WILDERNESS TRAVEL'S Small Ship Cruise Collection 2017-2018

Discover the Exciting World of Expedition Cruising

Some of the most spectacular places in the world can only be reached by small ship, and these are the places Wilderness Travel loves to explore! We've searched the world over and are delighted to offer you our collection of journeys aboard the finest small ships with the most intriguing cruising itineraries. These cruises present a unique and comfortable way to travel, with a great range of experiences and amazing off-the-beaten-path destinations. They are *real* voyages for *real* travelers—perfect for Wilderness Travel's style of adventuring.

Small-ship travel offers major advantages, from the intimate size of the vessels and the expertise of onboard guest lecturers and guides to the far-flung destinations themselves, which range from rugged, ice-draped polar coasts to remote Pacific atolls. You'll be traveling under the care of experienced cruise companies, and while these voyages are not operated by Wilderness Travel, the trips count toward our frequent traveler Toucan Club discounts.

The ships in this collection vary widely in their styles and comforts, from a 36-guest vessel in the Hawaiian Islands to a 120-guest ice-strengthened expedition ship that plies polar waters. Yet they all have an intimate and relaxed atmosphere, fascinating itineraries, and the goal of bringing you to extraordinary places in the company of like-minded companions. We are thrilled to be working with these small-ship cruise companies, and are happy to help you find the cruise that's right for you.

"The trip of a lifetime! For most of us, it is the only opportunity to be part of an expedition to one of the most remote places on the planet. The lectures were excellent and certainly enhanced the whole experience."

> – Bill B., Portland, OR The North Pole

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The Small-Ship Experience





When it comes to exploring by boat, smaller truly is better. Smaller boats can get into ports and places that larger ships can't, allowing you to savor uncrowded anchorages in remote locations. You'll enjoy wonderful interactions with fellow passengers, ship officers, staff, and the guides and lecturers who may accompany you on shore excursions and offer fascinating presentations. Throughout the journey you spend less time queuing up on deck, as guests on large ships must do, and more time off the boat, enjoying the places you came to see!

ACTIVE, ENLIGHTENING, AND FUN!

Each cruise program varies, but most offer wonderfully active days. Zodiacs zip you to shore for exciting visits to nearby villages and markets, and you'll enjoy guided walks on historyfilled streets, one-on-one encounters with the locals, or excursions to wildlife-rich areas of natural beauty. Optional sea kayaking and snorkeling opportunities are offered on some warmwater voyages for memorable encounters with the wonders of underwater realms.

CHOOSE YOUR CRUISE STYLE!

Our Cruise Collection includes many types of cruises and levels of service. **Unique Expeditions** are often one-time-only trips, designed to bring you to the world's most farflung destinations, with exciting shore excursions and fantastic naturalists chosen for their gifts for sharing their expertise. **Luxury Cruises** offer a five-star experience with spacious

"Relaxing, fun, educational, royal treatment, very accommodating staff. Thank you!"

> — Marilyn G., Ponte Vedra Beach, FL Marquesas, Tuamotus & Society Islands



cabin suites, butler service, fine cuisine prepared by professional chefs, and beautiful lounging areas. Alcoholic beverages and gratuities are included. **Casual Cruises** offer a casual style; all excursions are elective (not included in the trip price), for a more economical option. You can participate in as many as you wish! **Polar Cruises** explore the rugged wilds of the polar regions in comfortable ice-strengthened expedition ships with a crew of trained naturalists. **River Cruises** offer wonderful voyages on some of Europe's storied rivers, as well as Asia's Irrawaddy and Mekong rivers. **Journeys by Rail** are aboard a train, but the concept is the same. Unpack just once and experience a fantastic adventure aboard the renowned *Golden Eagle* trains.

EXPERT ONBOARD NATURALISTS

On most of these adventures, you will enjoy the great benefit of traveling in the company of gifted educators and naturalists chosen for their expertise and enthusiasm. They enhance your experience every day as they share their knowledge, passion, and insights during lectures, presentations, chats on deck, and on exciting shore excursions.

TRAVEL IN COMFORT

Unpack just once and settle into your cabin! The small ships in this program range quite a bit in style, cabin size, and amenities, but all offer comfortable twin or double cabins with en suite facilities, public spaces where you can gather with newfound friends, plus a bar, library, and a dining room serving delightful cuisine, with a local touch whenever possible. Many of the cruises include wine and beer with dinner on board.

JOIN US!

We're ready to help you choose the perfect trip and assist you every step of the way. To check availability and reserve a place in your preferred cabin, call us at 1-800-368-2794 or email wtcruisecollection@wildernesstravel.com. Detailed itineraries for all voyages, including complete pricing and deck plans, are on our website at **www.wtcruisecollection.com**. We look forward to sharing the wonderful world of small-ship cruising with you!













Antarctica, South Georgia & the Falkland Islands ABOARD AN EXPEDITION CRUISE VESSEL

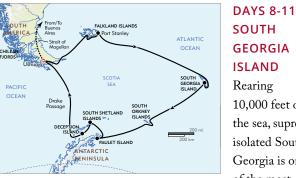
Experience three epic destinations of the Southern Ocean: the wildlife oasis of the Falkland Islands, breathtaking South Georgia Island, with its legends of Shackleton and spectacular colonies of stately king penguins, and the celebrated

Antarctic Peninsula, a dazzling realm of glistening glaciers and towering peaks rising straight from the sea. On this expedition cruise, set out for adventures

by go-anywhere Zodiacs amid drifting bergs, hike on remote shores thronged with chattering penguins and basking elephant seals, and learn from expert naturalists who illuminate the dream world of the Antarctic.

DAYS 1-7 USHUAIA / FALKLAND

ISLANDS From Ushuaia, voyage to the rugged Falklands, where you enjoy encounters with Magellanic penguins, nesting gentoos in their burrows, and dashing rockhopper penguins, with their teeming cliff colonies and devil-may-care surf landings.



Rearing 10,000 feet out of the sea, supremely isolated South Georgia is one of the most spectacular islands in the world—and home

to one of the greatest concentrations of Subantarctic wildlife on the planet! Landings include Salisbury Plain, with its thousands of king penguins, and the old Norwegian whaling station of Grytviken, where fabled explorer Sir Ernest Shackleton is buried.

DAYS 12-20 SCOTIA SEA / SOUTH SHETLAND ISLANDS / ANTARCTIC

PENINSULA Cross the Scotia Sea to the stunning Antarctic Peninsula, a breathtaking realm of ice-covered mountains and incredible wildlife. Your visits may include Paulet Island, with its stunning tabular icebergs, Deception Island, a sea-filled volcanic crater the ship enters through the dramatic Neptune's Bellows, and the aweinspiring Lemaire Channel. You'll walk amid teeming penguin colonies, visit a research station, explore by Zodiac, and take a bracing dip in the hot springs at Deception Island. Return to Ushuaia and depart on Day 20.

DATES

Oct 29-Nov 18, 2017 Jan 5-24, 2018 Nov 6-25, 2017 Jan 25-Feb 13, 2018 Nov 20-Dec 8, 2017 Nov 3-24, 2018 Dec 18, '17-Jan 5, '18 Dec 31, '18-Jan 19, '19 Jan 3-23, 2018 Feb 12-Mar 3, 2019 Cruise length, itinerary & ship vary by departure

TRIP COST

From \$12,595 based on triple occupancy Price is per person and depends on cabin type



Antarctica ABOARD AN EXPEDITION CRUISE VESSEL

Antarctica is hypnotically beautiful, with its towering blue-white icebergs, snowclad mountains sheering from the sea, and spectacular pageant of wildlife. This journey brings you all the glories of the Antarctic Peninsula, the most wildliferich part of the continent, and takes place during the austral summer, when the sun emerges from the long winter night and the krill-rich waters teem with life. You'll walk among rookeries of penguins and their chicks, look for spouting whales in iceberg-filled bays, spot incredible Antarctic birds including the fabled wandering albatross, explore by Zodiac, and marvel at the nearly 24hour daylight. Expert naturalists bring the Antarctic world to life for you as they share their in-depth knowledge and passion for this miraculous realm.

DAYS 1-4 USHUAIA / DRAKE PASSAGE

From Ushuaia, navigate the historic Beagle Channel, traveled by Charles Darwin aboard the *HMS Beagle* in 1835. Huge albatross and Cape petrels soar above the wake of the ship, and you may spot whales and dolphins as you cross the famed Drake Passage to the Antarctic Peninsula.

DAYS 5-12 ANTARCTIC PENINSULA / DRAKE PASSAGE / USHUAIA You'll

have five exciting days to absorb the pristine beauty and extraordinary wildlife of the Peninsula. Set out for walks among thousands of penguins, explore historic outposts, look for humpback whales, and take Zodiac excursions to towering icebergs and ice floes where seals laze. Destinations include Paulet Island, home to some 100,000 Adélie penguins, Paradise Bay, a spectacularly scenic setting of glaciated mountains, ice cliffs, and icebergs, the narrow Lemaire Channel, where the ship navigates a stunning waterway between sheer 3,000-foot peaks, and Deception Island, where hardy souls can take



a dip in a natural hot spring on the beach. Return across the Drake Passage to Ushuaia. Disembark on Day 12 and depart.

DATES

Nov 17-28, 2017	Feb 13-25, 2018
Nov 24-Dec 5, 2017	Feb 25-Mar 8, 2018
Nov 27-Dec 8, 2017	Nov 23-Dec 3, 2018
Dec 4-15, 2017	Dec 9-19, 2018
Dec 14-25, 2017	Dec 18-29, 2018
Dec 24, '17-Jan 4, '18	Dec 28, '18-Jan 8, '19
Jan 5-16, 2018	Jan 18-29, 2019
Jan 15-26, 2018	Feb 16-27, 2019

Cruise length, itinerary, and ship vary by departure

TRIP COST

From \$6,995 based on triple occupancy *Price is per person and depends on cabin type*



Antarctica Air Cruise Aboard the *ocean nova* or *hebridean sky*

Take advantage of a spectacular flight from Punta Arenas, Chile, to King George Island in Antarctica's South Shetland Islands, avoiding the two-day, 600-mile crossing of the infamous Drake Passage (and that's each way). Upon arrival,

board your comfortable expedition vessel to head out for four full days of exploring the spectacular wildlife wonders of the "Last Continent," looking for penguins, seals, and whales.



DAYS 1-2 PUNTA ARENAS, CHILE / KING GEORGE From Punta Arenas, a two-hour flight brings you to King George Island, where you'll explore the area surrounding Chile's Frei Station and Russia's Bellingshausen Station, then embark on the ship.

DAYS 3-6 ANTARCTICA PENINSULA Cruise between the South Shetland Islands and the western coast of the Antarctic Peninsula, sailing along ice-filled fjords and among spectacular icebergs. You'll enjoy the company of seabirds, penguins, seals, and whales, and explore by go-anywhere Zodiac. Your voyage may include Paradise Bay, Deception Island, the Lemaire Channel, and many other magnificent places.

DAYS 7-8 PUNTA ARENAS On Day 7, fly to Punta Arenas, overnight at hotel, and depart on Day 8.

