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Travel on the "path of the Gods" trail in Agerola to reach Positano, just one of the seven hikes offered on this itinerary. © Mika Auramo

HIKING & CULINARY ADVENTURE to Southern Italy's Volcanoes

May 12 - 23, 2019 (12 days) with Carleton Geology Professor Clint Cowan '83



Dear Carleton College Alumni and Friends,

Next spring, **travel and hike in Italy with Carleton Professor of Geology (and gourmand) Clint Cowan '83 and expert local guides.** Southern Italy has active and dormant volcanoes, picturesque land- and seascapes, charming coastal cities and towns, fascinating archaeological sites and, of course, renowned cuisine.

Stay in distinctive, four-star hotels, perfect for unwinding after a day's hiking, exploring, and dining. On this well-paced tour you will spend four nights in Naples, one on a comfortable ferry from Naples to Lipari, three on the island of Panarea, and two in Taormina, Sicily.

An **expert trip manager** handles all the logistics, so you can relax, enjoy, and learn. On each of the **seven hikes**, an extra guide will allow us to split into two groups, so that you can **choose either a longer or shorter excursion**. Plus, an art historian will accompany a few of the cultural excursions.

Highlights are many and include:

- A guided walking tour of central **Naples**, including an amazing chapel, magnificent opera house, and the fascinating Undergrounds of Naples;
- **Pompeii**, one the world's most extraordinary archaeological sites, destroyed (but also preserved!) by the catastrophic eruption of Mt. Vesuvius in A.D. 79;
- Hiking the trail of **Vesuvius National Park** to the crater, with amazing views over the whole Gulf of Naples;
- A scenic drive along the **Amalfi Coast**, with a visit of Amalfi town and Villa Rufolo with its magnificent gardens;
- A breathtaking hike along the "path of the Gods," on the **Sorrento Peninsula**, with views of the Tyrrhenian Sea;
- A ferry ride to the fabled island of **Capri** to hike along fragrant trails to Roman Emperor Tiberius' Villa Jovis;
- A **private boat ride to Vulcano**, mythological location of Hephaestus, the Greek god of fire, where we hike to the top and observe numerous volcanic phenomena;
- A ferry ride to **Salina** to hike amidst a wooded area of ferns overlooking jagged cliffs and the island's beaches;
- A **private boat ride to Stromboli**, the most active volcano in Europe, erupting at intervals of approximately 15 minutes;
- A boat ride to **Taormina, Sicily**, to explore its lively streets and shops as well as an ancient Greek theater with spectacular views of Mt. Etna and the Ionian Sea;
- A hike up **Mt. Etna**, Europe's largest active volcano, with panoramic views of Sicily's eastern coast;
- **Excellent cuisine, including dinner at a private palace** and such local specialties as Neapolitan pizza, Lipari's crushed-ice treat called *granite*, and **wine tastings at vineyards on Mt. Vesuvius and Mt. Etna.**

This is an exclusive Carleton Alumni Adventure **limited to just 16 participants**. Call **800-811-7244** or email carleton@studytours.org today, before this trip is waitlisted.

Sincerely,

Sarah Ladner Maris '85

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President, Carleton College Alumni Association

