Voyage from Cultural Spain to Classical Italy

Costa del Sol • Cartagena • Sardinia • Sicily
Amalfi Coast • Rome
Aboard the Exclusively Chartered Small Ship
Five-Star M.S. Le Lyrial
April 21 to 29, 2016
Dear Alumni & Friends:

Join us for this exceptional eight-day voyage aboard the newly launched, state-of-the-art Five-Star Small Ship M.S. LE LYRIAL featuring several of the most unique and breathtaking ports of Southern Europe. Our comprehensive itinerary features up to seven impressive UNESCO World Heritage sites that preserve the fascinating cultures left in the wake of the Phoenicians, Romans, Carthaginians and Moors. Cruise from the ancient Spanish cities of Málaga and Cartagena to the stunning islands of Sardinia and Sicily and conclude with the classical ruins of Rome. Choose to admire the grandeur along Italy’s extraordinary Amalfi Coast on an optional excursion. Culinary expert Kristine Kidd, former editor of Bon Appétit magazine, further enhances our voyage with exclusive onboard C’EST BON! CULINARY TRADITIONS™ lectures celebrating the cuisines and wines of our ports of call.

The M.S. LE LYRIAL exemplifies the advantages of Five-Star, small ship cruising: elegant accommodations and an exclusive itinerary carefully crafted with a specially arranged excursion in each port. The M.S. LE LYRIAL features only 110 Suites and Staterooms with distinctive French sophistication and has the ability to dock in small ports of call inaccessible to larger vessels, so there is no waiting in long lines for tenders and touring.

Plan to further extend your travel with the Alluring Andalusia Pre-Cruise Option, featuring three captivating cities in the heart of Andalusia: the artistic, coastal city of Marbella; the medieval city of Granada with its architectural gem, the Alhambra—a UNESCO World Heritage site; and the breathtaking hilltown of Ronda, where modern bullfighting originated. The Eternal Classics of Rome Post-Cruise Option highlights the UNESCO World Heritage site ruins of the ancient Roman Empire, St. Peter’s Basilica and Michelangelo’s celebrated Sistine Chapel.

I encourage you to make your plans early for this one-of-a-kind cruise itinerary and great travel value. Early Booking Savings are only available through October 6, 2015.

Cordially,

Marguerite Ingalls Jones, A&S ’74, Bus ’88
Travel Program Director
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The Johns Hopkins University
The fabled islands and coastlines of the Mediterranean Sea from southeast Spain to southwest Italy are so magnificent that the ancient Greeks associated them with their gods, goddesses and heroes of mythology. Aphrodite, the goddess of love, built a beautiful palace on the island of Sicily, where Dionysus, the god of wine, discovered grapes to harvest, and the inhabitants of Sardinia claimed to be descendants of Hercules, heroic son of Zeus.

During this expansive itinerary, experience firsthand a unique blend of the many cultures that coexist in this extraordinary Mediterranean region. The prosperous, seafaring ports that were built, conquered and reconquered by Phoenician, Carthaginian, Roman, Byzantine and Moorish civilizations formed the beginnings of the Western World on these shores, and today retain the art, culture, architecture, literature, cuisine, philosophy and religious influence of their former empires that make them so endlessly captivating.

Málaga, Spain
The beautiful town of Málaga, on Spain’s southern coastline, remains a thriving port city of Andalusia, just as it was when the Phoenicians settled here in 770 B.C. Under rule of the Roman Empire in 238 B.C., and eventually taken over by the Moors, Málaga was shaped by the influences of each of these disparate empires into the distinct city of varied architecture, religions, customs and culture it is today.

Cartagena
Founded in 223 B.C. on the shores of a natural harbor, ancient Cartagena became a strategically important port city for trade and economic purposes as it was in close proximity to a wealth of gold and silver mines. The Romans captured it in 209 B.C., and Carthago Nova (New Carthage), remained a Roman outpost throughout the reign of Julius Caesar and Emperor Augustus until it was conquered by the Visigoths in A.D. 425, subsequently falling to Byzantine and Moorish rule, and finally to the Castilians.

See the ruins of the medieval Castillo de la Concepción, the city’s imposing hilltop fortress, and the impressive Roman Theater of Carthago Nova, a 6000-seat amphitheater built at the end of the second century B.C. Admire Cartagena’s ancient streets filled with early architecture and remnants of the Phoenician, Roman, Byzantine and Moorish periods, alongside stunning Art Nouveau buildings constructed in the early 20th century.