DATES Weekly departures December-February

TRIP COST

From \$10,995 based on triple occupancy Price is per person and depends on cabin type

North Pole ABOARD THE 50 YEARS OF VICTORY

Imagine standing at the North Pole, the one earthly spot where every direction is south! Your expedition aboard the *50 Years of Victory*, the world's largest and most powerful icebreaker, brings you deep through the thick pack ice of the Arctic Ocean to the top of the world, where you celebrate your achievement with champagne and an optional hot air balloon ride. Along the way, admire soaring seabirds and explore the wildlife-rich archipelago of Franz Josef Land, with its polar bears, walrus, humpbacks, belugas, and narwhals.

DAYS 1-7 HELSINKI / MURMANSK From Helsinki, fly to Murmansk and embark on Day 2. Watching the ship crush through the Arctic ice is unforgettable, and helicopter rides give you an aerial view! At the North Pole, 90° North, enjoy a barbecue right on the ice.

DAY 8-14 FRANZ JOSEF LAND Head to Franz Josef Land, looking for walrus and polar bears as you explore by Zodiac and helicopter. Disembark in Murmansk and fly to Helsinki on Day 13. Depart from Helsinki on Day 14.

DATES

Jul 9-22, 2017 Jul 20-Aug 2, 2017 Jul 31-Aug 13, 2017 Jun 13-26, 2018 Jun 24-Jul 7, 2018

TRIP COST

From \$27,995 Price is per person and depends on cabin type





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Alaska's Inside Passage ABOARD A HISTORIC WOODEN MOTOR YACHT

In the storied waterway of Alaska's Inside Passage, glaciers crackle in lovely fjords and the sea is filled with whales, orcas, porpoises, and sea lions. With a historic 12-guest wooden vessel as your comfy mother ship, you'll kayak into narrow inlets, hike in majestic old-growth forests, and encounter incredible wildlife, from breaching humpbacks to bears and bald eagles.

DAYS 1-5 JUNEAU / ADMIRALTY

ISLAND Boarding in Juneau, cruise to Limestone Inlet for an introduction to sea kayaking. In Endicott Arm, look for whales as they dive for krill or "bubble net" for herring, and linger at Dawes Glacier to watch new bergs calve. At Ford's Terror, a spectacular natural amphitheater, kayak beneath sheer 5,000-foot granite walls

DATES Multiple departures June-September wreathed in ephemeral mists, then head for Admiralty Island, with its plentiful brown bears and bald eagles.

DAYS 6-7 THOMAS BAY / BAIRD GLACIER / PETERSBURG Watch for black bears on the beaches of Thomas Bay and hike the moraine of Baird Glacier. Dock in Petersburg on Day 7 and depart.

TRIP COST From \$4,250 *Price is per person and depends on cabin type*

Alaska: Journey to Sitka Aboard a historic wooden motor yacht



Experience Southeast Alaska's glacial wilderness in cozy comfort aboard a historic 86-foot wooden vessel that hosts just eight guests. There are four separate week-long itineraries, each one bringing you to an incredible array of coves, bays, intertidal zones, and remote villages between Sitka, Petersburg, and Juneau—all in the company of an expert on-board naturalist.

DAYS 1-5 SITKA TO BARANOF

SPRINGS After exploring Sitka, come aboard and head toward Baranof Springs. Along the way, watch for foraging bears as you kayak, look for humpback whales, and hike to a salmon stream where brown bears feast. You'll meet a village elder at the Tlingit village of Angoon and visit the Alaska Whale Foundation in Baranof.

DATES Multiple departures June-August

DAYS 6-8 FREDERICK SOUND / LE CONTE GLACIER / PETERSBURG Enter

Frederick Sound, passing a haul-out for Steller sea lions, then hike in the remarkable glacial landscape of Baird Glacier. Conditions permitting, cruise close to the face of Le Conte Glacier, and walk the boardwalk trail to Ideal Lake. Arrive in Petersburg on Day 8 and depart.

TRIP COST From \$5,250 Price is per person





Wrangel Island: Across the Top of the World

ABOARD THE SPIRIT OF ENDERBY



DAYS 1-5 ANADYR, RUSSIA, TO

KOLYUCHIN ISLAND Embark on the Spirit of Enderby and sail toward the Bering Strait. Explore the ancient aboriginal site known as Whale Bone Alley, search for gray whales by Zodiac, and look for nesting seabirds. At Cape Dezhnev, visit Uelen village, one of the largest centers for traditional Chukchi and Inuit art in the world. Kolyuchin Island is home to some of the most amazing bird cliffs in the Arctic—puffins, guillemots, gulls, and cormorants can be observed and photographed from just yards away. This expedition cruise along the wild north Siberian coast reveals a world of spouting whales, enormous bird colonies, walrus haul-outs, and native villages. You'll navigate from Russia through the Bering Strait to Wrangel Island, a treasure trove of Arctic biodiversity and well known for its polar bear population. You may catch many glimpses of this magnificent animal as well as walrus, reindeer, snow geese, and migratory bird species that nest here in the brief Arctic summer. The islands' human histories are fascinating as well, and your expert expedition team lends insight to the stupendous landscapes and fantastic wildlife encounters you enjoy.

DAYS 6-10 WRANGEL AND HERALD

ISLANDS Wrangel Island, a major polar bear denning area with an introduced population of musk oxen and reindeer, is also the last landfall for migratory species flying north. Each summer thousands of birds migrate here to breed, including snow geese, snowy owls, skuas, Arctic terns, and Ross's, Sabine's, and ivory gulls. You'll make many landings to search for wildlife and see the carpets of summer wildflowers, and the ship will also attempt to visit nearby Herald Island, with its massive bird cliffs. DAYS 11-15 NORTH SIBERIAN COAST TO ANADYR Visit Chukchi villages where the locals still make their living hunting walrus, seals, and whales, and in the enormous Kolyuchin Inlet, search the dunes and tidal areas for birdlife including emperor geese and spoon-billed sandpipers. Returning through the Bering Strait, pass Diomede Island, and make a landing on the Chukotka Coast. Disembark at Anadyr and depart.

DATES

Jul 23-Aug 6, 2018 Aug 6-20, 2018 Aug 20-Sep 3, 2018

TRIP COST

From \$11,200 Price is per person and depends on cabin type



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Russian Far East ABOARD THE SILVER EXPLORER

Take advantage of the long hours of daylight in the Arctic summer and enjoy one of the world's great journeys. This expedition beckons nature lovers, history buffs, and the intrepid explorer within. Marvel at spectacular



natural landscapes, pristine tundra, and massive volcanoes, and spot a multitude of rare bird species. Along the way, sample delicious fresh local caviar and vodka.

DAYS 1-7 OTARU, JAPAN / KURIL ISLANDS Depart Otaru and cruise to the Kuril Islands, a volcanic archipelago that's one of the richest areas in the world for sea mammals and birds. Explorations with landings by Zodiac include Yankitcha, Matua, the Lovushki Islands, Atlasova, and the islets of the Utashud Islands.

DAYS 8-13 KAMCHATKA PENINSULA Boarding Zodiacs, cruise the Zhupanova River in hope of spotting Steller sea eagles, explore Commander Island's nature reserve and the Steller sea lion rookery at Cape Severozapadniy, and visit the fishing village of Nikolskoye on Bering Island. Reach Petropavlovsk, one of the oldest towns in the Russian Far East, on Day 12 and depart on Day 13.

DATES Jul 2-13, 2018

TRIP COST From \$10,250 *Price is per person and depends on cabin type*





Northwest Passage: In the Footsteps of Franklin ABOARD THE OCEAN ADVENTURER

For centuries, fortune-seekers risked their lives to find the Northwest Passage, the fabled sea route between Europe and Asia. On this active adventure, cruise through the heart of the Northwest Passage and experience firsthand the islands, waterways, and wilds that have enchanted adventurers for centuries. Highlights include Beechey Island, made famous by explorers such as Sir John Franklin, who disappeared on his last expedition here in 1845.

DAYS 1-5 OTTAWA, CANADA / WEST

GREENLAND From Ottawa, fy to Kangerlussuaq and embark. Explore the West Greenland coast, then traverse the Davis Strait en route to the Canadian Arctic.

DAYS 6-17 CANADA'S HIGH ARCTIC Sail through icy fjords, visit traditional



Inuit communities, and go ashore for hikes to historical and archaeological sites as you follow in the footsteps of famous explorers. The icy waters are home to narwhals, beluga and right whales, ring and harp seals, and the skies are filled with countless birds. Disembark in Resolute on Day 16, fly to Ottawa, and depart.

DATES Aug 26-Sep 11, 2018

TRIP COST

From \$9,695 based on triple occupancy *Price is per person and depends on cabin type*

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Three Arctic Islands ABOARD THE OCEAN ADVENTURER

Join a thrilling journey across the Arctic to the land of Vikings, fjords, and magnificent landscapes. The glaciers and abundant wildlife of Spitsbergen, Greenland's remote eastern coast, with its musk ox and remains of ancient Thule settlements, the towering mountains and icebergs of Scoresbysund, optional sea kayaking—they're all on this spectacular adventure!

DAYS 1-5 LONGYEARBYEN, NORWAY / SPITSBERGEN Embark the ship and cruise to Spitsbergen. Explore spectacular glaciers, steep-walled fjords, and look for wildlife including walrus and polar bear.

DAYS 6-13 GREENLAND / DENMARK STRAIT / AKUREYRI / REYKJAVIK Sail south through the Greenland Sea to

DATES Jul 27-Aug 8, 2018 Greenland's remote eastern coast, where you'll enjoy Zodiac cruises and shore visits, explore the remains of ancient Thule settlements, and keep an eye out for grazing musk ox. You'll also explore Scoresbysund, one of the most beautiful fjord systems in the world. Cruise to Iceland, disembark in Akureyri, take a charter flight to Reykjavik, and depart.

TRIP COST From \$9,995 Price is per person and depends on cabin type

Introduction to Spitsbergen ABOARD THE OCEAN NOVA OR OCEAN ADVENTURER

This voyage provides the opportunity to see everything the Arctic has to offer, from polar bears, walrus, and whales to spectacular scenery. You'll be treated to daily presentations by your Expedition Team on board the ship, and enjoy wonderful wildlife sightings on land. Hike, explore, and savor the beauty of the Arctic on your visit to Spitsbergen.





DAYS 1-9 LONGYEARBYEN, NORWAY

/ SPITSBERGEN After boarding your ship in Longyearbyen, cruise around this magical island on a constant search for wildlife. Your expedition covers western Spitsbergen as well as stunning fjords and outlying islands to the north. From polar flora to immense glaciers, the natural landscape here is just as varied as the wildlife. The tundra is surprisingly

DATES

Jun 4-12, 2018 Jun 14-22, 2018 Jun 22-30, 2018 colorful in summer, with wildflowers bursting in the sunshine. Polar bear viewing is almost guaranteed, with Hornsund being one of their preferred hunting areas. Poolepynton is great for walrus viewing and photography. Want a more intimate view of the arctic scenery? Optional kayaking excursions are available. Disembark in Longyearbyen on Day 9 and depart.

