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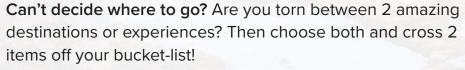


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# BOOK 2 TOURS & GET THE SECOND TOUR UP TO 10% OFF\*!

**Use Discount Code: 21BUY2** 



For a limited time, we are offering up to 10% off a second tour when you book 2 tours at the same time. This offer is good on **ANY TOUR** and **ANY DATE** advertised in this brochure.

Combined with our Peace of Mind Program, which gives you flexibility in planning your vacation, there is no better time to book your dream vacations.

Book by April 30 before this offer is gone.

\*Save 5% off the base price of your second tour when you book 2 tours in the same transaction and use code 21BUY2. Save 10% when combine with YMT's loyalty discount. Loyalty discount is applied if the second tour travels within 12 months of your return from the first tour booked or from another YMT tour. Save 8% combined if the second tour travels within 13 months to 3 years of your return from another YMT vacation. Discount applies to the tour departing at the latest date and may not be applied to the earlier departure date or another YMT tour. For the offer to remain valid, both tours booked at time of promotion must travel. If you cancel either tour prior to departure and do not rebook it for another departure, the discounted tour price will be adjusted to its non-promotion rate. All payments are non-refundable, see 2021 Peace of Mind Program for detail on date change policies. Offer is for new bookings only while supplies last, expires April 30, 2021. Offer may only be combined with Instant Rebate, Loyalty discount and Referral discount. Other restrictions may apply – please call for details.

**OFFER** 



### **BOOK WITH CONFIDENCE**

You can book a tour traveling in 2021 with confidence thanks to our Peace of Mind Program. This program gives you flexibility in planning your next vacation.

FREE DATE CHANGES. You can move travel dates easily and without incurring cancellation fees or penalties. You can change your land tour date anytime up to 45 days prior to departure and your cruise tour up to 95 days prior to departure.\*



- If you decide to move your 2021 date to a 2022 departure we will honor your 2021 pricing.\*\*
- We guarantee your YMT vacation is at the lowest available price\*\*\*. If you find the same tour and itinerary advertised at a lower price, we will pay you the difference plus 10%. That means, if you see your YMT itinerary elsewhere for \$100 less, we'll pay you \$100—plus another \$10, just to make sure you're getting the best price possible.

\*Deposits and final payments remain non-refundable. Customer account must be up to date to qualify for this program. Cancellation penalties refer to applicable cancellation fees within final payment, provided in the form of a Future Travel Credit. Cancellation penalties exclude Oberammergau. Air penalties and charges may apply. May be withdrawn at any time. Your Future Travel Credit reservation is set to expire 2 years from date of issue. The final value will be less any credits you may receive directly from our vendors. Cruise tour date changes are based on Cruise line policies. Additional restrictions may apply; see Terms & Conditions for details.

\*\* Seasonal pricing and eligible promotions for the new tour or cruise will apply. If you choose a tour or departure that is more expensive than the original, you are responsible for the difference in price; if the tour or departure is less expensive than the original, a Future Travel Credit will be issued for the difference. Please note however, you are responsible for any airline penalties imposed due to trip changes and/or cancellations.

\*\*\*Price advertised by another tour operator or other provider of the same tour on a similar date.



PROGRAM



While the world has changed, your health and safety remain our biggest priority. A worry-free experience for our guests is very important to us, and with a few changes and new protocols, you can continue to enjoy peace-of-mind while traveling. The following pillars address our guidelines to provide a safe and clean environment for you and our team.



#### **WE'RE IN THIS TOGETHER**

Along with introducing enhanced protocols to keep everyone safe, we ask that you take personal responsibility for your health. This begins with packing any personal protective equipment and hygiene supplies you may need, including your own reusable face masks to use throughout the tour. Please follow physical distancing and hygiene guidelines before departure, and follow all health instructions including local signage and requests from your Tour Director while on tour. You can observe suggested safety precautions by following CDC guidelines:

- · Wash your hands often
- · Avoid close contact
- · Cover your mouth and nose with a cloth face cover when around others
- Cover coughs and sneezes
- · Clean and disinfect
- · Monitor your health



#### **GUEST AND TEAM MEMBER HEALTH**

We ask that you follow CDC guidelines prior to your trip, including staying home if you feel ill. Please monitor your health throughout your tour, and notify your Tour Director immediately if you feel unwell. Our Tour Directors and motor coach suppliers have agreed to temperature checks and to monitor their own health prior to departure.



#### **RESPONSIBLE SOCIAL DISTANCING**

Tour groups will be sized based on local government distancing requirements. We work closely with our partners to ensure adequate physical distancing on motor coaches and cruises, and during meals, experiences, and sightseeing. You may be rotated in smaller sub-groups when necessary. You may also be requested to wear masks when required or where proper social distancing cannot be maintained.



#### **INCREASED CLEANLINESS & SANITATION**

Our third-party suppliers including airlines, hotels, motor coaches, and cruise lines have stated that they are implementing enhanced cleaning procedures. Additionally, your Tour Director will have an emergency supply of face masks, hand sanitizer and cleaning supplies to supplement should the need arise.



#### **ENHANCED TOUR DIRECTOR TRAINING**

We have increased our levels of training for Tour Directors. They will be thoroughly trained on all our new health and safety policies. Tour Directors will monitor the hygiene practices of our guests, reacting and advising as needed for the continued safety of everyone.



**HERE AT YMT, WE'RE A FAMILY.** One of the best parts of your YMT vacation is making connections. You'll connect with your fellow travelers, and share once-in-a-lifetime experiences as you discover the world together. And you'll connect with the special places and people you see in your destinations—from the guides who conduct your tours to the sights, scenes, and sounds of the places you'll visit. YMT vacations are truly exceptional and go beyond pretty pictures; they're magical

moments and amazing experiences that you'll cherish forever. But don't just take our word for it. Here are just a few of the many wonderful things our guests have shared with us about their YMT vacations. So come along. You're going to love it!



Right from meeting our tour guide upon arriving at our Las Vegas hotel lobby on through each and every day of travel there was an upbeat, friendly atmosphere between guide and driver, and each of them with us on the tour. That promoted the same upbeat atmosphere among the tour participants. We were on the bus with each other 13 days, but the last was as pleasant as the first. Having never been to any of these national parks, each one was special. We end up with favorites, but that does not mean that any of the others were poor. It is a fantastic way to see much without all the individual hotel reservations and carrying of luggage in and out or up and down. Handled!

~ Paul V.

I really enjoyed the vacation in Alaska. I used YMT when I went to Ireland and the trip was so wonderful that's why I used you again for the Alaskan cruise. I made the right choice. I can't thank you enough for such a wonderful experience. From this day forward no matter what happens to me and my fiancé, we'll always have Alaska.

" Randy C.

If you've always wanted to see the Rosebowl Parade this is the way to do it. YMT vacations have a first rate, hassle free trip. Fly to LA and then relax and enjoy seeing the floats up close and personal. They provide all the transportation so you don't have to be concerned about Calif. traffic. In addition there were extra tours which filled up our time and made the trip truly memorable.

~ Sue B.

YMT offers well organized guided tours at affordable price. They're suitable for people who like to save time and money.

~ Charles L.



**WANT TO BE FEATURED IN OUR NEXT BROCHURE?** We're always looking for guest testimonials and photos. Send yours to **marketing@ymtvacations.com** and you could be in our next issue!

**#YMTVacations** 



# THERE'S NO LIMIT TO HOW MUCH YOU CAN EARN!

For every **new friend or family member** you refer to YMT, **we'll pay you** \$100, and there's no limit to how many people you can refer. What's more, as new guests referred by you, **we'll give them a special** \$100 per guest discount as well; it's a "win-win." And you won't have to wait long for your reward either—as soon as a deposit is paid on their booked vacation, your \$100 will be on its way to you'. Free cash to spend on whatever you like—now that's a great deal!

Fill out a form at ymtvacations.com/referafriend, or call 1-800-789-7273 and mention promo code O7001, and we will send your friend or family member an Experience the World brochure. If they book any trip, you will receive \$100 for every guest on that reservation! So that's \$200 to you for every couple booked—just for referring them to us!

\*Referral discount can only be added at the time of initial booking. Referrer must be in YMT's database—subject to verification of past guest referrer details. Certain restrictions apply to \$100 referral discount. Please call for full details.

# SAVE UP TO 5% WITH OUR LOYALTY DISCOUNT

Once you travel with YMT, you automatically become part of our family. As a thank you for placing your trust in us, we work hard to offer you additional savings, like our Loyalty Discount. If you've traveled with us within the past year, you're eligible to receive a discount on the base price of your next vacation! After your return from your YMT vacation, you qualify for an extra 5% savings on the prices shown in this brochure, good toward your next vacation when you book and travel within 12 months of your return. If it's been a little bit longer—up to 3 years—since your last trip with YMT, you may still be eligible to receive 3% savings on your next trip (if booked and traveled within 3 years of your return).

Loyalty discounts are off the base tour price only, after any applicable discounts have been applied. Certain conditions apply, please call for full details.



#### NOW YOU CAN EARN A FREE TRIP

When you get together a group of your friends and family.

#### With 10+ guests in your group

Earn \$100 per person for 10+ travelers

You travel FREE for every 14 paid travelers

Customized flyers for your group

Quality itineraries at an affordable price

Tours available from 5 to 28 days, with destinations on every continent

Knowledgeable and professional tour directors

Toll free: 877-373-1733 or Email Groups@YMTVacations.com

Group travel reward is available for groups of 10 Guests or more traveling together. Offer based on final number of full fare paying guests and valid for new bookings only. Free trip is based on double occupancy and includes tax, free trip for cruise tours is based on inside cabin. Additional conditions apply – full terms and conditions are available in the Group Travel Agreement (issued at time of booking). Call our Group Desk for more details.

# PROTECT YOURSELF WITH INSURANCE THROUGH ALLIANZ

Protect yourself and your booking with travel insurance\*. We partner with Allianz Travel Insurance to provide comprehensive protection. Ask your YMT Travel Consultant for more information.

#### **BENEFITS CAN INCLUDE:**



PREEXISTING CONDITIONS



TRIP CANCELLATION, DELAY, OR INTERRUPTION



LOSS/DELAY OF BAGGAGE



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\*Insurance can be booked any time before final payment is made. Conditions & limitations apply. Please consult the certificate of coverage for policy terms & conditions.



**OUR PROMISE OF VALUE** Your vacation means as much to us as we know it means to you. It's your time to get away from it all, to explore new places and cultures, and to meet new people. We

also know that you have many options when it comes to arranging your travel, and we thank you for entrusting YMT. Making your vacation perfect and offering you the best value for your dollar is our goal. Our Lowest Price Guarantee means that if you find the same tour and itinerary advertised at a lower price somewhere else, we pay you the difference, PLUS 10% of the difference. We offer full travel packages, and even offer the opportunity to combine some of our itineraries so you get two tours in one, with a connecting flight or a sightseeing excursion for free. And if you choose to book your air travel with us, a YMT representative will greet you at the airport and transfer you to your hotel—now that's service!

#### ABSOLUTE PEACE OF MIND

Trust your vacation to YMT's capable hands and relax—we've been guiding guests on affordable group tours since 1967!

Over 50 years of experience are behind every part of your trip. From the comfort, fun, and convenience of guided group travel, to our easygoing pace, everything we do is designed with you in mind, including our payment plans! Just pay a \$250 deposit to reserve your spot, a \$250 second deposit 180 days before departure, and a final payment 100 days before your tour departs. Call for full details.



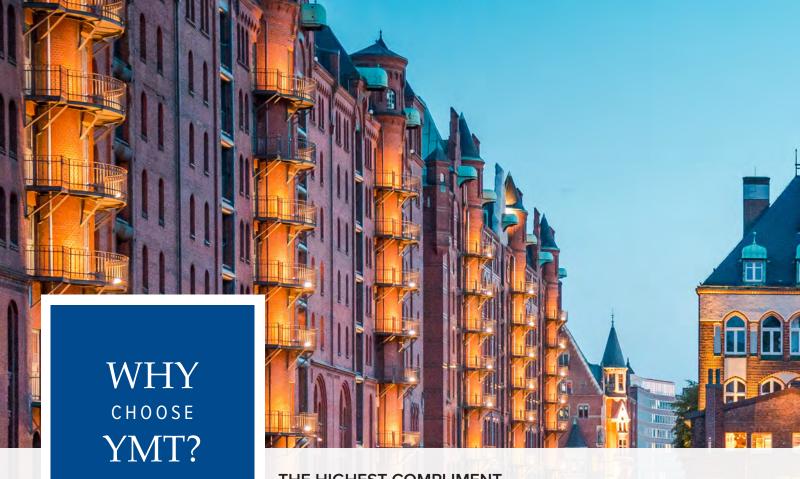


#### A COMMUNITY OF FRIENDS

When you choose YMT for your vacation, you're not just choosing a travel company—you're joining a community of mature travelers who, like you, appreciate the luxury of worry-free travel at an extraordinary value. Whether you travel solo, with a partner, or with a small group, your tour allows you to branch out and get to know many interesting, adventurous, active fellow travelers. You'll come home with wonderful memories, and a world full of friends. Your YMT vacation includes so much more than just a tour—the connection and spirit of community you experience are priceless.





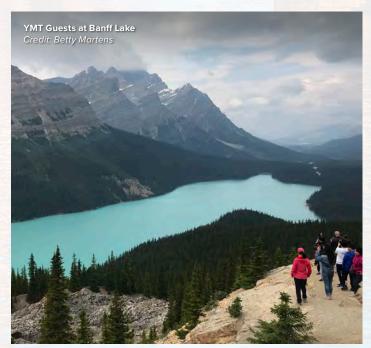


#### THE HIGHEST COMPLIMENT

Most of our travelers are either repeat guests looking for another vacation adventure, or first-time YMT travelers referred by a satisfied YMT guest.

Many guests report that their YMT tours have been the best of their life thanks to our experienced Tour Directors, well-planned itineraries, and of course, the friendships they made along the way. We're proud of all of the great reviews many of our happy guests have written, and we'll do our very best to give you an equally wonderful experience, ensuring that your first YMT trip will be one of many!







#### A TRADITION OF HOSPITALITY

YMT Vacations started out as Your Man Tours in 1967 with the goal of making travel to Hawaii affordable to all. Dedicated to personal attention and excellent service, we were "your man" on the islands. And today, our popular Hawaii tours are escorted throughout by our friendly local guides who will give you an insider's tour of the islands and show you what the warm Aloha spirit is truly all about!

In the more than 50 years since our beginning, we've grown into more than just Hawaii's friendliest diplomats—YMT Vacations has taken our aloha spirit across the globe. Our team of Tour Directors has decades of experience leading mature travelers on dream vacations to Alaska, Europe, the continental United States and beyond, and we are proud to build on the wonderful tradition of hospitality started in Hawaii so many decades ago.









WE'RE PROUD THAT OUR VACATIONS ARE THE EASIEST, most engaging, affordable, social, and fun way for mature travelers to see the world. We've designed guided land and cruise tour packages that give guests more of what

they want. When you travel with YMT, you'll be accompanied by other YMT guests, which enriches your travel experience even more. Wherever your vacation dreams take you, and however you decide to travel, all of your arrangements on our vacations—accommodations, transportation on tour via modern motor coach, baggage handling at hotels, sightseeing and attraction entrance fees, professional Tour Directors, select meals, even independent air travel with transfers to and from your hotel at no extra cost—will be taken care of with one simple phone call.

And while you're on your trip, you can do as much or as little as you like. We arrange our group tours with a great variety of optional side trips you might enjoy. Perhaps even more importantly, we've built in plenty of free time you can use any way you like—bond with the group, relax with your partner, or explore your new surroundings by yourself! After all, it is your vacation, where the hardest thing you have to do is choose where to go!

#### THOUGHTFULLY CURATED ITINERARIES

You won't find a more flexible, easy-going vacation than a YMT guided land tour or cruise tour. Our trips are designed with you in mind. The destination, stops, pacing, accommodations, and optional tours are all planned to enable mature travelers to get the most out of their time away. You can expect frequent rest stops on land tours, clean and comfortable lodging, baggage handling throughout, climate-controlled modern motor coaches, included entrance to attractions and sightseeing, plus plenty of time built in for rest and relaxation. And, our tours even offer you the freedom to choose what and when you'd like to eat (instead of charging you up front for food you may not even want)—now that's value and convenience that can't be beat!





## EXPERT TOUR DIRECTORS AND DRIVER GUIDES

We're proud to have some of the most experienced, dedicated Tour Directors and driver guides in the industry. The men and women that lead YMT's tours are true experts, with passion and experience leading mature travelers all over the world. Several of our tours are handled exclusively by local Tour Directors and driver guides, whose pride and enthusiasm for their home is infectious. These leaders will show you what makes the area you're visiting special to the people who live there.

You'll enjoy a deeper connection, appreciation, and understanding of the local culture and your experiences. We believe this insider's perspective, that only a member of the community can provide, makes travel just that much richer. Since the beginning in 1967, YMT has been proud to employ local Tour Directors on all of our Hawaii vacations, and our guests can't say enough wonderful things about them. And the local driver guides on our Ireland tours are one of the many reasons guests rate our Ireland tours more than 4 out of 5 stars.







# FREE SET SAIL OFFERS ON ALL CRUISE TOURS

#### **BOOK BY 4/30 FOR THESE FREE SET SAIL OFFERS!**



## FREE BALCONY UPGRADE - Valued up to \$1,100' per couple

On select tours book an Ocean View cabin and we'll upgrade you to a Balcony cabin for no extra charge! Don't wait to take advantage of this amazing offer as we only have so many Balcony Cabins—they will be sure to sell out fast and once they are gone, they are gone.



## FREE ONBOARD CREDIT - Valued up to \$200' per couple

Spend onboard your cruise on whatever you like—on select ocean cruises we are offering onboard credit of up to \$200 per cabin. Please check the yellow Set Sail boxes on individual cruise spreads for cabin eligibility. Note that max credit awarded per cabin is two times per person amount shown.



## UNLIMITED OPEN BAR - Valued up to \$3,762\*\* per couple

For select Norwegian Cruise Line (NCL) sailings, when you book a cruise tour, automatically enjoy your choice of this Unlimited Open Bar amenity for the duration of your cruise. Unlimited Open Bar includes NCL's Premium Beverage Package which offers a variety of spirits, cocktails, wines by the glass, bottled or draft beers, fountain soda, juice and non-alcoholic beer. Additional prepaid gratuities are required and will be collected by YMT on behalf of NCL.



#### FREE SPECIALTY DINING - Valued up to \$258\*\* per couple

For select Norwegian Cruise Line (NCL) sailings, when you book a cruise tour, automatically enjoy your choice of this Specialty Dining Package, ranging from 2 to 5 meals based on the number of cruise nights. The Specialty Dinning Package includes a variety of bars, restaurants and venues on board NCL ships. Inclusions will vary by ship and destination.

Additional prepaid gratuities are required and will be collected by YMT on behalf of NCL.



#### FREE INTERNET PACKAGE - Valued up to \$250\*\* per cabin

For select Norwegian Cruise Line (NCL) sailings, when you book a cruise tour, automatically enjoy your choice of this Free Internet Package for the duration of your cruise. Free Internet Package includes activation fee and 100, 250 or 500 minutes per cabin (one login per cabin) based on number of cruise nights.



#### \$50 SHORE EXCURSION CREDIT

For select Norwegian Cruise Line (NCL) sailings, when you book a cruise tour, automatically enjoy your choice of a \$50 USD Shore Excursion Credit per cabin. The credit is assigned to the first guest listed on the cruise reservation and can be applied toward a multitude of qualifying NCL shore excursions with availability based on ship and destination.

All Set Sail Offers apply to the cruise portion of a tour only, to 1st and 2nd guests occupying a cabin and to the stated cabin categories only. Where applicable, all guests in a cabin must choose the same offer. Unlimited Open Bar, Specialty Dining Package, Free Internet Package and \$50 USD Shore Excursion Credit are provided by Norwegian Cruise Line (NCL) on select sailings only, their product definitions and terms & conditions apply and are subject to change. For Unlimited Open Bar, guest must be at least 21 years of age at time of sailing. For Specialty Dining Package, number of meals offered vary based on number of cruise nights, starting from 2 meals. Additional service charges/gratuities are required by NCL and payable to YMT with final balance for Unlimited Open Bar and Specialty Dining Package. These service charges/gratuities are subject to change. Free Internet Package is based on number of cruise nights and are per stateroom, starting from 100 minutes, one login per stateroom. \$50 USD Shore Excursion Credit can not be applied to a YMT pre-purchased NCL shore excursion. See ymtvacations.com/setsailoffers for full details of applicable Set Sail Offers. All offers valid for new bookings made before 4/30/21.

\*Based on Norwegian Fjords Explorer.

\* \*Based on Jewels of Arabia cruise.

Based on Balcony Cabins for Alaska cruises.

#### **FANTASTIC VALUE ADDED!**

Look for these icons in the yellow boxes for more details on which *Set Sail* offers are available on your favorite tour.

BALCONY UPGRADE CHOICE OF BEVERAGE AND / OR INTERNET ONBOARD CREDIT









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Offer applies to these cabin categories	See Page	Ocean View	All Cabin Categories	Select Cabin Categories
New England and Canadian Maritimes Cruise & Tour	48		✓	
Grand Alaskan Cruise & Tour	52			✓
Alaska Cruise & West Coast Train Tour	58			✓
Alaska Cruise & Canadian Rockies Tour	60			✓
Majestic Alaska Cruise & Tour	62			✓
Hawaiian Islands Cruise & Tour	68		✓	
Iceland & Northern Europe Cruise	98	✓		
British Isles Cruise & Amsterdam	100	✓		✓
Norwegian Fjords Explorer	104	✓		
Grand European Cruise	106	✓		✓
Greek Odyssey & Aegean Cruise	108	✓		✓
Gems of the Adriatic Cruise	110	✓	✓	
Mediterranean Escape	112	✓		✓

#### SELECT 2022 CRUISE TOURS GIVE GUESTS THE CHOICE OF EVEN MORE SET SAIL OFFERS!

For a limited time on these select 2022 cruise tours, guests who book an Inside Cabin can **Choose 2** set sail offers and guests who book an Ocean View or Balcony cabin can **Get all 4** set sail offers. See ymtvacations.com/setsailoffers for full details of applicable Set Sail Offers.

Offer applies to these cabin categories	See Page	INSIDE CABINS	OCEAN VIEW & BALCONY
New Orleans and Western Caribbean Cruise	50		
Russia & Baltic Sea Cruise and Tour	102	CHOOSE <b>TWO</b> OFFERS	CHOOSE FOUR OFFERS
New York & Gems of Europe Cruise	134		
Highlights of Australia & New Zealand Tour	136		
Jewels of Arabia	138		





#### GET FREE SET SAIL OFFERS ON EVERY RIVER CRUISE TOUR

Every one of our river cruise itineraries includes fantastic free offers, on all cabin types! So no matter which package you choose, you'll get an unbeatable value!



#### FREE ONBOARD CREDIT

(Valued up to €100 per couple!)

Spend your onboard credit on whatever you like! No matter which river cruise you choose, or cabin you book, you'll get this exciting value-added offer.



## FREE PREMIUM BEVERAGE PACKAGE

(Valued up to €598' per couple!)

Enjoy the full open bar beverage package, normally €299 per person, for FREE on your cruise—with no additional taxes or gratuities!



Keep in touch with your loved ones as you travel, and send them an email to say hello —or check your Facebook and keep your friends up to date on your adventures!



#### FREE ONBOARD DISCOUNT

(On all spa treatments!)

Get pampered and receive 15% off at the spa.

Available in all cabin categories	See Page	\$		8	15%
Treasures of the Rhine River Cruise	114	✓	✓	✓	✓
Castles on the Rhine River Cruise	116	✓	✓	✓	✓
Enchanting Danube River Cruise & Tour	118	✓	✓	✓	✓
Elegant Danube River Cruise & Tour	120	✓	✓	✓	✓
Rhône River Cruise in Lavender Bloom	122	✓	✓	✓	✓
Rendezvous on the Rhône	124	✓	<b>√</b>	✓	✓
Portugal & the Douro River Valley	126	✓	✓	✓	✓

<sup>\*</sup>Based on Portugal & the Duoro River Valley River Cruise



**HERE ARE OUR ACTIVITY LEVELS EXPLAINED** We want to help make choosing your perfect vacation as easy as possible. On the individual tour pages, you'll find a designated activity level as well as detailed itineraries. Read the descriptions below to learn more about the activity levels and understand which tours are right for you.

#### **RELAXED**

Traveling at a leisurely pace, this itinerary requires a small amount of physical activity. Depending on the itinerary details, guests will need to be prepared to board a plane, bus, boat, ferry, or ship. There will be some walking to rooms, cabins, or restaurants, and general points of interest. This may also include an occasional flight of stairs or some steps during transfers and stops.

#### **EASY GOING**

This tour requires light physical activity combined with shorter travel days. Activities may include an occasional city or nature walking tour with stops along the way. Guests should be able to climb a set of stairs, walk up or down slight slopes, and navigate some uneven terrain or cobblestone.

#### **MODERATE**

To enjoy this tour, guests should be prepared to walk slightly longer distances, climb stairs, and tolerate periods of standing. The daily pace and timing can fluctuate significantly between longer and shorter travel days, with additional activities possibly occurring in the early morning or evening. There may be some changes in altitude or temperatures.

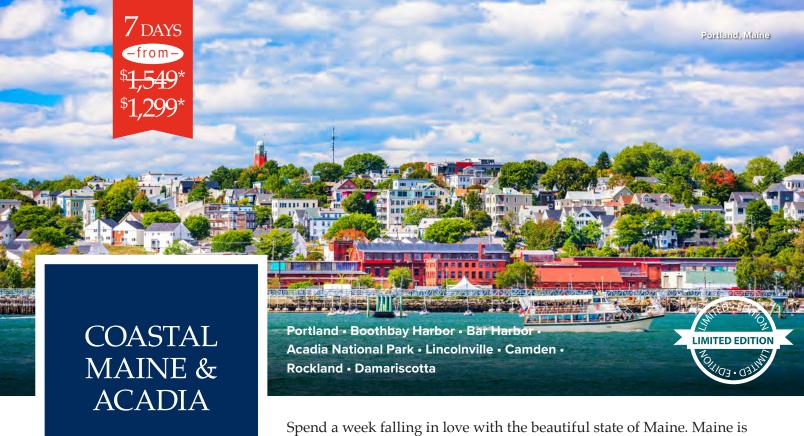
#### **ACTIVE**

To fully take advantage of all this tour has to offer, guests need to be able to walk longer distances, climb several flights of stairs, and navigate steps and uneven terrain. Your itinerary can include significant changes in temperature and altitude and may require a higher number of longer travel days with morning and/or evening activities.

#### **VERY ACTIVE**

Likely to feature many attributes of our active level, this is very much an onthe-go tour with a complete itinerary involving a full, normally daily program of travel, sightseeing, or events. We would consider this our fastest tour pace and free time at leisure will be more limited, in some cases just to evenings.





#### TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- · City tour of Portland
- Free time and included lunch at Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens
- Guided tour of Acadia National Park
- Lobster roll dinner at an authentic lobster shack
- Wine tasting and food pairings at the celebrated Cellardoor Winery in Lincolnville
- Lobstering and lighthouse cruise in Penobscot Bay
- Damariscotta River Cruise and oyster shucking lesson

#### INCLUDES

6 nights hotels, 6 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 2 dinners, 1 appetizers, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels, and sightseeing per itinerary.

**Note:** (B, L, D) as noted at the end of itinerary text indicates meals included for that day.

#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

RELAXED EASY GOING MODERATE ACTIVE VERY ACTIVE

#### ✗ Day 1 ⋅ Arrive in Portland

Today you will arrive in Portland, Maine. Guests who have purchased their airline tickets through YMT will be greeted by a YMT representative and transferred to their hotel. Famous for its picture-perfect lighthouses, delightful historic district, world-class museums, and a thriving culinary and craft beer scene, Maine's largest city is a definite contender for America's coolest port town. Spend the evening relaxing or exploring Portland on your own. Take a stroll along the waterfront to enjoy gorgeous views of Casco Bay, and ask anyone you see in bright orange overalls how the lobster pots are doing. Curious guests can say hello to bigfoot and learn all about the Mongolian Death Worm at the International Cryptozoology Museum.

all. Maine really is "The Way Life Should Be!"

♦ Howard Johnson by Wyndham South Portland or similar

#### 屈 Day 2 • Portland City Tour

Spend the day exploring Portland on an unforgettable city tour. Start in the heart of Portland on bustling Commercial Street, where you will see the United States Custom House, Eastern Promenade, Portland Observatory, and the Eastern Cemetery, which was established in 1668 and is the city's oldest site. Continue down Congress Street, where you will see the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception and the First Parish in Portland Unitarian Universalist

Church, which was built in 1825 as a terrific example of Federal period architecture. Pass by the Wadsworth Longfellow House, which was built in 1785 and was the childhood home of American poet Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, the colorful Arts District, Portland Museum of Art, One Longfellow Square, and the elegant Victoria Mansion. Stop by Portland Head Light, Maine's most iconic lighthouse, and see Spring Point Ledge Lighthouse, Bug Light Park, Liberty Ship Memorial, the John Ford statue, and finally the Old Port. The rest of day is yours to enjoy however you wish. (B)

♦ Howard Johnson by Wyndham South Portland or similar

#### **OPTION: MAINE LOBSTER DINNER**



affectionately called Vacationland thanks to its exceptional natural beauty, easy-going charm, exquisite cuisine, and the warm welcome it extends to

Enjoy a wonderful 3-course lobster dinner at DiMillo's On the Water. This iconic eatery floats atop Portland Harbor and offers spectacular views of Casco Bay. \$79 p/p. Please add this option at time of booking.

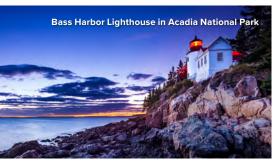
## Day 3 • Bar Harbor via Boothbay

Start the day at Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens, which invites visitors of all ages and abilities to create and explore meaningful













connections to plants and nature at their own pace. The gardens have been named one of Maine's top attractions, and you'll have plenty of time to experience the incredible grounds followed by an included lunch.

Continue to Bar Harbor, which has retained much of its charm from the glory days of the 1900s when it became a popular vacation destination for America's richest and most powerful families. Look for Cadillac Mountain towering above the breathtaking forest and rugged shores of Acadia National Park, Bar Harbor's beautiful next-door neighbor. Enjoy a night on your own in this delightful town. (B, L)

♦ Ramada by Wyndham Ellsworth or similar

#### Day 4 • Acadia National Park

Spend the day surrounded by natural splendor at the breathtaking Acadia National Park. Acadia National Park is a 47,000-acre Atlantic coast recreation area primarily on Mount Desert Island. Its landscape is marked by woodland, rocky beaches, and glacier-scoured granite peaks such as Cadillac Mountain, the highest point on the East Coast. Among the wildlife are moose, bear, whales and seabirds. Start off at Hulls Cove Visitor Center, then set off with YMT's Tour Director for a scenic drive on Park Loop Road. See Beehive, Sand Beach, Thunder Hole, and Otter Cliff. Stop at Cadillac Mountain for a short and very easy hike to Cadillac Summit. Spend the rest of the day at your leisure in the charming town of Bar Harbor, and enjoy an included Maine lobster roll dinner at a local lobster shack. (B, D)

♦ Ramada by Wyndham Ellsworth or similar

## Day 5 • Rockland via Lincolnville and Camden

Head to Lincolnville, where you will be invited in to Cellardoor Winery's 200-year-old barn. A designated host will guide you through three classic food and wine pairings featuring Cellardoor's most popular wines partnered with cheese, salami, and chocolate. Enjoy lunch on your own and free time in Camden, an idyllic, seaside town where you can enjoy the beautiful views of Mount Battie while simultaneously enjoying views of Penobscot Bay. Take a onehour lobstering and lighthouse cruise to learn about the traditions and history of Maine's famed lobster ("lobstah," as the locals say), which are caught using unique sunken pots. Check into your hotel in Rockland where you can relax on your own. (B, appetizers)

♦ Hampton Inn & Suites- Rockland or similar

## Day 6 • Portland via

Spend the day on the water as you discover the Damariscotta River's wildlife and history, and learn about the role it plays in the oyster farming that makes this tidal river world famous. Watch the harbor's playful seals, and learn about how oysters are harvested as you visit several oyster working farms to learn how to dig into these local delicacies with an oyster shucking lesson. Tonight, you'll toast to new friends and the excellent adventure you've all shared at an included farewell dinner back at Romano's Macaroni Grill. (B, D)

♦ Howard Johnson by Wyndham South Portland or similar



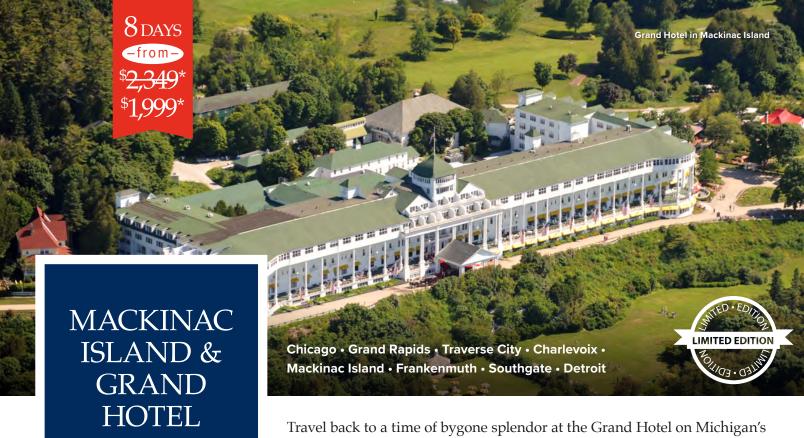


#### Single Supplement from \$700

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#### **TOUR HIGHLIGHTS**

- Two nights luxury accommodations at the award winning, internationally recognized Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island
- Formal dinner and ballroom dancing to live music by the Grand Hotel Orchestra
- Horse-drawn taxi service to and from the Mackinac Island ferry to the Grand Hotel
- Guided tour of Chicago including The Ledge at Willis Tower
- Tour of Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park in Grand Rapids
- Guided tour of the Young Mushroom Houses in Charlevoix
- Tour of Henry Ford Museum of American Innovation

#### INCLUDES

7 nights hotels, 7 breakfasts, 3 dinners, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels, and sightseeing per itinerary.

