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MEDITERRANEAN *Music Cruise*

with Adam Harvey
and The French Family Band

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10 to 24 June 2025

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Naples/Amalfi Coast/Pompeii; Florence/Tuscany/Pisa

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MEDITERRANEAN Music Cruise

The Mediterranean Music Cruise, with The French Family Band and Adam Harvey, is a wonderful opportunity to cruise on the luxurious Norwegian Epic, enjoy outstanding live country music, and experience the unforgettable sights of the Mediterranean region. The cruise is fully escorted and includes sightseeing tours, with local guides, in Rome and most ports of call. Best of all, the John Howie Mediterranean Music Cruise includes a host of exclusive concerts, pre-dinner drinks music performances, & other special music-related events.



Itinerary

DAY 1 Tuesday 10 June 2025

Depart Australia on your international flight to Rome.

Depart Australia

DAY 2 Wednesday 11 June 2025

Flight arrives in Rome. Transfer by coach to our hotel in central Rome. Overnight: Starhotels Metropole, Rome. (-)

Rome, Italy

DAY 3 Thursday 12 June 2025

Morning: Sightseeing coach tour of Rome, with local guide. See the Colosseum and the Pantheon (Rome's best preserved ancient building). Also see the Trevi Fountain, and The Spanish Steps. Afternoon: Free time for you to explore Rome at your leisure. Evening: Enjoy Commencement of Tour Dinner, at one of Rome's excellent restaurants, including a few informal songs from The French Family Band and Adam Harvey. (B,D)

Rome



DAY 4 Friday 13 June 2025

Morning: Visit The Vatican, with local guide, including a visit to St Peter's Basilica. Afternoon: We will be transferred to the waterfront to board Norwegian Epic. After settling into your cabin, come out on deck and watch as the ship slips its moorings. The ship departs Rome at 5pm. Evenings: Enjoy fabulous on-board dining. The main dining rooms offer mouth-watering meals served in elegant settings. (B,D[dinner on the ship])

Embarkation

DAY 5 Saturday 14 June 2025

Enjoy a relaxing day at sea. Today will be an excellent opportunity for you to explore the ship's fantastic facilities and many activities. Morning: Enjoy our 1st exclusive on-board concert, featuring Adam Harvey. Afternoon: Enjoy a fun-filled Music Quiz. Great prizes for the winning teams! Evening: Enjoy a Welcome Aboard Drinks Party. This will be an opportunity for you to meet and chat with our exclusive cruise performers, tour managers, and other tour group members (drinks 'included' (complimentary) at Welcome Aboard Drinks Party).

At Sea

DAY 6 Sunday 15 June 2025

Morning: Enjoy our 2nd exclusive on-board concert, featuring The French Family Band. Afternoon: Visit the most spectacular of all the Greek islands....Santorini. The villages of Santorini feature distinctive Greek whitewashed houses that are built into the dramatic multi-coloured cliffs that cascade down to the Aegean Sea. Enjoy a free afternoon & evening to explore this magnificent port. The Norwegian Epic departs at 10pm.

Santorini, Greece

DAY 7 Monday 16 June 2025

Mykonos, Greece

8am: Norwegian Epic arrives at Mykonos, the most popular Greek island in the Aegean Sea. You have a free day (& evening) to explore the quaint alleyways of Mykonos town and other parts of the island, featuring beautiful white beaches and Mykonos's much-photographed, iconic white-and-blue buildings. 4pm: Enjoy an exclusive on-shore Afternoon Drinks get-together, in Mykonos town, including live Greek music and/or Greek folk dancing. Our cruise ship departs Mykonos at 8pm (1 drink, per person, 'included', at Afternoon Drinks).



DAY 8 Tuesday 17 June 2025

Athens, Greece

Today we visit Athens. Athens is home to the Acropolis and the Parthenon (the ultimate in ancient Greek architectural perfection). Morning: Sightseeing coach tour of Athens, with local guide, including visits to the Acropolis and the Parthenon. Early Afternoon: Free time for you to explore Athens at your leisure. Norwegian Epic sails at 3pm. Evening: Back on the ship, enjoy our 1st on-board Pre-Dinner Drinks music session, with entertainment by one of our exclusive music cruise artists.

