

Journey Through Early Christianity

May 4 - 16, 2025

11 Nights Aboard Celebrity Ascent • Round Trip from Civitavecchia, Italy



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Itinerary

May 4 – Depart the USA

Your journey begins as you depart the USA on your international overnight flight.

May 5 – Arrive in Rome

You will arrive in Rome, Italy, where you will be met by our representative and transfer to the Port of Civitavecchia to board Celebrity Ascent.

**Guests not purchasing air with the group must purchase transfers to be included in the group transfer.*

May 6 – At Sea

May 7 – Chania, Crete

Arrive in the morning in Chania port. Your tour begins at the British Commonwealth War Cemetery in Souda Bay. Afterward, continue on to the Agia Triada Monastery of Jagarolon. It is one of the most significant monastic complexes from the end of the Venetian Occupation of Crete. Discover the east suburbs of Chania on the hill of Profiti Elia (Prophet Elijah). After a photo stop, continue on to Chania town, where neoclassical mansions and massive Venetian fortifications testify to the city's turbulent and diverse past. There you will have the chance to explore the Venetian port on your own before you return to the port and embark on your cruise ship.

May 8 – Ephesus (Kusadasi), Turkiye

Ephesus is one of the Seven Churches of Revelation and was once a bustling port town graced with wide, colonnade-bordered streets and a population of 250,000. Although spectacular excavations in the last 110 years have revealed much of the glory of ancient Ephesus, including the huge agora and library, much has been lost. Explore the ancient site virtually at the Ephesus Experience Museum where you will see life in Paul's time. We will view the terrace houses, also known as "the houses of the rich," which gives a true impression of the ancient lifestyle. The ancient world once declared the Temple of Artemis to be one of the Seven Wonders of the World, but today, only a single column remains to mark its site. After enjoying Ephesus, you will embark on another Turkish experience at the Carpet factory for a local lunch and a presentation.

May 9 – Istanbul, Turkiye

The bejeweled capital of Istanbul sits between two continents and is home to 450 mosques. Arrive in the late afternoon and overnight in Istanbul.

Shore excursions today can be booked directly through Celebrity and are not included.

May 10 – Istanbul, Turkiye

Today, you will visit the famous Blue Mosque with its six minarets and sparkling interior. Walk through St. Sophia (Hagia Sophia), which was the largest church in Christendom for 1,000 years and was built by Justinian (532-537 AD). The church has 107 columns, fossil-embedded, white marble floors, and beautiful glass mosaics. Today, it is the Museum of Byzantine Art. Enjoy the aroma of cinnamon, cloves, thyme, and other exotic spices as you explore the Spice Market. Shops sell everything from herbs to gold.

May 11 – At Sea

May 12 – Santorini, Greece

Arrive in Santorini today, one of the most beautiful of the Greek



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May 2 – Depart the USA

May 3 – Arrive in Rome

Today, you will arrive in Rome, Italy, where you will be met by our representative and travel along the Appian Way. Step beneath the surface into the Catacombs of Callixtus, built along the Appian Way. Here, 16 popes from the 2nd through 4th centuries were interred, though they have been removed to various churches over the centuries. Check into your hotel this evening and enjoy dinner and rest.

May 4 – Vatican City & Christian Rome

Visit the Vatican and explore its museum. Marvel at the beauty of St. Peter's Basilica and stand in awe of Michaelangelo's frescoes in the Sistine Chapel. Next, we go to the Basilica of Saint Paul Outside the Walls. The present structure stands over the place where Constantine built the first church over Saint Paul's grave. The church features a portrait of every pope who has served the church. Climb the graceful Spanish Steps and stop at the famous Trevi Fountain before returning to your hotel this evening.

May 5 – Ancient Rome

Discover the history woven throughout Rome with visits to the Colosseum, the Pantheon, the Forum, Circus Maximus, the Arch of Titus, the Baths of Caracalla, and the Arch of Constantine today. After touring, you will be transferred to the Port of Civitavecchia to board Celebrity Ascent.

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islands, where picturesque, whitewashed villages topped with brilliant blue domes stand in stark contrast to the sheer drop cliffs overlooking the Aegean Sea. The island itself perches on the edges of a volcano whose eruption 3,500 years ago is thought to have led to the collapse of the Minoan civilization. Explore the island on your own or join one of the optional excursions available for purchase onboard.

