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Dear Smithsonian Traveler,

Centuries of civilization are reflected in the cities and towns that look out over the Mediterranean Sea. The empires of the Greeks, Persians, Romans, Byzantines, Bulgars, and Ottomans have all left their mark upon Italy, the Dalmatian Coast, Turkey and Greece, where Western tradition was born. This fall we invite you on an extensive 20-night voyage aboard the elegant small cruise ship *Corinthian*, to uncover layer upon layer of history and culture.

This itinerary is not only comprehensive in its scope, but also unequaled in value. We are pleased to offer our grand voyage of exploration at substantial savings, as you will see in the rate chart.

From Istanbul, one of the most fabled cities of the world and the capital of the Byzantine and Ottoman empires, we will explore the most important ports found along the shores of the Aegean, Ionian, and Adriatic Seas. We'll visit not only the iconic cities of Venice and Dubrovnik, but also the far less visited yet important historic cities such as Thessaloniki, Izmir, and Albania's magnificent Butrint.

To serve as our guides to the ancient cultures and empires we will encounter, we are privileged to have several renowned study leaders onboard the *Corinthian*, presenting lectures and engaging in informal discussions, among them **Professors Eric Frank and Anthony Kronman**, who will share their expertise on Western Art, imperial Rome, and Greek culture, philosophy, and mythology; **Admiral William J. Fallon** who will lecture on the politics of the region; and **Professor Andrew M. T. Moore**, who will enrich our understanding of the civilizations that rose and fell on these storied shores.

This fall, join a small group of like-minded travelers for an unforgettable journey into the heart of Western civilization, at a price that belies the expansive itinerary.

Sincerely,



Amy Kotkin
Director

P.S. With only 50 suites accommodating no more than 100 guests, accommodations aboard *Corinthian* are extremely limited. Please reserve your space on this one-of-a-kind itinerary today to assure your preferred cabin at savings of up to \$10,990 per person.

Travel, Learn & Enrich Your Experience with a Team of Experts

On our voyage, guests are accompanied by renowned experts who will enhance and enrich the journey through lectures and informal discussions onboard.



WILLIAM J. FALLON retired in 2008 as a four-star admiral after a distinguished 40-year career of military and strategic leadership. He is a graduate of Villanova University, the U.S. Naval War College, the National War College, and has an M.A. in International Studies from Old Dominion University. He is a Distinguished Fellow at the Center for Naval Analyses and is serving as a Director on several corporate and non-profit boards. He will talk about the military history of the Balkans and also outline the continuing importance of the region to global security. *(Onboard September 22-October 3, 2013)*



Educated at Dartmouth College and New York University's Institute of Fine Arts, **ERIC FRANK** is a Fellow of the American Academy in Rome and an expert in Italian Renaissance art with a special interest in the history of the classical tradition in western art, from Greece to Rome and into the Middle Ages. A noted scholar, he served for many years as Dean of the College and Vice-president for Academic Affairs at Occidental College in Los Angeles. Currently he is Chair of the Art and Art History Department at Occidental. *(Onboard September 12-23, 2013)*



ANTHONY KRONMAN is Sterling Professor of Law at the Yale Law School, where he has researched and taught since 1978 in areas including contracts, bankruptcy, legal philosophy, and most recently, law and religion. Since stepping down as Dean of the Law School in 2004, Tony has taught all three of the courses in the Directed Studies Program in Yale College—philosophy, literature and history, and politics. He is currently working on a new book that combines philosophical and historical themes, and is devoted in significant part to the art and philosophy of the ancient world. *(Onboard September 12-23, 2013)*



ANDREW M. T. MOORE is currently First Vice President of the Archaeological Institute of America. Recently retired from Rochester Institute of Technology, he also taught archaeology at the University of Arizona and Yale University. Since 1966, Dr. Moore has participated in archaeological surveys, excavations, and field research in Italy, Malta, Croatia, Greece, Turkey, Israel, Iraq, Jordan, and Syria. In 2002, Dr. Moore began a new project to investigate the spread of farming around the Mediterranean and into southern Europe. He is conducting this research in central Dalmatia, through surveys and excavations at the Neolithic villages of Danilo and Pokrovnik. *(Onboard September 22-October 3, 2013)*



