

PRE-CRUISE PROGRAM

Guests registered for the Pre-Cruise Program are invited to participate in all events from August 27 to August 29.

Guests who are not participating in the Pre-Cruise Program are invited to attend our Pre-Cruise Welcome Reception & Dinner on August 29 at the St. Regis. Due to space limitations and pre-arranged tickets to various sites, we cannot accommodate additional guests in the Pre-Cruise Program.

PRE-CRUISE ATTIRE

Attire for YAF's receptions and dinner in Rome will be "Evening Resort" attire as recommended by Crystal for all non-formal nights. We recommend comfortable shoes and attire for all excursions.

Please be aware of the attire requirements for entry to St. Peter's Basilica, the Vatican Museums and Gardens, the Papal Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls, and the Pantheon. Men must wear long trousers, and women must wear skirts below the knee or long trousers. All visitors must cover their shoulders.

 **Program changes:** Changes to the program, if there are any, will be emailed directly.

Please note: Conference staff will be able to assist you at the Young America's Foundation Information Desk, which is located at the entrance to the scheduled seminars. **Guests will need to bring their passports with them for the visits to St. Peter's Basilica, the Colosseum, and the Pantheon.**

Thursday

AUGUST 27

	Pre-Cruise Day 1	St. Regis Rome
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Hospitality Lounge Open *Light Refreshments Available	St. Regis <i>Esquilino A & B</i>
11:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.	Help Desk & YAF Cruise Check-In Open	St. Regis <i>Esquilino A & B</i>
3:00 p.m.	Gather in the Lobby / Load Buses *GUESTS MUST BRING THEIR PASSPORTS FOR VATICAN TOURS	St. Regis Lobby
4:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.	St. Peter's Basilica & Vatican Museums Tour	Vatican City
8:30 p.m.	Reception/Dinner	Vatican Museum Gardens <i>Bistrot in the Cortile della Pigna</i>
Late Evening	Return to Hotel	St. Regis Rome

Friday

AUGUST 28

	Pre-Cruise Day 2	St. Regis Rome
7:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.	Hotel Breakfast Available	St. Regis <i>Lumen Restaurant</i>
10:15 a.m.	Gather in the Lobby / Load Buses	
11:00 a.m.	Tour of Papal Basilica St. Paul Outside the Walls	Papal Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls



Friday (Cont.) AUGUST 28		
12:45 p.m.	Group Lunch	Tre Scalini (Located in Piazza Navona)
2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.	Rome Baroque Walking Tour + Pantheon Tour <i>*Guests who do not wish to participate may return to the hotel following lunch. Walking tour participants should expect to return to the hotel around 5:00 p.m.</i>	
5:00 p.m.	Return to Hotel / Free Time	St. Regis Rome
6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.	Cocktail Reception <i>*Cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, and light bites will be served. Please note that a full dinner is not included.</i>	
		St. Regis The Ritz Ballroom
Saturday AUGUST 29		
	Pre-Cruise Day 3	St. Regis Rome
7:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.	Hotel Breakfast Available	St. Regis Lumen Restaurant
10:30 a.m.	Gather in the Lobby / Load Buses *GUESTS MUST BRING THEIR PASSPORTS FOR COLOSSEUM TOUR	
11:45 a.m.	Tour of the Roman Colosseum	Roman Colosseum
1:45 p.m.	Group Lunch	Mirabelle Hotel Terrace View Restaurant
Afternoon	Return to Hotel / Free Time	St. Regis Rome
6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.	Help Desk & YAF Cruise Check-In Open <i>*All YAF Cruisers who have not yet checked in should check in with YAF staff at this time to receive your cruise materials.</i>	
		St. Regis Lumen Garden
6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.	Full Group Welcome Reception <i>*All YAF Cruisers are invited and encouraged to attend our official welcome reception and dinner.</i>	
		St. Regis Lumen Garden
7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.	Full Group Buffet Dinner	St. Regis Domus Aurea A&B
Sunday AUGUST 30		
	Embarkation Day	St. Regis Rome Lobby
8:00 a.m.	YAF Staff will be on hand in the lobby	St. Regis Lobby



Sunday (Cont.)

AUGUST 30

8:40 a.m.

Optional Sunday Mass
Meet in Lobby

*10-minute walk / 9:00 a.m. Mass

Church of St. Patrick
Via Boncompagni, 31, 00187

9:00 a.m.

Luggage picked up from hotel rooms. Guests wishing to have luggage picked up from their rooms need to have their luggage outside their rooms by 9:00 a.m. Please be sure to adhere your Crystal luggage tags to all bags.

11:00 a.m.

Check Out and Meet for Bus Transfer to Ship
St. Regis | Lobby

11:30 a.m.

Depart Hotel via Bus Transfer

Afternoon

Arrive at Port of Civitavecchia
Port of Civitavecchia

2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

On-Board Welcome Desk

If you did not pick up your materials at the hotel, please stop by.

Stardust Club | Deck 6

5:45 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

YAF Welcome Reception
Stardust | Deck 6

6:30 p.m.

YAF Hosted Dining

Please check your dining rotation on the back of your name badge to determine where and when you are scheduled to dine tonight. On days marked as "No Assigned Dining," you are free to make your own dinner arrangements.

Various Restaurants

8:00 p.m.

Ship Sails

Monday

AUGUST 31

Visit Sorrento, Italy

Sorrento is known for its stunning views of the Tyrrhenian Sea and Capri, vibrant culture, and delicious cuisine. Its cliffside location offers breathtaking vistas, while the food highlights fresh, high-quality ingredients. With a rich history spanning Greek, Roman, medieval, and Renaissance influences, the town blends past and present beautifully. It's the perfect base to explore the Amalfi Coast.

