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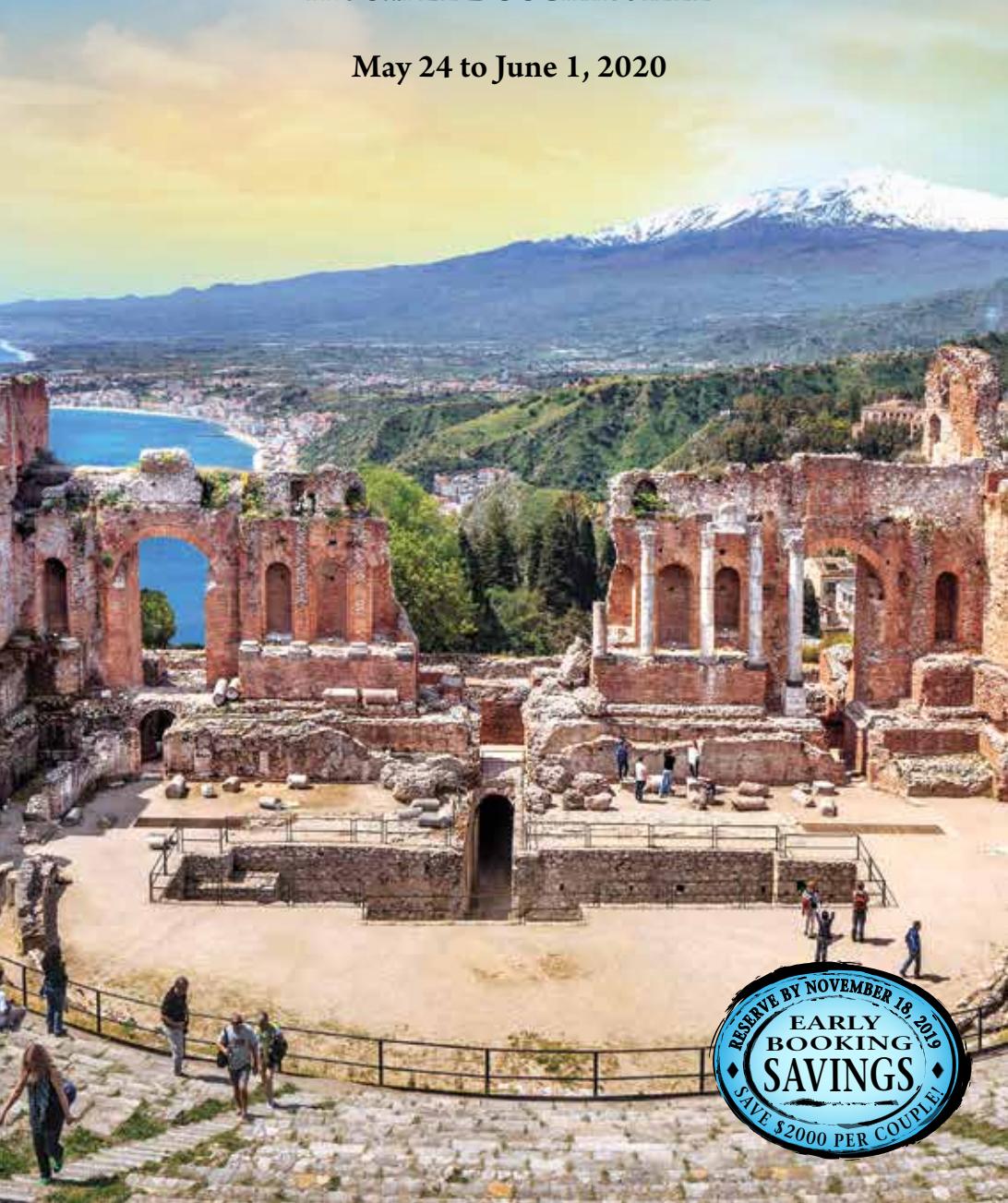
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# ANCIENT EMPIRES AMALFI COAST SICILY and MALTA

