

Sailing Acts

THE SEAPORTS AND SAILING ROUTES OF PAUL

September 19 - October 4, 2024

with Linford & Janet Stutzman





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Tour Itinerary:

Sep 19 Thu Arrive Antalya

Arrive individually at Best Western Khan near Kaleichi (Old City) Antalya in time for dinner at 7:00 pm in hotel. After dinner we will meet for a brief orientation to travel plans, organizing the group for the journey, and tomorrow's schedule. (D)

Sep 20 Fri Theme: The Church goes to Sea - the first ports, Scripture: Acts 13:1-13

After breakfast we will visit the ancient river-connected port city of Perge then back to Antalya for lunch and a visit to St. Paul's Cultural Center. After lunch we will visit the Antalya Archeological Museum containing an impressive display of treasures found in Perge followed by a visit to the city harbor of Antalya, out of which Paul and Barnabas sailed for home. Dinner at hotel. (B,D)

Sep 21 Sat Theme: Shipping Grain - the Fuel of the Roman Empire, Scripture: Acts 27:1-6,

After breakfast we will check out of the hotel then take a 2 hour scenic bus ride to Andriaki, the magnificent, partially restored Roman port of Myra with several very unique features. By 1:00 pm we will plan to board the gulet in Andriaki harbor, stow our luggage in the cabins, have lunch on deck, then sail on to Kas area for dinner and overnight in an anchorage. This is a time of relaxation, swimming, eating excellent food, learning about the incomparable Mediterranean Sea and the people who learned how to sail it in order to achieve their goals, including Paul. (B,L,D)



Sep 22 Sun Theme: *Mare Nostrum* and the Sea Workers, Scripture: Psalm 107:23-30, Acts 21:1-2

Sail on westward to Kalkan. From here we will take a short bus ride to Patara to visit another key port city of Lycia, developed by Rome for grain shipping, and visited by Paul. Overnight in anchorage near Kalkan. (B,L,D)



Sep 23 Mon Theme: Exploring the Remains of Christendom, Scripture: Psalm 46 Today we will continue westward to the beautiful Gemiler Bay where we will anchor, then visit the ruins on Gemiler Island. Overnight in anchorage. (B,L,D)

Sep 24 Tue Theme: Exploring Modern Empires - Turkey, Greece and the Sea After breakfast we will hike up to the abandoned Greek village of Kaya Koy, the setting of the excellent historical novel Birds Without Wings. Remain at anchorage or afternoon sail into the beautiful Fethiye Bay, favorite destination of international sailors! (BL,D)

Sep 25 Wed Theme: The Sea in Scripture – Genesis to Revelation, Scripture Gen 1:1-9, Rev 21:1

Anchorage in Fethiye Bay to be determined. (B,L,D)

Sep 26 Thu Theme: Isolation and Connection in the Mediterranean Sea Exploration around the Bay. Anchorage in Fethiye Bay to be determined. (B,L,D)

Sep 27 FriTheme: The Sea People of the Mediterranean CoastExploration around the Bay. Anchorage near the town Fethiye or on Fethiyewharf. (B,L,D)

Sep 28 Sat Theme: Paul's Farewell in Melitus, Scripture: Acts 20:13-38 After breakfast we will say farewell to the captain and crew of the gulet, then travel by bus northward stopping at Didyma with its incredible temple built during the reign of Alexander the Great, then on to Melitus where we will review the story of Paul's emotional farewell, and more! Dinner and overnight in Kusadasi. (B,L,D)





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Sep 29 Sun Theme: Paul in Ephesus, Scripture: Acts 19:23-41 We will spend the full day visiting Ephesus and the surrounding area. Walk the marble streets, visit the stadium that seats 25,000, and admire the Celsus Library. We will also visit the Basilica of St. John, make a brief stop at the forlorn remains of the Temple to Artemis, and finish the day at the exquisite museum in Selcuk before returning to Kusadasi for dinner and overnight. (B,L,D)

Sep 30 Mon Theme: Pagan Ideas and the Gospel of Paul, Scripture: Acts 20:15 After breakfast at the hotel, we will embark on a short ferry ride to the Greek island of Samos. After disembarking we will explore the ancient seaport of Pythagorio. Lunch on your own at a waterfront café or taverna, followed by a trip around the beautiful island. Dinner on your own in waterfront restaurants. (B)

Oct 1 Tue Paul in Athens - on the Areopagus, Scripture Acts 17 Today we will take a short, morning flight to Athens, leave our luggage at the Katerina Hotel, then take a walking tour for an introduction to Athens atop the Areopagus. You will be given tickets and information to explore the Acropolis, the Agora, Stoa and other main sites. You will also be given a Metro pass that will give you unlimited rides in the city. Lunch on your own in the Plaka. We will meet back at Hotel Katerina ready to walk to a nearby restaurant at 7:30 for dinner. (B)

