

12 Day Cruise & Tour to the Holy Land, Greece, Egypt & Turkey visiting Three Continents



M/V Cristal
July 28th - August 8th, 2010

YOUR TOUR INCLUDES:

- Roundtrip Air from JFK
- Round Trip Transfers
- 7 nights on the **M/V Cristal** in Standard Outside Cabins
- Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner Daily on your cruise
- All Entertainment onboard your Cruise Ship
- 3 nights in Athens
- 3 Breakfast and 2 dinners in Athens
- Tour of Athens
- Tour of Corinth
- Deluxe Motor Coach
- English Speaking Guide
- All taxes

Your Optional Excursions will take you in Ashdod (Jerusalem) to retrace the steps of the Cross and visit Church of Nativity and the Holy Manger. Travel back in time to the Land of the Pharaohs and unravel the mysteries of the oldest continuously existing civilization in the world. Experience Cairo and the ancient monuments of the Egyptian Empire. Explore the magnificent windmills of Mykonos and the ancient ruins of Knossos in Crete. In Istanbul visit the Blue Mosque and the Hagia Sophia.

Tour & Cruise Price: \$ 3,699.00 per person Double* in an Outside Cabin

***Please call for Single and Triple Rates**

ITINERARY:

Wed, July 28th: USA/Athens

Depart JFK airport on your overnight flight to Athens. Dinner served in flight.

Thu, July 29th: Athens

Upon arrival in **Athens** we are transferred to our hotel. Remainder of the day is free.

Fri, July 30th: Piraeus

Morning transfer to **Piraeus** for embarkation on your cruise ship, Louis Cruise Lines, **M/V Cristal**. **We depart to Istanbul, Turkey at 11:00AM.**

Sat, July 31st: Istanbul, Turkey

Arrival in Istanbul at 9:00 AM. **Optional excursions will be offered.**

Byzantium, New Rome, Constantinople, **Istanbul**. Four cities, three empires, a history of over 3000 years of flourishing commerce between east and west. With Rome and Athens, Istanbul has written the most ancient and important history in the Mediterranean and signs of its power are evident in all monuments and remains.

Presently Istanbul is a very modern city, with over six million inhabitants at the same time maintaining its traditions and a deep tie to its roots. The Greeks named it Byzantium, while to the Romans it was the east version of Rome as it was built on seven hills. The emperor Constantine, confronting with the greatness of the city, transformed it into the capital of the Eastern Roman Empire.

Saint Sophia Basilica, presently a museum, is an extraordinary example of architecture with marble, metal and precious stones decorating the walls and galleries. The Blue Mosque, (Sultanhamet Mosque) had been conceived to supersede the basilica in beauty. With 6 minarets and its domes, it is one of the most beautiful and popular Islamic religion centers in the world. The Hippodrome was for centuries the core of public life. Of the original structure we can presently admire Theodosius Obelisk, the Serpentine Column in bronze and the brick Obelisk. Topkapi museum is the most important in the city. It contains Turkish ceramics, arms, china, books, miniatures and the treasure with jewels of the emperor, besides the relics of Mohammed, the Islam prophet. **We depart to Mykonos, Greece at 7:00PM**

Sun, Aug 1st: Mykonos, Greece

Arrival in Mykonos at 3:00PM. **Optional excursions will be offered**

Mykonos in the Cyclades is one of the most famous islands in Greece and it attracts thousands of visitors every year. It has the reputation of being the place with the most sophisticated nightlife in Greece and also the Mediterranean. It is also an island with beautiful landscapes, picturesque white painted villages, hundreds of little churches, windmills and some of the most extraordinary golden sandy beaches in the Cyclades. **We depart to Ashod, Israel at 10:00PM**

Mon, Aug 2nd: cruising...at sea

Tue, Aug 3rd: Ashod, Israel

Arrival in Ashod, Israel at 7:00AM **Optional excursions will be offered**

Israel is a country in the Near East, situated between the Mediterranean Sea and the Syro-Arabian desert. Its geographical borders are the Mediterranean Sea to the west, the Jordan Valley cleft to the east, the mountains of Lebanon to the north and the Bay of Eilat, which marks the southern border of the country. Despite the smallness of its territory, Israel's landscape and climate are extremely varied and population density affects neither the richness of its flora and fauna nor the natural attractions that embellish the country. The mystic charm emanating from this land is incredible and makes it very hard not to fall under its spell.

Today we walk in the footsteps of Jesus. On today's optional excursions we follow the life of Jesus from His birth in Bethlehem to His death in Jerusalem.

We set sail for Port Said, Egypt at 8:00 PM

Wed, Aug 4th: Port Said, Egypt

Arrival at Port Said, Egypt at 6:00 AM **Optional Excursions will be offered**

What used to be a small village at the time of the Pharaohs, certainly lower in importance and wealth than the extraordinary and mythical Alexandria of Egypt, is presently the capital of Egypt and the largest city in the African continent and in the Islamic world. In fact Cairo betrays its origins, more Muslim than Egyptian.