DAY 9 Wednesday 18 June 2025

Corfu, Greece

Morning: Enjoy our 3rd exclusive on-board concert, featuring Adam Harvey. Afternoon: Visit Corfu....one of the prettiest of the Greek islands. Located in the Ionian Sea, we will do a short tour of the island and spend time in Corfu Town, with its unique architecture, influenced by Venetian, French & British occupation. Our cruise ship departs Corfu at 7pm.

DAY 10 Thursday 19 June 2025

Valletta, Malta

Morning: Enjoy our 4th exclusive on-board concert, featuring The French Family Band. Also, enjoy a Music Industry Forum (question & answer session), with The French Family Band and Adam Harvey giving us insights into their lives as musicians and sharing some wonderful stories. Afternoon: Visit the small Mediterranean island nation of Malta. Its capital city, Valletta, is the smallest capital city in the European Union. Malta's location in the centre of the Mediterranean has historically given it great strategic importance as a naval base. Evening: Every evening, on-board, enjoy high quality Norwegian Epic entertainment, including Broadway-style shows, comedy shows, etc.

DAY 11 Friday 20 June 2025

Messina (Sicily)

Today we visit Sicily, the large island near the 'toe' of the 'boot' of southern Italy. Enjoy a sightseeing coach tour of the historic port city of Messina and the beautiful town of Taormina, with its ancient Greek Theatre, and wonderful views of the sea and Mount Etna (Europe's highest active volcano). Evening: Enjoy our 2nd exclusive on-board Pre-Dinner Drinks music session, with entertainment by one of our music cruise artists.



Norwegian Epic Norwegian Epic is sure to dazzle with her contemporary design, world-class performances, and endless onboard activities. Take a break from all the action at Mandara Spa and enjoy the Thermal Suite – designed for ultimate relaxation. Speaking of grown-ups, Posh Beach Club and Spice H2O are adult-only venues that provide for an oasis during the day and a party at night. Multiple dining destinations ensure a happy palette at mealtime, while drinks can be enjoyed at unique bars like Ice Bar, Shaker's Martini & Champagne Bar and Maltings Beer & Whiskey Bar.



Adam Harvey

With a career spanning over twenty years, half a million album sales, and nine Golden Guitar Awards, Adam Harvey is one of Australia's most popular and enduring recording artists. He was presented with the CMA Global Country Artist Award in 2007, and has been awarded a Centenary Medal, in Australia, for his charity work. Adam's most recent solo album, *Songs From Highway One*, won the Country Album of the Year Golden Guitar at the 2022 Australian Country Music Awards. Adam then recorded a duets album – *The Great Country Songbook Volume 3* – with long-time friend, Beccy Cole, and it went to #1 on the ARIA charts. As at March 2023 Adam is writing a book – *Tales From The Road*.



The French Family Band

Country music just sounds better when performed by a family. And no one does it any better than The French Family Band. Husband-and-wife duo, Camille and Stuie, became a much loved Country music duo in Australia, before the family moved to Nashville in 2019. Stuie is an outstanding guitar player and Camille has a beautiful, once-in-a-generation voice. Sonny (17) has become a virtuoso guitarist that holds his own with his Dad, and his pure voice blends with his mother as only families can. With over 18 million views on Youtube and 40 million on Facebook, The French Family Band has gone from strength to strength since moving to Nashville. Their dreams came true in April 2023 when they made their debut performance on The Grand Ole Opry and received a standing ovation.

Pre-dinner drinks entertainment sessions

4 nights on our cruise we will have pre-dinner drinks events, exclusively for those on our music cruise. Each of these events features a performance by one of our music cruise acts (around 7 or 8 songs). These performances, less formal than the main concerts, are always very memorable and have become a special feature of our music tours. Following the performances, by our featured artists, John Howie will host informal singalong events, where tour group members will have the opportunity to perform. We will also have an on-shore Afternoon Drinks event in Mykonos, featuring live Greek music and/or Greek folk dancing.