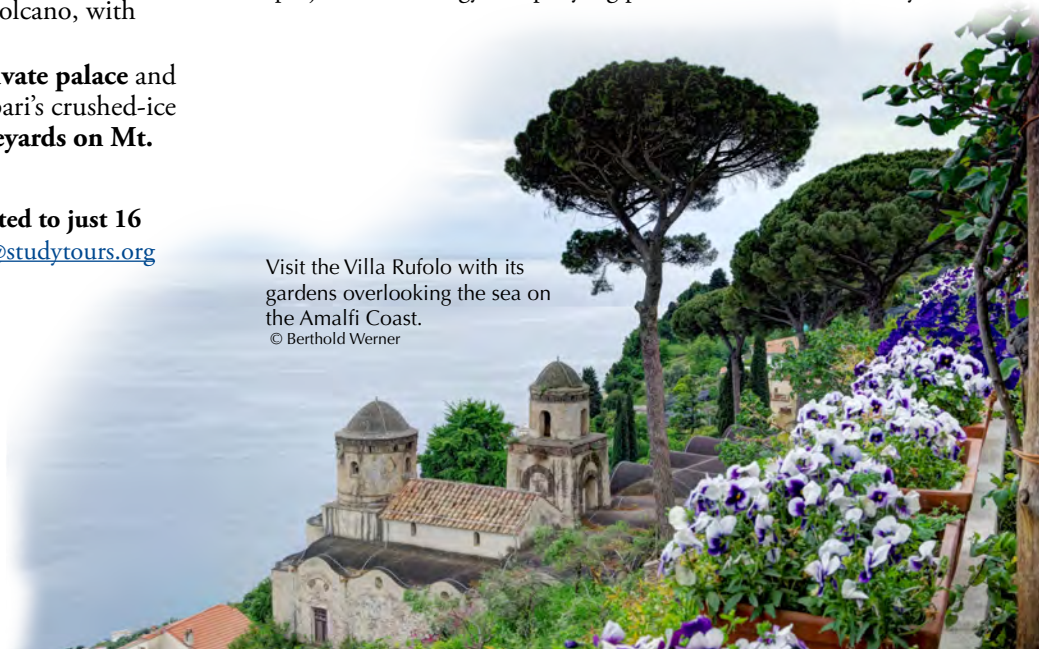


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Clint Cowan '83 received his Ph.D. from Queen's University (Ontario) and has taught Geology at Carleton since 1997. He has led student geology field trips to some of the world's most volcanically active places, including New Zealand and Hawaii. He has also led several Carleton Alumni Adventure hiking trips to Scotland's Orkney and Shetland Islands, Scotland's Inner and Outer Hebrides, and Newfoundland. Before coming to Carleton, Clint worked for five years at Shell Research in The Hague, where his assignments included projects with energy company Agip at several field sites in Italy.

Visit the Villa Rufolo with its gardens overlooking the sea on the Amalfi Coast.
© Berthold Werner





Mount Vesuvius National Park encompasses Italy's most famous volcano, with a trail to hike to the volcano's crater. Enjoy views of the Gulf of Naples along the way. © Daryl Mitchell

Sunday, May 12, 2019: Depart home for Naples, Italy

Monday, May 13: Arrive in Naples | Private transfer to hotel | Welcome dinner

Upon arrival at Naples International Airport (NAP), you will be met and transferred to our hotel. Take some time to relax before a welcome reception and dinner at a local restaurant. *Overnight at the four-star [Grand Hotel Santa Lucia](#) for four nights.* (R,D)

Tuesday, May 14: Naples walking tour | Spaccanapoli | San Carlo Theater | Undergrounds of Naples

In the morning, enjoy a guided walking tour of downtown Naples with an art historian guide, including entrance to the striking Sansevero Chapel, featuring the *Cristo Velato*, one of the most beautiful marble statues of all time. Walk along lively Spaccanapoli, the main street of the old historic center (a UNESCO World Heritage site), and savor a typical Neapolitan "street food" lunch, including such specialties as a *cuppetiello* (a brown paper cone of mini *arancini* [fried stuffed rice balls]), *frittatine* (fried stuffed pasta balls), and *sfogliatelle* (ricotta-filled pastries). In the afternoon, enjoy a private visit of the San Carlo Theater, the oldest, still-active opera house in the world. Top off your day exploring the fascinating Undergrounds of Naples, dating back to the ancient Greeks, a labyrinth of aqueducts, cisterns, catacombs, bunkers, and more. Dinner is on your own this evening. (B,L)

Wednesday, May 15: Pompeii | Mt. Vesuvius winery visit | Vesuvius National Park

3-hour, 3-mile hike (600 feet up and down) OR 4-hour, 5-mile hike (1,120 feet up and down)