10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Free time/Excursions

6:30 p.m.

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Tuesday

SEPTEMBER 1

	Visit Siracusa, Italy Siracusa or Syracuse, Sicily, Italy has a plethora of winding alleys, gracious piazzas, and glorious architecture representing a timeline of several millennia. Founded in 734 BC by the Greeks, the city was a major influencer in the spread of Judaism and Christianity and brims with world-class examples of Greek, Roman, and Baroque architecture awash with Italian character. The entire city of Siracusa is a UNESCO World Heritage Site.	
8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.	Free time/Excursions	
6:30 p.m.	YAF Hosted Dining Please check your dining rotation on the back of your name badge to determine where and when you are scheduled to dine tonight.	Various Restaurants
9:00 to 10:30 p.m.	Post-Dinner Conversations & Cocktails	Palm Court Deck 12

Wednesday

SEPTEMBER 2

	YAF's Seminar-at-Sea	Stardust Club Deck 6
9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.	<i>Featuring YAF Cruise Speakers</i>	
9:00 a.m.	Governor Scott Walker , President, Young America's Foundation • <i>Where is Democratic Socialism Coming From?</i>	
10:15 a.m.	T. Kenneth Cribb, Jr. , President Emeritus, Intercollegiate Studies Institute • <i>Reagan, Meese, and the Restoration of Our Written Constitution</i>	
11:30 a.m.	Mollie Hemingway , Editor-in-chief, <i>The Federalist</i> • <i>The Justice Who Reshaped the Supreme Court and Restored the Constitution</i>	
12:30 to 2:00 p.m.	Lunch on Your Own	
2:00 to 4:00 p.m.	<i>Featuring YAF Cruise Speakers</i> Larry O'Connor , Host, <i>O'Connor & Company</i> • <i>What the Media Won't Tell You About the Midterms</i>	
3:15 p.m.	Wrap-Up Panel Featuring All Speakers	
4:30 to 5:30 p.m.	Afternoon Cigars & Cocktails	Avenue Saloon Deck 6
5:00 to 6:00 p.m.	Ladies' Tea Hosted by Linda & Mel Teetz *Please come dressed for the Formal Evening aboard the ship.	Stateroom 11026 Deck 11
6:30 p.m.	YAF Hosted Dining (FORMAL NIGHT) Please check your dining rotation on the back of your name badge to determine where and when you are scheduled to dine tonight.	

Thursday SEPTEMBER 3	Visit Corfu, Greece Immerse yourself in this immaculately preserved island covered in cypress and olive trees. Corfu is considered one of the Mediterranean's best-kept secrets, and its elegant downtown area, serene beaches, and warm breezes will truly captivate you. 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Free time/Excursions 6:30 p.m. YAF Hosted Dining Various Restaurants Please check your dining rotation on the back of your name badge to determine where and when you are scheduled to dine tonight.
Friday SEPTEMBER 4	Visit Kotor, Montenegro Few places in the world boast such clear architectural accounts of their full histories as does UNESCO-listed Kotor and its bay. Roam the city squares and enjoy sweeping ocean views as you follow footsteps through time, including fortifications dating from the 9th century, significant churches and cathedrals from the 12th to 15th centuries, the 17th century Prince's Palace, and the 19th-century Napoleon's Theatre. 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Free time/Excursions 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. YAF's All-American Cocktail Reception Stardust Club Deck 6 <i>Wear your red, white, and blue Attire!</i> 6:30 p.m. YAF Hosted Dining Various Restaurants Please check your dining rotation on the back of your name badge to determine where and when you are scheduled to dine tonight.
Saturday SEPTEMBER 5	Visit Zadar, Croatia This quiet and dreamy seaside city holds around 3,000 years of history in its red-tinted buildings. Stroll the picturesque streets and alleyways of its old town to discover important monuments such as the Roman cathedral of St. Anastasia or the Land Gate. Don't forget to visit the beautiful white beach of Sakarun near the city, which is popular with tourists and locals. 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Free time/Excursions 6:15 p.m. Full Group Dinner Waterside Restaurant Deck 5 Please join us for a group dinner in a reserved section of Waterside Restaurant.

Sunday SEPTEMBER 6		Visit Ravenna, Italy • Day 1 of 2 A hidden gem on the Adriatic coast, Ravenna boasts eight UNESCO World Heritage sites, showcasing stunning churches, mosaics, and a blend of Graeco-Roman, Christian, and Eastern styles. Key highlights include the Basilica di San Vitale and the Mausoleum of Galla Placidia. After soaking up the culture, relax at the Piazza del Popolo with an aperitivo and a delicious piadina.	
9:00 a.m.		Free time/Excursions	
Evening		No Assigned Dining (Ship in Port)	
Monday SEPTEMBER 7		Visit Ravenna, Italy • Day 2 of 2	
Daytime		Free time/Excursions	
5:30 to 6:30 p.m.		Farewell Reception	Stardust Club Deck 6
Evening		No Assigned Dining (Last Night at Sea)	
9:00 p.m.		Ship Sails	
Tuesday SEPTEMBER 8		Disembark in Venice, Italy Bon Voyage! <i>*Guests are responsible for arranging their own transportation to the airport. Group and private transfers can be arranged through Crystal.</i>	
		Fusina Cruise Terminal	

