



2025 MEDITERRANEAN CRUISE

Cruise with Anthony Sweat • May 22 - June 3, 2025 + Rome Pre-Tour & Athens Post-Tour

Come cruise with BYU Professor and artist/author, Antony Sweat next spring for a life changing, once-in-a-lifetime Mediterranean cruise! This amazing cruise starts in Rome with an INCLUDED 3-night pre-cruise package! Rome will include a visit to the LDS Rome Temple and all the many not to be missed highlights of this historic city. Also, join us for an included 1-day post-tour in Athens, Greece! The fun never stops on this cruise! While onboard our group will have special seminars teaching & preparing you for these places you'll visit and enjoy time with your group. You don't want to let this special experience slip away. Reserve your cabin now!

Date	Daily Schedule	Date	Daily Schedule
05/22 - Thu	US Flights - Rome	05/29 - Thu	Day at Sea
05/23 - Fri	Rome, Italy	05/30 - Fri	Santorini, Greece
05/24 - Sat	Rome, Italy	05/31 - Sat	Ephesus (Kusadasi), Turkey
05/25 - Sun	Rome, Italy	06/01 - Sun	Mykonos, Greece
05/26 - Mon	Rome, Italy – Civitavecchia Cruise Port	06/02 - Mon	Athens (Piraeus), Greece – Corinth, Greece
05/27 - Tue	Naples, Italy	06/03 - Tue	Athens Airport - Flights Home
05/28 - Wed	Sicily (Messina), Italy		

Highlights of the Tour:

- Morris Murdock LDS tour Director for the whole trip along with local guides
- The package includes the 3-night Rome Pre-tour with a visit to the LDS Rome Temple
- Licensed, insured, and bonded travel agency with 60 years of experience!! IT MATTERS!

Price from **\$2,970**
per person/double occupancy
(13 Days/12 Nights)

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Your Tour Host:



Anthony Sweat is an Assistant Professor of Church History and Doctrine at Brigham Young University. He is the author of several books such as: *Mormons, An Open Book* and *Why? Powerful Answers and Practical Reasons for Living LDS Standards*. He received his PhD in education from Utah State University and is a regular speaker at various LDS conferences, including BYU Education Week and Especially For Youth. He and his lovely wife, Cindy, are the parents of seven children.

Included

- 3 Night Pre-tour in Rome including touring, free time, and an optional visit to LDS Temple
- 8-day cruise onboard the Royal Caribbean Voyager of the Seas
- 1-night Post-tour in Athen's including Corinth
- Round Trip transfers with group flight times
- All meals and other public entertainment onboard
- Cruise Port Charges
- Multiple private faith-based lectures/devotionals with Anthony Sweat
- Travel document package

Not included:

- Government fees and land taxes of \$129.21 per person
- Optional private shore excursions as listed on each excursion day.
- International Flights
- Trip cancellation & trip interruption insurance - Ask for details
- Optional Cruise Prepaid Gratuities \$126 per person

Cruise Pricing:

- Inside Cabin: \$2,970 per person/double occupancy - Category 4V
- Outside Window Cabin: \$3,215 per person/double occupancy - Category 4N
- Outside Window Cabin: \$3,395 per person/double occupancy - Category 2N
- Balcony Cabin: \$3,495 per person/double occupancy - Category 4D
- Balcony Cabin: \$3,720 per person/double occupancy - Category 2D
- Other cabin categories available - best cabins and price will be confirmed at the time of booking.
- Note: Single/triple/quad cabins are based on availability and are subject to change. Rates will be quoted based on availability.

Cruise Tour Add-On Options - See below for full details

- Day 6 Optional Private Group Shore Excursion in Pompeii (Naples) - \$204 per person
- Day 7 Optional Private Group Shore Excursion in Taormina (Messina, Sicily) Italy - \$230 per person
- Day 9 Optional Private Group Shore Excursion in Santorini, Greece - \$195 per person
- Day 10 Optional Private Group Shore Excursion in Ephesus, Turkey - \$126 per person

Payment Terms:

- \$500 deposit due at the time of booking
- Final Payment due February 18, 2025
- Offering a CASH DISCOUNT of \$100 off per person for payments made by ACH or check after the initial deposit
- Refer to our terms and conditions

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Tour ID # 9225E22 – Tour Manager: Dani Edmunds, phone#: (801) 483-6114, email: dedmunds@morrismurdock.com

Day 1: Thursday, May 22, 2025

US Flights - Rome

Today depart your home cities and travel overnight to Rome.

