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# HIDDEN TREASURES OF THE ADRIATIC

A voyage from Corfu to Dubrovnik including Albania & Montenegro  
aboard the MS Monet

12<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> October 2025



NOBLE CALEDONIA





Dubrovnik



Cobbled streets of Kotor

When discovering the wonders of the Adriatic, Albania is often overlooked yet the country is full of scenic wonders, Medieval towns, culturally rich cities and sweeping landscapes. We have therefore devised this itinerary to include four days exploring the treasures of Albania combined with two days in beautiful Montenegro before our voyage concludes in the ‘Pearl of the Adriatic’, Dubrovnik. During our voyage from Corfu to Dubrovnik we will sail through some of the best cruising waters in the world with the added benefit of sailing in autumn, a lovely time to be in the Adriatic with mild temperatures and crowd free sites. The combined effect of the natural beauty with the intriguing history and stunning architecture of the towns and cities makes for a fascinating voyage.

This is not an itinerary which a large cruise ship could operate but one which is ideal for the 50-passenger MS Monet. We are able to visit some marvellous places which do not cater for the big ships and our daily tours, accompanied by excellent local guides, will introduce you to the fascinating history of the region as we explore Roman ruins, Ottoman houses, Venetian castles, Byzantine churches and some charming towns. Highlights of our journey include the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Butrint, the evocative ruins of the ancient city of Apollonia and the vibrant city of Tirana. These calls in Albania are followed by visits to two of Montenegro’s gems, Old Bar and the Medieval town and UNESCO World Heritage Site of Kotor. Upon reaching Dubrovnik for an overnight stay, you will have seen and learnt so much. Whether your interest lies in ancient history, modern politics or simply the joy of experiencing new places, this journey has something for everyone.



Butrint, Albania

## The Itinerary

**Day 1 London to Corfu, Greece.** Fly by scheduled flight. Arrive this afternoon and transfer to the MS Monet.

**Day 2 Sarande, Albania.** After sailing the short distance from Corfu to Sarande early this morning, we will discover the ancient city of Butrint, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. On a guided tour explore the ruins that feature the remains of many eras and cultures. From the Hellenistic period there are temples, the promenade and the 4th century BC theatre. From the Roman era are the public baths, gymnasium and fountains. From the Byzantine era we see chapels and the large Basilica of St Peter and St Paul, whilst the Venetians are represented by a watchtower and a small castle with commanding views over the Straits of Corfu. The afternoon is free to relax on board or explore Sarande independently.

**Day 3 Vlore.** Just north of Sarande is the port of Vlore from where there will be a choice of excursions. Our full day tour will discover Berat and Apollonia. Once a great city and an important port, Apollonia was



founded by the Corinthians in 588 BC, and prospered under Greek colonisation and Rome. It was here Octavian learned of the assassination of his great uncle Caesar and set upon his bid for power ultimately becoming emperor. Archaeological excavations by successive French missions dating back to Napoleon III mean a large area of the site is now visible. After exploring the site we will continue to the town of Berat, a UNESCO treasure which the English painter Edward Lear visited in 1848. Some of his most important works were painted here and even today it is an artist's dream with its steep cobbled streets and Ottoman style houses surrounded by mountains and olive groves. We will explore the oldest quarter of the city known as Kalaja, where the castle has presided over the city for 2000 years and enjoy a lunch here. Alternatively, for a more leisurely option, you may choose to visit Apollonia in the morning followed by lunch on board the MS Monet and a leisurely afternoon.

**Day 4 Durres & Tirana.** Arrive at the coastal city of Durres which was colonised by the Greeks in 627 BC and still has the remains of a 15,000 seat amphitheatre, the second largest in the Balkans. This morning we will head inland to Tirana where we will see the fascinating nuclear bunker built by the dictator Enver Hoxha in the 1970s and only recently opened to the public. This underground building is packed with original artefacts from the communist period. Afterwards continue walking through the city centre to see the mosque, clock tower and the 'Blloku' area of the city. After lunch at a local farm, we will return to Durres to visit the Medieval city and the Archeological Museum before sailing in the late afternoon.

