

# REGENT SEVEN SEAS CRUISES.

#### AN UNRIVALED EXPERIENCE™

Welcome to the world of Regent Seven Seas Cruises, the world's most all-inclusive experience with personalized service that attends to every detail while immersing you in more than 500 ports of call around the globe. They offer unrivaled comfort and space of The World's Most Luxurious Fleet and enjoying the freedom that comes with their Unrivaled Space at Sea.

Expand your horizons as you celebrate your favorite areas of interest, from nature and wildlife to architecture and the culinary arts, through classes, guest speakers and other unique enriching presentations. Learn and enjoy a cross-section of interests, from improving health and wellness to learning specifics about your destination.

Celebrating its 30-year anniversary in 2022, Regent Seven Seas Cruises offers guests An Unrivaled Experience. Carrying no more than 746 guests, the line's spacious and stylish ships - Seven Seas Explorer, Seven Seas Mariner, Seven Seas Navigator, Seven Seas Splendor, Seven Seas Voyager and debuting in November 2023. Seven Seas Grandeur form the world's most luxurious fleet. Guests enjoy sumptuous all-suite accommodations, nearly all with private balconies which are among the largest at sea, as well as highly personalized service throughout lavish public areas and expansive outdoor spaces.

You may dine whenever, wherever and with whomever you choose in any of their open-seating restaurants. Compass Rose is their flagship restaurant featuring European-inspired Continental specialties, as well as vegetarian, Kosher and Canyon Ranch

SpaClub cuisine. There is no charge for their specialty restaurants; however, a reservation is required.

Unique to Regent Seven Seas Cruises, unlimited complimentary excursions are available in every port, making it the truly all-inclusive cruise line. Voyage fares include round-trip business-class air on intercontinental flights from the U.S. and Canada, gourmet cuisine in a range of specialty restaurants and al-fresco dining venues, fine wines and spirits, entertainment, unlimited internet access, free valet laundry, gratuities, ground transfers and one-night pre-cruise hotel packages for guests staying in Concierge-level suites and higher.

Take your experience to another level with the select itineraries and smaller group tours offered by their Regent Choice Shore Excursions. These unique opportunities require a discounted, supplementary charge and invite you to discover the heights of travel, from their Gourmet Explorer Tours to special experiences that take you off the beaten path.

The Culinary Arts Kitchen aboard Seven Seas Explorer, Seven Seas Splendor and Seven Seas Grandeur delivers all the ingredients necessary to expand your culinary skills, whatever your level of expertise.

With every luxury included, they have elevated all-inclusive travel, inviting you to take hold of every moment and make life-long memories to share with friends and family for years to come.

Upon completing your first voyage, you are automatically welcomed into the Seven Seas Society, their esteemed family of past guests. Membership confers a host of exclusive rewards and benefits designed to add even more value to your future voyages.

Sail with Regent into those wondrous horizons and experience more than ever, one beautiful day at a time. No one does it better than Regent Seven Seas Cruises.

Call the travel advisors at Warwick Travel Service who will offer their guidance and assistance in choosing the right itinerary for you: 757-599-3011 or 800-462-3204.





## Adriatic Treasures: Croatia to Venice

Dee King TAUCK WORLD PISCOVERY

Visit a 5-country odyssey of UNESCO World Heritage Sites and Intangible Cultural Heritage experiences as you travel through Croatia, Montenegro, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Slovenia, and Italy.

Your tour begins in Old Town Dubrovnik, on the Adriatic Sea, where you'll get a true taste of Old-World Europe within its narrow, winding streets surrounded by enormous stone walls dating back to the 10th century. Cross the border and visit the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Kotor, Montenegro.

Drive through seaside villages and farmland where you'll visit the village of Orasac, founded in 1040. Travel on to Bosnia for a visit to Mostar & Herzegovina followed by a late afternoon drive to Split for a 2-night stay.

Fly to Zagreb and enjoy spending two days exploring Croatia's capital city. Then it's on to Ljubljana, Slovenia, where you will ride a funicular up to Ljubljana Castle for a panoramic city view.

Your 13-day tour ends in Venice, the City of Canals" where you will tour the city and visit the Doge's Palace.

Call the Travel Advisors at Warwick Travel for pricing, dates, and a detailed itinerary.



