ANCIENT CIVILIZATIONS
ADRIATIC AND AEGEAN ODYSSEY

VENICE • DALMATIAN COAST • BAY OF KOTOR • ALBANIA
CORFU • CORINTH CANAL • DELPHI • ATHENS

Aboard the Exclusively Chartered, Small Ship
Five-Star LE LYRIAL
September 15 to 23, 2019
Dear Alumni & Friends:

The unspoiled coastlines and islands of the azure Adriatic and Aegean Seas are dynamic crossroads of the Roman, Byzantine, Venetian and Slavic civilizations and their distinctive cultures that flourished here for more than three thousand years. Our comprehensive, custom-designed itinerary takes us along the pathway of these great civilizations into five countries—Italy, Croatia, Montenegro, Albania and Greece—and through the Corinth Canal, an extraordinary experience possible only by small ship.

Begin your journey in Venice—once known as La Serenissima, “the most serenely beautiful city”—where you will board the exclusively chartered, Five-Star Le Lyrial, a small ship featuring 110 ocean-view Suites and Staterooms. Cruise along the Adriatic coast of the stunning region of Dalmatia; cross the Isthmus of Corinth, passing through the narrow canal between soaring, 300-foot limestone walls to the Aegean Sea; and conclude in Athens, the birthplace of Western civilization.

Call on ancient walled cities, medieval villages, picture-perfect islands and the dramatic fjord-like Bay of Kotor, and cruise into smaller, seldom-visited ports inaccessible to larger ships. Visit six UNESCO World Heritage sites, which include historic Split and the fourth-century Diocletian’s Palace, the seventh-century walled city of Dubrovnik, picturesque Kotor, the Greco-Roman site of Butrint, the Old Town of Corfu and the ancient Greek site of Delphi.

Discover the many hidden gems along the Dalmatian coast as daily life unfolds before you and merges with the legacies of ancient cultures. Enjoy our private, specially arranged lectures, exclusive CULTURAL ENRICHMENTS and the insightful COASTAL LIFE® FORUM featuring personal perspectives from local Montenegrin residents.

Join us on this exceptional, carefully planned cruise—a captivating, enriching experience and an excellent value. Book now, while Early Booking Savings and space are still available.

Cordially,

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Photo this page: See Corfu’s 15th-century Old Fortress built by the Venetians.

Cover photo: Visit enchanting Dubrovnik, “the city made of stone and light,” a UNESCO World Heritage site.
Itinerary

Day

Pre-Cruise Venice Option* or 
1 Depart the U.S.

2 Venice, Italy
   • Embark Le Lyrial.

3 Split, Croatia
   • Walking tour of Diocletian’s Palace.
   • Visits to the Temple of Jupiter and Cathedral of Saint Domnius.
   Cultural Enrichment:
   • Visit to the Ivan Meštrović Gallery.

4 Hvar/Korčula
   • Walking tour of Hvar’s Old Town.
   • Visits to Hvar’s Benedictine Convent and St. Stephen’s Cathedral.
   • Visits to Korčula’s Cathedral of St. Mark and the Abbey Treasury.
   Cultural Enrichment:
   • Klapa folk music performance.

5 Dubrovnik
   • Walking tour of the Old Town.
   • Visits to the Rector’s Palace and Maritime Museum.
   Cultural Enrichment:
   • Afternoon free in Dubrovnik.

6 Kotor, Montenegro
   • Walking tour of the Old Town.
   Cultural Enrichment:
   • Coastal Life® Forum.

7 Sarandë, Albania, for Butrint, Corfu, Greece
   Cultural Enrichments:
   • Excursion to the ruins of Butrint.
   • Walking tour of the Old City in Corfu.

8 Itea for Delphi, Corinth Canal
   • Tour of Delphi Archaeological Museum.
   • Cruise through the Corinth Canal.
   Cultural Enrichment:
   • Walking tour of Delphi.

9 Athens/Disembark ship
   • Return to the U.S. or
Post-Cruise Athens Option*

*Available at additional cost.

