**Cruises in the Garden of Eden – 2015/6 Euro**

 **7 night / 8 day cruises from Mahe**



**Discover Paradise in the Seychelles on board the Motor Yacht Pegasus**

**The Variety Cruises Experience**

Discover the Seychelles the best way: By small ship. Hop from island to island in perfect harmony with this unspoilt paradise and visit islands which will capture your senses. Everywhere an amazing fauna and flora; Snorkel or dive and watch an amazing underwater world. Walk into centuries old rain forests with unique species of wild life and sight the rare black parrots, the world famous Coco de Mer palm trees or giant land tortoises.

**The Motor yacht Pegasus**

The twin-hulled Pegasus, built in 1990, completely refitted in the winter of 2012, accommodates up to 44 guests in a relaxed, congenial atmosphere. On board, you will enjoy magnificent sea views as you stroll our 2.500 square feet/240 m2 of open deck furnished with comfortable deck chairs or enjoy a delightful meal al fresco. You can relax with friends in the handsomely appointed lounge, browse in the well-stocked library or enjoy ocean-view dining in the convivial and spacious restaurant area. A platform on Pegasus stern enables you to swim when weather and anchorage conditions permit.

**Life on Board**

Life on board centres around the indoor/outdoor Lounge and its American Bar on Upper Deck. The adjoining dining area is surrounded by large windows providing beautiful views of the ports of call. It accommodates all guests in one single seating and provides a high standard of cuisine, always with some local flavour. Al fresco breakfast or dining is provided as a choice. The spacious Sun Deck is the ideal place to bask under the sun, read a good book or just gaze at the scenery. Service on board is provided by your Captain and his experienced marine and hotel crew members. It will be attentive or unobtrusive according to your requirements and priority is always given to the safety and comfort of passengers. We have also added for your relaxation a Zen mini spa located on the Lower Deck, but massage services can be also provided on the Upper Deck.

**The Cabins**

The 21 cabins of the PEGASUS are located on the Sun Deck (3 cabins), Upper Deck (2 cabins) and Main Deck (16 cabins). All cabins offer en-suite bathrooms with shower, TV/VCR units, music channels, hairdryers, individually controlled A/C and safe deposit boxes. They are large and comfortable, decorated with soft colour fabrics. The cabins are equipped with twin or queen size beds with 2 cabins being triple and they all have large windows.

**Cruises in the Garden of Eden Itinerary– 2015/6**

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**Day 1 – Saturday**

**Mahe Inter Island Quay - St Anne Island**

Embarkation 15:00 to 16:00 pm. After the Welcome cocktail and safety drill, we leave Port Victoria and sail to nearby St Anne for a refreshing swim stop off the ship. Overnight at anchor near St Anne. Welcome dinner

**Day 2 – Sunday**

**St Anne Island - Curieuse**

We leave St Anne Island early in the morning to reach Curieuse. This morning we visit this uninhabited island, once a leper colony and home to giant tortoises. Our walking excursion with a park guide will bring us to the farm, along mangrove forests. Later we return to the beach for a BBQ under the trees. In the afternoon you can enjoy the beach and sea activities. Overnight at anchor.

**Day 3 – Monday**

**Curieuse - Cousin Island - Anse Lazio**

In the morning we sail for Cousin Island. Optional excursion to the Bird Sanctuary which is in the care Bird Life International. A quarter million birds breed on Cousin which also has several nesting beaches for turtles. Later in the afternoon we reach Anse Lazio. In the afternoon we sail to Anse Lazio, Praslin, one of the most beautiful beaches in the world. Time for water sports, snorkelling or optional diving. Evening at anchor.

**Day 4 - Tuesday**

**Anse Lazio – Aride - St Pierre - Baie St Anne, Praslin**

In the morning we leave for Aride. Our optional excursion will take you all the way to the top of the island for an amazing view of the island. The island is home to the Wright's gardenia found nowhere else on earth and to bird species like the Audubon's shearwater, the Seychelles warbler. At noon we sail for St Pierre Island.

We reach St Pierre after lunch for a 3 hour snorkeling and swimming stop. At sunset, we leave St Pierre to sail into Baie St Anne, Praslin. Overnight at dock. Creole Night.

**Day 5 – Wednesday**

**Baie St Anne, Praslin – Felicite – La Digue**

Praslin Baie St Anne, optional tour to Vallee de Mai . Afternoon sailing to Felicite for snorkelling or optional diving excursion. Arrival in Felicite for afternoon snorkelling and swimming at this uninhabited island. Evening sailing to La Digue. Evening arrival at La Digue. Anchor in front of the port. Overnight in La Digue.

**Day 6 – Thursday**

**La Digue - Moyenne Island**

Half day excursion in La Digue, the most photographed and quaint community in the Seychelles. Our optional excursion will take us to by bus to the Veuve Nature Reserve and through Union Plantation to l’ Anse Source d’ Argent beach. Arrive at L’ Union Estate and tour of the copra kiln, traditional coconut oil mill and the colonial plantation house. Time at Anse Source D’ Argent one of the most magnificent beaches in the world. Marvel at some of Seychelles most impressive rock formations – truly unique, whilst enjoying a refreshment. Time for hunting souvenirs at La Passe, the islands main village, before return to the ship. Late afternoon sailing to Moyenne island, opposite Mahe. Evening arrival at Moyenne. Overnight at anchor.

**Day 7 – Friday**

**Moyenne Island – Mahe, Inter Island Quay**

Short guided around the island and time for swim. Beach BBQ on the island. This is the last opportunity for snorkelling and swimming, We leave Moyenne island for Mahe’s Victoria port in the afternoon.