**Day 5 Shengjin.** Our exploration of Albania continues this morning from the northern port of Shengjin. We drive inland to the town of Shkoder which was founded in the 4th century BC and has been occupied by the Romans, Serbians and Venetians. Those feeling active can choose to climb up to visit the Rozafa Castle which rises majestically on a rocky hill just outside the city, explore the site and enjoy the views to the plains below. Alternatively, a scenic drive of the landscapes of northern Albania will be available before re-joining your fellow travellers for a visit to the local Marubi Museum and a 'slow food' lunch of locally sourced ingredients at a nearby farm and restaurant. Return to the MS Monet in the afternoon and sail the short distance to the town of Bar, where we will moor overnight.

**Day 6 Bar, Montenegro.** From our berth we drive the short distance to the ruins of Old Bar which was built in the hills to protect its residents from attack yet was still subject to invasion from the Venetians, Serbians and Ottoman Empire. We will enter via the 11th century city gates and as we wander through the citadel we can see the Ottoman bathhouse, the 17th century aqueduct plus the remains of a Franciscan monastery and cathedral which were converted to mosques by the Turks. Alternatively remain in the new town, take a stroll on the seaside promenade and visit the elegant Palace of King Nikola built facing the water in 1885. Today, it houses a collection of antiquities, folk costumes and royal furniture whilst

the gardens feature plants cultivated from seeds and cuttings collected from around the world.

**Day 7 Kotor.** Be on deck as we enter the Gulf of Kotor and sail up the fjord-like entrance to the Medieval town and UNESCO World Heritage Site of Kotor. This really is an extraordinary place full of marvellous architecture and pretty town squares. Our walk will include the 12th century Cathedral of St Tryphon, the ancient town gates, the Maritime Museum and Romanesque churches including St Luke's. Return to the ship for lunch and enjoy a leisurely afternoon to explore at your own pace. Those feeling active may wish to take the strenuous climb to the Castle of San Giovanni which offers wonderful views over the bay and town below.

**Day 8 Dubrovnik, Croatia.** Disembark this morning and spend the day in Dubrovnik, the 'Pearl of the Adriatic'. We will start with a ride on the Dubrovnik Cable Car to the top of Srd Hill for a breathtaking, panoramic view of the Old Town and Adriatic Coast. On our return, enjoy a guided walk through the unique Medieval Old Town which was added to the UNESCO World Heritage List in 1979. See the major attractions such as the Rector's Palace, the Romanesque-Gothic Dominican and Franciscan Monasteries and the Sponza Palace. After some free time for an independent lunch, we will meet again to check-in at the Hilton Imperial Hotel. Choose to relax at the hotel or enjoy the remainder of the afternoon exploring Dubrovnik independently, before we meet this evening for dinner at the hotel.

**Day 9 Dubrovnik to London.** Check out of the hotel this morning and transfer to the airport for our scheduled flight to London.

## PRICES PER PERSON

Based on double occupancy

### SPECIAL OFFER – SAVE £200 PER PERSON FOR A LIMITED TIME ONLY

Cat	Cabin Description	Brochure Price	Special Offer Price
D	Twin/Double with portholes on Camille/Parisien Deck	£4495	£4295
C	Twin/Double with windows on Parisien/Lumiere Deck	£4795	£4595
B	Superior Double with windows on Lumiere Deck	£5095	£4895
A	Deluxe Twin with windows on Lumiere Deck	£5495	£5295
D	Twin/Double with portholes on Camille/Parisien Deck for sole use	£5695	£5495

**PRICE INCLUDES:** Economy class scheduled air travel • Seven nights aboard the MS Monet on a full board basis • House wine, beer & soft drinks with lunch & dinner • Noble Caledonia onboard team • Overnight hotel accommodation in Dubrovnik with breakfast and dinner • Shore excursions • Gratuities • Transfers • Port taxes.