Cairo is presently a city with over 12 million inhabitants showing an increasing trend due to its constant expansion and taking into account that in these last years, two highways were built, an underground (the first in Africa), and three new railway lines making connections among Egypt and its capital more effective and frequent, with an almost exasperated form of commuting. Obviously, the tradition of Egypt ancient cities has been inherited by Cairo and the Egyptian Museum is one of the most visited attractions in the

world. Tutankhamun treasure is just one of the extraordinary masterpieces preserved in the museum which represent a true monument to history and to the legend of Egyptian culture and civilization. Of course Cairo is the privileged starting point to visit the most important remains of ancient Egypt, notably Giza and Saqqara [necropolis](#), the three pyramids of Cheops, Chefren and Micerino, and the Sphinx. **We set sail for Alexandria, Egypt at 7:30AM**

Wed, Aug 4th: Alexandria, Egypt

We arrive at Alexandria, Egypt at 5:30PM **Optional Excursions will be offered**

We set sail to Crete, Greece at 8:30PM

Thu, Aug 5th: Crete, Greece

Arrival in Crete at 4:30 PM. **Optional Excursions will be offered**

According to Mythology, [Crete](#) was the place where Zeus grew up. He was especially worshipped on the island, and king Minos was considered his son. The island has many myths surrounding it: here, the Minotaur was defeated by Theseus, Daedalus and Icarus worked here,

The first great civilization of Greece started on Crete. It is called the Minoan, after its most famous king, Minos. There is a theory that Minos actually was several kings. The Minoan period started sometime around the 3rd Millennium BC and ended in the 15th century, probably because of natural disasters like earthquakes.

Fri, Aug 6th: Piraeus/Corinth/Athens

Upon arrival in Piraeus we are transferred to [Corinth](#) for a tour of the city that inspired of St. Paul. You will visit the Market Place and Temples. Walk among the ruins and stand on the **Bema** where Paul stood. After our tour we are transferred to our hotel in Athens.

Sat, Aug 7th: Athens Tour

Today we have a city tour of [Athens](#). Journey to the ancient Acropolis where you see the Propylea, the Parthenon, and the Erectheum. View Mars Hill where Paul preached the gospel to the Athenians. View the ruins of the Agora, ancient market place and center of Athenian public life, where Paul preached to the Athenians. You will see the Olympic Stadium, where the modern Olympics began and where the games returned in 2004. Remainder of the day is free to enjoy Athens or visit one of the local beaches.

Sun, Aug 8th: Athens/USA

Morning departure to Athens airport for our return flight to the USA.

Reservation Form

Tour No. TEG0728		
Name (as it appears on your passport):		
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Telephone:	Email address:	
Will your room be a: () single (limited) () double () triple		
Name of Roommate:		
Cabin Category: Outside _____		
Are you a US citizen? () Yes () No		
Date of Birth		
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Please return this form with your check to: LITTLE FLOWER TOURS & TRAVEL, LTD. 145 Fieldstone Road, Staten Island, New York 10314 ☎ 718-761-1251 or outside NY call 888-843-7373 A \$700.00 DEPOSIT IS DUE AT TIME OF BOOKING FINAL PAYMENT IS DUE April 15, 2010		
TERMS AND CONDITIONS: Cancellation made by passengers. Of the \$700.00 deposit, \$300.00 is non-refundable in case of cancellation. 89 days to 45 days prior to sailing: Full Deposit - \$700.00 44 days to 30 days prior to sailing: 50% of total package 30 days to 15 days prior to sailing: 50% plus total air fare and hotels 14 days or less prior to sailing: 100% of total package TRAVEL INSURANCE IS AVAILABLE AND ADVISABLE If you have a pre-existing condition, it is important that you take Travel Insurance within 10 days of booking.		
Signature:		Date:

If you would like to use a Credit Card, you will be charged 2 ¾% for the charge.

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“EVERYONE MUST FILL OUT THIS FORM AND SIGN IT BELOW” If you are NOT taking the Travel Insurance you must still fill out the Insurance form below and indicate NO in the premium box and return it with your reservation form.

Please note that insurance is strongly recommended but is optional. If you want to receive a waiver for pre-existing conditions, your premium must be received by Little Flower Tours within 14 days of your initial trip deposit/payment, provided you are not disabled from travel at the time of your premium payment. Insurance payments are non-refundable.

Tour Number	Tour Name	Premium
TEG0728	12 Day Cruise Greece, Turkey, Israel & Egypt	\$ 210.00

Insurance Form		Tour Number TEG0728	
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Schedule of Insurance Coverage

Type of Coverage	Maximum Benefit Amount
Pre-Departure Trip Cancellation	Up To Trip Cost
Post-Departure Trip Interruption	150% of Trip Cost
Travel Delay	(Up to \$150 Per Day) \$750
Accidental Death & Dismemberment	
Air Flight Only	\$ 50,000
Any Other Circumstance	\$ 25,000
Baggage & Personal Effects	\$ 2,500
Baggage Delay	\$ 250
Medical Expense/Emergency Assistance	
Accident and Sickness Medical Expenses	\$ 50,000
Emergency Evacuation and Repatriation	\$250,000

THIS IS A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ASK FOR THE TRAVEL INSURANCE CERTIFICATE WHICH FULLY DETAILS THE COVERAGES, PROVISIONS, LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS OF THE INSURANCE OFFERED AND IS AVAILABLE TO YOU, UPON REQUEST, AT ANY TIME PRIOR TO YOUR PURCHASE OF THE PLAN.

Conditions and Limitations

Certain exclusions and limitations apply and are detailed in the Travel Insurance Certificate which will be included with your travel documents and is also available to you, upon request, at any time prior to your purchase of the plan. For example, coverage does not apply to any sickness or condition that existed during the 60 days prior to the effective date of the coverage

(this exclusion is waived if your premium is received within 14 days of your initial deposit/payment for your trip and you are not disabled from travel at the time you pay your premium), suicide, normal pregnancy, war or any act of war, mental or nervous disorders. Other Covered Events, as defined, includes the following events or their consequences:

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