

Sew We Go to the Adriatic



Quilt Adventures with Chris & Wendy

It is time for another exciting adventure with Wendy & Chris! Join them onboard the Norwegian Jade for a cruise of the Adriatic Sea, sailing from Venice in September 2016. This ship features 14 decks and holds 2,300 passengers, the perfect size to access the smaller ports along the Adriatic coast. The ship features 19 restaurants, 12 bars/lounges, and many other offerings to keep you busy. While we will have a busy week, there will be two days at sea so you can enjoy all this ship has to offer. Temperatures should be perfect for touring, between 70° & 80° on average, depending on the port, with minimal rain. We are adding a night on each end of the trip so you can travel without the worry of delays affecting your adventure. Of course, you may choose to add additional nights or flight deviations and make this trip truly your own.

- Thursday, September 22** Fly to **Venice**, Italy on an overnight flight
Friday, September 23 Flight arrivals in **Venice**. Enjoy the city at your leisure. Overnight in Venice.
Saturday, September 24 Sightseeing tour as we head to the port to board the ship by 2 pm.
Sunday, September 25 **Dubrovnik, Croatia** In port from 2-9 pm

Despite the magnificent 13th century walls that surround the city, Dubrovnik, Croatia is one of the most welcoming cruise destinations in all of Europe. Dubbed "the pearl of the Adriatic" by the poet, Lord Byron, this Croatian city exudes romantic charm and beautiful scenery with its shimmering marble streets, centuries-old buildings capped by bright orange roofs, and lovely beaches ensconced between awesome rocky ledges. The historic Old Town has not changed much over the centuries with water and horse-powered mills. And with the city on the UNESCO list of World Heritage Sites, this truly historic town will continue embracing its heritage for many years to come.

- Monday, September 26** at sea
Tuesday, September 27 **Piraeus (Athens), Greece** In port from 8 am-6 pm
Athens, Greece is the cradle of civilization, the oldest city in Europe. Occupied since at least the 26th century B.C., the history to be found here is unrivaled. Not only is this city home to the Acropolis and some of the most important architectural structures and archaeological finds in the Western world, it is also a very modern city, an urban amalgam of extraordinary art, culture, cuisine and shopping.

- Wednesday, September 28** **Kusadasi (Ephesus), Turkey** In port from 8 am-5 pm
Take a journey into the past in richly historic Ephesus, Turkey. Once an ancient Greek city, Kusadasi was known for the famed Temple of Artemis, one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World. Built, destroyed, and rebuilt again through several notably historical periods, Ephesus boasts abounding ruins and archaeological excavation sites. View the remains of the Roman Library of Celsus, the Gate of Augustus, the Tomb of John the Apostle, the home of the Virgin Mary, and the Basilica of St. John, among several other ancient sites. In addition, this area is famous for their woven rugs, vineyards, olive groves, peaches, and apricots.

- Thursday, September 29** at sea
Friday, September 30 **Split, Croatia** In port from 11 am-6 pm
Another UNESCO World Heritage Site, Split, Croatia on the eastern shores of the Adriatic, has a long and eventful history dating back to the Greek colonies of 425 B.C. The city became an important settlement with the construction of Diocletian's Palace (295 A.D.) in the center of the city. Split offers a wealth of exciting places to visit, from the majestic cathedral and marble streets in the center of town to the harbor area with its cafe-lined promenades and views of coastal mountains. Combined with the medieval city of Trogir, one has the rare opportunity to visit two World Heritage Sites on the same day.

- Saturday, October 1** arrive **Venice** 8 am, disembark, tour and overnight in Venice
Sunday, October 2 return flights from Venice

About: While Chris & Wendy host these trips to gather with other quilters, we work to create a trip that any traveler will enjoy. The fiber-related components are optional with delightful alternatives for those not interested in the fiber arts so don't hesitate to bring a friend or spouse. We include private group tours, classes, group meals, and informal gatherings for your enjoyment. Specific shore excursion and touring details will be available in Spring 2016 but you can be sure we will include the must-see sights of each destination we visit. We encourage you to explore each destination to the fullest and take in all the activities onboard the ship, whether with the group or on your own.