**Note:** (B, L, D) as noted at the end of itinerary text indicates meals included for that day.

#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

RELAXED EASY GOING MODERATE ACTIVE VERY ACTIVE

#### ▼ Day 1 · Arrive in Chicago

Welcome to Chicago! If you purchased airline tickets from YMT Vacations, a friendly YMT representative will greet you at the airport and transport you to your hotel. The day is yours to enjoy however you wish. Chicago has some of the best food, shopping, museums, and live music in the country, and there is never a shortage of excitement here in the Windy City. During tonight's included welcome dinner at Giordano's, connect with your new travel companions over big slices of Chicago's famous deep-dish pizza at one of the Windy City's most popular pizza parlors. (D)

◆ Fairfield Inn & Suites Chicago - Midway or similar

#### 🛱 Day 2 • Chicago City Tour

Spend the morning touring America's third largest city. Your bus tour will include all of Chicago's highlights, including Michigan Avenue, the exclusive "Magnificent Mile," the Wrigley Building, the Loop, the shoreline of Lake Michigan, and Millennium Park, home of iconic public art works including the reflective stainless-steel Cloud Gate, nicknamed "The Bean" because of its shape. Finally, travel up to the 103rd floor of Chicago's tallest building. Enjoy the glorious views from 1,353 feet up at The Ledge at Willis Tower (formerly known as

Sears Tower). The afternoon is yours to enjoy at your leisure, or you can take part in an optional Chicago River Architecture Tour. (B)

◆ Fairfield Inn & Suites Chicago - Midway or similar

## Day 3 • Traverse City via Grand Rapids

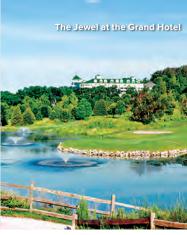
Mackinac Island, the "Jewel of the Great Lakes." The elegant and refined Grand Hotel has been the peak of luxury since 1887, and is just one of the many beautiful places you'll see on this tour across Michigan and Illinois.

Depart Chicago for Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park in Grand Rapids. Enjoy a tram ride tour of one of the nation's most significant sculpture and botanic experiences, Meijer Gardens includes Michigan's largest tropical conservatory; five indoor theme gardens; outdoor gardens, nature trails and boardwalk. Lunch will be on your own in Grand Rapids, and then it's off to Traverse City where the evening will be at your leisure. (B)

♦ Bay Shore Resort or similar

## Day 4 • Mackinac Island via Charlevoix

Start the day off with a fun—or should we say fungal—tour of the Mushroom Houses in Charlevoix. They are the work of self-taught builder and local celebrity Earl Young, who fashioned over two dozen eccentric creations using indigenous materials. His most famous creation, Mushroom House, bares more than a passing resemblance to a just-popped-up shroom, and are some of the quirkiest houses in the Midwest. After a lunch break, take a scenic drive to Petoskey State Park and beach area, then catch the ferry to Mackinac Island.













Step back in time to the early 1900s, starting with your horse-drawn carriage taxi ride (automobiles are banned on the island) to the Grand Hotel. Bygone traditions and a more elegant way of life are the norm at Grand Hotel, which opened in 1887, and is still a truly one-of-a-kind destination with 387 uniquely decorated rooms. Evenings at the Grand Hotel require formal dress, especially at tonight's included formal dinner and ballroom dancing. (B, D)

Dress Code: Note from the Grand Hotel - Since the Grand Hotel is a resort, we want all guests to feel at ease and dress comfortably. During the day, casual resort clothing is appropriate. Prior to 6:30 PM please no midriff baring tops, sweatpants or cut-off shorts for ladies. For gentleman no sleeveless shirts, sweatpants, or cut-off shorts.

Every evening at Grand Hotel is a special occasion. After 6:30 PM dresses, skirts, blouses, dress sweaters and dress slacks for ladies are preferred, while gentleman are required to wear a suit coat, necktie and dress pants, no denim or shorts. This applies for all areas inside the hotel with the exception of the Cupola Bar. Children 12 years and older are expected to follow the same dress code as adults.

The Grand Hotel maintains a no tipping policy.

Note: Grand Hotel pool closed in May and October

**♦** Grand Hotel

#### Day 5 • Mackinac Island Leisure Day

Spend the day enjoying the good life at Grand Hotel, the elegant setting of 1980's time travel romance film *Somewhere in Time* starring Christopher Reeve and Jane Seymour. You can participate in hotel activities such as bocce ball, bean bag toss, garden tour, bike rentals or relaxing on the wrap around porch. If you want to venture outside of the lush grounds, island activities include horse-drawn carriage rides, tours of Arch Rock, Fort Mackinac or Fort Holms, and of course excellent shopping in the quaint town. You may choose to join us on an

optional horse drawn carriage island tour and buffet lunch. This evening, press and polish your finest outfits for another included formal dinner and dancing. (B, D)

♦ Grand Hotel

## OPTION: HORSE-DRAWN CARRIAGE RIDE TOUR OF MACKINAC ISLAND WITH BUFFET LUNCH



Learn the history and take in the sights of beautiful Mackinac Island on a carriage ride tour. Tour includes views of Fort Mackinac and a stop at Arch Rock. Enjoy an included buffet lunch at the Grand Hotel. \$89 p/p. Please add this

option at time of booking.

## Day 6 • Southgate via

Take another elegant horse-drawn carriage taxi ride back to the ferry, which will take you from Mackinac Island to Mackinaw City. Take a coach ride to Bavarian-style Frankenmuth and visit the Bronner's Christmas Wonderland, which operates year-round as the "World's Largest Christmas Store." Designed with Alpine architecture, the building is 7.35 acres in size with landscaped grounds covering 27 acres. Eat lunch on your own in town and spend the evening in Southgate. (B)

→ Hampton Inn Detroit - Southgate or similar

#### Day 7 • Southgate and Detroit

Today, enjoy a Detroit city tour, the largest city in Michigan. See the exteriors of the rehabbed waterfront, Motown Records, and Michigan Central Station. Then take a tour of the Henry Ford Museum of American Innovation and enjoy time for lunch on your own. This afternoon will be at your leisure or you're invited to join us for an optional activity. (B)

♦ Hampton Inn Detroit - Southgate or similar

X Day 8 • Depart for Home (B)

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#### Single Supplement from \$900

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Add-on airfare with transfers available. Call for details.



Over the past 50 years, YMT has become the largest tour operator at the Rose Parade, a celebration near and dear to us that takes place in our hometown! During that time, we've mastered the logistics and gained insider knowledge that allows us to give you the very best experience. For example, while other tours clamor for seats at "TV corner" at the beginning of the parade route, we know grandstand seats mid-route help you avoid the mayhem of the initial start. Plus, we know to set up on the south side of the street where the sun isn't in your eyes, and offer the quickest, most convenient ways to get in and out of the grandstands. Join us in 2021, when the Rose Parade returns in all its beauty, to experience this grand event, up close and personal!



## YMT'S ROSE PARADE TOUR INCLUDES:

- · Grandstand seating at the parade
- Pre-parade Viewing of the Rose Parade floats in Pasadena
- Official Rose Parade Program and seat cushion
- Tour of Los Angeles that includes a visit to Hollywood, the Walk of Fame, and Downtown Los Angeles including Walt Disney Concert Hall
- Hotel accommodations conveniently near the LAX airport, professional Tour Director, baggage handling, and sightseeing
- Choose from optional tours like the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library, the J. Paul Getty Museum, or Space Shuttle Endeavour (extra charge)





#### **TOUR HIGHLIGHTS**

- Experience the 133rd Tournament of Roses Parade from your reserved grandstand seats
- Enjoy a pre-parade viewing of the Rose Parade floats in Pasadena
- Tour Los Angeles and see the Walt Disney Concert Hall, the Chinese Theatre, and the Hollywood Walk of Fame
- Raise your glass to ring in the New Year with the east coast at a festive New Year's Eve reception

#### INCLUDES

4 nights hotels, 1 box breakfast, 1 dinner, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels, and sightseeing per itinerary. Complimentary YMT seat cushion, official Rose Parade program, and reserved grandstand seating at the Rose Parade.

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#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

RELAXED EASY GOING MODERATE ACTIVE VERY ACTIVE

#### ★ Day 1 • Arrive in Los Angeles

Welcome to LA! Guests who have booked their air with YMT will be greeted by a representative and transferred from the airport to your nearby hotel. After the informative briefing on the days ahead, you are free to enjoy the evening on your own. Take advantage of the free shuttle that will be available for guests who wish to travel to the nearby Manhattan Beach area for dinner on your own.

else, and includes numerous special events.

♦ Holiday Inn LAX or similar

#### 😾 Day 2 • Los Angeles Leisure Day

Enjoy this morning at leisure or join one of our fantastic optional tours to the Getty Center or the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library, at an additional cost. This evening, you're in for a real treat—YMT's float viewing event with dinner. In this amazing tour held in Pasadena, you'll go behind the scenes to see the floats and flowers up close, with plenty of time to talk to and ask questions of the White Suiters, the Rose Parade volunteers who famously wear white uniforms. Then, enjoy a casual dinner with a presentation about the history and traditions of the Rose Parade presented by the Tournament of Roses Committee. (D)

♦ Holiday Inn LAX or similar

#### Day 3 • Los Angeles City Tour

Parade's largest tour operator, YMT provides an experience like no one

Today we take a guided tour of Los Angeles and Hollywood, seeing many of the can't miss highlights of the City of Angels. View the iconic metal curves of the Walt Disney Concert Hall, the ornate TCL Chinese Theatre, the Dolby Theatre—annual home of the Academy Awards—Beverly Hills, and the Hollywood Walk of Fame

The evening includes a festive New Year's Eve reception with appetizers and a sparkling cider toast at your hotel. Ring in the New Year along with all the folks in Times Square at 9 PM local time (midnight in New York City).

♦ Holiday Inn LAX or similar

## Day 4 • 133rd Tournament of Roses Parade

Witness the 133rd Tournament of Roses Parade! Watch in wonder from your reserved grandstand seats as the floats covered in millions of leaves and fragrant petals pass by. Watch equestrian units stride along, and listen to marching bands as they make their way down Colorado Boulevard. "America's New Year's Celebration" is an institution that you'll love even more after experiencing it in person. (B)

♦ Holiday Inn LAX or similar















#### OPTION: THE GETTY CENTER



Visit a true "LA Highlight", the stunning Getty Center! The \$1.3 billion Center is well known for its architecture, gardens, and views overlooking Los Angeles. Light lunch included. \$69 p/p! Please add this option at time of booking.

#### ✗ Day 5 ⋅ Depart for Home

Today your Rose Parade & Los Angeles vacation comes to an end; you'll depart for home with new friends and lasting memories of a spectacular experience. We thank you for choosing YMT, and we hope to see you soon.





#### **MUST BOOK BY 4/30**

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## REASONS TO SEE THE 133rd ROSE PARADE WITH YMT

- We have over 50 years of experience at the Rose Parade, and insider knowledge!
- Enjoy fully-guided tours with professional Tour Directors

- Included float viewing event with dinner and a presentation, and grandstand seating at the parade
- We take care of everything including baggage handling, hotels, sightseeing and more



#### **TOUR HIGHLIGHTS**

- Trolley tour of historic Jekyll Island, one of Georgia's famed Golden Isles
- A hauntingly beautiful tour of Savannah's historic, tree-filled Bonaventure Cemetery
- Guided tour of Tybee Island including Georgia's oldest, tallest lighthouse
- Authentic southern lunch at the Middleton Place Plantation
- Ferry ride to Fort Sumpter, where the South Carolina militia started the Civil War
- Tour of the Old Exchange and Provost Dungeon in Charleston
- Admission and tour of the NASCAR Hall of Fame in Charlotte

#### INCLUDES

7 nights hotels, 7 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 1 dinner professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels, and sightseeing per itinerary.

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#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

RELAXED EASY GOING MODERATE ACTIVE VERY ACTIVE

Natural beauty, flavorful cuisine, a distinct culture, unique history, and more than a few dashes of good ol' fashioned charm are part of this tour of the South. From Spanish forts to Revolutionary War strongholds, experience Southern history and hospitality in equal measure as you travel up the Southern coast!

#### ✗ Day 1 ⋅ St. Augustine

Today your adventure begins upon arrival in Florida. If you purchased your airline tickets from YMT, you will be welcomed by a representative and transferred to your hotel.

♦ Tryp by Wyndham St. Augustine or similar

#### Day 2 • St. Augustine

Start your day bright and early with a morning tour led by a knowledgeable local guide. See the historic district of St. Augustine, then take a short walking tour of St. George Street with a break for shopping and an early lunch on your own. Continue to Matanzas River Bay for an afternoon tour of Castillo de San Marcos, a large Spanish stone fortress built to protect and defend Spain's claims in the New World. At over 300 years old, this National Monument is the oldest structure in St. Augustine. Relax on your own this evening or join us for a late afternoon optional excursion to Ponce de Leon's legendary Fountain of Youth. (B)

◆ Tryp by Wyndham St. Augustine or similar

## Day 3 • St. Augustine to Savannah via Jekyll Island

Your first activity of the day will be a Jekyll Island Trolley tour of the Club Historic District, a cluster of 19th-century mansions on the southernmost of Georgia's Golden Isles. Enjoy time on Jekyll Island to grab lunch on your own.

Arrive in Savannah late this afternoon and join us, for an additional fee, on an optional evening cultural and culinary experience you won't want to miss. Take in the uplifting sounds of Southern gospel music on a Gospel Riverboat Dinner Cruise with traditional southern cuisine. (B)

◆ Tryp by Wyndham Savannah Downtown Historic District or similar

#### OPTION: SAVANNAH GOSPEL DINNER CRUISE



Gospel Dinner Cruise on the Savannah Riverboat Cruises with traditional southern cuisine and the inspiring sounds of live Southern Gospel music. \$75 p/p. Please add this option at time of booking.

#### Day 4 • Savannah and Tybee Island

Take a morning guided trolley tour of historic Savannah. The oldest section of Georgia's oldest city, Savannah's historic district is filled with cobblestoned squares and parks shaded by oak trees draped in Spanish moss. At the center of this picturesque district is the landmark, Gothic-Revival Cathedral of Saint John the Baptist. Continue with a short walking tour of Bonaventure Cemetery, a beautiful resting place with 160 acres of towering oaks, Spanish moss, and historic graves.

Continue to Tybee Island for a panoramic tour of this charming barrier island renowned for its miles of pristine beaches. The Tybee











Lighthouse, the oldest and tallest in Georgia, is a guaranteed highlight. Enjoy lunch on your own and a leisurely afternoon and evening. (B)

♦ Tryp by Wyndham Savannah Downtown Historic District or similar

## Day 5 • Savannah to Charleston w/

Head up to South Carolina, where you will stop for a tour and included southern lunch at Middleton Place. This National Historic Landmark contains America's oldest landscaped gardens.

Continue to charming Charleston for a panoramic tour including Rainbow Row, the Battery and White Point Gardens, Hampton Park, and Marion Square. Spend the evening relaxing in Charleston. (B, L)

◆ Cambria Hotel Charleston Riverview or similar

#### Day 6 • Charleston

Start the morning with a short ferry ride to Fort Sumter, the island fortification where the first shots of the Civil War were fired. Explore the National Historic Park where America's history changed forever on April 12, 1861, when the South Carolina Militia artillery fired at the American army.

Stop at the City Market area for shopping and lunch on your own, followed by an afternoon guided tour of The Old Exchange and Provost Dungeon. The Old Exchange was completed in 1771 and played a vital part in the American Revolution. President George Washington was a common visitor to this meeting place for local Patriots, which was the site where in 1788 South Carolina leaders debated and approved the U. S. Constitution. Today, the Old Exchange

Building is one of only four remaining structures where the nation's founding document was originally ratified.

The Provost Dungeon's history is decidedly less auspicious. During the American Revolution, British forces converted the bottom floor of the Exchange into a military prison where American prisoners of war, British soldiers, private citizens, and enslaved people were held. (B)

◆ Cambria Hotel Charleston Riverview or similar

## Day 7 • Charleston to Charlotte via

Take a morning panoramic tour of Columbia, the capitol of South Carolina, then break for an early lunch on your own. Continue to Charlotte for a panoramic city tour, then one more stop at the unforgettable NASCAR Hall of Fame. More than just a museum, the NASCAR Hall of Fame is a shrine to the history, heritage and future of NASCAR. It has over 50 interactive experiences, fascinating artifacts, and an impressive collection of retired racecars. These souped up stock cars have been delighting fans since 1948. End your day with an included farewell dinner. (B, D)

♦ Home2 Suites Charlotte Uptown or similar

#### **✗** Day 8 ⋅ Depart for Home

Depart for home. On certain tour dates, you may choose to combine this tour with our Blue Ridge & Smoky Mountain tour. If you are joining us for our combo tour, you will enjoy a museum pass that includes access to a trio of unique museums: The Bechtler Museum of Modern Art, Mint Museum, and Harvey B. Gantt Center for African-American Arts & Culture. (B)



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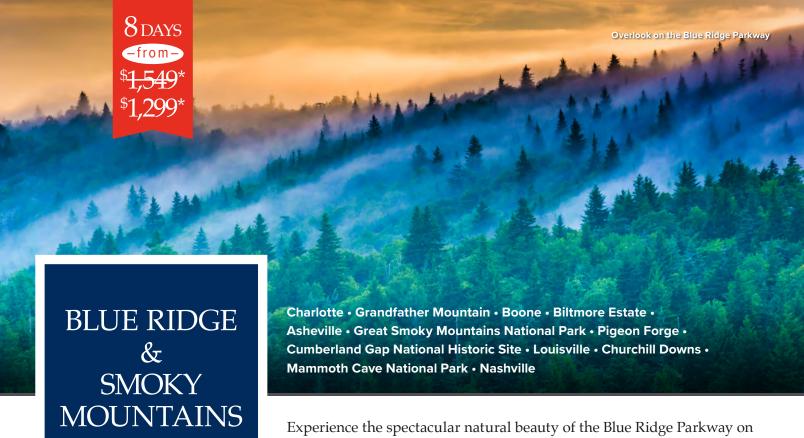
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#### **TOUR HIGHLIGHTS**

- Travel down the Blue Ridge Parkway
- Walk the Mile High Swinging Bridge at Grandfather Mountain State Park
- Explore the Biltmore Estate, the largest house in America
- Learn about the Cherokee Nation at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian
- Experience the beauty of the Great Smoky Mountains from the top of Clingmans Dome
- Sample Kentucky bourbon at a dinner and tasting in Louisville
- Visit the Kentucky Derby Museum
- Plumb the depths of the world's longest cave at Mammoth Cave National Park

#### INCLUDES

7 nights hotels, 7 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 1 dinner, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels, and sightseeing per itinerary.

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#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

RELAXED EASY GOING MODERATE ACTIVE VERY ACTIVE

#### ▼ Day 1 · Arrive in Charlotte

Music City, Tennessee.

Welcome to Charlotte, the Queen City! If you purchased airline tickets from YMT, a representative will meet you at the airport and transport you to the hotel.

♦ Home2 Charlotte Uptown or similar

## Day 2 • Boone via Grandfather Mountain

Take the scenic route on the Blue Ridge
Parkway. "America's Favorite Drive" is a U.S.
National Parkway that winds 469 miles through
the rugged mountains and pastoral landscapes
of the Appalachian Highlands. Your first stop is
Moses Cone State Park, a grand country estate
built during the 1890s. The estate's 23-room
Colonial Revival mansion, 25 miles of wellplanned carriage roads, two man-made lakes,
and apple orchards make it a popular stop.
Next, visit Grandfather Mountain State Park,
known for its incredible vistas and unmatched
ecological diversity. The Mile High Swinging
Bridge, found at the top of the park, is America's
highest suspension footbridge.

Spend the afternoon relaxing in Boone. This evening, you're invited on a one-of-a-kind optional dinner show. "Horn in the West" is a dramatization of the life and times of the early local settlers, including Daniel Boone. (B)

♦ Holiday Inn Express Boone or similar

#### Day 3 • Asheville via Biltmore Estate

this unforgettable journey from the Appalachian Highlands through the Smoky Mountains, Kentucky Bluegrass Country, and all the way down to

Take the Blue Ridge Parkway to Asheville, crossing the iconic Linn Cove Viaduct. This dazzling bridge hugs the side of Grandfather Mountain and creates the illusion of being suspended in midair above the lush vegetation. Its views can't be beat!

Next, stop at the magnificent Biltmore Estate. Completed in 1895, George Vanderbilt's 250-room chateau is as impressive today as it was more than a century ago. Biltmore House is truly a wonder of architecture and hospitality. Enjoy a self-guided tour of the house, as well as the beautiful gardens and grounds surrounding it, which were designed by renowned landscape architect Frederick Law Olmsted. (B)

♦ Holiday Inn Express Asheville Southwest or

## ☐ Day 4 • Pigeon Forge via Great Smoky Mountains National Park

Continue down the Blue Ridge Parkway, then stop at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian in the town of Cherokee. Experience 13,000 years of Cherokee history, from the time when mastodons roamed the southern Appalachians to the present day. The Cherokee story is told through computer generated animation and special effects, life-sized figures, artwork, and priceless artifacts.













Continue to Clingmans Dome, which at 6,643 feet is the highest point in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Enjoy spectacular views of the Smoky Mountains and the surrounding high elevation spruce-fir forest.

Your evening in Pigeon Forge is yours to enjoy, or you may sign up for the optional Dolly Parton's Stampede dinner show. (B)

♦ Island Drive Lodge or similar

#### Day 5 • Louisville

Welcome to Kentucky's Cumberland Gap National Historic Site, the first great gateway to the west. History was made here: follow the buffalo, the Native American, the longhunter, and the pioneer, who all traveled this route through the mountains into the wilderness of Kentucky.

After a beautiful drive through the Daniel Boone National Forest, get settled at your hotel. This evening, you're invited to sit down and savor the finer things with your fellow guests at a delicious dinner and bourbon tasting. (B, D)

♦ Hampton Inn Louisville Northeast or similar

## Day 6 • Louisville with Derby Museum and Churchill Downs

Spend the day falling in love with Louisville. Visit the Kentucky Derby Museum, where you will learn all about "The Greatest Two Minutes in Sports." Hear about past Derby winners and the rich history of Churchill Downs. Walk through the property to the paddock and out to the grandstand, learning trivia and fun facts along the way. Enjoy an included lunch at Churchill Downs, while you watch the action on the track.

From horseracing, "the sport of kings," continue to a mecca of America's pastime.

The Louisville Slugger Museum & Factory is all about celebrating the extraordinary role of the Louisville Slugger bat in baseball's past, present, and future. Since the sport is such a big part of American history and culture, even visitors who don't consider themselves big fans find something that resonates with them. Maybe it's the fun stories and fascinating machinery in the factory, the hands-on exhibits, or one of the spectacular special exhibitions. Relax this evening or take an optional evening cruise down the Ohio river on an historic ship. (B, L)

♦ Hampton Inn Louisville Northeast or similar

## Day 7 • Nashville with Mammoth Cave National Park

Your first stop of the day is down, down, down—deep in the caverns of the otherworldly Mammoth Cave National Park. The first 400 miles of the world's longest known cave have been explored, but nobody knows how far past that the cave goes. Enjoy a cavern tour of this UNESCO World Heritage site found beneath some of Kentucky's prettiest hills. Then conclude your tour in Nashville, home to the iconic Grand Ole Opry. (B)

♦ Gaylord Opryland Resort or similar

#### **OPTION: GRAND OLE OPRY SHOW**



See the Grand Ole Opry, the show that made country music famous, which features a dynamic line-up of new stars, superstars, and legends of country music. Balcony seating \$65 p/p. Please

add this option at time of booking. Please note that artists and schedule are subject to change without notice.

Day 8 • Depart for Home (B)

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Travel through the mesmerizing landscape and rich history of Colorado and New Mexico on this spectacular journey through snow-capped mountains, endless sand dunes, lush forests, and ancient dwellings.

#### **TOUR HIGHLIGHTS**

- Pan for gold at the Colorado Springs Ghost Town Museum
- See the towering red rocks of the iconic Garden of the Gods
- Visit North America's tallest sand dune at Great Sand Dunes National Park
- Ride the historic Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad through the dazzling Colorado wilderness
- See the Pueblo people's ancient cliffside dwellings at Mesa Verde National Park
- Learn about the Manhattan Project at the Bradbury Science Museum at the Los Alamos National Laboratory
- Visit the Albuquerque Balloon Museum

#### INCLUDES

7 nights hotels, 7 breakfasts, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels, and sightseeing per itinerary.

**Note:** (B, L, D) as noted at the end of itinerary text indicates meals included for that day.

#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

RELAXED EASY GOING MODERATE ACTIVE VERY ACTIVE

#### ✗ Day 1 ⋅ Arrive in Denver

Arrive in the Mile High City. Guests who booked their air with YMT will be met by a YMT representative and transferred to their hotel. The evening is at your leisure.

♦ Sheraton Denver Tech Center or similar

#### Day 2 • Alamosa via Colorado Springs

Start your tour at the Garden of the Gods in Colorado Springs. It features towering red sandstone formations jutting hundreds of feet in the air against the snow-capped backdrop of Pike's Peak. The Garden of the Gods is one of Colorado's most photographed sites, and you will have plenty of time to appreciate and document these spectacular views.

Next, enjoy a fun stop at the Colorado Springs Ghost Town Museum, an indoor collection of historic structures and everyday artifacts from over a century ago. Housed in a stone building used by the Colorado Midland Railroad, the Ghost Town Museum takes you all the way back to Colorado's Wild West. You're invited to man a pan at the museum's authentic gold trough!

Your final stop is at the Colorado Welcome Center in Alamosa. Learn about the surrounding region in this restored historic train station, and then check into your hotel in Alamosa and enjoy the evening at your leisure. (B)

♦ Hampton Inn Alamosa or similar

#### 🛱 Day 3 • Durango via Pagosa Springs

Start your day with a visit to Great Sand Dunes National Park and Preserve, where North America's tallest dunes rise over 750 feet high against the rugged Sangre de Cristo Mountains. Great Sand Dunes National Park and Preserve spans over 30 miles, and contains over 5 billion cubic meters of sand to create the largest sandbox in North America.

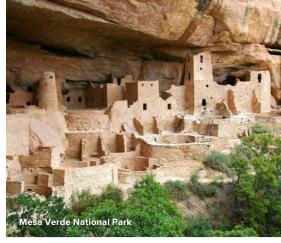
Enjoy lunch on your own in Pagosa Springs, found at the base of the Continental Divide. Known for its amazing natural hot springs, plentiful sunshine, and small-town charm, Pagosa Springs is an ideal stop for a leisurely bite to eat before continuing on to Durango for the night. (B)

♦ Durango Downtown Inn or similar

#### Day 4 • Durango

Step into the past and experience the lives of one of America's oldest cultures, the Pueblo people, on your visit to the cliffside dwellings of Mesa Verde National Park. The park includes more than 4,000 archeological sites dating back to A.D. 550, including cliff dwellings and mesa top sites from the Ancestral Pueblo peoples who lived here for more than 700 years.













Your next stop is historic Silverton, where you will enjoy leisure time in this National Historic Landmark founded in 1874 in the San Juan Mountains. After the railroad reached the town in 1882, the surrounding region experienced a mining boom that lasted until the 1910s.

Take an unforgettable train ride from Silverton to Durango on the Durango-Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad, which has been in continuous operation between Durango and Silverton since 1882. Enjoy dazzling panoramic vistas and an authentic experience on this line built to haul silver and gold ore. Enjoy a relaxing night in Durango. (B)

♦ Durango Downtown Inn or similar

## OPTION: OLD WEST COWBOY MUSIC SHOW AND CHUCKWAGON SUPPER



Experience the real authentic Western lifestyle this evening with a hearty dinner and boot-stomping entertainment. §49 p/p. Please add this option at time of booking.

#### Day 5 • Taos and Taos Pueblo

Your first stop of the day is in Chama, a delightful, history-rich town nestled high in the Southern Rockies. Enjoy lunch on your own and a walking tour of the Chama Train Depot. Next, stop at the Rio Grande Gorge Bridge. The bridge spans 1,280 feet, and at 650 feet above the Rio Grande, it is the fifth highest bridge in the United States.

Continue to Taos for a memorable stop at the Taos Pueblo. This UNESCO World Heritage Site is the home of one of the oldest continuously inhabited communities in the United States; some structures are over 1,000 years old. The Pueblo is made entirely of adobe — earth mixed with water and straw, then either poured

into forms or made into sun-dried bricks. The outside surfaces of the Pueblo are continuously maintained by replastering with thick layers of mud. Interior walls are carefully coated with thin washes of white earth to keep them clean and bright. (B)

♦ Hotel Don Fernando de Taos or similar

#### 🖬 Day 6 • Santa Fe via Los Alamos

Make a morning stop the Spanish Colonialstyle adobe San Francisco de Assisi Mission Church. The church is one of Taos' most iconic structures and was the subject of several paintings by Georgia O'Keeffe and photographs by Ansel Adams.

After lunch on your own, tour the Bradbury Science Museum in Los Alamos. Approximately 60 interactive exhibits trace the history of Los Alamos National Laboratory's involvement in the Manhattan Project during WWII, and highlight the laboratory's current and historic research projects. Transfer to Santa Fe for a walking tour including Loretto Chapel, Central Plaza, and Palace of the Governors. (B)

♦ The Lodge at Santa Fe or similar

#### 🛱 Day 7 • Albuquerque

Your final stop of the trip will be Albuquerque. Explore an historic ghost town, and then visit the one-of-a-kind Albuquerque Balloon Museum. The mission of the museum is to inspire a spirit of exploration, discovery, and achievement through experiences that engage visitors in the history, science, sport, and art of ballooning. Spend your final evening on tour enjoying the charming city of Albuquerque at your own pace. (B)

♦ Best Western Plus Rio Grande Inn or similar

#### Day 8 • Depart for Home (B)

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 Sep 18, Oct 9 & 23
 \$1,549

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#### TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Included Chicago and Nashville City Tours
- Backstage tour of the famous Grand Ole Opry House
- Admission to Sun Studio, one of Johnny Cash's favorite places in Memphis to record
- Visit Graceland, the legendary home of Elvis Presley
- Visit St. Louis' National Blues Museum and Mississippi's B.B. King Museum
- Enjoy live jazz music and an authentic southern lunch at B.B. King's Club Ebony

#### INCLUDES

10 nights hotels, 8 breakfasts, 1 lunch, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels, and sightseeing per itinerary.

**Note:** (B, L, D) as noted at the end of itinerary text indicates meals included for that day.

#### ACTIVITY LEVEL

RELAXED EASY GOING MODERATE ACTIVE VERY ACTIVE

#### ▼ Day 1 · Arrive in Chicago

Welcome to Chicago! If you purchased airline tickets from YMT Vacations, a friendly YMT representative will greet you at the airport and transport you to your centrally located hotel. This first day is yours to enjoy however you wish. Chicago has some of the best food, shopping, museums, and live music in the country, and there is never a shortage of excitement here in the Windy City.

♦ Hampton Inn Magnificent Mile or similar

#### Day 2 • Chicago City Tour

Spend the morning touring America's third largest city. Your bus tour will include all of Chicago's highlights, including the Magnificent Mile, the Wrigley Building, downtown Chicago including The Loop, the shoreline of Lake Michigan, and Millennium Park, home of iconic public art works including the stainless steel Cloud Gate, nicknamed "The Bean" because of its shape. Finally, visit the Chicago History Museum for a guided tour of the institution founded in 1856 to study and interpret Chicago's history. The afternoon is yours to enjoy at your leisure, or you can take part in an optional Chicago River Architecture Tour. (B)

◆ Hampton Inn Magnificent Mile or similar

#### Day 3 • St. Louis

signature sound. Immerse yourself in music as you visit the cities that

defined the blues, from Chicago down to the Big Easy!

Your next stop is St. Louis, Missouri, with its own distinctive piano-heavy style of the blues. After lunch on your own, visit the National Blues Museum in downtown St. Louis. Learn about the genre that makes up the foundation of modern American music in an entertaining environment that includes high tech experiences, a state-of-the-art theater, and exhibits. (B)

♦ Drury Inn & Suites or similar

#### Day 4 · Nashville

Today's main stop is the Country Music Hall of Fame in the heart of Nashville's Music Row. It has been called the "Smithsonian of country music," and is celebrated for its broad cultural impact, educational mission, and unrivaled collection of historically important artifacts. (B)

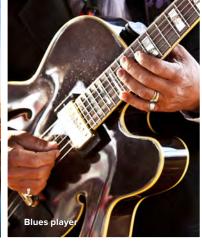
♦ The Inn at Opryland or similar

#### Day 5 • Nashville

Discover the best the legendary Music City has to offer. Experience Nashville's landmarks and sites on a city tour including the Historic Downtown District and "Honky Tonk Row," Riverfront Park, the Tennessee State Capitol, Bicentennial Capitol Mall State Park, the Parthenon, Vanderbilt University, and Music Row.