Explore Pompeii, a UNESCO World Heritage site and one the world's most fascinating archaeological sites, both destroyed and preserved by the catastrophic eruption of Mt. Vesuvius in A.D. 79. The eruption buried the city under tons of ash, pumice, and lapilli, but excavations have revealed life in a prosperous ancient Roman city. Proceed to a winery at the base of Mt. Vesuvius for a wine tasting lunch, where each course (antipasto and spaghetti, both featuring heirloom Piennolo tomatoes; and *pastiera napoletana* [a traditional tart with sweetened ricotta, candied fruit, and boiled wheat berries]) is paired with a specific local wine. In the afternoon, hike the trail of Vesuvius National Park, reaching the crater and enjoying the majesty of the volcano as well as the amazing views over the whole Gulf of Naples. Return to Naples where we enjoy dinner at a local pizzeria this evening. It is said that here, in Naples, an unknown street baker first invented the pizza centuries ago. (B,L,D)

Thursday, May 16: The Amalfi Coast | Villa Rufolo | Agerola | Positano | Naples

3-hour, 3-mile hike (165 feet up and 860 down) OR 4-hour, 5-mile hike (165 feet up and 1,210 down)

Take a scenic drive to Ravello, on the Amalfi Coast (a UNESCO World Heritage site), to visit Villa Rufolo with its magnificent gardens overlooking the sea. Then,

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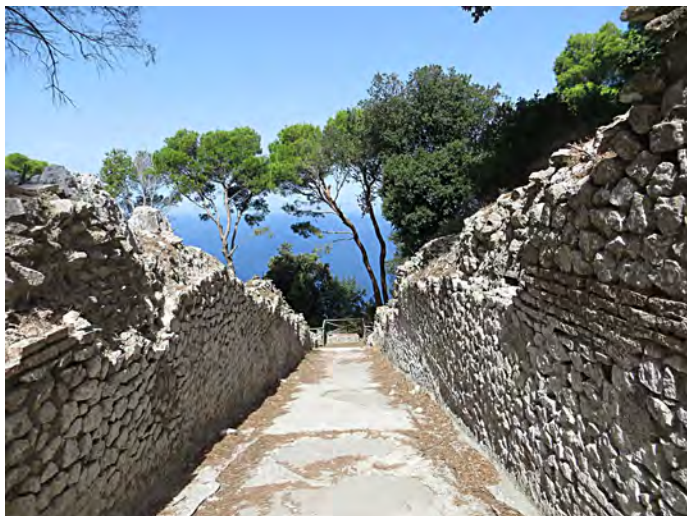
(B)= Breakfast, (L)= Lunch, (R)=Reception, (D)= Dinner



Sansevero Chapel, located in downtown Naples. © David Sivyer



Pompeii, the archaeological site preserved by the eruption of Mount Vesuvius. © L-BBE



Villa Jovis, one of twelve ancient Roman villas on the island of Capri. © Mister No



Lipari, one of the seven Aeolian Islands off the coast of Sicily. © Clemensfranz

A view from Vulcano, another of the seven Aeolian Islands.



discover Amalfi's Duomo and take some time to explore the charming town at your own pace. After an independent lunch, depart to Agerola from where we hike the breathtaking "path of the Gods" to Positano, a journey back in time to the glories of ancient Greece. Return to Naples and enjoy a special dinner of local family dishes at a private palace in Posillipo, hosted by the owners. Weather-permitting, we will dine on the terrace, with views of the island of Capri and Mt. Vesuvius. (B,D)

Friday, May 17: Capri | Villa Jovis | Naples | Overnight ferry to Lipari

5-hour, 7-mile hike (1,470 feet up and down) OR

5-hour, 9-mile hike (1,470 feet up and down)