Experience firsthand the true character and traditions of life along the sparkling coastlines of the Adriatic and Aegean Seas, and discover the lasting influence of ancient civilizations as you travel aboard the exclusively chartered, Five-Star small ship Le Lyrial. Engage with local residents, explore the history, culture, architecture and art—and unpack just once! Noted study leaders and experienced, English-speaking local guides will accompany you throughout this program to discuss historical, cultural and contemporary Croatia, Montenegro, Greece and Albania. This popular program of the Coastal Life® series offers a comprehensive, intimate journey at just the right pace, with a balanced itinerary of Cultural Enrichments including guided tours and time on your own to immerse yourself in the heart and soul of this charming, sun-kissed region.

Observe the Emperor Diocletian’s Palace in Split, built 17 centuries ago by the Romans.
Split, Croatia
Split’s nearly 2000-year-old city center, a UNESCO World Heritage site, was built on the foundation of Roman Emperor Diocletian’s retirement palace and remains a thriving community. Visit the Temple of Jupiter, one of the world’s best-preserved Roman temples, and the Cathedral of Saint Domnius (A.D. 305), regarded as the world’s oldest Catholic cathedral still in use in its original structure. **Cultural Enrichment:** Croatia’s most accomplished sculptor, Ivan Meštrović, became the first living artist to exhibit at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City. Experience his unique vision in the Meštrović Gallery.

Hvar
Since the fourth century B.C., Greeks, Romans, Byzantines and Venetians have left their mark on the island of Hvar. Visit the Old Town’s centuries-old landmarks including the Renaissance Cathedral of St. Stephen and its four-story bell tower. The 350-year-old Benedictine Convent is known for handcrafted unique lace made from agave and aloe thread, a delicate practice recognized by UNESCO as an Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity.

Korčula
Inside the original 13th-century walls of this charming island city, you will find the Abbey Treasury, home to a priceless collection of medieval manuscripts and artwork; the house where Marco Polo is rumored to have been born; and masterful works by Tintoretto in the 15th-century, Gothic-Renaissance-style Cathedral of St. Mark. **Cultural Enrichment:** By special arrangement, listen to local singers perform *klapa*, traditional a cappella folk music, recognized by UNESCO as an Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity.

Dubrovnik
Affectionately called “the pearl of the Adriatic,” Dubrovnik is a UNESCO World Heritage site in recognition of its beautiful historic treasures. Visit the 15th-century Rector’s Palace and the fascinating Maritime Museum, and see Onofrio Fountain, the Romanesque Franciscan Monastery and the well-preserved Old City walls. **Cultural Enrichment:** Enjoy your afternoon at leisure to explore Dubrovnik’s history and culture.

Admire the impressive Venetian-built bastions and towers and the 13th-century walls that encircle Korčula.
Kotor, Montenegro
The breathtaking Bay of Kotor winds deep into the mountains of Montenegro, one of the newest nations in the world. Charming Kotor is a UNESCO World Heritage site for its Venetian Baroque Old Town and impressive medieval fortifications.

**Cultural Enrichment:** Meet and engage with local residents who will discuss daily life along the Adriatic during the specially arranged COASTAL LIFE® FORUM.

Butrint, Albania
Virgil called Butrint parvam Troiam (little Troy), a stop for Aeneas and his exiled Trojans on their epic journey. A short drive to 16th-century Lekursi Castle provides a stunning panoramic view of the coastal city of Sarandë.

**Cultural Enrichment:** Butrint’s UNESCO World Heritage-designated ruins trace three thousand years of ancient civilizations, from the Greek and Roman to the Byzantine and Ottoman Empires. The Greco-Roman amphitheater evokes the ancient city’s rich cultural life. Public baths, a gymnasium and an aqueduct built by Emperor Caesar Augustus offer glimpses of Butrint as a Roman port, while the intricately tiled Baptistery depicts its ties to early Christianity.

Corfu, Greece
Cruise to the Ionian island of Corfu, Homer’s “beautiful and rich land,” where cultural influences of past rulers are reflected in the French boulevards, Georgian mansions, Venetian citadel and Greek temple.

**Cultural Enrichment:** Enjoy a walking tour of the Old Town, a UNESCO World Heritage site, and see the 17th-century Town Hall, once a Venetian theater, and the Edwardian Palace of the former king of Greece.

