



# Celebrity Equinox Eastern Mediterranean Cruise Part 1

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# Overview

- This 11 Night Mediterranean Sea cruise may be one of the best itineraries ever.
- It includes Rome, Athens, 2 Greek Islands, Istanbul & Ephesus & Naples.
- The Celebrity Equinox is a solstice class ship that carries 2,850 guests
- This presentations covers all but the Turkey destinations—please see part 2 for that presentation.

# Cruise Map



# Rome

- Rome is one of the most important cities in the world.
- During the Roman Empire age it was the center of the known world.

# Constantine Arch, Rome

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# Roman Forum Photo Anne Schrader



# Coliseum, Rome Photo Anne Schrader





# Hank at Trivi Fountain, Rome

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# Athens

- Capitol of Greece, home to over 4 million people, Athens is crowded & congested with traffic .
- It is the birth place of the idea of democracy in the ancient city state of Athens.
- Ancient Athens was a true cultural hearth—many advances in geometry, geography, philosophy & science came from the ancient Greeks.

# Acropolis, Greece

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# What the Acropolis Used to look Like Photo Wikipedia



# Pantheon Photo Anne Schrader



# Hank in front of the Pantheon

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# Wall carvings on the Pantheon

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# Statues on the top of the Erechtheion, another temple on the Acropolis

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# View of the crowded city of Athens from the Acropolis



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# Temple of Hephistos, below the Acropolis in the Agora, Athens

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# Santorini Map



# Santorini

- The island of Santorini was formed from the remains of a volcanic crater.
- Legend has it that when Santorini exploded, it created a tidal wave that destroyed Crete in the Ancient world—was this the destruction of Atlantis?

Santorini Church  
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# Santorini, Photo Anne Schrader



Greek Orthodox  
Church, Santorini  
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# Path 1000 feet down to the water—note the mules

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# Sunset over Santorini

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# Mykonos



# Mikonos

- Mikonos town is a maze of winding back streets that was designed to confuse pirates.
- Sometimes they lead to a church with its stunning blue dome; other times the street just dead ends.
- People go to Mikonos for the sandy beaches & the night life.



# Mykonos Harbor Photo Anne Schrader



# Colorful Streets, Mykonos

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# Windmills, Mykonos

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# Pompeii

- Pompeii was an ancient Roman City that was destroyed by the massive destruction of the volcanic eruption of Mt. Vesuvius
- The city was completely covered by ash—all the people died
- The ash helped preserve the ancient city & it is a world famous tourist site today.

# Pompeii Pictures



**What Pompeii looked like before the explosion Photo Wikipedia**

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