Meals: In-flight



Day 2: Friday, May 23, 2025

Rome, Italy

Welcome to Rome! Upon our arrival into Rome, we will be met at the airport and begin our adventure and exploration of the Eternal City with a tour of the Vatican, including the Vatican Museums, Sistine Chapel and St. Peter's Basilica. Tonight, we enjoy our welcome dinner and introductions. **Meals: Dinner**



Day 3: Saturday, May 24, 2025

Rome, Italy

Today we travel outside the "old city" of Rome to see the Rome Temple Visitor's Center and Temple. For those who wish to do proxy work in the temple, time will be allotted to do so. Afternoon sightseeing includes old town Rome with Spanish Steps, Trevi Fountain, Pantheon, and Piazza Navona. Evening at leisure. **Meals: Breakfast**

Day 4: Sunday, May 25, 2025

Rome, Italy

This morning, we return to the LDS Rome Temple site to attend church services. This afternoon we complete our exploration of Rome with a guided tour of Imperial Rome with the Roman Forum and Colosseum. Evening at leisure. **Meals: Breakfast**



Day 5: Monday, May 26, 2025

Rome, Italy – Civitavecchia Cruise Port

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel before you board your coach to the cruise port city of Civitavecchia to board your awaiting ship. Tonight, we enjoy an onboard lecture with our religious teacher Anthony Sweat for those who'd like to join us.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 6: Tuesday, May 27, 2025

Naples, Italy

With a skyline defined by towering Mount Vesuvius, Naples is a bustling Italian city brimming with beauty. Experience its rich neoclassical architecture at sites like Gesu Nuovo Church, with its lavish interior adorned with detailed frescoes, statues and gold inlay. Go even deeper into history at the San Gennaro catacombs, where Naples' first bishops were buried in the second century A.D. Walk along the Miglio Sacro ("Holy Mile") and people-watch your way through the cafes and shops of the



Sanita district with a zuccherato (sweetened espresso) in hand. Jump onboard a Naples cruise and take the short bus ride to the base of Mount Vesuvius — it's an easy 20 to 30-minute hike will take you to the summit — and tour the ruins of Pompeii afterward.

Optional Private Group Shore Excursion in Pompeii (Naples) - \$204 per person

Today our private group will be met at the port by our host to start our tour of the amazing town of Pompeii and discover this city hidden for hundreds of years under the ash of Mt Vesuvius. This city tells many stories of the ancient Romans and their lifestyle and will surely be a tour highlight for all. After an included lunch stop, we will travel back to the coast and discover why the Amalfi Coast captures many with its pastel-colored towns and thriving fishing port framed by the turquoise waters of the Tyrrhenian Sea. **Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner**

Day 7: Wednesday, May 28, 2025

Sicily (Messina), Italy

Messina is Sicily's panoramic gateway — located on the north-eastern corner of the island, the city just kisses the boot of mainland Italy's southern tip. Get lost among the patchwork of churches and antique palaces. The Messina Cathedral is in the heart of the city, and its famous bell tower houses the largest mechanical clock in the world — every day at noon, the statues move to Schubert's "Ave Maria." In front of this church, you'll find the Fontana di Orione, a 16th-century fountain that's a work of art in itself, with sculptures of figures from ancient mythology. Cruise to Sicily and take a leisurely walk to the Sacratio di Cristo Re, a hilltop church with panoramic views of the town and the surrounding mountains.



Optional Private Group Shore Excursion in Taormina (Messina, Sicily) - \$230 per person

Visit Taormina and Castelmola on this tour from Messina. During a quick stop in the village of Castelmola, admire a view of the surrounding Sicilian landscape, including Mt Etna. Then head to Taormina to see sights like Isola Bella and the Greek Theatre. Browse local shops or bars, if you wish, and take a walk along Corso Umberto. Lunch in Taormina included.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 8: Thursday, May 29, 2025

Day at Sea

Enjoy your day at sea exploring the ship and all the fun areas it has to offer. Today we will also enjoy a faith-based devotional with Anthony Sweat for those who'd like to join us.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 9: Friday, May 30, 2025

Santorini, Greece

Santorini is one of the world's most popular islands, known best for its dramatic scenery, whitewashed villages and fiery volcanic activity. Here adventure bubbles above the Aegean Sea in the most bold and breathtaking ways. A



cable car takes you to the capital of Fira, a bustling cliff-top town awash with old cathedrals, enthralling museum collections and cozy tavernas. Venture to the coast for a swim in the deep blue waters that lap red and black pebbled beaches. And peel back layers of lava and history among excavated Akrotiri. Whether it's by bicycle, ATV or on your own two feet, exploring this Cyclades Isle never fails to impress.

