

## MEDITERRANEAN HOLY LAND CRUISE

November 19 – December 3, 2012 (15 days)

*Pacific Princess, Princess Cruises*

**“God’s Grace Prevails!”** *That’s our theme for this cruise. All of our stops will be an inspiration as we consider God’s love for us in our day-to-day lives.*

**DAY 1 Athens, Greece:** Meeting in our hotel at 7 PM we’ll have a “Welcome to Athens!” get-together. We’ll then go out for a festive Greek dinner near our hotel.

**DAY 2 Athens, Greece:** Mars Hill, where St. Paul introduced the Athenians to the Christian faith, is our first destination. Then off to the **Acropolis Museum**, the **Acropolis**, the **Agora** and then the **Temple of Zeus**. We’ll shop in the **Plaka** before going to the **Port of Piraeus** for departure at 7 PM.

**DAY 3 Patmos Island, Greece:** We’ll walk the maze-like streets of **Chora** on our way to the **Monastery of St. John the Divine**. Afterwards, we’ll visit the **Cave of the Apocalypse**, where St. John wrote the Book of Revelation.

**DAY 4 Santorini Island, Greece:** The spectacular view of the island from the **Holy Monastery of Prophet Elias** is our first stop, followed by the famous black sand beaches of the island, and then a tour of the village, **Oia**, with its cobblestone lanes and blue-domed churches.

**DAY 5 Ephesus, Turkey** (Port of Kusadasi): Ephesus is an archaeological treasure, from its **ancient library** to the **agora**, from the **theaters** to the **fountains**. We’ll also visit the **Basilica of St. John**, the traditional site of St. John’s grave.

***Faith walks hand-in-hand with history as God’s people immerse themselves in the places of His revelation.***

**DAY 6 At Sea:** We’ll enjoy a day of rest, as we cruise the Mediterranean Sea.

**DAY 7 Nazareth & Galilee, Israel** (Port of Haifa): We’ll have the opportunity for a baptismal renewal service on the **Jordan River**, plus a visit of **Nazareth**, the **Sea of Galilee**, the **Mount of Beatitudes** and many other sites as well.

**DAY 8 Jerusalem, Israel** (Port of Ashdod): We’ll walk the **Via Dolorosa**, Jesus’ path to the Cross, visiting the **Church of the Holy Sepulcher**. We’ll also explore the southern approach to Old City Jerusalem, seeing the **Pool of Siloam**, **David’s Tomb**, **Hezekiah’s Tunnel**, the **City of David** and **Mt. Zion**.

**DAY 9 Giza, Egypt** (Port Said): Is there any greater architectural wonder than the **pyramids** of the Pharaohs and the **Great Sphinx**??

**DAY 10 Alexandria, Egypt:** In the “Pearl of the Mediterranean” we’ll explore the **National Museum** and the **Library of Alexandria**, as well as the **Roman amphitheater**, **catacombs** and **Qaitbay Fort**.

**DAY 11 Thanksgiving at Sea!**

**DAY 12 At Sea:** On our way to Italy we’ll pass through the **Mediterranean** to the **Tyrrhenian Sea**.

**DAY 13 Pompeii, Italy** (Port of Sorrento): We’ll explore the village of **Pompeii**, frozen in time with the eruption of **Mt. Vesuvius**. We’ll walk to Vesuvius’ summit, and later spend time in the cliff-side village of **Positano**.

**DAY 14 Rome, Italy** (Port of Civitavecchia): The wealth of centuries of art, religion and culture lie before us in the **Vatican Museum**, **Sistine Chapel**, **St. Peter’s Square and Basilica**, as well as the **Colosseum** and **Trevi Fountain**. For our last night together we’ll enjoy a grand Italian dinner in Rome, celebrating all of the experiences we’ve had over the past two weeks.

**DAY 15** A transfer to **Rome Fiumicino Airport** is easy. We’ll ensure everyone finds their way stress-free! Additional days in Athens and/or Rome may be arranged upon request.

### TOUR SUMMARY

15 days \* Monday, November 19 – Monday, December 3, 2012

Ship & Cruise Line: Pacific Princess, Princess Cruises

Prices begin at \$3705 + airfare (*prices are subject to change without notice*)

Includes accommodations & dinners in port of departure & final destination cities

Includes excursions from all 10 ports (\$1400 retail value)

Includes port taxes, govt fees & taxes

Airport transfers & travel insurance are available

Cruise begins in Athens & ends in Rome

**WHAT YOU’RE GETTING!** This cruise is a unique opportunity for a Bible-based journey with a whole bunch of great features:

- A focused, theme-based itinerary
- Great fellowship
- Accommodations and dinners in our departure and final destination cities
- First-rate teaching by a professional instructor
- Small, flexible groups on our private excursions
- Excellent hospitality from one of the finest cruise lines in the industry
- A delicious variety of menus for breakfast, lunch & dinner while on-board
- Daily devotions and Bible studies over breakfast
- Great guides who care about you
- Upfront pricing—No surprises!