Rome ♦ Pompeii ♦ Isle of Capri ♦ Agrigento ♦ Syracuse ♦ Taormina

Odyssey aboard the Exclusively Chartered,  
Five-Star **LE BOUGAINVILLE**

May 24 to June 1, 2020





# ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

MOUNT HOLYOKE COLLEGE

Dear Alumnae and Friends:

The Ancient Empires of Italy, Sicily and Malta have possessed an almost mythical appeal ever since Homer and Virgil extolled their virtues. From the classical perfection of Agrigento's Roman relics to the remarkably preserved Baroque monuments of Valletta and the elegant hillside retreat of Positano, this specially designed itinerary explores Europe's most storied villages, resplendent shores and prized remnants of bygone civilizations.

Immerse yourself in the timeless allure and cultural mélange of formidable nations that stood at the crossroads of the Mediterranean. Cruise among historic islands aboard the exclusively chartered, state-of-the-art, Five-Star LE BOUGAINVILLE, launched in 2019. LE BOUGAINVILLE features the deluxe and exclusive *Blue Eye*, the world's first multisensory Observation Lounge. Featuring only 92 Suites and Staterooms, this elegant small ship is able to call on ports inaccessible to larger vessels.

This outstanding itinerary cruises from Italy to Malta along two of Europe's most dramatic coastlines, through the fabled Strait of Messina and the Tyrrhenian and Mediterranean Seas. En route, see seven impressive UNESCO World Heritage sites, marvel at Italy's stunning Amalfi Coast, visit the quintessential colorful seaside village of Positano and see the charming town of Sorrento. Gain intimate insight into the Roman way of life in A.D. 79 at the superbly excavated site of Pompeii and visit the legendary Isle of Capri. Discover Sicily's storied town of Taormina in the shadow of Mt. Etna; the legendary city of Syracuse, once the most powerful city of the ancient Greek world and today an open-air museum of monumental antiquities; and Agrigento's unforgettable Valley of the Temples. Experience the rich history of Malta, the island nation where St. Paul the Apostle was shipwrecked and the Order of the Knights of St. John, Caravaggio, Sir Walter Scott and Queen Elizabeth II once called home.

Onboard lecturers will further illuminate these ancient ports and scenic landscapes—once coveted territories of the world's most powerful empires. This cruise itinerary provides a captivating and unforgettable experience for each generation of traveler. Reserve now while space and Early Booking Savings are still available!

Sincerely,

Nancy B. Perez  
Executive Director

## Study Leader



Ombretta Frau is the Dorothy Rooke McCulloch Professor of Italian at Mount Holyoke College, Massachusetts. She earned a Ph.D. in Italian from Harvard in 2002. Frau's research concentrates on 19<sup>th</sup>- and early-20<sup>th</sup>-century Italian women and history of Italian culture. Frau authored articles on Pirandello, Aldo Palazzeschi, Vincenzo Cerami, Mantea, Jolanda, Sfinge, Dacia Maraini, motherhood, the connections between language, gender and violence on the Internet, and the relationship between journalism and fascism. Presently, her research concentrates on the material culture of literature and on the connections between readers in 19<sup>th</sup>-century Italian paintings and novels.

# The LEGACY of EMPIRES

*The ancient coasts on this itinerary are considered by many to be the most alluring shorelines in the world, where centuries-old ruins beckon you into the ancient past and sparkling turquoise waters ensconce pastel-hued towns and villages. Each destination in Italy, Sicily and Malta reveals an intriguing history and distinct character—luring explorers, artists, architects and powerful rulers for generations. A seemingly endless roll call of empires is etched into every incomparable landscape and extraordinary architectural triumph. It is a rare opportunity to see and experience the diverse cultural legacies of the Italians, Greeks, Goths, Moors, Normans, Castilians, Turks, Jesuits, Spanish and French come to life amongst timelessly beautiful scenery. Fall under the enchantment of these history-laden lands—from Pompeii to Capri to Syracuse—as they captivate you with their unforgettable stories.*

## U.S.

### Sunday, Day 1

Depart the U.S.

