

PRINCETON JOURNEYS



Alluring Aegean
from the Bronze Age to the Byzantines
Athens to Istanbul Aboard Sea Cloud II

with Denis Feeney, Giger Professor of Latin & Professor of Classics

June 27 – July 6, 2022

CRUISE HIGHLIGHTS

ENJOY an overnight stay in Athens, with an expert-guided afternoon exploration of the famous Acropolis as well as an after-hours visit and cocktail reception at the Acropolis Museum

GO behind the scenes of UNESCO World Heritage Sites including the Cave of the Apocalypse, where St. John the Evangelist wrote the Book of Revelation, and the treasures within its nearby 11th-century monastery, housing icons, manuscripts, and fine embroideries, on the Greek island of Patmos

MARVEL at beautiful Santorini, an island featuring white houses nestled in the rugged slopes of a volcanic caldera, and join a special tour of excavated Bronze Age wonders in the Museum of Prehistoric Thera

EXPLORE the ancient Greek trade center of Ephesus to see the restoration of luxurious Roman Imperial-era residential villas known as “terrace houses”

JOURNEY to the vast UNESCO-listed remains of ancient Troy, and take an expert-led tour of its museum, which houses impressive archaeological finds from the site

OUR STUDY LEADER



Denis Feeney is the Giger Professor of Latin at Princeton University where he teaches and publishes on Latin literature and on Roman culture more broadly, with a special focus on Roman religion and time. He will become emeritus during this Princeton Journey, on June 30, 2022.

In addition to articles on Latin literature (particularly on his favorite Latin poets, Catullus, Virgil, Horace, and Ovid), Professor Feeney has written four books. *The Gods in Epic* (Oxford, 1991) investigated the problem of how gods were represented in (especially Latin) epic. *Literature and Religion at Rome* (Cambridge, 1998) looked more broadly at the problem of the interaction between the literary and religious systems of Rome, framing the issues in terms of a dialogue between the way scholars tend to read Greek culture and Roman culture more generally. *Caesar's Calendar* (California, 2007) examined Roman constructions of time, in terms of synchronism, historical vs. mythical time, and calendrical time. Professor Feeney's most recent book, *Beyond Greek: The Beginnings of Latin Literature* (Harvard, 2016), is about why Rome developed a literature in the Latin language when it shouldn't really have done so.

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Dear Princetonian,

Join beloved Professor of Latin and Classics Denis Feeney on an exclusive eight-night voyage from Athens to Istanbul. As you cruise the Aegean aboard the elegant *Sea Cloud II*, step ashore on stunning Greek islands of myth and legend, and sail onward to the Graeco-Roman sites of Asia Minor. Discover the fascinating history of these lands over several millennia, from the archaeological wonders of the Bronze Age to the monasteries of the Byzantine era.

Begin with a night at the historic Hotel Grande Bretagne in Athens. Delight in a private, after-hours tour of the Acropolis Museum with spectacular views of the Parthenon. Embark *Sea Cloud II* for the enchanting Cycladic island of Santorini (Thera), and visit its Bronze Age settlement of Akrotiri, which, like Pompeii, was marvelously preserved under layers of volcanic ash. On the island of Amorgos, explore an impressive, thousand-year-old Byzantine monastery perched on a seaside cliff. Sail to Patmos for special access to the mythical cave where the exiled St. John the Evangelist wrote the Book of Revelation. On Samos, visit one of ancient Greece's most sacred sanctuaries, the UNESCO-listed ruins of the Heraion of Samos, dedicated to Hera.

Venture to Turkey to witness the ongoing restoration of ornate ancient villas and their mosaics in the city of Ephesus, with its beautiful marble streets. After a splendid day at sea, conclude with an exploration of fabled Troy, immortalized in Homer's *Iliad*, before sailing to Istanbul for disembarkation. An optional prelude in Athens as well as an optional postlude in Istanbul are offered if you'd like to further explore these richly historic capitals.

Book this cruise with confidence: Your deposit will be fully refundable until 120 days before departure. As Princeton travelers will be joined by those from Yale, The Metropolitan Museum of Art, and The National Trust for Historic Preservation, we encourage you to reserve your space now by contacting our partner tour operator, Arrangements Abroad, at 800-221-1944. We hope you join us to experience the treasures of the Aegean on one of the most elegant vessels afloat.