TRIP COST

From \$5,395 Price is per person and depends on cabin type





Untamed North Aboard the *Hebridean sky*

Discover the ethereal beauty of Greenland and Iceland! In Greenland, search for wildlife that lives among the glittering icebergs or on the wildflowercarpeted tundra. Explore coves and inlets of the pristine coast by Zodiac and visit millennia-old Norse sites and thriving local villages. Making your way to Iceland, you'll meet the residents of colorful fishing villages, cruise by Zodiac beneath emerald hillsides laced with waterfalls, and walk among ruins that recall the heyday of Viking exploration. In the capital of Reykjavík, explore the fabled Golden Circle—Thingvellir National Park, Gullfoss Waterfall, and the Geysir Center.



DAYS 1-12 REYKJAVIK, ICELAND / **GREENLAND FJORDS** From Reykjavik, take a charter flight to Narsarsuaq, Greenland, and embark. After visiting the remains of old Norse settlements, cruise along Arsuk Fjord, home to one of Greenland's largest bird cliffs, where thousands of kittiwakes, gulls, and guillemots breed. Breathtaking vistas of icebergs and steep, glacier-cut cliffs await as you cruise among a flotilla of ice in Prins Christian Sund. Watch for seals, whales, and polar bears, and have a chance to go ashore in Napassorssuaq Fjord to explore this remote shoreline. Cruise among enormous icebergs in Skargaard and Nansen fjords, searching for harbor, harp, and hooded seals on the ice floes. Conditions permitting, walk along pristine beaches and across tundra-carpeted landscapes, keeping an eye out for musk ox, collared lemmings, and Arctic foxes. On Day 12, sail to Iceland.

DAYS 13-15 VIGUR ISLAND, ICELAND / ÍSAFJÖRDUR / LÁTRABJARG /

REYKJAVIK Enjoy a walking tour of Vigur, the summer home to vast numbers of puffins, black guillemots, Arctic terns, and eiders. In Ísafjördur, a cultural tour reveals the history and daily life of one of Iceland's oldest fishing settlements. The Látrabjarg cliff is a breeding ground for millions of seabirds including puffins, kittiwakes, northern fulmars, and thick-billed murres. Disembarking in Reykjavik, explore Iceland's scenic wonders, known as the Golden Circle, before departing on Day 15.

DATES

Jun 24-Jul 8, 2018 Price is per person and depends on cabin type

TRIP COST

From \$12,980 Price is per person and depends on cabin type







Our collection of River Cruises offers delightful voyages on some of Europe's storied rivers, including the Danube, Rhone, Rhine, Seine, and Douro. These inventive itineraries are enlivened by walking tours, wine tasting with local vintners, and guided bike rides—a terrific way to experience Europe. We also offer cruises in Asia, on Burma's Irrawaddy River and along the Mekong River for fascinating glimpses of the rhythm of everyday life along the river.

Colors of Provence Aboard the *Amacello*

Cruise France's romantic Rhone River from Lyon to Arles. Savor wine tastings, visit fascinating medieval villages, and enjoy an optional extension to Barcelona.

DATES & TRIP COST

Departures March-November from \$2,899





Taste of Bordeaux ABOARD THE AMADOLCE

Wonderful river cruise in southwestern France, with stops for explorations and wine tasting in Bordeaux, Pauillac, Cadillac, Bourg, and Blaye.

DATES & TRIP COST

March through November from \$2,899



Enticing Douro Aboard the *amavida*

Cruise through a pristine setting of dramatic gorges, lush vineyards, and traditional wine farms on Portugal's Douro River.

DATES & TRIP COST

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Departures April-November from \$3,099

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From Lisbon

PORTUGAL

Paris & Normandy

ABOARD THE AMALYRA

From Paris, cruise on the beautiful Seine River, with visits to Giverny, Honfleur, Rouen, Les Andelys, and Normandy's famous D-Day beaches.

DATES & TRIP COST

March through November from \$2,899



Flavors of Portugal & Spain Aboard the *Amavida*

Enjoy a fascinating journey on Portugal's Douro River, with optional extensions to the golden city of Salamanca and lively Madrid.

DATES & TRIP COST

Departures April-October from \$2,899



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Grand Danube

ABOARD A PREMIER RIVER VESSEL

Savor Wachau Valley wines, experience the beauty and history of Vienna and Budapest, and navigate the narrow Iron Gates of the Danube.

DATES & TRIP COST

Departures April-October from \$5,598



The Romantic Danube

Enjoy a relaxing cruise along the Danube, visiting beautiful riverside towns and

Vienna en route to Bratislava, Slovakia, and Budapest, Hungary.

DATES & TRIP COST

Departures March-December from \$2,499



Gems of Southeast Europe

ABOARD THE **AMACERTO**

From Budapest, traverse the dramatic narrow gorge known as the Iron Gates, then cruise along the Romanian-Bulgarian border to Rousse, Romania.

DATES & TRIP COST

Departures March-November from \$2,899



Melodies of the Danube ABOARD A PREMIER RIVER VESSEL

Travel through four countries and experience the sights and sounds that have inspired musicians, poets, and artists for centuries.

DATES & TRIP COST

Departures March-December from \$2,499





Enchanting Rhine

ABOARD A PREMIER RIVER VESSEL Explore Amsterdam, cruise the ancient Rhine River valley by way of Strasbourg, Heidelberg, and Colmar, plus optional visits to Lucerne and Zurich.

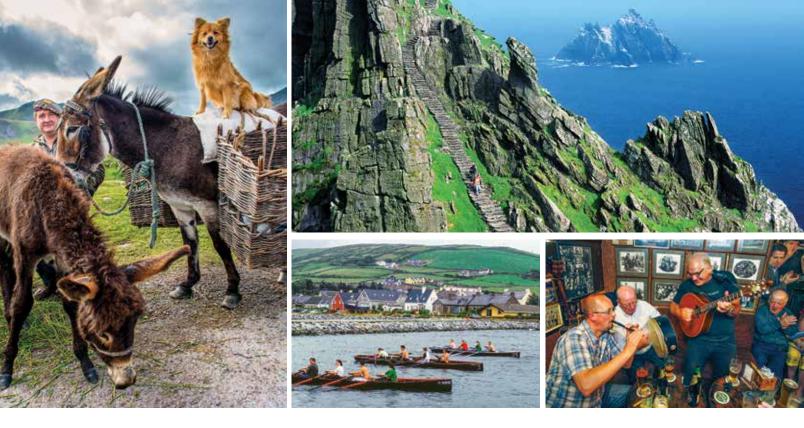
DATES & TRIP COST

Departures March-November from \$2,499









Wild & Ancient Britain ABOARD THE OCEAN ADVENTURER

On this adventure to the British Isles, explore remote and isolated coastlines where windswept cliffs and promontories teem with some of the largest seabird colonies in Europe, all at the height of their breeding season. Exhilarating walks bring you through heather-clad moorlands and among the ruins of fortress-castles that echo the lore of the Celts and Anglo-Saxons. From the lovely subtropical gardens on the Isles of Scilly and the geological wonders of Giant's Causeway to the sacred sites of the Inner Hebrides and the stark beauty of the Fair Isle, this exciting expedition captures the ancient spirit and wild heart of Britain.

DAYS 1-7 LONDON TO THE SALTEE

ISLANDS Fly to London, depart by train to Portsmouth, and embark. Visit the gardens at medieval Tresco Abbey on the Isles of Scilly, then voyage to Ireland's Skellig Islands, one of Europe's most impressive seabird citadels. At Waterford, visit the Waterford glassworks or the Mount Congreve estate. Search for puffins, murres, razorbills, gannets, and more at the privately owned Saltee Islands.

DAYS 8-9 ISLE OF MAN / GIANT'S

CAUSEWAY Take a ride through scenic villages on the Isle of Man Steam Railway, and at Portrush, visit the World Heritage

Site of Giant's Causeway, a geological masterpiece descending to the sea.

DAYS 10-11 INNER AND OUTER HEBRIDES, SCOTLAND Explore the uninhabited island of Staff and its most famous feature, Fingal's Cave. On Iona, visit the cemetery of St. Oran, where numerous Scottish kings are buried, and the abandoned village of St. Kilda.

DAYS 12-16 ORKNEY ISLANDS TO

EDINBURGH The Orkneys hold Maes Howe, a chambered tomb dating from 3500 BC, with runic hieroglyphs left by visiting



12th century Vikings. In the Shetlands, take a walk through Lerwick, with its Norse heritage, and ride Zodiacs out to the Isle of Noss, where spectacular cliffs support a large and diverse seabird colony. Fair Isle is renowned for its handmade sweaters and is a famed haven for seabirds. Disembark and depart via Edinburgh on Day 16.

DATES

May 9-24, 2018

TRIP COST

From \$10,980 Price is per person and depends on cabin type





Discoveries of Coastal Europe

ABOARD THE OCEAN ADVENTURER

Trace the coast of Western Europe on this journey that highlights the region's great art, fine food, and important historic sites. Browse local markets, stroll along scenic waterfronts, and soak in the charm and atmosphere of the celebrated wine towns of Porto and Bordeaux. Nature hikes on bucolic islands reveal terraced gardens, peaceful pastures, and wild, windswept coastlines.

DAYS 1-6 PORTUGAL / SPAIN

Tour Lisbon's architectural highlights, embark the ship, then explore Porto's historic center. In Spain, visit the holy city of Santiago de Compostela and La Coruña.

DAYS 7-10 FRANCE Visit Bordeaux, famous for its wines, stroll past 14th century stone towers in La Rochelle, sample local

DATES Apr 28-May 11, 2018 delicacies in Brest, and explore the iconic abbey on Mont St-Michel.

DAYS 11-14 CHANNEL ISLANDS / NORMANDY Enjoy nature walks on the Channel Islands, tour Normandy's Omaha Beach and the American and British cemeteries, and view the amazing Bayeux Tapestry. Disembark in Portsmouth, England.

TRIP COST From \$9,980 Price is per person and depends on cabin type

From Hamburg to Tallinn

Aboard a classic tall sailing ship, journey through seven different countries, visiting UNESCO World Heritage Sites and exploring the rich culture and heritage of the Baltic states. From Hamburg, Germany, venture to the timeless treasures in Denmark, Poland, Lithuania, Sweden, Finland, and St. Petersburg, Russia, before your final destination in Tallinn, Estonia. Along the way, relax on board and enjoy the ship's amenities and ambiance as you make your way from one fabulous port city to the next.

DAYS 1-9 HAMBURG TO KLAIPEDA

From Hamburg, sail to Copenhagen and visit the Tivoli Gardens, then explore the picturesque town of Skagen. Gdansk is a flourishing center of Flemish, Dutch, and German influences, graced by the medieval church of St. Mary, the world's largest brick church. Klaipeda has a lovely Old Town area and features German architecture.

DATES Jun 17-30, 2018

DAYS 10-14 STOCKHOLM TO TALLINN

Visit the splendid Renaissance palaces of Stockholm's Gamla Stan, a medieval network of narrow cobbled streets, and St. Petersburg, which holds Russia's greatest cultural and historical treasures, from the Hermitage complex to St. Isaac's Cathedral. Your cruise ends in Tallinn, one of the best preserved medieval cities of Europe. Depart on Day 14.

