The Ancient Cities of Libya and Tunisia
Greco-Roman Civilization Between the Desert and the Sea
Aboard the All-Suite, 114-Guest Corinthian II
September 22 - October 2, 2007

The ancient cities along North Africa's coast offer some of the most dramatic and well-preserved ruins the world over. From the medieval stronghold of Valletta, Malta, embark on the 114-guest, all-suite Corinthian II to discover, first, the legacy of the Greeks in sprawling Cyrene. Admire the zenith of Roman civilization in North Africa—the incomparable ruins of Leptis Magna. We will then explore ancient Carthage, and cruise to Sicily to admire the accomplishments of its ancient Greek colonists. In these awe-inspiring sites, we will be able to draw a portrait of the interactions and evolutions of ancient societies, from the territorial ambitions of Greece, to the stupendous reach of Rome.

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Saturday, September 22, 2007
FLY FROM USA

Sunday, September 23
VALLETTA, MALTA
Arrive in Valletta, Malta, and transfer to the Hotel Phoenicia. Enjoy a welcome cocktail reception at the hotel.

Monday, September 24
VALLETTA | EMBARK
Valletta was founded in the 16th century by the Knights of St. John. Our tour includes the Palace of the Grand Masters, the Co-Cathedral of St. John, and the Archaeological Museum. After an independent lunch, visit Hagar Qim and other megalithic sites of the island. Embark on Corinthian II and sail.

Tuesday, September 25
AT SEA

Wednesday, September 26
DERNA | CYRENE | APOLLONIA | DERN, LIBYA
Founded by Greek colonists from the island of Thera (Santorini) in the 7th century B.C., Cyrene was built on the side of a hill, facing the plain and the sea. Its substantial ruins and monuments testify to its wealth and power. Continue to Apollonia to explore the Museum, which displays excellent mosaics from the region’s early Byzantine churches.

Thursday, September 27
AT SEA

Friday, September 28
KHOMS | LEPTIS MAGNA | KHOMS
Spend the morning at sea, and in the afternoon, visit Leptis Magna, one of the Mediterranean’s most compelling ancient sites. Excellently preserved to the present day because of its burial under sands, this coastal city is a unique example of ancient town planning. Also visit Villa Sileen, a restored Roman residence with vivid mosaics.

Saturday, September 29
TRIPOLI | SABRATHA | TRIPOLI
Travel to nearby Sabratha, the ancient city that began as a Carthaginian trading post and flourished in the Roman period. Located by the sea, Sabratha’s ruins include temples, public baths, fountains, and a museum noted for its collection of mosaics. Return to Tripoli and tour the Jamahiriya Museum, housed in the city’s massive medieval Citadel.

Sunday, September 30
HAMMAMET | CARTHAGE | HAMMAMET, TUNISIA
Arrive in Hammamet and tour storied Carthage, founded by Phoenicians in the 9th century B.C. The site contains Phoenician remains including Tophet, the sanctuary of the gods Tanit and Baal, and imposing monuments from the Roman period. Also tour the world famous Bardo Museum.

Monday, October 1
TRAPANI | ERICE | SEGESTA | TRAPANI, SICILY
From Trapani drive to the town of Erice, famed in antiquity for its temple dedicated to the goddess of love—the Phoenician Astarte, Grecian Aphrodite, or Roman Venus. Continue to Segesta to view its unfinished temple, situated in majestic solitude atop a rural hill and one of the grandest Doric monuments to survive from antiquity.

Tuesday, October 2
NAPLES, ITALY | DISEMBARK | USA
Transfer to the airport for return flights.

Program Inclusions
- 1-night hotel stay at the Hotel Phoenicia in Malta, with welcome reception
- 8-night cruise aboard the all-suite, 114-guest Corinthian II
- Welcome and farewell cocktail receptions aboard ship
- All meals aboard ship, including house wine, beer, and soft drinks with lunch and dinner
- Complete program of tours and excursions
- Educational program of lectures and discussions by accompanying guest lecturers
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