Join PROFESSOR JOHN HALE On His 10th Voyage with YET

HIDDEN TREASURES OF THE MEDITERRANEAN
The World of the Phoenicians, Etruscans, Greeks & Romans
Aboard the All-Suite, 50-Cabin Corinthian

May 13 – 23, 2013
Dear Yale Alumni and Friends,

Civilizations flourish when different cultures meet and trigger a dialectic of ideas and innovations. Nowhere in the world do more diverse cultures convene than in the Mediterranean, the seabed of Western Civilization. While other cruises may focus on the monuments of ancient Greece and Rome, this voyage also includes Phoenician and Etruscan sites that rarely appear on Mediterranean itineraries.

The Phoenicians, among the most intrepid sailors and merchants of the ancient world, flourished in ancient Canaan during the years 1,200 – 800 B.C., and founded trading posts and colonies as far west as Spain. They were master workers of bronze and ivory, and their textile—dyed the rich color we call Tyrian purple—brought high prices in the markets around the Mediterranean, and even in Britain.

Although Phoenicians are fairly well understood by scholars, the Etruscans remain a mystery and their origins are unknown. While the Phoenicians were preeminent traders, the Etruscans were artists. Living mostly between the Tiber and Arno rivers, in Italy’s Tuscany, Umbria, and Lazio regions, they left arresting portraits of themselves in stone, terra-cotta, and bronze, which you will see on display in Tarquinia, considered to be their cultural and political center. The enigmatic Etruscans traded with the Greek colonies in the south of Italy, and absorbed many of the cultural traits of the Greeks. By the 6th century B.C., they were the most powerful people in northern Italy.

In designing this itinerary, we have mostly selected ports and sites that are rarely visited. Nor are they part of the repertory of the mega cruise ships. This is an itinerary that befits a small ship and a small group of like-minded travelers who seek unusual destinations and “undiscovered” gems.

The tailor-made itinerary, the elegant all-suite Corinthian, the ship for this voyage which accommodates only 100 guests, and the leadership of Professor John Hale are certain to make this an exceedingly enjoyable and educational program.

Happy travels,

Katherine Edersheim ’87
Senior Director, International Alumni Relations and Travel

P.S. Book early to make sure you get one of the 50 cabins on the Corinthian.
John R. Hale, a native of Indiana, earned his B.A. at Yale (1973) and his Ph.D. in archaeology from Cambridge University. He has conducted fieldwork at classical and prehistoric sites in Greece (including Delphi), England, Portugal, Norway, and the Ohio River Valley, and has published reports in *Scientific American*, *Antiquity*, and the *Journal of Roman Archaeology*. Professor Hale is currently Director of Liberal Studies at the University of Louisville, where his current projects include a survey of ancient oracle sites, an underwater search in the Aegean for lost war ships from the time of the Persian Wars, and a book on the Athenian navy titled *Lords of the Sea*. John, an exceptional teacher, has been the lecturer on nine previous Yale Educational Travel trips in the Mediterranean, and *Hidden Treasures of the Mediterranean* will be his tenth.
ITINERARY

Monday, May 13, 2013

FLY FROM THE USA
Depart USA for Barcelona, Spain.

Tuesday, May 14

BARCELONA, CATALONIA, SPAIN | EMBARK
Arrive in Barcelona and transfer to embark Corinthian. (D)

Wednesday, May 15

AT SEA
Relax and attend lectures aboard Corinthian en route to Sardinia. (B, L, D)

Thursday, May 16

SANT’ANTIOCO ISLAND, SARDEDIA, ITALY
Located off the southwest corner of Sardinia, Sant’Antioco was a flourishing Phoenician center, dating back to the 9th century B.C. Explore Sulcis, the Phoenician town, later taken over by the Romans. Also visit the old church of Sant’Antioco, with its catacombs dating from the 2nd to the 7th centuries, which are linked to the Punic underground chambers. (B, L, D)