Air Transportation: Due to regularly full flights, group fares are no longer very attractive (minimal discount, last minute seat assignments, no deviations). As such, we recommend purchasing individual tickets that best fit your itinerary and needs. Currently, round-trip Chicago-Venice fares for shorter duration itineraries are around \$1,430. Lower fares are currently available with longer layovers (\$1,150) or multiple stops (\$900). We are here to help you book flights if you would like assistance. We suggest not booking tickets until we have confirmed the minimum required participants for this group sailing.

Documentation: This trip requires that you have a passport that does not expire before April 4, 2017 (or six months after your return date). Passports applications may be filed at your local post office. All ports on this cruise allow you the freedom to tour as you like without visas.

What's Included? Cruise fare, port fees, government taxes, ship gratuities, group gatherings/tours/excursions, two nights Venice-area hotel (one pre, one post), most meals^A onboard, beverage package^B onboard, and 100 minute per stateroom internet package. Also included are Venice airport transfers (as a group on main arrival & departure days) along with additional meals and entrance fees, detailed once our excursions are finalized.

Insurance: Through experience, we have made it our policy not to include travel insurance in package pricing. While including it makes it easier, finding that your needs are not covered by a universal policy makes that coverage a waste of money. We recommend independent internet sites (such as travelinsurancereview.net) to find the coverage you need based on your work status, health, and choice of coverage level. A policy for this trip, covering the customary inclusions can be expected to cost \$150-\$250 per person. Insurance is optional. We will assist you in obtaining a policy if you so desire.

Cruise Documents: NCL provides all travel documents electronically and requires advance online check-in. Each traveler will be required to set up an account at ncl.com and complete the check-in process prior to departure. If you do not have access to the internet, please check the appropriate box on the registration form and we will contact you for the information necessary to get checked in and obtain your documents prior to sailing.

Dining: NCL has a reputation for re-imagining the whole concept of cruising by creating Freestyle Dining. There are numerous dining options available to please your palate. Your choices include seven complimentary restaurants [buffet & table service], six specialty^A restaurants [steakhouse, churrascaria, French, Asian, Italian, Chef's Table], as well as room service, bake shop, and pizza delivery. ^ASpecialty restaurants have an additional cover charge.

Entertainment & Fun: You'll find a grand casino, full service spa, fitness center, card room, internet café, jogging/walking track, art gallery, library, chapel, pools /hot tubs, kid's center, teen disco and much more. Visit [here](#) to read more about the ship.

Beverage Package: ^BUnlimited Fountain Soda featuring soft drinks at all restaurants and bars, including gratuity. You may upgrade your soft drink package to a wine/beer (+\$350) or alcohol (+\$430) beverage package, please indicate your interest on the form. (All occupants of stateroom must have same package. Packages do not include package sales, "take aways", mini bar purchases, bottled water, specialty coffee beverages, or Red Bull energy drinks. ⁺Upgrade price subject to change.)

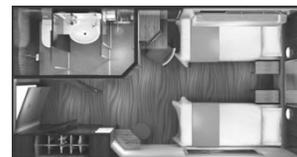
Stateroom Occupancy: All pricing is per person, based on two per stateroom. Single occupancy is higher in cost, please indicate your interest in the single rate on the form and we will get a quote. NCL limits the number of single occupancy staterooms for each group onboard. If you do not have a roommate and would like one, we will put you in touch with others looking to share so you can determine compatibility.

Stateroom Options: (All have two lower beds that convert to queen with bedding for additional occupants.)



Balcony Stateroom (BA) mid ship, decks 9, 10
200 sf, maximum occupancy 4, walkout balcony

Inside Stateroom (IB) mid ship, decks 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11
140 sf, maximum occupancy 4



Outside Stateroom (OB) mid ship, deck 5
155 sf, maximum occupancy 3, picture window

Pricing: We have reserved a limited number of staterooms in the three categories listed. Alternate categories may be available with pricing at the discretion of NCL. You will be notified of any price adjustments prior to deposit processing should our group block be filled at the time of your reservation.