## An Unforgettable Train Journey

**Linda Waynick** 



Stepping onboard Rocky Mountaineer is like stepping into another world. As a daylight only train, you'll spend the day onboard immersed in unbelievable scenery and service, then rest comfortably overnight in one of their partner hotels in a beautiful destination.

There are several extraordinary train journeys to experience, each with spectacular natural wonders, outstanding service, and exciting destinations. Choose Westbound or Eastbound or combine two rail routes to create an incredible experience in Canada. Visit Vancouver, Whistler, Quesnel, Jasper, Columbia Icefield, Lake Louise, Banff, and Kamloops.

Explore the unseen sights of the American Southwest visiting Las Vegas, Moab, Glenwood Springs, and Denver.

Choose to travel on any of their rail routes during the spring, summer or autumn and experience the distinct landscapes, cities, and climates of your chosen route – each incredible in their own way.

For a detailed itinerary, dates, and rates, call the Travel Advisors at Warwick Travel.



# Weddings at Sea

**Sharon Flick** 

The Wedding Experience

Cruise ship weddings are on the rise! Many couples are booking their dream wedding on a cruise ship along with their honeymoon at sea.

Think of cruise ships as floating hotels that can offer all the essentials a wedding venue needs, including food, drinks, and overnight accommodations for guests. This is a type of wedding that can fit anyone – first time wedding, second or third marriage or vow renewals.

One of the first decisions couples need to make is whether to schedule their nuptials for embarkation day, at sea or in a port of call. This decision will be made with your wedding coordinator who will take care of all your wedding details.

Family and friends attending your wedding are made through a travel advisor, working along with your wedding coordinator, who will assist with your guests' accommodations.

A popular option is to plan your wedding while the ship is at sea. This is a fantastic option as you won't have the time pressure of embarkation day.

If you want a hassle-free wedding, with a one-stop shop for planning and a built-in honeymoon, then a cruise ship wedding might just be for you.

Warwick Travel works with The Wedding Experience and, together, they can make your dream wedding come true.

For more information, call Sharon at Warwick Travel – 757-599-3011.

#### **At Your Service:**

# Your Warwick Travel Staff

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America's National Parks

**Marion Liffick** 

### GLOBUS

Your National Parks 10-day tour begins in Rapid City where you will visit Crazy Horse Memorial and Mount Rushmore National Memorial along with a scenic drive through Black Hills National Forest.

In Sheridan, you will journey into Montana to visit Little Bighorn Battlefield National Monument.

On to Cody to visit Buffalo Bill Center of the West, a comprehensive museum of historic weapons and Western art.

Continue to Yellowstone National Park for a visit to the world famous Old Faithful Geyser & Mammoth Hot Springs. Journey south into Grand Teton National Park.

In Jackson, enjoy an Old West experience with dinner at the Bar T-5 Chuckwagon Cookout and Wild West Show.

Salt Lake City is your destination where you will enjoy a sightseeing tour of the capital city and its historic monuments.

Departures take place from May to October. For a detailed itinerary, dates, and rates, call the Travel Advisors at Warwick Travel.



Germany's Hidden Gems

**Emily Barker** 



Although its rail service is frequent and efficient, Germany is one of the best countries in Europe to take a road trip. The country's infrastructure is enviable and there are a few scenic driving routes that highlight historic cities, medieval villages, fairy-tale castles, and natural areas.

A superb region to explore by car is *Baden-Wurttemberg*, the land of Cuckoo clocks, half-timbered houses, and the world-famous Black Forest. With rolling hills, lakes, and castles, southwest Germany is known to be sunny with some lovely wine country. The people that live in this region are warm & friendly.

Berlin, A City Reborn: One of the world's foremost centers of art, fashion, design, and everything in between, Berlin's impeccable infrastructure makes it easy to explore a range of museums, restaurants, bars, clubs, and cafes in this cosmopolitan yet unpretentious city. With a legendary nightlife, Berlin is entertaining throughout night and day.

Munich, Heart of Bavaria: This flourishing city is the perfect haven for nature lovers, beer fans, and car enthusiasts. Outdoor summer fun, fall festivals including the famous Oktoberfest, and cozy winter markets are just some of the festivities that welcome visitors all year long. Munich exudes Bavarian charm.

Call the Travel Advisors at Warwick Travel to have your Independent Tour arranged for you or a small group of travelers.