TRIP COST From \$9,795

Price is per person and depends on cabin type





Dalmatian Coast & Montenegro

ABOARD THE PANORAMA

Experience an exciting voyage of discovery as you explore the wonders of Dalmatia and the Adriatic Sea. Each day you'll discover a new port of call, a hidden cove with crystal blue waters, a glimpse of ancient history, and rich cultural diversity. Enjoy the medieval treasures of Dubrovnik and

Korcula Island, the stunning fjord of Kotor Bay, the Palace of Diocletian, Rab Island, and Hvar, with its pine forests, vineyards, and lavender fields.



DAYS 1-4 DUBROVNIK TO SIBENIK Embark in Dubrovnik, then sail to Split, dating back to the 4th century. On historic Rab, discover cultural and historical monuments including the Church of St. John the Baptist. Sail through a spectacular fjord to reach Sibenik, with its bird-rich Krka National Park.

DAYS 5-8 HVAR TO KOTOR Explore Hvar, with its Venetian flavor, then sail through Kotor, the deepest natural fjord in the Mediterranean. Join an optional excursion to the medieval Old Town, featuring stunning fortifications including the 10th century city walls. On Day 8, reach Dubrovnik and disembark.

DATES

Jun 18-25, 2017 Jul 9-16, 2017 Aug 6-13, 2017 Aug 27-Sep 3, 2017 Sep 10-17, 2017 Jun 10-17, 2018 Jun 24-Jul 1, 2018 Jul 8-15, 2018 Jul 22-29, 2018 Aug 5-12, 2018 Aug 19-26, 2018 Sep 2-9, 2018 Sep 16-23, 2018 Sep 30-Oct 7, 2018

TRIP COST

From \$2,350 Price is per person and depends on cabin type





Jewels of the Cyclades Aboard the Galileo

Unlock the wonders of Greece's Cyclades, an island group forming a rough circle in the blue Aegean Sea. The sea cliffs of Folegandros, the sacred isle of Delos, breathtaking Santorini, the whitewashed villages of Mykonos—they're all on this journey, along with fascinating sites of antiquity, hidden coves (great swimming in beautiful bays!), postcard-perfect beaches, a fantastic cuisine born of the sea, and rich cultural diversity.



DAYS 1-3 ATHENS / SANTORINI Embark and cruise to the tiny isle of Poliegos, known for its amazing beaches. After a swim and barbecue, sail to Folegandros, where you'll dine at a traditional Greek taverna. In Santorini, explore Fira, the capital, with an optional excursion

to the archaeological excavations at Akrotiri, and stunning Oia, with its breathtaking view over the caldera.

DAYS 4-8 PAROS TO KYTHNOS Visit Parikia and the quaint village of Naoussa on Paros, then take optional tours of the ruins on Delos, Greece's most sacred island. Stop at one of Mykonos' beautiful bays for a swim before calling at Mykonos town. On Syros, enjoy its sandy beaches or stroll through town, then head to Kythnos to swim in Kolones Bay. Depart on Day 8 via Athens.

DATES

Weekly Friday departures April through October

TRIP COST

From \$2,390 Price is per person and depends on cabin type

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Seychelles Cruise in the Garden of Eden ABOARD THE PEGASUS

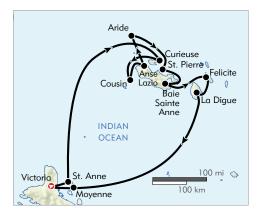
Explore the Seychelles in the best way possible: by yacht! Hop from island to island in perfect harmony with this unspoiled Indian Ocean realm, a natural paradise. Snorkel or dive to discover a colorful underwater world, swim at powder-white beaches fringing cobalt seas, search for indigenous fauna and flora as you hike in centuries-old rainforests, and see the famous native coco de mer palms in the Vallée de Mai.

DAYS 1-2 PORT VICTORIA, MAHÉ / ST. **ANNE / CURIEUSE** Embark on the ship in Port Victoria and sail to St. Anne for an ocean swim, then visit Curieuse Island, once a leper colony and now home to giant land tortoises. Your walking excursion here with a park guide brings you to a farm and into mangrove forests. Later, return to the beach for a barbecue under the trees.

DAYS 3-5 COUSIN / PRASLIN /

VALLÉE DE MAI On Cousin Island, visit a bird sanctuary where over 250,000 birds breed, then sail to Anse Lazio on Praslin Island to savor one of the most beautiful beaches in the world, with time for water sports or snorkeling. Hike on Aride Island to look for Wright's gardenia, found nowhere else on earth, and bird species including Audubon's shearwater and the Seychelles warbler. Sail to St. Pierre Island for snorkeling and swimming, then to Baie

Sainte Anne, Praslin, for an optional visit to the Vallée de Mai Nature Reserve, a World Heritage Site. With luck, you may see rare black parrots here.



DAYS 6-8 LA DIGUE / VEUVE NATURE **RESERVE / MOYENNE / PORT** VICTORIA, MAHÉ Explore La Digue, a quaint community where ox-drawn carts

and bicycles outnumber cars. An optional



excursion will take you by vehicle to the Veuve Nature Reserve, which protects paradise flycatchers, rare swiflets, and sea turtles. At L'Union Estate, you'll tour the copra kiln, a traditional coconut oil mill, and the colonial plantation house. Swim at the pink-sand beach at Anse Source d' Argent, marvel at some of the Seychelles' most impressive and unique rock formations, and hunt for souvenirs at La Passe, the island's main village. Enjoy a tour and beach barbecue on privately owned Moyenne Island, a nature reserve, with a last opportuity for a swim and snorkel. Disembark at Mahé's Victoria Port on Day 8 and depart.

DATES

Weekly Saturday departures, year-round

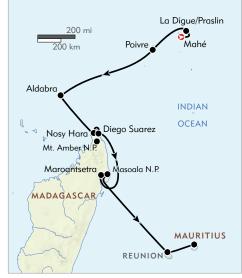
TRIP COST

From \$2,290 Price is per person and depends on cabin type

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Seychelles & Madagascar ABOARD THE SILVER DISCOVERER

On this expedition cruise, explore the Seychelles' stunning beaches fringed with palm trees and tropical flora, and enjoy two full days to swim and snorkel in the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Aldabra Atoll. After island hopping in the Indian Ocean, head to Madagascar, where a vast array of birds and lemurs make their home. Round out your journey with a visit to Reunion and Mauritius islands.

DAYS 1-9 SEYCHELLES TO ALDABRA

ATOLL Fly to Mahé and embark on the ship. Explore the white-sand beaches of La Digue and step ashore on Praslin to visit Vallée de Mai Nature Reserve. In the Amirante Islands, enjoy beachcombing, nature walks, birding, and snorkeling over coral gardens. Giant Aldabra tortoises roam wild in the Aldabra Atoll, and you'll enjoy an exhilarating drift snorkel here.

DATES Oct 20-Nov 6, 2018 DAYS 10-18 MADAGASCAR / REUNION / MAURITIUS Heading to

Madagascar, visit the Nosy Hara archipelago and watch for wildlife at Mount Amber and Masoala national parks. On Reunion, explore St. Denis, a small colonial town with French and Creole ambiance, and search for endemic birds. Reaching Mauritius, disembark and explore its dramatic volcanic crater before departing for home.

TRIP COST

From \$16,980 Price is per person and depends on cabin type

Sea to Sahara ABOARD THE ISLAND SKY

Cape Verde, the Canary Islands, enchanting Morocco—all on one journey! Stroll through charming Portuguese villages, hike in exotic landscapes, and watch for spectacular wildlife, including a vast array of birds. In Morocco, you'll experience the mystique of Morocco, from the Sahara Desert to the casbahs, medieval medinas, and royal cities of Casablanca and Marrakesh.

DAYS 1-6 CAPE VERDE ISLANDS Enjoy nature hikes in diverse landscapes ranging from volcanic lava fields to verdant hills and valleys. You'll also have cultural encounters in the islands' towns and villages.

DAYS 7-13 DAKHLA, MOROCCO, TO CANARY ISLANDS Search for migrant shorebirds, visit the nomadic Sahraoui people, then travel into the Sahara, with a hike amid

DATES Apr 7-22, 2018 its undulating dunes. In the Canary Islands, enjoy hikes in UNESCO Biosphere Reserves, with their rare plants and birds.

DAYS 14-16 CASABLANCA AND MARRAKESH, MOROCCO Visit

Casablanca's and Marrakesh's most well known sites, or join a full-day birding excursion to the Atlas Mountains. Depart on Day 16.

TRIP COST From \$13,980 Price is per person and depends on cabin type





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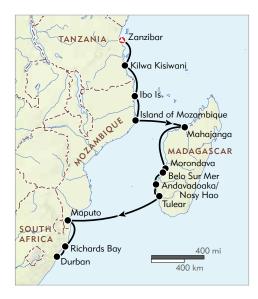
Zanzibar to Durban ABOARD THE SILVER DISCOVERER

From Zanzibar, the historic seat of sultans and fascinating UNESCO World Heritage Sites, to the wildlife of Richards Bay, South Africa, expect a spectrum of experiences both on and off shore on this expedition cruise. Destinations include the ancient trading posts of Tanzania's Kilwa Kisiwani and Ibo Island, Madagascar's legendary Avenue of the Baobabs, rarely-visited fishing villages edged by white-sand beaches, and Nosy Hao, whose underwater reefs offer fantastic snorkeling. Your voyage includes explorations of Mozambique, and in South Africa, Hluhluwe Game Reserve near Richards Bay and the bustling city of Durban. Along the way you'll be immersed into a fascinating mix of African, Arab, and European culture and history.

DAYS 1-5 ZANZIBAR, TANZANIA, TO MOZAMBIQUE From the spice island of Zanzibar, sail to Kilwa Kisiwani, an ancient trading post dating back to the 9th century. Ibo Island's history is even older—dating to Arab merchant days of the early 5th century. The island of Mozambique is a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and you'll discover many historical sites including the 16th century Fort São Sebastião.

DAYS 6-12 MAHAJANGA TO TULEAR,

MADAGASCAR Madagascar's second city, Mahajanga, is an ethnically diverse urban center surrounded by beautiful beaches. At Morondava, discover the picturesque Avenue of the Baobabs. Just south of Morondava is Belo Sur Mer, a rarely-visited Vezo fishing village with long stretches of bright white sandy beaches and stunning turquoise waters. Nosy Hao is a lovely, scenic little island off the coast of Madagascar with a complex underwater topography of reefs that offer excellent snorkeling. In Tulear, visit the Museum of Arts and Traditions and the Museum of the Sea.



DAYS 13-17 MAPUTO, MOZAMBIQUE, TO DURBAN, SOUTH AFRICA Arrive in

Maputo, with its mix of palm-lined streets, a promenade with elegant villas, and oncegrand colonial buildings. After visiting the port of Richards Bay, South Africa, head to Durban, a lively city steeped in history and culture. Disembark on Day 17.