After lunch on your own, head to the Grand Ole Opry House, which debuted in 1974. Experience a fully guided backstage tour and see where the world's longest-running live radio show is













still performed. Walk in the footsteps of country music's legends and get an exclusive behindthe-scenes look at this world-famous show.

◆ The Inn at Opryland or similar

#### **OPTION: GRAND OLE OPRY SHOW**



See the Grand Ole Opry, the show that made country music famous, which features a dynamic line-up of new stars, superstars, and legends of country music. Balcony seating \$65 p/p. Please

add this option at time of booking. Please note that artists and schedule are subject to change without notice.

#### Day 6 • Memphis

Memphis is a mecca for music fans. Visitors come from all around the world to visit the city that invented the blues, soul, and rock 'n' roll.

After lunch on your own, take a tour of Sun Studio. This legendary recording studio opened in 1950, and drew musicians including Elvis, Johnny Cash, and Roy Orbison, who would go on to define their generation from this brick building at the intersection of Marshall and Union.

♦ Hyatt Place Memphis Primacy Parkway or similar

#### Day 7 • Memphis

Spend today on the ultimate rock 'n' roll pilgrimage at Graceland, the beloved home of Elvis Presley. Over the 20 years Elvis lived here, Graceland became part of the King's legend and legacy. As the front door to Elvis Presley's mansion opens, you are taken on an journey into the private world of an American legend. Explore the famous Jungle Room with its green shag carpets, Polynesian feel, and exotically carved woods, the trophy building, meditation garden, and more. (B)

♦ Hyatt Place Memphis Parkway or similar

## Day 8 • Natchez via Clarksdale and Indianola

After breakfast, your first stop will be the crossroads of Highways 61 and 49, for a photo op at the quirky Crossroads Monument in Clarksdale. This Mississippi photo stop is a towering sculpture of three electric guitars on a pole that marks the spot where, according to legend, the traveling bluesman Robert Johnson sold his soul to be able to play the blues.

Continue to Indianola, enjoy live jazz music, chicken wings and catfish at an included lunch at Club Ebony and admission to the B.B. King Museum. B.B. King was one of the pioneers of the technical and highly emotional Delta Blues. The B.B. King Museum and Delta Interpretive Center tells the story of King's life, his career, and stories of the Delta—its history and music, social mores and race relations, literature and legends, adversities and successes. (B, L)

◆ TownPlace Suites, Vidalia or similar

## Day 9 • New Orleans via Baton Rouge

Start the day with a visit to the Natchez National Historical Park, where you will discover the history of all the peoples of Natchez, Mississippi, from European settlement, African enslavement, the American cotton economy, to the Civil Rights struggle on the lower Mississippi River. Lunch will be on your own in Baton Rouge, which was founded in 1699 and has the most authentic Cajun food in the state. Enjoy a leisurely evening in New Orleans. (B)

♦ Hampton Inn Suites French Quarter or similar

#### 🛱 Day 10 • New Orleans

Wake up in New Orleans, and take a tour of "The Big Easy." You'll experience the French Quarter with Jackson Square, St. Louis Cathedral, and Bourbon Street. Visit one of the famous cemeteries, then continue to Lake Pontchartrain. Finally, follow the Mardi Gras route on St. Charles Avenue. Guests are invited to sit down to an optional late afternoon meal at The Court of Two Sisters, for an additional charge. Enjoy Cajun and Creole specialties as a jazz trio plays classic New Orleans jazz. (B)

♦ Hampton Inn Suites French Quarter or similar

#### Day 11 • Depart for Home (B)



May 18	\$ <del>1,949</del>
Book by 4/12	\$ <del>1,699</del>
EXTRA \$100 OFF	<sup>\$</sup> 1,599
Sep 28	\$ <del>1,949</del>
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## HISTORIC ROUTE 66

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#### TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Stand at the official start and end points of Route 66 in Chicago and Santa Monica
- Visit the 8 states that comprised historic Route 66
- Photo ops at roadside oddities including Cadillac Ranch, Elmer's Bottle Tree Ranch, and "the world's largest catsup bottle."
- See the Painted Desert, Petrified Forest, and Grand Canyon
- Travel to the top of St. Louis' Gateway Arch
- Enjoy an architecture tour on the Chicago River

#### INCLUDES

13 nights hotels, 13 breakfasts, 1 lunch and 2 dinners, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels, and sightseeing per itinerary.

**Note:** (B, L, D) as noted at the end of itinerary text indicates meals included for that day.

#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

RELAXED EASY GOING MODERATE ACTIVE VERY ACTIVE

#### Day 1 • Arrive in Chicago

The intersection of E. Adams and S. Michigan in Downtown Chicago is the official starting point of Route 66—look for signs during your stop at the place where millions of people have set off down the Mother Road since 1926. Take a seat and enjoy an included pizza welcome feast. Connect with your new travel companions over big slices of Chicago's famous deep-dish pizza at one of the Windy City's pizza parlors. (D)

♦ Hampton Inn Magnificent Mile or similar

#### Day 2 · Chicago

Enjoy an educational morning architecture tour on the Chicago River where you will learn about Chicago's colorful past from a unique vantage point. Expert docents will explain the history of more than 50 buildings, and how they played a part in Chicago's thrilling story. Spend the afternoon at leisure. (B)

♦ Hampton Inn Magnificent Mile or similar

## Day 3 • Chicago to St. Louis via

Today you hit the open road. Travel west to Pontiac, home of the Route 66 Hall of Fame & Museum. Enjoy the nostalgic exhibits, then have lunch on your own. Enjoy the quick stop in Collinsville, home of the Brooks Catsup Bottle Water Tower. Pull into St. Louis late this afternoon, where you will ride a tram 630 feet up to the top of the Gateway Arch. (B)

◆ Drury Inn & Suites Convention Center or similar

#### 🛱 Day 4 • St. Louis to Branson

Enjoy a leisurely morning in St. Louis, then set off for Branson, the "Live Music Capital of the Universe." Relax on your own this evening. (B)

◆ Fairfield Inn & Suites or similar

#### ☐ Day 5 • Branson to Oklahoma City

Travel from Branson to Oklahoma City by way of Galena, Kansas. Route 66 goes right through Galena's historic district. Oklahoma City, known locally as OKC, is renowned for its cowboy culture and excellent barbecue. (B)

♦ Wyndham Garden Hotel Oklahoma City Airport or similar

#### Day 6 • Oklahoma City to Amarillo

Continue to Elk City, where you will see the National Route 66 & Transportation Museum. Enjoy lunch on your own in the charming town, then pull into Amarillo, TX for dinner at The Big Texan Steak Ranch, a roadside attraction that's served Texas-sized portions since 1960. (B, D)

♦ La Quinta Inn MidCity or similar

#### Day 7 • Amarillo to Albuquerque

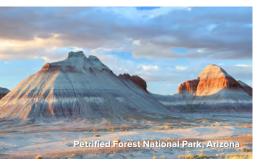
Stop by Cadillac Ranch on your way out of town. One of Route 66's stranger art exhibits, Cadillac Ranch consists of ten graffiti-covered Cadillacs buried nose-deep in the hard dirt. After a short pit stop in Adrian, Route 66's halfway point, walk through the Tucumcari Historical Museum. Enjoy lunch on your own in town before heading to Albuquerque. (B)

♦ Howard Johnson ABQ Midtown or similar















#### Day 8 • Albuquerque to Flagstaff

Enjoy lunch in Gallup, home to the flamboyant Hotel El Rancho that hosted many Golden Age movie stars while they shot classic westerns in the surrounding desert. Continue to the Painted Desert and Petrified Forest National Park, which is full of colorful petrified wood in a wide array of shocking hues. The dramatic landscape is full of windswept buttes, barren mesas, and breathtaking vistas. (B)

♦ Days Hotel or similar

afternoon, and enjoy a photo op at the Las Vegas sign followed by a tour of the Las Vegas Strip. Enjoy an optional tour tonight, or spend the evening at your leisure. (B)

◆ Golden Nugget Hotel & Casino or similar



#### **OPTION: VEGAS! DINNER & SHOW**

Join us for a musical story about Las Vegas, the entertainment capital of the world. Includes an all-youcan-eat Brazilian rodizio dinner at Pampas. \$139 p/p. Please add this option at time of booking.

#### **BONUS: BALLOON FIESTA**



Sep 26 & Oct 3, 2021 departures will visit Albuquerque during the Balloon Fiesta. This morning, witness hundreds of colorful balloons slowly rise to float into the clear blue New Mexico sky.



#### Day 9 • Grand Canyon National Park

The beauty of the Grand Canvon is the complex and breathtaking result of billions of years of geographic tumult. It is a dramatic, dynamic display of earth's power. Spend most of the day exploring the Grand Canyon on your own. Return to Flagstaff in the evening. (B)

♦ Days Hotel or similar



Your first stop today is Seligman, the "historic birthplace of Route 66," and a perfect example of the quaint, charming, Americana aesthetic that the Mother Road is so famous for. Radiator Springs, the town in Cars, was originally inspired by the quiet streets of Seligman. Kingman, Arizona, is full of murals dedicated to Route 66, and is a great place to grab lunch en route to Las Vegas. Arrive in Sin City this

### 🛱 Day 11 • Las Vegas to Laughlin

Start the morning in Las Vegas before continuing to Laughlin for the afternoon and evening. A darling city on the border of Nevada, Arizona, and California, Laughlin is comparable to Las Vegas in every way but the crowds. (B)

◆ The New Pioneer Hotel Casino or similar

#### Day 12 • Laughlin to Los Angeles

After lunch in Barstow, visit Elmer's Bottle Tree Ranch—one of Route 66's quirkiest roadside attractions. This pitstop is home to a manmade forest of discarded pipes and bottles. Elmer Long created over 200 trees and cacti-artful, eye-catching, and exquisite when illuminated by the hot desert sun. Join us this evening for an optional dinner and tour at The Proud Bird, Los Angeles' iconic restaurant with airplanes and aviation memorabilia. (B)

♦ Holiday Inn LAX or similar

#### 🛱 Day 13 • Santa Monica

Today we take a guided tour of Los Angeles and Hollywood, seeing many of the highlights of the City of Angels, including the Sunset Strip and Hollywood and Highland. Enjoy an included farewell lunch on the Santa Monica Pier, the end point of Route 66. Celebrate the miles you've traveled and the sights you've seen by looking out at the ocean and up to the sign marked, "End of the Trail." (B, L)

♦ Holiday Inn LAX or similar

Day 14 • Depart for Home (B)

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#### 2021 Dates

Apr 18	\$ <del>2,249</del>
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May 9	\$ <del>2,249</del>
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Jul 25	\$ <del>2,349</del>
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Sep 26, Oct 3	
Includes Ballon Fiesta	\$ <del>2,549</del>
Book by 4/30	\$2,299

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- Spend 2 nights in exciting Las Vegas
- Enjoy an afternoon in Death Valley and a scenic view of Badwater Basin
- Sightseeing tour of Mammoth Lakes
- See the impressive Half Dome and El Capitan in Yosemite, a crown jewel of America's National Park System
- Drive through Kings Canyon National Park and see giant sequoias and redwoods
- See the imposing General Sherman, the largest tree in the world
- Guided tour of Los Angeles, Hollywood and Beverly Hills with included lunch at the Getty

#### INCLUDES

9 nights hotels, 6 breakfasts, 1 lunch, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels, sightseeing per itinerary, and park entrance.

#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

RELAXED EASY GOING MODERATE ACTIVE VERY ACTIVE

# ★ Day 1 • Arrive in Las Vegas

If you purchased airline tickets from YMT Vacations, a YMT representative will welcome you at the airport and transport you to the hotel. The rest of the day is at your leisure—and there is plenty to do here in Sin City! Explore the reinvigorated downtown, try your luck in the casinos, or spend some time at the world-famous Strip

♦ Golden Nugget Hotel & Casino or similar

#### Day 2 • Las Vegas Leisure Day

This morning enjoy a photo op at the Las Vegas sign followed by a tour of the Las Vegas Strip. Then, enjoy an optional tour or spend the day at your leisure!

♦ Golden Nugget Hotel & Casino or similar

#### **OPTION: VEGAS! DINNER & SHOW**

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# Day 3 • Mammoth Mountain via Death Valley

Drive through the dramatic landscape of the Mojave Desert to the breathtaking Mammoth Mountain. En route, stop in Death Valley, one of the hottest, driest, and lowest spots in the world. Lunch is on your own at The Oasis at Death Valley, a quirky-cool hotel inside Death Valley National Park where the Old West meets Old Hollywood. Stop at the blindingly white, astonishingly vast Badwater Basin. The evening in Mammoth is yours to enjoy.

♦ Mammoth Mountain Inn or similar

inspiring majesty of Yosemite, Sequoia, and Kings Canyon National Parks.

Your tour includes a full day in the sparkling city of Las Vegas!

# Day 4 • Mammoth Mountain

Take a morning sightseeing tour of Mammoth Lakes, where you will see the gorgeous Mammoth Lakes Basin and the sharp mountain peaks of Minaret Vista. During your leisure afternoon in Mammoth, you can opt to take a shuttle to the dramatic Devils Postpile National Monument, an unusual rock formation of columnar basalt. You may also join us for an optional gondola ride to the top of Mammoth Mountain at an elevation of 11,053 feet. (B)

♦ Mammoth Mountain Inn or similar

#### Day 5 · Yosemite National Park

Take the scenic Tioga Pass to Yosemite. En route, be stunned by vistas like towering Yosemite domes peppered with aspen trees, pristine lakes, and thick forests. You will see the otherworldly Mono Lake, an ancient saline soda lake covering 65 square miles. Look out for birds—between 1-2 million migrate through each year—and for the bizarre tufa towers. Mono Lake is famous for these ghostly limestone growths jutting up like long dead trees on the shoreline. (B)

◆ Yosemite View Lodge or similar















#### Day 6 • Yosemite National Park

Spend most of the day visiting one of the crown jewels of the National Park System: Yosemite! This magnificent and diverse land, with elevations ranging from 2,000 to over 13,000 feet, abounds with spectacular granite cliffs, giant waterfalls, grand meadows, and towering trees. Central to the National Park idea, Yosemite was designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1984. Discover Yosemite Valley, which lies among the impressive Half Dome and El Capitan summits. Half Dome is appropriately named for its one sheer face and three smooth and round faces, which make it appear like a dome that has been cut in half. The 3,000-foot-tall El Capitan is an impressive vertical rock formation that is a sight to behold.

◆ America's Best Value Inn Oakhurst or similar

# 🛱 Day 7 • Kings Canyon National Park

Enjoy panoramic vistas as you explore Kings Canyon National Park. See the ancient giant sequoias and redwoods in Grant Grove. At the center of Grant Grove is the General Giant Tree, the second largest tree in the world. This 3,000-year-old wonder stands almost 270 feet tall and has a base circumference of 107 feet! With terrain ranging from sun-soaked foothills to alpine forests, a huge variety of wildlife call these two national parks home. Look out for animals including gray foxes, bobcats, marmots, pikas, eagles, and bears. Spend the evening in Oakhurst. (B)

◆ Comfort Inn & Suites Visalia or similar

# Day 8 • Visalia via Seguoia National **Park**

Take a pleasant drive to the thick forests of Sequoia National Park, which is adjacent to Kings Canyon and just as magnificent. Designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site and administered by the National Park Service with Kings Canyon National Park, Sequoia is home to the largest living single-stem tree in the world, General Sherman, Standing 275 feet tall with a diameter of 25 feet, the towering tree is marvelous! The Giant Forest, where you'll find General Sherman, also contains an impressive five of the ten largest trees on Earth. (B)

◆ Four Points by Sheraton or similar

# Day 9 · Los Angeles

Drive to Los Angeles, and take a guided tour of the city's can't-miss highlights. View Beverly Hills, the Hollywood Walk of Fame, the ornate TCL Chinese Theatre, and the Dolby Theatre where every year the world's biggest movie stars don their finest and shine bright at the Academy Awards. Next, head to the sprawling Getty Center Museum for a guided tour of the popular museum and to enjoy some of LA's finest views while enjoying an included lunch. (B, L)

♦ Holiday Inn LAX or similar

Note: Guests who book the reverse itinerary will visit the Getty Villa and have an included lunch there

# Day 10 • Depart for Home (B)

On certain tour dates, you may choose to combine this with our other national parks tours. If you are joining us for our Ultimate California & Canyons tour or our Ultimate National Parks tour, you can enjoy a museum visit in Las Vegas before continuing to our Crimson Canyons & Mesas itinerary.

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EXTRA \$100 OFF	<sup>\$</sup> 1,399
Jun 20 <sup>+</sup>	\$ <del>1,849</del>
Book by 4/30	\$ <del>1,599</del>
EXTRA \$100 OFF	<sup>\$</sup> 1,499
Aug 22 <sup>+</sup> , Sep 1	\$ <del>1,849</del>
Book by 4/30	<sup>\$</sup> 1,599

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- Explore the diverse landscape of Capitol Reef National Park, unlike any other in Utah!
- See the incredible hoodoos and sandstone monuments of Bryce and Zion National Parks
- Witness the stunning views at Horseshoe Bend and Lake Powell
- · Enjoy the Grand Canyon at sunset or sunrise

#### INCLUDES

9 nights hotels, 7 breakfasts, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels, sightseeing per itinerary, and park entrances.

#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

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# Day 1 • Arrive in Denver

Welcome to Denver, one of the most up-and coming cities in the U.S. The Mile High City is Colorado's buzzing capital, where urban sophistication meets outdoor adventure! Guests who book their air through YMT will be greeted by a YMT representative and transferred to their hotel. The night is yours to relax.

parks. Most Americans only see one or two of these parks in their lifetime, so seeing so many of them in just one trip is truly amazing!

◆ Sheraton Denver Tech or similar

#### Day 2 • Denver to Grand Junction

Take in the beautiful Rocky Mountains today on our drive through Colorado. Enjoy the scenery as you travel through Arapaho National Forest, which straddles the Continental Divide in the Front Range west of Denver. Stop for lunch on your own in the resort town of Vail, a popular getaway at the base of Vail Mountain. This evening, arrive in Grand Junction, the hub of Colorado's wine country, for your stay. (B)

♦ Hampton Inn Grand Junction or similar

# Day 3 • Canyonlands National Park

Explore Canyonlands National Park, a magical outdoor wonderland of enchanting vistas! The colorful park is divided into four districts—Island in the Sky, The Needles, The Maze, and the combined Green and Colorado Rivers, which carved two large canyons into the Colorado Plateau. Marvel at the wild beauty and drama of this spectacular landscape unlike anywhere

else in the world! Continue to your hotel in Moab this evening, the ideal gateway for a visit to both Arches and Canyonlands National Park. (B)

♦ Fairfield Inn Moab or similar

#### Day 4 · Arches National Park

A stunning highlight awaits! For the past 150 million years, the more than 2,000 natural sandstone arches of Arches National Park have been sculpted by the natural erosion of wind, water, sun, and frost—creating an unmistakably unique landscape. See Balanced Rock, one of the park's most iconic features; the impressive 52-foot tall Delicate Arch; and the Windows Section, a unique area with many arches that is considered the beating heart of the park. (B)

♦ Fairfield Inn Moab or similar

#### Day 5 • Capitol Reef National Park

Discover Capitol Reef National Park. The area boasts a diverse landscape unlike anywhere else in Utah—stunning red rock formations and canyons, pristine meadows, alpine forests, and lush green valleys. Also throughout the park, you'll find the Capitol Reef Petroglyphs, impressive rock art figures created by ancient Native Americans. Continue this evening to your hotel in Bryce Canyon. (B)

♦ Best Western Plus Ruby's Inn or similar

# Day 6 • Bryce Canyon and Zion National Park

Discover Bryce Canyon National Park today. Despite its name, Bryce is not a canyon but a













collection of giant natural amphitheaters. Its distinctive geological structures, called hoodoos, were formed by frost weathering and stream erosion from the river. Standing at the rim, you are offered spectacular views in red, orange and white that will surely be spellbinding. After lunch, continue to Zion National Park. The halfmile deep park floor is lush with foliage, as well as mule deer, wild turkeys, gray foxes, and the occasional porcupine. Our drive then continues to Lake Powell. Supported by the Glen Canyon Dam, Lake Powell is a beautifully situated water reservoir on the Colorado River, surrounded by red rocks. (B)

♦ Best Western View of Lake Powell or similar

# Day 7 • Page Leisure Day

Spend the day in Page how you wish. Your time in this small, friendly town offers a chance for you to unwind, or perhaps join the exciting morning Antelope Canyon tour or the relaxing evening Lake Powell dinner cruise, choose one or both (optionals at additional cost)! (B)

♦ Best Western View of Lake Powell or similar



# OPTION:LAKE POWELL SUNSET DINNER CRUISE

Lake Powell is vast, stunningly beautiful, and breathtaking at sunset—which you will enjoy over a

meal on your Canyon Princess River Cruise \$109 p/p. On select dates. Please add this option at time of booking.

# □ Day 8 • Horseshoe Bend En Route to the Grand Canyon

Today we see Horseshoe Bend, a u-shaped area of the Grand Canyon along the Colorado River near Page, Arizona. Marvel at the view of this

stunning rock from 1,000 feet above—be sure to bring your camera for a spectacular shot! We continue on historic Route 66 to the grandest of all parks in the West—the Grand Canyon! The park shuttle system makes it easy to take it all in at your own pace, or for an unforgettable experience, join us for an optional helicopter tour over the canyon (additional cost). The evening and the sunset, which lights the canyon in many hues of red and purple, is yours to enjoy! (B)

♦ Yavapai Lodge West or similar

### Day 9 • Grand Canyon & Las Vegas

Rise early to witness an unforgettable sunrise over the canyon, either by walking to the rim on your own or booking an optional tour with sunrise breakfast at the famed El Tovar Lodge (additional cost). We'll continue in the afternoon to Las Vegas for an evening at leisure. Just outside your hotel's doorstep await neon lights, the famed Fremont Street Experience, gambling, or glamorous shows!

♦ Golden Nugget Hotel & Casino or similar

#### Day 10 • Depart for Home

On certain tour dates, you may choose to combine this with our other national parks tours. If you are joining us for our Ultimate Canyons & Rocky Mountains tour or our Ultimate National Parks tour, you can enjoy Denver today, including entrances to the city's top attractions, before continuing on our Rocky Mountains & Black Hills itinerary. (B)

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- Enjoy spectacular views on a scenic drive through majestic Grand Teton National Park
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- Marvel at the stone carvings of Mount Rushmore and Crazy Horse Memorial
- Take in the fantastic landscape of Rocky Mountain National Park
- Explore the frontier territory of the Oregon Trail at Fort Laramie

#### INCLUDES

9 nights hotels, 6 breakfasts, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels, sightseeing per itinerary, and park entrance.

#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

RELAXED EASY GOING MODERATE ACTIVE VERY ACTIVE

# Day 1 • Arrive in Salt Lake City

tour is sure to leave you captivated!

Welcome to Utah's grand capital. This beautiful city played host to the 2002 winter Olympics, and you can still enjoy many of the improvements designed to make the city welcoming. Salt Lake City has the hospitable feel of a friendly mountain town, and is full of stunning parks, wonderful restaurants, and opportunities to shop, enjoy art, or take in live theatre and music Guests who booked their air with YMT will be met by a YMT representative and transferred to their hotel. The evening is at your leisure.

◆ Fairfield Inn & Suites Downtown or similar

# Day 2 • Salt Lake City to Jackson

Relax and take in the scenery from your motor coach as we make the drive to Jackson Hole, Wyoming. Enjoy the evening at leisure in Jackson, one of the most quaint, yet upscale, mountain resort towns in the west. Home to three ski areas, Jackson is a cowboy town with beautiful mountain surroundings. The Town Square features an arch made of shed antlers from the nearby National Elk Refuge, and the National Museum of Wildlife Art features works by Andy Warhol and Georgia O'Keefe. (B)

♦ Elk Country Inn or similar

# Day 3 • Grand Teton National Park and Old Faithful

Mt. Rushmore, Yellowstone, the Grand Tetons, and Salt Lake City. This

A spectacular landscape awaits as we continue to Grand Teton National Park this morning. Enjoy the majestic mountains, pristine lakes, and wildlife! Then, contine to Yellowstone National Park and pay a visit to Old Faithful, the park's most famous geyser whose 20 daily eruptions attract many of the park's 4 million annual visitors

♦ Yellowstone Park Hotel or similar

# Day 4 • Yellowstone National Park

This morning we take more time to drive through Yellowstone, our nation's first national park. See spectacular geysers, lakes, and mountains during your time here! Have your camera ready for likely sightings of buffalo, elk, moose, gray wolves, or bears. Take in the tranquility of Hayden Valley and the vibrant colors of the geysers—Yellowstone is a feast for the eyes! Continue on to Cody, and explore this quaint Western town tonight on your own. Enjoy an overnight stay in lovingly-restored rustic cabins.

♦ Buffalo Bill Village Cabins or similar

# Day 5 • Buffalo Bill Center of the West to Sheridan

Today we visit the Buffalo Bill Center of the West, a complex of five museums where you can learn more about the American icon "Buffalo Bill"













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Cody, as well as the art and history of the Plains Indian tribes. Our drive then continues through Big Horn National Forest as we make our way to Sheridan, Wyoming. This charming town is where western history and dramatic mountain vistas meet modern comforts in a serene setting. Set against an awe-inspiring backdrop of the Bighorn Mountains, it's no secret why Sheridan is known as the "heart of Ruby Valley."

♦ Best Western Sheridan Center or similar

### 🛱 Day 6 • Rapid City via Deadwood

Immerse yourself in Wild West history today with a stop in the frontier town of Deadwood, South Dakota. This city at the heart of the Black Hills Gold Rush is where Old West figures "Calamity Jane" once lived and where "Wild Bill" Hickok played his last game of cards. Continue on to Rapid City tonight and take the evening to relax before an exciting day tomorrow. (B)

♦ Howard Johnson Rapid City or similar

#### 🛱 Day 7 • Mount Rushmore, Crazy Horse Memorial, and Custer State Park

Take a wonderful scenic drive through the Black Hills today! You'll have opportunities for sightseeing at Mount Rushmore National Monument and Crazy Horse Memorial, incredible and iconic stone carvings in the rock formations of South Dakota. You'll also have some leisure time in Custer State Park. South Dakota's first state park, famous for its bison herds, historic sites, fishing lakes, scenic drives, and more! (B)

♦ Howard Johnson Rapid City or similar



#### **OPTION: BISON SAFARI JEEP TOUR**

Take a guided open-air jeep ride through Custer State Park in search of pronghorns, elk, and bison! Just \$77 p/p. Please add this option at time of bookina.

# Day 8 • Fort Laramie and Mammoth

Your first stop today is a visit to The Mammoth Site, a museum and paleontological site. Continue along the Oregon Trail to the Fort Laramie Historic Site. Originally a private fur trading fort, the "grand old post" became the largest and best known military post on the Northern Plains. We arrive in Cheyenne, Wyoming and learn about the rodeo and railroad capital of the Old West, which became the epicenter of westward rail expansion. Enjoy a leisurely evening tonight—perhaps stop at the Cheyenne Depot Plaza and Museum. (B)

◆ Red Lion Cheyenne or similar

#### 🛱 Day 9 • Rocky Mountain National Park to Denver

Discover scenic mountains, majestic alpine lakes, and an abundance of wildlife today as we travel through spectacular Rocky Mountain National Park. We'll make our way to Denver and enjoy a city tour of the Mile High City. The rest of the evening is yours. (B)

◆ Sheraton Denver Tech or similar

Day 10 • Depart for Home (B)



- · See Glacier National Park and its Canadian sister park, Waterton National Park
- · Cross the Continental Divide on the Icefields Parkway, and enjoy an included tour with the Ice Explorer onto the glacier
- Visit the Fort Museum, the first permanent post for the famous Royal Canadian **Mounted Police**
- Drive through the breathtaking Going to the Sun Road
- Stop at the legendary 5,500-year-old Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump
- · Discover Banff National Park and see the stunning waters of Lake Louise

#### INCLUDES

9 nights hotels, 9 breakfasts, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels, sightseeing per itinerary, and park entrance.

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#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

RELAXED EASY GOING MODERATE ACTIVE VERY ACTIVE

# Day 1 • Arrive in Calgary, AB

If you booked your flight with YMT, you will be met by a representative at the airport and transferred to the hotel.

in a landscape so pristine it promises to take your breath away.

♦ Sandman Calgary City Center or similar

#### 🛱 Day 2 • Edmonton via Elk Island **National Park**

Today you'll travel Edmonton, with a stop at Elk Island National Park en route. Elk Island National Park is a sanctuary of rolling woodlands and meadows dotted with lakes, bogs and ponds. It was originally established as a fenced-in reserve in 1906 to save a number of Western Canada's most iconic animals, including the then criticallyendangered elk. Over the decades, the elk population recovered, and the reserve grew into the stunning Elk Island National Park.

Continue to Edmonton, where we encourage you to enjoy the evening relaxing in this city because tomorrow you head deep into some of Canada's

♦ Hilton Garden Inn West Edmonton or similar

# Day 3 • Jasper National Park via

Enjoy a peaceful cruise on a narrated panoramic tour across the crystal waters of glacier-fed Maligne Lake. Glide past jagged mountain peaks as we cruise to Spirit Island, a worldfamous destination only accessible by boat.

Next, experience Jasper National Park, the largest national park in the Canadian Rockies. Its landscape covers an expansive region of rugged backcountry and mountainous terrain across numerous protected ecosystems, including the world-renowned Columbia Icefield. The night will be spent in Hinton. (B)

♦ Holiday Inn Hinton or similar

### Day 4 • Icefields Parkway and Banff **National Park**

After an included breakfast, travel along the Icefields Parkway en route to stunning Banff. Stop to experience the breathtaking Athabasca Glacier, the most visited glacier in North America, nestled at the bottom of the Columbia Icefield. Board a massive Brewster Ice Explorer and take a remarkable excursion onto the surface of the Athabasca Glacier. Experience the full magnitude of this enormous icefield as you take in the view and feel the glacier underfoot. You'll also have the opportunity to join one our most exciting optional tours by stepping onto the "Glacier Skywalk," a glass floor observation platform suspended 918 feet over the Sunwapta Valley. (B)

◆ Coast Hotel Canmore or similar

#### **OPTION: THE GLACIER SKYWALK EXPERIENCE**



Stand between land and sky - the glass floored observation platform will extend approximately 98 feet from the cliff above Sunwapta Canyon. \$49 p/p. Please add this option at time of booking.















#### Day 5 • Banff National Park

Spend the day absorbing the beauty of Banff. Enjoy a stop at Bow Falls, where you will take in the sparkling water dancing in the sunlight, and hear it roar as it cascades down the limestone ledges. Peyto Lake is a perennially popular spot for visitors. Significant amounts of glacial rock flour flow into Peyto Lake from a nearby glacier, and these suspended rock particles are what give the lake a unique bright, blue-green color. Finally, see Canada's "Diamond in the Wilderness," Lake Louise, known for its glacier fed turquoise waters. The lake's tranquil surface mirroring the magnificent peaks and lush forest all around will leave you speechless, making Lake Louise a perfect location to take a picture worth much more than a thousand words. (B)

♦ Coast Hotel Canmore or similar

# Day 6 • Waterton Lakes National Park

Drive the scenic route from Banff to Waterton Lakes National Park, which features a mild climate, rare wildflowers, wildlife, and unusual terrain that abruptly transitions from the prairie grasslands to the rugged, wind-swept peaks that form the Continental Divide. Enjoy the scenery and a leisurely afternoon in Cranbrook! (B)

♦ St. Eugene Resort or similar

# Day 7 • Kalispell via Flathead Lake

En route to Kalispell, enjoy a memorable sightseeing trip to Flathead Lake. One of the biggest lakes in the United States, Flathead covers nearly 200 square miles. Its water is remarkably clean, you can often see more than 20 feet down, which, locals love to tell visitors, allows you to see the Flathead Lake Monster that much more clearly. (B)

◆ Red Lion Kalispell or similar

#### Day 8 • Lethbridge Via the Going to the Sun Road

From Kalispell, take the breathtaking Going to the Sun Road through Glacier National Park, with a memorable stop at the Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump along the way. Learn about the Blackfoot people and their traditions at this buffalo jump that was used for 5,500 years by the indigenous peoples of the plains to kill buffalo by driving them off the high cliff. (B)

◆ Sandman Hotel Lethbridge or similar

# Day 9 • Fort MacLeod and Calgary

Start your final full day with an educational visit to Fort MacLeod's Fort Museum, which houses a range of exhibits celebrating local history and First Nations traditions in a way that is interactive and fun for all ages. This reconstructed institution provides an amazing window into the way life was in this once far-flung outpost. Return to Calgary for the night and conclude your tour of the majestic Canadian Rockies. (B)

◆ Sandman Calgary City Center or similar

Day 10 • Depart for Home (B)

### **BONUS: CALGARY STAMPEDE**



July 2, 2021 departure will visit the Calgary Stampede, an event that celebrates Canada's western heritage, culture and community spirit. Experience midway rides. bucking broncos, live music, and delicious food on the annual event that bills itself as "The Greatest Outdoor Show on Earth."