In the morning take a ferry ride to the fabled island of Capri, the favorite place of Roman Emperor Tiberius. Enjoy a hike on its iconic trails, including a visit to the largest and most opulent of Tiberius' twelve villas on the island, Villa Jovis, a secluded spot of legendary debauchery. Enjoy a picnic lunch and walk through Mediterranean vegetation, with the scent of holm oak, myrtle, and broom permeating the air, plus amazing views over the Faraglioni (three towering rock formations just off the coast) and the mainland. Return to Naples to embark the overnight [Siremar Ferry](#) to Lipari. Dinner is on your own in the ferry cafeteria. *Overnight aboard the ferry.* (B,L)

Saturday, May 18: Lipari | Archaeological Museum | Vulcano | Panarea

2-hour, 2-mile hike (1,610 feet up and down) OR

2-hour, 3-mile hike (1,650 feet up and down)

Breakfast is on your own in the ferry cafeteria. Disembark the ferry at Lipari, the largest of the Aeolian archipelago, comprising seven exquisite islands off the coast of Sicily: Lipari, Panarea, Vulcano, Stromboli, Salina, Alicudi, and Filicudi. They were all created by the still-active volcanoes of Stromboli and Vulcano, and today they are a UNESCO World Heritage (natural) site. Visit the Archaeological Museum, tucked inside Lipari Castle, which stands out on the island's eastern bay between its best docks, Marina Lunga and Marina Corta. Do not miss the marvelous Greek acropolis and the Norman cathedral. After a lunch of local fish, take a private boat to Vulcano that, according to Greek mythology, was the home of Hephaestus, god of fire, metalwork, and the fine arts. Hike to the top, from where it is possible to observe numerous volcanic phenomena, including smoke clouds, vapor spouts, and sulphuric mud holes known for their therapeutic properties. Continue on to Panarea, the only car-free island of the archipelago. *Overnight at the four-star [Quartara Resort Hotel](#) for three nights.* (L,D)

Sunday, May 19: Panarea | Salina | Hike to Hauner Winery | Panarea

3-hour, 3-mile hike (900 feet up and down) OR

4-hour, 6-mile hike (2,170 up and 3,150 feet down)

The morning is at leisure to relax at the hotel pool, explore the village on your own, go to the beach, or independently hike the beautiful island. After an independent lunch, take the ferry to the island of Salina, home to a beautiful wooded area of ferns (*la Fossa delle Felci*) located on jagged cliffs above the island's gorgeous beaches. Stop to taste the renowned *granita*, a local crushed-ice treat with all-natural flavors such as peach, mulberry, almond, and pistachio. Then set out on a hike ending at Hauner Winery, for a tasting of its very special Malvasia delle Lipari wine. Return to Panarea by private boat and enjoy an evening at leisure. (B)



Visit this ancient Greek theater in Taormina with a view of Mt. Etna. © Łukasz Stachowiak

Monday, May 20: Stromboli

4-hour, 5-mile hike (1,310 up and down) OR 6-hour, 9-mile hike (2,950 feet up and down)

Take a private boat to nearby Stromboli, the most active volcano in Europe, which has been erupting for at least 2,000 years at intervals of approximately 15 minutes, with lava flow that runs down into the sea.

Enjoy a full-day excursion here, including a picnic lunch. On our way back to Panarea, stop at one of the smallest rock formations to see underwater vapor spouts and swim in hot waters, weather permitting. (B,L,D)

Tuesday, May 21: Milazzo, Sicily | Taormina walking tour

Leaving Panarea behind, we take a boat to Milazzo, considered one of the most beautiful villages of Italy, and then drive to Taormina. After an independent lunch, take a guided walking tour through the upper town, perched on a cliff overlooking the Ionian Sea. Labeled by Goethe “a corner of paradise,” Taormina has drawn visitors since its days as an essential stop on the Grand Tour. Visit the celebrated ancient Greek theater, with its spectacular view of Mt. Etna and the turquoise sea far below. *Overnight at the four-star [Hotel Villa Belvedere](#) for two nights.* (B,D)