DAY 12 Saturday 21 June 2025

Naples/Amalfi Coast/Pompeii

Today we visit the historic city of Naples, in the south of Italy. Enjoy a coach tour of the Pompeii/Sorrento/Amalfi Coast region, with local guide. The Amalfi Coast is one of the most spectacular coastal drives in the world. Visit the beautiful Amalfi coast town of Sorrento. Free time to explore Sorrento and gaze at the legendary Isle of Capri. We will visit the fascinating ruins of Pompeii. Ancient Pompeii, destroyed in AD79 by an eruption of Mt Vesuvius, lay buried under rock and ash until the 18th century. When excavations began, in 1748, a city frozen in time was revealed. We will take a tour of the ruins. Evening: Enjoy our 3rd exclusive on-board Pre-Dinner Drinks music session, with entertainment by one of our music cruise artists.

DAY 13 Sunday 22 June 2025

Florence/Pisa/Tuscany

Today we visit Florence and Pisa. Enjoy a coach tour, with local guide, through the beautiful Tuscan countryside. Visit the wonderful Renaissance city of Florence and the historic city of Pisa. In Florence see Duomo, the richly decorated domed cathedral that dominates the city's skyline. Free time to visit the inside of Duomo (optional) if you wish. Also visit Ponte Vecchio (14th century bridge, lined with shops). In Pisa see the famous Leaning Tower. Evening: Enjoy our 4th & final Pre-Dinner Drinks music session, with entertainment by one of our music cruise artists.



DAY 14 Monday 23 June 2025

Rome, Italy

Norwegian Epic arrives in Rome, at 6.15am, and we disembark. Travel to airport to commence flights home, or commence Sound of Music Extension Tour.

DAY 15 Tuesday 24 June 2025

Australia

Arrive back in Australia.

Optional Sound of Music Extension Tour



DAY 1 Monday 23 June 2025

Bologna, Italy

Morning: Disembark the ship and travel to Orvieto, a spectacular hill town in Central Italy. Travel by funicular (cable-car) to the city centre and enjoy free time in this spectacular small city. Continue on to the historic city of Bologna (Italy's 7th most populous city), in northern Italy. Bologna is famous for its rich culinary tradition (including Bolognese sauce, tortellini, etc.). Enjoy a sightseeing tour with local guide. See the iconic Two Towers, Asinelli and Garisenda, offering panoramic views of the city. Visit Piazza Maggiore, home to the stunning Basilica di San Petronio. Overnight: Royal Hotel Carlton. (B)

DAY 2 Tuesday 24 June 2025

Innsbruck, Austria

Morning: Today we travel to Innsbruck, in the Austrian Alps. Nestled amidst snow-capped peaks, Innsbruck is the capital of Austria's western state of Tyrol. On arrival enjoy a sightseeing tour with local guide. Visit the historic Old Town, where colourful facades and Baroque architecture adorn every corner. See one of the city's most famous buildings, the Goldenes Dachl (Golden Roof). Evening: Attend special Tyrolean Show (dinner & show), with the Gundolf Family. Authentic Tyrolean music, folk dancing, 'shoe-slapping', & typical Tyrolean songs and 'yodelling'. Overnight: Hotel Innsbruck. (B,D)

DAY 3 Wednesday 25 June 2025

Salzburg, Austria

Morning: Enjoy a scenic journey to the enchanting city of Salzburg... birthplace of Mozart, setting for the famous film, *The Sound of Music*, and nearby, the birthplace of the famous Christmas carol, *Silent Night*. On arrival enjoy sightseeing tour with local guide. Explore the iconic Mirabell Palace and Gardens, where Maria and the von Trapp children famously sang "Do-Re-Mi". Visit Mozart's Birthplace and Residence. As you wander through the cobbled streets of the Old Town, see spectacular Salzburg Cathedral and Hohensalzburg Fortress. Overnight: H+ Hotel, Salzburg. (B)