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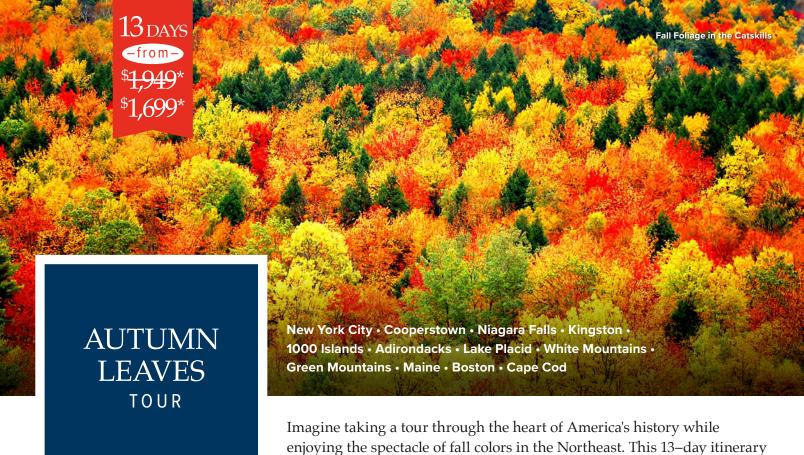
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- Drive in comfort through the stunning Catskill Mountains, home to some of the most brilliant foliage
- Enjoy a visit to Cooperstown, New York, where you will explore the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum, and the historic Fly Creek Cider Mill
- See the spectacle of the astonishing Niagara Falls in Canada
- Explore Kingston, Canada's first capital
- Enjoy a sightseeing cruise through the 1000 Islands
- Drive through the beautiful scenery of Adirondack Park, the White Mountains, and the Green Mountains

#### INCLUDES

12 nights hotels, 8 breakfasts, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels, and sightseeing per itinerary.

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#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

RELAXED EASY GOING MODERATE ACTIVE VERY ACTIVE

# ★ Day 1 • Arrive in New York City

Guests who have booked their flights through YMT Vacations will be greeted at the airport by a YMT representative and transferred to their hotel

♦ Hyatt Place Secaucus or similar

# Day 2 · Cooperstown

From the hustle and bustle of the greatest city in the world, take a leisurely scenic drive through the extravagantly colorful Catskill Mountains en route to the charming village of Cooperstown. This quintessentially American town, established in 1786, is said to be the birthplace of baseball; enjoy a stop for lunch, then learn about America's pastime on your tour of the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum. (B)

◆ Comfort Inn Cooperstown or similar

# Day 3 · Cooperstown to Niagara Falls

Start your day with a fascinating self-guided tour of the Fly Creek Cider Mill, a 164-year-old water-powered cider mill set directly atop the swift-moving Fly Creek just outside of Cooperstown. Experience firsthand what goes into making delicious sweet apple cider the old-fashioned way. Be sure to try a sample in the gift shop, and maybe pick up some of their famous homemade fudge. Travel through the autumn landscapes of New York. Later, you

will cross the border to Canada for a two-night stay at awe-inspiring Niagara Falls. Millions of gallons of water fall over the horseshoe-shaped falls every second, creating a powerful sight and sound! (B)

♦ Clifton Victoria Inn or similar

#### Day 4 • Niagara Falls Leisure Day

Enjoy a leisure day in Niagara Falls. You may choose from an array of optional excursions to experience Niagara Falls even closer, including a boat tour to the base of the Falls, a "Journey behind the Falls," or a lunch in a revolving dining room with 360° views of the Falls. Choose one or more (all at additional cost). (B)

♦ Clifton Victoria Inn or similar



takes you from New York City to Niagara Falls, Boston and then back to

New York, against a backdrop of the rich colors of fall.

#### **OPTION: SKYLON TOWER LUNCH**

Enjoy 360° views of Niagara Falls as the Skylon Tower rotates while you dine. Includes Ride-to-top to observation deck! §49 p/p. Please add this option at time of booking.

# ☐ ☐ Day 5 • Kingston and 1000 Islands Region

Continue along the shores of Lake Ontario to Kingston, Canada's first capital from 1841-1844 and home to Fort Henry and the Royal Military College of Canada, amongst many other historic landmarks. In Gananoque, you'll board a 2.5 hour boat cruise through the heart of the 1000 Islands, a true vacation highlight! Enjoy the fascinating narrative as you cruise through















narrow channels, over historic sunken wrecks, and by magnificent summer homes of the rich and famous, including Boldt Castle, where you will learn about its romantic, yet tragic story! (B)

◆ Comfort Inn Gananoque or similar

#### 🛱 Day 6 • Rutland via Lake Placid

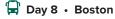
After crossing back into the U.S., continue through the beautiful Adirondack region, a six-million-acre civilized wilderness, dotted with quaint towns and charming lakeside villages. It is the largest protected area in the contiguous United States, larger than the parks of Yellowstone, Yosemite, Glacier, Grand Canyon and the Great Smokies combined. Travel along the stretches of the Olympic Byway, High Peaks Byway, and Lakes to Locks Passage—an all-American road. En route we will stop in Lake Placid, home to the 1932 and 1980 Winter Olympics. Your day will end in the heart of the Green Mountains in Rutland, VT. (B)

◆ Comfort Inn Trolley Square or similar

# Day 7 • Ogunquit/Wells via White Mountains

Leave the Green Mountains and enter another spectacular forest area: The White Mountains! Visit Franconia Notch State Park and stop at Flume Gorge for an opportunity to walk through this beautiful scenery. Next, enjoy a scenic drive along Kancamagus Highway, a National Scenic Byway where covered bridges and waterfalls enhance the magnificent landscape. Your day ends in southwestern Maine. (B)

♦ Ogunquit Hotel & Suites or similar



Travel south along the New England coast to visit beautiful and historic Boston. En route, we stop at an iconic lighthouse. Enjoy an afternoon

city tour of Boston, where you will follow parts of the Freedom Trail and see Boston Common, Paul Revere House, Quincy Market, Faneuil Hall, Old North Church, Old State House and many more historic sites. Take some time and picture the lives of our founding fathers during the pinnacle of the independence movement. (B)

♦ Courtyard Marriott Woburn North or similar

# Days 9 & 10 · Cape Cod

On day 9, after a brief stop in Plymouth where the *Mayflower* first landed, follow the New England coastline until you reach the peninsula of Cape Cod. As we drive along the outer Atlantic side of the Cape, we will visit Cape Cod National Seashore known for its pristine sandy beach, lighthouses and wild cranberry bogs. On day 10, you may join your fellow travelers on an optional excursion to Martha's Vineyard.

◆ Resort & Conference Center at Hyannis or similar

#### Day 11 • Bridgeport via Newport

En route to Connecticut, we stop in America's smallest state, Rhode Island. In Newport, you will enjoy an included tour of one of the area's famous mansions, once home to the likes of Astors and the Vanderbilts. Today these impressive villas are beautifully restored, preserved by the Newport Preservation Society, and made accessible to the public. Marvel at the intricate, often Italian-inspired architecture, built in the late 1800s by families with plenty of means and an eye for luxurious detail as "summer cottages" in prime locations with astonishing views. Continue south and overnight in Bridgeport, CT.

♦ Holiday Inn Bridgeport or similar

#### Day 12 • New York City

Today, a short drive from Bridgeport, you will arrive in New York City. You will have time to see the major sights of the Big Apple on a panoramic city tour, including the Empire State Building, Rockefeller Center, the Chrysler Building, Central Park and many more. Enjoy the last night of your tour at leisure.

♦ Courtyard by Marriott - Central Park or similar

#### Day 13 • Depart for Home (B)

**Note:** This tour crosses into Canada and does require that guests obtain a passport.



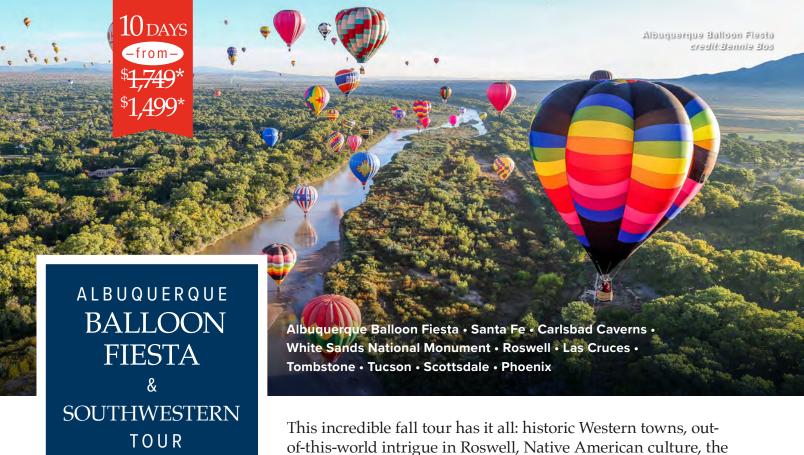
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- Witness the Albuquerque Hot Air Balloon Fiesta, the largest in the world
- Enjoy a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to ride a Hot Air Balloon (optional and at additional cost)
- Soak up the history and culture of New Mexico in Albuquerque and Santa Fe
- Tour Roswell with its fascinating exhibits of the alleged UFO crash
- Visit Carlsbad Caverns, some of the largest caves in the world
- See the expansive and striking White Sands National Monument
- · Visit Tombstone and the O.K. Corral

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#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

RELAXED EASY GOING MODERATE ACTIVE VERY ACTIVE

# ▼ Day 1 • Albuquerque

Your tour begins with arrival in Albuquerque. Guests who have purchased airline tickets from YMT Vacations will be welcomed in the baggage claim area by a YMT representative who will arrange your transfer to the hotel. If you made other flight arrangements, please make your own way to the hotel.

◆ Ramada Plaza by Wyndham or similar

#### Day 2 • Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta

Get up early to witness the famed Hot Air Balloon Fiesta's mass ascension. See hundreds of colorful balloons inflate with giant fans then slowly rise to float into the clear blue sky. Learn the history of this unique Fiesta, and the simple mechanics of hot air ballooning, while witnessing it with your own eyes.

As you proceed for some Albuquerque sightseeing, keep an eye peeled for these balloons – as they land in the most unexpected places! We explore historic Old Town - secluded gardens and patios nestled between winding brick paths full of charming shops, galleries and delicious New Mexican cuisine (meals on your own). The Old Town Plaza has been the focal point of the community since 1706. At night we return to the balloon launch site for the "After Glow," when all the balloons fire their burners at the same time, illuminating the night sky. This

event is followed by a spectacular fireworks display that you will surely enjoy to watch. (B)

◆ Ramada Plaza by Wyndham or similar

# Day 3 • Bandelier National Monument & Santa Fe

incredible beauty of the desert, stunning sunsets and of course, the

not-to-be-missed spectacle of the Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta!

In the morning we will cross the Santa Fe
National Forest and continue to Bandelier
National Monument. Bandelier protects
Ancestral Pueblo archaeological sites within
a wild and beautiful landscape and connects
the modern Pueblo people to their past in a
monument covering 33,000+ acres and over 70
miles of trail. The day ends in Santa Fe. (B)

♦ El Rey Court or similar

# 🛱 Day 4 • UFO Museum & Roswell

This morning we head to Roswell, best known for the Roswell alleged UFO sightings. Guests enjoy a short visit to the International UFO Museum & Research Center, with its eclectic collection of space objects and dioramas depicting the story of the purported 1947 UFO crash just outside town. (B)

♦ Holiday Inn Express or similar

### Day 5 • Carlsbad Caverns

This morning we drive south through the Chihuahuan Desert, filled with prickly pears, chollas and agaves, to visit incredible Carlsbad













Caverns National Park, with 100 of the largest caves in the world. These limestone caverns were formed 250 million years ago - the stalagmite and stalactites that abound in this subterranean world are truly a wonder to explore. At night we will return to Roswell once more. (B)

♦ Holiday Inn Express or similar

# Day 6 • White Sands National Monument & Las Cruces

See the unusual and beautiful White Sands National Monument! After an orientation at the Visitors Center, we drive through wave-like dunes of gypsum sand – brilliant snow-white dunes whose color changes with the sun and topography. (B)

**♦** La Quinta Las Cruces or similar

#### Day 7 • Tombstone & Tucson

This morning, travel through ranches and towns that claim a colorful history of Apache raids, outlaws and gunfights, stopping in the most famous of them all – Tombstone! Walk the same historic streets as Wyatt Earp and Doc Holiday, which are preserved with their original 1880's buildings. See the famed OK Corral, the Tombstone Epitaph newspaper office, and Crystal Palace. Then upon arrival in Tucson this afternoon, visit the San Xavier del Bac Mission. Known as "the White Dove of the Desert," it is considered one of the finest examples of mission architecture in the USA. (B)

◆ La Quinta Inn & Suites Tucson Reid Park or similar

# Day 8 • Casa Grande National Monument & Phoenix

Today, we depart the "Sunshine City of the Southwest" for Phoenix, the "Valley of the Sun." En route we will stop to explore the ancient Native American ruins at Casa Grande National Monument, our nation's first archaeological preserve. This evening, perhaps you'll want to join your group for a rustic cowboy style dinner (optional and at an additional cost). (B)

◆ Embassy Suites Phoenix-Downtown North or similar

# Day 9 • Scottsdale & Phoenix Leisure Day

Today is your day to explore the Scottsdale area on your own. This city just outside of Phoenix is known for its spa resorts and golf courses, and has a wonderful Old Town— the perfect place to shop and browse art galleries. As an appropriate ending to your Southwestern Tour with Balloon Fiesta, you also have the opportunity today to take an optional Sunrise Balloon Flight! Enjoy the fresh air as you glide over the beautiful and just awaking flora and fauna at sunrise. This magnificent experience is not to be missed! (B)

◆ Embassy Suites Phoenix-Downtown North or similar

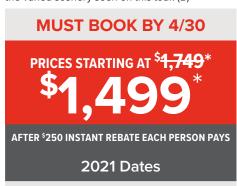
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#### OPTION: SUNRISE HOT AIR BALLOON RIDE Glide into the air high above the Sonoran Desert and enjoy the views of nature awakening as the sun rises on this 1-hour (approx) flight, just

\$229 p/p. Please add this option at

## ▼ Day 10 • Depart for Home

Depart for home with fond memories of newfound friends and plenty of photographs of the varied scenery seen on this tour. (B)



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#### **TOUR HIGHLIGHTS**

- See Boston, Quebec City and Montreal on panoramic city tours
- Stay on Cape Cod and tour one of Newport's famous mansions
- Walk the same red sand beaches as Anne of Green Gables on Prince Edward Island
- Witness the brilliant fall colors during foliage season on your coach tour through the Green Mountains

#### INCLUDES

7-night cruise aboard Norwegian Cruise Line's Norwegian Gem, 6-night land tour with hotels, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels and on the cruise ship, 3 breakfasts while on the land tour and all meals while on the cruise, and sightseeing per itinerary.

**Note:** (B, L, D) as noted at the end of itinerary text indicates meals included for that day. All meals on cruise are included.

#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

RELAXED EASY GOING MODERATE ACTIVE VERY ACTIVE

✗ Day 1 ⋅ Arrive in Boston

Today you will arrive in Boston. Guests who have purchased their airline tickets through YMT will be greeted by a YMT representative and transferred to their hotel.

♦ Embassy Suites Boston at Logan Airport or

# Day 2 • Boston and the Freedom

Spend the day enjoying Boston, the epicenter of the Revolution and one of America's most interesting and energetic cities. Enjoy a morning sightseeing tour of many of Boston's best historic landmarks including the Paul Revere House and Boston Common. Break for a delicious lunch on your own at Quincy Market. Built in 1826, it is among the most famous places in Boston to grab a steaming bowl of chowda' or a luscious slice of Boston Cream Pie. Spend some time strolling the Freedom Trail to appreciate Boston's nickname, "The Walking City," or join us on an optional afternoon tour. (B)

♦ Embassy Suites Boston at Logan Airport or similar

# Day 3 • Cape Cod via Newport

Newport, Rhode Island was the favorite summer playground of America's most legendary tycoons and titans during the Gilded Age of the late 19th century. The Vanderbilts and Astors were among the wealthy families who summered in these opulent seaside "cottages." Enjoy a Newport Mansion tour to start the day, then continue east to Cape Cod, known for its charming small towns, lighthouses, and wild cranberry bogs. (B)

◆ Courtyard by Marriott Cape Cod Hyannis or similar

# Day 4 • Rutland

Stunning natural beauty, vibrant history, and some of the world's best seafood are all waiting for you on this glorious East Coast adventure.

En route to Rutland, visit a Shaker Village; these living history museums provide insight to the "Shakers," a centuries old religious community known for its unique style of music and furniture.

◆ Comfort Inn - Trolley Square or similar

# Day 5 • Montreal via Green Mountains

Today is all about the glorious fall foliage colors! As we drive north across the border into Montreal, you will be inspired by the scenic drive through the Green Mountains. The highways and byways are ablaze with vibrant reds, oranges, yellows and greens. We will stop to admire the views at Lake Champlain, for lunch on your own, or you may choose to join us for an optional lunch cruise. (B)

♦ Sheraton Laval or similar

#### **OPTION: LAKE CHAMPLAIN LUNCH CRUISE**



Enjoy scenic narration views of the Adirondacks and Green Mountains, while enjoying lunch aboard the *Spirit* of Ethan Allen. §44 p/p. Please add this option at time of booking.















#### Day 6 • Montreal and Quebec City

Wake up in Montreal, the world's second-largest French speaking city. Enjoy a panoramic tour this morning, where you will see highlights including Mount Royal, imposing Notre Dame Cathedral, and Old Montreal with its cobblestone streets and charming shops.

♦ Plaza Quebec Hotel or similar



# Day 7 • Quebec City and Cruise

Embarkation (Departs at 4:00 PM)

Explore Quebec City, one of North America's first settlements. Old Quebec's ramparts are Canada's last remaining fortified city walls, with sections dating back to at least the 1690s. Enjoy a panoramic city tour of Old Quebec, where you will see the Château Frontenac and the Plains of Abraham. After time for lunch on your own, you'll board the Norwegian Gem.



💂 Day 8 • At Sea



#### 💂 Day 9 • Charlottetown

(1:00 PM - 8:00 PM)

Opulent clapboard villas lead the way toward Charlottetown's beautiful Victoria Park. Color is everywhere—from the Victorian architecture to the red sandstone cliffs. We encourage you to really relish your time on stunning Prince Edward Island. Sample scrumptious homemade island jams such as strawberry rhubarb and wild blueberry, visit the Anne of Green Gables homestead to pay homage to Canada's favorite slate-cracking redhead, and stroll the boardwalk.



### 🚊 Day 10 • Sydney, Nova Scotia

(9:00 AM - 5:00 PM)

Located on Cape Breton Island, Sydney is surrounded by scenic beauty. Step back in time to 1744 by visiting the Fortress of Louisbourg as part of an optional shore excursion where you will learn about the vital relationship between France and the fledgling American Colonies.



#### **Day 11 • Halifax** (8:00 AM - 5:00 PM)

Nova Scotia's exquisitely preserved capital city was founded in 1749; go back in time with a visit to The Citadel to see the Old Town Clock. Waterfront warehouses known as the Historic Properties harken back to Halifax's bygone days as a trading hub for privateer ships commissioned by governments to pillage, steal and burn merchant vessels.



#### Day 12 • Portland (11:00 AM - 8:00 PM)

Famous for its picture-perfect lighthouses, delightful historic district, world-class museums, and a thriving culinary and craft beer scene. Maine's largest city is a definite contender for America's coolest port town. The red brick buildings of the historic Old Port district house many of Portland's best restaurants, where you can try everything from highly experimental fine dining, to humble pub grub, to the simple, perfect lobster roll—a beloved local specialty. Take a stroll along the waterfront to enjoy gorgeous views of Casco Bay, and ask anyone you see in bright orange overalls how the lobster pots are doing. Say hello to bigfoot and learn all about the Mongolian Death Worm at the International Cryptozoology Museum. Finally, Portland Headlight is always worth a stop. It's Maine's oldest operating lighthouse and one of our country's prettiest.



#### **Day 13** • Bar Harbor (8:00 AM - 5:00 PM)

Bar Harbor has retained much of its charm from the glory days of the 1900s when it became a popular vacation destination for America's richest and most powerful families. Look for Cadillac Mountain towering above the breathtaking forest and rugged shores of Acadia National Park, Bar Harbor's next-door neighbor.

### Day 14 • Disembarkation in Boston & **Depart for Home**

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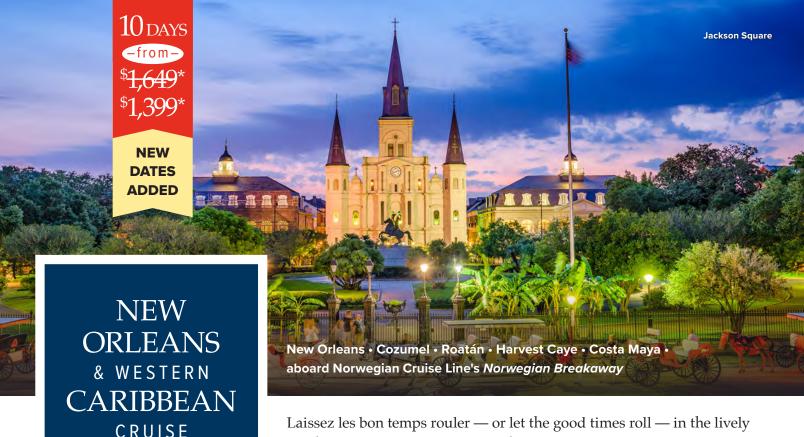
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#### **TOUR HIGHLIGHTS**

- Enjoy a delicious Jazz Lunch with traditional New Orleans cuisine and a live jazz trio in the French Quarter
- Tour the French Quarter, Bourbon Street, the Mississippi River and the Mardi Gras route
- Visit Harvest Caye, Norwegian Cruise Line's private island
- Relax on unspoiled beaches across the Caribbean

#### INCLUDES

7-night cruise aboard Norwegian Cruise Line's Norwegian Breakway, 3-day land tour with hotels, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels and on the cruise ship, 3 meals on land portion, all meals while on the cruise, and sightseeing per itinerary.

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#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

RELAXED EASY GOING MODERATE ACTIVE VERY ACTIVE

and historic city of New Orleans, then embark for paradise on a relaxing Western Caribbean cruise on Norwegian Cruise Line's *Norwegian Breakaway*. Warm weather, flavorful cuisine and the good life await!

#### ▼ Day 1 • Fly to New Orleans

Welcome to New Orleans! If you purchased airline tickets from YMT Vacations, a friendly YMT representative will greet you at the airport and transport you to your centrally located hotel. Tonight is yours to enjoy—take an evening stroll through the famously lively city that takes its French motto, "laissez les bon temps rouler," which means "let the good times roll," very seriously!

♦ Hampton Inn & Suites Downtown French Quarter or similar

#### Day 2 • New Orleans City Tour

Enjoy a half-day included tour of "The Big Easy," one of the country's oldest and most interesting cities with an included Jazz Lunch at Court of Two Sisters, an open-air restaurant in the heart of the French Quarter. Enjoy complexly flavored Creole and Louisiana dishes while a live jazz trio play their soulful tunes in the middle of the courtyard. You'll see the French Quarter with Jackson Square, along with St. Louis Cathedral and colorful Bourbon Street during a short walk. Visit one of the famous old cemeteries, then continue to the shore of Lake Pontchartrain. View the longest bridge in the world and see the new flood gates and rebuilt levees, as well as mansions. Finally, we'll follow the Mardi Gras route on St. Charles Avenue. (B, L)

♦ Hampton Inn & Suites Downtown French Quarter or similar

#### OPTION: NEW ORLEANS SCHOOL OF COOKING



Take an optional visit to the New Orleans School of Cooking. Learn how to make and then savor New Orleans cuisine. \$64 p/p. Please add this option at time of booking.

# ☐ ☐ Day 3 • New Orleans and Embarkation

Spend the morning at your leisure or join us for an optional tour before we head to the cruise port to board the *Norwegian Breakaway*, where you'll have plenty of time to relax, settle into your stateroom, and get acquainted with the ship before dinner. The cruise departs the port of New Orleans in the late afternoon. (B)

### 💂 Day 4 • At Sea

Now that you're at sea, there's nothing to do but, unwind, rejuvenate, and breathe in the warm ocean air. The *Norwegian Breakaway* was built for your enjoyment, so do take advantage of its many onboard facilities, entertainment and dining choices.

# 💂 Day 5 • Cozumel, Mexico

(8:00 AM - 5:00 PM)

The island of Cozumel off the tip of the Yucatan Peninsula has done a fine job of retaining its cultural character over the years despite an explosion of popularity in its tourism sector. It has everything that visitors want—gorgeous beaches, warm waters, incredible reefs, friendly













locals, and perfectly spicy cuisine—but has also managed to keep much of its authentically vibrant Mexican-Caribbean personality intact. There is nothing so perfectly refreshing as a bowl of fresh fruit paired with an ocean view, so we strongly encourage guests to stop at a fresh fruit stand whenever they get thirsty. Ask "¿Qué nos recomienda?" or "What do you suggest?" to guarantee the best variety of the tastiest fruit.

### 🚊 Day 6 • Roatán, Bay Islands, Honduras (8:00 AM - 5:00 PM)

Welcome to Roatán, the jewel of the Bay Islands, located just off the north coast of Honduras. The beaches here are second to none, and the warm water is teeming with exotic fish, coral, and gentle sea turtles who thrive here in the world's second largest barrier reef. Come hungry, because Roatán is famous for offering a wide variety of world-class cuisine. Fresh fish and lobster are always a tasty choice, but if you want to eat like a true local, you have to give a freshly fried conch fritter a taste.

# 💂 Day 7 • Harvest Caye

(7:00 AM - 5:00 PM)

Relaxation is the name of the game at Harvest Caye, a 75-acre private island open exclusively to guests of Norwegian Cruise Lines. Designed to showcase the Caribbean's stunning natural beauty, unique wildlife, and dynamic culture, your time on Harvest Caye is a vacation within a vacation.

The Nature Center is a one of Harvest Caye's most unique features. It's free to visit, and is a great place to see massive boa constrictors and colorful toucans and scarlet macaws. The enclosed Blue Morpho Butterfly Sanctuary is nothing short of marvelous—you'll be

surrounded by countless native butterfly species and more than a few intrepid iguanas whose disinterest in humans is truly a sight to behold.

### 💂 Day 8 • Costa Maya, Mexico

(7:00 AM - 2:00 PM)

This unspoiled coastal paradise in the Yucatán is full of brilliant butterflies, exotic tropical birds, pristine white sand beaches, and delicious dining options. The port at Costa Maya is a destination in itself, with a welcoming tropical aesthetic and plenty of restaurants, shopping, and excellent opportunities to swim in either the pool or the warm pacific. For an unforgettable cultural experience, you don't want to miss the chance to visit Costa Maya's 3,000-year-old Mayan ruins, which were only rediscovered in the past few years.



#### 💂 Day 9 • At Sea

During the day catch up on some reading, or just enjoy the warm winter Caribbean weather from the sun deck. After dinner try your luck at the casino, or catch a stage show which are designed to razzle and dazzle; this final night is yours to enjoy!

#### 🛪 Day 10 • Disembarkation in New **Orleans and Depart for Home**

Say adios to the Norwegian Breakaway and depart for home. Guests that didn't book their flight with YMT should plan to fly out after 1PM.



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#### **TOUR HIGHLIGHTS**

- · Cruise both the world-famous Inside Passage and the Gulf of Alaska
- · Marvel as huge pieces of ice "calve" (break off) from glaciers, all from the comfort of your luxurious cruise ship
- · Visit one of the world's great frontiers for wilderness adventure during a Denali National Park Tour
- · See bears, elk, bison, and caribou at the Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center

#### INCLUDES

7-night cruise aboard Holland America Line's ms Noordam, 4-night land tour with hotels, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels and on the cruise ship, all meals while on the cruise and sightseeing per itinerary.

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#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

RELAXED EASY GOING MODERATE ACTIVE VERY ACTIVE

Glacier Bay National Park on the same trip! Cruise both the Gulf of Alaska and the Inside Passage and discover the best of the Frontier State by land and by sea—we know it like it's our home.

# Day 1 • Arrive in Seattle

Today your Alaskan Cruise Tour adventure begins in Seattle. If you booked your flight with YMT, a representative will greet you at the airport and transfer you to your hotel.

♦ Crowne Plaza Seattle Airport or similar

# 🛱 💂 Day 2 • Seattle to Vancouver and Embarkation (Departs at 4:30 PM)

We drive north and across the Canadian border to Vancouver, Canada's third largest metropolitan area. After a brief city tour and lunch on your own, you will board the ms Noordam your floating hotel for the next week, with time to settle into your stateroom before dinner.

### 💂 Day 3 • Scenic Inside Passage Cruisina

Cruise along the Alaska Inside Passage and the west coast of Vancouver Island. The famous Inside Passage is one of the most scenic sea lanes in the world. The scenery is breathtaking with forests in a hundred shades of green, turquoise glaciers, and evocative towns.

**Day 4** • Ketchikan (7:00 AM - 3:00 PM)

This distinctive and eye-catching city is built on stilts over the water, with a boardwalk and weathered stairways that cling to the granite cliffs. Stroll Creek Street, the former "Red Light" district with its gold shops, gift boutiques, and restaurants, or visit the Totem Pole Park at Saxman Native Village.



**Day 5** • Juneau (10:00 AM - 10:00 PM)

Today's port of call is Alaska's state capital city, nicknamed "Little San Francisco" because of its narrow streets and multicolored houses that hug the hillside. Sitting at the foot of snowcapped Mt. Juneau and next to the massive Mendenhall Glacier and Juneau Icefields, this remote yet developed city offers a variety of activities like the Mt. Roberts Tramway, ascending 1800 feet for incredible panoramic views.



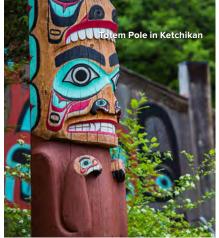
**Day 6** • Skagway (7:00 AM - 9:00 PM)

Where the Gold Rush began, Skagway was the turbulent staging point for prospectors hell-bent on getting to the Klondike gold fields; even in modern day, Skagway's well-preserved history and culture brings to life the 1898 gold rush atmosphere like no other Alaskan port of call. Go ashore to stroll the weathered boardwalks. drop in at old-time saloons, or shop for gold nuggets.

#### 💂 Day 7 • Scenic Cruising Glacier Bay **National Park**

The overwhelming grandeur of glaciers, exotic wildlife, and pristine environment combine to













offer a breathtaking view of raw nature. Spend the entire day cruising a 60-mile passage, passing glaciers galore, abundant wildlife and scenic beauty unique in all the world. Experience the spectacle of glacier calving, where great chunks of ice are continually falling into the bay with a deafening roar, which enhances the fascinating scene.

#### 💂 Day 8 • Scenic Cruising College Fjord

Cruise through the Gulf of Alaska and enjoy a relaxing day at sea as the ms Noordam sails through Prince William Sound to College Fjord, which contains five tidewater and large valley glaciers, a spectacular site. Take full advantage of your last night aboard the ship; the daily newsletter outlines a variety of shipboard activities and the experienced crew will be happy to help with suggestions.





#### 💂 崫 Day 9 • Whittier to Anchorage

(Arrives at 7:00 AM)

We disembark this morning in Whittier, where the land portion of your Alaskan cruise begins. Meet your Tour Director and travel north on your comfortable motor coach to Anchorage. Visit the Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center en route to see Alaska's wildlife up close.

♦ Crowne Plaza Anchorage - Midtown or similar

#### □ Day 10 • Denali via Talkeetna and Wasilla

We leave Anchorage in the morning, traveling north toward Talkeetna. We'll visit the Iditarod Sled Dog Headquarters near Wasilla where you can learn about the "Last Great Race." Rail and coach travelers meet up in Denali and

#### **OPTION: ALASKA RAILROAD UPGRADE**



Upgrade to a scenic 4-hour train ride along the famous Alaska Railroad from Talkeetna to Denali Park. Enjoy 360° views in upper-level seats on Deluxe Dome Railcars for \$189 p/p. Alaska Railroad upgrade must be prebooked. Please add this option at time of booking. \*Train may travel on Day 11.

transfer to the hotel. Spend the rest of the day at leisure or participate in an optional tour.

◆ Denali Grizzly Bear Resort or similar

#### 🛱 Day 11 • Denali National Park to Anchorage

This morning embark on a Denali National Park Tour. Travel 30 miles into the park aboard a park bus to explore one of the world's largest frontiers for wilderness adventure. Your dedicated naturalist will provide a great introduction to the conservation efforts and history of the park. In the afternoon depart for Anchorage.

◆ Crowne Plaza Anchorage - Midtown or similar

#### Day 12 • Depart Anchorage for Home

Note: Most flights from Anchorage are non-direct with at least one or two connections. Departure flights from Anchorage to most cities are overnight and arrive the following day; some flights depart Anchorage after midnight.

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#### Single Supplement from \$1,400

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Anchorage • Talkeetna • Healy (Denali) • Fairbanks



One of nature's most spectacular displays, the aurora borealis are an ethereal display of lights across the night sky—and this tour will take you deep into Alaska to catch sight of them. Experience the best of Alaska's wildlife and scenery, and spend time hunting for the Northern Lights.

#### **TOUR HIGHLIGHTS**

- Guided city tour of Anchorage
- Scenic tram ride to the top of Mt. Alyeska, where you will enjoy a delicious included lunch and breathtaking mountain scenery
- See native wildlife—including most of Alaska's"big five"—at the Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center
- Two nights aurora borealis viewing in Denali and Fairbanks, two of the best places in the world to catch the Northern Lights
- Admission to Ice Art Park, home to highly detailed ice sculptures handcrafted by talented local and visiting artists

#### INCLUDES

6 nights hotels, 6 breakfasts, 1 lunch, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels, and sightseeing per itinerary.

