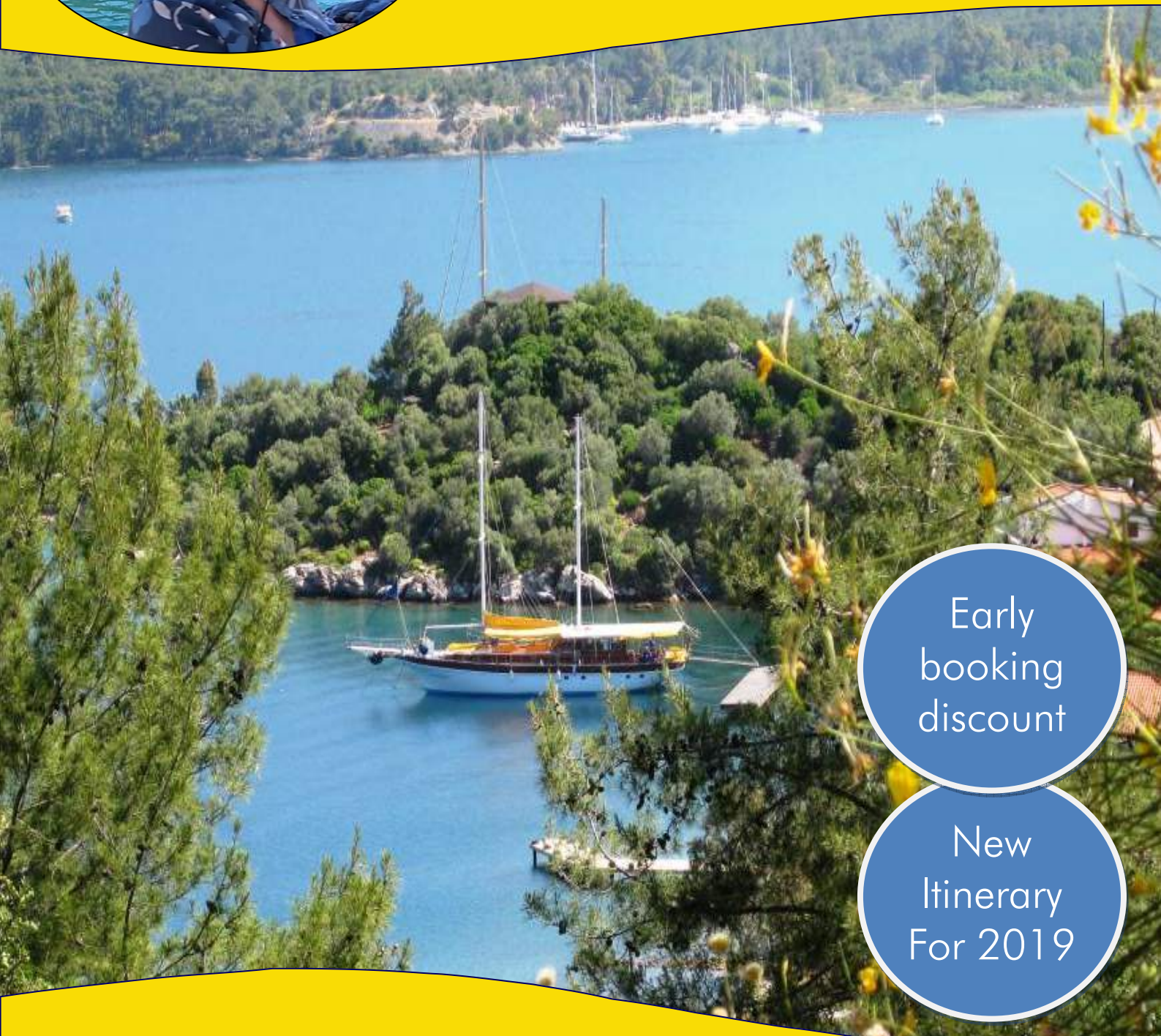




Sing While You Cruise

With Su Lewis



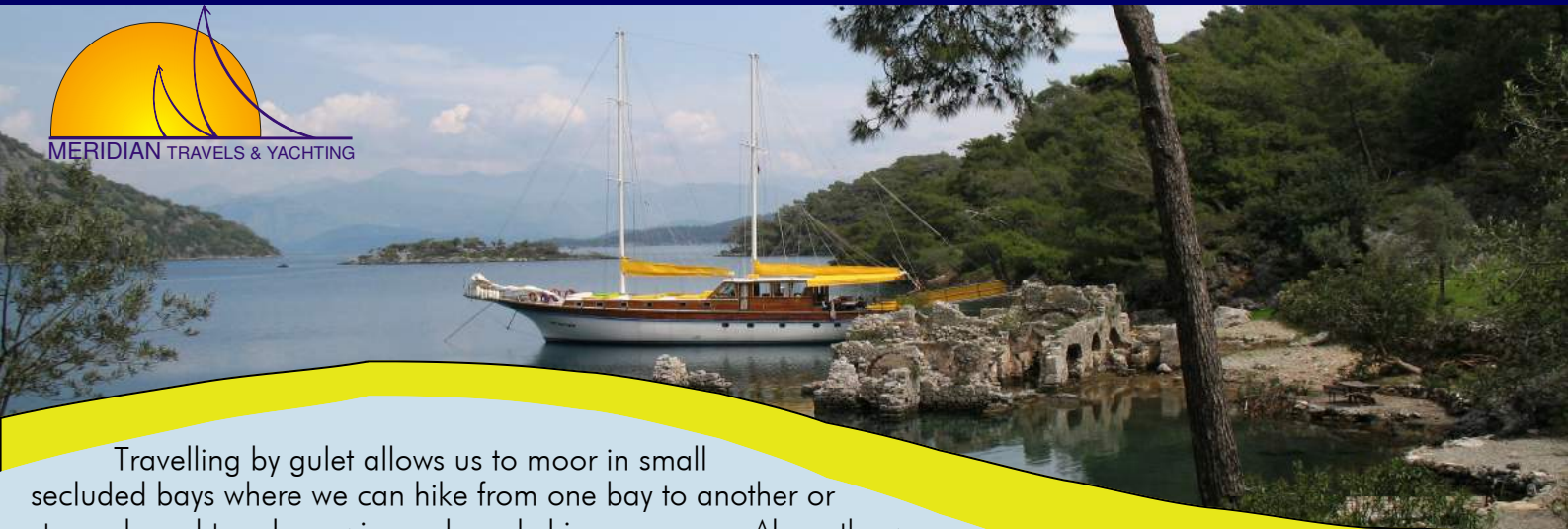
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For 2019



Turkish Gulet Cruise
Including Singing and Hiking

14–21 October 2019



Travelling by gulet allows us to moor in small secluded bays where we can hike from one bay to another or stay onboard to relax, swim and snorkel in azure seas. Along the way we'll sing amongst ruins that reflect Turkey's long history from Lycian tombs, to Roman amphitheatres to the Turkish Ottoman period.

WHAT'S INCLUDED

FULL BOARD: All meals from Dinner on Day1 to Breakfast on Day 8

ACCOMMODATION: 7 nights onboard a luxury gulet

SINGING: daily singing sessions led by Su Lewis

HIKING: English speaking hiking guide

KAYAKOY VISIT: including entrance fees and lunch

TRANSFERS: One return group transfer. Details to be advised.

DRINKING WATER: water is provided at mealtimes and for walks; please bring your own refillable water bottle for hiking.

SHIP'S COSTS: port fees, diesel, crew food and wages
Vegetarians are easily catered for. Please advise of any dietary requirements at time of booking.

B= Breakfast **L =** Lunch **D =** Dinner

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

FLIGHTS: Both Marmaris and Fethiye use Dalaman airport

DRINKS: there is a reasonably priced bar onboard stocked with water, soft and alcoholic drinks including beer, wine and spirits. Please do not bring your own drinks onboard.

TIPS for the crew: we recommend around £35 per passenger for the crew

TRAVEL INSURANCE: please remember to arrange your own travel insurance and provide a copy to the Guide on arrival.

VISA FOR TRAVEL TO TURKEY: approx 20USD payable in your local currency



OVERVIEW : FETHIYE—GEMILER—FETHIYE*

Our flexible itinerary will allow for at least one singing session each day, often more; with the opportunity to hike on at least 3 days if you want.