DATES

Nov 27-Dec 13, 2018

TRIP COST

From \$13,850 Price is per person and depends on cabin type

The Laos Mekong

ABOARD THE LAOS PANDAW OR CHAMPA PANDAW

On this pioneering river cruise, among the first since pre-war days to cross all Laos, you'll navigate along the Mekong River to the once notorious Golden Triangle, where the borders of Myanmar, Thailand, and Laos meet. From Vientiane, the old French capital, you'll pass through a mosaic of lush jungle scenery and charming riverside villages as you cruise along the river aboard a 28-guest ship with a colonial-era character and friendly atmosphere. You'll spend two days in Luang Prabang, the gilded city of temples, before ending the cruise in the pretty port town of Chiang Khong, Thailand.

DAYS 1-3 VIENTIANE / CRUISING

THE MEKONG Embark your boat and explore Vientiane, with its delightful French ambiance, before setting sail on the Mekong River. Onboard activities include a presentation on the Lao language and a cooking demonstration as you pass lush jungle scenery and tiny riverside villages en route to Ban Xanakham. In the French administrative town of Pak Lai, which boasts the largest elephant festival in Southeast Asia, you'll view colonial buildings and visit a bustling local market.

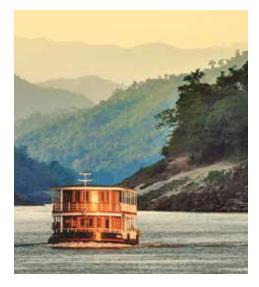
DAYS 4-7 TRIBAL VILLAGES / LUANG

PRABANG Enjoy a walking tour of the riverside Khmu tribal village of Ban Park Bor, then visit dramatic Kuang Si waterfall and a butterfly garden. Arrive in the heart of Luang

Prabang, a chaming town of gilded temples, palaces, and French colonial architecture, now preserved as a UNESCO World Heritage



Site. Enjoy a walking tour of its atmospheric lanes and watch as local people offer alms to a procession of hundreds of monks.



DAYS 8-11 PAK OU BUDDHA CAVES / RIVERSIDE VILLAGES / GOLDEN

TRIANGLE After exploring the unique Pak Ou Caves, a Buddhist sanctuary with spectacular limestone cliff faces, cruise upstream to explore market towns and riverside villages full of charm and life. The ship crosses the border into Thailand, reaching the bustling Thai port town of Chiang Khong. Disembark and explore the Golden Triangle, including the opium museum, before departing on Day 11.

DATES

Multiple departures September through April

TRIP COST

From \$3,600 Price is per person and depends on cabin type





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Vietnam, Cambodia & the Riches of the Mekong

Embarking on Tonle Sap Lake, cruise to peaceful villages, historic pagodas, and floating markets along the Mekong River to Phnom Penh, concluding your journey in Saigon. On a pre-trip extension, discover Hanoi, Vietnam's ancient capital, explore by private boat on an overnight cruise in majestic Halong Bay, then soak up the stunning glory of Cambodia's Angkor Wat, one of the archaeological wonders of the world.

DAYS 1-6 HANOI TO ANGKOR On

the pre-trip extension, explore Hanoi's Old Quarter and enjoy an overnight cruise aboard a traditional wooden junk in scenic Halong Bay, with its magnificent limestone cliffs, caves, and lagoons. Flying to Siem Reap, soak up the splendors of Angkor, former capital of the Khmer Empire, including Ta Prohm, Banteay Srei, and the intricate and massive temple complex of Angkor Wat.

DATES

Multiple departures August through April





DAYS 7-16 TONLE SAP TO SAIGON

Embarking at Tonle Sap Lake, visit lakeside wetlands and traditional villages, explore by ox cart, and discover Cambodia's capital, Phnom Penh, with its French Colonial architecture. Cruise through the lush Mekong Delta, calling at villages and floating markets en route to Vietnam. Disembark, tour Saigon, the "Paris of the Orient," and depart on Day 16.

TRIP COST

From \$5,297 (Cruise-only from \$2,299) Price is per person and depends on cabin type



The Golden Land

Sailing on the Irrawaddy River through the cultural heartland of Myanmar, you'll pass through a diversity of landscapes, from the lush teak plantations around Prome to the desert country south of Bagan. Along the way, you'll visit monasteries, temples, and a number of small villages and towns—places remote from the modern world that offer a glimpse of a timeless, lost Myanmar far from the usual tourist path.

DAYS 1-6 PROME TO BAGAN Embark in Prome, visit the archaeological site of Thiri-ya-kittiya, the former center of the Pyu civilization, and explore the colonial town of Thayetmyo. The river brings you to Minhla for a trishaw ride to Magwe Myat-thalon Pagoda, constructed with solid gold bricks. In Sale, visit the Yout-saun-kyaung monastery with its spectacular wood carvings, then tour the magnificent pagodas of Bagan.

DATES Multiple departures October through April

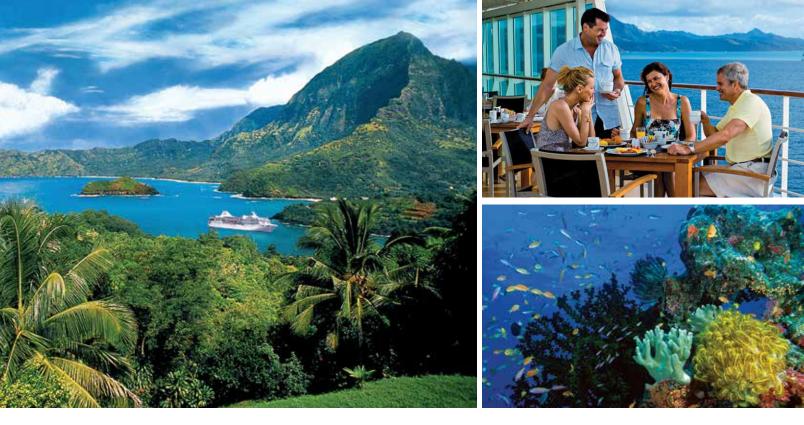
DAYS 7-11 YANDABO TO MANDALAY

Visit the pottery village of Yandabo and tour the sites of Mandalay, including Mahamuni Pagoda and a teak-carved monastery. The delight of Sagaing lies in its 1,000 hermitages and sanctuaries, rich in woodcarving and religious art. In Amarapura, see the famous U-Bein Bridge at sunset, and stop at Mingun to see the largest working bell in the world. Disembark in Mandalay on Day 11.

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TRIP COST

From \$3,676 Price is per person



Marquesas, Tuamotus & Society Islands

On this South Pacific idyll, take in the beauty of French Polynesia, a dreamy realm of majestic mountains, blue lagoons, and vibrant cultures. Explore captivating Fakarava, an atoll in the

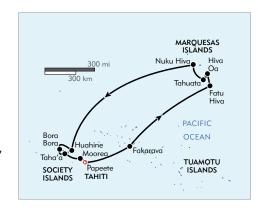
known for its pristine beaches and exceptional snorkeling, and the utterly remote Marquesas Islands, home to ancient cultural traditions.

west Tuamotus

Your voyage circles back by way of the Society Islands, including Bora Bora, legendary for its immense turquoise lagoon and barrier reef, and spectacular Moorea, with its jagged green mountains.

DAYS 1-4 PAPEETE, TAHITI /

FAKARAVA From Papeete, head to Fakarava, a sanctuary for rare birds, plants, and crustaceans in the remote and pristine Tuamotus. Stroll along pink-sand beaches and visit the island's black pearl farm.



DAY 5-10 MARQUESAS ISLANDS

Fatu Hiva is wild and spectacularly beautiful, with narrow ravines, deep gorges, luxuriant valleys, and sheer cliffs that plunge straight down into

the splashing surf. On Hiva Oa, visit the grave of the artist Paul Gauguin and the archaeological ruins of the Tiu, ancestors of most of the Hivaoan tribes. Enjoy fine swimming and snorkeling at Tahuata, the only Marquesas island edged by coral reef, and take in the natural beauty of the lush valleys, impossibly blue bays, sky-high waterfalls, and ancient ruins of Nuku Hiva, the "Mystic Island."

DAYS 11-15 SOCIETY ISLANDS

Explore remote Huahine, whose abundant archaeological treasures include ancient homes, buildings, and *marae* (stone platforms that served as places of worship). You'll also stop at Bora Bora, where the famous lagoon offers a chance for a swim, snorkel, or outrigger cruise, and idyllic Taha'a, framed by swaying palms and white-sand beaches. Try your hand at optional water sports on Moorea, and disembark on Day 15 in Papeete.

DATES

Nov 18-Dec 2, 2017 Apr 14-28, 2018 Aug 11-25, 2018 Oct 20-Nov 3, 2018

TRIP COST

From \$7,395 Price is per person and depends on cabin type

Hokkaido: Japan's Wild Island

On this wonderfully varied expedition cruise around the island of Hokkaido, you'll wander through vast fields of wildflowers on Rebun Island, the "Floating Island of Flowers," and explore spectacular Shikotsu-Toya National Park, a UNESCO Global Geopark noted for its two namesake caldera lakes, as well as hot springs and extensive hiking trails. You'll also visit the small settlement of Korsakov in Russia and have fantastic birdwatching opportunities all along the way.



DAYS 1-7 TOKYO TO REBUN

ISLAND From Tokyo, take the train to Niigata and embark. Explore Sapporo or go birding in the foothills. Teuri Island is the seasonal home to millions of migratory seabirds and nearby Rishiri Island offers a variety of hiking opportunities. Your visit to Rebun Island is timed to enjoy the lovely alpine blooms of spring.

DAYS 8-16 SAKHALIN ISLAND TO TOKYO Explore Sakhalin's capital city, Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk, or enjoy a day of birding. Search for minke, orca, and sperm whales while transiting the Nemuro Channel. Explore Shikotsu-Toya National Park, then visit Senshu Park, built from the ruins of Kubota Castle, a former samurai fortress. Disembark in Niigata, return to Tokyo, and depart.

DATES May 19-Jun 3, 2018

TRIP COST

From \$13,980 Price is per person and depends on cabin type





Hong Kong to Nagasaki ABOARD THE SILVER DISCOVERER

The colonial past of the Philippines, the delicate scent of cherry blossoms, coral reefs full of colorful fish and turtles, the UNESCO World Heritage cedar forests of Yakusugi



Land on Yakushima Island, the startling red of the torii gate floating in between two mysterious worlds—they're all part of this fascinating expedition cruise, a wonderful combination of modern bustle and ancient traditions.

DAYS 1-5 THE PHILIPPINES Embark in Hong Kong and sail across the South China Sea to the Philippines. Landing on Luzon, head to Vigan and its historical district of Spanish-colonial houses, and enjoy excursions including swimming, exploring waterfalls, and an island hike. On Sabtang Island, enjoy cultural encounters and a nature walk.

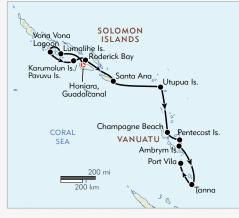
DAYS 6-11 ISLANDS OF JAPAN Cruising the Japanese islands of the East China Sea, you'll meet villagers whose way of life is changed little from bygone times, see historical relics including Shuri Castle at Okinawa, the residence of the Ryukyu royal family for over 400 years, swim at beautiful white-sand beaches, and enjoy nature walks on Yakushima, whose forest park is a World Heritage site. Disembark in Nagasaki.