A charming side street in Taormina.
© Hein56didden

Wednesday, May 22: Mt. Etna | Wine tasting | Farewell dinner

2.5-hour, 3-mile hike (850 up and down) OR 4-hour, 6-mile hike (2,625 feet up and down)

Travel to Europe’s largest active volcano, Mt. Etna, a UNESCO World Heritage (natural) site that dominates eastern Sicily. Rifugio Sapienza (at 6,000 feet) is the starting point of our walk today. Cinder cones and extinct craters are features of the desolate landscape of this upper part of Etna. From high on the mountain, there is a wonderful panorama of Sicily’s eastern coast. Depending on the weather and volcanic conditions, take 4x4 Jeeps to 9,500 feet and then continue on foot to 11,000 feet, escorted by an alpine guide. In the afternoon, reach an extraordinary winery on the slopes of this legendary volcano and behold a fascinating lava landscape forged by countless eruptions. Meet the owner, Salvo Foti, who runs this winery in the same way as his ancestors who founded it more than 400 years ago, and taste his fabulous wines before driving back to Taormina. Gather this evening for a farewell dinner. (B,L,D)

Thursday, May 23: Private transfer to Catania airport | Fly home
Transfer this morning to Catania-Fontanarossa Airport (CTA) for flights homeward. (B)



Visit a more than 400-year-old winery on the slopes of Mount Etna, Sicily.
© Neil Weightman



On the Amalfi Coast, you have time to explore the city before venturing into the mountains for a hike. © Paolo Costa Baldi

What to Expect

This is a good introduction to hiking in Italy, along trails on volcanoes and to cultural sites, for people with basic fitness and good health. In addition to Professor Cowan, two guides join us for our seven mountain hikes so you can choose either a shorter or longer hike. Hiking distances, including the elevations in both directions, plus their estimated durations, are provided in the itinerary. The actual itinerary is subject to variables such as the abilities and interests of the group and weather conditions. In May, average temperatures in Naples, the Aeolian archipelago, and Taormina range from 57° to 75° F. Trekking poles and layered clothing are recommended; complete pre-departure details and packing suggestions will be sent to participants.



Naples to Lipari (1 night):

The simple but adequate [Siremar Ferry](#) line offers first-class double cabins (single occupancy possible) with bunk beds and private bathrooms. The ferry has a lounge area, self-service cafeteria, and bar.

Accommodations

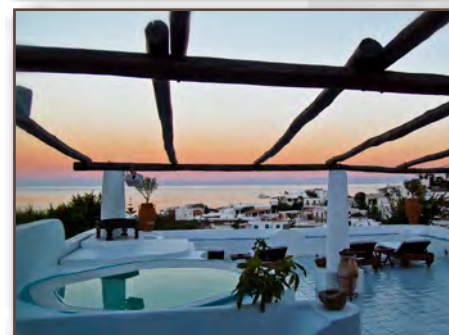
Naples (4 nights):

The 4-star [Grand Hotel Santa Lucia](#) is an elegant waterfront hotel on the Gulf of Naples, conveniently located adjacent to the Castel dell'Ovo and just under two miles from the city center. Its quiet, deluxe sea view rooms have marble bathrooms, free wi-fi, and are about 220 sq. ft. The hotel features a small gym, the Megaris Restaurant, and Il Pavone Bar-Restaurant.



Panarea (3 nights):

The 4-star [Quartara Resort Hotel](#) is a tranquil boutique hotel located on the Piano Quartara, a plateau above the port. The hotel is centered on a beautiful, multipurpose terrace, and features a restaurant and bar, small library, and Jacuzzi. Its 14 rooms have private terraces, are furnished with handmade teak furniture, and are about 220 sq. ft.



Taormina (2 nights):

The 4-star [Hotel Villa Belvedere](#) is a boutique hotel with the atmosphere of a traditional, private, Sicilian villa, conveniently located just a 5-minute walk from the city center. It has a beautiful garden, two bars, a reading lounge, and social lounges. Its superior sea view rooms (about 240 sq. ft.) overlook the Bay of Naxos and have free wi-fi and private terraces.