Day 1 **D**
Arrive in Fethiye. Join the gulet and settle into your cabin; a great way to relax after the early start. Your meals are cooked by an onboard chef who prepares food using the best of local, fresh ingredients. The Turkish kitchen is very diverse and these meal choices are described to give you an idea of the variety of foods prepared for you

Day 2 **B, L, D**
After having your Turkish breakfast onboard we take a short cruise across the Fethiye Korfezi and moor at Turunc bay so you can have your first swim and singing session of the holiday. Dinner of Sea Bass, Aubergine and Green Pepper meze, Purslane and Yoghurt salad, Green salad

Day 3 **B, L, D**
We will cruise past pine clad mountains to the island of Gemiler where we'll have chance to hike and sing amongst the ruins of an ancient byzantine community. Plenty of time for swimming and kayaking.





Day 4

B, L, D

A day of hiking and exploration around the village of Kayakoy, abandoned after the first world war. We feel the soul of the village cry out as we walk along cobbled paths once filled with children going to school; where old women scuttled along to one of the many chapels to read a novena whilst the imam rode his horse to visit one family after another before calling in on the priest to share their problems. Lunch amongst the ruins in a lokanta sitting under bougainvillea and an arbour of vines.

Day 5

B, L, D

Snorkel amongst the ruins of Cleopatra's Bath before starting our 5km hike which follows this beautiful coastline through forests of pine and arbutus. Flavourful lunch of Green Beans in Tomato Sauce with Pilau Rice

Day 6

B, L, D

Overlooked by Lycian tombs, sing in the atmospheric bay of Bedri Rahmi; hike along a coastal path with fabulous views of the Gocek Islands (2-3 hours) Dinner of Dalyan Kofte , Roasted Cauliflower with Garlic Yoghurt, Broad Bean Salad

Day 7

B, L, D

Plenty of opportunity to swim and snorkel or just relax as we cruise from one bay to another; singing when the mood takes us. Healthy lunch of Chick-peas and Lamb in a fresh Tomato sauce, bulgur wheat and salad

Day 8

B

Say your goodbyes to the crew after breakfast! In Fethiye

Our Food:

We have a very good reputation for our food which is cooked using fresh, locally grown vegetables; our olives, honey and all fish and meat is locally sourced from truly organic smallholders.

Vegetarian, gluten free and dairy free are available but please advise at the time of booking to help us with our provisioning. We may not be able to provide your food choices if you advise us on arrival.



Meet Your Host Su Lewis

Su first came to East Meets West in 2017 so we're very happy to welcome her back for her third cruise onboard.

She has been teaching and leading singing workshops since 2003; runs regular singing groups and community choirs as well as working as a freelance workshop leader, community music event organiser, songwriter and performer.

Her teaching style is very relaxed and informal and she quickly gets you singing in gorgeous harmony.





Singing

Su will lead singing sessions every day. For more information about the singing please contact Su directly by email suloouk@yahoo.co.uk

Accommodation

We'll spend 7 nights onboard the gulet East Meets West. As is typical on a gulet, cabins are small but larger than you'd find on a sailing yacht; there is a small wardrobe, underbed storage for luggage and a power point. All cabins have their own ensuite bathroom with hairdryer, hand basin, shower cubicle and home style flush toilet.

The bar, galley and salon are all located in the wheelhouse with plenty of sunbeds on the fore and aft decks for sunbathing, reading and relaxing or perhaps you'll sleep here under the stars.

Rating

Low to Intermediate

The walks won't exceed 4 or 5 miles, but the terrain is rocky, stony and uneven.

If you like to hike and want to join the optional walks you need to bring a rucksack, hiking boots/shoes (with/without ankle support)

Terms & Conditions

- ◇ Booking Form and Deposit—a deposit of £200 pp is due at the time of making your booking.
- ◇ An interim payment of £200 will be due 31 May 2019. The final payment will be due 31 August 2019.
- ◇ All payments are non-refundable. The gulet has been chartered for your private trip, so if you cancel you will still be liable to pay unless your place can be filled.
- ◇ If the trip is cancelled for any reason by Meridian Travels & Yachting your monies will be refunded.
- ◇ Passports & Visas—you must have a valid passport with at least 6 months validity from the tour end date. A visa is required to visit Turkey, it is easy to apply for online from [https:// evisa.gov.tr](https://evisa.gov.tr)
- ◇ Travel Insurance is highly recommended.



TO BOOK

Bookings will be handled by Anne at Meridian Travels & Yachting. Anne and her husband Adil are co-owners of the gulet and will join us on the cruise. Please email anne@meridiantravels.com

£725 per person twin share

£50 pp early booking discount for bookings made before 28 February 2019

£50 pp discount if you've been with us before.