## Spain & Portugal: A Journey Across Iberia

Amy Hill

#### Abercrombie & Kent

Explore the best of the entire Iberian Peninsula on one spectacular journey, discovering how Moors, Jews, and Europeans influenced the culture, cuisine and arts of Spain and Portugal.

Your small group journey begins in Lisbon where you will visit the National Tile Museum admiring displays of the beautifully detailed painted tiles for which Lisbon is renowned.

Continue to Evora, Seville, Grenada, Cordoba, Madrid, Elciego, Bilbao and Barcelona. Along the way, you will experience two Gehry-designed architectural masterpieces, exploring the Guggenheim Museum Bilboa; savor a private dinner and a superb flamenco performance at a palace in Seville; visit the Moorish architecture of Alhambra in Granada; explore Cordoba's Jewish Quarter and Grand Mosque; enjoy a tapas adventure in Madrid; explore the Sagrada Familia in Barcelona, a spectacular basilica designed by Antoni Gaudi.

Call the Travel Advisors at Warwick Travel for a detailed itinerary, dates, rates, and a Pre-Tour Extension in Porto. This amazing 14-day tour takes place from April through October.



Mysteries of India

**Ecollette** guided by travel

This 15-day small group explorations tour begins and ends in Delhi. From the iconic

tigers of Ranthambore to the legendary Tag Mahal, step into a world of captivating mysteries and vibrant color.

In Delhi, experience everything this dynamic metropolis has to offer, from modern New Delhi to historic Old Delhi where your mode of transportation will be a rickshaw for an exhilarating tour of the old town.

Continue to Jaipur, the "Pink City" and explore the beautiful city and later enjoy a hosted dinner with a local family.

Travel to Ranthambore National Park where you will seek out the tigers in their natural habitat. Connect with a naturalist who will introduce you to India's extensive wildlife.

On to Agra, a city rich with the splendors of the past. Experience the romantic spirit of the Taj Mahal in the early morning when the colors of the sky dance on the bright façade and shimmer in its reflective pool.

The next morning, you will take a train ride to Jhansi where you will connect with a coach continuing to Khajuraho. Fly to Varanasi where spiritual energy radiates from the ground up. Fly back to Delhi for your return flight home.

For a detailed itinerary, dates, and rates, call the Travel Advisors at Warwick Travel.

#### **CARNIVAL CRUISE LINE**

Bahamas 5-Night Cruise on the Magic, Sep 30-Oct 5, 2023 Bermuda 4-Night Cruise on the Magic, Oct 5-9, 2023 Bahamas 5-Night Cruise on the Magic, Oct 9-14, 2023 Canada/New England Cruise on the Magic, Oct 14-22, 2023 Bahamas 5-Night Cruise on the Magic, Oct 22-27, 2023

## Ocean Cruises - 2024

#### **AZAMARA CRUISES**

Caribbean Breezes 12-Night Voyage on the Onward Nov 30, 2023 • Roundtrip Ft. Lauderdale. Visit the Virgin Islands, St. Maarten, Barbados, St. Lucia, Guadeloupe & the British Virgin Islands.

#### **CELEBRITY CRUISES**

Ultimate Southern Caribbean 10-Night Cruise on the Equinox Feb 5 & Apr 1, 2024 • Roundtrip Ft. Lauderdale. Visit Antigua, Barbados, St. Lucia, Martinique, St. Kitts & Nevis.

#### **HOLLAND AMERICA LINE**

Western Caribbean 7-Night Cruise on the Nieuw Statendam Mar 3, 2024 • Roundtrip Ft. Lauderdale. Visit Half Moon Cay, Bahamas; Osho Rios, Jamaica; Georgetown, Cayman Islands & Cozumel, Mexico.

#### **NORWEGIAN CRUISE LINE**

Northern Europe 9-Day Cruise on the Getaway May 13, 2024 • London to Copenhagen. Visit Paris, France; Brussels/Bruges, Belgium; Amsterdam, Netherlands; Oslo, Norway; Aarhus, Denmark; Berlin, Germany & Hamburg, Germany.

#### **OCEANA CRUISES**

Beautiful Brazil 10-Night Cruise on the Marina
Mar 5, 2024 • Buenos Aires to Rio de Janeiro. Visit Montevideo
& Punta del Este, Uruguay; Itajai, Sao Francisco do Sul, Sao Paulo,
Parati, Ilha Grande & Buzios, Brazil.