Tour Prices Per Person (10 nights)

Double Occupancy (15-16 participants)	\$7,195
Double Occupancy (12-14 participants)	\$7,345
Single Supplement (limited availability)	\$1,665
<i>Single room supplement will be charged when requested or required (limited availability).</i>	
<i>With fewer than 12 participants, a small group surcharge may be applied.</i>	

Prices Include:

- Leadership of Carleton **Professor of Geology Clint Cowan '83**; expert **English-speaking**, naturalistic guide/tour manager, additional naturalistic guide for all seven hikes; professional English-speaking art historian/guide (where applicable)
- Nine nights in lovely **4-star hotels** and one **overnight aboard a ferry** (with private bathroom)
- **Delicious meals:** 9 breakfast buffets; 6 lunches, including water or soft drinks, a choice of local beer or house wine, and coffee/tea; 6 dinners with water or soft drinks, wine, and coffee/tea.
- **Many special events** including a welcome reception; a dinner at a private palace in Posillipo with the owners; a granita tasting in Salina; a winery visit with tastings in Salina; and a winery visit with tastings on Mount Etna
- **Private arrival and departure airport transfers**
- **All road transportation** in a comfortable, private coach with water available at all times, as well as a 4x4 excursion on Mount Etna (conditions permitting)
- **All ferry tickets** (Naples-Capri roundtrip, Naples-Lipari, Lipari-Vulcano-Panarea, Panarea-Salina, Panarea-Milazzo) and **private boat transfers** (Salina-Panarea and Panarea-Stromboli roundtrip)
- **All gratuities for tour manager, local guides, hotel staff, drivers, and waiters** for all included meals
- **Baggage handling** at hotels, where available
- **Entrance fees** as per program, and all VAT and local taxes
- **Comprehensive pre-departure information**, including a suggested reading guide, travel guide, and packing list

Flights & Private Transfers

Airfare from/to home is not included. Private transfers are provided upon arrival on May 13th at the Naples airport (NAP) and to the Catania airport (CTA) for departure on May 23rd. Your flight itinerary must be provided to our office prior to the tour. Once you have received your final payment invoice, you should book your flights. If you are considering booking non-refundable airline tickets before this time, please contact our office first. *We do not accept any liability for cancellation penalties related to domestic or international airline tickets.*

Prices Do Not Include: Airfare from/to home; passport and visa fees; all airport fees and departure taxes; cost of personal, trip cancellation, and baggage insurance; transportation of excess baggage; meals other than those listed in the itinerary; personal tips; items of a personal nature, such as laundry; alcoholic or other beverages except as noted above; taxi, telephone, and fax charges; optional excursions or deviations from scheduled tour; and other items not listed as included.

Payments: A deposit of \$1,000 per person is required to reserve your space on the tour and is payable by Visa, MasterCard, American Express, or check made payable to "EOS-Passenger Account-CAA Italy-Hiking5/19." Final payment is due 120 days prior to departure and must be by personal check only; credit cards are not accepted for final payment. By submitting your deposit you are bound by the terms and conditions delineated throughout this brochure or elsewhere published.

Note: Rates are based on tariffs and exchange rates in effect at the time of printing and are subject to change prior to departure. Substantial changes in tariffs, exchange rates, the price of fuel, services and labor may increase the cost of arrangements significantly, and we reserve the right to alter our prices.

Prices, itinerary, and leader are subject to change. Prices quoted are based on group participation and no refunds will be made for any part of the program in which you choose not to participate. It is understood that refunds cannot be made to passengers who do not complete the tour for whatever reason.

Passenger Cancellation Charges: All requests by passengers for cancellations must be received in writing. Cancellations received at least 121 days prior to departure are refunded less an administrative fee of \$500 per person. Cancellations received between 120 and 91 days prior to departure are subject to a cancellation fee equal to 50% of the total tour cost. Cancellations received 90 days or less before departure are subject to a cancellation fee of 100% of the tour cost. *For this and other reasons, participants are strongly encouraged to purchase trip cancellation insurance. An application will be sent with confirmation of receipt of your deposit.*

Due to space limitations, this is abbreviated information. Complete terms and conditions can be found on the final pages of this document.