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May 13 – Mykonos, Greece

Nestled in the heart of Greece’s Cyclades archipelago, Mykonos pulses with irrepressible energy. With its powder white houses and sparkling blue waters, the Island of the Winds is as colorful as the people who call the island home. You can walk narrow marble pathways laced with purple bougainvillea blooms or cycle on two wheels past off-the-path Ano Mera village. Explore Greece’s maritime history at Armenistis Lighthouse and check out the Folklore Museum’s Mykonian ship models. At the end of the day, watch the sun burn out beyond an Aegean horizon from an open-air seaside taverna.

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May 14 – At Sea

May 15 – Pompeii (Naples), Italy

Journey inland to ancient Pompeii, dating almost to the time of Paul, where you can see the spectacular ruins that were covered by ash from the eruption of Mount Vesuvius in AD 79.

May 16 – Rome (Civitavecchia), Italy

Disembark the Celebrity Ascent cruise ship, and transfer to the airport to return home with a new understanding of the Bible. *Guests not purchasing air with their cruise package will have to purchase transfers to be included in the group transfer.

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 Admin. Fees • Port Charges • Cruise Taxes

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May 16 – Fly to Istanbul

Fly from Rome to Istanbul and check into your hotel for dinner and your overnight stay.

May 17 – Istanbul

Begin your exploration of Istanbul with an enjoyable two-hour Bosphorus Cruise. You will glide beneath some of the city’s famous bridges and sail past some of Istanbul’s more colorful neighborhoods and peaceful suburbs. Your boat will take you past castles and quaint fishing villages. Later, you will visit the eastern or Asian part of Istanbul. You will see the Byzantine city walls, the Golden Horn, and the world-famous mosaics of the Kariye Church. Fly to the Cappadocia area this evening for dinner and overnight.

May 18 – Cappadocia

Drive to Cappadocia and visit the Zelve Valley. As you drive through Cappadocia, enjoy some free time at various photo stops in this magnificent landscape full of fairy chimneys. Visit the Goreme Open-Air Museum before returning to your hotel.

May 19 – Cappadocia/Istanbul

You can take an optional hot air balloon ride over Cappadocia this morning for an additional fee. Fly this afternoon to Istanbul. Enjoy free time to explore Istanbul on your own. Then, check into your hotel for dinner and your overnight stay.

May 20 – Return to the USA

Transfer to the airport for your return flight to the USA.

*Optional Hot Air Balloon is approximately
 \$250 per person.*



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PROGRAM CONDITIONS

INCLUDED IN PRICE:

- Round Trip International Airfare • Transfers for those purchasing airfare from NTS • Deluxe motorcoaches
- Guided sightseeing • Entrance fees to sites visited (as listed in the itinerary) • Meals on ship
- Program fees • Administrative fee • Fuel surcharges \$500 • Government Taxes \$98 (increases in government tax and fees are subject to change) • Cruise Taxes \$187 • Port charges \$440

NOT INCLUDED IN PRICE:

- Optional Shore excursions • Alternate restaurants that have additional fees • Onboard Gratuities
- Miscellaneous fees such as passports, lunches off the ship, baggage fees • Visa(s)
- Voluntary "Love Offering" for guide and driver • Transfers if not purchasing airfare from NTS
- \$100 Document fee for Non-US and Non-Canadian residents • Required Vaccinations • Required medical testing before, during, and/or after travel

ACCOMMODATIONS:

Price is based on double occupancy. When available, single rooms/cabins are often smaller than doubles. While NTS will try to match roommates, NTS cannot guarantee one will be available. Roommates may be assigned as late as 35 days prior to departure and, if one is not available or if you request a single, the following single room/cabin charges apply: I2 - \$3099; O2 - \$3199; E2 - \$3399. Single staterooms are extremely limited and subject to confirmation. \$398 for Rome Pre-Tour; \$598 for Turkiye Post-Tour.