Late afternoon we reach the Inter Island Quay –Mahe. Captain’s farewell dinner with live music and dancing. Overnight in Mahe

**Day 8 - Saturday**

**Mahe (Victoria)**

Disembarkation 9:00 to 10.00 am

*Note :The itinerary is subject to change based on winds and sea conditions which may render anchorage and landing at some islands very difficult and the company reserves to itself the right to change the itinerary for the safety of the passengers and of the ship*

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| OFFICIAL € EURO RATES PER PERSONOctober 31, 2015 to October 29, 2016 **8 DAY/7 NIGHT CRUISES MAHE - MAHE**  |
| **FROM MAHE** **Saturday Sailings****CABIN CATEGORIES** | **Low Season** | **High Season** |
| **IN DBL/TWIN** | **3rd Person Rates** | **IN DBL/TWIN** | **3rd Person Rates** |
| **Cat C** Sun Deck-Twin Beds | **€ 1,590** | **N/A** | **€ 1,750** | **N/A** |
| **Cat B**Main and Sun Deck- Double or Twin Beds | **€ 1,750** | **N/A** | **€ 1,990** | **N/A** |
| **Cat A**  Main and Upper Deck- Double or Twin Beds | **€ 2,150** | **€ 1.500** | **€ 2,350** | **€ 1.650** |
| **Single Supplement** | **30%** |
| **Children 7-10 years old in triple cabin w/2 adults in Cat A**  | **€ 1,075** | **€ 1,175** |
| **Children 10-16 years old in triple cabin w/2 adults in Cat A** | **€ 1,400** | **€ 1,530** |
| **Conservation & other Charges** | **€ 290** | **€ 290** |
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| **HIGH SEASON**  | **2015****October:** 31**November:** 14, 21, 28**2016****January:** 2, 16, 30**February:** 6, 13, 20, 27**March:** 5, 12, 19, 26**April:** 2, 9, 16, 23, 30**May:** 7, 14, 21**October:** 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 |
| **LOW SEASON**  | **2016****May:** 28**June:** 4, 11, 18, 25**July:** 2, 9, 16, 23, 30**August:** 6, 13, 20, 27**September:** 3, 10, 17, 24 |

**HONEYMOON PACKAGE – DESCRIPTION**

**CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS**

**1/The Honeymooners Package features:**

* 25 %  reduction for the bride
* Cabins  with Double or King bed
* Welcome Honeymooners treatment  including a Complimentary bottle of Champagne and a Fruit Basket;
* A Candle Lit Dinner at our Special Honeymooners location on board our ships or at a preferred restaurant;
* 10% discount for any wedding anniversary on board our ships provided passengers have spent their honeymoon on board a Variety Cruises ship.
* Automatic access to our Variety Club membership;
* “Our Memories” gift at disembarkation;
* A free 1/2 hour massage for 2, if on board our Harmony V, Variety Voyager and Seychelles program vessel.

**NOTES**

1. Please ask the details for our "Wedding and Cruise with friends and family" private charter for 40 to 72 guests.

**2/ Honeymoon offers: General conditions and restrictions**

a/ The Honeymoon offer is valid only provided that the couple is travelling within 6 months from their wedding date (copy of marriage certificate required);

b/ The Package cannot be combined with any existing or future SPECIAL OFFERS.

c/ Valid only for The 7 night / 8 day Seychelles Cruise

**CRUISE FARES CONDITIONS & RESTRICTIONS**

**1/ Cruise fares are per person and week and include:**

* Accommodation in double or twin cabins with private SH/WC & air conditioning.
* Full-board: American buffet breakfast and two main meals daily, including a Welcome Cocktail, a Creole Night, fun BBQ (weather permitting) and Captain’s Dinner.
* Regular (filter) coffee, tea and still mineral water free all day.
* Use of fishing and snorkelling equipment.
* English-Speaking Cruise Escort.

**Not included:**

* Conservation & other port charges;
* Beverages (except those mentioned above).
* Shore excursions on the islands or other land arrangements.
* Crew tips.
* Passenger personal expenses
* Wi-Fi (available at a charge)

**2/ Conditions and restrictions**

**PROOFREADING**

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**PAYMENT**

25% deposit is required 7 days from confirmation.

75% Balance of payment no less than 60 days prior to day of embarkation.

**CANCELLATIONS**

Up to 120 days from embarkation € 100—cancellation fees

119 to 90 days from embarkation 15% of the cruise fare

 89 to 60 days from embarkation 25% of the cruise fare

 59 to 30 days from embarkation 50% of the cruise fare

 29 to 00 days from embarkation 100% of the cruise fare

Cancellations must be confirmed by **VARIETY CRUISES** in writing in all cases.

**AMENDMENTS**

There may be a charge for amendments of cruise date or decreasing pax number received less than 60 days prior to sailing. Amendments must be confirmed by **VARIETY CRUISES** in writing.

**NOT INCLUDED IN CRUISE FARE**

Such personal expenses as drinks (other than included in the rate), laundry, spa-where applicable-, boutique items and gratuities, (gratuities are optional but as a rule, satisfied clients are expected to give to the captain, at the end of the cruise, approximately Euro 10.00-12.00 p/p p/day for distribution among all crew members) medical expenses, port taxes, shore excursions (shore excursions are proposed and arranged on board by the tour leaders), use of the on board Wi-Fi (available at a charge), expenditures incurred ashore, and anything not mentioned in cruise program.

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