Crossroads of Culture from the Ancient Past to the Present

A Voyage Aboard the 17-Cabin Callisto
August 12 – 21, 2012
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Tour Highlights

- Sail the fascinating Black Sea in comfort aboard the 34-guest yacht Callisto.
- Call at Bulgaria’s charming Nessebur and Romania’s Constanta, where you will explore the ruins of Tomis Danubius.
- Discover Ukraine’s Odessa, a city rich in 19th-century architecture, including the famous Potemkin Steps; as well as Sevastopol, crucible of the Crimean War; and Yalta, site of the 1945 conference among Roosevelt, Churchill, and Stalin.
- Before concluding the voyage in Istanbul, sail to the seldom-visited north coast of Turkey to explore the fortified town of Sinop, as well as the soaring citadel of ancient Amasra.
- Enjoy an educational program of lectures and discussions led by your onboard study leader.

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Onboard Enrichment Program

From the earliest days, the shores of the Black Sea have seen civilizations come to conquer and colonize, only to be conquered and colonized in turn. The result has been a layering of cultures that produces on one hand a rich mix of traditions and on the other leads to confrontation and conflict. On this voyage, Professor Jonathan Hall will talk with us about this varied history of ethnicity with a special focus on the ancient Greeks and on the role of the Crimean War in creating the contours of the modern Black Sea region.

Study Leader

Jonathan Hall is the Phyllis Fay Horton Distinguished Service Professor in the Humanities and Professor in the Departments of History and Classics, and the College, at the University of Chicago. He is primarily a historian of ancient Greece, but has recently completed a book about the relationship between literary texts and material culture in both the Greek and Roman worlds. The author of two award-winning books on ethnicity and culture in the ancient Greek world, as well as the Blackwell History of the Archaic Greek World (2007), Professor Hall lives with his family in Rome when not teaching in Chicago.
Itinerary

Sunday, August 12, 2012 • USA
Fly from the U.S. to Istanbul, Turkey. (D)

Monday, August 13 • ISTANBUL, Turkey | EMBARK
Named Constantinople by Emperor Constantine the Great in A.D. 330, Istanbul has been the capital of the Roman, Byzantine, and Ottoman empires. Here the traditions of East and West commingle, which is especially evident in the diverse architecture of the city. Board Callisto and sail. (B, L, D)

Tuesday, August 14 • NESSEBUR, Bulgaria
Arrive in charming Nessebur, known in ancient times as Messembria, or “town amid the sea,” according to Herodotus. Enjoy a walking tour of the town and its old timbered houses. Visit the Byzantine churches of St. Stephen and Christ of the Pantocrator and the Archaeological Museum. (B, L, D)

Wednesday, August 15 • CONSTANTA, Romania
Arrive in Constanta, Romania’s main port. A tour of the city will include the Ruins of Tomis Danubius, the Archaeological and National History Museum, the Archaeology Park, the Orthodox Cathedral of St. Peter and St. Paul, and Piata Ovidiu, the central square of the old quarter where you will have time at leisure. (B, L, D)

Thursday, August 16 • ODESSA, Ukraine
Stroll through Odessa’s elegant leafy streets, lined with stately mansions. Discover its prime landmarks, including the grand, Viennese Baroque-style Opera House; the historic Potemkin Steps, site of the 1905 uprising of workers and sailors from the battleship Potemkin; and the Archaeological Museum. In the afternoon, you will have the chance to meet with local families in their homes, or enjoy time at leisure in the city. (B, L, D)

Friday, August 17 • SEVASTOPOL | CHERSONESOS | BAKHCHYSARAY | SEVASTOPOL
Arrive in Sevastopol, a beautiful port city and the former base of the Russian Black Sea Fleet from the days of Catherine II until the fall of the Soviet Union. Drive to nearby Chersonesos, an ancient city founded by Greeks in the 5th century B.C. that became a prosperous trading post. Return to Sevastopol to visit the Panorama Museum, featuring a circular, three-dimensional work of art depicting the defense of the city during the Crimean War. In the afternoon, enjoy time at leisure in Sevastopol, or alternatively, drive to the Crimean interior to explore Bakhchysaray, the seat of the Tatar state from the 16th to the 18th centuries. Visit the imperial Khan’s Palace, built in 1519. (B, L, D)
Saturday, August 18 • YALTA
In the mid-19th century, the Russian imperial family chose Yalta for its summer residence, and almost overnight the town mushroomed into an elegant and popular resort. Tour the Alupka Palace, a stunning 19th-century edifice with both English Tudor and Byzantine embellishments, and Anton Chekhov’s House. After lunch at a local restaurant, visit the Livadia Palace, famed site of the 1945 Yalta Conference among Roosevelt, Churchill, and Stalin, and attend a private concert at its Organ Hall. (B, L, D)