**Not Included:** Travel insurance.





Category A Cabin - 309



MS Monet



Restaurant

## MS MONET

We are delighted to have chartered the MS Monet, a 220 foot motor yacht accommodating a maximum of just 50 guests, for a series of cruises in the Mediterranean. Originally built in 1970, MS Monet was converted and launched as a passenger ship in 1998, fully renovated in 2016 and upgraded again in 2018. If you find large resort style vessels accommodating many thousands of passengers attractive then of course this isn't the vessel for you. However, if you prefer an informal and warm atmosphere more akin to a private yacht combined with an itinerary dedicated to both discovery and relaxation then you need look no further.

### Your Cabin

All the cabins on board the MS Monet are designed for comfort and have a warm and inviting feel with light fabrics and wood trimmings. Cabins range in size from 9 to 22 square metres and Categories A, B & C are equipped with windows, while those in Category D have portholes. Cabins 104-107, 112, 119, 205 and 210-215 feature twin beds and all other cabins have fixed double beds. Facilities include en-suite bathroom with shower, television, minifridge, safety deposit box, air-conditioning and hairdryer.

### Your Space

The public areas include a main lounge and bar with comfortable sofas on the Lumiere Deck, a restaurant located on the Parisian Deck and the Lumiere Open Deck al fresco dining area where meals can be enjoyed when weather permits. The Lumiere Sun Deck provides a delightful sun exposed space with sun loungers and a Jacuzzi, ideal for relaxation and wonderful views.

### Your Dining

Located on the Parisian Deck, the glass enclosed indoor dining room seats all passengers in a single sitting with unassigned seating and allows for wonderful panoramic views of the stunning scenery as we sail. The Lumiere Open Deck provides a covered area where guests can enjoy meals al fresco on some days, weather permitting. Food is served at the table or displayed on the hot and cold buffet stands. The menu is international, with a focus on local specialties. A choice of house wine, beer and soft drinks are served with lunch and dinner.

### Life On Board

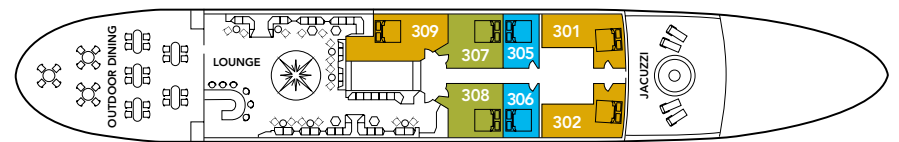
During the day, life on board focuses around the indoor lounge area, and the indoor and outdoor dining spaces, as well as the open and inviting deck areas including the Jacuzzi. These are natural gathering places and perfect for enjoying your meals al fresco, relaxing in a comfortable chair with a good book or socialising with your fellow passengers and enjoying the views.



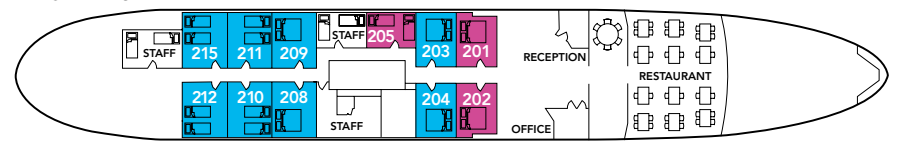
Lounge

### DECK PLAN

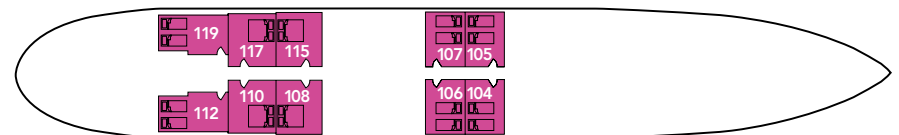
#### LUMIERE DECK



#### PARISIAN DECK



#### CAMILLE DECK



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