#### **PRINCESS CRUISES**

Alaska Inside Passage 7-Night Cruise on the Discovery May 4, 2024 • Vancouver to Seattle. Visit Juneau, Skagway & Ketchikan, Alaska; Glacier Bay National Park (Scenic Cruising), Alaska.

#### **REGENT CRUISES**

Stunning Fjords & Granite Peaks 14-Night Cruise on the Seven Seas Explorer

Jan 5, 2024 • Auckland to Sydney. Visit Bay of Islands, Tauranga, Napier, Wellington, Christchurch & Dunedin, New Zealand; Cruising the Fjords of Dusky Sound, Fjords of Doubtful Sound, Fjords of Milford Sound, Tasman Sea; Tasmania, Geelong & Melbourne, Australia.

#### **ROYAL CARIBBEAN INTERNATIONAL**

Eastern Caribbean & Perfect Day 7-Night Cruise on the Wonder of the Seas

Jan 7 & 21, Feb 4 & 18, Mar 3, 17 & 31 • Roundtrip Port Canaveral. Visit Labadee, Haiti; San Juan, Puerto; St. Thomas & Perfect Day at CocoCay, Bahamas.

#### **VIKING OCEAN CRUISES**

Ancient Mediterranean Treasures 8-Night Cruise Mar-Jun, Aug, Sep, Nov & Dec • Athens to Istanbul. Visit Crete & Rhodes, Greek Isles; Ephesus & Troy, Turkey.

#### **SILVERSEA CRUISES**

Mediterranean 19-Night Cruise on the Silver Whisper Jun 5, 2024 • Barcelona to Lisbon. Visit Tarragona, Valencia, Alicante, Cartagena, Motril & Seville, Spain & Gibraltar.

## River Cruises - 2024

#### **AMA WATERWAYS**

Secrets of Egypt & The Nile, 7-Night Nile River Cruise Plus 4-Night in Cairo

Jan – Dec. 2024 • Roundtrip Cairo. Visit Cairo, Luxor, Edfu, Aswan, & Qena.

#### **AMERICAN QUEEN VOYAGES**

Mississippi Delta Discovery 7-Night River Cruise on the American Queen

**Feb – Dec 2024 • Memphis to New Orleans.** Visit Cleveland, Vicksburg & Natchez, Mississippi; St. Francisville, Baton Rouge & Nottoway, Louisiana.

#### **AVALON WATERWAYS**

The Blue Danube Discovery 7-Night River Cruise Apr-Dec 2024 • Budapest to Nuremberg. Visit Vienna, Durnstein & Melk, Austria; Passau, Regensburg & Roth, Germany.

#### **TAUCK RIVER CRUISES**

Hidden Waterways of Flanders and Holland 7-Night River Cruise Jun-Oct 2024 • Brussels to Amsterdam or reverse. Visit Antwerp & Bruges, Belgium; Rotterdam, the Netherlands.

#### **UNIWORLD BOUTIQUE RIVER CRUISES**

Zurich & The Rhine River Valley 7-Night River Cruise on the River Princess

May – October 2024 • Nuremberg to Zurich. Visit Bamberg, Volkach, Wurzburg, Miltenberg, Frankfurt, Rastatt, Strasbourg, Germany; Basel, Switzerland plus 2 nights in Zurich.

#### **VIKING RIVER CRUISES**

Portugal's River of Gold 9-Night River Cruise on the Douro River Mar-Dec 2024 • Lisbon to Porto. Visit Regua, Barca D'Alva & Pinhao, Portugal.



#### SEVEN SEAS CRUISES®

# The All-Inclusive Regent Experience

Regent Seven Seas Cruises delivers a truly all-inclusive experience including:

- 2 for I All-Inclusive Fares
- FREE Roundtrip Business Class Air on Intercontinental Flights
- FREE Unlimited Shore Excursions
- FREE 2, 3 or 4-Night Land Programs on Select Voyages
- FREE I-Night Pre-Cruise Hotel Packages in Concierge Suites or Higher
- FREE Unlimited Beverages including Fine Wines and Spirits

- FREE Open Bars and Lounges, Plus In-Service Minibar Replenishment Daily
- FREE Pre-Paid Gratuities
- FREE Specialty Restaurants
- FREE Transfers Between Airport and Ships
- FREE Unlimited WIFI
- FREE Valet Laundry Service

## **Ocean Voyages**

Latitudes of Gratitude 10 Night Eastern Caribbean Cruise on the Seven Seas Mariner

**Nov 15, 2023 • Roundtrip Miami.** Visit Puerto Plata, Dominican Republic; San Juan, Puerto Rico; Gustavia, St. Barts; Roseau, Dominica; St. John's, Antigua; Tortola, British Virgin Islands.