Delphi
Delphi, considered the center of the Greek world in the sixth century B.C., is now a UNESCO World Heritage site. Ancient Greeks from all walks of life flocked to sacred Mount Parnassus to consult the high priestess of the Temple of Apollo. Tour the magnificent Archaeological Museum, a treasure trove of ancient artifacts including the life-size fifth-century B.C. bronze statue of the Charioteer of Delphi.

**Cultural Enrichment:** Walk along the Sacred Way to the sanctuary of Delphi and stand at the marble Altar of the Chians, where the common and the mighty once awaited the oracle’s pronouncements.

Corinth Canal
Cruise through the Corinth Canal, first thought to be proposed in the seventh century B.C. and not fully realized until 1893. Cutting through the Isthmus of Corinth and at one point only 70 feet wide, it is so narrow that only small ships can make its passage.

**Cultural Enrichment:** View the stunning, fjord-like Bay of Kotor in Montenegro, flanked by sheer cliffs. Walk through the main square of St. Stephen’s Cathedral in beautiful Hvar. Cruise through the Corinth Canal, an engineering marvel.
Exclusively Chartered, Five-Star ms Le Lyrial

Five-Star, State-of-the-Art Small Ship
Join us aboard the exclusively chartered, Five-Star Le LYRIAL, where distinctive French sophistication meets innovative nautical design. The ship’s efficient electrical propulsion system and custom stabilizers provide an exceptionally smooth, quiet and comfortable voyage.

Respect for the Environment
With advanced technology and the most environmentally responsible features built into its design and operations, the ship has earned the important “clean ship” certification.

With Our Compliments
Indulge in these complimentary onboard amenities—alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages available throughout the cruise and in your Suite or Stateroom minibar, Wi-Fi access throughout the ship and 24-hour room service.

Chic and Casual Dining
The stylish dining room and casual alfresco restaurant feature international and regional cuisine and serve continental and buffet breakfasts, buffet lunch, afternoon tea and dinner in four courses or buffet. Wine is served at your table with lunch and dinner.

Only 110 Suites and Staterooms—95% Include Private Balconies
Elegant, ocean-view accommodations range from 200 to 592 square feet, and most have a private balcony. Each air-conditioned, Five-Star Suite or Stateroom features individual climate control, two twin beds or one queen bed, a private bathroom with shower and luxurious hotel amenities, including flat-screen television, a safe, full-length closet, plush robes and slippers.

Life on Board
In addition to educational and cultural presentations, panoramic views, evening entertainment or peaceful retreat, the ship’s spacious public areas can accommodate all passengers. Enjoy two lounges, a theater, library, the Sun Deck with open-air bar, swimming pool, beauty salon, spa, Turkish bath-style steam room and fitness room. The ship has three elevators.

World-Class Service
The highly trained, English-speaking crew are personable and attentive; the ship has a medical center staffed with a doctor and nurse.
Included Features

On Board the Exclusively Chartered, Five-Star, Small Ship Le Lyrial

◆ Seven-night cruise from Venice, Italy, to Athens, Greece.
◆ Elegantly appointed, Five-Star Suite or Stateroom.
◆ Captain's Welcome and Farewell Receptions.
◆ Complimentary alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages available throughout the cruise.
◆ All meals aboard ship.
◆ Complimentary Wi-Fi throughout the ship.
◆ Rare cruise through the historic Corinth Canal, the storied link between the Peloponnesian and Greek mainland.

Expert-Guided Excursions and Exclusive Cultural Enrichments

◆ Visit to Split’s Meštrović Gallery, home and atelier of Croatia’s iconic creative genius Ivan Meštrović.
◆ Walking tour of Hvar’s Old Town including visits to the Benedictine Convent and St. Stephen’s Cathedral.
◆ Tour of the picturesque island of Korčula including a visit to the 17th-century Abbey Treasury.
◆ Time at leisure to explore Dubrovnik.
◆ Specially arranged COASTAL LIFE® Forum, where local residents will discuss daily life along the Adriatic.