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#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

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# ★ Day 1 · Arrive in Anchorage

Today your adventure begins upon arrival in Anchorage. If you purchased your airline tickets from YMT, you will be welcomed by a representative and transferred to your hotel. Approximately 40 percent of Alaska's population lives in Anchorage, a place known as the "Big Apple of the North" where you can find great food and a killer cup of coffee virtually anywhere. We suggest giving fresh-caught salmon or even reindeer sausage a try, but be sure to keep your eyes peeled for wild moose, who have been known to wander through downtown. Relax this afternoon and tonight, because tomorrow the fun really starts!

♦ Sheraton Anchorage or similar

### Day 2 • Anchorage

This morning you will take a deluxe motor coach tour of Alaska's largest city. Learn more about life in Anchorage from its turbulent past all the way up to the present. Your day continues as you enjoy a gorgeous drive along the Turnagain Arm, one of the most scenic roads in America, on your way to the resort town of Girdwood. Board the Alyeska Tram for a breathtaking ride from The Hotel Alyeska to the top of Mt. Alyeska. Sit down for a delicious included lunch while enjoying panoramic views Turnagain

Arm, up to seven "hanging" glaciers, and deep into the Chugach Mountains. This afternoon visit the Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center, a sanctuary in Portage where you can see wolves, bears, moose, lynx, bald eagles and more—including porcupines, the world's third largest rodent. Spend the evening enjoying Anchorage at your leisure. (B, L)

♦ Sheraton Anchorage or similar

# Day 3 • Denali via Talkeetna

After an included breakfast, take a gorgeous drive north to Denali National Park. Stop for lunch on your own in the quaint community of Talkeetna. There's plenty to see and do here. Along with excellent dining, great shopping, and a charming museum, the Talkeetna Historic District is on the register of National Historic Places. Some of its buildings are from the early 1900s including Nagley's General Store and the Talkeetna Roadhouse.

Your afternoon will be in Denali, and this evening will include an unforgettable Aurora Borealis viewing. The bright dancing lights of the aurora are collisions between electrically charged particles from the sun that enter the earth's atmosphere. Auroral displays appear in many colors, although pale green and pink are the most common. Shades of red, yellow, green, blue, and violet have been reported. The lights appear in many forms, from patches













or scattered clouds of light to streamers, arcs, rippling curtains or shooting rays that light up the sky with an eerie glow. Afterward you're invited to join us for a warm nonalcoholic beverage to end the night. (B)

♦ Denali Aurora Lodge or similar

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#### 🖬 Day 4 • Denali

Enjoy a morning at leisure to catch up on your sleep. Then head to the Denali Visitor Center. Enjoy a short film then hear from a local ranger about the 6-million acre park—questions are encouraged! This afternoon you will have free time to spend in the park, where along with awe-inspiring mountain views, it's not rare to see some combination of Alaska's Big Five: grizzly bears, caribou, moose, Dall Sheep, and wolves, along with other animals such as wolverines and countless beautiful songbirds. Enjoy an optional tour or easy hike, borrow a pair of snowshoes, or just sit by the fire and chat with the rangers. (B)

♦ Denali Aurora Lodge or similar

# Day 5 • Fairbanks

First thing today, you will board your deluxe motor coach for a scenic transfer north to Alaska's "Golden Heart City," Fairbanks. Alaska's second-largest city was born of gold rush fever, thanks to a eureka! moment in 1902 on the banks of the Chena River. Upon arrival enjoy a City Tour of the downtown area and the Trans-Alaska Pipeline. This afternoon will be at your leisure for optional tours such as Arctic Circle Flightseeing, as well as many others to choose from. This evening, board your deluxe motor coach for a night of Aurora Borealis Viewing and a warm nonalcoholic nightcap. The city is one of the best places in the world to see the aurora borealis, which appears on average 243 nights of the year. (B)

♦ Springhill Suites Fairbanks or similar

#### 🛱 Day 6 • Fairbanks

Spend your final full day in Alaska chilling out in one of the coolest places in the state...literally! You have the chance to explore Ice Alaska, a one-of-a-kind museum and adventure park that celebrates Fairbanks' status as the "Ice Sculpting Capital of the World." The Ice Park is nothing short of magical, with art and numerous attractions all sculpted from massive blocks of ice harvested from O'Grady Pond next to the park. You won't believe what the world's most talented ice sculptors are able to create—just to have them melt at the season's first thaw. Concessions and food vendors are available for when you want a snack or a warm beverage, and the evening is yours to enjoy. (B)

◆ Springhill Suites Fairbanks or similar

# ▼ Day 7 • Depart for Home

After a final delicious included breakfast at your hotel, it's time to return to warmer climes. Say goodbye to your new friends and the Frontier State and fly home. (B)



\$1,199\*

AFTER \$250 INSTANT REBATE EACH PERSON PAYS

2022 Dates

Feb 10 & 17, Mar 10 & 17 Book by 4/30 \$<del>1,449</del> \$**1,199** 

#### Single Supplement from \$600

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- Visit historic Denali National Park and sail Kenai Fjords National Park, two of Alaska's most majestic natural treasures
- Explore Seward and Homer, two quaint yet distinctively different remote fishing communities, during your combined 3-night stay on Alaska's Kenai Peninsula
- Included visit to Gold Dredge #8 where you'll relive Alaska's gold rush history
- Tour Fairbanks and Anchorage, the two largest cities in the state

#### INCLUDES

7 nights hotels, 2 lunches, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels, and sightseeing per itinerary.

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### ACTIVITY LEVEL

RELAXED EASY GOING MODERATE ACTIVE VERY ACTIVE

### ▼ Day 1 • Arrive in Fairbanks

Today your adventure begins upon arrival in Fairbanks, the largest city in the interior of Alaska. If you purchased your airline tickets from YMT, you will be welcomed by a representative and transferred to your hotel.

♦ SpringHill Suites Fairbanks or similar

#### 🛱 Day 2 • Gold Dredge #8 Visit

Explore the area's gold mining history as we visit the restored Gold Dredge #8. The visitor center offers a great perspective with artifacts from the gold rush era, bringing to life the history of Fairbanks. To round off your visit here you can learn to pan for gold and take a picture with the Trans-Alaskan pipeline, an American engineering marvel. In the afternoon, explore Fairbanks on your own.

◆ SpringHill Suites Fairbanks or similar

# Day 3 • Denali Natural History Tour

Today we travel on the Parks Highway to Denali National Park. Learn about how permafrost presents a challenge here to road construction and maintenance, as you travel through the sparsely populated Alaskan Interior. At 6 million acres, Denali National Park is one of the world's great frontiers for wilderness adventure. Get a deeper look at this amazing park as we embark on a Denali Natural History Tour. With a focus on the rich, cultural history of Denali National

Park, the Denali Natural History Tour provides insight into the diverse native and early pioneer influences in and around Denali. Your driver/ naturalist will provide a great introduction to the landscape, geology, and history of Denali National Park. Visit Savage Cabin, the original cook's cabin in the park's first tourist camp, and still a ranger patrol cabin used by the Park Service. The rest of the day is yours to explore at your own pace.

♦ Denali Park Village or similar

#### OPTION: ALASKA RAILROAD UPGRADE



share with their summer guests. From Fairbanks to Anchorage, see the

49th state's most iconic sights on this 8-day land tour.

Upgrade to a scenic 4-hour train ride along the famous Alaska Railroad from Fairbanks to Denali Park. Enjoy 360° views in upper-level seats on Deluxe Dome Railcars for \$189 p/p. Upgrade must be prebooked. Please add this option at time of booking.

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#### OPTION: TUNDRA WILDERNESS TOUR



Upgrade to the 7-8 hour Tundra Wilderness Tour for a more in-depth Denali National Park experience for \$95 p/p. This tour travels up to 53 miles into the park. Opportunities for wildlife viewing increase as you travel farther into the park, and

additional viewpoints enhance your chances of spotting Denali, formerly known as Mt. McKinley. Tundra Wilderness Tour includes a snack. Option must be prebooked. Please add this option at time of booking. Please note that the park road is unpaved and riding on the elementary park bus for a longer duration may be strenuous for some.















# Day 4 • Iditarod Sled Dog Headquarters and Anchorage City Tour

We leave Denali this morning to continue our journey south, traveling through Matanuska-Susitna Valley, one of the most important agricultural areas in Alaska. En route, we will visit the Iditarod Sled Dog Headquarters near Wasilla where you will have the opportunity to learn about "The Last Great Race." Afterwards, continue to Anchorage for an included lunch stop and a city tour of downtown. (L)

◆ Crowne Plaza Anchorage or similar

# Day 5 • Anchorage to Homer

This morning, we continue by motor coach and travel across the Kenai Peninsula to Homer, the Halibut Fishing Capital of the World. Upon arrival in Homer, your Tour Director will take you to the Homer Spit, which features the longest road into ocean waters in the entire world! Enjoy a guided walk along the Homer Docks and see the infamous Salty Dawg Saloon, which is constructed out of several of the city's historic buildings. Originally one of the first cabins built in Homer in 1987, the landmark has served as a post office, railroad station, grocery store, and school house throughout the years. You may recognize the Saloon with its distinctive lighthouse tower from the Discovery Channel's Deadliest Catch. Be sure to bring a dollar bill to sign and leave on the wall alongside the thousands of other bills that line the bar!

♦ Best Western Bidarka or similar

#### Day 6 · Homer Leisure Day

Enjoy this day at leisure in the quaint town of Homer. Your Tour Director will be happy to help you plan your day to make the most of your time in this versatile destination; whether you decide to head out on an optional tour or take the ferry to the remote town of Seldovia, perhaps Alaska's best kept secret, you are sure to enjoy the breathtaking scenery!

♦ Best Western Bidarka or similar

# Day 7 • Kenai Fjords National Park Glacier & Wildlife Cruise

Today, board a catamaran for another highlight on your Alaskan Discovery: enjoy a 6-hour cruise through Kenai Fjords National Park to see marine wildlife, witness tidewater glacier calving, and feast on an included Alaskan Salmon and prime rib lunch buffet. The remainder of the day is free for you to explore Seward. (L)

♦ Breeze Inn or similar

# 🛪 Day 8 • Depart for Home

Today, bid farewell to Alaska.

## **MUST BOOK BY 4/30**

\$1,699\*

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#### 2021 Dates

Jun 27	\$ <del>2,049</del>
Book by 4/28	<sup>\$</sup> 1,799
Jul 25, Aug 22	\$ <del>2,049</del>
Book by 4/30	\$1,799
Sep 5	\$ <del>1,949</del>
Book by 4/30	<sup>\$</sup> 1,699

### Single Supplement from \$900

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#### **TOUR HIGHLIGHTS**

- Tour San Francisco Harbor by boat
- Travel up the scenic coast to Seattle on the famous Coast Starlight Superliner train
- Take a guided city tour of Seattle's highlights
- Watch for sea lions and breaching whales as you cruise through Stephens Passage
- Witness thunderously calving chunks of ice off the mighty Hubbard Glacier
- · Stop in Juneau, Sitka, and Ketchikan

#### INCLUDES

7-night cruise aboard Holland America Line's ms *Oosterdam*, 3-night land tour with hotels, 1 dinner, professional driver-guide, baggage handling at hotels and on the cruise ship, all meals while on the cruise, and sightseeing per itinerary.

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#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

RELAXED EASY GOING MODERATE ACTIVE VERY ACTIVE

Francisco to Seattle and a spectacular cruise of Wild Alaska! You'll never forget the heart-stopping spectacle of a calving glacier, or the beauty of the West Coast—see nature at her mightiest on this grand adventure.

### Day 1 • Fly to San Francisco

Today, your Alaskan adventure begins with your flight to San Francisco. If you booked your flight with YMT, you will meet a YMT representative at the airport for your transfer to the hotel.

◆ Four Points by Sheraton Bay Bridge or similar

# Sightseeing and Board Amtrak's Coast Starlight

Wake up and smell the salty sea air of the City by the Bay! The morning is at your leisure, after which you will embark on an afternoon sightseeing cruise through the legendary San Francisco Bay. Highlights include the beautiful Golden Gate Bridge, likely the world's most photographed suspension bridge, and the notorious Alcatraz Federal Penitentiary.

Alcatraz was one of the 20th century's most feared prisons—both because of the dangerous criminals it housed, and because over its 29-year history not a single inmate successfully escaped. Next, sit down with your fellow guests to an included Welcome Dinner. Finally, board the legendary *Coast Starlight* train this evening, which will take you hundreds of coastal miles to Seattle. (D)

#### Day 3 • Coast Starlight to Seattle

As your train takes you to Seattle, enjoy Amtrak's doubledecker Superliner, which includes a Sightseer Lounge car with panoramic windows, perfect for watching the magnificent scenery pass you by. (B, L, D)

♦ Hilton Bellevue or similar

# □ Day 4 • Seattle City Tour and Board Holland America's ms Oosterdam

(Departs at 4:00 PM)

Discover the Emerald City, arguably the crown jewel of the Pacific Northwest, on a guided morning tour of Seattle. See Pike Place Market, a landmark since 1907, the iconic 605-foot-tall Space Needle, and Pioneer Square, where you will learn about the history of the Great Seattle Fire of 1889. Board Holland America's ms *Oosterdam* this afternoon. An experienced crew is on hand to outline the many available amenities and activities.

# 角 Day 5 • At Sea

The winner of multiple prestigious awards, including Best Overall from the Cruisers' Choice Awards, excellence is the default for the ms *Oosterdam*. This full day at sea promises to be an enjoyable one!

















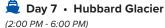
#### 💂 Day 6 • Stephens Passage Scenic Cruising and Juneau (1:00 PM - 11:00 PM)

As you travel the waters of Stephens Passage next to densely forested mountains, remember to keep an eye on the sea. Stephens Passage is well known for having some of the best whale watching in Alaska, and the Passage's massive sea lions love nothing more than basking on rocks and bellowing at passing vessels. Today's port of call is Juneau. Nestled at the feet of snowcapped Mt. Juneau and Mt. Roberts, Alaska's state capital is nicknamed "Little San Francisco" because of its narrow streets and flights of wooden steps that hug the rolling landscape. Admire the multicolored houses built into the hillsides as you wander and completely immerse yourself in the Alaskan lifestyle.

#### OPTION: GRAND TOUR OF JUNEAU



Savor the rich beauty of Glacier Gardens, see the largest salmon ladder in Alaska and visit the Mendenhall Glacier. Includes a stop at the Macaulay Salmon Hatchery \$95 p/p. Please add this option at time of booking



Today, cruise along Hubbard Glacier, the largest calving glacier on the North American continent. Witness the spectacle of glacial calving, when large chunks of ice crash into the water, creating a gloriously booming sound the native Tlingit people called "white thunder."

Hubbard is more than 70 miles long; the cliff face you sail along is six miles wide and over 300 feet high.



#### **Day 8** • Sitka (8:00 AM - 4:00 PM)

Widely considered one of Alaska's greatest small towns, Sitka is an interesting hybrid of Native America and Russian cultures. Don't miss the stunning St. Michael's Cathedral or Sitka National Historic Park, where you will learn how the Southeast Alaska Native Culture and Alaska's strong Russian heritage combine.



#### 💂 Day 9 • Ketchikan (7:00 AM - 1:00 PM)

Nicknamed the "Salmon Capital of the World," this important fishing port is also home to the world's largest collection of Native American totem poles. You can enjoy a stroll through the picturesque waterfront district of this quaint boardwalk city built on stilts.



#### **Day 10 • Victoria, BC** (6:00 PM - 11:30 PM)

As the sun begins to set, explore British Columbia's idyllic capital city that proudly sports more than a bit of that good English charm. Much of this former British colony's Victorian architecture still stands, including the grand Craigdarroch Castle Mansion, and magnificent Parliament Buildings. This highly walkable city is also a mecca for food lovers—try out highly creative restaurants right on the waterfront.



#### 💂 🤾 Day 11 • Disembark in Seattle and Depart for Home (Arrives at 7:00 AM)

This morning we return to Seattle as your Alaska adventure comes to an end.



#### FREE ONBOARD CREDIT

For Ocean View Cabins - \$25 per couple\* For Balcony Cabins - \$50 per couple\*

"See page 14 for details.

#### **MUST BOOK BY 4/30**

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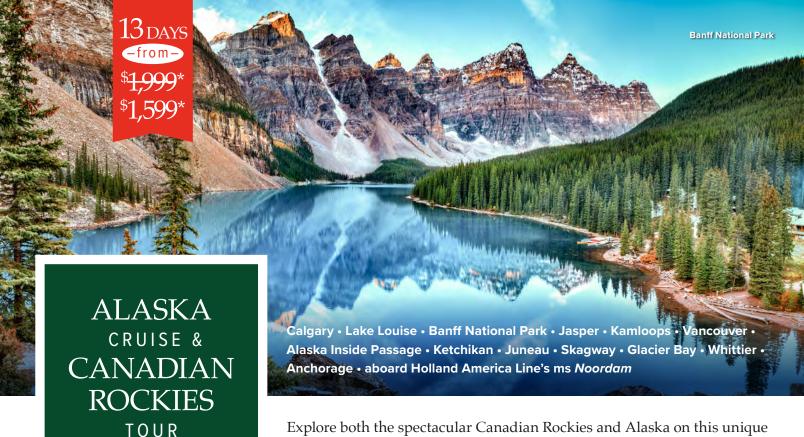
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Book by 3/9	<sup>\$</sup> 1,999	\$2,399	<sup>\$</sup> 2,799
Aug 12	\$ <del>2,449</del>	\$ <del>2,849</del>	\$ <del>3,249</del>
Book by 4/30	<sup>\$</sup> 2,199	<sup>\$</sup> 2,599	<sup>\$</sup> 2,999
Sep 16	\$ <del>2,249</del>	\$ <del>2,649</del>	\$ <del>3,049</del>

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SAVOR THE JOURNEY

#### **TOUR HIGHLIGHTS**

- Gaze in awe at the epic scenery of Banff National Park and Lake Louise
- Explore Jasper National Park and see its diverse and abundant wildlife
- Take a remarkable excursion on the massive Ice Explorer on the Athabasca Glacier
- Cruise the world famous Inside Passage and Gulf of Alaska
- Enjoy the views of Glacier Bay from your luxury cruise ship

#### INCLUDES

7-night cruise aboard Holland America Line's ms *Noordam*, 5-night land tour with hotels, 1 breakfast, 1 dinner, professional driverguide, baggage handling at hotels and on the cruise ship, all meals while on the cruise, and sightseeing per itinerary.

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#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

RELAXED EASY GOING MODERATE ACTIVE VERY ACTIVE

"best of both worlds" cruise tour. You get to cruise the Inside Passage and the Gulf of Alaska while also taking in the splendor of Banff National Park, Lake Louise, and the Alaskan Coast.

# Day 1 • Fly to Calgary, AB

If you booked your flight with YMT, you will be met by a representative at the airport and transferred to the hotel.

♦ Sandman Inn or similar

## Day 2 • Banff National Park

Start your tour through the majestic Canadian Rockies by traveling north and enjoy a stop at Bow Falls; take in the sparkling water dancing in the sunlight and hear the sound of crisp sparkling water as it cascades down the limestone ledges. Then, pass through the charming town of Banff and enter Banff National Park. See Canada's "Diamond in the Wilderness," Lake Louise, known for its turquoise, glacier fed waters. The tranquil waters that mirror the magnificent peaks and lush forest all around will leave you speechless, making Lake Louise a perfect location to take a picture worth much more than 1,000 words!

◆ Canmore Inn & Suites or similar

# Day 3 • Jasper via the Icefields Parkway and Icefields Glacier Experience on the Athabasca Glacier

This morning, travel along the Icefields Parkway en route to stunning Jasper National Park. Stop to experience the breathtaking Athabasca Glacier, the most visited glacier in North America, nestled at the bottom of the Columbia Icefield. Board a massive Brewster Ice Explorer and take a remarkable excursion onto the surface of the Athabasca Glacier. Experience the full magnitude of this enormous icefield as you take in the view and feel the glacier underfoot. You'll also have the opportunity to step onto the "Glacier Skywalk," a glass floor observation platform suspended 918 feet over the Sunwapta Valley (at an additional cost). In the afternoon, arrive in Jasper.

♦ Best Western Jasper or similar

#### **OPTION: THE GLACIER SKYWALK EXPERIENCE**



Stand between land and sky - the glass floored observation platform will extend approximately 98 feet from the cliff above Sunwapta Canyon. \$49 p/p. Please add this option at time of booking.

#### Day 4 • Kamloops, BC

Today we travel to British Columbia. Along the way, enjoy stunning views of Mt. Robson and the surrounding provincial nature reserves. Characterized by a unique combination of energizing recreational activities and a warm, welcoming culture, you'll soon understand why Kamloops is known as British Columbia's friendliest city. (B)

◆ Ramada Kamloops or similar













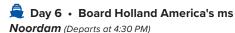




#### Day 5 · Vancouver City Tour

Discover vibrant Vancouver on a guided city tour! The city is renowned for its clear mountain views, incredible cuisine, and overall wonderful quality of living. See why so many people love to visit and live in this fabulous city. The afternoon is yours to explore at your leisure.

◆ Sandman Hotel Vancouver Airport or similar



This afternoon, board Holland America's ms Noordam. Discover the many facilities aboard and enjoy the striking vistas that surround you!

## 🚊 Day 7 • Scenic Inside Passage Cruising

Sail through the Inside Passage, a complex labyrinth of fjords and bays where whales and sea lions find refuge during the summer months.



Nicknamed the "Salmon Capital of the World," this important fishing port is also home to the world's largest collection of Native American totem poles. You can enjoy a stroll through the picturesque waterfront district of this quaint boardwalk city built on stilts.

**Day 9 • Juneau** (10:00 AM - 10:00 PM)

Nestled at the feet of snowcapped Mt. Juneau and Mt. Roberts, Alaska's state capital is nicknamed "Little San Francisco" because of its narrow streets and flights of wooden steps that hug the rolling landscape. Admire the multicolored houses built into the hillsides as you wander and completely immerse yourself in the Alaskan lifestyle.



### 違 Day 10 • Skagway (7:00 AM - 9:00 PM)

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### 🚊 Day 11 • Glacier Bay

The overwhelming grandeur of glaciers, exotic wildlife, and pristine environment combine to offer a breathtaking view of raw nature. Spend the entire day cruising a 60-mile passage, passing glaciers galore, abundant wildlife and scenic beauty unique in all the world. Experience the spectacle of glacier calving, where great chunks of ice are continually falling into the bay with a deafening roar, which enhances the fascinating scene.



#### 💂 Day 12 🔹 College Fjord

Cruise through the Gulf of Alaska and enjoy a relaxing day at sea as the ms Noordam sails through Prince William Sound to College Fjord, which contains five tidewater and large valley glaciers, a spectacular site. Take full advantage of your last night aboard the ship; the daily newsletter outlines a variety of shipboard activities and the experienced crew will be happy to help with suggestions.



We disembark this morning in Whittier. Travel north on your comfortable motor coach to Anchorage for a farewell dinner and your evening departure. (D)



#### FREE ONBOARD CREDIT

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EXTRA \$150 OFF	<sup>\$</sup> 1,599	\$2,049	\$2,699
Jul 20	\$ <del>2,099</del>	\$ <del>2,549</del>	\$ <del>3,199</del>
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Aug 31	SOLD OUT	\$ <del>2,349</del>	\$ <del>2,999</del>
Book by 4/30	SOLD OUT	\$2,099	<sup>\$</sup> 2,749

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cruise through Kenai Fjords. Then, sail aboard the ms *Noordam*—passing stunning glaciers and pristine coastline, with the spectacularly scenic

Inside Passage for a grand finale.

# Day 1 • Arrive in Fairbanks

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♦ SpringHill Suites Fairbanks or similar

#### 😾 Day 2 • Gold Dredge #8 Visit

Explore the area's gold mining history as we visit the restored Gold Dredge #8. Learn to pan for gold and take a picture with the Trans-Alaskan pipeline. In the afternoon, explore more of Fairbanks on your own.

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♦ Best Western Bidarka or similar

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♦ Breeze Inn or similar

#### Day 8 • Embarkation in Seward (Departs at 5:00 PM)

This morning continue to Whittier, named for 'America's finest religious poet', John Greenleaf Whittier. In the afternoon you will board Holland America's ms Noordam, your floating hotel

for the net week. Discover the ship's many available amenities and activities and settle in for a spectacular cruise ahead!



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#### **Day 12 • Juneau** (8:00 AM - 6:00 PM)

Nicknamed "Little San Francisco" because of its narrow streets and multicolored houses, Juneau is Alaska's state capital. Inaccessible by roads. visitors and goods are brought to Juneau by either sea or air.



#### **Day 13 • Ketchikan** (11:00 AM - 7:00 PM)

This distinctive and eye-catching city is built on stilts over the water. Stroll Creek Street, the former "Red Light" district with its gold shops, gift boutiques, and restaurants or visit the Totem Pole Park at Saxman Native Village.



#### 💂 Day 14 • Inside Passage Cruising

Cruise along Alaska's famous Inside Passage, one of the most scenic sea lanes in the world, and the west coast of Vancouver island.



#### 🚊 🤾 Day 15 • Disembark in Vancouver and Depart for Home (Arrives at 7:00 AM)

Note: Departure flights from Vancouver to some cities are overnight and arrive the following day.



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- Visit Oahu and Maui, the 2 most popular Hawaiian Islands, with plenty of leisure time to relax or enjoy the islands your way
- Take a city tour of Honolulu, Hawaii's charming capital city
- Visit the National Cemetery of the Pacific in Punchbowl Crater
- Stroll the world-famous Waikiki Beach and enjoy the view of Diamond Head
- See the USS Arizona Memorial and visitor center at Pearl Harbor
- Tour the historical town of Lahaina, home to the largest Banyan tree in the United States

#### INCLUDES

6 nights beachfront or centrally-located hotels, 1 breakfast, knowledgeable driver guide, baggage handling at hotels, inter-island flight and sightseeing per itinerary. Your tour is accompanied throughout by one of our local Tour Directors.

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#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

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### ▼ Day 1 • Arrive in Honolulu

Welcome to paradise! Guests arriving at Daniel K. Inouye International Airport who arranged their flights with YMT will be met by a representative and transfer to the hotel. The evening is yours to enjoy—Waikiki is a great walking city, with wonderful restaurants, fabulous shopping, and a pristine beach, all close to the hotel.

◆ DoubleTree Alana Waikiki or similar

# Day 2 • Visit to Pearl Harbor and Honolulu City Tour

This morning you will go on the most popular tour in Hawaii—the included Pearl Harbor and Honolulu city tour. We head first to Pearl Harbor to see the USS Arizona Memorial. Explore the visitor center, view the 23-minute film, and pay your respects before heading off to Honolulu. Next, visit Punchbowl Crater, set in a dormant volcano, and home of the National Cemetery of the Pacific. This unique national cemetery was created in 1948 as a memorial to the brave men and women who served in the American Armed Forces, and it serves as the final resting place of over 53,000 veterans and their dependents. The next stop is Downtown Honolulu. You will see the State Capitol, an 18-foot tall bronze sculpture of Hawaii's beloved King Kamehameha I, and Iolani Palace before returning to your hotel.

◆ DoubleTree Alana Waikiki or similar

#### Day 3 · Waikiki Leisure Day

of 2 of Hawaii's most popular islands! Your local Tour Director will take you through the best parts of paradise on Oahu and Maui, where you can

immerse yourself in Hawaiian culture and bask in the Aloha spirit!

Today is yours to enjoy! Whether you choose to enjoy the view of Diamond Head at Waikiki's beautiful white sand beach, world-class dining, or incredible shopping at the Ala Moana Center, the world's largest open-air shopping mall, you're sure to enjoy your time on Oahu.

Before you leave, be sure to save some time to make it to an optional luau! The experience isn't one you'll soon forget, with an authentic imu ceremony and delicious local foods like kalua pork, poi, haupia, and purple taro rolls.

◆ DoubleTree Alana Waikiki or similar



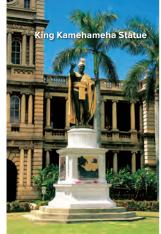
# OPTION: POLYNESIAN CULTURAL CENTER

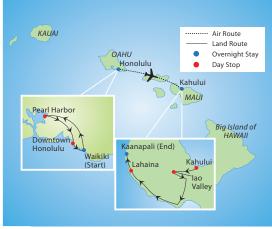
Visit Hawaii's #1 paid attraction! Enjoy a guided villages tour, premier seats at a live show, a canoe ride, and a buffet dinner at an experience you'll never forget. \$142 p/p. Please add this option at time of booking.

### X 🖨 Day 4 • Fly to Maui

Your day starts with a short flight to Maui, the second largest of the Hawaiian Islands. Known as the "Valley Isle," this majestic island has 2 main peaks over a mile high, thousands of breathtakingly beautiful waterfalls and pools,













120 miles of shoreline, and more than 80 golden beaches. Maui is also the best place in the Hawaiian Islands for whale-watching in the winter months. Majestic humpback whales and their calves are common sights, acrobatically breaching in the warm, shallow waters just off the coast. Learn about the lao Valley and Lahaina on a guided tour after you land at Kahului Airport. See Courthouse Square, home to the oldest Banyan tree in the United States, which has grown to a towering 60 feet high with a canopy that covers an entire city block. The afternoon and evening are yours to enjoy and get settled at your leisure.

♦ Kaanapali Beach Hotel or similar

#### Days 5 & 6 · Kaanapali Leisure Days

Kaanapali Beach could be the most relaxing stretch of sand in the world—and its white sands, clear water, and calm waves have earned it the title of most beautiful beach more than once! Get settled into the resort life, where anything you want is within walking distance. Enjoy open-air shopping at Whalers Village, where you can also experience the center's highly regarded whaling museum, fantastic dining, and free authentic Hawaiian entertainment.

Make the most of your final full day in paradise by having some authentic Hawaiian fun! Your hotel offers a variety of classes and presentations every day on Hawaiian cultural practices, traditions, and foods that you may want to participate in. If you want to see more of the

island, we offer several of our most popular optional tours today. Ask your Tour Director about our optional bus tour to to Haleakala.

♦ Kaanapali Beach Hotel or similar

# Day 7 • Farewell Breakfast and Depart for Home

Today we are including a fabulous morning event for you—a Hawaiian Farewell breakfast. Enjoy a leisurely morning with your Tour Director and newfound friends, bidding aloha to paradise. Those with later departures may take an optional tour before being dropped off at Kahului Airport. (B)

**Note:** Most flights to the mainland arrive the next day.

# **MUST BOOK BY 4/30**

PRICES STARTING AT \$1,399

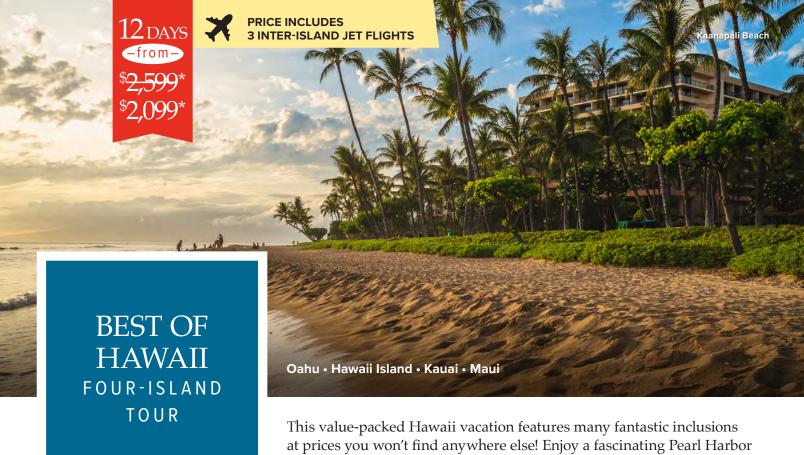
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#### **2021 Dates**

May 23	\$ <del>1,399</del>
Book by 4/20	\$ <del>1,149</del>
EXTRA \$150 OFF	\$999
Aug 15, Sep 12	\$ <del>1,499</del>
Book by 4/30	<sup>\$</sup> 1,249
Nov 7	\$ <del>1,399</del>
Book by 4/30	<sup>\$</sup> 1,149

#### Single Supplement from \$500

\*Per person based on double occupancy plus \$299 tax/ service/gov't fees. See page 145 for terms & conditions.



- See the USS Arizona Memorial and visitor center at Pearl Harbor
- Enjoy a full-day island tour and another full day at leisure to explore Oahu
- Stroll the world-famous Waikiki Beach
- Visit Hawaii's Volcanoes National Park
- Walk the iconic Punaluu Black Sand Beach
- Witness the mystical Fern Grotto on a Wailua Riverboat cruise
- · Included sightseeing tours on every island

#### INCLUDES

11 nights beachfront or centrally-located hotels, 1 breakfast, knowledgeable tour driverguide, baggage handling at hotels and most airports, special events and sightseeing per itinerary, and inter-island airfare. Your tour is accompanied throughout by one of our friendly local Tour Directors.

#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

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### 🛪 Day 1 • Fly to Honolulu, Hawaii

Guests who have made their flight arrangements with YMT will met by a representative and transferred to the hotel.

♦ DoubleTree Alana Waikiki or similar

# Day 2 • Pearl Harbor and National Cemetery of the Pacific

Following the Guest Welcome this morning is an exciting highlight—the Pearl Harbor Experience Tour. You'll stop at the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center, where you will learn all about the events that brought the United States into WWII. Watch a short film before heading out on a Navy launch around the USS *Arizona* Memorial, then enjoy some time to browse the Visitor Center gift shop for unique souvenirs. We continue on a slow drive through the National Cemetery of the Pacific, which is set in a dormant volcano known as Punchbowl Crater.