DATES Mar 15-25, 2018

TRIP COST

From \$8,150 Price is per person and depends on cabin type





Guadalcanal to Vanuatu

ABOARD THE **SILVER DISCOVERER**

With more than a thousand islands in the Solomon Sea, discover a hypnotic taste of some of the sights, dances, and traditions of lesser-known Melanesia. Explore stunning lagoons and uninhabited islands by Zodiac, witness Vanuatu's epic landdiving ceremonies, and stand on the rim of an active volcano. Warm local hospitality and thought-provoking cultures complete this wonderful trip.

DAYS 1-7 HONIARA TO UTUPUA

ISLAND Embark in Honiara and sail to Marovo Lagoon, one of the world's largest saltwater lagoons and renowned as one of the best diving and snorkeling spots on the planet. Explore the veritable maze of coral reefs of Vona Vona Lagoon, then head to the Russel Islands, with their diversity of cultures. Snorkel around a shipwreck in Roderick

DATES May 28-Jun 6, 2018 Bay and enjoy traditional songs and dances performed by villagers on Santa Ana.

DAYS 8-11 VANUATU Discover Champagne Beach on Espiritu Santo Island, witness land-diving ceremonies on Pentecost, and watch a traditional "Rom" dance, reserved for special occasions. Visit the rim of Yasur Volcano, and end the cruise in Port Vila.

TRIP COST From \$8,150 Price is per person and depends on cabin type

Best of Micronesia: Rabaul to Palau ABOARD THE CALEDONIAN SKY

On this fascinating voyage—an arc across the Pacific from Rabaul in Papua New Guinea to Koror in Micronesia—enjoy ample opportunities to discover distinctive cultures and rich traditions that share common cultural bonds. Along the way, you'll experience Oceania's astonishing biodiversity both above and beneath the warm tropical seas.



DAYS 1-6 CAIRNS, AUSTRALIA, TO

TSOI ISLANDS From Cairns, fly to Rabaul and embark. Visit the bubbling hot springs and take in magnificent views from Observatory Ridge. Meet the inhabitants of the little-visited Tingwon Islands and snorkel or dive along the islets' surrounding reef. Villagers warmly welcome you to the Tsoi Islands with a cultural performance and dances accompanied by a superb local choir.

DATES Feb 23-Mar 12, 2018



DAYS 7-18 ISLES OF MICRONESIA

Zodiacs bring you ashore to visit small villages and enjoy local hospitality, and you'll snorkel in sparkling emerald lagoons, go on nature walks, and enjoy terrific birding. Highlights include Chuuk (Truk) Island's enormous lagoon sheltering 15 islands of volcanic origin, and Koror, where you can snorkel in Jellyfish Lake. Disembark on Day 18 and depart.

TRIP COST

From \$12,980 Price is per person and depends on cabin type



DAYS 1-6 MADANG, PAPUA NEW GUINEA / SEPIK RIVER / MANUS

PROVINCE / MUSSA Arrive in Madang and visit the highland forests and colorful markets, then head out to explore the legendary Sepik River by Zodiac, following tributaries and channels in search of wildlife and meeting villagers famed for their traditional art forms. Explore Manus Island, seldom visited and little known, and considered a jewel in the crown of Papua New Guinea. These biologically isolated islands are home to a high proportion of endemic species. Visit Mussa Island, the westernmost extension of the Lapita culture, and learn about their special culture in this remote spot in the Pacific.

DAYS 7-10 KAVIENG, NEW IRELAND / RABAUL, NEW BRITAIN / NISSAN / BOUGAINVILLE ISLAND Historic

Kavieng holds relics from World War II, when the Japanese had a base here, and the

Melanesia Discoverer ABOARD THE SPIRIT OF ENDERBY

Explore the legendary waterways of the Sepik River, the remote Manus and Mussau Islands, then enter the long-isolated world of Bougainville Island, with its towering volcanoes and plunging waterfalls. Sailing to the Solomon Islands, enjoy incredible birding opportunities, snorkeling and sea kayaking in turquoise waters, and cultural encounters in far-flung Pacific outposts.

local reefs offer great snorkeling. Six coneshaped volcanoes ring Rabaul's dramatic flooded caldera harbor, and you can visit the



bubbling hot springs and take in magnificent views of the harbor from Observatory Ridge. Meet the friendly residents of the tiny atoll of Nissan Island, and be among first expeditioners to re-discover the treasures of Bougainville, a pristine island paradise and home to some of the greatest biodiversity in the region.

DAYS 11-14 CHOISEUL, SOLOMON ISLANDS / NEW GEORGIA / ARNAVON

/ HONIARA Arrive at Choiseul Island and head by Zodiac deep into the mangrove forests to look for dugong and crocodiles. Explore the volcanic New Georgia Islands, Kolombangara Island, and the Arnavon Islands, which hold an important rookery for the endangered hawksbill turtle. Snorkeling here is sensational. Head to Honiara, site of the epic naval battle of Guadalcanal, and tour the open-air war museum while birders head up to the rainforested slopes of Mount Austen to look for the Solomon Islands' most spectacular birds, including the Solomon sea eagle. Depart Honiara on Day 14.

DATES

Oct 8-21, 2017

TRIP COST

From \$6,995 Price is per person and depends on cabin type

Oct 6-19, 2018



Circumnavigation of New Zealand

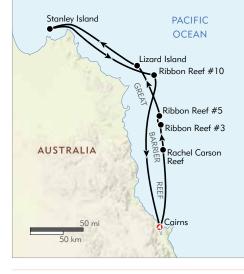
Embark on a complete circumnavigation of New Zealand, from White Island in the north to Stewart Island in the far south. This is a rare chance to delve deep into the country's rare natural beauty and breathtaking landscapes, from steep-sided glacial fjords, geysers and boiling mud pots, and coastal rainforests to snow-capped mountains, rolling green pasture lands, and enchanting bays and coves.

DAYS 1-14 LONDON TO ULVA AND

STEWART ISLANDS Visit Auckland's museum housing the world's largest collection of Polynesian artifacts, then cruise to the Bay of Islands, steeped in Maori history. After a walk along the Queen Charlotte Track to Ship Cove, look for wildlife in Abel Tasman National Park, and visit Fjordland, an incredible wilderness accessible only by sea.

DATES Dec 15, 2017-Jan 7, 2018





DAYS 15-24 Enjoy nature walks on remote Ulva and Stewart islands. In Dunedin, visit the botanical garden and in Akaroa, watch for dolphins. After exploring Christchurch, join a whale watching cruise in Kaikoura, then visit Wellington and Napier, with its charming Art Deco buildings. Explore the active volcano on White Island and the thermal springs of Rotorua. Disembark in Auckland on Day 24.

TRIP COST

From £12,795 Price is per person and depends on cabin type





Best of the Great Barrier Reef ABOARD THE CORAL EXPEDITIONS II

Discover the underwater wonders of the legendary Great Barrier Reef on exciting snorkeling and dive excursions far from the tourist track. Come face to face with the massive groupers at Code Hole and, with luck, swim with the curious minke whales of Ribbon Reef. Take nature walks on Lizard Island, keeping an eye out for Australian monitor lizards, and enjoy the fascinating Aboriginal art on remote Stanley Island.

DAYS 1-7 CAIRNS, AUSTRALIA, TO

STANLEY ISLAND Arrive in Cairns and embark, heading to the Rachel Carson Reef then further to the pristine Ribbon Reefs on the outer edge of the Great Barrier Reef. Enjoy daily dive, snorkel, or glass-bottom boat excursions amid a plethora of marine life, large and small. Hike on the powdery beaches of Lizard Island, view the spectacular rock art sites on Stanley Island.

DATES Jul 10-24, 2018

DAYS 8-14 RIBBON REEF #10 TO

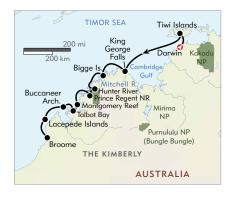
CAIRNS Explore Ribbon Reef #10, famed for its graceful and inquisitive minke whales, and swim amid the giant groupers of Code Hole. Enjoy Sand Cay's amazing reefs, then disembark and journey to the Atherton Tablelands for nature walks in a protected rainforest, on the lookout for musky rat kangaroos, wallabies, wallaroos, and 12 endemic bird species. Depart on Day 14.

TRIP COST From \$9,980 Price is per person

Australia's Kimberley ABOARD THE CORAL DISCOVERER

The fabled Kimberley is one of the most remote regions on earth, a land of towering cliffs, plunging waterfalls, ancient cultures, and exotic wildlife. By boat, Zodiac, and helicopter, explore the region's treasures, from the dramatic gorges and pools of Mitchell Falls and the astonishing wildlife

of Prince Regent Nature Reserve to austere, baobabdotted desertscapes and the sublimely beautiful isles of the Buccaneer Archipelago.



DAYS 1-8 DARWIN TO MITCHELL FALLS Embark in Darwin, visit a community in the Tiwi Islands, then cruise the mighty King George River, with its towering sandstone walls. On Bigge Island, well-preserved Aboriginal paintings grace the walls of caves, and you'll take a helicopter to visit Mitchell Falls, whose waters carve their way through the Outback.

DAYS 9-15 PRINCE REGENT NATURE RESERVE TO

BROOME A pure wilderness accessible only by air or boat, Prince Regent Nature Reserve is an incredible place to explore by Zodiac. At Montgomery Reef, view amazing marine life and take a bush walk at Raft Point to learn the traditions of the Worrorra people. Explore secluded bays in the photogenic Buccaneer Archipelago and enjoy beach walks in the Lacepede Islands. Disembark in Broome.

DATES

May 15-29, 2018

TRIP COST

From \$13,580 Price is per person and depends on cabin type





Vanuatu to Cairns ABOARD THE SILVER DISCOVERER

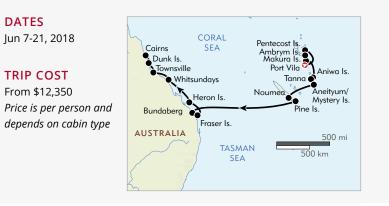
On this expedition cruise, watch in wonder as the menfolk of Pentecost Island dive from 100-foot towers in their legendary land-diving ceremonies, watch a traditional dance on the "magic" island of Ambrym, explore the tiny island of Makura, the peak of a primeval volcano, and snorkel or dive the incredible atolls and vibrant reef systems of the Coral Sea. Your voyage includes visits to the island of Noumea, part of the New Caledonia archipelago, the Île des Pins, "the closest island to paradise," and Australia's dazzling Whitsunday Islands.

DAYS 1-7 PORT VILA, VANUATU, TO ÎLE DES PINS

Embark in Port Vila and cruise to Pentecost Island to view land diving ceremonies and see a traditional dance on Ambrym Island. Snorkel over coral reefs at Aniwa, Inyeug, and the Île des Pins, and visit Noumea, part of the New Caledonia archipelago.