Cruise/Land Package: Balcony (BA) \$3,657 Outside (OB) \$3,446 Inside (IB) \$2,899
Pricing is per person based on two in a stateroom.

Credit cards will be processed through PayPal with a 2.5% surcharge.

Additional Costs: Airfare, fly into Venice Marco Polo (VCE). Insurance - Optional

To Reserve Your Space: Complete the registration form in its entirety and submit with payment. We must have your signature on file before confirming your reservation. Payment may be made by check or credit card. Check payments may be made as often as you like provided the minimums due at each deposit date is met. Credit card payments will be processed at due dates to eliminate additional transaction fees.

We expect this trip to sell out quickly. Please register your participation by December 20, 2015.

Payment Schedule:

Upon reservation: \$500[#] per person
February 10: Additional \$900[#] per person
April 10: Additional \$900[#] per person
June 10: Balance Due

[#]Single occupancy staterooms require larger deposits.

Cancellations:

Prior to January 10	no fees assessed
January 11 until February 10	\$150 per person
February 11 until April 10	\$700 per person
April 11 until June 10	\$1,200 per person
June 11 or after	100%



Send the completed form along with a check (payable to Journeys & Gatherings) or credit card information to:
Journeys & Gatherings, Kristi Mirocha, 2060 Hawthorne Drive, Elm Grove WI 53122
(Do not send credit card information via email.)

Questions? 262-786-6763 or kristi@journeysandgatherings.com

Sew We Go to the Adriatic 2016 Reservation Form, September 22-October 2, 2016

You will provide your passport and emergency contact information directly to NCL when completing your online registration and obtaining your e-documents prior to sailing. If you do not have internet access, please check the box under contact info.

Passenger 1:

Name (as it appears on your passport) _____

First Name you would like on your name badge _____ Date of Birth: _____

Previously sailed on NCL? No Yes, Latitudes Number (or Sail Date) _____ Citizenship: US Other

I do / do not wish to participate in hand sewing classes on board. I am interested in pricing excluding excursions[@]
[@]Provided we meet our minimums, we may be able to allow some opt-outs for shore excursions-must be all, cannot select a few ports.

I am interested in single pricing in the following category/ies: Balcony Outside Inside

I am interested in upgrading my beverage package to Ultimate (all drinks with prices up to \$15) Wine & Beer (by the glass)
Each stateroom occupant must purchase the same beverage package so once accepted, all roommates will be charged for the same package.

Passenger 2: (if roommate has different address/email and/or is paying separately, each should submit their own form & reference the other's name here)

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Your Contact Info for trip updates, payment reminders, and general questions prior to travel (most will be done by email):

I do not have email or use the internet

Phone Number: _____ Email address: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Payment: **Check** (Journeys & Gatherings) **Credit Card** (MC/VI/DS): fill out section below [2.5% surcharge, processed via PayPal]

This section for credit card payments only. **Billing Address** for card (if different from above):

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Card Type: MC VI DS Expiration Date: _____ Security Code: (required) _____

Number _____

Summary:

Cruise Package (per person) Balcony \$3,657 Outside \$3,446 Inside \$2,899 x _____ = \$ _____

NCL Cruise Rewards (submit copy of certificate) -\$ _____

Reservation Deposit (\$500 per person) -\$ _____

Balance Due \$ _____

Initial Deposit of \$500 due with reservation request. Deposit is greater if registration is later than February 10.

I would like assistance with flight arrangements travel insurance

Best time(s) to call me: _____

I want my stateroom near (names): _____

Notes/Requests _____

Signature (required regardless of payment method): _____

Send this form along with a check (payable to Journeys & Gatherings) or credit card information to:

Kristi Mirocha, Journeys & Gatherings, 2060 Hawthorne Drive, Elm Grove WI 53122

Please keep a copy of this form for your records.