Nora, Sardinia, Italy
On the storied island of Sardinia, enjoy an excursion near the Italian village of Cagliari, where you will visit the remarkable archaeological site of Nora. According to legend, the town was founded by Norax, the mythological hero son of the Greek god Hermes. Originally a Phoenician trading post, later a Punic settlement and finally a Roman town, Nora’s important collection of ancient Punic and Roman ruins features patrician villas decorated with beautiful mosaic floors and the grand theater that is still in use today.
The world of classical antiquity comes alive in Agrigento’s legendary Valley of the Temples, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Here, no fewer than eight Doric Greek shrines dating from the fifth century B.C. dot the landscape, including the Temple of Hera with its graceful northern colonnade, and the Temple of Concordia, a beautifully preserved Greek monument. See temples dedicated to Zeus and Heracles and the Sanctuary of the Chthonic Deities—ancient Greek lords of Earth and the underworld. Visit the Archaeological Museum and admire the collection of Greek, Etruscan, Phoenician, Carthaginian and Roman artifacts.

Taormina
The charming, medieval town of Taormina commands one of the most impressive settings on the island and is the 2400-year-old center of Sicilian culture and commerce. See the imposing, snowcapped Mount Etna, Europe’s highest volcano and a UNESCO World Heritage site, and enjoy stunning panoramic views of Calabria. Visit the remarkably preserved Greco-Roman theater, built in the second century B.C. and still in use today, located in perhaps one of the finest settings of any ancient Roman settlement on Earth. Admire the 14th-century Corvaia Palace, an ornate, Gothic-Catalan structure; the medieval Baroque portal of the Cathedral of St. Nicola; and the Roman Odeon, known as the “small theater.” In the heart of Taormina, stroll along the famous Corso Umberto, a bustling shopping thoroughfare with distinctive Mediterranean flair.
Featuring Culinary Expert
Kristine Kidd

Kristine Kidd, cookbook author and food editor of Bon Appétit magazine for 20 years, joins us on this cultural journey. Kristine introduces you to the seductive flavors and heritage of culinary traditions across the Mediterranean coastal regions from Spain to Italy. Here, food preparation and consumption are not merely daily rituals, but celebrations of life itself. Kristine will share her insights during epicurean lectures on board and offer commentary during an exclusive demonstration by the master chef of the M.S. Le Lyrial.

Scheduled guest speaker may be altered due to circumstances beyond our control. See Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Binding Arbitration Agreement.

Stromboli, Aeolian Islands
Be on deck this evening as the ship cruises in view of the most famous of the volcanos featured in UNESCO’s logo, was constructed on a solid rock’s most notable examples of ancient Greek architecture.

The excavation of Pompeii, a UNESCO World Heritage site, has provided detailed insight into the life of a city at the height of the Roman Empire.

UNESCO World Heritage-designated Aeolian Islands, Stromboli, home to a mildly active volcano that has been erupting for the past 2000 years and known as the “Lighthouse of the Mediterranean.”

Amalfi Coast
The Amalfi Coast, a UNESCO World Heritage site, features spectacular natural views of dramatic cliffs dotted with secluded villages, opulent villas and sun-dappled beaches that epitomize the allure of the Italian Mediterranean seaside. Dock in Sorrento—one of the most beautiful towns in Italy, abundant with lemon and orange groves and the gateway to Mount Vesuvius and the ancient ruins of Pompeii. This quaint seaside town is famous for its traditional finely crafted marquetry and as the limoncello capital of the world.

The optional excursion features the stunning Amalfi Coast and a visit to the lovely village of Positano—visited by Picasso, Toscanini and Bernstein, popularized by John Steinbeck and now a favorite resort of international luminaries.

Pompeii
The incredibly well-preserved ruins of the ancient Roman city of Pompeii were buried by the eruption of Mount Vesuvius in A.D. 79. Discovered and excavated 17 centuries later, Pompeii today is a UNESCO World Heritage site and provides an intimate look at the daily rituals of Pompeians who built their lives here. See the impressive amphitheater, the house of the wealthy Vetti family and the extraordinary Temple of Jupiter.
Five-Star, Small Ship, State-of-the-Art Design
The highly acclaimed, exclusively chartered M.S. Le Lyrial, launched in 2015, represents the newest generation of state-of-the-art Five-Star small ships, featuring only 110 Suites and Staterooms and distinctive French sophistication.