DAYS 8-16 FRASER ISLAND, AUSTRALIA, TO CAIRNS

In Australia, explore Fraser Island, a World Heritage Site renowned for its diversity of birdlife and rich Butchulla Aboriginal culture, then cruise through the Whitsunday Islands, which rise out of the sea as the tips of underwater mountains. Disembark in Cairns and depart.







Treasures of Costa Rica & Panama Canal ABOARD THE CALLISTO

Journey by yacht along the tropical Pacific coasts of Costa Rica and Panama, exploring exquisite natural settings including Manuel Antonio National Park and Cebaco Island, with its endemic species. Witness life along the Mogue River, home to the Embera Indians, then transit part of the Panama Canal. Each day, discover a new hidden cove, crystal-clear waters for a refreshing swim, and rich tropical flora and fauna.

DAYS 1-4 PUERTO CALDERA, COSTA RICA, TO CEBACO ISLAND Embark and sail to Quepos to explore Manuel Antonio, with its beautiful beaches and hiking trails, and sail to Playa Biesanz for an afternoon swim. Enjoy an excursion to the Osa Peninsula and Corcovado National Park, then go swimming and snorkeling at Restingue and Cebaco islands.

DATES Weekly Departures December-April DAYS 5-8 MOGUE EMBERA RESERVE, DARIEN NATIONAL PARK, TO

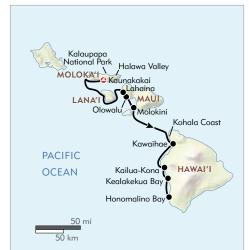
PANAMA CITY Travel by dugout canoe up the Mogue River to the village of Mogue, home to the Embera Indians. The Pearl Islands are the setting for a swim, snorkel, and beach barbecue, and you'll transit two locks of the Panama Canal to Gatun Lake. Disembark on Day 8 and depart.

TRIP COST

From \$2,790 Price is per person and depends on cabin type

Hawaiian Seascapes

Aboard the *Safari Explorer*, a 36-guest boutique yacht, take in the stunning beauty of the Hawaiian archipelago as you cruise between the magical islands of Molokai, Lanai, Maui, and the Big Island, Hawaii. You'll snorkel, kayak, and paddle board in the clear warm waters, hike to sacred sites in verdant valleys, and learn about a fascinating culture, whose warm Aloha spirit will give you a sense of old Hawaii.



DAYS 1-3 MOLOKAI / LANAI After

boarding the yacht in Molokai, you'll "talk story" with the locals and experience their land and traditions as few visitors ever do. A wonderful hike leads to a towering waterfall in Halawa's cathedral valley and you'll enjoy an evening *paina* (feast), complete with a home-style Hawaiian jam session. On Lanai, snorkel, paddle board, kayak, explore by skiff, or stretch your legs on a nature hike.

DATES

Multiple departures November through March

DAYS 4-8 MAUI / BIG ISLAND Once a place of refuge, Olowalu offers fantastic snorkeling among coral gardens teeming with underwater life. In the Humpback National Marine Sanctuary, search for dolphins, whales, and other marine life. Snorkel, kayak, or paddle board in Honomalino Bay, and enjoy some of the island's best snorkeling in Kealakekua Bay. Discover the charm of Kailua-Kona before disembarking on Day 8.

TRIP COST

From \$3,795 Price is per person and depends on cabin type



Baja: Exploring the Sea of Cortez Aboard A HISTORIC WOODEN VESSEL

Set in the brilliant turquoise waters of the Sea of Cortez, this adventure brings you up close to the wonders of Baja. With a classic 86-foot wooden ship as your base and kayaks on board, enjoy incredible experiences by land and sea. Sea kayak along the beaches of Isla Espiritu Santo, snorkel with playful sea lions, and track sperm whales and blue whales, the largest creatures to roam the earth. Anchoring each night in a secluded bay, you'll savor gorgeous sunsets, dine on the freshest seafood imaginable, and watch the magic of the starlit desert sky. Most of our itineraries include a visit to the lagoons of the Pacific coast where you can come within an arm's length of gray whales who migrate here every year, while one includes a half-day swim and snorkel with massive whale sharks.

DAYS 1-3 LA PAZ / BAHIA MAGDALENA (La Paz to Loreto 11-day

Gray Whale Watching) From La Paz, head to Bahia Magdalena, a remote lagoon on the Pacific coast where migrating gray whales breed and give birth. From a beachside hotel, set out by *panga* (skiff) for remarkable upclose encounters with these gentle giants—so close you can almost touch them!

DAYS 4-5 ISLA ESPIRITU SANTO /

SEA OF CORTEZ Embark in La Paz and navigate to enchanting Isla Espiritu Santo, with its white-sand beaches, keeping an eye out for pods of dolphins. A highlight is snorkeling with playful sea lions near the tiny uninhabited islands that dot the Sea of Cortez.

DAYS 6-11 SEA OF CORTEZ / BLUE TRIANGLE / LORETO Often referred to

as the "Vermillion Sea" and the "aquarium of the world," the Sea of Cortez is a realm of scattered islands, large and small, each one designated a Mexican national park. Exploring along meandering shorelines, you'll sea kayak past mangroves brimming



with blue herons, and visit unique island and peninsula sites on land and in the water. Navigating to the "Blue Triangle," you'll watch for breaching blue, sperm, and humpback whales feeding on plankton. You'll also hike along the beaches described by author John Steinbeck during his travels with legendary marine biologist Ed Ricketts in 1940. Depart from Loreto on Day 11.

DATES

Multiple departures November through March

TRIP COST

From \$6,550 Price is per person and depends on itinerary

Canal to Cuba with Panama, Costa Rica & Colombia

ABOARD THE HEBRIDEAN SKY

Explore the tiny, lesser-traveled Caribbean Islands off the coast of Central America on your expedition cruise amid the riches

of Panama, Costa Rica, and Colombia. Snorkel in the clear waters in Isla de Providencia, enjoy cultural interactions with tribes in the San Blas Archipelago, and search for wildlife in Tortuguero, home to 13 of Costa Rica's 16 endangered mammals. The journey ends in Cuba, where



you can stroll the fascinating streets of Old Havana.

DAYS 1-10 PANAMA CITY TO COLOMBIA Embark and explore Isla Coiba nature reserve by Zodiac, enter remote Darién Province to meet the local Embera Indian community. Transit the Panama Canal on Day 6, then head to the San Blas Archipelago, home to traditional Kuna Indians. Explore Tortuguero's tropical canals, then set sail for Colombia's rarely-visited Isla de Providencia.

DAYS 11-16 CIENFUEGOS, CUBA / HAVANA Arrive in colonial Cienfuegos, enjoy the beaches at Isla de la Juventud, and take nature walks on Maria La Gorda. Disembark for a walking tour of Old Havana and a performance at the legendary Buena Vista Social Club. Fly to Miami on Day 16.

DATES April 5, 2018

TRIP COST

From \$13,980 Price is per person and depends on cabin type





Circumnavigation of Cuba ABOARD THE HEBRIDEAN SKY

Immerse yourself in Cuban culture as you visit with friendly locals, savor traditional cuisine, tour the Arte Corte interactive museum, and enjoy musical performances. Your circle of the storied island of Cuba includes the citadel of San Pedro de la Roca in Santiago, a World Heritage Site, and charming colonial Cienfuegos. You'll also enjoy snorkeling over sparkling coral reefs and strolling the atmospheric streets of Old Havana, with its colonial architecture and classic American cars that complete the scene of a bygone era.



DAYS 1-8 HAVANA TO SANTIAGO

Fly to Havana, explore the Old Town, and visit the beautiful Viñales Valley, with its karst landscape.

Embark on Day 3 and visit riverside Matanzas, the "city of bridges," take a horseback ride, or walk in the Cayo Saetia nature reserve. In Santiago, enjoy a full day tour. Day 8 is at sea.

DAYS 9-14 TRINIDAD TO MARIA LA GORDA Enjoy pictureperfect Trinidad, visit Cienfuegos, with its French spirit, then swim, snorkel, and explore at Cayo Largo, Isla de la Juventud, and isolated Maria La Gorda. Disembark and fly to Miami on Day 14.

DATES Apr 17-30, 2018

TRIP COST

From \$10,980 Price is per person and depends on cabin type

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Cuba Cultural Adventure

Journey to Cuba for fascinating cultural exchanges with people of all walks of life,

from artisans and fishing folk to community organizers. Traveling by a 72-guest motor yacht cruiser allows you to experience diverse corners of this multifaceted country, unpacking your bags just one time and avoiding long drives. Listen to the heartbeat of Havana in its streets full of music and song, cruise the southern coast to the beautiful colonial towns of Trinidad and Cienfuegos, and on the Isla de la Juventud, enjoy natural wonders including pristine beaches and crystal-clear waters. Be prepared for an amazing experience of this intriguing nation.

DAYS 1-3 MIAMI / HAVANA Fly to

Havana and embark. Take an atmospheric drive by vintage American car to Finca Vigia, Hemingway's beloved home for 21 years. Stroll the colorful streets of Old Havana, now a World Heritage Site, and perhaps flag down a uniquely decorated local bicycle taxi. One evening, you'll stop in to hear the musicians at lively Café Taberna, with their Buena Vista Social Club style.

DAYS 4-5 MARIA LA GORDA / ISLA DE

LA JUVENTUD In Maria La Gorda, you'll meet teachers and students at a local school, then head to Guanahacabibes National Park, one of Cuba's largest nature reserves, for snorkeling and a barbecue lunch. On Isla de la Juventud, visit a hospital and an art school and enjoy time to stroll the grand boulevard of Nueva Gerona, the island's capital.



DAYS 6-8 TRINIDAD / CIENFUEGOS

Trinidad, a meticulously preserved Spanish colonial city with rich architecture, is sometimes referred to as the "museum city of



Cuba." Explore the city with a historian, visit a woodcarver, and try your hand at dancing salsa! In Cienfuegos, about 150 miles south of Havana on the southern tip of Cuba, visit a graphic arts workshop and the Benny More School of Art, then take a walking tour. You'll engage with the musicians and singers of the Chorus of Cienfuegos, visit local galleries, and roam the outdoor market. Disembark and fly to Miami on Day 8.

DATES

Multiple departures December through March

TRIP COST

From \$5,242 Price is per person and depends on cabin type





AmaWaterways River Cruises

Award-winning AmaWaterways leads the river cruise industry with their fleet of customdesigned vessels in Europe and Asia. The riverboats are beautifully designed with spacious and stylish staterooms (most with French balconies for fantastic views), and offer premium amenities, exceptional cuisine, and impeccable service. European voyages also include in-room Internet access, Wi-Fi, and Infotainment with movies, music, and satellite TV. The vessels vary in passenger capacity but are very similar in concept and layout. Some of the wonderful features include the sun deck, ideal for watching riverside panoramas unfold, with its walking track and heated whirlpool or swimming pool. More photos and deck plans for each of the boats can be found at www.wildernesstravel.com—simply write the boat's name in the search field or see the ship tab on the web page for each cruise.