Game Drives & Birding Adventures 15 Night Africa Cruise on the Seven Seas Voyager

Dec 28, 2023 • Roundtrip Cape Town. Visit Walvis, Namibia; Port Elizabeth, Durban, Richards Bay & Mossel Bay, South Africa; Maputo, Mozambique. A FREE 3-Night Land Program is included.

Stunning Fjords & Granite Peaks 14-Night Cruise on the Seven Seas Explorer

Jan 5, 2024 • Auckland to Sydney. Visit Bauy of Islands, Rotorua, Napier, Wellington, Christ Church & Dunedin, New Zealand; Tasmania, Geelong & Melbourne, Australia.

A Grandiose Transit 16-Night Panama Canal Cruise on the Seven Seas Grandeur

Jan 8, 2024 • Los Angeles to Miami. Visit Ensenada, Cabo San Lucas & Acapulco, Mexico; Puerto Quetzal, Guatemala, Corinto, Nicaragua; Puntarenas, Costa Rica; Cartagena, Colombia; George Town, Cayman Islands.

Alluring Asian Aisles 14-Night Cruise on the Seven Seas Explorer

**Feb 7, 2024 • Singapore to Hong Kong.** Visit Ko Samui & Bangkok, Thailand; Sihanoukville, Cambodia; Ho Chi Minh City & Nha Trang, Vietnam; Coron & Manila, Philippines.

Straits to Paradise 10-Night Western Caribbean Cruise on the Seven Seas Grandeur

Mar 15, 2024 • Roundtrip Miami. Visit George Town, Cayman Islands; Cozumel & Costa Maya, Mexico; Harvest Cays, Belize, Santo Tomas de Castilla, Guatemala, Roatan, Honduras; Key West, Florida.

Heart of Japan 12-Night Cruise on the Seven Seas Explorer, April 1, 2024 • Roundtrip Tokyo. Visit Kyoto, Kochi, Hiroshima, Beppu, Nagasaki & Kagoshima, Japan; Busan, South Korea.

Whale Watching 7-Night Alaska Cruise on the Seven Seas Explorer

May 1, 2024 • Vancouver to Seward. Visit Ketchikan, Juneau, Skagway & Icy Strait Point, Alaska.

Glories of the Yukon 7-Night Alaska Cruise on the Seven Seas Explorer

Jun 19, 2024 • Seward to Vancouver. Visit Sitka, Skagway, Juneau & Ketchikan, Alaska.

Fall Season Colors I I-Night Canada & New England Cruise on the Seven Seas Grandeur

Oct 1, 2024 • Boston to Montreal. Visit Portland, Main; Saint John, New Brunswick; Sydney, Nova Scotia; Corner Brook, Newfoundland; Havre-Saint-Pierre, Sept-Iles, Saguenay & Quebec City, Quebec.

Beauty In Bonaire 12 Night Eastern Caribbean Cruise on the Seven Seas Grandeur

Nov 24, 2024 • Roundtrip Miami. Visit Oranjestad, Aruba; Willemstad, Curacao; Kralendjik, Bonaire; St. George's, Granada; Castries, St. Lucia; Gustavia, St. Barts & Tortola, British Virgin Islands.

Magic On The Mexican Riviera 10 Night Mexican Riviera on the Seven Seas Grandeur

Dec 29, 2024 • Roundtrip Los Angeles. Visit Ensenada, Cabo San Lucas, La Paz, Mazatlán, Manzanillo & Puerto Vallarta, Mexico.



# Agent Spotlight:

#### **Susan Adams**

Celebrating 25 years with Warwick Travel!

Susan joined Warwick Travel in 1998 as our bookkeeper and currently serves as our Operations

Manager. Her responsibilities cover a multitude of things from bookkeeping duties and computer consultant to assistance with marketing, maintenance contracts, VOIP phone updates – you name it - she is our "go to" person!

She is a graduate of William & Mary and, although she hails from West Virginia, she has spent most of her adult life in Newport News where she is an active participant in her community.

