

# JEWELS OF THE CYCLADES 2025

- Aboard the 24-cabin M/S Galileo
- Apr Oct 2025
- 8-day cruises from Athens to Athens



#### AT A GLANCE



## A CRUISE VOYAGE UNRAVELING THE AUTHENTIC, WHITEWASHED ISLANDS OF THE CYCLADES

Cyclades: Dazzling white villages, golden beaches and clear azure water are just the start of what these islands have to offer. Ancient Greek geographers gave this unique cluster of islands the name Cyclades because they saw that they formed a circle ('kyklos" in Greek) of sorts around the sacred island of Delos. According to myth, the islands were the debris that remained after a battle between giants. In reality, they resulted from colossal geological events like earthquakes and volcanic eruptions.

#### Highlights include:

Santorini - Mykonos - Folegandros - Poliegos - Delos - Paros - Syros -Kythnos - Poros



#### JEWELS OF THE CYCLADES CRUISES



## FRIDAY DEPARTURES | 7-NIGHTS/8-DAYS ON THE M/S GALILEO | 2025



#### DAY 1 - ATHENS - POROS

Embarkation at Marina Zea in Athens, between 2-3 pm. Enjoy a welcome drink and meet your crew and fellow passengers. Sail for Poros for a short 3 hours visit, before set sail to Poliegos. Overnight at sea.

#### DAY 2 - POLIEGOS - FOLEGANDROS

Morning arrival in Poliegos, an uninhabited island known for its amazing beaches and turquoise waters. Morning swim stop followed by a BBQ on deck. Afternoon sailing to Folegandros, one of the most amazing and less known islands in the Aegean Sea. Walk the amazing Upper city and have the possibility to taste delicacies at traditional Greek taverns. Overnight in Folegandros.

#### DAY 3 - SANTORINI

Early in the morning depart for Santorini. Morning arrival at Santorini (occasionally at anchor) to explore its unique capital Fira. Optional Excursion to Akrotiri excavations and a tour of the villages including the small, beautiful village of Oia known for its breathtaking view over the caldera. Overnight in Santorini.

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#### DAY 4 - ANTIPAROS - PAROS

In the morning you will enjoy a swim stop in an enchanting bay of Antiparos. Early noon arrival in Paros. Optional visits to Ekatontapiliani church in Parikia, the folklore museum in Marpissa, and the quaint village of Naoussa. Time to have a fun night and show us your dancing skills during our famous Greek Night. Overnight in Paros.

#### DAY 5 - DELOS - MYKONOS

Optional morning tour to the unique archaeological site of Delos, antiquity's most sacred island. Later on, we stop at one of Mykonos beautiful bays for swimming off the ship before sailing into the port of Mykonos. The island of the jet setters is yours to explore, and the night is young. Overnight in Mykonos.

#### O DAY 6 - SYROS

After a morning swim we will arrive in Syros, the capital of the Cycladic islands where you can enjoy one of its beautiful sandy beaches or have optional tour through town and enjoy the unique architecture of the buildings before having the chance for a culinary experience to taste authentic recipes of the Cycladic cuisine at our small family taverna. Overnight in Syros.

#### DAY 7 - KYTHNOS - CAPE SOUNION - ATHENS

In the morning we will arrive in Kythnos where you will enjoy a swim in Kolones bay and will then set sail for Marina Zea where we will arrive in the late afternoon via Cape Sounion, the temple of Poseidon. Captain's Farewell Dinner and overnight in Marina Zea.

#### **DAY 8 - ATHENS**

Disembarkation at 8:30 - 9am after breakfast





## JEWELS OF THE CYCLADES CRUISES | 2025 SAILING DATES ON M/S GALILEO

## SAILING DATES

	LOW Season Departures	HIGH Season Departures
From Athens to Athens, Marina Zeas	<b>Apr</b> 25 <b>May</b> 2 <b>Aug</b> 01, 08, 15 , 22	May 09, 16, 23, 30 June 06, 13, 20, 27 July 04, 11, 18, 25 Aug 29 Sep 05, 12, 19, 26 Oct 03, 10, 17

#### YOUR BOAT



## M/S GALILEO Motor Sailer

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Length: 48 m

**Launched:** 1992 | Rebuilt: 2007 | Renovated: 2020

Cabins: 24

Capacity: 49 passengers

**Crew:** 16-18

The M/S Galileo, built with the most stringent safety regulations, was launched in 1992 and was fully rebuilt in 2007. The latest renovation works of the M/S Galileo took place in summer 2020 and included significant upgrading of the indoor & outdoor public areas.