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Caledonian Sky & Island Sky

Built in 1991 as a private yacht, the Caledonian Sky has been completely refurbished to become an elegant expedition vessel. She carries 100-114 guests, depending on the destination, in spacious suites offering ocean views, sitting area (some with a private balcony), well-appointed bathrooms, flat-screen TV, telephone, personal safe, hairdryer, and mini-fridge. The ship also has a dining room, two bars, library, lounge with panoramic floor-to-ceiling windows, a medical clinic and doctor, small gym and salon, ample outdoor decks, and an elevator that serves all decks. A fleet of Zodiacs allows landings at remote locations. We also offer a cruise aboard her sister ship, the Island Sky. Sea to Sahara, p. 20 Hokkaido, Japan's Wild Island, p. 25 Best of Micronesia, p. 26 Circumnavigation of New Zealand, p. 28



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Callisto

The elegant 34-guest Callisto offers an intimate experience aboard a boutique yacht. Her small size allows visits to unspoiled ports, pristine beaches, and coves and harbors that are inaccessible to large cruise liners. The spacious staterooms are beautifully furnished, and all have sea views (with large windows on the main deck and portholes on the lower deck). Cabins are air conditioned and feature twin or double beds, telephone, TV/DVD, minisafe, minibar, and marble-appointed bath with shower. The lounge is warm and inviting, and meals are served at a single, unassigned seating in the spacious dining area or al fresco on one of her decks. Serviced by a crew of 18, the Callisto also features a library, email service, Jacuzzi, and a swimming platform.

Treasures of Costa Rica & Panama Canal, p. 30



Coral Discoverer

The 65-guest Coral Discoverer was launched in 2005 and refurbished in 2016. Her small size is perfect for regional exploration. She carries Zodiacs, as well as a powerful excursion boat that can carry all guests for tours ashore. A spacious lounge, equipped with two large plasma TV screens, is ideal for lectures, and there is a sun deck with outdoor bar and seating area. All staterooms offer an ocean view. The dining room features the finest fresh seafood of the region and a comprehensive selection of Australian and New Zealand wines. The bridge is available to visit most times throughout the day, contingent upon weather, security, and navigation conditions. Please note: Stairs service all decks; there is no elevator. Australia's Kimberley, p. 29



Galileo

The *Galileo* is a classic steel motor sailer that was originally launched in 1992, rebuilt in 2007, and renovated in 2016. At the main deck, a spacious lounge area with a bar leads to a welcoming dining room finished with wood and leather. Outside is a shaded deck area and outdoor bar as well as the ship's sun deck. All cabins are air conditioned and fitted with central music, internal telephone, safe deposit boxes, hair dryer, and en suite bathrooms with shower. With only 25 cabins and a crew of 18, you're assured the highest level of personal attention and a wonderful cruising experience.

Jewels of the Cyclades, p. 18



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Hebridean Sky

The all-suite Hebridean Sky is a spacious yet intimate expedition vessel accommodating up to 114 guests. In March 2016, the Hebridean Sky underwent a multi-million-dollar retrofit, adding state-of-the-art stabilization, fuel efficiency, and upgraded communication systems. Her beautifully designed public spaces include a single-seating dining room, a large lounge, elegant club and bar with piano, two outdoor seating areas, and library. All suites have an ocean view and feature a sitting room, en suite bathroom, television, spacious wardrobes, and dressing table. The Hebridean Sky carries a fleet of Zodiacs, available for accessing remote shorelines and islands. Multiple Antarctic cruises, pp. 6-8 Untamed North, p. 13 Canal to Cuba, p. 32 Circumnavigation of Cuba, p. 32



Ocean Nova

The Ocean Nova is an expedition-style ship carrying just 68 guests. Built in Denmark in 1992, her ice-strengthened hull is ideally suited for travel in polar regions. The ship offers basic but comfortable outside-facing cabins, all with private facilities. Triple cabins have upper and lower berths, while all other cabins have two lower berths. In addition to a glass-enclosed observation lounge and presentation room, the Ocean Nova has a spacious dining room, bar, and library. Guests are welcome on the bridge around the clock and there is always something to see or search for from the spacious observation decks. There are seven Zodiacs on board, ideal for disembarking for shore excursions and wildlife watching. Antarctica Air Cruise, p. 8

Introduction to Spitsbergen, p. 12



Pandaw II

Patterned after stern wheelers of the late 19th century, the 48-guest Pandaw II, with its beautifully preserved cabins, is one of the finest ships plying the Irrawaddy River. Sixteen upper deck and eight lower deck cabins feature comfortable beds with fine linens, individually-controlled central air conditioning, multi-configuration plugs, an electric mini-safe, kimonos and slippers, and spa-branded amenities. The ship has relaxing lounge spaces on the bow of the ship and on the top floor. Meals are served in a lovely dining room, there is an onboard bakery with daily freshly baked breads and rolls, and guests can enjoy a drink at the sundeck bar or in the saloon bar with nightly entertainment. The Golden Land, p. 23



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Panorama

The 50-guest Panorama is a three-masted motor sailer with cabins located on three decks. Upper or Main Deck cabins have windows, while cabins on the Lower Deck have portholes. All cabins have individually controlled air conditioning. As is typical on yachts, the cabins are not as big as those on larger cruise ships, but all are comfortable and feature en suite bathrooms. Life on board often centers around the delightful outdoor spaces, including the sun deck and an aft deck leading to the bar. In the evening, relax in the ship's welcoming lounge or the library. The swimming platform on the stern makes water access easy when weather and anchorage conditions permit. Dalmatian Coast & Montenegro, p. 18



Paul Gauguin

One of the world's premier cruise vessels, The Gauguin is a five-star ship designed specifically for cruising the South Pacific. This spacious ship offers an extension of the informal environment of the islands, carrying 332 guests and offering all oceanview staterooms (more than 70% with private balconies), butler service, three dining venues, an extensive spa, large outdoor decks and pool, and a 1 to 1.5 staff-to-guest ratio that provides the highest level of personal attention. The ship's watersports platform offers easy access to the blue Pacific so you can hop aboard a windsurfer, launch a kayak, or set out for a snorkeling expedition. The Gauguin has been named one of the "World's Top-Rated Small Ships" by Condé Nast Traveler readers every year since 1998. Marguesas, Tuamotus & Society Islands, p. 24



Pegasus

The twin-hulled 44-guest Pegasus, built in 1990, was completely refitted in 1997 and renovated in 2012. On board, enjoy magnificent sea vistas as you stroll the open deck (2,550 square feet). Relax with fellow guests in the lounge or in the spacious Upper Deck dining room, surrounded by windows, or at a shaded outdoor restaurant where meals are served al fresco. Twin or double cabins on the yacht's three decks have en suite facilities and individual climate control. Cabins on yachts are smaller than those on big cruise ships, but they offer fine comfort, and the intimate atmosphere of the yacht is always a plus. A platform on the stern makes it easy to get in and out of the water, and there is a mini spa on the Lower Deck. Pegasus has a crew of 16.

Seychelles Cruise in the Garden of Eden, p. 19



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Safari Explorer

Designed for comfort and equipped for adventure, the 36-guest Safari Explorer carries kayaks, paddle boards, inflatable skiffs, snorkel equipment, hiking poles, and a full-beam swim step for easy access into the water. A hydrophone lets you listen to below-surface sounds and a bow-mounted underwater camera pipes the action to the lounge and to TVs in each cabin. All cabins feature a private bath with shower, air conditioning, flat-screen TV/DVD, iPod[™] docking station, and view windows (no portholes). Three public decks make it easy to see the action in the water, and the spa area includes fitness equipment, yoga mats, and complimentary massage. An intimate wine library, salon, and inviting dining room encourage camaraderie among guests.

Hawaiian Seascapes, p. 30



Sea Cloud II

The 94-guest Sea Cloud II, a classic windjammer vessel, offers an authentic sailing experience, enchanting romantics with its unique style while featuring the comfort of a modern cruise ship. Deluxe staterooms with private bath are spread over three spacious decks. Each cabin offers a television, DVD player, telephone, electronic safe, and bathrooms with amenities including a hairdryer and toiletries. Common areas include a lounge, library with Internet access, gym, and sauna, and the bar and restaurant feature stunning views. Depending on sea conditions, the swim platform provides direct access to the largest swimming pool in the world-the sea!-and snorkeling and windsurfing equipment is available. The Sea Cloud II has a crew of 65. From Hamburg to Tallinn, p. 17



Sea Spirit

One of the most spacious expedition vessels in operation, the Sea Spirit carries a maximum of 112 guests in all outside-facing suites with marble-appointed bath facilities, picture window or portholes, walk-in-closet or wardrobe, in-room safe, refrigerator, and satellite telephone access. All cabins have TVs and individually-controlled thermostats. This expedition vessel offers two large lounges, fine dining, a hot tub, library, gym, and elevator access to all passenger levels. In addition to the team of guest lecturers, the Sea Spirit has a resident photographer to assist on deck and on shore. A fleet of sturdy inflatable landing crafts is used for shore excursions. Antarctica, South Georgia & the Falklands, p. 6 Antarctica, p. 7



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Silver Discoverer/Explorer

The 120-guest Silver Discoverer and her sister ship, the 130-guest Silver Explorer, offer a truly luxurious cruise experience. On board, guests are accommodated in ocean-view suites that feature an en suite bar. There is also butler service, along with panoramic lounges and an open bar and restaurant where fellow travelers gather to swap tales about their day's adventures. Additional amenities include a fitness center, beauty salon, and massage center. A team of onboard experts present informal talks, guide Zodiac outings, and lead small-group explorations ashore. Antarctic cruises, pp. 6-7 Seychelles & Madagascar, p. 20 Zanzibar to Durban, p. 21 Hong Kong to Nagasaki, p. 25 Guadalcanal to Vanuatu, p. 26 Vanuatu to Cairns, p. 29 Russian Far East, p. 11



Spirit of Enderby

The 50-guest expedition vessel Spirit of Enderby, while offering very basic cabins, some with shared bathrooms, has a warm and intimate atmosphere, a professional staff, and excellent cuisine prepared by New Zealand and Australian chefs. The vessel has a bar, small lecture room, and library. She is equipped with a fleet of goanywhere Zodiacs. Designed and built as a research vessel, she still undertakes research expeditions when not focused on passenger cruises. The ship is accompanied by a veteran team of experienced naturalists and guides who have devoted a lifetime to field research in the areas that the ship visits. Wrangel Island, Across the Top of the World: p. 10 Melanesia Discoverer, p. 27



Variety Voyager

The Variety Voyager, built in 2012, accommodates up to 72 guests. All cabins have ocean views and feature twin beds or a double bed, sitting area, en suite marble bathrooms, flat-screen television, minifridge, and individually controlled heating/ cooling. As on all yachts, cabins are smaller than they are on big cruise ships but are very comfortable. The spacious public spaces include a single-seating dining room, plus a rear deck for outdoor dining, a large lecture lounge, a reference library, and a sun deck with a bar and lounge area. You can get a taste of navigation while visiting the bridge, open to guests most of the day, depending on weather conditions. Additional amenities include a small gym, spa, computer station with internet, and laundry service. The ship carries a crew of 30. Cuba Cultural Adventure, p. 33













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