Friday, May 17

CEFALU, SICILY
Built between an imposing rock and the sea, picturesque Cefalu—with its cobblestoned streets lined with fine buildings—has retained its lovely medieval character. Founded by Greeks at the end of the 5th century B.C., Cefalu’s many
Remarkable Paestum, one of the best preserved ancient sites in the Mediterranean

attractions include the stunning Norman cathedral, begun in 1131, with its soaring ancient Roman columns and exquisite mosaics. In addition to visiting the cathedral, you will also tour the Mandralisca Museum, which houses a once-private collection of fine ancient and medieval artifacts. Time will be available to enjoy Cefalu on your own before sailing. (B, L, D)

Saturday, May 18

VIBO VALENTIA, CALABRIA

Call at Vibo Valentia Marina on Calabria’s Tyrrhenian coast, and drive the short distance to Vibo Valentia, originally an ancient Greek settlement famed for its horses bred on the pastures of the plateau on which the town is set. Explore this unspoiled town, including the imposing Greek walls, the Archaeological Museum, and the church of Santa Maria Maggiore with its impressive 18th-century decorations. Vibo Valentia is an ideal town to enjoy on your own and you may do so in the afternoon. (B, L, D)

Sunday, May 19

AGROPOLI | PAESTUM | AGROPOLI, CAMPANIA

The old town of Agropoli is built on a headland above a beautiful bay. A short distance away is Paestum, the ancient Poseidonia (City of Poseidon), which was founded by Greeks around 600 B.C. and later taken over by the Romans. Paestum is famed for its magnificent Doric temples, which are among the best preserved ancient monuments in the Mediterranean. After exploring the celebrated temples, other ancient remains and the museum, return to Agropoli for time at leisure. (B, L, D)

Monday, May 20

THE ANCIENT SITES OF THE VESUVIAN SHORE

The small port of Castellammare di Stabia, where Corinthian will dock for the day, makes for a convenient base for exploration of the ancient sites that were destroyed by the catastrophic eruption of Mt. Vesuvius in A.D. 79. Included are Pompeii, the fabled Roman town, which has been excavated over the past two centuries; and Herculaneum, the residential town dedicated to its patron deity, Hercules. Alternatively, you may explore the exquisite Villa of Poppaea at Oplontis, which was unearthed between 1964 and 1984. (B, L, D)
Tuesday, May 21

THE REALM OF THE ETRUSCANS, TUSCANY
The western part of central Italy was known as Etruria, the homeland of the Etruscans, who thrived in this area from about 900 B.C. to the 3rd century B.C., when Etruria was absorbed by the expanding Roman Empire. From the port of Civitavecchia, drive to Tarquinia, which was probably the lead city of the Etruscan Confederacy and is famous for its remarkable painted tombs. 5,735 tombs have been found, the most notable of which are those dating from the 6th century B.C. Visit several of the most prominent tombs and the superb National Museum, housed in a splendid Renaissance palazzo. (B, L, D)

Wednesday, May 22

BASTIA | ALERIA | BASTIA, CORSE, FRANCE
From Bastia, Corsica’s main commercial city, drive along the island’s fertile and pleasant east coast to Aleria, the ancient Roman capital of Corsica. Aleria was first settled in 564 B.C. by Greeks, who introduced the cultivation of grape vines and olive trees. Occupied briefly by Carthaginians in the 3rd century B.C., Aleria was then conquered by the Romans, under whom the city prospered. Explore the remains of the ancient city, built on a gentle slope by a river, and visit the museum, which houses objects from the site. This region of Corsica is well known for its oysters and mussels, and we will have the opportunity to taste these delicacies. (B, L, D)

Thursday, May 23

NICE | DISEMBARK | FLY HOME
Dock in Nice in the morning. Transfer to the airport for return flight home. (B)

A NEW WAY TO EXPERIENCE THE PLEASURES OF THE MEDITERRANEAN
There’s a sense of freedom on a bicycle. Pedaling through the countryside, you get to know the landscape intimately. It is a joyful way to explore. And it’s fun. To enable you to uniquely experience some of the most scenic regions of the Mediterranean, Corinthian carries a fleet of bicycles on board. When circumstances allow, as an alternative to our traditional excursions, you will have the option of joining a bicycle excursion led by our resident Bicycle Master. We have selected the routes carefully so that you will be biking leisurely over easy-to-moderate terrain. And all of our bicycle excursions are available at no additional cost.
The Temple of Apollo in Pompeii

