral, built by several architects in the Gothic and Renaissance styles over a century, is the most important Renaissance structure in Croatia.

Meals: All Meals Onboard

Accommodation: You will be advised of your Viking Cruise Ship on your booking confirmation

Day 12

🚊 Bari, Italy

Located at the heel of Italy's boot, Bari boasts a sunny, palm-lined promenade, romantic honey-toned balconied houses, welcoming courtyards, and Romanesque and baroque churches. It is pure pleasure to take in the distinct Mediterranean atmosphere of this picturesque port, with colorful fishing boats bobbing on the turquoise harbor. History and culture take center stage at the splendid Norman-Swabian Castle; the Romanesque Basilica of St. Nicholas, named for the city's patron saint; and the Petruzzelli Theater, one of Italy's most important opera houses.

Meals: All Meals Onboard



Crotone, Italy

Crotone, according to Ovid, was named by Hercules himself in memory of a friend he had accidentally slain. Today, it is the capital of its eponymous province, a region known for its pristine waters, untouched mountains and vast forests. As the gateway to a landscape bestowed with great natural beauty, Crotone prides itself in its deep historical roots, which can be traced back to the 7th century BC in the city's archaeological museum and the ruins of two redoubtable fortifications, the Castle of St. Charles V and Le Castella, situated on a small peninsula south of the city.

Meals: All Meals Onboard

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Day 14

â Sicily (Messina), Italy

Sicily has been shaped by countless civilizations, from Greek to Byzantine to Roman. When it fell under Spain's purview in the 17th century, it was celebrated as one of Europe's ten great cities. Surrounded by undulating mountains, orange and olive groves and vineyards are plentiful. During World War II, Messina was the destination of the unofficial "Race to Messina" between US General Patton and British Field Marshall Montgomery. In the end, Patton arrived just hours before his British comrade, receiving credit for securing Sicily.

Meals: All Meals Onboard

Accommodation: You will be advised of your Viking Cruise Ship on your booking confirmation

Day 15

Naples, Italy

Naples boasts a long history in a stunning seaside setting and is known mostly for its pizza. The city has long been a major center of Italian culture and was the seat of a powerful independent kingdom for 500 years. So great was its sway that it lured the region's finest architects and artists. In the grand Piazza del Plebiscito, the grand and sweeping public square, the San Francesco di Paola Church flaunts a colonnaded facade reminiscent of the Pantheon in Rome, and the Royal Palace overlooks Neapolitans with statues of all the kings of Naples peering out from alcoves.

Meals: All Meals Onboard



Rome (Civitavecchia) **X** Australia

For centuries, Rome ruled much of Europe, building a vast empire from the power of emperors. More than 2,500 years of history live in the city's streets. Ancient structures recall those heady days when the cheers of 80,000 spectators roared from the Colosseum, citizens mingled in the Forum and senators asked the gods for guidance at the Pantheon. Along with the Vatican and St. Peter's Basilica, this rich pocket of Italy is one of the world's greatest repositories of history and civilization. After breakfast, disembark your ship and make your way to the airport for your journey home.

Meals: Breakfast and Inflight Menu

Day 17

Australia

Welcome home! We trust you have enjoyed this memorable experience with Viking. We look forward to helping you make your next Traveldream a reality!



Inclusions & Exclusions

Inclusions

- International Flights (This Deal comes with a flight credit* that can be used with Traveldream to book your flights)
- 14 Nights in a Veranda stateroom
- One complimentary shore excursion in every port of call
- Free Wi-Fi (connection speed may vary)
- Visits to UNESCO Sites
- Enrichment lectures & Destination Performances
- Beer, wine & soft drinks with onboard lunch & dinner
- 24-hour specialty coffees, teas & bottled water
- Self Service Laundry
- Complimentary access to The Nordic Spa & Fitness Center
- Port taxes & fees
- Onboard Gratuities

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Accommodation: Viking Veranda Stateroom

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Insurance: All guests must have travel insurance to participate on this tour and will be required to show this prior to departure.

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Exclusions

- Items of a personal nature
- Travel Insurance
- Visas

*Flight Credit: For 2025 and 2026 departures, there is an included Flight Credit of \$3000 per couple that can be used to book your international airfares through Traveldream. Please note, should your flights exceed the budget, an extra payment will be required to make up the difference.

Upgrade your stateroom: This is available on check out however we do recommend you Enquire with us prior to booking to confirm availability.

Availability: This promotion is very popular and has a very small amount of cabins available. For ALL sailings, please contact us to check availability on your preferred date.

Fitness: Level of fitness: All participants should be in good general health, able to walk reasonable distances over sometimes uneven terrain, and stand during excursions. All guests must be able to make their own way up and down stairs in case of emergency.

You must have a passport with at least 6 months validity from time of travel