### Rome, Italy/Civitavecchia

#### Monday, Day 2

Arrive in the former seat of the Roman Empire, UNESCO World Heritage-designated Rome, today the historic heart of Italy. From the iconic Colosseum and the Vatican to the Spanish Steps and the Catacombs, Ancient Rome continues to amaze modern visitors. Embark the Five-Star LE BOUGAINVILLE in Civitavecchia.

### Sorrento for Pompeii

#### Tuesday, Day 3

Quaint Sorrento is an outpost of the ancient Roman Republic and the scenic gateway to Mt. Vesuvius and Pompeii. This seaside town of rose-flushed buildings was built into picturesque cliffs high above the Tyrrhenian Sea and, as the world's limoncello capital, is abundant with fragrant lemon and orange groves.

Continue to Pompeii, which was engulfed by the tephra of Mt. Vesuvius in A.D. 79, rendering the city frozen in time. Excavated 17 centuries after petrification, the UNESCO World Heritage-designated ruins intimately reveal Roman daily rituals during Emperor Titus's reign. On the walking tour, see the wealthy Vetti family estate and the extraordinary amphitheater—the earliest surviving stone amphitheater of the Roman world—and Temple of Jupiter.

Enjoy the Captain's Welcome Reception on board the ship this evening.

### Sorrento for Amalfi Coast/ Isle of Capri

#### Wednesday, Day 4

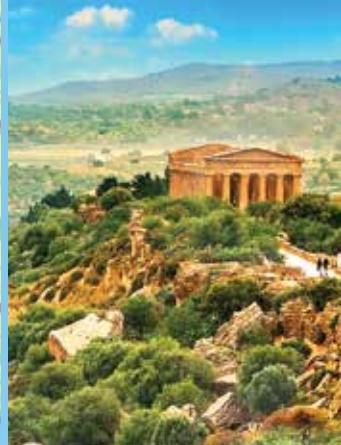
Admire the natural splendor of the UNESCO World Heritage-designated Amalfi Coast and experience the allure of the Mediterranean seaside with secluded villages, opulent villas and sun-drenched beaches.

Explore the winding, delightful streets of the cliffside, coastal village of Positano on your own.

Cover photo: Visit Taormina's Greco-Roman theater, which exemplifies the ancient Greek belief that a city's key sites should complement its nature.

Photo this page: The famed Amalfi Coast corniche road weaves through quaint villages and picturesque landscapes.





See Agrigento's Temple of Concordia which maintains the proportions and

Enjoy a walking tour of captivating Capri, the island where, legend has it, Homer's Odysseus resisted the alluring call of the sirens. Visit the Augustus Gardens, a series of serene, flower-filled terraces that afford breathtaking panoramas of the Faraglioni rock formations rising from translucent waters and the craggy peak of Mt. Solaro, the highest point on the island.

## Naxos for Taormina, Sicily

Thursday, Day 5

Be on deck this morning to view the UNESCO World Heritage-designated Aeolian Island of Stromboli, the "Lighthouse of the Mediterranean"—a volcano mildly active for over two millennia.

From charming Taormina, the medieval center of Sicilian culture and commerce, enjoy stunning panoramas of the Calabria coastline and snowcapped Mt. Etna, Europe's highest volcano and a UNESCO World Heritage site. Tour the remarkably preserved third-century B.C. Greco-Roman theater, the most dramatically sited Greek theater in the world and still in use today. See the 14<sup>th</sup>-century Gothic-Catalan-style Corvaia Palace and the Roman Odeon, the "small theater" built in 21 B.C., and see the medieval Baroque portal of the Cathedral of St. Nicola.

Stroll along Taormina's distinctively Mediterranean pedestrian thoroughfare, Corso Umberto.



Admire the symmetrical cone and primordial beauty of Stromboli, a picture-perfect volcano.