DAY 4 Thursday 26 June 2025

Salzburg

Morning: Visit the 'Silent Night' Memorial Chapel and Museum in the town of Oberndorf, about 20 kms from Salzburg. Join John Howie in singing the famous Christmas carol, on the very spot where it was first performed. We will then travel to the nearby village

of Arnsdorf. There we visit the fascinating schoolroom/apartment where Franz Gruber (composer of the melody of *Silent Night*) taught and lived for many years. Afternoon: Back in Salzburg, you may like to go on a 'Sound of Music' Tour (optional) and be shown some of the places where the famous film was made. Evening: You may wish to attend a Mozart concert, or a 'Sound of Music' concert this evening (both optional). John Howie will advise on available concerts and ticket prices. (B)

DAY 5 Friday 27 June 2025

Vienna, Austria

Morning: Travel from Salzburg to Vienna. This is one of the most scenic drives in Austria. Vienna, Austria's capital city, is located on the beautiful river Danube. Afternoon: Enjoy a sightseeing tour of Vienna, with local guide. See the Hofburg Palace and St. Stephen's Cathedral. Visit Beethoven's grave, in Vienna's Zentralfriedhof Cemetery. Also, enjoy a guided tour of Wiener Staatsoper (Vienna State Opera House). The interior of this opera house is very impressive. Evening: Join John Howie for dinner, where you can try Wiener schnitzel and Sachertorte, Vienna's culinary specialties (optional). After dinner you may wish to attend a wonderful evening of Viennese classical music, including the music of Johann Strauss (optional). Overnight: NH Collection Wien Zentrum. (B)

DAY 6 Saturday 28 June 2025

Vienna

Morning: Visit the fabulous Schönbrunn Palace, former imperial residence of the Habsburgs. Afternoon: Free time for you to explore Vienna, one of Europe's most interesting cities, with wonderful architecture, gardens, art galleries and museums. Sometime this afternoon you may like to relax in one of Vienna's famous Kaffeehäuser (coffee houses). Evening: Have dinner in one of Vienna's Heurigen (wine taverns), perhaps with some lively local folk/ballad music (optional), or you may wish to attend the opera tonight (optional). (B)

DAY 7 Sunday 29 June 2025

Departure

Travel to airport to commence flights back home.

DAY 8 Monday 30 June 2025

Australia

Arrive back in home country.

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10 to 24 June 2025

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Included in the Mediterranean Music Cruise/Tour:

- Return Economy-class air travel from Melbourne/Sydney/Brisbane/Perth to Rome.
- 10 night cruise on Norwegian Epic in the selected cabin category. All meals and entertainment on Norwegian Epic.
- 2 nights' accommodation in centrally located first-class or moderate first-class hotel in Rome, with private facilities, on twin-share basis. 2 breakfasts. 1 dinner (Commencement of Tour Dinner, in Rome). Hotel taxes and service charges.
- Includes NCL FREE AT SEA offers* including Free Beverage Package, Free Specialty Dining Package and Free WiFi Package.
- 4 exclusive on-board concerts by The French Family Band and Adam Harvey.
- 4 exclusive Pre-Dinner Drinks sessions, with entertainment provided by our exclusive music cruise artists. Note: drinks are not 'included', at the Pre-Dinner Drinks events. Also, 1 on-shore Afternoon Drinks event (1 drink included), in Mykonos, with live Greek music and/or Greek folk dancing.
- Welcome Aboard Drinks Party, Day 5. Drinks are 'included' (i.e., complimentary).
- The French Family Band and Adam Harvey accompany you on the whole cruise/tour.
- Entry to all sightseeing attractions mentioned in the itinerary, except for those marked 'optional' or 'own expense'. If the itinerary says 'see' a particular attraction, it means we simply see it, rather than paying for entry and 'visiting' it.
- Sightseeing tours, with local guides, in: Rome; Athens; Corfu; Valletta; Messina; Naples/Amalfi Coast/Sorrento/Pompeii; Florence/Pisa.
- Entrance to all sightseeing attractions mentioned in the itinerary, except for those marked 'optional'.
- Transport by luxury, air-conditioned motor coach throughout. All airport/hotel transfers.
- Tour leadership by John Howie, of The Howie Brothers.
- Cruise taxes and port & handling charges.