Itinerary

Thursday, September 12, 2013

FLY FROM USA

Friday, September 13

ISTANBUL, TURKEY | EMBARK

CORINTHIAN (D)

Saturday, September 14

CANAKKALE | TROY | CANAKKALE

Call at Canakkale, our gateway for Troy, where ongoing archaeological excavations have revealed nine different layers of cities superimposed in rings on a massive mound rising above the Plain of Ilium. It was to one of these cities, as legend has it, that the Greeks fought the Trojans. (B, L, D)

Sunday, September 15

KUSADASI | EPHESUS | KUSADASI

Drive to the ancient city of Ephesus. The immense Hellenistic and Roman excavation site includes the ancient theater, the imposing Library of Celsus, the hill houses with fantastic mosaics and frescoes, and early Byzantine remains. Spend the afternoon at leisure in Kusadasi. (B, L, D)

Monday, September 16

RETHYMNON | KNOSSOS, CRETE, GREECE

Dominated by a great Venetian fortress, Rethymnon's old town is spread between

the fortress and the harbor. Explore the Fortezza and the Archaeological Museum within the fortress complex. Then travel to Knossos and visit its fabled Minoan Palace, a maze of frescoed corridors and chambers. (B, L, D)

Tuesday, September 17

AT SEA (B, L, D)

Wednesday, September 18

SYRACUSE, SICILY, ITALY

Discover Syracuse's 15,000-seat Greek theater, among the most impressive to survive from antiquity, and the large elliptical Roman amphitheater. After a visit to the Archaeological Museum, walk the lanes of Syracuse's Old Town, situated

on the island of Ortygia, and explore the remains of the Temple of Apollo, the Fountain of Aretusa, and the Cathedral, which incorporates the remains of the Temple of Athena. (B, L, D)

Thursday, September 19

OTRANTO | LECCE

Otranto was the embarkation port of the Crusades. Visit the 11th-century cathedral, known for its floor mosaic, and the Byzantine church of San Pietro, whose interior is covered with frescoes. Alternatively, travel to the Baroque town of Lecce and tour the Piazza del Duomo and Cathedral, Basilica of Santa Croce, and the Amphitheater in Piazza Oronzo. (B, L, D)

Friday, September 20

KOTOR, MONTENEGRO

Magnificently set amid Europe's southernmost fjord, Kotor was well regarded for its masons and icon artists. On a walking tour through this car-free old Mediterranean port, visit the 12th-century Cathedral of St. Tryphon, as well as the Cathedral Square and the Lapidarium. (B, L, D)

Saturday, September 21

DUBROVNIK, CROATIA

Explore Dubrovnik, which rivaled Venice for control of the sea. Visit the Franciscan and Dominican Monasteries, view works by Titian and Andrea del Sarto in the Baroque Cathedral, and see the courtyard of the Rector's Palace. (B, L, D)



Venice, Italy

To Book ▶

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Syracuse, Sicily

Sunday, September 22

SPLIT

Originally a Greco-Illyrian settlement, Split is an ancient city centered around the formidable Palace of Diocletian, built in A.D. 295. An extensive structure, much of which is well preserved, the palace contains within its walls Split's medieval town, making it the only palace that has been continuously inhabited since Roman times. Also visit the Archaeological Museum. (B, L, D)

Monday, September 23

VENICE, ITALY

A morning walking tour begins with a visit to Santa Maria Gloriosa de Frari Basilica, which houses important works by Titian and Giovanni Bellini. Also visit the Scuola Grande di San Rocco to view Tintoretto's magnificent murals. Continue with a special "Cicchetto" tour, which visits three historic Venetian tavernas for tastings of local wines and regional dishes. Enjoy the afternoon at leisure. (B, L, D)

Tuesday, September 24

ZADAR, CROATIA

Controlled by Illyrian tribes, Greeks, Romans, Byzantines, and Hungarians, Zadar came under the Venetians in 1409. Explore the old city, including the Roman Forum; the 9th-century church of St. Donatus; the Cathedral of Anastasia, one of the finest Romanesque churches; and the Archaeological Museum. (B, L, D)

Wednesday, September 25

PLOCE I MOSTAR, BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA I

PLOCE, CROATIA

Sail to Ploce for an excursion to Mostar, which became a thriving center in the 15th century under the Ottoman Turks. Admire the ethereally graceful Stari Most ("Old Bridge"), originally built in 1566, and the Tabacica Mosque. (B, L, D)

