Antiquities of the Southern Mediterranean

aboard the exclusively chartered, small ship

Five-Star Le Bougainville

May 10 to 18, 2023

Destinations including:
Agrigento
Tunisia
Trapani
Palermo
Taormina
Reggio Calabria
Syracuse

Early Booking Savings
Up to $4,200 USD per couple!

Book by October 7, 2022

Book with confidence!
No cancellation fees for new bookings.
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Highlights include:

♦ Six UNESCO World Heritage Sites, including Sicily’s ancient Greco-Roman sites in Taormina, Syracuse, and Agrigento, and Carthage in Tunisia.
♦ Cruise to centuries-old cities, medieval ports, and landscapes—once coveted by the world’s most powerful empires.
♦ Enjoy views of Sicily’s imposing Mt. Etna, Europe’s highest volcano.
♦ Cruise past the island of Stromboli, the “Lighthouse of the Mediterranean.”

9 Day Itinerary

1 Depart home city
2 Valletta, Malta/ Embark LE BOUGAINVILLE
3 Porto Empedocle for Agrigento, Sicily
4 Tunis, Tunisia for Carthage
5 Trapani, Sicily
6 Palermo
7 Reggio Calabria/ Naxos for Taormina
8 Syracuse
9 Valletta, Malta/ Disembark ship/ Return to home city

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Dear Alumni and Friends,

Sicily and Malta have possessed an almost mythical appeal ever since Homer and Virgil first extolled their virtues. From the classical perfection of Agrigento’s Roman relics to the ancient cliffside village of Taormina, this specially designed itinerary explores Europe’s most storied villages, resplendent shores, and prized remnants of bygone civilizations.

Discover the timeless allure and cultural melange of formidable nations that stood at the crossroads of the Mediterranean. Cruise among historical islands aboard the exclusively chartered, state-of-the-art, five-star LE BOUGAINVILLE. Featuring only 92 suites and staterooms, this elegant small ship is able to call on ports inaccessible to larger vessels.

This outstanding Southern Mediterranean itinerary cruises from Malta to Sicily along two of Europe’s most dramatic coastlines, through the fabled Strait of Messina and the Tyrrhenian and Mediterranean Seas. En route, experience the rich history of Malta, the island nation where Saint Paul the Apostle was shipwrecked and the Order of the Knights of St. John, Michelangelo Merisi da Caravaggio, Sir Walter Scott, and Queen Elizabeth II once called home. Discover Sicily’s storied town of Taormina in the shadow of Mount Etna; Agrigento’s unforgettable Valley of the Temples; the exotic blend of African and Arab cultures in Tunisia; the archeological wonder of Carthage; the age-old beauty of Palermo; and the majesty of Syracuse, once the most powerful city of the ancient Greek world and today an open-air museum of monumental antiquities.

Onboard lecturers will further illuminate these ancient ports and scenic landscapes. This cruise itinerary provides a captivating and unforgettable experience for every generation of traveller. Reserve now while space and early booking savings are still available.

Sincerely,

Dawn Warren
University of Saskatchewan Alumni Travel Program
Ancient Empires

Centuries-old ruins beckon you to step into mythical pasts as sparkling turquoise waters ensconce pastel-hued towns and villages on this extraordinary itinerary. Each destination in Italy, Sicily, Malta, Tunisia, and Carthage reveals an intriguing history and distinct character—luring explorers, artists, architects, and powerful rulers for generations. The world’s greatest empires are etched into every incomparable landscape and architectural triumph. It is a rare opportunity to see the diverse cultural legacies of the Italians, Greeks, Goths, Moors, Normans, Castilians, Turks, Jesuits, Spanish and French come to life among timelessly spectacular scenery.
Day by Day Itinerary

**Day 1 and Day 2**
Depart your home city and arrive the next day in Valletta, Malta.

**Porto Empedocle for Agrigento, Sicily**
Day 3
Visit Agrigento’s UNESCO World Heritage-designated Valley of the Temples. Here, see eight Doric shrines dating from the fifth century B.C. including the Temple of Juno, the Temple of Concordia, and the Sanctuary of the Chthonic Deities. Enjoy the Captain’s Welcome Reception this evening.

**Tunis, Tunisia for Carthage**
Day 4
Arrive in Tunis and transfer to the UNESCO World Heritage Roman site of Carthage to visit the Baths of Antonino, the ancient theater, and the Punic ports where Carthaginian fleets once took shelter. Discover the magnificent Moorish village of Side Bou Said and enjoy a lunch in a local restaurant. Return to Tunis for a tour of its Old Town—a labyrinth of narrow alleyways, small shops, majestic mosques, palaces, and colourful markets.

**Trapani, Sicily**
Day 5
Drive to Segesta and see the ancient Doric Temple. Visit the medieval town of Erice, set atop a hill and accessible via cable car. Enjoy panoramic views and marvel at the Norman Venus Castle.

**Palermo**
Day 6
Visit Palermo’s traditional Sicilian Old Quarter, Quattro Canti, baroque square, and 12th-century Duomo. At the Capo market, see and taste famous Palermo street food and admire colourful stalls displaying an abundance of produce, seafood, and meats. This afternoon, drive up the hillside and visit the UNESCO World Heritage Site, the remarkable Cathedral of Monreale.

**Reggio Calabria/ Naxos for Taormina**
Day 7
Cruise through the Strait of Messina before arriving in Reggio Calabria to visit the National Archaeological Museum, which houses the Riace Bronzes, a pair of ancient, life-size Greek statues. After lunch, arrive in Giardini Naxos and then visit Taormina, an ancient village on the top of a cliff above the Ionian Sea. Visit the Greco-Roman Theatre, the Corvaia Palace, Odeon, and the Corso Umberto.

