Dear Columbian,

The alluring coasts of the azure Mediterranean Sea have kindled a passion that has drawn admirers from emperors to artists for millennia. Once encompassed within the realm of the far-reaching Roman Empire, Mare Nostrum (our sea) was changed forever as Roman law, religion, customs and culture left an indelible mark on life in the Mediterranean.

We invite you to join us for six nights aboard the chartered deluxe M.S. LE DIAMANT, formerly the M.S. SONG OF FLOWER. Cruise in style and comfort from the magnificent coast of the French Riviera through the Ligurian and Tyrrhenian Seas, along routes once plied by merchant galleys and warships, as you experience the legendary beauty of the Mediterranean and Italy's sun-dappled offshore islands.

This unique itinerary provides the opportunity to view the cultural and natural treasures of the Classical Mediterranean on exclusive guided tours, to cruise Italy's spectacular west coast and visit ports accessible only by small ship. Each participant is afforded a very personal experience by having the opportunity to enhance this travel program through optional excursions to the historic Renaissance cities of Tuscany and the timeless monuments of imperial Rome, or by enjoying time in each port to pursue individual interests.

Join us and alumni from other educational institutions for this cruise on the Classical Mediterranean through the heart of the Roman Empire. The M.S. LE DIAMANT's capacity is limited. I encourage you to make your reservations by December 16, 2005, while space and the Early Booking Savings are still available.

With best wishes from Morningside Heights,

Eric J. Furda
Vice President for Alumni Relations
Columbia Guest Lecturer

We make it a priority to provide an outstanding Columbia University affiliated guest lecturer who will accompany each program. Education is central to the mission of the Alumni Travel Study Program, and we intend that you will be joined by a guest lecturer. Our lecturers are chosen for the depth of their knowledge as well as their approachability. We trust that their enthusiasm and insight, experienced through formal lectures and informal conversations, will greatly enhance the educational value of the trip. As this brochure goes to press, however, we are unable to guarantee a lecturer. Please feel free to contact our office for an update on the guest lecturer status.
CIVITA VECCHIA (ROME)
Thursday, May 4
The ship arrives early this morning in Civitavecchia. Pursue your own interests or join the optional full-day excursion to Rome. Once the center of the ancient world’s greatest empire, Rome is an open-air museum of Classical, medieval, Renaissance and baroque architecture. Walk through the Forum, the political and commercial heart of the Roman Empire, and admire the enduring grandeur of the Colosseum, where 50,000 spectators once gathered to witness gladiatorial contests, chariot races and mock naval battles. In the fifth-century Church of St. Peter in Chains, view Michelangelo’s newly restored Moses. After a lunch of traditional cucina Romana, enjoy time at leisure to explore the Eternal City’s treasures. Return to the ship late this afternoon.

CAPRI
Friday, May 5
Amid the isle of Capri’s dramatic scenery, lush vegetation and subtropical climate, the Roman Emperors Augustus and Tiberius maintained elegant retreats. By small boat, visit Capri’s most famous attraction, the legendary Grotta Azzura (Blue Grotto), a sea cave whose interior is adorned with classic statues. Cruise across the tranquil waters of the cavern and observe the sublime tapestry of the blue hues that gave the grotto its name. Your afternoon is free for independent pursuits on Capri. The ship departs this evening.

LIPARI, AEOLIAN ISLANDS
Saturday, May 6
Emerging precipitously from the azure waters of the Mediterranean, the Isole Eolie — the Aeolian Islands — were created when erupting volcanoes rose from the floor of the Mediterranean Sea in ages past. In 2000, UNESCO added the archipelago to its list of World Heritage Sites. The morning tour of the stark, dramatically beautiful Lipari showcases panoramic views of the neighboring isle of Vulcano and the picturesque village of Canneto. In the walled town of Lipari, walk through its narrow medieval lanes to the castle, built by the Spaniards in 1500, and visit the 17th-century cathedral and the Aeolian Archaeological Museum, which houses collections of pottery, masks and other Classical artifacts. Enjoy a glass of malvasia — a local dessert wine — and Italian sweets. This afternoon you will have time at leisure. Depart for Sicily late this evening.

TAORMINA, SICILY/CATANIA/U.S.
Sunday, May 7
Disembark the ship in Taormina and transfer to Catania to board your return flight to the U.S.
**M.S. LE DIAMANT**

The M.S. LE DIAMANT is a rare find among oceangoing ships, providing deluxe accommodations and an intimate, casual atmosphere. Previously known as the M.S. SONG OF FLOWER and lauded as one of the world’s most popular passenger ships, the re-christened M.S. LE DIAMANT was attractively refurbished in 2004 and combines the deluxe amenities and superior standards of service offered aboard a larger ship with the charm and enhanced navigability provided by a yacht.

Each spacious, outside stateroom or suite (ranging in size from 183 sq. ft. to 398 sq. ft.) is elegantly appointed and features two lower twin beds that convert to one queen-size bed on request, a private bathroom with shower (some staterooms have bathtubs and showers), telephone, television/DVD, minibar, double full-length closets, two nightstands, desk, hairdryer, duvets and plush terry cloth robes. Room service is available at specified hours.

Culinary standards aboard the M.S. LE DIAMANT are impeccable. Six daily meals include Continental breakfast, buffet breakfast, buffet lunch, afternoon tea, dinner and late-night snack. The Restaurant les Iles de France accommodates all passengers in a single unassigned seating and serves innovative Continental cuisine in a relaxed, inviting setting. For more intimate evening dining, guests may reserve a table at L’Escapade, a restaurant featuring French specialties. Complimentary wine, coffee and tea are served at lunch and dinner.

Three lounges are available to participants. Le Grand Salon, the main lounge, offers a full-service bar, dance floor and stage. Le Club and L’Observatoire feature bar service and piano music. Entertainment includes a nightly cabaret and live music. Additional ship features include a hair salon, boutique, library, fitness center, masseuse and outdoor swimming pool. There is a certified physician on board. The ship has laundry, dry cleaning and pressing services. Two elevators serve all passenger decks.

With a low ratio of passengers to crew members, each guest receives attentive, personalized service. The ship also meets the highest international environmental and safety standards.

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*Singles are available in category 4 at $5995 and category 3 at $6695 on or before December 16, 2005. Add $500 for reservations made after December 16, 2005.

**Included Features**

- Six-night cruise from Nice, France, to Taormina, Sicily, with calls at Livorno, Portoferraio, Civitavecchia, Capri and Lipari, Italy.
- Spacious air-conditioned outside stateroom with a private bathroom.
- Captain’s welcome reception.
- All meals throughout the cruise, featuring savory Continental cuisine, served at a single unassigned seating.
- Complimentary house wines included with both lunch and dinner.
- Specially arranged shore excursions, including:
  - Walking tour of Portoferraio’s Old Town on Elba;
  - Visit to the famous Blue Grotto on Capri;
  - Panoramic tour of the island of Lipari, with visits to its castle, cathedral and archaeological museum and a tasting of local wine and sweets.

**Enhanced Travel Services**

- All transfers and luggage handling abroad for all participants who have purchased their air tickets through Gohagan & Company and whose arrival(s)/departure(s) coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s).
- Gratuities to local guides and drivers on included excursions.
- Hospitality desk aboard the M.S. LE DIAMANT.
- A Travel Director to accompany you throughout the travel program.
- Travel document wallet, name badge and pre-departure information.
- Automatic $250,000 flight insurance policy for each participant ticketed on flights by Thomas P. Gohagan & Company.
Traditionally fishing boats line the shore in Portoferraio on the scenic island of Elba.