♦ DoubleTree Alana Waikiki or similar

#### Day 3 • Oahu Leisure Day

Enjoy a leisure day in paradise from your centrally located Waikiki hotel, just a few minutes' walk from famous Waikiki Beach and shopping on Kalakaua Avenue. You may also visit the Hawaii Army Museum, which tells the military story of Hawaii; admission is free!

♦ DoubleTree Alana Waikiki or similar

# 🛱 Day 4 • Hawaii (Big Island)

experience, four different island tours, a river cruise, and a Farewell Breakfast. One of our friendly local Tour Directors will accompany you the entire way and show you the best of Hawaii in an intimate experience!

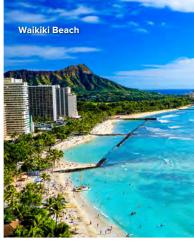
Arrive in Hilo on the Big Island of Hawaii for a day of unique experiences. Visit the Mauna Loa Macadamia Nut Visitor Center to sample the many scrumptious products and shop for gifts. Take a short tour at the Akatsuka Orchid Gardens, a prominent grower, breeder, and retailer and home to over 500 varieties of orchids. Then discover Hawaii Volcanoes National Park and the Halemaumau Crater. The day continues at the iconic Punaluu Black Sand Beach, where many Hawaiian green sea turtles, or honu, rest on the lava and black sand. And to end this exciting day, stop at the Royal Kona Coffee Center, where you can sample several Kona coffees and buy some to take home.

♦ Courtyard by Marriott King Kamehameha's Kona Beach Hotel or similar

# Days 5 & 6 • Hawaii (Big Island) Leisure Days

You can enjoy your two days of leisure on the Big Island by exploring the "Gold Coast" in a wide variety of ways—riding in a horse-drawn carriage, skimming the seas in a glass bottom boat, or snorkeling below the waves. If you prefer to keep your feet on dry land, you may choose to take a leisurely walking tour through historic Kailua Town or one of the many island gorgeous coffee plantations.

◆ Courtyard by Marriott King Kamehameha's Kona Beach Hotel or similar















### 🛪 🖨 Day 7 • Fly to Kauai

This tropical island paradise is known as the "Garden Isle" because of its daily rainbows, lush forests, majestic mountains, and emerald valleys. Visit the magnificent Opaekaa Falls before heading to the Wailua River Marina for a leisurely boat cruise along the beautiful Wailua River to the amazingly tropical and romantic Fern Grotto

♦ Kauai Shores Hotel or similar

#### Day 8 • Kauai Leisure Day

If ever there is a place to have an experience-ofa-lifetime, it's here on Kauai! It's no wonder that an impressive list of Hollywood productions have used this emerald island as a setting, including Jurassic Park, South Pacific, and Fantasy Island. Kauai is the oldest of the main Hawaiian Islands and it is here that you will find tropical rain forests, forking rivers, and cascading waterfalls. Spend today however you'd like, perhaps even take a spectacular optional helicopter sightseeing flight and circle the entire island and see spectacular scenery, waterfalls, and the breathtaking Na Pali coastline.

♦ Kauai Shores Hotel or similar



#### **OPTION: WAIMEA CANYON TOUR**

The journey to Waimea includes stops at the Hanapepe Lookout, Spouting Horn, and you will pass by Russian Fort Elizabeth, a National Historical Landmark, all with expert narration by your driver guide. \$89 p/p. Please add this option at time of booking.

# 🛪 🖨 Day 9 • Fly to Maui

Discover beautiful Maui on a sightseeing tour of the island and a visit to the stunning lao Valley. Learn about the Iao Valley and Lahaina

on a guided tour after you land at Kahului Airport. See Courthouse Square, home to the oldest Banyan tree in the United States, which has grown to a towering 60 feet high with a sprawling canopy that covers an entire city block. The afternoon and evening are yours to enjoy and get settled at your leisure.

♦ Kaanapali Beach Hotel or similar

#### Days 10 & 11 • Maui Leisure Day

Spend your days at your leisure in Maui, the second largest of the Hawaiian Islands. Known as the "Valley Isle," this majestic island has two main peaks over a mile high, thousands of beautiful waterfalls and pools, 120 miles of shoreline, and more than 80 golden beaches. Maui is also the best place in the Hawaiian Islands for whale-watching in the winter months. Majestic humpback whales and their calves are common sights, acrobatically breaching in the warm, shallow waters just off the coast.

On your second leisure day, we are including a fabulous event for you—a Hawaiian Farewell breakfast. (B)

♦ Kaanapali Beach Hotel or similar

#### Day 12 • Depart for Home

Transfer to the airport for your flight home. Most flights leave in the evening or at night and arrive on the mainland the next day.

# **MUST BOOK BY 4/30**

PRICES STARTING AT \$2.599\*

AFTER \$250 INSTANT REBATE EACH PERSON PAYS

2021 Dates

May 9	\$ <del>2,599</del>
Book by 4/6	\$ <del>2,349</del>
EXTRA \$250 OFF	<sup>\$</sup> 2,099
Aug 29, Sep 19 & 26,	
Oct 10 & 17, Nov 14, Dec 5	\$ <del>2,599</del>
Book by 4/30	<sup>\$</sup> 2,349
Jun 27, Jul 25, Aug 1 & 22	\$ <del>2,699</del>
Book by 4/30	<sup>\$</sup> 2,449

#### Single Supplement from \$1,250

\*Per person based on double occupancy plus \$299 tax/ service/gov't fees. See page 145 for terms & conditions.



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#### **TOUR HIGHLIGHTS**

- Tour Downtown Honolulu, including the National Cemetery of the Pacific
- Stroll Waikiki Beach in Honolulu
- See the USS Arizona Memorial and visitor center at Pearl Harbor
- Cruise in style aboard *Pride of America* with its 14 restaurants, 9 bars, and numerous entertainment facilities
- · Visit the 4 main Hawaiian Islands

#### INCLUDES

7-night cruise aboard Norwegian Cruise Line's *Pride of America* and 3 nights in Waikiki with hotels, knowledgeable tour driver-guide, local Tour Director in Oahu, baggage handling at hotels and on the cruise ship, all meals while on the cruise, and special events and sightseeing per itinerary.

**Note:** (B, L, D) as noted at the end of itinerary text indicates meals included for that day. All meals on cruise are included.

#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

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Relax in paradise as you cruise Hawaii for 8 days and 7 nights on Norwegian Cruise Line's *Pride of America*. You'll visit spectacular sights on Kauai, Maui, and the Big Island, and enjoy 3 nights on Oahu before your cruise with plenty of leisure time.

### ▼ Day 1 • Fly to Honolulu

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♦ Doubletree by Hilton Hotel Alana Waikiki Beach or similar

# Day 2 • Pearl Harbor and Honolulu City Tour

Enjoy a Guest Welcome meeting at the hotel to hear about the exciting days ahead. Then, you will go on the most popular tour in Hawaii—the included Pearl Harbor and Honolulu city tour! We head first to Pearl Harbor where you can explore the visitor center and view a 23-minute film before we take a Navy launch out to the USS Arizona Memorial. Next, we head off to see the sights of Honolulu. Set in a real dormant volcano, we visit Punchbowl Crater, home of the National Cemetery of the Pacific, before continuing on to Downtown Honolulu. You will see the State Capitol and Iolani Palace.

◆ Doubletree by Hilton Hotel Alana Waikiki Beach or similar

#### Day 3 · Oahu Leisure Day

Spend a full day in Oahu to do as you wish. Whatever you choose, you'll have plenty of time to enjoy the famous Waikiki beach and shopping on Kalakaua Avenue. During your stay in Waikiki, we recommend you visit the Hawaii

Army Museum, a museum that tells the military story of Hawaii, from ancient times to the Gulf War and the War in Iraq. Admission is free. Your Tour Director has also arranged a variety of popular optional tours. Be sure to join us for our optional luau (additional cost). Experience the aloha spirit at a casual luau right on the beach!

♦ Doubletree by Hilton Hotel Alana Waikiki Beach or similar



# OPTION: POLYNESIAN CULTURAL CENTER

Visit Hawaii's #1 paid attraction! Enjoy a guided villages tour, premier seats at a live show, a canoe ride, and a buffet dinner at an experience you'll never forget. \$142 p/p. Please add this option at time of booking.

# Day 4 • Board Norwegian Cruise Line's *Pride of America*

(Departs at 7:00pm PM)

Travel the short distance to the port of Honolulu to board *Pride of America* for the start of your Hawaiian Islands experience. This vibrant, Americana-themed ship offers freestyle cruising and a variety of activities. Whatever your pleasure, a warm and friendly crew is ready to assist you to make sure your cruise is just right.

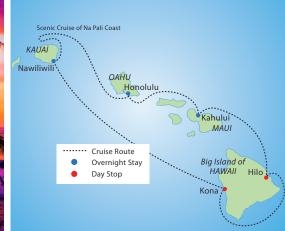


(8:00 AM - Overnight)

Maui is the second largest of the Hawaiian Islands and you will have almost 2 full days to













explore! Known as the "Valley Isle," this majestic island has two main peaks more than a mile high, thousands of breathtakingly beautiful waterfalls and pools, 120 miles of shoreline and more than 80 golden beaches. Highlights include Iao Vallev, Haleakala Crater, and Lahaina, a traditional old whaling town full of character, shops, and restaurants.

# 💂 Day 6 • Kahului, Maui

(Overnight - 6:00 PM)

After the overnight stay in Maui, you may wish to make the journey to the town of Hana. Drive along the gorgeous winding coastal roads as you experience the natural wonder of Maui! For beach lovers, visit the fabulous golden sand beaches of Kaanapali, where between the months of December and March each year you are almost guaranteed to see whales, without even leaving the beach.



#### 🔁 Day 7 • Hilo, Hawaii (7:00 AM - 5:30 PM)

Brimming with Hawaiian tradition, Hilo takes you back to an earlier island culture. The town will charm you with its quaint buildings and unique shopping. Hilo is the flower capital of Hawaii, and gardens and blossoms are everywhere. Perhaps spend your leisure day here visiting Liliuokalani Gardens, King Kamehameha I Statue, Rainbow Falls, Akaka Falls, or Hawaii Tropical Botanical Garden!



# 💂 Day 8 • Kona, Hawaii (7:00 AM - 5:30 PM)

Welcome to Kona! Spend your day exploring the "Gold Coast" in a wide variety of ways-riding in a horse-drawn carriage, skimming the seas in a glass bottom boat, or snorkeling below the waves. If you prefer to keep your feet on dry

land, you may choose to take a leisurely walking tour through historic Kailua Town or one of the many island coffee plantations.



#### 💂 Day 9 • Nawiliwili, Kauai

(8:00 AM - Overnight)

This verdant little isle exudes peace and tranquility. Nature has been good to Kauai, creating craters, mountains, rivers, canyons, and glorious stretches of palm-fringed beaches. Nicknamed the "Garden Island," Kauai is the least populated and developed of the four main islands. The spectacular scenery including canyons, cliffs, and waterfalls, makes it a firm favorite to take a helicopter flight-seeing tour!



#### 💂 Day 10 • Nawiliwili, Kauai and the Na Pali Coast (Overnight - 2:00 PM)

It's no wonder that an impressive list of Hollywood productions have used this emerald island as a setting. The Na Pali Coast, featured in the film Jurassic Park and many others, is one of the most distinctive geological features of Kauai. Kauai is famous for Waimea Canyon, known as the Grand Canyon of the Pacific.



Transfer to Honolulu airport for your flight home. If you are on a later departing flight from Honolulu, we do offer an optional Island Tour to show you Oahu's highlights before returning you to the airport.

# **CHOOSE UP TO TWO OFFERS\*\***





"See page 14 for details.

#### MUST BOOK BY 4/30

PRICES STARTING AT \$2,799\* <sup>\$</sup>2,399

AFTER \$250 INSTANT REBATE EACH PERSON PAYS			
2021 Dates	INSIDE Cabin	OCEAN VIEW CABIN	BALCONY CABIN
Jun 2	\$ <del>2,899</del>	\$ <del>3,449</del>	\$ <del>3,899</del>
Book by 2/27	\$ <del>2,649</del>	\$ <del>3,199</del>	\$ <del>3,649</del>
EXTRA \$150 OFF	<sup>\$</sup> 2,499	\$3,049	\$3,499
Jun 30	\$ <del>2,899</del>	\$ <del>3,449</del>	\$ <del>3,899</del>
Book by 3/22	\$ <del>2,649</del>	\$ <del>3,199</del>	\$ <del>3,649</del>
EXTRA \$150 OFF	<sup>\$</sup> 2,499	\$3,049	\$3,499
Aug 25, Sep 1 & 22, Oct 27	\$ <del>2,899</del>	\$ <del>3,449</del>	\$ <del>3,899</del>
Book by 4/30	<sup>\$</sup> 2,649	\$3,199	\$3,649
Dec 1	\$ <del>2,799</del>	\$ <del>3,349</del>	\$ <del>3,799</del>
Book by 4/30	\$ <del>2,549</del>	\$ <del>3,099</del>	\$ <del>3,549</del>
EXTRA \$150 OFF	<sup>\$</sup> 2,399	\$2,949	\$3,399

#### Single Supplement from \$1,900

\*Per person based on double occupancy plus \$299 tax/service/ gov't fees. See page 145 for terms & conditions.



- · 4 nights in Athens with sightseeing
- Visit the most popular islands in Greece-2 nights in Mykonos & 2 nights in Santorini
- · Visit the Acropolis & the Parthenon, along with the Acropolis Museum
- Explore the colorful cobbled streets of Plaka
- See spectacular 1000-foot volcanic cliffs and white domed churches and windmills
- · Included island transfers by modern ferries across the Aegean Sea
- · Additional optional sightseeing opportunities

#### INCLUDES

8 nights hotels, 8 breakfasts and 3 dinners, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels, transfers to the islands, and sightseeing per itinerary.

Note: (B, L, D) as noted at the end of itinerary text indicates meals included for that day.

#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

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cradle of Western Civilization. You'll see Athens, Mykonos and Santorini, enjoy delicious food, marvel at ancient buildings and be astounded by incredible art.

# Day 1 • Depart for Athens

Your vacation begins as you depart on your transatlantic flight. Overnight in flight.

### Day 2 • Arrive in Athens

Arrive in Athens, Greece, the land of great philosophers, artists and the birthplace of democracy. If you purchased airline tickets from YMT Vacations, you will be transferred to your hotel where the balance of the day is at leisure. This evening, you'll get a chance to meet all your fellow travelers and your YMT Tour Director at the welcome briefing and dinner at the hotel. (D)

♦ Athenaeum Grand or similar

# 🛱 Day 3 • Athens

Enjoy a half-day sightseeing tour of Athens to observe the striking contrasts and history that make this such a fascinating city. You will see the Panathenaic Stadium where the first Olympic Games of modern times were held, the Temple of Olympian Zeus, Hadrian's Arch, the Parliament, the monument of the Unknown Soldier and Constitution Square. Then it's on to the most famous site in Athens—the Acropolis, atop which lies the stunning 2,500 year old Parthenon Temple built to honor the goddess Athena. Finally, this morning you will visit the new Acropolis Museum. The afternoon is at leisure and you are free to explore the Plaka district in the shadow of the Acropolis, Athens'

oldest and most picturesque neighborhood. The maze of cobblestone pedestrian streets is lined with shops, boutiques, souvenir stands and flea market stalls that beckon all who enter. You will have plenty of time to browse through the many shops and souvenir stalls or you can relax in one of the many tavernas or cafes. This evening you can experience an optional fun and entertaining Greek night. (B)

♦ Athenaeum Grand or similar

#### Day 4 • Athens Leisure Day

Today you will have the full day to explore more of this ancient city, or explore further afield. We recommend you join our full-day optional tour to Delphi and the Temple of Apollo, one of the most important archaeological sites in Greek history. Delphi was the center of the ancient world and is now a UNESCO World Heritage Site. It sits at the foot of mount Parnassus, in a landscape of unparalleled beauty and majesty overlooking the Gulf of Corinth. (B)

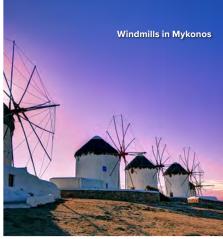
♦ Athenaeum Grand or similar



#### 🛱 違 Day 5 • Mykonos

This morning, we take the short drive to the port of Piraeus to board your ferryboat and cruise toward the islands. This afternoon, we arrive at the island of Mykonos, famous for its windmills, whitewashed buildings, and domed churches. This charming island is just 33 square miles, and has a resident population of around















10,000. This evening, you can enjoy a plethora of exceptionally fresh seafood in the waterfront cafes and tavernas in the area of Mykonos Town known as Little Venice. (B)

♦ Hotel Kamari or similar

#### Day 6 · Mykonos Leisure Day

Today is yours to explore this magical island. We will have a morning optional tour to the neighboring Island of Delos, fabled birthplace of Artemis and Apollo. After the 45 minute boat ride, explore the ruins of the ancient Minoan civilization, including the Agora, temples of Apollo, the Hippodrome, amphitheater, and more. In the afternoon, you'll have plenty of time to explore more of the island or relax on one of the many sandy beaches. If you choose to explore on foot, the central part of Mykonos Town is closed to traffic during most of the day, and has whitewashed cubic houses, a labyrinth of narrow streets, beautiful churches, lovely chapels, and many purple bougainvillea. (B, D)

♦ Hotel Kamari or similar



#### 💂 Day 7 • Santorini

After breakfast at the hotel, this morning we leave Mykonos and take the ferry to the island of Santorini. Arrive to witness the island's spectacular volcanic cliffs. Famous for the vista of its whitewashed houses of Fira, perched on the side of the caldera, Santorini is one of the most photographed Greek Islands. On the southern side of the island, the resorts of Kamari and Perissa are well known for their black volcanic sand. Santorini is also renowned for producing some of the best wine in Greece. This evening you may want to book our exciting optional dinner cruise. (B)

◆ Daedalus hotel or similar

#### Day 8 • Santorini Leisure Day

You have a full day to explore this unique island paradise at your own pace, or join our optional Island Highlights Tour where you'll visit and see all the main sights. These will include Akrotiri, a Bronze Age settlement that was destroyed by a volcanic eruption during the 17th century BC and was preserved in perfect condition; the Red Beach; and several beautiful traditional villages. Tonight, enjoy an included Farewell Dinner at a local restaurant with newfound friends. (B, D)

♦ Daedalus hotel or similar



#### **OPTION: SANTORINI SUNSET DINNER CRUISE**

Join your fellow travelers on a sunset cruise to the Santorini Caldera. Visit two volcanic islands before unwinding with dinner. \$99 p/p. Please add this option at time of booking.





#### 亀 🛱 Day 9 • Santorini & Athens

The last morning in the islands is yours to relax on the beach, or explore the array of shops before we head to the port around lunchtime for our early afternoon ferryboat departure for Athens. We arrive back late evening at the port of Piraeus and take the short transfer to Athens for the last overnight stay in Greece. (B)

♦ Athenaeum Grand or similar

#### Day 10 • Depart for Home

Transfer to Athens airport to check in for your return flight home. On certain tour dates, you may choose to combine our Greece and Italy tours. If you are joining us for our Ultimate Greece & Italy tour, you will fly to Rome to join our Bella Italia itinerary. (B)

Note: Local regulations in Greece mandate that guests carry their own luggage on and off ferry boats.

#### **MUST BOOK BY 4/30**

PRICES STARTING AT \$4

AFTER \$250 INSTANT REBATE EACH PERSON PAYS 2021 Dates

May 5	\$ <del>1,849</del>
Book by 3/4	\$ <del>1,599</del>
EXTRA \$100 OFF	<sup>\$</sup> 1,499
Jun 2	\$ <del>1,949</del>
Book by 4/3	\$ <del>1,699</del>
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Sep 15	\$ <del>2,049</del>
Book by 4/30	<sup>\$</sup> 1,799
Sep 22	\$ <del>1,949</del>
Book by 4/30	<sup>\$</sup> 1,699
Sep 29	\$ <del>1,849</del>
Book by 4/30	<sup>\$</sup> 1,599

#### Single Supplement from \$600

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Add-on airfare with transfers available. Call for details.



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- Visit Rome, the "Eternal City," Florence and Venice—Italy's 3 most spectacular and romantic cities, all with included sightseeing
- See the Sistine Chapel and Michelangelo frescoes in Vatican City
- Take a funicular up to the ancient town of Orvieto
- See for yourself and marvel at the angle of the Leaning Tower of Pisa
- Explore the impressive sights at Bologna, Verona, and Milan

#### INCLUDES

8 nights hotels, 8 breakfasts and 3 dinners, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels, and sightseeing per itinerary.

**Note:** (B, L, D) as noted at the end of itinerary text indicates meals included for that day.

#### ACTIVITY LEVEL

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#### Day 1 • Depart for Rome

Your adventure begins as you depart on your transatlantic flight. Overnight in flight.

think of Italy are included in this 10-day, fully-guided tour.

#### Day 2 • Arrive in Rome

Arrive in historic Rome. This evening meet your fellow travelers and learn about the exciting days ahead, then relax over a tasty Italian dinner. (D)

♦ Hotel H10 Roma or similar

#### Day 3 · Vatican City

This morning, take a guided tour of Vatican City, home of the Pope. Explore the Vatican Museums, which house some of the most important and valuable art treasures in the world. Visit the Sistine Chapel to see floor-to-ceiling biblical frescoes painted by Michelangelo in around 1512, St. Peter's Basilica and St. Peter's Square. (B)

♦ Hotel H10 Roma or similar

**Note:** Touring the Vatican Museums requires walking up several staircases and 2-3 hours of walking.

#### Day 4 • Rome

A full-day sightseeing tour includes the highlights of this Eternal City. Today's sights include outside views of the Roman Forum, once a marketplace and center of daily Roman life, and the Colosseum (entrances not included), the

Piazza Navona and the renowned Spanish Steps along with the fabled Trevi Fountain. (B)

♦ Hotel H10 Roma or similar

## Day 5 • Orvieto and Montecatini Terme

Depart Rome this morning and travel north into the picturesque Umbrian countryside. We stop and take the funicular up to the ancient town of Orvieto, where you can explore the rich history of this charming town and admire a variety of Etruscan, Medieval, and Renaissance art. The Orvieto funicular (a cliff cable railway) first opened in 1888 and uses water and gravity to transport its cars up and down the hillside. We then continue north and by late afternoon arrive at Montecatini Terme, a beautiful spa town that was built around its mineral water springs, where we spend the next two nights. (B)

◆ Settentrionale Esplanade or similar

#### Day 6 • Florence and Pisa

Today's full-day excursion starts with a short drive toward the Mediterranean coast and the city of Pisa. See the Leaning Tower of Pisa and enjoy a walking tour of Florence, during which you can see the 13th century Duomo with the Brunelleschi dome and Giotto's Campanile (bell tower). See Ghiberti's golden "Gates of













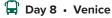
Paradise" doors at the marble-clad Baptistery of St. John, the Piazza della Signoria and the Ponte Vecchio, the medieval bridge spanning the River Arno, complete with shops built along it. (B)

◆ Settentrionale Esplanade or similar



We drive northeast and stop in Bologna. Probably best known for its culinary tradition, Bologna also has an impressive history and is home to the world's oldest university, founded in 1088. Enjoy some time on your own and perhaps pasta with authentic bolognese sauce (ragu alla bolognese in Italian) before we continue toward the Adriatic coast. We'll arrive in the Venice area by late afternoon and will stay just a few miles across the lagoon from the historic city. (B, D)

♦ Smart Hotel Holiday Venice Mestre or similar



Enjoy a sightseeing tour of this amazing city, now a World Heritage Site, built on an archipelago of 117 islands in a lagoon. Formed by 177 canals and connected by 409 bridges, Venice is unique in Europe in having remained a sizable functioning city in the twenty-first century entirely without motorcars or trucks. Transfer by boat to St. Mark's Square where you'll begin your walking tour to see the lavish Doge's Palace, (entrance not included) and the fabled Bridge of Sighs as well as the Rialto Bridge, Venice's oldest, spanning the Grand Canal. This afternoon you are free to wander through the labyrinth of canals and alleyways, lined with boutiques and souvenir shops, or perhaps relax and "people watch" over an espresso or tasty Italian gelato.

If you want to get out on the water, there are a variety of boat rides available (not included) from water taxis to the traditional gondolas. By the end of the day you'll be truly inspired by the history and romance of this wonderful city. (B)

♦ Smart Hotel Holiday Venice Mestre or similar



OPTION: MURANO & BURANO TOUR
Get to know the exquisite glasswork
of Murano and watch how the
glassblowers create their art crafts.
Continue onto the colorful streets of
Burano. \$39 p/p. Please add this option
at time of booking.

#### 🖵 Day 9 • Verona & Milan

Today we head through the lush northern Italian landscape to Verona. A city best known as the setting for Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet, it also offers wonderful examples of Medieval and Renaissance art and architecture. Our walking tour includes the Duomo (cathedral), Piazza delle Erbe with the famous Torre dei Lamberti (high tower), and of course the house of Juliet, with its famous balcony. Continue west to Milan, capital of the region of Lombardy. Your panoramic sightseeing tour highlights will include Piazza del Duomo, the main central square surrounded by several important buildings, such as Milan's Gothic cathedral and the Royal Palace of Milan. You'll also have a chance to see Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II, an impressive and ornate indoor shopping arcade built in 1865, as well as La Scala Opera House. (B, D)

◆ Crowne Plaza Milan Malpensa or similar

#### Day 10 • Depart for Home (B)

Your Italy vacation comes to an end today as you depart for home with newfound friends and a suitcase full of memories to last a lifetime

#### MUST BOOK BY 4/30

\$1.499\*

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Oct 7	\$ <del>1,749</del>
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#### Single Supplement from \$600

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WITH OUR GREECE & HER ISLANDS 18 DAYS FROM \$3,648\* \$3,198\*

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- · Marvel at the most famous landmarks of London and Paris on included city tours
- Enjoy a refined afternoon high tea at the dazzling Palace Hotel, across from **Buckingham Palace**
- Spend a day in Windsor and tour the stunning castle with free time to explore
- Take an exciting high speed rail ride from London to Paris beneath the English Channel on the Eurostar
- Tour the iconic Château de Fontainebleau and the Château de Vaux-le-Vicomte

#### INCLUDES

6 nights hotels, 6 breakfasts, 2 dinners, and 1 afternoon high tea, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels, entrance fees, and sightseeing per itinerary.

Note: (B, L, D) as noted at the end of itinerary text indicates meals included for that day.

#### ACTIVITY LEVEL

RELAXED EASY GOING MODERATE ACTIVE VERY ACTIVE

### Day 1 • Depart for London

Your journey begins on an overnight transatlantic flight to the United Kingdom. If the sun is out and the weather is clear, you'll have spectacular views of the River Thames as your plane descends into London!

#### Day 2 • Arrive in London

If you purchased airline tickets through YMT Vacations, a friendly representative will welcome you at the airport and transport you to the hotel. Settle into your centrally-located hotel, which is within walking distance to several great restaurants and cafes. The afternoon and evening are yours to relax so why not take a stroll through the bustling streets of your home for the next several days? This evening, enjoy a delicious included three-course Welcome Feast at the hotel. This is a great opportunity to get to know your fellow travelers, companions for the trip and possibly friends for life! (D)

◆ Lancaster Gate Hotel or similar

#### Day 3 • London Sightseeing

Savor a delicious breakfast before stepping out into London for a city tour of one of history's most influential capitals. See the Tower of London, Big Ben, and Piccadilly Square; and take a tour of the world-famous coronation site of Westminster Abbey. Stop for photos and a short walking tour at Buckingham Palace, and

then cross the street for a private high tea at the historic Palace Hotel overlooking the Royal Mews. The refined afternoon snacks will include delicate sandwiches, pastries, and cakes, as well as coffee, and perfectly prepared cups of fine English tea. (B, high tea)

**♦** Lancaster Gate Hotel or similar

exciting landmarks, charming villages, and magnificent castles will take

you through the heart of these two wonderful cities!

#### OPTION: LONDON EYE & DINNER



Take a ride high above the Thames on the London Eye, one of the English capital's most iconic structures. After seeing London from high above, experience it on a more intimate level by breaking

bread at a local pub, The Three Stags. \$149 p/p. Please add this option at time of booking.

#### Day 4 • Windsor Castle

Today you're in for a treat—Spend the day at Windsor Castle, the stunning British residence that has housed English queens and kings since the time of Henry I. Home to Britain's reigning monarch for over 1,000 years, Windsor is the largest and longest-occupied palace in Europe. With grounds and a castle covering 13 stunning acres, its Georgian, Victorian, and Gothic architectural features makes it one of the most beautiful palaces in all of Europe. Enjoy a selfguided tour, followed by free time for lunch and shopping on your own in the historic neighboring town—also called Windsor—the quintessential British market village. (B)

◆ Dorsett Shepherds Bush or similar















#### Day 5 • Eurostar Train to Paris

Today, board the famous Eurostar train and head to Paris! This high-speed railway will transport you on a journey across empires that takes approximately 2 ½ hours. En route, travel through one of history's most expensive and ambitious construction projects, the Channel Tunnel. The Chunnel, as it's called, took 6 years and \$21 billion to complete—and it takes riders an average of 150 feet beneath the choppy waters of the English Channel from London to Paris.

After your arrival in Paris, enjoy hors d'oeuvres and light refreshments at an included welcome reception at your hotel. Your first night in Paris is then yours to experience at your leisure. (B, light hors d'oeuvres)

◆ Apogia Hotel Paris or similar



#### 🛱 Day 6 • Paris City Tour

Start your day with a tour of Paris, the worldfamous City of Light! Take in the sights as your motor coach ventures past Bercy, home to France's Finance Ministry and Bercy Village, an entertainment district with shops and restaurants in former wine warehouses; the F. Mitterrand National Library; the Bastille, an impressive fortress; and the Marais, an exciting fashion district filled with boutiques, galleries, and bars. You'll also see the Latin Quarter, the chic St. Germain area, the iconic Louvre Pyramid, the Opéra Garnier, admission to Fradonard, Place Vendôme, and the Place de la Concorde. Even more Paris highlights you'll discover during your drive include the Champs-Elysées, the Arc de Triomphe, the Invalides, the Trocadéro, and of course, the famous Eiffel Tower. The evening is

yours to relax and enjoy the city, or a nice night

♦ Apogia Hotel Paris or similar

in, at your own pace. (B)

#### 🖬 Day 7 • Château de Fontainebleau, Barbizon, and Château Vaux-le-Vicomte

Your last full day in Paris starts with a visit to the Château de Fontainebleau, one of France's largest royal châteaux. The medieval palace served as a residence for many of France's most influential monarchs from Louis VII to Napoleon III, and it is now a national museum and UNESCO World Heritage Site. Enjoy a video-guided tour of the magnificent palace and free time for lunch on the beautiful grounds.

Next, transfer to Barbizon, a charming village on the edge of Fontainebleau forest. Here you'll take a tour and have leisure time to explore this village between two castles. Barbizon owes its fame to the several pre-Impressionist 19th century landscape painters that made the town home and captured the tranquility of this peaceful village and surrounding nature. Perhaps you may decide to visit the Auberge Ganne during your free time here. A village landmark, the inn is where the artists used to meet, and is now home to the Musée Départemental de l'École de Barbizon, which charts the Barbizon artists' lives and works.

The day continues to the Château de Vauxle-Vicomte. Built between 1658 and 1661, this baroque French château was an influential work of architecture in mid-17th-century Europe. The collaboration between the architect Louis Le Vau, the landscape architect André le Nôtre, and the painter-decorator Charles Le Brun marked the beginning of the "Louis XIV style" combining architecture, interior design, and landscape design. The garden's pronounced visual axis is an impressive example of this style! Explore the château on your own during the visit, before returning to Paris for an included Farewell Feast.

Raise a glass to your new friends and memories over a delicious three-course meal. (B, D)

♦ Apogia Hotel Paris or similar

#### Day 8 • Depart for Home

Today you depart for home, leaving with a suitcase full of memories from your exquisite London and Paris tour! (B)

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#### 2021 Dates

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#### Single Supplement from \$600

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- Spend 2 nights with an included guided city tour in London
- Marvel at the wonder of Stonehenge
- Tour Shakespeare's Birthplace and hear family stories and live theatre recitals
- Enjoy a scenic train ride through Snowdonia National Park on the Ffestiniog Railway
- Take a relaxing cruise on Lake Windermere in England's famously beautiful Lake District
- See the highlights of Liverpool and Newcastle on guided city tours
- Visit the Cotswolds, Llechwedd Slate Caverns, and Beatrix Potter's Gallery

#### INCLUDES

8 nights hotels, 8 breakfasts and 6 dinners, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels, sightseeing per itinerary.

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#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

RELAXED EASY GOING MODERATE ACTIVE VERY ACTIVE

#### ★ Day 1 • Depart for London

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#### Day 2 • Arrive in London

If you purchased airline tickets through YMT, a representative will welcome you at the airport and transport you to the hotel. The rest of the day is yours to enjoy at your leisure until the included welcome dinner at the hotel begins. Get acquainted with your traveling companions and learn about the exciting days ahead. (D)

**♦** Lancaster Gate Hotel or similar

#### Day 3 • London Sightseeing

After breakfast, head out on a panoramic city tour of one of history's most influential capitals. Enjoy an overview of all of London's most important landmarks from the comfort of your roomy coach and enjoy the rest of the day to explore as you wish. The city boasts many famous sights, including the Tower of London, Big Ben, Piccadilly Square, Westminster Abbey, Buckingham Palace, and more! (B)

◆ Lancaster Gate Hotel or similar

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#### OPTION: LONDON EYE & DINNER AT THE DUKE OF SUSSEX

Take a ride high above the Thames on the London Eye, before enjoying a 3-course dinner. §149 p/p. Please add this option at time of booking.