Spacious 100% Ocean-View Suites and Staterooms, 95% with Private Balconies
Each air-conditioned deluxe Stateroom and Suite (200 to 581 square feet) features a private bathroom with shower and luxurious Five-Star hotel amenities. Most accommodations have two twin beds that convert into one queen bed, individual climate control, satellite flat-screen television, wireless Internet access, safe, minibar, full-length closet, writing desk/dressing table, hair dryer, plush robes and slippers.

Chic and Casual Dining
International and regional cuisine is served in the stylish, spacious Le Céleste dining room in single, unassigned seatings; alfresco in the casual La Comète restaurant; or from 24-hour room service. Continental and buffet breakfast, buffet lunch, afternoon tea and a four-course dinner are served daily. Complimentary wine and beer are served with lunch and dinner.

Spacious Public Areas/ World-Class Service and Facilities
In keeping with the low passenger density relative to the ship’s size, the public areas are spacious and inviting and can accommodate all passengers comfortably. Enjoy views from the Panoramic Lounge, nightly entertainment in the Main Lounge, and lectures, cultural performances and film screenings in the state-of-the-art theater. There is a library, Internet salon, Sun Deck with open-air bar, swimming pool, beauty salon, spa, Turkish bath-style steam room, full range of fitness equipment and two elevators. The infirmary is staffed with a doctor and nurse. The highly trained, English-speaking, international crew provides personable and attentive service.

Respect for the Environment
The state-of-the-art propulsion system and custom-built stabilizers provide an exceptionally smooth, quiet and comfortable voyage. By design, the ship is energy efficient and environmentally protective of marine ecosystems and has been awarded the prestigious “Clean Ship” rating, an extreme rarity among ocean cruising vessels. The ship has two tenders.
Included Features

On board the exclusively chartered Five-Star, Small Ship M.S. Le Lyrial

- Seven-night cruise from Málaga, Spain, to Civitavecchia, Italy, with port calls at Cartagena, Spain; Cagliari for Nora, Sardinia; Porto Empedocle for Agrigento, and Naxos for Taormina, Sicily; and Sorrento for the Amalfi Coast and Pompeii, Italy.

- Spacious, Five-Star, 100% ocean-view Suite and Stateroom accommodations, each with a private bathroom.

- Captain’s Welcome and Farewell Receptions.

- All meals—continental breakfast, buffet breakfast, buffet lunch, afternoon tea and dinner—throughout the cruise, featuring fine international and regional cuisine, served at single, unassigned seatings.

- Complimentary wine and beer are served with lunch and dinner.

- Culinary expert Kristine Kidd will provide two C'EST BON! CULINARY TRADITIONS™ lectures that highlight the epicurean delights of each region.

- Visit to the ancient Spanish city of Cartagena to see the medieval Castillo de la Concepción and the imposing 6000-seat Roman Theater of Carthago Nova.

- Excursion to Cagliari’s impressive archaeological site of Nora, said to have been founded by the mythological son of Hermes, on the majestic island of Sardinia.

- Excursion to the UNESCO World Heritage site of Agrigento and its majestic Valley of the Temples, known for its exceptionally well-preserved Doric temples.

- Walking tour of the ancient town of Taormina featuring the Greco-Roman theater built in the second-century B.C. and views of imposing, snowcapped Mount Etna, Europe’s highest volcano and a UNESCO World Heritage site.

- Cruise past the volcanic island of Stromboli at night, the “Lighthouse of the Mediterranean” and a UNESCO World Heritage site.

- Excursion to the exceptional archaeological preservation site of Pompeii, a UNESCO World Heritage site.

- Free time to explore the colorful town of Sorrento and admire the traditional art of intricate wood inlay.

- The ship’s master chef will provide an exclusive C'EST BON! CULINARY TRADITIONS™ food demonstration on board.

Enhanced Travel Services

- Transfers and luggage handling abroad for participants whose arrival(s)/departure(s) coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s).

- All excursions and visits, as outlined above, with experienced local guides.