Thursday, September 26

DUBROVNIK I TREBINJE, BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA I HERCEG NOVI, MONTENEGRO I PERAST I KOTOR

From Dubrovnik, visit beautiful Trebinje, which was spared destruction during the Bosnian war and still retains its 18th-century charm. Cross the border into Montenegro and explore the old town of Herceg Novi, built on a hill leading down to the sea. Continue to Perast, a small but sophisticated town in the Bay of Kotor. Visit the Maritime Museum and take a short boat ride to visit Gospa od Skrpjela (Our Lady of the Rocks), located on a small island. Reboard *Corinthian* in Kotor. (B, L, D)

Friday, September 27

SARANDA I BUTRINT I SARANDA, ALBANIA

From Saranda, drive to the UNESCO World Heritage site of Butrint. Inhabited since prehistoric times, the city was founded by the Trojans. Its ruins span 2,500 years and include the remains of a Greek acropolis, Roman theater, 6th-century baptistery, and 19th-century fortress. (B, L, D)

Saturday, September 28

ITEA I DELPHI I ITEA, GREECE

Delphi's Sanctuary of Apollo is one of Greece's most impressive sites. From Itea, drive through lush olive groves up to the site, situated upon a mountain terrace. Begin at the Castalian Spring, erupting from the spot where Pegasus is said to have struck his hoof. Continue up the Sacred Way, passing the treasury of the Athenians, the temple of Apollo, the theater, and the ancient stadium. (B, L, D)

Sunday, September 29

CHIOS

Today visit Chios, whose volcanic rock formations and deep green valleys forge a landscape of stunning color oppositions and intricate appearances. Visit the 11th-century Monastery of Nea Moni, a UNESCO World Heritage site and one of the most important ecclesiastical monuments in Greece. The Monastery sits majestically in a wooded vale and is decorated throughout with exquisite frescoes and mosaics. (B, L, D)

Monday, September 30

IZMIR I SARDIS I IZMIR, TURKEY

Visit the ancient city of Sardis, one of the world's wealthiest cities from the 7th to the mid-6th centuries B.C. that was most likely inhabited as far back as 1200 B.C. During the first major excavations here in the 1950s, archaeologists unearthed



Delphi, Greece

an ancient synagogue. Later excavations revealed remnants of a flourishing Jewish settlement. Explore the massive 4th-century A.D. synagogue, whose walls are covered by impressive mosaics; the bath complex; the Temple of Artemis; and other ruins. (B, L, D)

Tuesday, October 1

THESSALONIKI, GREECE

Arrive in Thessaloniki, famous for its late Classical and medieval remains as well as



Ephesus, Turkey

early Christian churches. On a tour of the city, explore several of these monuments, including a visit to a Byzantine church, the Byzantine Museum, or the Archaeological Museum. (B, L, D)

Wednesday, October 2

AT SEA (B, L, D)

Thursday, October 3

ISTANBUL, TURKEY | DISEMBARK | FLY TO USA (B)



The Corinthian

More like a private yacht than a cruise ship, *Corinthian* accommodates only 100 guests in 50 suites. *Corinthian's* limited guest capacity, fine facilities, and distinctive style of operation attract like-minded travelers who return again and again to enjoy a style of cruising that is rarely found today.

All of *Corinthian's* suites face outside, providing views of the sea and landscape. There are expansive open deck areas and attractive facilities, including a gym, spa, library (with Internet access), two lounges, sun deck with Jacuzzi, and outdoor cafe. An elegant restaurant accommodates all guests in an open, unassigned seating. An elevator serves all decks. *Corinthian* is served by 65 seasoned officers and crew.

ALL-INCLUSIVE PRICES

Port duties, group transfers, gratuities to porters, guides, and drivers—all are included—as is all sightseeing. The bar aboard ship is open, and wine at lunch and dinner is complimentary. Virtually the only expenses not covered are gratuities to shipboard personnel—because we believe tips are a reward for exceptional service and should be earned.

