

Summer cruise around the Cyclades islands, 13 – 27 July 2019

We propose a two-week cruise out of Alimos marina near Athens, touring the Cyclades islands of the Aegean Sea in a clockwise direction and reaching the Argosaronic islands on the way back. Those unable to participate in the whole cruise will have the possibility to join/disembark at Katapola (Amorgos island) on 20 July. Our tentative schedule is as follows:

Date	Itinerary	Distance
Saturday, 13 July	Alimos marina – Cape Sounion/Palaia Fokaia (offshore anchorage)	25/20 NM
Sunday, 14 July	Sounion/Palaia Fokaia – Merihas harbour (Kythnos island)	24/30 NM
Monday, 15 July	Kythnos – Naousa marina (Paros island)	52 NM
Tuesday, 16 July	Paros – Naxos harbour	10 NM
Wednesday, 17 July	Naxos – Schinoussa harbour	20 NM
Thursday, 18 July	Schinoussa – Ano Koufonisi marina	8 NM
Friday, 19 July	Ano Koufonisi – Katapola harbour (Amorgos island)	14 NM
Saturday, 20 July	Amorgos – Ios/Manganari bay (offshore anchorage)	28 NM
Sunday, 21 July	Ios – Karavostasis harbour (Folegandros island)	20 NM
Monday, 22 July	Folegandros – Despotiko/Antiparos (offshore anchorage)	24 NM
Tuesday, 23 July	Despotiko – Livadi harbour (Serifos island)	30 NM
Wednesday, 24 July	Serifos – Mandraki anchorage (Hydra island)	68 NM
Thursday, 25 July	Hydra – Poros harbour	22 NM
Friday, 26 July	Poros – Alimos marina	25 NM

The schedule is arranged so that every day we normally do not sail more than 6 hours (exception being made for the “offshore passages” Kythnos – Paros and Serifos – Hydra that require a very early in the morning departure). The crew may decide to further enjoy sailing by staying longer out at sea. There will be no night passages. It is also possible that an early morning departure is necessary in order to avoid strong and gusty (meltemi) winds at the open sea. Stops for swimming and excursions on firm land are foreseen, or even the anchorage chosen will be very appropriate for swimming. Unless the weather conditions are adverse, on Saturday 20 July, before reaching Ios, we intend to sail around the Santorini (volcano island) caldera to watch the spectacular settlements built on the edge of the cliffs.

We will charter the "MONTE CRISTO", a 4-cabin [Beneteau Oceanis 45](#) teak-deck yacht fully equipped with bimini, sprayhood, bow thruster, GPS + plotter, dinghy with OB motor, autopilot and iTunes music player, the very same we have had since 2014.

It will be possible to join only for a particular section of the proposed route. However, priority will be given to those wishing to participate in the entire cruise.

No sailing experience is required, but crew with the appropriate qualifications and those interested will be invited to occasionally skipper/co-skipper the yacht and/or serve at the helm

and/or follow a navigation training course on board. People normally suffering from seasickness are kindly asked to abstain.

The participation in the charter fee is fixed at 60 € per day and person. Appropriate arrangements will be made for sharing a cabin if necessary.

Please note that the charter **starts on Saturday (noon) 13 July and ends on Saturday (morning) 27 July**. We intend to sail off the soonest possible upon embarkation on 13/07/2019 and the yacht has to be back at Alimos marina on 26/07/2019 in the evening.

This is a **leisure, not a sports** cruise. Where a decent tavern is available, lunch and particularly dining will take place on shore. The crew in the galley will only prepare light meals, breakfast and drinks. The corresponding provisions, as well as harbour fees, fuel and water cost are not included in the charter fee but paid extra and shared equally among those on board, including the skipper.

The cruise is organised by Dimitri Chronopoulos. Any member of the CNCE club wishing to join the sailing party should contact Dimitri by sending an e-mail to: dimitrischronopoulos1950@gmail.com or by calling him at his home (0032)(0) 2 657 06 80 or at his personal mobile tel. no. 0032 473 652631.

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