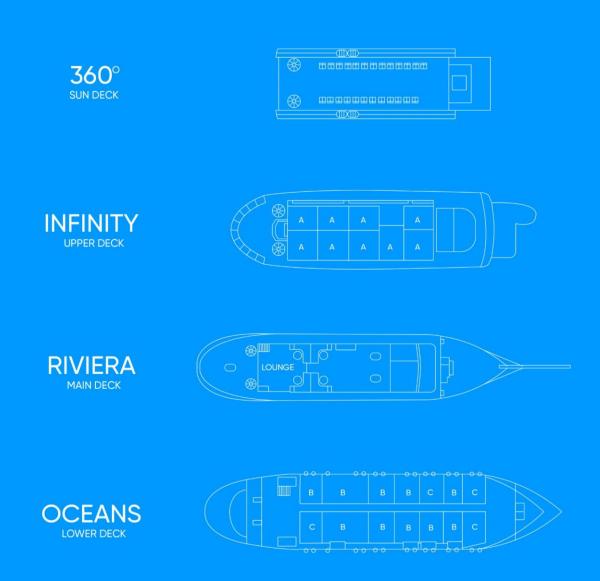
The elegant Galileo has operated cruises in the Mediterranean Sea and the Indian Ocean. The Galileo is always sailing under motors. Sails are occasionally used when weather and route allow

Service on board is provided by your Captain, the Cruise Coordinator and your experienced Marine and Hotel crew members.





## M/S GALILEO Motor Sailer



The 48 meter M/S Galileo is a classic steel hull motor sailer, with spacious and well-appointed interiors renovated in 2020.

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#### **CABIN SPECIFICATIONS**

The Galileo's 24 outside guest cabins are located on Upper and Lower Decks, all with large portholes. Elegantly decorated, they have either twin or double sized beds and bathrooms with showers en suite. Category B cabins have flexible bedding arrangement. All cabins are comfortably arranged and beautifully furnished with wooden furniture and light fabrics. Cabins have individually controlled A/C, offer storage space, and are fitted with flat-screen TVs, mini fridge, telephone (for internal use), hairdryers, central music, public address system and safe boxes.

#### **LIFE ON BOARD**

During the day, life on board centers around the indoor lounge area and dining room, as well as the outdoor areas at the Main, Upper and Sun decks. The Captain will drop anchor at secluded bays and beautiful uninhabited islands where, weather permitting, guests enjoy swimming, snorkeling, kayaking.

#### Main deck lounge & dining room

Renovated in 2020, the main deck lounge area with an American bar leads into a warm and elegant dining room finished with wood and carpet flooring, and beautiful soft fabrics. The spacious dining room seats all passengers in a single, unassigned seating and allows for spectacular views around you, while dining in an elegant environment. Food is served at the table or displayed on the state of the art hot & cold buffet which also includes an "a la minute cooking" section.





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#### Upper deck lounge area & dining room

Guests on Galileo very much enjoy the shaded outdoor area with an outdoor bar where they can relax enjoying the most breathtaking sea views.

#### Sun deck

The vessel features a Sun Deck with a sitting area to relax and enjoy unobstructed views and with ample Sun loungers' space to sunbathe under the Mediterranean sun. In the evening you can watch the sunset, enjoy a drink overlooking the stars. Guests on the Galileo enjoy the shaded outdoor Bar area at the Upper Deck as well as the Sun Deck.



## JEWELS OF THE CYCLADES CRUISES 2025 SAILING DATES & GROSS CRUISE FARES



	Low Season Departures	High Season Departures
From Athens, Marina Zeas <b>Friday Sailings</b>	Apr 25 May 2 Aug 01, 08, 15, 22	May 09, 16, 23, 30 June 06, 13, 20, 27 July 04, 11, 18, 25 Aug 29 Sep 05, 12, 19, 26 Oct 03, 10, 17
M/S GALILEO CABIN CATEGORIES	GROSS EURO RATES PER PERSON IN DBL/TWIN	
	Low Season	High Season
Cat C Lower Deck, Twin or double beds	€ 2075	€ 2590
Cat B Lower Deck, Flexible beds	€ 2550	€ 3190
Cat A Upper Deck, Twin or double beds (Triple cabins available)	€ 3080	€ 3850
SINGLE SUPPLEMENT	60% for Cat C & B Cabins 75% for Cat A Cabins	
3 <sup>rd</sup> person discount in Cat A	30%	

"Children policy/Family offer as below\*"

Port Charges	€ 325
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**5% EARLY BOOKING DISCOUNT** (excluding May, June, and September) to all reservations made until 30, April 2024.