UNESCO World Heritage Highlights

◆ Tour of Split, with a visit to the thriving community living within Diocletian’s fourth-century palace, including the well-preserved Temple of Jupiter and Cathedral of Saint Domnius.
◆ Viewing of agave and aloe fiber lace handmade in Hvar near the Benedictine Convent.
◆ Traditional Croatian klapa music performance.
◆ Walking tour of the walled city of Dubrovnik and visits to the Rector’s Palace and Maritime Museum.
◆ Walking tour of medieval Kotor.
◆ Tour of the Greco-Roman ruins of Butrint.
◆ Walking tour of Corfu’s Old Town, featuring the Town Hall and the Palace of Saints Michael and George.
◆ Excursion to Mount Parnassus to see the glorious Oracle of Delphi and its iconic Temple of Apollo and to tour the Delphi Archaeological Museum.

Always Included

◆ Transfers and luggage handling abroad if your arrival(s)/departure(s) coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s).
◆ Experienced, English-speaking local guides for included excursions.
◆ Gratuities to local guides and drivers on included excursions and transfers.
◆ Complimentary bottled water in your Suite or Stateroom and on excursions.
◆ Hospitality desk aboard ship.
◆ Experienced Gohagan & Company Program Directors at your service.
◆ Complimentary use of an audio headset during guided excursions.
◆ Automatic $250,000 flight insurance policy for each participant ticketed on flights by Gohagan & Company.

Admire the strength and vitality of the Sphinx of Naxos, circa 560 B.C., at the Delphi Archaeological Museum.
Quintessential Venice
Pre-Cruise Option
Beloved world-wide for its extraordinary beauty, Venice is one of Italy’s premier cities for art and architecture. Tour the very heart of this UNESCO World Heritage site, including the Doge’s Palace and the Rialto market area. See opulent St. Mark’s Basilica and adjacent Square. Visit the charming archipelago of Burano, known for its skilled fishermen, colorful houses and intricate lace-making. Accommodations for two nights are in the Five-Star Baglioni Hotel Luna, located steps from the famous Piazza San Marco.

Wonders of Ancient Athens
Post-Cruise Option
Explore the birthplace of democracy, an ancient city unmatched in its contributions to the foundation of the Western world. Admire the beauty of Athens’s architecture and enjoy the glories of ancient Greece, including the magnificent Acropolis, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Accommodations for two nights are in the centrally located, Five-Star Hotel Grande Bretagne.

The Pre- and Post-Cruise Options are available at additional cost. Details will be provided with your reservation confirmation.

Enjoy the classical beauty of the Parthenon, one of the finest examples of the Doric order of Greek architecture.
MS Le Lyrial

Date 6, Lyra

Deck 6, Lyra
Deck 5, Altair
Deck 4, Vega
Deck 3, Polaris

LAND/Cruise TARIFF excluding taxes*

Per person, based on double occupancy

Stateroom Category

8
One large window, sofa, Deck 2, Polaris, forward. (limited availability)

$4395

5
Expansive sliding glass door, private balcony, Deck 4, Vega, forward. (limited availability)

$6895

4
Expansive sliding glass door, private balcony. Deck 4, Vega, aft. (limited availability)

$7395

3
Expansive sliding glass door, private balcony. Deck 4, Vega, midship.

$7695

2
Expansive sliding glass door, private balcony, Deck 5, Altair, forward.

$8195

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Expansive sliding glass door, private balcony. Deck 5, Altair, midship and Deck 6, Lyra, forward.

$8495

Deluxe Suite

Expansive sliding glass door, private balcony, large dressing and sitting areas, sofa. Deck 6, Lyra. (limited availability)

$9395

Prestige Suite

Two rooms, expansive sliding glass door, large private balcony, two bathrooms, large sitting area with sofa, two closets. Deck 6, Altair. (limited availability)

$10395

Privilege Suite

Two rooms, expansive sliding glass door, large private balcony, bathtub and separate shower, large dressing and sitting areas, sofa. Deck 6, Lyra. (limited availability)

$10695

Grand Deluxe Suite

Two larger rooms, expansive sliding glass door, large private balcony, additional private powder room, Jacuzzi tub and separate shower, large dressing and sitting areas, sofa, table and four chairs. Deck 6, Lyra. (limited availability)

$12695

Owner’s Suite

Two extra-large rooms, expansive sliding glass door, larger private balcony, additional private powder room, Jacuzzi tub and separate shower, large dressing area, sitting room with sofa, armchair, table and four chairs. Deck 6, Lyra. (limited availability)

$13395

Singles are available in category 6 at $11395* and in category 3 at $13495* on or before February 15, 2019. Add $1000 for reservations made after February 15, 2019.