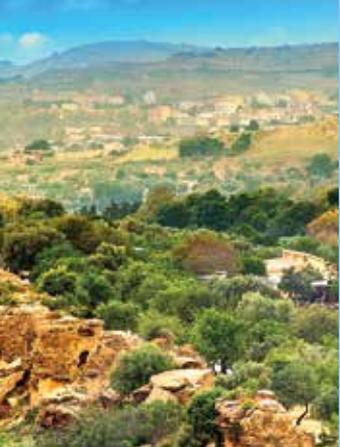
## Syracuse

Friday, Day 6

Extolled for its grandeur since classical antiquity, enchanting Syracuse reached its zenith of influence as an intellectual milieu under Dionysius the Elder 350 years after Greek colonists first settled here in 734 B.C. Today, this UNESCO World Heritage site is an open-air museum of well-preserved classical monuments. Visit the storied Greek Theater, where Aeschylus once

Valletta's strategic position on Malta's Grand Harbor made it a coveted territory for countless civilizations.





*... built between 440 and 430 B.C., with the harmony of Classic Doric style.*



*Discovered in fragments in 1817, this statue of Apollo was one of the first bronzes to be excavated at Pompeii.*

spoke to ancient Siracusans, still in use today; the Roman Amphitheater, where gladiators competed for the crowds; the Altar of Hieron II; the limestone Ear of Dionysius cave; and the Archaeological Museum.

Stroll the hallowed small island of Ortygia, Syracuse's maritime heart, where the most ancient Doric temple in Sicily, the sixth-century B.C. Temple of Apollo, stands in the remains of Piazza Pancali. The city's Baroque cathedral incorporates the ruins of a fifth-century B.C. temple dedicated to the goddess Athena, where you can admire the unique baptismal font, an ancient Greek marble *krater* (large vase) dating from the 13<sup>th</sup> century. The landmark Piazza Archimede showcases the dazzling, Baroque-style Fountain of Diana, adorned with rearing horses, charging tritons and maternal sea nymphs.

### **Porto Empedocle for Agrigento** **Saturday, Day 7**

The classical Greek world is reanimated in Agrigento's UNESCO World Heritage-designated *Valle dei Templi* (Valley of the Temples). The landscape features eight Doric shrines dating from the fifth century B.C., including the Temple of Hera, with its graceful northern colonnade, and the Temple of Concordia, one of the most beautifully preserved Greek monuments, having survived almost entirely intact since its construction in 430 B.C. See the temples honoring Zeus and Heracles and the Sanctuary of the Chthonic Deities—mythological lords of Earth and the underworld. Visit the Agrigento Archaeological Museum, which preserves Sicily's finest collection of Greek, Etruscan, Phoenician, Carthaginian and Roman artifacts.

### **Valletta, Malta** **Sunday, Day 8**

Cruise to the picturesque capital city of Valletta. Founded in 1566 by the Knights of St. John, this UNESCO World Heritage site is one of the world's earliest planned cities.

Malta has held a strong connection to Italy and Sicily since A.D. 60, when a shipwrecked St. Paul brought Christianity to the tiny archipelago. Today, this 2018 European Capital of Culture showcases incredible high Baroque, neoclassical and modern architecture.

See St. John's Co-Cathedral, built between 1573 and 1578, exemplifying Baroque architecture with two large bell towers looming over the cathedral. Tour the 16<sup>th</sup>-century Barrakka Gardens, and enjoy vistas of Valletta's Grand Harbor. Visit the underground Lascaris War Rooms, Britain's top-secret command in Malta during WWII. Tour the interiors of the Grandmaster's Palace, the former residence of the Order of the Knights of St. John and the seat of Malta's parliament until 2015. A member of the de Piro family of Maltese nobility leads your private tour through the 430-year-old Casa Rocca Piccola, the family's ancestral home and a display of historical Maltese aristocracy.

Attend the Captain's Farewell Reception on board the ship this evening.

### **Valletta/U.S.** **Monday, Day 9**

Disembark and continue on the Timeless Malta Post-Cruise Option or transfer to the airport for your return flight home.