Optional Private Group Shore Excursion in Santorini, Greece - \$195 per person

This morning, we meet at the Santorini port and start our sight-seeing tour of this amazing island as we drive to the Black Sand Beach. Upon arrival you will have time for swimming or sunbathing on the included beach chairs before our group lunch. Next, we drive to Oia. Here our guide will teach us the history of the island and show us the best spots for pictures and then give us free time for shopping and exploring. After our free time, those who would like to go back to the ship will be transferred back to the port. Directions will be provided for those who would like to spend more time at Oia and return later to the ship on their own.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 10: Saturday, May 31, 2025

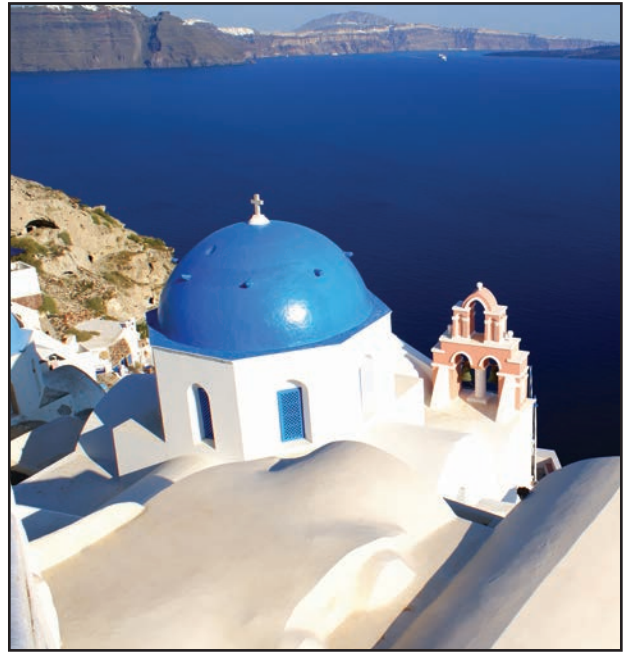
Ephesus (Kusadasi), Turkey

The UNESCO World Heritage ruins of Ephesus impress even those familiar with the world's other ancient cities. Though excavations have been underway for 150 years, only 20 percent of the city has been uncovered. Check out the Celsus Library — built in 117 A.D., the site is made up of towering columns highlighted by the statue of the goddess of wisdom. Cruises to Ephesus will give you a taste of Turkish life by strolling the seafront promenade and the bustling city center. Walk Marble Street, paved with actual marble slabs, which takes you from downtown to the Temple of Artemis — you can still see one lone remaining column from this wonder of the ancient world.

Optional Private Group Shore Excursion in Ephesus, Turkey - \$126 per person:

In Ephesus, we will depart the port of Kusadasi and drive to “Mary's House” one of the believed sites of where Mother Mary, the virgin, may have lived and died after her son's crucifixion. From here we travel to the ancient site of Ephesus where Paul preached and converted many. It is one of the best-preserved ancient Roman sites with much to see and explore. After our included lunch stop, we will visit the Basilica of John before driving back to port Kasadasi. Here you will have free time for exploring and shopping before you board our awaiting ship.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



Day 11: Sunday, June 1, 2025

Mykonos, Greece

Nestled in the heart of Greece's Cyclades archipelago, Mykonos pulses with irrepressible energy. With its powder white houses, sparkling blue waters, and red-hot nightlife, The Island of the Winds is as colorful as the people who call the island home. You can walk narrow marble pathways laced with purple bougainvillea blooms or go cycling on two wheels past off-the-path Ano Mera village. Explore Greece's maritime history at Armenistis Lighthouse and check out the Folklore Museum's Mykonian ship models. Join in the raucous beach party on Super Paradise's shimmering sands, or watch the sun burn out beyond an Aegean horizon from an open-air seaside taverna.

No Private Group Excursion Today. Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 12: Monday, June 2, 2025

Athens (Piraeus), Greece – Corinth, Greece

After disembarkation from the ship, we drive to the ancient site of Corinth. We will follow in the footsteps of Paul, who spent time living in Corinth and wrote two letters to the Corinthians. Following the included lunch, we drive to Athens to visit the Acropolis of Athens and Marsh Hill. In Athens, it is all about Paul and Acts 17. As our guide gives us a wonderful tour of the Acropolis to see the Parthenon and Mars Hill, your heart will start to race. We'll hear Paul's sermon about the unknown Gods and climb to the top of the Parthenon and walk around the monumental ruins of the UNESCO-listed site.

Following dinner at our hotel, we will have our final devotional with Anthony Sweat.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 13: Tuesday, June 3, 2025

Athens Airport - Flights Home

Today we return home with a heart full of the many spiritual and historical sites we've experienced that are forever part of us and memories to last a lifetime. **Meals: In-flight**

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