Included

- All tours and excursions
- Comprehensive pre-departure materials
- Baggage handling and transfers abroad on the designated arrival and departure dates
- Port and embarkation taxes
- Gratuities to porters, guides, and drivers
- Welcome and farewell cocktail receptions
- All meals and open bar aboard ship
- Professional Travel Dynamics International tour staff
- Educational Program of lectures and discussions with accompanying study leaders
- Emergency evacuation insurance (up to \$50,000) and access to emergency assistance service

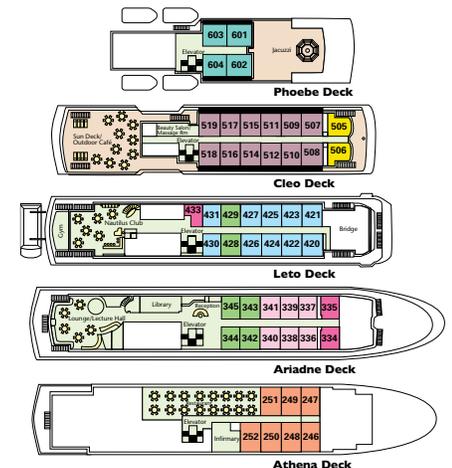
Not Included

- Visa and passport fees (if applicable)
- Trip cancellation and baggage insurance
- Incidental expenses aboard (laundry, telephone, Internet)
- Gratuities to shipboard personnel

Airfare

Airfare is not included in the Cruise and Land Rates. Please contact your preferred airline, travel agent, or the Travel Dynamics International air desk for flight information. Consultants are available Monday – Friday from 9:00 am – 5:30 pm (EST) toll-free at 1-877-711-9896. Please have your tour code (13213C) and dates handy for reference.

DECK PLAN



Veranda Suite

All accommodations aboard *Corinthian* are suites

CRUISE AND LAND RATES | PER PERSON, DOUBLE OCCUPANCY

All accommodations aboard *Corinthian* are suites. They face outside, affording sea views, and include a bedroom with two twin-size beds that can convert to a queen-size bed, sitting area, mini-refrigerator, safe, spacious closets, climate control, telephone, TV, DVD/CD player, Internet connection, and bathroom with marble vanity, shower, and other amenities. All suites are non-smoking.

CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION	FULL BROCHURE RATES	SPECIAL OFFER RATES
E	Deluxe suites on Ariadne and Leto Decks with windows and sitting area. 215 sq. ft. Suites *342-*345,*428,*429 *PARTIALLY OBSTRUCTED VIEW	\$15,980	\$9,990
D	Deluxe suites on Ariadne and Leto Decks with window and sitting area. 215 sq. ft. Suites 334 - 335, 433	\$17,780	\$12,490
C	Deluxe suites on Athena Deck with portholes and sitting area. 275 sq. ft. Suites 246 - 252	\$19,580	\$13,490
B	Deluxe suites on Ariadne Deck with windows and sitting area. 225 sq. ft. Suites 336 - 341	\$21,580	\$14,990
A	Deluxe suites on Leto Deck with window and sitting area. 235 sq. ft. Suites 420 - 427, 430 - 431	\$23,380	\$15,990
AA	Deluxe suites on Cleo Deck with forward windows and sitting area. 285 sq. ft. Suites 505 - 506	\$25,380	\$16,990
VS	Deluxe Veranda Suites on Cleo Deck with private balcony and sitting area. 245 sq. ft. Suites 507 - 519	\$27,580	\$17,990
PHS	Deluxe Penthouse Suites on Phoebe Deck with private balcony and sitting area. 260 sq. ft. Suites 601 - 604	\$29,980	\$18,990

VS & PHS suites are provided with private butler service and other exclusive amenities.

SINGLES: Single accommodations are available in categories E, C, and A at a \$2,000 supplement to the per person, double occupancy rates.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

These are abbreviated Terms & Conditions. Please visit SmithsonianJourneys.org for complete Terms & Conditions.

Registration

Space is reserved in the order of receipt of reservation request.

To submit a request for a reservation, please order using our secure online process starting at SmithsonianJourneys.org or call 1-877-338-8687 to speak with a Reservations Specialist, Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. (Eastern Time).

Submitting an online request does not guarantee space on a tour. You will be notified of your status when your request has been received and processed.

Payments

Deposit of \$1,500 per person, per tour, payable by check or major credit card to the tour operator is required to reserve a space on a tour. Deposits are applied to payment of the program price.