Medieval Cefalu, nestled between its steep rock and the sea
Corinthian Sets the Standard for Private-Style Cruising

As you board the Corinthian, it is more like boarding a private yacht than a cruise ship. With a maximum of 100 guests in 50 suites, Corinthian is a delightful alternative to the mega cruise ships that carry thousands of passengers. Corinthian’s limited guest capacity, fine facilities, and distinctive style of operation attract like-minded travelers who return again and again to enjoy its custom-crafted itineraries and a style of cruising that is rarely found today.

All of Corinthian’s suites face outside, providing views of the sea and landscape. Several have a private balcony. There are expansive open deck areas and attractive facilities, including a gym, spa, library (with Internet access), beauty salon, boutique, two lounges, a sun deck with Jacuzzi, and an outdoor cafe. An elegant restaurant accommodates all guests in an open, unassigned seating. An elevator serves all decks. A resident physician attends a well-equipped infirmary. Limited Wi-Fi is available throughout the ship.

Served by 65 seasoned officers and crew, Corinthian complies with the latest international safety regulations, including those of the U.S. Coast Guard, meets the requirements of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention/U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, and is outfitted with the most current navigational and communications technology. Corinthian is equipped with retractable fin stabilizers and a fleet of Zodiac inflatable craft for forays ashore.
Once aboard *Corinthian*, it’s a challenge to find ways to spend money. There are no hidden fees. 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

**NOT INCLUDED**
- Visa and passport fees (if applicable)
- Trip cancellation and baggage insurance
- Incidental expenses aboard (laundry, telephone, Internet)

**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 (13206) and dates handy for reference.

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

**PAYMENT SCHEDULE:** A deposit of $1,500 per person is required to reserve your space on the tour. For your convenience, you may charge your deposit to your American Express, Visa, Discover, or MasterCard. Final payment is due 90 days prior to departure. Credit cards are not accepted for final payment. However, personal checks are accepted for both deposit and final payment.

**CANCELLATIONS & REFUNDS:** All cancellations are subject to a $300 per person fee. Cancellations received 61-90 days prior to departure will be assessed a penalty equal to 50% of the total program cost per person. Cancellations received within 60 days of departure are subject to 100% cancellation penalties.

**INSURANCE:** We recommend the purchase of trip cancellation insurance. Details will be sent upon registration.

**ITINERARY:** The itinerary, accommodations, and arrangements are subject to change at the discretion of Travel Dynamics International.

**FUEL SUPPLEMENT:** Travel Dynamics International reserves the right to charge a fuel supplement, without prior notice, if the NYMEX oil price exceeds $85 per barrel. This supplement may be charged even if the cruise fare has been paid in full.

**SHIP’S REGISTRY:** Malta

**DUE TO SPACE LIMITATIONS, THIS IS ABBREVIATED INFORMATION. PLEASE CONTACT US FOR COMPLETE TERMS AND CONDITIONS.**

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### CRUISE & 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.

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

### SPECIAL OFFERS
- Book by March 15th for a free deluxe hotel night May 13th in Barcelona. (Note: Fly from the U.S. on May 12th.)
- Single supplement waived for solo travelers if reservation is made by March 15th.

### REGISTRATION

To reserve today, please register online at www.YaleEdTravel.org/catalonia13 or fax this reservation form to Yale Educational Travel at 203-432-0587. To hold a cabin for one week, pending receipt of your reservation form and deposit, please phone (203) 432-1952.

Please mail this registration form and your deposit to:

Yale Educational Travel, Box 209010, New Haven, CT 06520-9010.

- **Check:** Enclosed is my check made payable to Travel Dynamics International for $________ ($1,500 per person) as a deposit to hold _______ places(s) on Hidden Treasures of the Mediterranean.
- **Credit Card:** No check is enclosed. Please charge my credit card for $________ ($1,500 per person) as a deposit to hold _______ places(s) on Hidden Treasures of the Mediterranean.
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Corsica’s Bastia in its commanding position