*The three sea stacks of Faraglioni are Capri's most dramatic sight and can be seen from the colorful Augustus Gardens.*





Stateroom with Balcony



Panoramic Restaurant



## EXCLUSIVELY CHARTERED, FIVE-STAR MV LE BOUGAINVILLE

### Luxury Small Ship, Innovative Design

LE BOUGAINVILLE, launched in 2019, ushers in a new generation of Five-Star small ships, combining revolutionary design and a new standard of luxury for unparalleled cruising. Dock in smaller ports inaccessible to larger ships and where authentic cultural experiences and majestic scenery await you.

### *Blue Eye* – World’s First Multisensory, Underwater Observation Lounge

Introducing the extraordinary *Blue Eye*, the world’s first multisensory, underwater Observation Lounge. View the beauty of marine life through the large, subaquatic windows and integrated digital screens providing live images from underwater cameras, and enjoy the sensory experience of listening to the ocean’s unique underwater universe in the comfort of the exclusive *Blue Eye* lounge.\*

### Life on Board

Enjoy sweeping views from the lounges which open to the outdoors, and lectures, cultural performances or film screenings in the state-of-the-art theater. Relax in the spa and sauna or the infinity-style swimming pool. There is a beauty salon, fitness room and there are three elevators. Complimentary Wi-Fi access is available (conditions permitting).

### Elegant Suites and Staterooms, 100% with Private Balconies

Each of the 92 Five-Star Staterooms and Suites (up to 484 square feet) features a private balcony. Grand Deluxe Suites have a bay window and spacious private terrace. Accommodations offer two twin beds or one queen bed, private bathroom with shower, individual climate control and luxury hotel-style amenities.

### Chic and Casual Dining

Dine indoors or alfresco on international and regional cuisine served in the stylish, spacious indoor-outdoor restaurant, at the casual pool deck grill or from 24-hour room service. Daily meals include continental and buffet breakfasts, buffet lunch, afternoon tea and four-course dinner.

### Respect for the Environment

LE BOUGAINVILLE joins the Ponant “Clean Ship” fleet, an important distinction among ocean-cruising vessels. LE BOUGAINVILLE is energy efficient and eco-friendly, protecting marine ecosystems.

### World-Class Service

The highly trained, English-speaking crew are personable and attentive, and the ship has a medical center staffed with a doctor and a nurse.

*\*Marine life viewing varies by location.*

Sun Deck



Observation Lounge



## Included Features

### On Board the Exclusively Chartered, Five-Star, Small Ship LE BOUGAINVILLE

- ◆ Seven-night cruise from Civitavecchia, Italy, to Valletta, Malta.
- ◆ 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 access (conditions permitting).
- ◆ *Blue Eye*—the world's first luxury, multisensory, underwater Observation Lounge.
- ◆ Time at leisure to explore the quaint seaside town of Sorrento and the picturesque Amalfi Coast village of Positano.
- ◆ Walking tour of Sicily's ancient town of Taormina, featuring the third-century B.C. Greco-Roman theater.
- ◆ Private tour of Casa Rocca Piccola and its lovely gardens, hosted by a member of the noble de Piro family.

### UNESCO World Heritage Site Highlights

- ◆ Guided tour of the remarkable archaeological preservation of Pompeii.
- ◆ Scenic drive along the famous Amalfi Coast showcasing Italy's natural beauty.
- ◆ Views of Sicily's imposing Mt. Etna, Europe's highest volcano.
- ◆ Cruise past the island of Stromboli, the "Lighthouse of the Mediterranean."
- ◆ Tour of Sicily's Syracuse, with visits to one of the best-preserved ancient Greek theaters in the world and the historic island of Ortygia, the legendary "Old City" of Syracuse.
- ◆ Excursion to Sicily's Agrigento and its majestic Valley of the Temples, known for its exceptionally well-preserved classical Doric temples.
- ◆ Walking tour of Valletta, Malta, to see the ornate St. John's Co-Cathedral and visit the Barrakka Gardens, Grandmaster's Palace, Casa Rocca Piccola and the underground Lascaris War Rooms.