Please see conditions and restrictions on the next page

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#### **SAILING DATES & GROSS CRUISE FARES**



#### **EBD Conditions & Restrictions:**

- Bookings must be secured by paying upon confirmation 35% deposit on cruise fares per passenger
- • Balance max 60 days before departure
- All reservations are on request and on first-come-firstserved basis
- The offers do not apply for group bookings
- Port charges are excluded from these discounts
- Please mention "EBD SUMMER 2025" at the moment of your booking. Otherwise, Full Rates will apply
- Offers cannot be combined with any existing or future offers
- EBD is subject to occupancy levels and maybe withdrawn at any time
- The EBD -5% is valid for all reservations made until 30 April, 2024
- For FIT bookings the regular cancellation policy will apply

#### A/ What's INCLUDED:

- Accommodation in double or twin cabins with private SH/WC & air conditioning
- <u>Half-board</u>: Buffet breakfast and 1 meal daily, including a Welcome Cocktail, a Greek night Evening, fun BBQ (weather permitting), and Captain's Dinner
- · Regular (filter) coffee, tea and drinking water free all day
- Use of fishing and snorkelling equipment (subject to availability)
- · English-Speaking Cruise Escort

#### Not included:

- Beverages (except those mentioned above)
- Shore excursions on the islands or other land arrangements
- Crew tips
- Passenger personal expenses
- · Wi-Fi (available at charge)

#### \* Children Policy

Children discounts apply to children 5-17 years old, sharing a triple cabin with two paying adults. Port taxes are not discounted.

Children 5-10 years old: 50% discount on the gross per person twin cabin fares

Children 11-17 years old: 35% discount on the gross per person twin cabin fares

In case of more than one cabin, full adult rates apply.

#### \* FAMILY OFFER

- SINGLE parent with 1 or max 2 children in same cabin: The parent pays Single cruise fare & children cruise for FREE
- COUPLE with 1 child sharing the same cabin: No charge for the child up to 10 years old 50% reduction for the child 11-17 years old
- COUPLE with 2 or 3 (regardless of age) children: Both cabins will be charged at Single rate (single adult rate).
- Children (5-17 years old) having pre-booked the Family offer:

25% reduction on all optional excursion

\*The offer needs to be requested at the time of reservation, it is subject to availability and occupancy levels. Port taxes are excluded.

#### Conditions & Restrictions for the Family offers:

- They apply for children 5-17 years old
- They are valid for new bookings only
- · They are on request and on first come-first served basis
- "Special Family offer" to be mentioned at the time of booking so that the discounted rates will apply for the reservation. Otherwise, Full rates will apply
- No reduction offered on port taxes which are additional for all participants
- They cannot be combined with any existing or future early bird discounts or special offers including Club exclusive offers
- · Standard payment and cancellation policies apply

#### B/ Conditions and restrictions

#### **PROOFREADING**

Tour Operators featuring our Cruises in their Catalogue or Internet site by itinerary, vessel's description and images, will send VARIETY CRUISES a draft for error-checking of the contents prior publication as well as two brochure copies when printed, in order to secure correct information given to our clients and  $\tau$ 0 keep our high customer satisfaction levels. Variety Cruises will not bare any responsibility for inaccurate information or misrepresentation of our vessels or cruise itineraries without having accepted a draft prior to the brochure going to print or internet page published.

#### PAYMENT

25% deposit is required 7 days from confirmation.
75% Balance of payment no less than 60 days prior to day of embarkation.

#### **CANCELLATIONS**

240 days to 120 days from embarkation: €120 / US\$140 Administration fee (per booking)\*

119 to 90 days from embarkation 15% of the cruise fare 89 to 60 days from embarkation 25% of the cruise fare 59 to 30 days from embarkation 50% of the cruise fare 29 to 00 days from embarkation 100% of the cruise fare Cancellations must be confirmed by VARIETY CRUISES in writing in all cases.

\*In case of cancellation the administration fee per booking will be converted to a future cruise credit redeemable on bookings made up to 12 months after cancellation, valid for any cruise and date of cruise.

#### **AMENDMENTS**

There may be a charge for amendments of cruise date or decreasing pax number received less than 60 days prior to sailing. Amendments must be confirmed by VARIETY CRUISES in writing.

#### NOT INCLUDED IN CRUISE FARE

Such personal expenses as drinks (other than included in the rate), laundry, spa-where applicable-, boutique items and gratuities, (gratuities are optional but as a rule, satisfied clients are expected to give to the captain, at the end of the cruise, approximately Euro 13-15 per person per day for distribution among all crew members) medical expenses, port taxes, shore excursions (shore excursions are proposed and arranged on board by the tour leaders), use of the on board Wi-Fi (available at a charge), expenditures incurred ashore, and anything not mentioned in cruise program.