* Taxes are an additional $440 per person and are subject to change.

† Le Lyrial has been specially contracted for this tour, and the applicable deck plan is available on request from Gohagan & Company and reflects the only valid cabin categorization of the vessel.

ODYSSEY OF ANCIENT CIVILIZATIONS RESERVATION FORM

ADRIATIC AND AEGEAN ODYSSEY

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Program reservations require a deposit of $600 per person and $200 per person Quintessential Venice Pre-Cruise Option and/or $200 per person Wonders of Ancient Athens Post-Cruise Option. By reserving and depositing on this program, I agree to the Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Bonding Arbitration Agreement as printed on the outside back cover of this brochure.

☐ Enclosed is my/our check(s) for $________ as deposit.

Make checks payable to 2019 Coastal Life Adriatic and Aegean Odyssey.

☐ I/We authorize you to charge my/our deposit of $________ to:

❑ Visa ❑ MasterCard

Card Number Exp. Date

Signature as it appears on credit card

ALL FINAL PAYMENTS are required to be made by check or wire transfer by June 12, 2019.

One member of the traveling party is required to make a sustaining financial contribution of $50 or more to the Johns Hopkins Alumni Association within the fiscal year. Please visit www.alumni.jhu.edu/support.

Note: A small portion of the cost of your trip supports the Johns Hopkins Alumni Travel Program.
Admire the graceful Doric columns of Athena Pronaia.

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CANCELLATIONS: Cancellations for all or any part of the trip including Pre/Post Program(s) reservation(s) will not be effective until received in writing in the offices of Gohagan. Should you have to cancel, the following terms will apply: reservation cancellation(s) are subject to a $200 ($50 Pre/Post Program(s)) per person administrative fee from the time of booking through 120 days prior to departure; from 95 through 119 days prior to departure, $600 ($200 Pre/Post Program(s)) per person; from 60 through 94 days prior to departure, 50% of the published full regular tariffs; cancellations 59 days or less prior to departure, no-show, or early return from the trip will result in forfeiture of 100% of the published full regular tariffs. In addition, any applicable airline cancellation fees, optional excursion cancellation fees and administrative fees may apply.

TRIP INSURANCE: We strongly recommend that you purchase trip cancellation insurance. In the event that you must cancel your participation in a travel program, trip cancellation insurance may be the only source of reimbursement. Trip cancellation insurance is available through Gohagan and offers comprehensive coverage of such expenses in conjunction with cancellation due to illness or accident, and damaged or lost baggage. We will send you an application upon receipt of your reservation.

RATES: All programs require physical independence and no special medical attention or physical assistance (for example, the need for a wheelchair) must be reported in writing when you make your reservation.

LUGGAGE: Luggage allowance policies are set by the airlines and may change without notice.

ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT: By forwarding of deposit, the participant and Gohagan are waiving the right to a trial by jury.

BINDING ARBITRATION: Any dispute concerning, relating or referring to this Agreement, the brochure or any other literature concerning the trip, or the trip itself, shall be resolved exclusively by binding arbitration pursuant to the Federal Arbitration Act, 9 U.S.C. Sections 1-16, either according to the then existing Commercial Rules of the American Arbitration Association (AAA) or pursuant to the Comprehensive Arbitration Rules & Procedures of the Judicial Arbitration and Mediation Services, Inc. (JAMS). Such proceedings will be governed by substantive (but not procedural) Illinois law and will take place in Chicago, IL. The arbitrator and not any federal, state, or local court or agency shall have exclusive authority to resolve any dispute relating to the interpretation, applicability, enforceability, conscionability, or formation of this contract, including but not limited to any claim that all or any part of this contract is void or voidable. Please understand that by agreeing to these terms and conditions, the participant and Gohagan are waiving the right to a trial by jury.