Oct 2 Wed Theme: Paul in Corinth, Scripture Acts 18:1-18, I Cor 13 After breakfast we will travel by bus to Corinth, stopping at the awesome Corinth Canal, then on to Old Corinth site of the biblical Corinth where we will have time to explore the excellent archeological remains with the bema and Temple to Apollo. An impressive little museum of discoveries in Corinth, and a couple of little know surprises outside of the site is included. Following lunch in Old Corinth we will visit the ancient harbor of Cenchrae, then travel back to Athens for a celebratory dinner.(B)

Oct 3 Thu Theme: Paul in the Pagan World, Scriptures I Cor 9:19-26 Today we will take the Metro and walk to the stadium constructed in ancient Greek style for the first modern Olympics in 1896. From the Stadium we will again walk together to the excellent Acropolis Museum which you will explore at your own pace. The remainder of the day is free for you to continue site-seeing, eating, and even shopping. We will meet again at Katerina Hotel to walk to the restaurant for dinner at 7:30. (B)

Oct 4 Fri Breakfast and depart as individually arranged.



TOUR MAP

PACKAGE TOUR RATE

\$4,290Per Person in Double Room\$1,400Single Room Supplement

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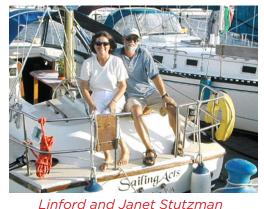
- Kusadasi-Samos ferry ticket on Sep 30
- Samos-Athens morning domestic flight on Oct 1
- 2 Nights at 4*Best Western Hotel in Antalya or similar
- 7 Nights at private Gulet Boat (wooden yacht)
- 2 Nights at Hotel Avantgarde in Kusadasi or similar
- 1 Night at Aeolis Hotel in Samos or similar
- 3 Nights at Katerina Hotel in Athens or similar
- Daily open buffet breakfasts at the hotels
- 9 Lunches (bottled water included)
- 11 Dinners (bottled water included)
- Sightseeing as per the itinerary
- Lectures of Linford and Janet Stutzman
- English Speaking local guides during all tours
- All airport-port-hotel transfers
- All transportation by private AC Buses
- All entrance fees to the sites and museums
- All service charges and local taxes
- All tips to hotel staff, guides and drivers
- Sailing Acts/Tutku T-shirt, Maps, Tutku bag

EXCLUDING

- International Flights to arrive Antalya on Sep 19 & depart from Athens on Oct 4 $\,$
- Meals which are not listed above, and drinks other then water
- Turkish Visa Fee US citizens to be obtained online before arrival www.evisa.gov.tr
- Tips to the Gulet Boat staff \$50 per person
- Travel, and Health Insurances, any kind of insurance
- All personal expenses, and any other item which is not listed above

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Background: Since a sabbatical in 2004, my wife and I continue to explore the Mediterranean of the Acts story aboard our sailboat SailingActs. For the past number of years we have had the privilege of sharing with others our sea-based insights of the dynamic Christian movement through the seaports and sailing routes of the Mediterranean. We are pleased that Tutku Educational Travel, the leading experts in the region, is offering this unique travel option.

Description: This journey which begins in Istanbul and ends in Athens, includes world famous archeological sites such as Ephesus and Corinth, and features an entire week enjoying excellent Turkish cuisine, swimming, sailing and relaxing aboard a beautiful, well-appointed traditional wooden Turkish gulet. This route along



the spectacular coast of southern Turkey intersects with and follows parts of Paul's four sea voyages recorded in Acts. The voyage includes visits to several remote and relatively unknown archeological sites of biblical and historical significance, scenic ancient harbors, and quiet anchorages along the way.

Brief Itinerary: Antalya, Perge, Finike, Myra, Patara, Knidos, Bodrum, Didyma, Melitus, Ephesus, Samos (Greek island), Corinth, Athens and other places of historical and cultural interest not mentioned in Acts.

Biographical Info:

- Linford Stutzman, PhD, The Catholic University of America
- Professor Emeritus, Eastern Mennonite University, Religion and Culture
- Adjunct Faculty, Jerusalem University College
- Author of SailingActs: Following an Ancient Voyage
- Janet Stutzman, MAR, Eastern Mennonite Seminary

: June 3, 2024

• First mate on SailingActs



PAYMENT PROCEDURE:

: \$300 Per Person at the time of booking

: \$500 Per Person on February 1, 2024

1st Deposit 2nd Deposit Full Payment

Cancellation Penalty:

- 90-60 days prior to departure
- 59-45 days prior to departure
- 44-30 days prior to departure
- 29-15 days prior to departure
- 14 days & After
- : No Penalty : 25% : 50% :75%
- : No refund



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