**Your price INCLUDES** all excursions, port taxes, government fees and taxes, & accommodations & dinners in our departure & final destination cities, Athens and Rome.

**Your price does NOT include** airfare to/from the departure & final destination cities, gratuities for the ship’s staff, food & drink you buy while on excursions, airport transfers to your hotels, travel insurance & personal items.

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## TERMS & CONDITIONS

**PART I: CRUISE PORTION:** Please see the Princess Cruises website for the Terms & Conditions unique to the cruise portion of this tour: [http://www.princess.com/legal/passage\\_contract/index.jsp](http://www.princess.com/legal/passage_contract/index.jsp)

**PART II: LAND TOUR PORTION OF THIS TOUR:** The following Terms & Conditions apply to the non-cruise portion of this tour

### **INTERNATIONAL AIRFARE**

There are two options for arranging a flight to a tour starting point:

(1) You may book an individual fare with Educon Travel for a service fee of \$25. However, you may take care of this yourself very easily using one of the many airfare search engines available online. Please see our [International Airfare](#) page for more information and links to these sites.

PLEASE NOTE: Before purchasing a fare, please confirm with us the tour's itinerary and your intended arrival time. Note: You need to plan to leave at least one day before the tour begins (i.e., if you're departing from the USA).

(2) You may book a group fare with us if you have a group of 10 or more persons from your church, school, etc. We will book group fares for our tours for no extra charge.

**Travel Insurance:** We encourage travelers to consider insurance. For more information, please see our [Travel Insurance](#) page.

### **PASSPORTS, VISAS & VACCINATIONS**

**Passports:** A passport is required with a minimum of 6-months validity from the day of departure. If you do not have a passport or if you need to renew your existing passport, you may inquire at a post office or go online to the Department of State at [http://travel.state.gov/passport/forms/forms\\_847.html](http://travel.state.gov/passport/forms/forms_847.html)

**Visas:** Educon Travel will work with you to acquire any necessary visa(s) for the country or countries we'll visit either before or during the tour.

**Vaccinations:** Vaccinations are NOT required for any of our tours this year. However, for recommended vaccinations and general healthcare, please speak to your family doctor or visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) at <http://wwwn.cdc.gov/travel>

### **CANCELLATIONS, CLAIMS, ETC.**

**Cancellations:** A full refund will be made to you upon written request up to 90-days prior to departure. A refund less the \$400 deposit and any non-recoverable amounts from independent providers of land services and internal air and water travel may be requested up to 30-days prior to departure. Per group air travel, a request for a full refund of any payments made must be received at least 97-days before the day of departure. After 97-days refunds and/or additional charges for cancellations, the number of seats booked and names changes will be handled according to the terms and conditions of the airline under contract.

**Pricing:** The prices quoted for this tour are based on exchange rates in effect with the initial offering. If there is a dramatic fluctuation in such rates before the tour date, price adjustments may be made. In the event of unforeseen circumstances such as a natural disaster, political turmoil, or other conditions outside of our control, parts of the tour may be modified accordingly.

**Children:** Children under 18-years of age must room with and be accompanied on the tour by a parent/guardian in all of their tour activities.

**Claims:** Transactions between Educon Travel and its clients are covered by the California Travel Consumer Restitution Fund (TCRF) if said clients are located in California at the time of sale. Eligible clients may file a claim with the TCRF if they are owed a refund of more than \$50 for transportation or travel services which the seller of travel has failed to forward to a proper provider or such money was not refunded when required. The maximum amount which may be paid by the TCRF to any one passenger is the total amount paid on behalf of the passenger to the seller of travel, not to exceed \$15,000. A claim must be submitted to the TCRF within 12-months after the scheduled completion date of travel. A claim must include sufficient documentation to prove a client's claim and a \$35 processing fee. Claimants must agree to waive their right to other civil remedies against a registered participating seller of travel for matters arising out of a sale for which he filed a TCRF claim. A person may request a claim form by writing to, TCRF, P.O. Box 6001, Larkspur, CA 94977-6001. Educon Travel's registration number is 2097400-40. Educon Travel has a trust account in accordance with state law.