Kind regards,

Bridget St. Clair

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Executive Manager, Princeton Journeys
Princeton University



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MONDAY, JUNE 27: DEPARTURE

Depart for Athens on an overnight flight.

TUESDAY, JUNE 28: ATHENS, GREECE

Upon arrival in Athens, explore the lively Plaka neighborhood, the ancient center of the city. Continue to the historic Hotel Grand Bretagne for check-in. Enjoy an afternoon visit at the Acropolis to view the ruins of the majestic Parthenon and the Erechtheion. This evening, delight in a private after-hours tour of the Acropolis Museum, followed by a welcome cocktail reception and dinner. R,D

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29: ATHENS / PIRAEUS / EMBARK *SEA CLOUD II*

Gather for a morning lecture, followed by lunch in the Plaka. Visit the Museum of Cycladic Art, whose notable collection of artifacts from the ancient cultures of the Aegean and Cyprus focuses on Cycladic sculptures. The simplicity and abstraction of these Bronze Age treasures greatly inspired many 20th- and 21st-century artists, including Brâncuși, Modigliani, Henry Moore, and Ai Weiwei. Continue to Piraeus, embark *Sea Cloud II*, and stand on deck as the ship sails past the Temple of Poseidon, a dazzling icon of the Golden Age of Athens, poised atop Cape Sounion. B,L,D

THURSDAY, JUNE 30: MORNING AT SEA / SANTORINI

After a morning at sea, arrive at the Cycladic island of Santorini (officially known as Thera), taking in the stunning vistas as *Sea Cloud II* approaches the port during lunch on board. This afternoon, visit the Bronze Age archaeological site of Akrotiri. Accompany a curator to explore the Museum of Prehistoric Thera, which houses treasures excavated from the site. Continue to the enchanting village of Oia, and spend some free time admiring its traditional white houses carved into the clifftops. Return to the ship this evening for the captain's welcome reception and dinner. B,L,R,D

FRIDAY, JULY 1: AMORGOS

Step ashore on Amorgos, a small island of whitewashed villages set in a rugged landscape. Visit the impressive Byzantine Monastery of Hozoviotissa, built in the 11th century, and marvel at how this stark white structure clings to precipitous cliffs facing out to sea. For more than a thousand years, the monastery has been a place of pilgrimage for worshippers, who come to venerate its miraculous icon of the Virgin Mary. Return to the ship for lunch, and set sail for Patmos. Our lecture series continues this afternoon. B,L,D





SATURDAY, JULY 2: PATMOS / SAMOS

Explore the sacred island of Patmos, site of St. John the Evangelist's exile. Visit the UNESCO-listed Cave of the Apocalypse, where St. John reportedly dictated the visions documented in the Book of Revelation to his loyal disciple. Then, tour the 11th-century Monastery of St. John, with its enormous towers, domed roofs, belfries, and battlements. Inside, behold the artistry of the monastery's icons, manuscripts, and embroideries. Enjoy lunch on board *Sea Cloud II* as the ship approaches the lush and mountainous island of Samos, a naval power in the 7th century B.C. The small island is celebrated for the Heraion of Samos, a sanctuary dedicated to the Greek goddess Hera, now a UNESCO World Heritage Site. This afternoon, discover the remains of the complex, and view artifacts from its excavation at the Archaeological Museum, including the largest surviving *kouros* in Greece. Dock overnight in the port. B,L,D

SUNDAY, JULY 3: SAMOS / KUŞADASI, TURKEY / EPHEBUS

This morning, sail from Samos to Kuşadası, and venture to the well-preserved ruins of Ephesus. Originally built in the 10th century B.C., Ephesus is renowned as the center of worship of the great Greek mother-goddess Cybele as well as the site where St. Paul addressed the Ephesians. Excavations continue and archaeologists are currently restoring the terrace houses, luxurious residential villas that offer a glimpse of the daily lives of ancient Ephesians. Behold the dramatic façade of the Library of Celsus, the temple of Hadrian, and the immense ancient theater. Enjoy lunch on board *Sea Cloud II*, and step ashore for an afternoon at leisure. You may enjoy the lively port town of Kuşadası, or opt for an afternoon excursion to the archaeological site of Priene, including the Temple of Aphrodite and the well-preserved stadium. B,L,D