Sunday, August 19 • SINOP, Turkey
Perched on a promontory overlooking the Black Sea, Sinop’s natural harbor allowed the town to be utilized as a major port since 4500 B.C. Colonizers from Miletus founded the town in the 8th century B.C., naming it for Sinope, daughter of Asopus, the river god. Sinop was also home to the Cynic philosopher Diogenes. Explore the town’s main monuments, including the 13th-century Alaettin Mosque and the Balatlar Kilisesi, once a Roman temple that was later converted to a Byzantine church, as well as the Archaeological Museum. (B, L, D)

Monday, August 20 • AMASRA
Arrive in Amasra, a town situated atop a headland sheltering two bays. Known as Sesamus in ancient times, Amasra is one of the most beautiful towns on the coast. Founded by Milesians in the 6th century B.C., the city later became an important possession of both Byzantium and Genoa. On a tour of this pleasant and idyllic town, visit the Genoese citadel, which crowns one of the promontories with a formidable constellation of towers, battlements, and gates. (B, L, D)

Tuesday, August 21 • ISTANBUL | DESEMBARK | USA
Disembark in Istanbul and transfer to the airport for return flights to the U.S. (B)

Program Inclusions

• 8-night cruise aboard the 34-guest private yacht Callisto
• Complete program of tours and excursions
• Welcome and farewell cocktail receptions aboard ship
• All meals aboard ship, including house wine, beer, and soft drinks with lunch and dinner
• Open bar aboard ship throughout the cruise
• Enrichment program of lectures and discussions by accompanying study leader
• Professional Travel Dynamics International tour staff
• Complete pre-departure materials
• Baggage handling and transfers abroad on the designated program arrival and departure dates
• Port and embarkation taxes
• Gratuities to porters, guides, and drivers

NOT INCLUDED: Airfare; visa and passport fees (if applicable); luggage and trip cancellation insurance; meals, soft drinks, and alcoholic beverages other than those specified above; personal expenses such as laundry, telephone calls, faxes, and e-mail service; and gratuities to shipboard personnel

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Your Ship for this Voyage CALLISTO

The most memorable voyages take place aboard a private yacht, where one is part of a small, select, sociable community. Cabins are appointed very comfortably. Public areas, whether indoors or out on deck, are warm, inviting places where fellow travelers meet for conversation, a drink, or to pass a pleasant hour with a good book. The cuisine is superb, and the service is considerate and congenial. This is the exceptional experience you’ll enjoy aboard Callisto.

A Private Yacht Experience

The private yacht Callisto, accommodating just 34 guests, is ideal for our unique approach to cruising. Her small size allows visits to unspoiled ports, pristine beaches, intimate coves, and harbors. The limited guest list assures a group large enough to bring together an interesting mix of travelers but small enough to foster a genuine spirit of camaraderie.

Intimate Elegance

All 17 exterior cabins are beautifully furnished, comfortably arranged, and complete with amenities that include large windows (portholes on Daphne Deck), generous storage space, climate control, mini-refrigerator, safe, telephone, TV, DVD/CD player, and marble bathroom with shower. The yacht’s public areas, including an elegant restaurant surrounded by large picture windows, a spacious lounge and bar, and a library (with Internet access) surrounded by windows, are decorated with rich fabrics, handsome woodwork, gleaming brass, antiques, and fine works of art. The yacht also features a Jacuzzi, two broad decks for sunbathing, and a swimming platform. Wi-Fi is available throughout the ship.

Fine Dining

Callisto’s hotel staff requisitions fresh provisions from many ports of call. You will enjoy the ripest produce from local markets, resulting in menus of classic regional specialties as well as creative Continental fare prepared by expert European chefs. Meals are served at a single unassigned seating in the restaurant, or alfresco on the sun deck. Select fine wines are complimentary with lunch and dinner.

Special Reduced Rates

per person, double occupancy

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LOW SINGLE SUPPLEMENT: A limited number of cabins are available for solo travelers at a supplement of $795 in Categories D-CC.
The evocative ruins of Chersonesos outside Sevastopol

PROGRAM FEATURES & HIGHLIGHTS

- Founded as a Greek colony and later taken by the Romans, the city of Constanta is now a cultural and economic center of Romania. View the Roman mosaics at the ancient ruins of Tomis.
- Tour the Archaeological Park of Chersonesos, including a tour of the laboratory where scientists have developed ground-breaking conservation systems to protect the acres of standing structures of ancient Greek, Roman, and Byzantine cultures.
- Visit Sinop, the oldest city on Turkey's Black Sea Coast and discover the mask recovered from its 2nd-century Temple of Serapis.

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- Low Single Supplement

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