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Share in a Feast of Renaissance Culture With Fred. Olsen

One such voyage of discovery, with a very attractive itinerary, is *Boudicca's* Renaissance Culture cruise of 16 nights, departing Southampton on 15th September 2008. The cruise visits some of the most important places in the history of European culture, including Cadiz, Nice, Rome and Naples. The experts hosting this cruise are Dr. David Cross, an art historian and novelist and Ronald Gatepain, an architectural historian. Their considerable knowledge and expertise will add greatly to the understanding of participants in this cultural tour and the cruise includes no fewer than eight special excursions – among them Cultures of Jerez, from Cadiz; Florence and Its Renaissance, from Livorno and Pompeii from Naples.

In Florence, a walking tour takes in the Cathedral of Santa Maria dei Fiore, Medici chapels, the Piazza della Signoria and the Ponte Vecchio. Rome is another highlight of this cruise, with the tour encompassing some of the great museums with paintings by Reubens, Bellini and Caravaggio, as well as some of the city's finest churches,

Sardinia offers visits to the ruins of the Phoenician city of Nora, a site which also has Carthaginian and Roman relics, and was engulfed by the sea in the 3rd century AD.

Tangier, the, last port of call, is the gateway to Morocco and offers a rich mix of cultural influences – visit the Cape Spartel lighthouse and Museum de la Kasbah housed in what was the Sultan's Palace.

Of course Civilisations customers also get to enjoy everything available to other cruisers – the superb meals, the many excellent facilities on board ship and the nightly entertainment on board. But their participation in the Civilisations programme will allow them to get so much more from the trip

and will leave a deeper impression of the ports visited.

There is currently a 48% discount available on this cruise, so prices start from £1,727 for the cruise, with the optional Civilisations package charged at an additional £469 per person. Prices are per person, based on two sharing a twin-bedded cabin and include all meals and entertainment on board and port taxes.

To find out more about this and other Civilisations cruises, visit www.fredolsencruises.co.uk/civilisations - for those who want that little bit more from a cruise. To book, call Reservations on 014723 742424, see your local ABTA travel agents or book online.

Fred. Olsen Cruise Line operates in the UK with four intimately sized ships for a more personal cruising experience.

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