**Syracuse**
Day 8
In Syracuse, visit the Altar of Hieron II, a monument dedicated to Zeus; Dyonisios’ Ear; the Roman...
Amphitheatre; and the Greek Theatre. Transfer to the island of Ortygia, Syracuse’s maritime heart, where the Temple of Apollo stands in the remains of Piazza Pancali.

See the city’s Baroque cathedral incorporating the ruins of a fifth-century B.C. temple dedicated to the goddess Athena.

At the Piazza Archimede, view the Baroque-style Fountain of Diana. Enjoy the afternoon at leisure. Tonight, see an authentic folklore show on deck and attend the Captain’s Farewell Reception and Dinner.

Valletta, Malta/
Disembark ship/
Return to Home City
Day 9
Transfer to the airport for your return flight home.

ALWAYS INCLUDED WITH GOHAGAN & COMPANY

♦ Transfers and luggage handling abroad if your arrival(s)/departure(s) coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s).
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♦ Hospitality desk aboard the ship.
♦ Experienced Gohagan & Company Travel Directors at your service.
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Le Bougainville

Luxury Small Ship, Innovative Design

Le B **OUGAINVILLE** represents a new generation of five-star small ships, combining revolutionary design and a new standard of luxury for unparalleled cruising. Dock in smaller ports inaccessible to larger ships, where authentic cultural experiences and majestic scenery await you. Complimentary alcoholic/nonalcoholic beverages and internet access are available throughout the cruise. All meals aboard ship are included.

**Elegant Suites and Staterooms, 100% with Private Balconies**

Each of the 92 five-star staterooms and suites (up to 45 square metres) features a private balcony. Grand Deluxe Suites have a floor-to-ceiling panoramic window and spacious private terrace. Accommodations offer two twin beds or one queen bed, individual climate control, a private bathroom with shower, and luxury hotel-style amenities.

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<td>Two-room suite, expansive sliding glass door, larger private balcony, two bathrooms, two closets, large sitting area with sofa, Decks 5 and 6, midship. (limited availability)</td>
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<td>Two-room suite, expansive sliding glass door, larger private balcony, two bathrooms, two closets, large sitting area with sofa, Deck 6, midship. (limited availability)</td>
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<td>Extra-large, one-bedroom suite and separate sitting room with sofa, expansive sliding glass door, spacious private terrace, full bathroom with tub and separate shower, additional half bath, Deck 6, aft. (limited availability)</td>
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<td>Owner’s Suite</td>
<td>Extra-large, one-bedroom suite and separate sitting room with sofa, expansive sliding glass door, spacious private terrace with outdoor jacuzzi, full bathroom with tub and separate shower, additional half bath, Deck 5, aft. (limited availability)</td>
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Single supplements apply across all categories at 160% of the per person double price.

Le **B**OUGAINVILLE has been specially contracted for this program and the deck plan is available online or upon request from Gohagan & Company.

Taxes are an additional $450 USD per person.
Pre-Program Option

Malta
May 8 to 11, 2023

Enhance your Mediterranean cruise experience with a two-night immersion on the island of Malta, considered one of the most concentrated historic areas in the world. Walk the medieval streets of the beautifully preserved, UNESCO-inscribed town of Valetta, built by the Knights of the Order of St. John in the late 16th century. Visit the Lower Barrakka Gardens for a breathtaking panorama of the Grand Harbor and the Grandmaster's Palace. Explore the stunning 16th century Casa Rocca Piccola, home of the Marquis De Piro family. This private visit will be led by one of the family members. Visit St. John's Co-Cathedral, a Baroque masterpiece built from local marble, and at UNESCO-inscribed Hagar Qim, visit the Palace of the Inquisitor and the Tarxien Temples. Accommodations are in the five-star GRAND HOTEL EXCELSIOR MALTA.

Price per person, based on double occupancy: $695 USD
Price per person, based on single occupancy: $945 USD

Further details will be provided with your reservation confirmation.
Reservation Form

Send to: 2023 Malta Sicily University of Saskatchewan c/o Gohagan & Company 209 South LaSalle Street, Suite 500 Chicago, Illinois 60604-1446

For more information, please call Gohagan & Company at (800) 922-3088.

Please make my/our reservation(s):

Category: 1st Choice ________ 2nd Choice ________

- Double (two twin beds).
- Double (one queen bed).
- Single accommodations.
- Single but prefer to share and will allow you to select my roommate (shares cannot be guaranteed)

Malta Pre-Program Option
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- Double $695 USD per person.
- Single $945 USD per person.
- I am reserving as a single but prefer to share accommodations.
- I/We want you to book my/our air from:

  __________________________________________________________
  (fill in departure city)

- I/We will make my/our own air arrangements

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Program reservations require a deposit of $800 USD per person.

- Enclosed is my/our cheque(s) for $__________.
  Make cheque(s) payable to Gohagan & Company.
- I/We authorize you to charge a deposit of $_________ to:
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  - Discover
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First participant’s signature         Date
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Second participant’s signature         Date
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FINAL PAYMENT due February 4, 2023; make by cheque, wire transfer or credit card. Reservations made after February 4, 2023, require payment in full at time of booking. No cancellation fees until 95 days prior to May 10, 2023!

Please contact Gohagan & Company at 1-800-922-3088 with questions regarding this tour. If you have questions regarding the University of Saskatchewan Alumni Travel Program or you no longer wish to receive Alumni Travel Program information, please contact USask Alumni at 1-800-699-1907 or local 306-966-5186 or email alumni.office@usask.ca.
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