If you are not a Smithsonian member, please add \$29 for a one-year membership. Only one membership per household is required.

Please note: Balance due upon invoicing, 90 days prior to departure.

If purchasing air arrangements, airfare will be billed by Valerie Wilson Travel, Inc. and may be paid by check or credit card.

A Note About Costs

Tour costs are based upon current airfares, tariffs, currency values, and on the basis of a minimum number of participants. While we will do everything possible to maintain the listed prices, they are subject to change. Should actual enrollments fall significantly below minimum numbers, a surcharge may be added. Due to fluctuations in oil prices, a fuel surcharge may be added to your tour fee (e.g. internal flights, cruises, etc.). Details and costs will be advised prior to departure.

Cancellation and Refund Policy

Per person cancellation fees are based on date of notice to Smithsonian Journeys (subsequent written notice required):

- Cancellation within 7 days of booking (prior to final payment date): full refund.
- Cancellation after 7 days of booking: \$600 per person cancellation fee.
- Final payment due: 90 days before departure.
- Cancellation made within 90 days prior to departure: no refund.
- Cancellation by the Smithsonian: full refund.
- No refund for unused portions of the tour, including but not limited to, missed meals, hotel nights, and sightseeing.

Please understand that there will be no exceptions to our cancellation policies.

Air Service

Individual Arrivals and Group Transfers

Your first tour bulletin will thoroughly explain the details of the options available for your flights.

Travel Insurance

Smithsonian Journeys' optional Travelers' Protection Plan helps ease your worries. If unexpected circumstances should arise and you must cancel or interrupt your trip, our plan covers your investment. For the convenience of our travelers, Smithsonian Journeys makes available a Travelers' Protection Plan Travel Insurance. We strongly urge you to consider this plan or another of your choosing in addition to your own health insurance policy and the coverage for emergency evacuation, medical and dental expenses, and worldwide emergency assistance service included in the price of your tour. The plan provides help in many unexpected circumstances, such as loss, delay, or damage of baggage; a medical problem that may suddenly arise which causes you to cancel your trip; and medical costs outside the

U.S. (most medical policies, including Medicare, do not provide full coverage for medical expenses incurred outside of the U.S.).

RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT AND LIABILITY DISCLAIMER

Read Carefully: Responsibility Statement and Liability Disclaimer

Smithsonian Journeys are managed by professional tour operators hired as independent contractors. The use of tour operators allows the Smithsonian to offer its members a wide array of educational travel opportunities. The tour operator acts only as an agent for the respective suppliers by making arrangements for transportation, accommodations, and other services. Neither the Smithsonian Institution nor the tour operator shall be held liable for personal injury, death, property damage or accident, delay or irregularity arising out of any act or omission of these suppliers. The Smithsonian Institution and the tour operator reserve the right, without penalty, to make changes in the published itinerary whenever, in their judgment, conditions warrant, or if they deem it necessary for the comfort, convenience, or safety of tour participants.

The Smithsonian Institution and the tour operator also reserve the right, without penalty, to withdraw the tour announced, to decline to accept any person as a participant in a tour, or to require any participant to withdraw from the tour at any time, when such action is determined by tour staff to be in the best interests of the health, safety or general welfare of the tour group or the individual participant, subject only to the requirement that the recoverable portion of the total amount paid that corresponds to the cost of unused services and accommodations be refunded, if any. Participants are encouraged to purchase airline tickets no sooner than 60 days before the tour begins to avoid airline cancellation penalties if a tour is canceled or otherwise modified subsequent to the participant's purchase of those tickets. The Smithsonian Institution and the tour operator accept no liability for the purchase of non-refundable airline tickets to the tour departure city and return. Baggage and personal effects are at all times the sole responsibility of the participant.

Dates, schedules, program details, and costs, although provided in good faith based on information available at the time of publication of the brochure or catalog, are subject to change and revision.