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RESERVATION FORM

**HIKING & CULINARY ADVENTURE TO
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To hold your reservation for seven days while this form and your deposit are in the mail, please contact us at 800-811-7244 or carleton@studytours.org.

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Email(s)	

☐ I/We have read the 'What to Expect' section and am/are physically able to participate fully on the program.

ACCOMMODATIONS:

- ☐ Double (*one bed*) ☐ Twin (*two beds*) ☐ Single
- ☐ I will be sharing with: _____ ☐ Share-please assign a roommate (not guaranteed)
- I am a ☐ Non-smoker ☐ Smoker ☐ Please share my contact information with potential roommate(s).

RESERVATIONS & PAYMENT:

A deposit of \$1,000 per person is required to confirm a reservation. Final payment is due 120 days prior to departure. You will receive an invoice for final payment. **Please note that credit cards are not accepted for final payment.** All prices and payments are in US dollars.

DEPOSIT TYPE (PLEASE CHECK ONE):

- ☐ Check payable to: EOS Passenger Account-CAA-Italy-Hiking5/19
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Please complete this reservation form, sign the release statement below, enclose your deposit, and "submit" by email, mail, or fax to:

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If submitting this form electronically, please check the following box:

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**TERMS AND CONDITIONS,
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RESPONSIBILITY: Eos Study Tours, Carleton College, and its and their employees, shareholders, subsidiaries, affiliates, officers, directors or trustees, successors and assigns (collectively "Sponsor"), do not own or operate any entity which is to or does provide goods or services for your trip including, for example, lodging facilities; airline, vessel, or other transportation companies; guides or guide services; local ground operators; providers or organizers of optional excursions; food service or entertainment providers; etc. All such persons and entities are independent contractors. As a result, Sponsor is not liable for any negligent or willful act or failure to act of any such person or of any other third party. In addition and without limitation, Sponsor is not responsible for any injury, loss, death, inconvenience, delay, or damage to person or property in connection with the provision of any goods or services whether resulting from, but not limited to, acts of force majeure; acts of God; acts of government; acts of war or civil unrest, insurrection or revolt; bites from or attacks by animals, insects, or pests; strikes or other labor activities; criminal or terrorist activities of any kind or the threat thereof; sickness, illness, epidemics or the threat thereof; the lack of availability of or access to medical attention or the quality thereof; overbooking or downgrading of accommodations; mechanical or other failure of airplanes, vessels, or other means of transportation; or for any failure of any transportation mechanism to arrive or depart timely or safely. In addition, Sponsor is not liable for its own negligence, and participant assumes all risk thereof. **CHANGES IN ITINERARY OR FEATURES:** Sponsor reserves the right to change the itinerary or trip features at any time and for any reason, with or without notice, and Sponsor shall not be liable for any loss of any kind as a result of any such changes. Sponsor may cancel a trip (or an option) for any reason whatsoever; if so, its sole responsibility is to refund monies paid by the participant. Sponsor is not required to cancel any trip for any reason including, without limitation, United States Department of State, World Health Organization, or other Warnings or Advisories of any kind. Sponsor is not responsible for penalties assessed by air carriers resulting from operational and/or itinerary changes, even if Sponsor makes the flight arrangements or cancels the trip. Sponsor reserves the right to substitute hotels or attractions of a similar category for those listed in this brochure. **LUGGAGE:** Luggage allowance policies are set by the airlines and may change without prior notice. **PHYSICAL ACCESSIBILITY:** All programs require physical independence and mobility. Any physical or mental condition that may require special medical attention or physical assistance (for example, the need of a wheelchair) must be reported in writing when you make your reservation. Participants requiring assistance must travel with a companion who will assist them throughout and will be responsible for handling equipment. Participants must be able to embark or disembark motor coaches alone or with minimal assistance from their traveling companion, and climb stairs and step over raised thresholds without assistance. **REFUNDS:** Prices