MONDAY, JULY 4: DAY AT SEA

Today, discover the thrill of sailing aboard the legendary *Sea Cloud II*. As she carries us under a full set of billowing white sails, experience the grace and romance of a bygone era of travel, and enjoy the continuation of our education program with talks from host faculty speakers. B,L,D

TUESDAY, JULY 5: KEPEZ, TURKEY / TROY

From the port of Kepez, drive to fabled Troy, where excavations began in 1872 and continue to this day. Enjoy an expert-led tour of the Museum of Troy, which contains artifacts from these excavations. Spend the afternoon sailing to Istanbul through the narrow Dardanelles. This evening, gather for the captain's farewell reception and dinner. B,L,R,D

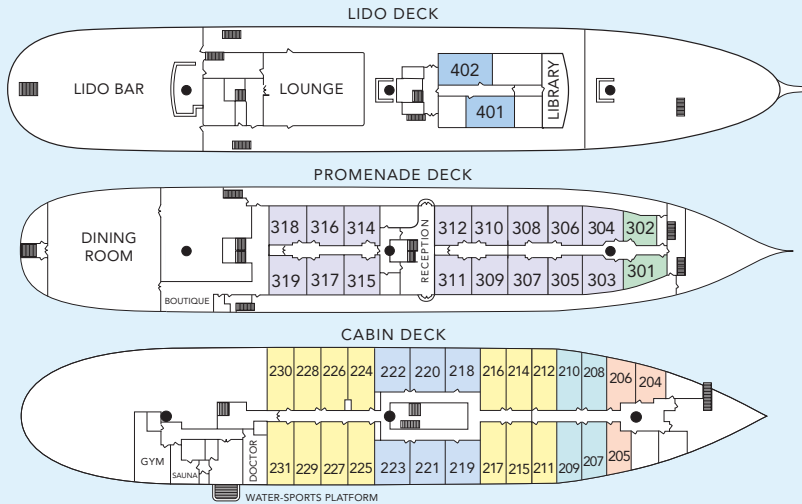
WEDNESDAY, JULY 6: ISTANBUL / DISEMBARK / RETURN

This morning, disembark *Sea Cloud II* in Istanbul, and transfer to the airport for flights home. B

An optional postlude in Istanbul is offered from July 6-8, 2022.

DISCLAIMER: This itinerary is subject to change at the discretion of Princeton Journeys and Arrangements Abroad. For complete details, please carefully read the terms and conditions at www.arrangementsabroad.com/terms.

SEA CLOUD II



Sea Cloud II is a three-masted sailing yacht steeped in the elegance of yesteryear and complemented with the most modern amenities. Sister ship of the legendary *Sea Cloud*, *Sea Cloud II* has 47 outside cabins and travels under 23 billowing sails trimmed by hand. From the mahogany-paneled library and gracious lounge to the gym and watersports platform, no detail has been overlooked. Praised by the world's most discerning travelers, *Sea Cloud II* receives consistently high rankings from *Condé Nast Traveler*. Passengers enjoy open seating at all meals and complimentary use of all water sports equipment. A doctor is on call 24 hours a day. Please note: there is no elevator on *Sea Cloud II*.

CRUISE RATES

(Per Person)

Cabins	Decks	Double Rates	Single Rates
Cabins 204 to 206 Upper/lower twin berths, shower.	Cabin Deck	\$8,999	\$10,999
Superior Cabins 207 to 210 Twins or Queen bed, shower.	Cabin Deck	\$10,999	\$16,499
Deluxe Cabins 211 to 217 & 224 to 231 Twins or Queen bed, shower.	Cabin Deck	\$11,999	\$17,999
Deluxe Cabins 218 to 223 Twins or Queen bed, shower.	Cabin Deck	\$13,999	Inquire
Deluxe Cabins 301 & 302 Twins or Queen bed, shower.	Promenade Deck	\$14,999	Inquire
Junior Suites 303 to 319 Twins or Queen bed, bathtub with shower.	Promenade Deck	\$17,999	Inquire
Owner's Suites 401 & 402 Queen-size bed, bathtub, and separate shower.	Lido Deck	\$19,999	Inquire