### 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 Travel 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.



*Tour the Colosseum, a symbol of Ancient Rome constructed between A.D. 70 and 80, during the reign of Emperor Vespasian.*

## **Eternal Rome**

### **Pre-Cruise Option**

Capital of the ancient Roman Empire and a UNESCO World Heritage site, the “Eternal City” of Rome showcases centuries as a nucleus of culture, religion and political power through its ancient landmarks. Visit the ancient Colosseum, the historic Roman Forum and the fifth-century Church of St. Peter in Chains, which houses Michelangelo’s famed sculpture of Moses. Enjoy a tour of St. Peter’s Basilica and walk through the opulent Vatican Museums, including the famous Sistine Chapel, featuring Michelangelo’s awe-inspiring ceiling frescoes. Accommodations are for three nights in the deluxe WESTIN EXCELSIOR ROME, ideally located within walking distance of the grand Via Veneto, one of the most elegant streets in all of Rome.

## **Timeless Malta**

### **Post-Cruise Option**

The extraordinary island of Malta is referred to as “one of the most concentrated historic areas in the world.” Walk the medieval streets of the beautifully preserved walled town of Mdina, where settlement pre-dates 4000 B.C., and visit the Mosta Church. Experience Malta’s fabled Blue Grotto (weather permitting), a sea cave illuminated by the brilliant blue reflection of glistening sunlight. Tour the opulent interiors and magnificent gardens of the family-owned, 18<sup>th</sup>-century Palazzo Parisio, known as a “miniature Versailles.” Discover the lavishly ornamented interior of St. John’s Co-Cathedral and see Caravaggio’s only signed work, the dramatic *Beheading of John the Baptist*. Accommodations are for two nights in a local hotel.

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

*Visit St. John’s Co-Cathedral, a masterwork of Baroque artistry, inlaid with the crests of the Knights of St. John.*



# MV LE BOUGAINVILLE



Deck 6  
Deck 5  
Deck 4  
Deck 3

Category <sup>†</sup>	LAND/CRUISE TARIFF <i>excluding taxes*</i> Per person, based on double occupancy	Early Booking Tariff* through Nov. 18, 2019	Tariff* after Nov. 18, 2019
8	Picture window, single door onto private, partial-wall balcony. Deck 3, forward. (limited availability)	\$4595	\$5595
7	Picture window, single door onto private, partial-wall balcony. Deck 3, midship.	\$5495	\$6495
6	Expansive sliding glass door, <b>private balcony</b> . Deck 4, forward.	\$6295	\$7295
5	Expansive sliding glass door, <b>private balcony</b> . Deck 4, midship.	\$6995	\$7995
4	Expansive sliding glass door, <b>private balcony</b> . Decks 5 and 6, aft. (limited availability)	\$7595	\$8595
3	Expansive sliding glass door, <b>private balcony</b> . Deck 5, forward. (limited availability)	\$7995	\$8995
2	Expansive sliding glass door, <b>private balcony</b> . Deck 5, midship.	\$8595	\$9595
1	Expansive sliding glass door, <b>private balcony</b> . Deck 6, midship.	\$8995	\$9995
<b>Deluxe Suite</b>	Suite with expansive sliding glass door, <b>large private balcony</b> , sitting area with sofa. Decks 3, 4, 5 and 6. (limited availability)	\$10295	\$11295
<b>Prestige Suite</b>	Two rooms, expansive sliding glass door, <b>large private balcony</b> , two bathrooms, two closets, large sitting area with sofa. Deck 5. (limited availability)	\$11295	\$12295
<b>Privilege Suite</b>	Large Suite with expansive sliding glass door, <b>large private balcony</b> , sitting area with sofa. Decks 5 and 6. (limited availability)	\$11795	\$12795
<b>Grand Deluxe Suite</b>	Extra-large, two-room Suite, expansive sliding glass door, <b>spacious private terrace</b> , full bathroom with tub and separate shower, additional half bath, sitting area with sofa. Deck 6. (limited availability)	\$12895	\$13895
<b>Owner's Suite</b>	Extra-large, two-room Suite, expansive sliding glass door, <b>spacious private terrace</b> with outdoor Jacuzzi, full bathroom with tub and separate shower, additional half bath, sitting area with sofa. Deck 5. (limited availability)	\$13395	\$14395

Singles are available in category 5 at \$11895\* and in category 2 at \$14595\* on or before November 18, 2019. Add \$1000 for reservations made after November 18, 2019.