PAYMENT INFORMATION:

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PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

Payment	Amount	Due Date
Initial Deposit	\$500	Due at the time of registration
Second Deposit	\$1,300	Due on 09/06/24. Guests registering after this date must submit a total deposit of \$1,800
Final Payment	12/05/24. If paid after the due date, a late payment fee of \$100 will be assessed.	
Travel Protection Amount	The Travel Protection Plan premium will be due no later than 12/04/24 to be in full effect. Travel protection premiums must be paid in addition to your deposits and in advance of the final payment for coverage to be in effect.	
Cabin Availability	After 09/06/24 or once we have sold out of our allotment of cabins we can no longer guarantee cabin pricing. Cabins purchased after this date will be subject to availability and may require a supplemental charge.	

REGISTRATIONS RECEIVED after December 5, 2024:

We welcome registrations after 12/05/24. Registrations received between 12/06/24 - 02/03/25 will incur a \$100 per person fee. Registrations received between 02/04/25 - 02/18/25 will incur a \$200 per person fee. Registrations received between 02/19/25 - 03/05/25 will incur a \$400 per person fee. Registrations received on 03/06/25 or later will be subject to cabin availability and may require a supplemental cabin charge as well as the air fees above. Additional fees will be advised upon registration.

CANCELLATION FEES:

100% of Cancellation Fees are covered by the optional Travel Protection Program provided premium has been paid and reason for cancellation is coverable. Those who do not take travel protection should be aware of the following per-person cancellation penalties: From day of registration to 241 days prior to departure, you will be charged a \$150 non-refundable cancellation fee plus any airline fees. Additionally, thereafter, you will be charged any airline penalties and a single room supplement if your cancellation forces your roommate into a single plus the following per-person charges: 240-181 days = \$250; 180-151 days = \$500; 150-121 days = \$1,000, 120-91 days = 50% of total cost; 90-61 days = 75% of total cost; 60-day of departure = 100% of total cost. Submit cancellation in writing. On or after day of departure, there will be no refund for any services not used.

STATEMENTS OF RESPONSIBILITY

NTS does not accept responsibility for losses or additional expenses due to delay or changes in air schedules, hotel overbookings, other hotel related problems or causes, and/or travel supplier cancellations or postponements. Travel suppliers include all tour operators, cruise lines, airlines, hotels, bus companies, entertainment venues, and any other travel supplier used to operate the tour. All such losses or expenses will be the responsibility of the passenger. NTS reserves the right to make adjustments to the itinerary as deemed desirable by NTS, and NTS reserves the right to cancel any tour prior to departure. If a tour is canceled beyond the control of NTS, NTS will provide a refund or a future travel credit to be used two years from the date of issuance for the value of all funds paid by the passenger less nonrefundable travel supplier prepaid deposits, travel supplier change fees, nonrefundable travel protection premiums, and a \$150 administration fee.

FIT TO TRAVEL STATEMENT:

Passengers registering for the tour accept the responsibility for being in good health and able to walk and travel on the tour. Because many of the sites are not accessible to the physically challenged and space limitations on tour buses, wheelchairs and scooters cannot be accommodated. Those needing oxygen or other ambulatory assistance will find the tour extremely limiting in their experiences. Persons using C-pap machines requiring distilled water will need to inform us ahead of time, so we can work with local operators to prepare as it is not always available. NTS reserves the right to refuse or revoke travel to anyone who is, in the sole judgment of NTS, incapable of group travel without causing undue demands upon the staff or other tour participants. Accessible rooms/cabins are limited and subject to confirmation after receiving the passenger's written request. If you have questions, please see noseworthytravel.com/fit-to-travel-statement or contact Noseworthy Travel Services for more details.

PASSPORT INFORMATION & CHECK IN PROCESS:

Passport information must be submitted to our office no later than 12/04/24. Failure to provide your passport information to our office by this date may result in change fees or denial of travel. Discrepancies in information may result in change fees, delays in receiving travel documents for your trip, or denial of travel. Any fees incurred due to discrepancies are the responsibility of the passenger. You will also be required to check in

with the cruise line prior to travel and according to the cruise line's requirements and instructions provided in your final documents.

PRICE INCREASES:

All prices quoted in this brochure are subject to change prior to payment in full due to currency fluctuations, fuel surcharge increases, government taxes and fees increases or unforeseen circumstances. In addition, you may be subject to a price increase after payment in full has been received due to potential government imposed taxes and fees.

