



Solar eclipse, Mediterranean Sea

Solar Eclipse Cruise

ITALY, SICILY, MALTA & GREECE | 13 DAYS | 12 NIGHTS

ITINERARY

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| Day 1 | Depart Home City | Day 8 | Solar Eclipse Viewing |
| Day 2 | Rome, Italy | Day 9 | Valletta, Malta |
| Day 3 | Rome Embark
<i>Wind Spirit</i> | Day 10 | Gozo |
| Day 4 | Day at Sea | Day 11 | Giardini Naxos, Italy
Taormina |
| Day 5 | Palermo, Sicily | Day 12 | Day at Sea |
| Day 6 | Trapani Erice/Marsala | Day 13 | Rome, Italy
Disembark
Return to Home City |
| Day 7 | Day at Sea | | |

Note: Itinerary is subject to change.



EXCLUSIVE HIGHLIGHTS

- Cruise for 10 nights roundtrip from Rome, Italy, aboard *Wind Spirit*, an exclusively chartered sailing yacht. Stay for 1 night at the *Westin Excelsior Rome*.
- Sail in the path of a rare astronomical event** and grab a front-row seat to one of nature's greatest spectacles — **a solar eclipse at sea!**
- Enjoy **Traveler's Choice Excursions** in 3 locations that highlight each destination's cuisine, crafts, markets, beaches and sites.
- Visits to 2 **UNESCO World Heritage sites: Arab-Norman Palermo, Sicily, and City of Valletta, Malta.**
- Included meals** | 2 receptions, 11 breakfasts, 10 lunches and 10 dinners.
- Rome Pre-Tour Extension** (Available at additional cost.)

2027 DEPARTURE, PRICING & SAVINGS

July 26 to August 7 | Program Begins: July 27

Standard Rate from \$16,495

Special Savings **\$1,000**

Special Savings Rate from \$15,495*

*This Special Savings includes our \$500 Early Booking and \$500 Pay-in-Full discounts. Valid if you book by 3/31/26 and pay in full at time booking.

Rates are in U.S. dollars per person, based on double occupancy, including taxes. For single pricing and availability please call for details.

PROGRAM FEATURES

Your Travel Program

- 1 night at the deluxe **Westin Excelsior Rome**.
- 10-night** roundtrip cruise from Rome, Italy.
- Elegantly appointed, first-class accommodations.
- Deluxe motor coach transfers during the Land and Cruise Program.
- Welcome and Farewell Receptions.
- Complimentary non-premium liquor, house wine, beer, nonalcoholic beverages, and minibar service throughout the cruise; complimentary house wine, beer and nonalcoholic beverages at meals during excursions.
- Included meals | 2 receptions, 11 breakfasts, 10 lunches and 10 dinners.
- Complimentary Wi-Fi access (conditions permitting).
- Admire the Meridiana, a sundial adorned with zodiac signs, inspired by astronomer Gian Domenico Grassini.
- Stand in the moon's umbral shadow during a spectacular solar eclipse at sea. The sun, moon and Earth perfectly align and bathe the surroundings in ethereal twilight.
- Step into Valletta's St. John's Co-Cathedral to behold Caravaggio's masterpiece, "The Beheading of Saint John the Baptist" — a work of art housed in one of Malta's most stunning baroque landmarks.
- Visit Taormina's Greco-Roman Theater (Sicily's second-largest theater); see the elegant

Corvaja Palace and historic Odeon; and enjoy a stroll along the Corso Umberto.

Traveler's Choice

Elevate your experience with a selection of included excursions. Join the excursion of your choice in the following locations:

- Palermo: Active city tour with market visit or panoramic coach excursion.
- Trapani: Excursion to Erice or Trapani Salt Pan discovery.
- Gozo: Food tour, historical Gozo, craft market visit or Ramla Bay beach visit.

UNESCO

Visit these World Heritage sites:

- Arab-Norman Palermo, with the stunning Palatine Chapel and the Royal Palace.
- City of Valletta, Malta's alluring capital.

Always Included

- Transfers and luggage handling abroad for passengers who book their air through Gohagan & Company.
- Experienced, English-speaking local guides for included excursions.
- Gratuities to local guides and drivers on included excursions and transfers.
- Complimentary water in your room and on excursions.
- Hospitality desk.
- Experienced Gohagan & Company Travel Directors at your service.
- Complimentary audio headset during guided excursions.



ACCOMMODATIONS



Wind Spirit
Exclusively Chartered Sailing Yacht

PRE-TOUR EXTENSION



Rome | 3 days, 2 nights
Trevi Fountain | Borghese Gallery | Villa Borghese Park



All Program Features are contingent upon final brochure pricing. 2027

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LECTURER



ANDREA GHEZ

Andrea M. Ghez is a Professor of Physics & Astronomy at UCLA and holds the Lauren B. Leichtman & Arthur E. Levine Chair in Astrophysics. A leading authority in observational astrophysics, she directs UCLA's Galactic Center Group, where her pioneering research has transformed our understanding of the universe.

In 2020, Professor Ghez became the fourth woman to receive the Nobel Prize in Physics for her groundbreaking discovery of a supermassive black hole at the center of the Milky Way. Her work provided definitive evidence for the existence of these extraordinary objects, reshaping fundamental theories in physics and astronomy. Building on this foundation, she continues to develop innovative methods for studying massive black holes, with current efforts aimed at exploring the nature of gravity and the influence of black holes on galaxy formation and evolution.

Professor Ghez contributes broadly to scientific leadership, serving on major committees across the United States, the University of California system, the W. M. Keck Observatory in Hawaii — home to the world's largest optical and infrared telescopes — and the international Thirty Meter Telescope project. In 2025, she joined the Board of Directors of the W. M. Keck Foundation.

Committed to public engagement, she is an active advocate for science education and for encouraging young women to pursue careers in STEM.

Professor Ghez earned her B.S. from MIT in 1987 and her Ph.D. from Caltech in 1992. She joined the UCLA faculty in 1994. Among her numerous honors, she received the 2025 Rumford Prize from the American Academy of Arts & Sciences, the 2016 Bakerian Medal from the Royal Society of London, and the 2012 Crafoord Prize in Astronomy from the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences — becoming the first woman to receive the prize in any field.