\*Taxes are an additional \$465 per person and are subject to change.

<sup>†</sup>LE BOUGAINVILLE 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.

## ANCIENT EMPIRES RESERVATION FORM

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209 South LaSalle Street, Suite 500  
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Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ (Business) \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Name(s) on Badge(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Tour No. 121-05/24/20-068

Program reservations require a deposit of \$800 per person and \$200 per person Eternal Rome Pre-Cruise Option and/or \$200 per person Timeless Malta Post-Cruise Option. By reserving and depositing 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 **Gohagan & Company**.

I/We authorize you to charge my/our deposit of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to:

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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 February 19, 2020.**

**Please make my/our reservation(s) in category:**

1<sup>st</sup> choice \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> choice \_\_\_\_\_

- Double occupancy (two twin beds).
- Double occupancy (one queen bed).
- Single accommodations.
- I am reserving as a single but prefer to share accommodations and will allow you to select my roommate (shares cannot be guaranteed).

**Please make my/our reservation(s):**

**Eternal Rome Pre-Cruise Option**

- Double at \$1695 per person.
- Single at \$2695 per person.
- I am reserving as a single but prefer to share accommodations and will allow you to select my roommate (shares cannot be guaranteed).

**Timeless Malta Post-Cruise Option**

- Double at \$845 per person.
- Single at \$1145 per person.
- I am reserving as a single but prefer to share accommodations and will allow you to select my roommate (shares cannot be guaranteed).

- I/We want you to book my/our air, at an additional cost to be advised,<sup>‡</sup> from:

(fill in departure city)

- Economy Class  Upgraded Economy
- Business Class  First Class

<sup>‡</sup>Note: Airfare is subject to change and availability and is nonrefundable.

- I/We will make my/our own air arrangements.



The beguiling coastal village of Positano forms part of the Amalfi Coast, a UNESCO World Heritage site.

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**DISCOUNTED RESERVATIONS:** Discounts apply only to those reservations received in the offices of Gohagan in writing, accompanied by the required deposit, by **November 18, 2019**. In the event a "discounted" reservation must be cancelled, no "replacement" reservation can be substituted at the discounted rate. A "replacement" reservation is a new reservation and can be substituted only at the full-fare tariff. Cancellation penalties may apply.

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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 119 through 95 days prior to departure, \$800 (\$200 Pre/Post Program(s)) per person; from 94 through 60 days prior to departure, 50% of the published full regular tariffs; cancellations 59 days or less prior to departure, a 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 others for comprehensive coverage of such expenses in conjunction with cancellation due to illness or accident, and damaged or lost luggage. We will send you an application upon receipt of your reservation.

**RATES:** Prices quoted are based on fares in effect at the time of printing and are subject to change at any time. On land and/or cruise programs, even after full payment, Gohagan reserves the right to increase the tour price in the event of cost increases due to changes in supplier costs, currency fluctuations or fuel or energy surcharges and all such increases are to be paid to Gohagan upon notice to the tour participant of such increases. On programs which include Gohagan purchased interstate or international air (which originates or returns to the United States), no increased costs will be passed on after final payment except for subsequently imposed governmental tax increases.

**REGISTRATION:** CST#: 2031868-40, WST#: 601 767 666, OST#: TA 0905.  
**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.

**ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT:** By forwarding of deposit, the participant certifies that he/she does not have any mental, physical or other condition of disability that would create a hazard for him/herself or other participants and accepts the terms contained in this Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Binding Arbitration Agreement.

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