AS A CONDITION OF ACCEPTANCE OF ANY APPLICATION, EACH APPLICANT MUST AGREE TO THE STATEMENT SET FORTH BELOW:

The undersigned has read carefully the Responsibility Statement and Liability Disclaimer set forth above, the schedule of activities for this tour, as well as the terms and conditions of application and participation as set forth in the tour brochure(s), and recognizes and accepts any risk associated with the tour and the conditions, including the refund policy, set forth in the tour brochure(s). The undersigned further acknowledges that there are many risks and uncertainties inherent in any travel tour, including but not limited to the hazards of various modes of transportation, forces of nature, acts or omissions of foreign governments, terrorism, war or insurrection, theft, illness, and damage to person or property due to the negligent acts or omissions of tour staff or others. In consideration of, and as part payment for, the right to participate in the tour, the undersigned, on behalf of himself, his dependents, heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, agrees to release the Smithsonian Institution, its Regents, officers, employees, representatives or agents, the United States, and the tour operator and its officers, employees and agents, from liability for personal injury, death, property damage or loss suffered by any person in connection with this tour, even if caused by the negligence (but not the reckless, willful, or fraudulent conduct) of tour staff or other related persons or entities. In addition, by registering for this tour, the applicant certifies that he or she is mentally and physically capable of full participation in this tour.

By registering for a Smithsonian Journey, the participant agrees to the Responsibility Statement and Liability Disclaimer and the Terms and Conditions herein.

Resolution of any disputes arising hereunder shall be brought within the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, pursuant to applicable federal laws, including maritime statutes, except any such claim involving any such defendant or party which must be brought in the Court of Federal Claims. With respect to any claim which must be brought in the Court of Federal Claims, then those claims must be brought within that venue.

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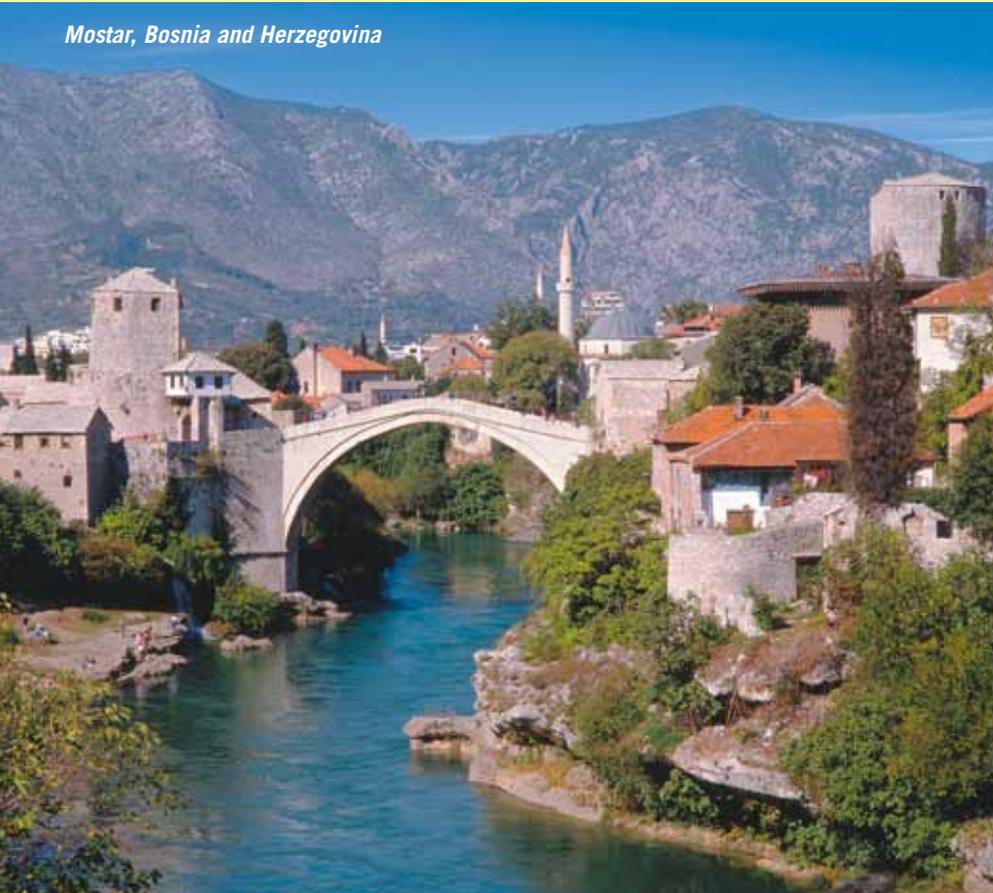


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Mostar, Bosnia and Herzegovina



Knossos, Crete