AIRLINE ROUTES AND TICKETS:

In order to keep prices low, NTS does not guarantee the most direct routing to your final destination. Once issued, airline tickets cannot be changed or refunded thereafter. Air transportation to/from your destination will be economy class on IATA and ARC carriers utilizing APEX or SUPER APEX non-refundable, non-amendable tickets for groups of 10 or more flying together on entire itinerary. If you choose to depart from a different city than your group or traveling companion, or deviate your flight and/or trip plans, and/or you are taking a pre or post tour, you may fly on a different scheduled flight(s) than the rest of your group. If you make your own air arrangements, you are responsible for booking all needed flights for your travel unless specified otherwise. Contact guest services for further details.

FLIGHT TIMES AND SEATING:

All flights are subject to change by the airlines without advance notice. NTS is not responsible for such changes or delays and does not reimburse expenses resulting from such delays. If you are making your own flight arrangements to the departure city, we recommend you purchase a ticket that can be exchanged without large penalties. There is no advance seat selection for groups on most airlines. Early check-in is necessary to secure seats with travel companions and those with special needs. Due to security measures taken at airports, it is advisable to arrive at the airport three hours prior to departure time. Seating is solely under the control of the airlines.

ADDITIONAL AIRLINE FEES:

You will likely incur additional airline checked baggage fees that are not included in the price of the tour. These fees vary by airline and are at the airline's discretion on each segment of the flight itinerary. Additionally, you may incur optional fees (food, excess baggage, overweight baggage, items of personal nature, etc.) as well. For more information, visit noseworthytravel.com/travel-info/airline-fees.

ON OWN DEVIATIONS:

On Own Deviations from the standard tour program must be submitted in writing and are subject to additional airline fees, if applicable. Transfers for passengers who deviate are not included.

ITINERARY CHANGES:

Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of this brochure. While NTS will make every effort to ensure you will see all sites listed in this brochure, the availability of sites, the order of sites and/or days and number of days may be altered to accommodate changes in cruise line, airline, hotel schedules, and local conditions. No changes to the itinerary are effective unless approved in writing and signed by an authorized officer of the tour operator. Except as stated herein, no other person is authorized to cancel, modify or vary the tour arrangements or to make any representation of warranty concerning the tour. The cruise line has the ultimate control over your voyage and may, without notice, alter the length of the cruise and the order of and/or inclusion of ports. NTS is in no way responsible for these changes and does not make reimbursement for such changes.

PREGNANCY/INFANT REGULATIONS:

As to pregnancy, a woman cannot have begun her 24th week of pregnancy at any time before or during the cruise. If you are pregnant, please provide a medical note upon arrival at the pier for check-in from your physician stating your expected due date and medical fitness to travel. If you are in the 24th week or have completed it you will not be allowed to board. Due to the limited medical facilities, infants must be at least one year old on the first day of the cruise.

VALIDITY DATE:

This brochure is valid until 11/30/24. If validity date has passed, current brochures may be found at www.noseworthytravel.com. Registrations will still be accepted after the validity date.

RELEASE INFORMATION:

Payment of deposit indicates permission for NTS or its agents to record the registrant's participation and appearance on video tape, audio tape, film, photograph, or any other medium and to use the registrant's name, likeness, voice, comments, submitted documentation, written papers, and/or biographical material without restrictions or limitation for any advertising, marketing, publicity, educational or promotional purpose which NTS or its agents deem appropriate, unless the registrant or guardian otherwise notifies NTS in writing prior to departure.

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\$0 - \$1000	\$109	\$3501-\$4000	\$429	\$6501-\$7000	\$759
\$1001-\$1500	\$159	\$4001-\$4500	\$489	\$7001-\$8000	\$869
\$1501-\$2000	\$219	\$4501-\$5000	\$539	\$8001-\$9000	\$979
\$2001-\$2500	\$269	\$5001-\$5500	\$599	\$9001-\$10,000	\$1089
\$2501-\$3000	\$319	\$5501-\$6000	\$649		
\$3001-\$3500	\$379	\$6001-\$6500	\$709		

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Accident & Sickness Medical Expense	\$25,000
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Baggage & Personal Effects	\$1,000
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