- Optional excursion along the Amalfi Coast, a UNESCO World Heritage site, at additional cost.

- Gratuities to local guides and drivers on included excursions and transfers.

- Hospitality desk aboard ship.

- The services of experienced Gohagan & Company Travel Directors throughout the program.

- Complimentary use of a state-of-the-art audio headset for each participant during guided excursions.

- Travel document wallet, name badge and pre-departure information.

- Automatic $250,000 flight insurance policy for each participant ticketed on flights by Gohagan & Company.
Explore Granada’s Alhambra, set against the backdrop of Spain’s magnificent Sierra Nevada mountains.

Alluring Andalusia
Pre-Cruise Option

Begin your Mediterranean journey by experiencing three beautiful towns in the heart of the Andalusia region of southern Spain: Marbella, Granada and Ronda. Nestled on the Costa del Sol, Marbella is a bustling, sun-washed city of history and charm. Surrounded by ancient city walls, its Old Town, Casco Antiguo, retains the influence of Phoenician, Roman and Moorish civilizations and a wealth of architectural styles—Gothic, Renaissance, Mudéjar and Baroque. Nearby, visit the regal city of Granada, framed by the dramatic Sierra Nevada mountains, where the genius of medieval Moorish craftsmen is seen in the magnificent Alhambra, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Visit the breathtaking hilltop town of Ronda, the birthplace of modern bullfighting, built over the spectacular El Tajo gorge. Accommodations for two nights on the Costa del Sol are in the deluxe Gran Meliá Don Pepe.

Eternal Classics of Rome
Post-Cruise Option

An extended stay in the capital of the ancient Roman Empire, a UNESCO World Heritage site, the “Eternal City” of Rome is the perfect conclusion to your journey. This majestic city showcases spectacular landmarks from its centuries as a center of power, culture and religion. See its ancient monuments, including the Colosseum, the Roman Forum and the Church of St. Peter in Chains, which houses Michelangelo’s incredible sculpture of Moses. Enjoy a tour of St. Peter’s Basilica and the Vatican Museums, including the Sistine Chapel. Accommodations for two nights are in the InterContinental De la Ville Roma, ideally located near the top of Rome’s world-famous Spanish Steps. Pre-Cruise and Post-Cruise Options are available at additional cost. Details will be provided with your reservation confirmation.

Rome’s beautiful Renaissance St. Peter’s Basilica and towering Castel Sant’Angelo on the banks of the Tiber River are connected through an elevated walkway, the Passetto di Borgo, which served as refuge for Pope Clement VII during the Sack of Rome in 1527.
### VOYAGE FROM CULTURAL SPAIN TO CLASSICAL ITALY RESERVATION FORM

**Send to:**
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**LAND/Cruise Tariff** (per person, based on double occupancy)

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<td>Deluxe Suite Two-room, ocean-view, expansive floor-to-ceiling sliding glass door onto private balcony. two bedrooms, two closets, large sitting area with sofa, writing desk and dressing table. Deck 5, Altair. (limited availability)</td>
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**Andalusia Pre-Cruise Option**
1. Singles are available in category 6 at $11195 and in category 3 at $12695 on or before October 6, 2015.
2. Add $1000 for reservations made after October 6, 2015.
3. Taxes are an additional $440 per person and are subject to change.

**Voyage**
M.S. 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.

For Johns Hopkins related questions, please call 800-548-5481 or 410-516-0363.

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Program reservations require a deposit of $600 per person and $200 per person Andalusia Pre-Cruise Option and/or $200 per person Rome Post-Cruise Option. By reserving and paying on this program, I/We agree to the Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Binding 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 2016 Voyage from Cultural Spain to Classical Italy.

I/We authorize you to charge my/our deposit of ___________ to:

Visa MasterCard

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**Signature as it appears on credit card**

**All FINAL PAYMENTS are required to be made by check or wire transfer by January 15, 2016.**

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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.
RELEASE OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND BINDING ARBITRATION AGREEMENT

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Trips must be purchased at the published fares/tariffs. Reservations received in the offices of Gohagan in writing, accompanied by the required deposit, by October 6, 2015. In the event a "discounted" reservation must be cancelled, no "replacement" reservation can be subcontracted at the discounted rate. A "replacement" reservation is a new reservation and can be subcontracted only at the full-fare tariff. Cancellation penalties may apply.