She has traveled to many destinations including The Philippines, Hawaii, England, Scotland, Germany, France, Austria, Italy, Greece, Spain, Caribbean, Mexico, and Canada and has visited many cities in the U.S.

She is married to Mark and is mom to three adult children: Chris, Alison and Philip. She looks forward to more trips with her family and friends.

We are fortunate to have Susan at Warwick Travel as an integral part of our staff. She keeps us all happy!

### Clients Corner

#### Claude & Kathleen Eley Smithfield, VA

We had the best time in Turks & Caicos! The weather was perfect with NO humidity, gorgeous sunsets, and daily sunshine (we have sunburn to prove it!). The food & drinks were delicious also. Thank you, Emily, for setting up my Christmas present. It will be hard to beat this gift!

# Larry & Jean Putnam Newport News, VA

We have recently returned from our Viking cruise on the Danube, Budapest to Passau. It was the first cruise for us as I am prone to seasickness. It was the most enjoyable trip in every way — the sailing was calm and relaxing. Passing through locks and along shorelines was interesting and beautiful. The variety of foods was delicious and beautifully presented. The crew was attentive and polite, and our room maid was a lovely young woman who took care of our needs with such kindness. The informative tours took us to magical places, from dairy farms to monasteries, to palaces. The variety would please just about any adventurer. Thank you, Linda, we plan to take another Viking cruise later this year.



## Gerry's Adventures

**Gerry Siekirski** 

2023

OCTOBER 16 - NOVEMBER 1: INAUGURAL PANAMA CANAL CRUISE • MIAMITO LOS ANGELES

Sail on Oceania's newest ship the VISTA on a 16-day voyage near home! The VISTA holds 1200 passengers in a splendid, elegant atmosphere with the "finest Cuisine at Sea". Oceania's gourmet cuisine is curated by world-renowned Master Chef Jacques Pepin. An awesome ship with an awesome itinerary!

Cruise with Gerry & Zee in the Caribbean to Grand Cayman, Cartagena, Colombia – through the Panama Canal to Costa Rica, Nicaragua, Guatemala, Acapulco, Cabo San Lucas, Ensenada-Mexico then fly home from Los Angeles. We have 44 fun travelers booked on this cruise which is already sold-out over a year ahead of sailing. Gerry can waitlist, and it usually opens. Rates start at \$5300 and include airfare, transfers & cruise.

#### 2024

#### FEBRUARY 8 - 24: AUSTRALIA - NEW ZEALAND

What an exciting 16-day voyage on Oceania's Regatta from Sydney to Melbourne (overnight) - on to Tasmania and arrive in Milford Sound to start your adventure in New Zealand.

The New Zealand ports of call are Dunedin, Christchurch, Picton, Wellington, Gisborne, Rotorua, Whangarei, the Bay of Islands ending in Auckland! Awesome coverage of New Zealand with lots of time to learn about the Maori Heritage.

Presently, we have a small group of 16 and the ship is almost sold out. Call now if you are interested.

#### 2025

#### JANUARY 12 - FEBRUARY 14: SINGAPORE TO TOKYO

Join our ASIA Adventures sailing on Oceania's Riviera from Singapore to Tokyo on a 33-day voyage! Ports of call are: Ko Samui-Thailand, Bangkok, Cambodia, Saigon, Nha Trang, Hue Hanoi and on to Hong Kong.

It is possible to disembark in Hong Kong or continue your voyage on to Taiwan, Okinawa, South Korea & Japan. Japan ports of call: Nagasaki, Hiroshima, Kochi, Kyoto, Nagoya disembarking in Tokyo.

WOW! This cruise really covers the best of ASIA. We currently have 12 "Great Adventures" on this sailing – hope you will join them. And this sailing is almost sold out too. You can hold a cabin now with a refundable deposit.

Call Gerry for more information about these exciting adventures.

Warwick Travel encourages appointments.

Please call 757-599-3011

#### TRAVELWISE

# Glorious Greece and the Greek Isles



By Nancy B. Alligood, CTC, Warwick Travel Service

Greece is a country in southeastern Europe with thousands of islands throughout the Aegean and Ionian seas. It is located at the crossroads of Europe, Asia and Africa. Influential in ancient times, it's often called the cradle of Western civilization.