#### Day 4 • Stonehenge and Bath

castles, or marvel at towering mountains, you're sure to enjoy this tour!

Leave London this morning and go back in time to explore two of England's oldest sites: Stonehenge and the Roman Baths. Stonehenge is the instantly recognizable ring of stones built approximately 5,000 years. With no written records, the purpose of the monument, and the methods of its construction, remain a mystery. In Bath, we tour of some of the best Roman ruins in the world. Romans started taking advantage of Bath's natural hot springs when Claudius invaded Britain in 43 AD. They turned the site into a religious shrine that housed incredibly complex bathing areas with cold rooms, warm rooms, and a massive central pool. Explore this city, whose largely intact ruins are a testament to Rome's incredible engineering skills. (B)

◆ Mercure Bristol Holland House or similar

## Day 5 • The Cotswolds and Stratford-upon-Avon

Spend the morning in the Cotswolds, a stunning rural area renowned for lush rolling hills and beautifully maintained historic buildings and villages. The striking color of local structures—from grand manors and churches to humble single-family cottages—is due to the region's native honey-colored limestone. The buttery yellow stone is a signature feature that's distinguished the Cotswolds for centuries.

Then we continue to the home of the world's most influential writer—William Shakespeare. Take a tour of Shakespeare's Birthplace, the



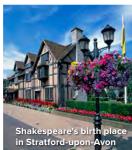












restored 16th century home in Stratford-upon-Avon that the bard grew up in, and lived in with his wife and muse, Anne Hathaway. Hear family stories and live theatre recitals during your time in this charming home. The day ends with a delicious dinner at your hotel in Wales. (B, D)

♦ Ramada Plaza Wrexham or similar

#### Day 6 • North Wales

Go deep into the Welsh mountains today on a visit to breathtaking Snowdonia National Park. Take in its wild landscapes of mountains and incredibly lush Welsh oak forests. Its coastline is protected as a Special Area of Conservation, with rugged banks and a scattering of sand dunes in the park's mid-coast. Then enjoy a ride on the Ffestiniog Railway, one of "The Great Little Trains of Wales" through the heart of the park. You'll also learn about Wales' slate mining industry and history, with a tour 500 feet underground at Llechwedd Slate Caverns, an historical mine. The day ends with another included dinner at your hotel. (B, D)

♦ Ramada Plaza Wrexham or similar

#### Day 7 • Liverpool & The Lake District

Today we tour Liverpool, a port city from where over 9 million emigrants left England for a new life in America. You'll see the Liver building, the Headquarters of the Whitestar Shipping line where the *Titanic* was built, the Albert Docks, and the two cathedrals of Hope Street.

This afternoon we arrive in of the prettiest parts of England—the Lake District. A popular holiday destination for centuries, the district is the ultimate country retreat and the ideal place for poets and writers such as William Wordsworth, John Keats, and Beatrix Potter to write. (B, D)

◆ Lancaster House Hotel or similar

# Day 8 • Lake Windermere Cruise, the Beatrix Potter Gallery, and Hadrian's Wall

Cruise Lake Windermere, England's largest natural lake. Surrounded by mountains, it was historically one of the most popular places to "get out of town." Then, tour the Beatrix Potter Gallery and see many original works of the beloved author and illustrator displayed in the 17th-century house where her husband practiced law. Miss Potter was famous for writing The Tale of Peter Rabbit and dozens of other whimsical and illustrated books. Then, see the Roman-era Vallum Hadriani, or Hadrian's Wall. The stone remains of fortifications built by the Romans, the wall stretches 73 miles from coast to coast! (B, D)

◆ Jury Inn Newcastle or similar

#### 🖬 Day 9 • Newcastle and Edinburgh

Your tour's final day dawns in Newcastle, Northeastern England's most populous city. A riverside city with an ancient Roman past (you can see sections of Hadrian's Wall from certain vantage points), Newcastle is full of fabulous sightseeing. On your guided tour this morning, see Gateshead Millennium Bridge, Tyne Bridge, imposing Newcastle, and the towering Cathedral Church of St. Nicholas.

This afternoon, we arrive in Edinburgh, home to Edinburgh Castle, the fortress that dominates Edinburgh's skyline as a globally recognizable symbol of Scotland. The rest of the evening is at leisure until your included dinner. (B, D)

◆ Moxy Edinburgh Airport or similar

#### ✗ Day 10 ⋅ Depart for Home

On certain tour dates, you may choose to combine this tour for an extended visit to Scotland. If you are joining us for our Ultimate

Great Britain tour, you will enjoy the opportunity to explore Edinburgh on your own today before joining our Sights of Scotland itinerary. (B)

#### MUST BOOK BY 4/30

\$1,599\*

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#### 2021 Dates

May 4	\$ <del>1,849</del>
Book by 2/19	<sup>\$</sup> 1,599
Jun 1	<sup>\$</sup> 1,949
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Aug 24, Sep 7	\$ <del>1,949</del>
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Sep 14 & 28	<sup>\$</sup> 1,849
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#### Single Supplement from \$700

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WITH OUR SIGHTS OF SCOTLAND TOUR 18 DAYS FROM \$3,448\* \$3,198\*

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- See Edinburgh and tour Edinburgh Castle, home of the Scottish Crown Jewels
- Witness the spectacular scenery of the Scottish Highlands
- Discover Loch Ness and take a scenic cruise
- Explore the ruins of Urguhart Castle
- Stop at the historic battlefield site of the Battle of Culloden Moor
- Tour Cawdor Castle and its lovely gardens
- See the rugged and beautiful Isle of Skye
- · Included whisky distillery tour & tasting
- Learn about the history and culture of the Scottish Clans

#### INCLUDES

8 nights hotels, 8 breakfasts and 5 dinners, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels, and sightseeing per itinerary.

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#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

RELAXED EASY GOING MODERATE ACTIVE VERY ACTIVE

#### ▼ Day 1 • Depart for Scotland

Your journey begins on your overnight flight.

#### Day 2 • Arrive in Edinburgh, Scotland

and magic—where craggy mountains stand sentry over misty moors, and grand castles overlook murky lochs. Visit ancient cities and see why Scotland's culture, history, scenery and food are unlike anywhere else!

If you purchased airline tickets from YMT, a representative will greet you at the airport and transfer you to your hotel. The rest of the day is yours to spend at your leisure until the included welcome dinner at the hotel. (D)

◆ Moxy Edinburgh Airport or similar

#### 🛱 Day 3 • Edinburgh

Your first full day in Scotland starts with a comprehensive tour of Edinburgh. The beautifully maintained capital city is a UNESCO World Heritage site, and tour highlights include the Royal Scottish Academy, The Georgian House, St. Giles Cathedral, The Scottish Parliament, and Greyfriars Bobby. Your final stop this morning is Edinburgh Castle, home to the Scottish Crown Jewels, the Stone of Destiny, and Edinburgh's oldest building, St. Margaret's Chapel. Admission to the castle is included for you to enjoy a self-guided tour. The guided portion of the day concludes at lunchtime, after which you are free to remain in the city and explore on your own, or to join our afternoon optional tour. (B)

♦ Moxy Edinburgh Airport or similar

#### Day 4 • Edinburgh to The Highlands

After a delicious breakfast, we'll head to one of the most historically significant places in all of Britain—the iconic Scone Palace in Perth. Scone Palace is the home of the Earl of Mansfield, and has been the seat of parliaments and the crowning place of the Kings of Scots since the 9th century. Robert the Bruce was crowned at Scone in 1306, and the last coronation was of Charles II in 1651. Continue to the Highlands to enjoy some free time. Today also includes a visit to the Leault Working Sheepdogs Farm for a 45-minute demonstration of up to eight dogs working as a team to herd sheep and responding to their own personalized commands and individualized whistles. Meet the collie pups, see the orphan lambs and perhaps take part in shearing a sheep. Before you reach your hotel, you'll see Britain's tallest mountain range in Cairngorms National Park. (B, D)

♦ Highlander Hotel or similar

#### Day 5 • Loch Ness & Inverness

Enjoy stunning views of Inverness and the Moray Firth as you make your way into the Great Glen, and Loch Ness. Up to 755 feet deep at places, the murky lake has plenty of hiding space for the mythical Loch Ness Monster, or "Nessie," as she has been referred to locally since her first sighting in 1933. You'll take a short scenic cruise across the loch to Urquhart Castle, where you will have time to explore the ruins dating back















to the 13th century. Enjoy the afternoon at your own pace, taking in the sights of Inverness, the ancient capital of the Highlands, populated since 565 BC. (B)

◆ Jurys Inn Inverness or similar



#### OPTION: KILT FACTORY, HIGHLAND HOUSE OF FRASER, & DINNER

Take a guided tour of the Scottish Kiltmaker Visitor Centre and enjoy a fascinating insight into the history of the kilt. \$69 p/p. Please add this option at time of booking.



Our first stop this morning is the historic battlefield site of the bloody Battle of Culloden Moor. This brutal battle in April 1746 saw thousands of casualties and marked the end of the 60-year-long Jacobite Uprising against the English monarchy. Enjoy an innovative interactive exhibit about the battle, as well as area history at the Visitor Centre. Continue to Cawdor Castle, an ancient medieval fortress with three very different and extraordinary gardens. Explore the grounds on a guided tour before continuing to Glen Ord Whisky Distillery for an informative tour and tasting of beautiful Scotch Whisky-no trip to Scotland would be complete without it! (B, D)

♦ Jurys Inn Inverness or similar

#### 🛱 Day 7 • Isle of Skye & Western **Highlands**

Your tour takes you to the Isle of Skye, one of the Inner Hebrides islands. You will visit the Clan Donald Centre, a heritage center for what used to be the biggest clan in Scotland, ruling the western part of the country and the islands. A short ferry crossing will then take you back to the mainland and you continue to Inverary. (B, D)

#### 🛱 Day 8 • Argyll & Glasgow

Today's itinerary takes you farther south along the rugged shoreline into Argyll. First, you will visit Inveraray Castle, built in 1743 in the Gothic Revival style. You'll enjoy seeing the extensive collection of pikes, muskets and other weaponry. There will also be a short break on the banks of Loch Lomond, the largest lake in the country. After leaving the tranquility of the Highlands, your trip takes you into Glasgow, the biggest city in Scotland. (B)

♦ Moxy Glasgow SEC or similar



#### 🛱 Day 9 • Glasgow

During a panoramic morning city tour, you will see the remnants of the monastery at Glasgow Cathedral and the Necropolis, an ancient cemetery in the middle of the city. You will also visit George Square, named after King George III and the de facto center of Glasgow. The rest of the afternoon is yours until our final sit-down Farewell Dinner (B, D)

♦ Moxy Glasgow SEC or similar

#### Day 10 • Depart for Home

Bid farewell to Scotland and depart for home. On certain tour dates, you may choose to combine our Scotland and Ireland tours. If you are joining us for our Ultimate Scotland & Ireland tour, you will fly to Dublin on day 10 to join our Best of Ireland itinerary. (B)

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#### 2021 Dates

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- Visit Waterford and the Waterford Crystal factory
- Kiss the Blarney Stone and acquire the "gift of the gab" at Blarney Castle
- Dublin sightseeing including St. Patrick's Cathedral, the largest in Ireland
- Take one of Europe's most famous drives, the Ring of Kerry, with its spectacular scenery of lakes and rivers
- See the incredible Cliffs of Moher and Giant's Causeway
- Visit Titanic Belfast—the world's largest Titanic experience

#### INCLUDES

10 nights hotels, 10 breakfasts and 5 dinners, professional driver guide, baggage handling at hotels, and sightseeing per itinerary.

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#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

RELAXED EASY GOING MODERATE ACTIVE VERY ACTIVE

#### Day 1 • Depart for Dublin

Your journey begins on your overnight flight.

#### ★ Day 2 • Arrive in Dublin

Arrive in Dublin, capital city of the "Emerald Isle." If you purchased airline tickets from YMT, a representative will welcome you and transport you to the hotel. Dublin is laid out perfectly for casual walkers, so shops, restaurants, the River Liffey, and many other highlights are easy to explore on foot at your leisure. This evening, relax over a welcome dinner with your fellow travelers and learn about the days ahead. (D)

♦ Clayton Hotel Leopardstown or similar

#### 😾 Day 3 • Dublin

This morning, enjoy a tour of the highlights of this richly historical city. See the Bank of Ireland, built in the 18th century to house the Parliament; and Leinster House, where the government convenes today. Visit the famous St. Patrick's Cathedral, originally built in 450 AD and rebuilt in 1191. The afternoon is at leisure, giving you plenty of time to visit Trinity College, Henrietta Street's Georgian mansions, or to take a stroll down Grafton Street in the center of Dublin. (B)

→ Clayton Hotel Leopardstown or similar



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#### OPTION: IRISH EVENING AT TAYLORS THREE ROCK

Enjoy Taylors Irish Cabaret at Taylors Three Rock, along with a 3-course dinner. §89 p/p. Please add this option at time of booking.

#### 🛱 Day 4 • Dublin to Waterford

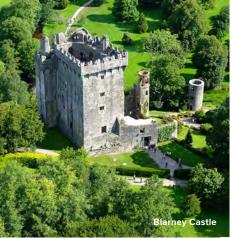
Today we head south to the Rock of Cashel—a cluster of historic ruins towering on a hilltop. We then head to Waterford, the oldest city in Ireland, and home to the famous crystal. Enjoy an illuminating tour of the factory where you'll learn about the manufacturing process and Waterford's history. There will be time to browse the gift shop, and marvel at the largest Waterford Crystal collection in the world. (B)

◆ Fitzwilton Hotel or similar

#### Day 5 • Waterford to Killarney

This morning we continue to Cork for a guided Jameson Experience distillery tour of the Midleton Distillery. Learn about history, heritage, and the whiskey production process before enjoying a comparative tasting of Scotch, American and Jameson whiskey. Also included in today's visit is a complimentary drink at the bar! Next, we visit Blarney Castle, one of Ireland's oldest and most historic castles. You're free to climb the 125 steps of the spiral staircase to kiss the Blarney Stone. Our tour ends today in Killarney, our home for the next two nights. (B, D)

♦ Killarney Oaks Hotel or similar













#### Day 6 • Ring of Kerry Excursion

This morning take one of Europe's most famous drives, the Ring of Kerry. This long loop takes us through spectacular scenery-lakes, rivers, historical landmarks, and charming villages on the Iveragh Peninsula. Back in Killarney this evening, you're free to relax at the hotel or explore the quaint town at your leisure. (B)

♦ Killarney Oaks Hotel or similar



#### Day 7 • Killarney to Galway

Today we visit Bunratty Castle & Folk Park, where we'll see one of the most complete and authentic medieval fortresses in the country. Built in 1425, the castle was restored in 1954 to its former glory. It now houses an exquisitelydetailed living history museum that gives you a taste of what country life was really like in turn-of-the-century Ireland. Next, drive through the scenic Burren area, stopping to view the picturesque Cliffs of Moher, sheer sea cliffs with incredible views of the north Atlantic. Arrive in the Galway area by late afternoon. (B, D)

♦ The Connacht Hotel or similar



#### 🛱 Day 8 • Galway to Sligo

Today, we travel through the beautiful and rugged landscape of the Connemara region. We'll visit the palatial Kylemore Abbey, nestled at the base of Druchruach Mountain, which took 100 craftsmen 4 years to complete. Our drive continues through Westport into the Sligo area by late afternoon. (B, D)

♦ Sligo Park Hotel or similar



#### 🖵 Day 9 • Sligo to Belfast

This morning, enjoy a short visit to Belleek Pottery, a porcelain company founded in 1884, for a lesson on its history—with time to buy

souvenirs in their store. Next, visit the Ulster American Folk Park and learn about 300 years of Irish emigration to America. Continue to Belfast, your home for the next two nights. (B)

♦ Malone Lodge Hotel or similar



#### Day 10 • Giant's Causeway

Today, we'll enjoy a relaxing excursion along beautiful coastal roads, and take in the stunning seaside cliffs and endless Atlantic Ocean. We'll spend time exploring the Giant's Causeway, a UNESCO World Heritage Site with remarkable rock formations that tower up to 40 feet in the air. The stacks are said to be 50 million years old, and according to myth, were part of a road built by the legendary giant Finn MacCool. (B)

♦ Malone Lodge Hotel or similar



#### 屈 Day 11 • Belfast and Dublin

This morning we visit Titanic Belfast, the \$150 million Titanic visitor experience in the city where the unsinkable ship was built. You will see full-scale reconstructions and learn about the *Titanic*'s conception through to her tragic end in 1912. The journey continues to the discovery of the wreck, and into the present day with a live undersea exploration center. We will then enjoy a panoramic motor coach tour of Belfast, taking in the impressive Parliament buildings at Stormont, Belfast City Hall, and the murals of the Falls Road. In the afternoon, we drive south to Dublin for our final evening in Ireland, and a farewell dinner at the hotel. (B, D)

♦ Clayton Hotel Leopardstown or similar



Day 12 • Depart Dublin for Home (B)

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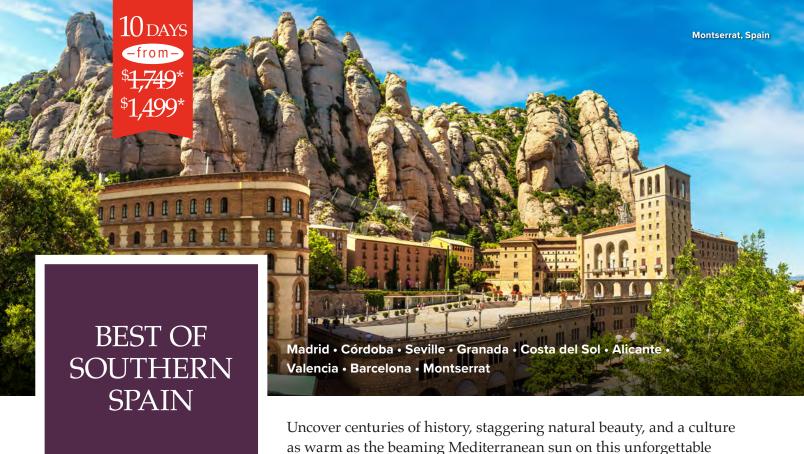
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WITH OUR SIGHTS OF SCOTLAND TOUR 20 DAYS FROM \$3,648\* \$3,298\*

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- Take a panoramic tour of historic Madrid
- Tour the 13th century High Gothic Toledo Cathedral
- Walk the ancient cobblestones of Santa Cruz, Seville's medieval Jewish quarter
- Travel by funicular up to the Sanctuary of Montserrat Mountain near Barcelona
- Relax in the picturesque Costa del Sol

#### INCLUDES

10-day land tour with hotels, daily breakfasts, 4 dinners, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels, entrance fees, flights in tour, and sightseeing per itinerary.

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#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

RELAXED EASY GOING MODERATE ACTIVE VERY ACTIVE

exploration of southern Spain. From bustling cities to peaceful medieval churches, this tour promises to be full of fond memories.

#### Day 1 • Depart for Madrid

Your trip to Spain begins with an overnight transatlantic flight to Madrid.

#### Day 2 • Arrive in Madrid

Welcome to Madrid, where your trip of a lifetime begins! If you purchased airline tickets through YMT Vacations, a friendly representative will welcome you at the airport and transport you to the hotel. The evening is yours to enjoy until guests are invited to sit down for a delicious dinner at the hotel. Get acquainted with your traveling companions and learn about the exciting days ahead. (D)

♦ Silken Torre Garden or similar

#### Day 3 • Madrid

Wake up in Madrid, the capital city of Spain. Today we will take you on a panoramic tour including photo stops at some of Madrid's most historic and iconic sights. See Plaza de España, Plaza de Colon, Plaza de la Independencia, Plaza Mayor, the Old City Center, Plaza de Toros de Las Ventas, Retiro Park, and the upscale Salamanca neighborhood. Enjoy a walking tour of Toledo Old Town including admission to the stunning Toledo Cathedral; Toledo Cathedral is considered by many to be the greatest example of Gothic architecture in the world, and

is just one of three 13th-century High Gothic cathedrals in all of Spain. The evening will be at your leisure to enjoy a delicious meal and the many museums, cafes, and pristine parks of this cultural hotspot. (B)

♦ Silken Torre Garden or similar

#### 🛱 Day 4 • Madrid to Seville via Córdoba

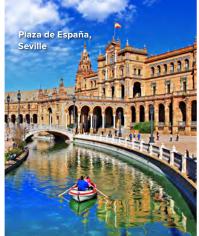
One the way from Madrid to Seville, travel to Córdoba in the history-rich region of Andalusia. Enjoy a walking tour of Córdoba's Jewish quarter, Calleja de las Flores, or flower street, and La Mezquita, an 8th century Mosque turned gorgeous Catholic Cathedral. Tour the breathtaking Mosque Cathedral, known as one of Europe's greatest works of Islamic architecture. You will be entranced by the detailed Moorish archways that line the prayer hall made of rich jasper, onyx, and marble. Continue to Seville for a relaxing evening on your own. (B)

◆ AC Sevilla or similar

#### Day 5 • Seville

Spend the day in stunning Seville on a panoramic tour of Andalusia's capital where Gothic architecture, medieval history, and Arabian culture combine to create a truly unique setting. From the comfort of your coach, see Plaza de España, the Gothic Seville Cathedral,













and the medieval Alcázar de Segovia castle complex. Take a short walking tour of Santa Cruz, Seville's medieval Jewish quarter. Spend the evening at your leisure or join us on one of our unforgettable optional tours. (B)

◆ AC Sevilla or similar

#### **OPTION: HORSE DRAWN CARRIAGE RIDE**



Take an evening horse-drawn carriage ride through Seville, and enjoy the sites in one of Spain's most enchanting cities. Light refreshments included. \$65 p/p. Please add this

option at time of booking.

#### Day 6 • Seville to Costa del Sol via Granada

Take a scenic drive down to Costa del Sol, Spain's phenomenal "Sun Coast," with a detour in Granada to explore this Moorish haven at the feet of the Sierra Nevada mountain range. Your walking tour includes Granada's Royal Chapel, old silk market, Corral de Carbón, and the picturesque Plaza Bib-Rambla—a gorgeous city square that buzzes with energy. Costa del Sol is one of the Mediterranean Sea's most stunning stretches of coastline. Don't miss your chance to enjoy a long walk and delicious meal right on the water. (B, D)

♦ Bahia hotels / Almuñecar or similar

## Day 7 • Costa del Sol to Valencia via

Take a scenic journey to Valencia, with a lovely stop in Alicante for lunch on your own. Alicante is a perfect little beach town, and its fresh seafood is not to be missed. Look up to Mount Benacantil to see the sand-colored remains

of Santa Bárbara Castle, the imposing fortress that protected Alicante dating back to the 9th century. Spend the evening in Valencia, where you can relax or find an outdoor cafe that serves Paella right here in the town where the famous dish was created! (B. D)

♦ Eurostars Acteon or similar

#### 🛱 Day 8 • Valencia to Barcelona

Start your day with breakfast and a tour of Valencia; this former Roman colony is one of the most popular vacation destinations in Spain due to its appealing combination of culture and history. Your panoramic tour includes Plaza de Toros, Ciudad de las Artes y las Ciencias, L'Oceanogràfic Museum, port, and marina. Take a walking tour of Old Town, and of the towering Cathedral of Valencia. Continue to Barcelona, your home for the next two nights. (B)

♦ H10 Itaca or similar



#### Day 9 • Barcelona and Montserrat

Barcelona's over 7,000 years of history functions as a unique backdrop for this thoroughly modern city. The city of Barcelona boasts 8 UNESCO World Heritage Sites, not to mention a long, sandy coastline, fabulous food, and terrific shopping. Take a city tour where you will see Montjuic, Sagrada Familia, Passeig De Gracia with Gaudí buildings, Port Olympic, and the Arc de Triomf. Finally take an included funicular ride up to the site of the Sanctuary of Montserrat Mountain, an 11th century Benedictine monastery hidden in the towering Montserrat range high above Catalonia. Your night ends with an included farewell dinner. (B, D)

♦ H10 Itaca or similar



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- Explore the magnificent Sintra & Óbidos
- Visit the famous Shrine of Our Lady of Fátima
- Tour the historic city of Porto and enjoy an included port wine tasting
- Learn about how the cork industry maintains its centuries-long traditions on a guided factory tour
- Paint your very own Azulejo tile at a ceramics factory tour with workshop
- End your trip with a tour of Lisbon and discover its dazzling treasures

#### INCLUDES

10 day land tour with hotels, daily breakfasts, 3 dinners, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels, entrance fees, flights in tour, and sightseeing per itinerary.

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#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

RELAXED EASY GOING MODERATE ACTIVE VERY ACTIVE

#### ▼ Day 1 • Depart for Lisbon

Set off for your European adventure starting on an overnight transatlantic flight to Portugal.

#### ✗ Day 2 ⋅ Arrive in Lisbon

Welcome to Lisbon, where your journey begins! If you purchased airline tickets through YMT Vacations, a friendly representative will welcome you at the airport and transport you to the hotel. The evening is yours to enjoy until guests are invited to sit down for a delicious dinner at the hotel. Get acquainted with your traveling companions and learn about the exciting days ahead. (D)

◆ Aldeia dos Capuchos or similar

#### 🛱 Day 3 • Lisbon to Leiria

After an included breakfast, set off for Sintra. Enjoy a guided city tour of this charming town, located in the foothills of the Sintra Mountains, and famous for its pastel buildings and lush terrain. Next, continue to Óbidos for a short walking tour, where guests can explore Óbidos Castle on their own. You'll have some free time for lunch and photos before we head to Fátima for a self-guided tour of the Shrine of Our Lady of Fátima, the location of a 1917 miracle and an important Catholic pilgrimage site. After a memorable day of sightseeing, transfer to your hotel in Leiria for an evening at leisure. (B)

♦ Hotel Tryp Leira or similar

#### 🛱 Day 4 • Leiria and Coimbra

full of treasures and wonderful sights. Cathedrals neighbor cork forests, and blue Azulejo tiles are the perfect place to put down your glass of local

wine. Prepare to love this stunning Mediterranean nation!

Start your morning in Leiria, watched over for centuries by the magnificent Leiria Castle. Enjoy a self-guided tour of the UNESCO-listed Monastery of Batalha, commissioned in the 14th century by King John I and among Portugal's most beloved historic monuments. Continue to Coimbra, one of Portugal's loveliest college towns. Enjoy lunch on your own and perhaps visit the library and grounds of Universidad de Coimbra, originally founded in 1290. The university is dazzling, and you can visit many of its most impressive sites, including the Great Hall, Baroque Library, and Natural History Collection. (B)

♦ Eurostars Heroismo or similar

#### Day 5 • Porto with Wine Tasting

Porto is one of Portugal's oldest cities, and is a spectacular place to spend the day. First settled around 300 BC, it has since been captured by the Romans, the Moors, and even Napoleon; its historic center is recognized as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Enjoy a city tour with included admission to the 19th century Stock Exchange Palace and an included port wine tasting at Sandeman Cellars. After free time and lunch on your own, take a self-guided tour of Guimarães, whose medieval city center is listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Spend the evening relaxing in Porto. (B)

♦ Eurostars Heroismo or similar













#### Day 6 • Viseu, Belmonte, and Evora

Start your active day in Viseu, where during free time you will have the opportunity to walk around the history-rich birthplace of Alfonso I The Conqueror, Portugal's first king. Next, enjoy lunch on your own in Belmonte, plus an included olive oil tasting and admission to the Belmonte Jewish Museum. Dinner is included at your hotel in Evora. (B, D)

♦ Hotel Dom Fernando or similar

#### 🛱 Day 7 • Evora

After breakfast, take a guided tour of the Cortiçarte cork factory, a fascinating facility where cork is produced using traditional methods that haven't changed for hundreds of years. See everything from the trees whose bark is sustainably harvested every nine years, to the boiling vats where the cork is sterilized, to the gift shop selling a wide variety of gorgeous products. Next, travel to Evora, whose medieval town is one of Europe's finest. For even older history, just look for the easy-to-spot 14 surviving columns of the Roman Temple of Diana, built around the 1st century A.D. Enjoy free time for lunch and shopping, then taste local wines on an included winery tour. (B)

♦ Hotel Dom Fernando or similar

#### 🛱 Day 8 • Evora to Lisbon

Start the day with a terrifically enjoyable tour of the Leiveira-Azulejos de Azeitão ceramic factory. Portugal's Azulejo tiles –tiny, often remarkably detailed pieces of art glazed in a striking blue -are one of the country's most beloved cultural signatures. Dating back to the 13th century, Azulejos are the result of all of Portugal's

influences: the Moorish invasion, the Roman Catholic church, the Age of Discovery, all the way up to the bustling country's modern needs and trends. Learn how the tiles are made, and even try your hand at creating one yourself under the tutelage of a master tile painter. After a stunning photo stop at Serra de Arrabida, enjoy free time on your own and a leisurely afternoon in Lisbon to relax on your own or sign up for our fabulous optional tour. (B)

◆ Aldeia dos Capuchos or similar



#### **OPTION: DINNER & SUNSET RIVER CRUISE**

Prior to embarkation enjoy a 3-course dinner on the bay, then cruise the Tagus River at sunset while enjoying a welcome drink and viewing the many spectacular castles and cathedrals of Lisbon. \$119 p/p. Please add this option at time of booking

#### 屈 Day 9 • Lisbon

Spend the final day of your tour in Lisbon, Portugal's hilly coastal capital watched over by 7 picturesque hills. The peaks' view of Lisbon's historic cobblestoned streets and stately ruins, mixed seamlessly with the modern world that grew up around them, is one of Europe's prettiest. Take a guided tour of the city's highlights, including admission to the Jerónimos Monastery, a dazzling monument built in the 1500s as a potent symbol of Portugal's immense wealth and power at the peak of their global navigation period. Enjoy lunch on your own and an afternoon at your leisure before ending your tour with a delicious farewell feast. (B, D)

◆ Aldeia dos Capuchos or similar

#### Day 10 • Depart for Home (B)

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- Enjoy city tours and take in the magnificent highlights of Berlin, Nuremberg, Frankfurt, and Munich
- Walk the Renaissance ruins of the red-tinted Heidelberg Castle nestled in the wooded hills above the ancient city of Heidelberg
- Stay in a centrally-located hotel in Baden-Baden, the delightful spa town nestled in the fairytale peaks of the Black Forest
- Sit down with your fellow travelers at an included farewell dinner at the original Hofbräuhaus in Munich—the world's most famous beer hall

#### INCLUDES

8 nights hotels, daily breakfasts and 3 dinners, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels, and sightseeing per itinerary.

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#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

RELAXED EASY GOING MODERATE ACTIVE VERY ACTIVE

#### **✗** Day 1 ⋅ Depart for Germany

Your vacation begins on an overnight flight to Europe.

#### ✗ Day 2 ⋅ Arrive in Berlin

Welcome to Berlin, one of the most beautiful and sophisticated capital cities in the world. If you purchased airline tickets from YMT, a friendly representative will welcome you at the airport and transport you to the hotel. The rest of the day is yours to enjoy at your leisure until the included dinner at the hotel begins. This is your chance to get to know your fellow travelers and learn about the exciting days ahead. (D)

♦ Hotel ABBA Berlin or similar

#### 屈 Day 3 • Berlin Sightseeing

On your first full tour day, Berlin's history and culture from before and after WWII are on fascinating display. Start with a city tour, where you will see everything from the Brandenburg Gate to Checkpoint Charlie, to the beautiful gardens and museums that pepper Germany's sophisticated capital. Enjoy the afternoon and evening on your own or perhaps join one of our optional tours. (B)

◆ Hotel ABBA Berlin or similar



From the refinement of the capital to the unfaded beauty of its castles and

ruins, Germany is one of Europe's most vibrant nations.

#### OPTION: BERLIN MUSEUM ISLAND

Spend an illuminating afternoon exploring Berlin's finest cultural institutions on Museum Island, a unique collection of five neighboring museums, awarded UNESCO World Heritage Status in 1999. \$49 p/p. Please add this option at time of booking.

#### Day 4 • Dresden City Tour

On the banks of the swiftly flowing Elbe River, the German city of Dresden is lushly green, filled with parks, forests, and splendid gardens. Dresden is rich with cultural and artistic history, which you will learn about during today's exciting city tour. Visit Frauenkirche, the beautiful Lutheran house of worship featuring one of the largest domes in all of Europe, and Hofkirche, an 18th century Baroque church. (B)

♦ Radisson Blu Park Hotel or similar

#### Day 5 • Nuremberg City Tour

Martin Luther once claimed that Nuremberg "shines throughout Germany like a sun among the moon and stars," a sentiment visitors to this vibrant historic village are certain to agree with. Once the preferred seat of German kings, and a major city for the Roman Empire, Nuremberg is full of history—which you can taste by sampling its 600-year old recipe for Nuremberg Lebkuchen, the scrumptious local version of gingerbread!