quoted are based on group participation. No refunds will be made for any part of the program in which participants choose not to participate. Refunds cannot be made to participants who do not complete the tour for any reason, nor to participants whose entry into any country on the itinerary is delayed or denied. **TRIP INSURANCE:** Sponsor strongly recommends that participants purchase trip cancellation insurance. In the event that you must cancel your participation, trip cancellation insurance may be the only source of reimbursement. Trip cancellation insurance is available through Sponsor and others and covers certain expenses in conjunction with cancellation due to illness or accident and damaged or lost luggage. Sponsor will send participants an application upon receipt of their reservation. **RATES:** Prices quoted are based on fares in effect at the time of printing and are subject to changes at any time. On all programs, even after full payment, Sponsor reserves the right to increase the tour price in the event of cost increases due to changes in supplier costs, tax increases, currency fluctuations or fuel and energy surcharges, and all such increases are to be paid to Sponsor upon notice to the participant of such increases. **FORUM AND METHODOLOGY FOR DISPUTE RESOLUTION:** Any dispute or claim which refers or relates to this contract, any literature related to the trip, or the trip itself shall be litigated solely and exclusively in and for courts in Keene, New Hampshire, subject to substantive and procedural New Hampshire law, and for this limited purpose, the parties agree to exclusive venue and personal jurisdiction therein. At the participant's option, however, in lieu of litigation, Sponsor will agree to binding arbitration in Keene, New Hampshire, subject to substantive, but not procedural, New Hampshire law, pursuant to the then existing commercial rules of the American Arbitration Association. In any such arbitration, the arbitrator, and not any federal, state, or local court or agency, shall have exclusive authority to resolve any dispute relating to the interpretation, applicability, enforceability, conscionability, or formation of this contract, including but not limited to any claim that all or any part of this contract is void or voidable. **CANCELLATIONS AND REFUNDS:** Sponsor reserves the right to cancel this tour prior to departure, in which case payment will be refunded without further obligation on our part. However, if trip cancellation, itinerary changes, and/or delays are mandated by causes beyond our control, the participant shall have the option of accepting in lieu of the original tour such rescheduled tour or other substituted tour(s) as may be offered by Sponsor, or else, receiving a refund of as much of such advance tour expenditures as Sponsor is able to recover on the participant's behalf from carriers, third-party tour vendors, etc. Sponsor, however, shall not have any obligation or liability to the participant beyond the foregoing. **U.S. STATE DEPARTMENT & CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL:** Both the U.S. State Department and the Centers for Disease Control publish and update important country-specific information for travelers. We strongly recommend that you review them. They can presently be found at: <https://travel.state.gov/content/passports/en/alertswarnings.html> and <https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/notices> **MISCELLANEOUS:** Participants should not purchase airline tickets prior to receiving your final payment invoice so as to avoid airline cancellation penalties if a tour is canceled or otherwise modified subsequent to the participant's purchase of those tickets. Baggage and personal effects are at all times the sole responsibility of the participant. If, due to weather, flight schedules or other uncontrollable factors, you are required to spend an additional night(s), you will be responsible for your own hotel, transfers, and meal costs. Baggage is entirely at owner's risk. Sponsor reserves the right to decline to accept or retain any participant at any time. The right is reserved to decline to accept as a participant, or remove from a trip, without refund, any person it judges to be incapable of meeting the rigors and requirements of participating in the activities, or who is abusive to other trip participants, leaders, or third parties, or who is determined to detract from the enjoyment of the trip by others. Specific room assignments are within the sole discretion of the hotel.

ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT: By forwarding of deposit, the participant certifies that he/she agrees with these terms and conditions, and accepts the terms contained in these Terms and Conditions, Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Binding Arbitration Agreement.

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