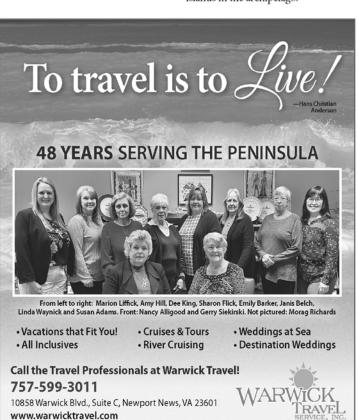
Athens, its capital, is one of the world's oldest cities. It is steeped in culture, spanning more than 3,000 years including the 5th century B.C. Acropolis citadel and Parthenon Temple.

The ancient Acropolis rises out of the Athenian skyline like a manmade version of Mount Olympus. Whether you're looking from your hotel room window or are up there exploring, it's hard to believe it's real. Consisting of the remains of several temples, monuments and other historically significant sites, you can't visit Athens without checking it out at least once.

While visiting Athens, you should visit the Plaka district, the oldest and one of the nicest neighborhoods in Athens, with terraces, souvenir shops and restaurants serving authentic Greek food.

The Greek Isles are made up of six archipelago island groups consisting of inhabited and uninhabited islands:

The Cyclades Islands, the location of Santorini and Mykonos, are two of the most visited islands, along with Naxos, known for its endless sandy beaches and small villages to explore. Santorini is romantic and luxurious; Mykonos is famous for its nightlife and beaches. There are many other interesting islands in the archipelago.





View of Navagio Beach on Zakynthos

PIXABAY

The Saronic Gulf Islands are the closest island group to Athens, popular with Greek weekenders and Europeans yet less known to Americans. Hydro became famous throughout the world because of the film "Boy on a Dolphin," shot on the island in 1957 with Sophia Loren in the starring role. It is also famous for its picturesque architecture, vivid nightlife and cosmopolitan character.

The Ionian Islands are a group of seven islands offering unique local culture, music, art cuisine and architecture. These islands are known mostly for Corfu; however, the six other main islands hold their own and attract their fair share of tourists too. Zakynthos is well known for its emerald green hills sliding into the electric blue Ionian Sea. It is a paradise for bikers and hikers.

The Sporades Islands are a group of 24 green islands off the northeastern part of mainland Greece, but only four are inhabited — Skiathos, Skopelos, Alonissos and Skyros. Of these four islands, tourism is all about sailing, swimming, mountain biking, sea kayaking and hiking.

The Northeast Aegean Islands consist of 13 islands located closest to Turkey. They offer incredible beaches, natural wonders, volcanic rocks, sand dunes and thermal springs, depending on the island of choice.

The Dodecanese Islands consist of 12 main islands and multiple smaller islands. Rhodes and Kos are the two largest and most popular islands, while the smaller 10 are less discovered. Rhodes was devastated by centuries of crusaders and invaders before and during World War II; however, it was later rebuilt and has reinvented itself as one of Greece's top travel destinations. Kos is known for its historical sites, beautiful beaches and lush vegetation. The island is visited by almost one million tourists every year.

Crete is the largest Greek island, located halfway between Europe and Africa. It could be a country unto itself with its own customs, climate, accent and cuisine. This popular island has two main airports, with easy access from Athens.

There are many beautiful Greek islands to explore. The 10 most popular islands are Santorini, Mykonos, Crete, Rhodes, Corfu, Skiathos, Hyda, Zakynthos, Kos and Naxos.

A Greek Island cruise is a popular way to visit several of the islands, including Athens and/or Istanbul, Turkey. Otherwise, island hopping is an option for visiting the various islands located within an archipelago.

A travel advisor can answer many of your questions and give you guidance as you plan your visit to Greece and the Greek Isles. ◀

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Norwegian Cruise Line - Collette - Travel Guard Delta Vacations - American Queen Voyages

September 12, 2023 5:30 – 8:00pm

James River Country Club

1500 Country Club Road Newport News, VA 23606

**RSVP by September 1, 2023** (757) 599-3011

Seating is limited

# Join Warwick Travel!

For Lunch and Learn on Alaska Cruises
Princess Cruises

October 11, 2023 12:00 noon

Women's Club of Hilton Village 87 Main Street Newport News VA 23601

**RSVP by September 27, 2023** (757) 599-3011

Seating is limited

Call the Professional Travel Advisors at Warwick Travel for all your travel needs. We're ready to assist in making your travel dreams come true! 757-599-3011