Included in the Sound of Music Extension Tour:

- 6 nights' accommodation in centrally located first-class and moderate first-class hotels in Bologna, Innsbruck, Salzburg and Vienna.
- 1 Dinner (the Tyrolean Dinner & Show, in Innsbruck).
- Sightseeing tours, with local guides, in: Bologna, Innsbruck, Salzburg and Vienna.
- Please note: Adam Harvey and The French Family Band are not coming on the Sound of Music Extension Tour.
- Tour leadership by John Howie, of The Howie Brothers.
- Transport by luxury, air-conditioned motor coach throughout.

Prices per person in Australian Dollars

Cabin / Description		Deck	Twin-share	Single Fare
IA	Inside	12	\$ 11295	\$ 14495
BC	Balcony	9	\$ 12595	\$ 16995
Included port & handling charges			\$ 930.20	\$ 1518
Included Beverage Package			\$ 160 per day	\$ 160 per day
Included Wi-Fi			\$ 45 per day	\$ 45 per day
Included Specialty Dining			\$ 150 per day	\$ 150 per day
Air taxes will be added to invoice			\$ 265	\$ 265

Sound of Music Extension Tour Price:

Per person twin-share	\$ 2850
Single supplement	\$ 850

Not included in the price (of the main tour):

- Insurance – travel insurance is strongly recommended.
- All items of personal nature, such as drinks, room service, laundry and phone calls. Please note: drinks are not 'included' at the 4 on-board Pre-Dinner Drinks sessions.
- Meals and drinks, unless specified in the itinerary. Meals included are marked B,D,L, 'morning tea', etc., in brackets, at the end of each day's text in the itinerary. All meals are 'included,' on the ship, so no need to mark those meals, at the end of each day's text.
- International airport and departure taxes above the rate quoted.
- Domestic flight connections to and from departure and arrival cities.
- Ship gratuities

General Information and Booking Conditions

It is important that all tour participants have a basic level of physical fitness that allows them to take part in this activity without the need of assistance from others.

TOUR OPERATOR: Travelrite International Pty Ltd (ABN 64 005 817 078) is the tour organiser. Norwegian Epic is operated by NCL Cruises and the Mediterranean music cruise arrangements are subject to the terms and conditions and general information detailed in the NCL Cruises brochure /website. All passengers must complete the NCL Cruises online check-in and Travelrite International booking form.

DEPOSIT AND PAYMENT: A non-refundable deposit of \$900 per passenger should be sent with a completed Travelrite International booking form that lists your requested cabin category. As soon as the booking is confirmed, (usually within 24 hours), a cruise confirmation advice will be posted to the client. The confirmation advice will contain all details. Final payments are due to be paid to Travelrite International 100 days prior to the commencement of the Mediterranean Music Cruise. A 1.5% administration fee applies to payments by credit card.

CANCELLATION CHARGES: Number of days before sailing.

Days prior to Departure	Cancellation Fee
Over 100 days	\$900
99 days or less	100% of full fare
No appearance/no written notice	100% of full fare

REFUNDS: This cruise is based on arrangements which do not allow for any refunds in respect to sightseeing, accommodation, meals or other services not utilised after the respective tour has commenced.

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS: All passengers will require a valid passport. If not an Australian passport holder, check with Travelrite International for visa requirements.

TRAVEL INSURANCE: Adequate travel insurance is highly recommended to cover cruise members for the consequences of unforeseen events during the cruise and for cancellation fees that could result from events such as illness, accident, death etc.

BAGGAGE: Passengers qualify for a 20kg free baggage allowance on flights to join or return from the cruise.

MINIMUM TOUR NUMBERS: The cruise arrangements have been made on the basis of a minimum number of passengers travelling. In the event that less than the required number of passengers have confirmed their

booking 100 days from the date of departure, Travelrite International reserves the right to cancel the tour, giving a full refund of monies paid, or offer arrangements to proceed with the tour at a modified fare.

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DELAYS AND UNFORESEEN EVENTS: You engage Travelrite International to book this tour on your behalf and you acknowledge that Travelrite International acts as your agent for the purpose of making contracts between you and the various providers of accommodation, transportation and other services that comprise the tour. Travelrite International may without reference to you provide or make available to you, or may as your

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