RATES INCLUDE

- One night hotel accommodations at the Hotel Grande Bretagne, Athens
- Seven nights cabin accommodations aboard *Sea Cloud II*
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, R=Reception, D=Dinner); bottled water, soft drinks, juices, and coffee/tea with all meals; thoughtfully selected wines and beer with onboard lunches and dinners; complimentary open bar throughout the cruise
- Airport/hotel/pier/airport group transfers for all participants on suggested flights
- Enrichment program of lectures and special events
- Escorted sightseeing, transportation, and entrance fees for all included visits
- Gratuities to local guides and drivers; customary shipboard gratuities
- Taxes, service, and portage charges

NOT INCLUDED IN RATES: International airfare; passport/visa fees; meals not specified; alcoholic beverages other than as noted in inclusions; personal items and expenses; airport transfers other than for those on suggested flights; excess baggage; trip insurance; optional Athens prelude; optional Istanbul postlude; any other items not specifically mentioned as included.

Temple of Athena Pronaia, Delphi



OPTIONAL ATHENS PRELUDE JUNE 25–28, 2022

On June 25, depart on an overnight flight to Athens, where you will enjoy a two-night prelude. Arrive on June 26 for check-in at the historic Hotel Grande Bretagne. Explore the ancient center of the city in the afternoon, followed by a private evening reception. On June 27, rise for an exclusive full-day excursion to legendary Delphi, the UNESCO-listed archaeological site. Highlights include the famed Sanctuary of Apollo, once home to the Pythian oracle; the Treasury of the Athenians; and the Temple of Apollo. Behold artifacts from the site at the Delphi Archaeological Museum before returning to Athens. On June 28, admire the world's most extensive collection of Greek antiquities at the National Archaeological Museum. Join travelers on the main program at the Acropolis.

Prelude Rate: \$2,299 per person, double rate. \$2,799 single rate

INCLUDES: Two nights at the Hotel Grande Bretagne in Athens, with two breakfasts, two lunches, two receptions, and two dinners. Sightseeing as noted.

Blue Mosque, Istanbul



OPTIONAL ISTANBUL POSTLUDE JULY 6–8, 2022

Over two nights, with accommodations at the luxurious Four Seasons Hotel, go behind the scenes of Istanbul's spectacular landmarks. Start with the lush Hagia Sophia; Sultanahmet Square, the city's ancient center; and the Blue Mosque. Visit the 6th-century Basilica Cistern, the largest surviving Byzantine cistern in the city. Explore the legendary Topkapi Palace, with lunch on the palace grounds. Peruse the colorful Spice Market and the Grand Bazaar, or opt to visit the Kariye Mosque, beholding some of the world's most sublime Byzantine Christian mosaics.

Postlude Rate: \$1,999 per person, double rate. \$2,899. single rate

INCLUDES: Two nights at the Four Seasons Hotel Istanbul at Sultanahmet, with breakfast daily, two lunches, and one dinner. Sightseeing as noted.



Sea Cloud II

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RESERVATION FORM

To secure your reservation, please call Arrangements Abroad at 212-514-8921 or 800-221-1944, fax: 212-344-7493; or complete this form and return it with your deposit of \$1,000 per person (**fully refundable until 120 days prior to departure**), to be paid by debit card, credit card, wire transfer, or check payable to Arrangements Abroad. Mail to: Arrangements Abroad, 260 West 39th Street, Suite 1701, New York, NY 10018-4424.

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Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone (home) _____ (business) _____

Fax _____ E-mail addresses of both participants _____

ACCOMMODATIONS

Hotel Room Preference ☐ One bed ☐ Two beds ☐ Single (limited availability)

Sea Cloud II cabin preference (1) _____ (2) _____

I wish to share a cabin with _____

OPTIONAL PRELUDE & POSTLUDE

☐ I/We wish to join the optional prelude in Athens ☐ I/We wish to join the optional postlude in Istanbul

Hotel Room Preference ☐ One bed ☐ Two beds ☐ Single

FORM OF PAYMENT

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