Enjoy an illuminating city tour where you will see the formidable Nuremberg castle, the magnificent 13th century St. Sebald Church, and the stunning 14th century Schöner Brunnen fountain in Nuremberg's Historical Mile. (B)

♦ Hotel Forsthaus Nürnberg Fürth or similar

#### Day 6 • Frankfurt Sightseeing

Spend the day falling in love with Frankfurt, a charming international city full of museums, shops, and restaurants that cater to English speakers. On today's tour, you'll see the Frankfurt Cathedral, a great example of Gothic Roman Catholic architecture; the Main Tower, an 56-story impressive skyscraper; and the Römer, a medieval building that has served as Frankfurt's city hall for over 600 years. You'll also see the Goethe House, the family residence of famed writer Johann Wolfgang van Goethe. (B, D)

◆ Hotel Intercity Frankfurt Airport or similar

#### 🛱 Day 7 • Heidelberg Castle and Baden-Baden in the Black Forest

Take a tour of stunning Heidelberg Castle, the striking red sandstone ruins of a 13th century castle set in the forested hills above Heidelberg. See the castle and the incredible grounds before traveling to Baden-Baden in the Black Forest mountain range.

Bordered by the scenic Rhine River Valley, the Black Forest is the quintessential European fairytale woods. Grimm's most famous fairytales—set deep under the dark, spooky canopy—were largely set in the Black Forest, and in the dim quiet, you can almost imagine how scary a house call with a hungry witch could be. Baden-Baden is one of the Black forest's most charming villages. The thriving spa town has been raved about in the New York Times,

and its stunning architecture and impeccable amenities are made unforgettable by its unique surroundings. (B)

◆ Starr Inn & Suites Premium Heidelburg or similar



#### Day 8 • Transfer to Munich

Today we'll transfer to Munich. Enjoy a lunch stop on the scenic road from Baden-Baden, a stop on the famed Romantic Road of Germany, which takes you through "quintessentially German" scenery and culture and links a number of picturesque towns and castles. Arrive in Munich in the afternoon and spend a leisurely evening tonight in Germany's third largest city. (B)

♦ Feringapark Hotel or similar



#### Day 9 • Munich City Tour

Your final day takes you in a panoramic sightseeing tour through Munich known for its hearty German cuisine, exceptional beers, and the original Oktoberfest; it also has a vibrant art scene and beautifully preserved architecture. See Munich on an illuminating panoramic tour, where you will the see beautiful Pinakothek Art Museum, Marienplatz, the heart of Munich's Old Town, Olympiapark München, the olympic park build for the 1972 Summer Olympics, and Schwabing, Munich's artists quarter.

Enjoy a farewell dinner with your fellow travelers at the original Hofbräuhaus, Munich's largest tourist attraction, after the Oktoberfest. The historical tavern features authentic food and dirndl-clad waitresses. (B, D)

♦ Feringapark Hotel or similar



Day 10 • Depart for Home (B)

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#### INCLUDES

19 day land tour with hotels, 17 breakfasts, 2 dinners, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels, entrance fees, flights in tour, and sightseeing per itinerary.

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#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

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Your journey begins on an overnight transatlantic flight to London.

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#### Day 2 • Arrive in London

Welcome to London, where your journey begins! If you purchased airline tickets through YMT Vacations, a friendly representative will welcome you at the airport and transport you to your hotel. Relax on your own until an included dinner is served at the hotel. (D)

**♦** Copthorne Tara or similar

#### Day 3 • London

Enjoy a city tour of one of history's most influential capitals. From the comfort of your temperature controlled coach, see famous landmarks including Buckingham Palace, Big Ben, St. Paul's Cathedral, and the Houses of Parliament. After lunch on your own, visit the world-famous Tower of London. (B)

◆ Copthorne Tara or similar

#### Day 4 • Eurostar Train to Paris

Board the famous *Eurostar train* and head to Paris on a high speed journey across empires. En route, travel through one of history's most ambitious construction projects, the Channel Tunnel—or Chunnel. See the Eiffel Tower on your own before settling into your hotel. (B)

◆ Apogia Paris or similar



important countries. Via train, coach, and Venetian watercraft, fall in love

Take a panoramic city tour of Paris, where you will have the chance to see its most iconic sites from the comfort of your temperature-controlled coach. See the Arc de Triomphe, the Champs-Élysées, and the delightful Montmartre village. Tour the Palais Garnier, Paris' gorgeous national Opera House, then learn about perfume at the private Fragonard Musée du Parfum before enjoying lunch on your own and free time. (B)

◆ Apogia Paris or similar

#### Days 6 & 7 • Amsterdam via Brussels

Depart Paris for Brussels, where you will have free time to eat lunch on your own and enjoy the atmosphere of Belgium's cheery capital city. Your home for the evening is Amsterdam, which you get to enjoy on your own.

The next day, discover Amsterdam from a unique vantage point on an included canal cruise.

Continuing your city tour on foot, see Waterloo Square, the Opera House, City Hall, Rembrandt Square, Zuiderkerk, Moses and Arron Church, and the Portuguese Synagogue, a Sephardic synagogue that was completed in 1675. (B)

♦ Dutch Hotel Artemis or similar



#### OPTION: TRADITIONAL DUTCH EXPERIENCE

Explore Zaanse Schans, a residential area in which the 18th and 19th centuries are brought to life and enjoy dinner at a local restaurant.

\$89 p/p. Please add this option at time of booking.













#### Day 8 • Düsseldorf

Continue to Düsseldorf, the City of Fashion. After free time on your own for lunch, take a panoramic cruise on the Rhine River with an accompanying audio guide. Afterward, enjoy free time in town. (B)

♦ Leonardo Hotel Mönchengladbach or similar

#### 🛱 Day 9 • Nuremberg Areas via Frankfurt

Enjoy lunch on your own and shopping in Frankfurt, a charmingly international city full of delightful museums, shops, and restaurants. Your day ends in the Nuremberg area, which is as historic as it is vibrant. (B)

♦ Hotel Forsthaus Nürnberg-Fürth or similar

#### 🛱 Day 10 • Munich

Explore the highlights of Munich on a city tour, where you will the Marienplatz, the heart of Munich's Old Town, the Olympic Park, the Artist's Quarter of Schwabing, and more. (B)

◆ Leonard City Munich Olympiapark or similar

#### Day 11 • Salzburg

Continue to Salzburg, a stunning ancient capital that is home to the mighty Salzach River, and old town Altstadt area. Your day includes funicular to Hohensalzburg Castle and time in St. Peter's Monastery. (B)

◆ Austria Trend Hotel Salzburg West or similar

#### 😾 Day 12 • Innsbruck

Upon arrival, enjoy free time in the "Capital of the Alps." Take a self-guided tour of Old Town's most famous symbol, Goldenes Dachl, or Golden Roof. Completed in 1500, its roof is covered with 2,657 fire-gilded copper tiles. (B)

◆ Alphotel Innsbruck Hotel or similar

#### 🛱 Days 13 & 14 • Venice

This morning, transfer to Venice and enjoy a sightseeing tour of this World Heritage Site built on islands in a lagoon. Transfer by boat to St. Mark's Square where you'll begin your walking tour to see the Bridge of Sighs, the Rialto Bridge, Venice's oldest, and the exteriors of the lavish Doge's Palace. This afternoon you are free to wander through this historic city.

Spend the next day touring Murano and Burano, two of the most important islands in Venice. Murano is the longtime home of Venice's famous blown glass while Burano is renowned for its brightly colored fishermen's houses and spectacular seafood right from the lagoon. (B)

♦ Smart Holiday Hotel or similar

#### 😾 Days 15 & 16 • Florence via Bologna

After a lunch stop in Bologna, enjoy a guided walking tour of Florence where you will see the exteriors of Cathedral Santa Maria del Fiore, the Piazza della Signoria, and the Ponte Vecchio, the medieval bridge spanning the River Arno. (B)

The next day, enjoy morning tours of the famous Galleria Dell'Accademia and Basilica Santa Maria del Fiore. (B)

♦ iH Hotels Firenze Business or similar

#### Day 17 • Rome

A full-day panoramic sightseeing tour includes outside views of the highlights of this Eternal City. Today's sights include outside views of the Colosseum, Circus Maximus, the Arch of Constantine, the Spanish Steps, the fabled Trevi Fountain, and the Pantheon, which you may enter on your own, if you wish. (B)

♦ iH z3 Roma or similar

#### Day 18 • Rome

This morning, you'll tour the Vatican City, home of the Pope. Our guided tour explores the Vatican Museums, the Sistine Chapel, St. Peter's Basilica, and St. Peter's Square. Your trip ends with a delicious farewell feast. (D, B)

♦ iH z3 Roma or similar

Day 19 • Depart for Home (B)



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AFTER \$250 INSTANT REBATE EACH PERSON PAYS

2021 Dates

Aug 3 & 24 \$3,649 \$3,399 **Book by 4/30** 

#### Single Supplement from \$1,100

\*Per person based on double occupancy plus \$299 tax/ service/gov't fees. See page 145 for terms & conditions. Passport required.

Add-on airfare with transfers available. Call for details.



- Tour the iconic Golden Circle
- Enjoy lunch overlooking the Blue Lagoon
- Stroll the black sand beaches of quaint Vík
- Tour the greenhouses and watch the Icelandic horses at Fridheimar farm
- Stop at waterfalls, geysers, hot springs, and exposed continental plates
- Take a late-night Northern Lights outing
- Convenient stay in one hotel for your entire tour—no need to pack and unpack!

#### INCLUDES

6 nights hotels, 6 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 1 dinner, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels, and sightseeing per itinerary.

**Note:** (B, L, D) as noted at the end of itinerary text indicates meals included for that day.

#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

RELAXED EASY GOING MODERATE ACTIVE VERY ACTIVE

#### ★ Day 1 • Depart for Iceland

Your journey begins on your overnight flight.

friendly locals, and stunning nature.

#### Day 2 • Arrive in Reykjavík

Welcome to Reykjavík, one of the cleanest, greenest, and safest cities in the world. This tiny Nordic nation is renowned for its dramatic landscapes and near continuous summer daylight. Iceland has grown into one of the most desirable travel destinations in the world in recent years, and for good reason. Guests arriving at the hotel by noon will join the guided tour of Iceland's capital city, Reykjavík. The evening is yours to enjoy at your leisure until the included welcome dinner tonight. (D)

◆ Centerhotel Midgardur or similar

#### Day 3 • Golden Circle Tour

Experience the rugged natural beauty of Iceland on its most popular day trip—the legendary Golden Circle tour. See Thingvellir National Park, where evidence of Iceland's dramatic geological and cultural past is laid bare. Thingvellir is a rift valley, where the North American and Eurasian tectonic plates collide. It is also the meeting place of Iceland's parliament, the first in the world, established by 10th century Viking settlers. Strokkur Geyser is the next stop, and one of the most active geysers in the world, where you can watch volcanically heated glacial

water explode up to 130 feet in the air several times an hour. Finally, see Gullfoss, the Golden Waterfall that shines a coppery brown on sunny days. Gullfoss is located in the canyon of the Hvítá river, and its dual stage, 105-foot drop, is an impressive conclusion to the Golden circle tour.

dominate the landscape of this remote country, the home of ancient Vikings,

End your day with a look at Iceland's innovation. Take a tour of Fridheimar geothermal greenhouse and horse farm, where you will see how Icelandic farmers utilize technology and inventive techniques to grow food year-round. You will also have the chance to watch a horse show starring a team of Icelandic horses—petite yet lionhearted steeds that have been raised throughout Iceland since the 10th century. (B)

**♦** Centerhotel Midgardur or similar

# Day 6 • Icelandic Saga History and Europe's Largest Hot Spring

Today you will witness Europe's largest and most powerful hot spring, Deildartunguhver. It sits on farmland and has long been a vital resource for neighboring towns—providing enough hot water for homes and businesses within a 40-mile radius. Its scalding water bubbles out of a rough, algae covered outcrop of rocks, creating a steamy source of power whose might you can see and hear. You'll also visit the spectacular 0.5-mile wide Hraunfossar waterfall, and tragic Barnafoss. During your stop at the Settlements













Center, learn about Iceland's early history, or learn the story of Egil, the Icelandic poet, farmer, and legendary fighter who has become one of Iceland's most famous "tall tales." (B)

◆ Centerhotel Midgardur or similar

# Day 5 • South Coast and Seljalandsfoss

The South Coast of Iceland is full of outstanding scenery, much of which you'll see today!

Travel to Vík, a village located on the very tip of Iceland, dramatically flanked between two mountains and distinguished by its tiny size, sparse development, and deep black sands.

The stunning small town will show you the less touristy side of Iceland. Today also includes a trip to the spectacular Seljalandsfoss and Skogafoss waterfalls, two of the best-known waterfalls in the country and awe-inspiring displays of the power of water! (B)

◆ Centerhotel Midgardur or similar

# Day 4 • Reykjanes and Lunch at the Blue Lagoon

Today will take you to the Reykjanes peninsula, a UNESCO Global Geopark famous for its geothermal activity and unusual geological formations including a variety of different volcano types, open faults and fissures, lava stacks, hot springs, mud pools, and steam vents. There is abundant bird life, an especially striking sight against the jagged backdrop of the volcanic rock formations surrounding you. You will then travel to the Blue Lagoon for an included lunch with a truly wonderful view (lagoon entrance not included). The Blue Lagoon is a geothermal spa rich with minerals that turn the hot water a vivid aqua blue, a stunning backdrop for an unforgettable meal. (B, L)

◆ Centerhotel Midgardur or similar

## Day 7 • Leisure Day With Northern Lights Pursuit

Your last full day in Iceland will give you the perfect chance to relax and take in the splendor of Reykjavík, or to participate in an exciting optional day trip (additional cost). But before your tour comes to an end, you'll enjoy one final highlight — the included Northern Lights pursuit! This day is sure to be an exciting highlight of your unforgettable Iceland trip! (B)

◆ Centerhotel Midgardur or similar

**Note:** Northern Lights pursuit may be moved to another day, if conditions are better for optimal viewing. Seeing this natural phenomenon cannot be guaranteed. The bus will depart after 8:00 PM and return after midnight.

#### OPTION: BLUE LAGOON DAY TRIP



Visit one of Iceland's top tourist attractions! The geothermal spa's modern facilities have been developed into a wellness complex including saunas, a warm flowing waterfall, and in-water treatments and massages using the all-natural Blue Lagoon skin care products. This

option includes a guide, comfort package, entrance fee into the lagoon, a towel, mud mask, and one drink of choice. §184 p/p. The Blue Lagoon requires all bathers to shower before entering the water.

Day 8 • Depart for Home (B)

#### **MUST BOOK BY 4/30**

\$1,799\*

AFTER \$250 INSTANT REBATE EACH PERSON PAYS

2021 Dates

Sep 18 & 25	\$ <del>2,149</del>
Book by 4/30	<sup>\$</sup> 1,899
Oct 2, 9, 16 & 23	\$ <del>2.049</del>
Book by 4/30	\$1,799

#### Single Supplement from \$1,100

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# Oberammergau PASSION PLAY 2022



# WITNESS THE MOST IMPORTANT PASSION PLAY IN THE WORLD!

Be there in person for this once-in-alifetime experience, and discover the history and culture of the charming village of Oberammergau. In 1633, the people of Oberammergau swore an oath to reenact the crucifixion of Christ every 10 years if they were spared from the Black Plague that devastated their village. Since 1634, the villagers have performed their play each decade, drawing hundreds of thousands of visitors from all over the world - at least half from Englishspeaking countries. The promise has been kept until today. 2020 the Passion Play had to be postponed for two years due to the coronapandemic. The 42nd Oberammergau Passion Play will now take place from May 14 through October 2, 2022.

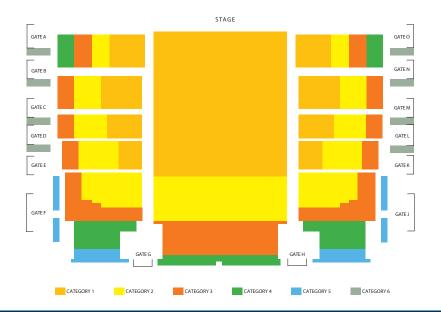
More than just the fulfillment of a pledge, this event brings together the people of Oberammergau in a tradition that is not to be missed.

To participate, villagers must have been born in Oberammergau or must have lived there for at least 20 years. For ten months, participants and Director Christian Stuckl, Stage Designer Stegan Hageneier, and Music Director Markus Swink will work to prepare an unforgettable performance complimented by music largely based on the compositions of Rochus

Dedler. The villagers' commitment to their performance even includes that participants refrain from cutting their hair or beards after Ash Wednesday of the year prior.

Over 2,000 actors, choir members, and orchestra members will bring the story to life in a five-hour presentation on the world's largest open-air stage with a covered auditorium. There are only around 100 performances planned for 2022 and the chance to be part of the audience will not come again for another decade.





# PASSION PLAY THEATER SEATING

YMT VACATIONS HAS RESERVED CATEGORY 1 SEATING FOR ALL OF OUR GUESTS.

Secure your spot **NOW** with YMT on a hassle-free vacation highlighting this spectacular event. Our guests loved our 2010 tours, and we know you'll love 2022!

With only 4,500 seats in the auditorium, **tickets are limited**. So what are you waiting for? It's time to travel!

#### **2 UNFORGETTABLE WAYS TO EXPERIENCE OBERAMMERGAU**

YMT Vacations has put together two magnificent tours, **both fully-guided by expert YMT Tour Directors**, that take you to this quaint village at the edge of the Bavarian Alps and surrounded by meadows. All of our tours include **2 nights in the Oberammergau area** to ensure the most relaxed and enjoyable experience for you!

# Oberammergau & The Sound of Music

Complement your Passion Play 2022 experience with a magical tour of Austria. Enjoy exciting highlights from the classical film "The Sound of Music" as you journey through Salzburg, Mondsee, and Vienna on this spectacular itinerary sure to delight!



# Oberammergau & Best of Italy

Experience Passion Play 2022 and discover romantic Italy on this grand tour. From the hidden treasures of Verona, through the beauty of Montecatini Terme, and to the wonders of Rome, this itinerary is a true immersion into rich culture and history.





- Explore the Bavarian capital Munich with included sightseeing
- Marvel at the castle Neuschwanstein, inspiration for Disney's Sleepy Beauty Castle
- Spend 2 nights in the beautiful Bavarian alps and enjoy spectacular views of green rolling hills amongst mountains
- Category 1 ticket for the Passion Play in Oberammergau included
- Relive the Sound of Music during your stay in Salzburg with included sightseeing
- Discover Vienna, the city of Imperial palaces, classical music and coffee houses

#### INCLUDES

8 nights accommodations, 8 breakfasts, 5 dinners, Passion Play ticket category 1, services of a professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels, and sightseeing per itinerary.

**Note:** (B, L, D) as noted at the end of itinerary text indicates meals included for that day.

#### ACTIVITY LEVEL

RELAXED EASY GOING MODERATE ACTIVE VERY ACTIVE

▼ Day 1 • Depart for Munich, Germany

Play with a fairytale tour of Bavaria and Austria. This journey takes you to Castle of Neuschwanstein, the beautiful Alps, a "Sound of Music" experience in Salzburg and finally through the Imperial history of Europe in Vienna.

🛱 Day 2 • Arrive in Munich, Germany

Arrive in magical Munich, the largest city in Bavaria, to begin your tour. If you have purchased airline tickets from YMT Vacations, a YMT representative will welcome you and transfer you to the hotel. In the evening, meet your fellow travelers at our welcome dinner at the hotel. (D)

◆ Ferringapark or similar

#### Day 3 • Munich, Germany

Wake up and enjoy a complimentary breakfast in the hotel. After your meal, you will be taken on a city tour of Munich. Explore the beauty of this Bavarian city, which possesses old-world charm and a modern cosmopolitan vibe. See the lush Englischer gardens, the grand Marien-platz, and the sprawling Viktualienmarkt. Enjoy the hefty and hardy Bavarian cuisine, the classically grand architecture, or maybe even a traditional Bavarian beer. (B)

**♦** Ferringapark or similar

# Day 4 • Munich and Oberammergau Area

Today you will live a real life fairytale. This morning we will set off to see the world famous

Neuschwanstein Castle, nestled in the Bavarian Alps. This castle of dreams was the inspiration for Disney's Sleeping Beauty castle and it's easy to see why. As you walk through the enchanted halls, you will notice the beautiful art that covers the castle's interiors and tells stories of 19th century life in Germany. Enjoy the beautiful scenery that surrounds the palace and admire the luxurious and intricate decor and architecture. Following your happily ever after tour, we will travel to the Oberammergau area where the evening will be at your leisure. (B, D)

♦ Hotel name will be announced in 2021

#### 🛱 Day 5 • Oberammergau Area

Wake up in the beautiful mountain area of Bavaria, close to or in Oberammergau (hotels to be confirmed in 2021) and prepare to enjoy the longest running Passion Play in the world. For over 380 years, the inhabitants of Oberammergau have told the story of the suffering, death, and resurrection of Christ. Enjoy the power and inspiration of this 2,000 person production, the largest amateur dramatic performance in the world, and become part of this long-running tradition of devotion. The 5.5-hour play is divided into two parts, with a break and included dinner in between. (B, D)

♦ Hotel name will be announced in 2021













#### Day 6 • Oberammergau and Salzburg

Today we leave Oberammergau and travel to charming and magical Austria. First, we will visit Linderhof Palace, built by King Ludwig II of Bavaria and modeled after Versailles to be a smaller version of the iconic French royal residence. We will continue to Prien am Chiemsee for lunch at your leisure before boarding a ferry to Herrenchiemsee New Palace, known as the "Bavarian Versailles" and another of King Ludwig II's creations. See the large staterooms and decadent staircases, peek into the bedrooms and Great Hall, and be transported back in time. After the palace tour you will continue to Salzburg in Austria for dinner and leisure time. (B, D)

◆ Austria Trend Europa or similar

#### Day 7 • Salzburg

This morning you will awake in Salzburg, surrounded by the scenic Alps Mountains. Enjoy a full day touring the sights and buildings of this romantic and culturally rich city. Visit the locations from the classic film The Sound of Music and the birthplace of Mozart located in the city center. As you walk through Salzburg's old town, you will feel at home as many of The Sound of Music scenes were filmed here, including the Mozart Footbridge where the children sang Do-Re-Mi, and the Residenzplatz. Enjoy dinner and your evening at your leisure. (B)

♦ Austria Trend Europa or Similar

#### 🛱 Day 8 • Salzburg, Mondsee, and Vienna

This morning you will leave Salzburg and travel to the town of Mondsee, located on the shore of Lake Mondsee and home to the medieval Mondsee Chapel, which was famously used in The Sound of Music wedding scene. We will then leave the Abbey and travel to Vienna, where you will have an included dinner at the hotel with your fellow travelers. (B, D)

♦ Senator Hotel or similar

#### 🖬 Day 9 • Vienna

Spend today in beautiful Vienna, Austria's capital city. Explore the cobbled lanes, cafes, and aweinspiring architecture. Soak up the grandeur of the St. Stephen's Cathedral, the ornate State Opera house, and the quirky design of the Hundertwasserhaus. Learn about the Habsburg monarchy as you marvel at the Imperial Palace. The remainder of the afternoon and evening will be at your leisure as the music and magic of Austria surrounds you. A trip to Hotel Sacher to try the famous "Sacher Torte," a special type of chocolate cake, is highly recommended! (B)

♦ Senator Hotel or similar

#### Day 10 • Depart for Home

Today you bid farewell to Austria and its fairytale charm, but with new found friends great memories to take home. Transfers to the airport are included for guests who booked their flights with YMT. (B)

#### **MUST BOOK BY 4/30**

PRICES STARTING AT \$2

AFTER \$250 INSTANT REBATE EACH PERSON PAYS

2022 Dates

May 25 & 27, Jun 10 & 22, Jul 10 & 20, Aug 17 & 26,

Sep 2

**Book by 4/30** 

#### Single Supplement from \$1,000

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Airfare will be available in the Summer of 2021.

#### **NOTE ABOUT DEPOSITS**

Due to the unique nature of this tour, a deposit of \$750 per person is due at time of booking and the final payment is due 7 months prior to departure. See page 145 for additional terms & conditions

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- Explore the Bavarian capital Munich with included sightseeing
- Enjoy 2 nights in the beautiful Bavarian alps with spectacular views of green rolling hills amongst mountain backdrop
- Category 1 ticket for the Passion Play in Oberammergau included
- 3 nights and included sightseeing in Verona, and option to book an excursion to Venice
- Marvel at architecture from the 13th century in Florence and the famous Leaning Tower of Pisa
- Discover Rome and Vatican City with its Sistine Chapel and Michelangelo frescoes

#### INCLUDES

11 nights accommodations, 11 breakfasts, 7 dinners, Passion Play ticket category 1, services of a professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels, and sightseeing per itinerary.

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#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

RELAXED EASY GOING MODERATE ACTIVE VERY ACTIVE

▼ Day 1 • Depart for Munich, Germany

at historic sites, architecture and art and indulge in Italian food. The grand finale of this tour is Vatican City, the center of the Roman Catholic Church.

#### 🛱 Day 2 • Arrive in Munich, Germany

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person production, the largest amateur dramatic performance in the world, and become part of this long-running tradition of devotion. The 5.5hour play is divided in two parts, with a break and included dinner in between. (B, D)

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#### Day 5 • Oberammergau and Verona

Today we leave Oberammergau and travel to Austria to visit the mountain town of Innsbruck located in the Alps. Take a tour of the medieval old town and enjoy views of the grand Habsburg Palace and baroque cathedral. Next, you will travel to South Tyrol, gateway to the Dolomite Mountains and the Italian Alps and dotted with charming towns and boasting breathtaking scenery. In the afternoon, continue to famous Verona, where you will stay overnight. (B, D)

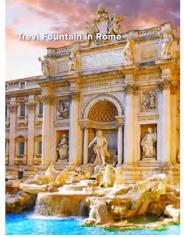
♦ Maxim hotel or similar

#### Day 6 · Verona

This morning, awake in Verona, home of Romeo and Juliet, piazzas, and romantic winding lanes. Enjoy a city tour and hear about the history and culture of this famous city that inspired William Shakespeare and countless others. The afternoon and evening are at your leisure; perhaps enjoy some risotto, one of the famous culinary treats originating here. (B)

◆ Maxim hotel or similar















#### Day 7 • Verona Leisure Day

Discover more of Verona's hidden treasures on your own, from good food to hidden corners and quaint alleyways, or choose an optional full-day excursion to Venice. (B)

♦ Maxim hotel or similar

#### 🖬 Day 8 • Verona and Montecatini **Terme**

Today, we travel through the Emilia-Romagna region of northern Italy, home to the real balsamic vinegar of Modena. We then arrive at Montecatini Terme, a beautiful spa town that was built around its mineral water springs, where we spend the next two nights. (B)

→ Tamerici & Principe or similar

#### Day 9 • Florence and Pisa Excursion Day

Today we will travel to Florence - enjoy a walking tour and marvel at the 13th century Duomo with the Brunelleschi dome and Giotto's Campanile (bell tower). See Ghiberti's golden "Gates of Paradise" doors at the Baptistery of St. John, the Piazza della Signoria and the Ponte Vecchio, the medieval bridge spanning the River Arno, complete with shops built along it. Continue to Pisa with its famous Leaning Tower! (B, D)

◆ Tamerici & Principe or similar

#### Day 10 • Montecatini Terme and Rome

We leave Montecatini and travel to Rome, where all roads lead. Along the way, enjoy the rolling Italian countryside as you travel south to one of the world's most famous and historic cities. We stop and take the funicular up to the ancient

town of Orvieto, where you can explore the rich history of this charming town and admire a variety of Etruscan, Medieval, and Renaissance art. The Orvieto funicular (a cliff cable railway) first opened in 1888 and uses water and gravity to transport its cars up and down the hillside. Once in Rome you will have the evening at your leisure to explore, relax, or indulge! (B, D)

♦ Ergife Palace or similar

#### Day 11 • Rome Sightseeing

This historic and culturally rich city is a traveler's paradise with amazing food, historic buildings, good wine, and fantastic art that will surround you during your stay. Today's sights include outside views of the Roman Forum - once a marketplace and center of daily Roman life - and the Colosseum (entrances not included), the Piazza Navona, the renowned Spanish Steps, and the fabled Trevi Fountain, completed in 1762. (B)

♦ Ergife Palace or similar



#### Day 12 · Vatican City Sightseeing

This morning, tour the Vatican City, home of the Pope. Our guided tour explores the Vatican Museums, which house some of the most important and valuable art treasures in the world. Visit the Sistine Chapel to view floor-to-ceiling biblical frescoes painted by Michelangelo, St. Peter's Basilica and St. Peter's Square. Touring the Vatican Museums requires walking up several staircases and 2-3 hours of walking. In the evening, enjoy a farewell dinner with your fellow travelers. (B, D)

♦ Ergife Palace or similar

#### Day 13 • Depart for Home

Transfers to the airport are included for guests who booked their flights with YMT. (B)

#### **MUST BOOK BY 4/30**

PRICES STARTING AT \$3

AFTER \$250 INSTANT REBATE EACH PERSON PAYS

2022 Dates

May 14, Jul 9, Aug 6, Sep 10 **Book by 4/30** 

#### Single Supplement from \$1,000

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Airfare will be available in the Summer of 2021.

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Featuring Costa

#### **TOUR HIGHLIGHTS**

- Boat tour through Amsterdam's scenic canals
- A full day to explore lesser known town of Ísafjördur in Iceland's rugged West Fjords
- Explore Scotland's distant Shetland Islands and wild Highlands
- Explore the spectacular Diamond Circle in an included tour

#### INCLUDES

14-night cruise aboard Costa Cruise Line's Favolosa, 3-night land tour with hotels, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels and on the cruise ship, 5 meals on the land portion and all meals on the cruise, and sightseeing per itinerary.

**Note:** (B, L, D) as noted at the end of itinerary text indicates meals included for that day. All meals on cruise are included.

#### ACTIVITY LEVEL

RELAXED EASY GOING MODERATE ACTIVE VERY ACTIVE

#### ★ Days 1 & 2 • Arrive in Amsterdam

After an overnight flight, arrive to Amsterdam! If you purchased airline tickets from YMT Vacations, a YMT representative will welcome you at Amsterdam Airport Schiphol and transport you to the hotel. This evening, relax on your own and then get to know your fellow travelers over a welcome dinner at your hotel, where you will learn about the exciting days ahead. (D)

◆ Park Plaza Amsterdam Airport or similar

#### Day 3 • Amsterdam, Netherlands

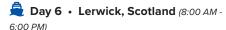
Enjoy a half-day boat tour through Amsterdam's scenic canals, where you will see Dam Square with the Royal Palace, New Church, the National Monument, and the Skinny Bridge across the River Amstel. Your cruise concludes in central Amsterdam, at which point you will continue for a short time on foot before stopping for free time and lunch on your own. The evening is yours to enjoy at your leisure. (B)

♦ Park Plaza Amsterdam Airport or similar

Day 4 • Amsterdam and Embarkation (Departs at 5:00 PM)

Enjoy Amsterdam at your leisure today before boarding Costa Cruise Line's *Favolosa*. (B)

亀 Day 5 • At Sea



Welcome to the Shetland Islands, a breathtaking archipelago between Norway and mainland Scotland whose nearly 100 islands contain some of the most incredible landscapes in all of Great Britain. Lerwick is Shetland's only town, and many of its waterfront sandstone buildings date from before the 18th century. The Shetland Islands are celebrated for its many miles of coastline fringed by towering clifftops, pristine beaches and crystal-clear blue shores. It's very appealing for animal lovers as well; keep your eyes peeled for thousands of seabirds from gannets to puffins, seals, otters and orcas, and of course the famous Shetland ponies.



unique mix of history, culture, and nature so dazzling you'll never forget it.

Day 8 • Seydisfjördur, Iceland
(8:00 AM - 7:00 PM)

Welcome to Seydisfjördur! Made up of colorful wooden houses and surrounded by snowcapped mountains and cascading waterfalls, picturesque Seydisfjördur is the most historically and architecturally interesting town in East Iceland.



Settled in the 9th century, Akureyri nestles at the head of Eyjafjördur, Iceland's longest fjord, at the base of snowcapped peaks. Today, enjoy YMT's













included full-day tour of the Diamond Circle. This route features Icelandic natural wonders including the volcanic "dark castles," lake Mývatn, and Godafoss, the beautiful waterfall where medieval Icelanders adopted Christianity by casting down their pagan icons..

#### 💂 Day 10 🔹 Ísafjördur, Iceland (9:00 AM - 9:00 PM)

The West Fjords and the small town of Ísafjördur are among the least known and least travelled places in Iceland-but your port stop along this road less traveled comes with rewards. Some of the most stunning vistas in Iceland can be found here and are even more enjoyable thanks also home to the oldest timber frame houses

to Isafjördur's reliably thin crowds. Ísafjördur is in Iceland, including the Westfjords Heritage Museum. You're invited on an optional excursion to the island of Vigur, home to a large eider duck colony, puffins, black guillemots, and Arctic terns.

#### 🚊 Day 11 • Grundarfjördur, Iceland (8:00 AM - 8:00 PM)

Grundarfjördur is a small town in the north of the Snæfellsnes peninsula in rugged western Iceland. This uniquely beautiful fishing village has excellent seafood, and lucky visitors often report orca sightings from the shore.

#### 💂 Day 12 • Reykjavík, Iceland (7:00 AM -7:00 PM)

The world's most northerly capital combines colorful buildings and unique architecture, an appealingly quirky spirit, fabulous cuisine, and a proud Viking past. Learn all about Iceland's Viking history at the Settlement Exhibition, which was built around the unearthed Viking longhouse of the area's earliest inhabitants, or the enormous National Museum.

#### OPTION: BLUE LAGOON DAY TRIP



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the lagoon, a towel, mud mask, and one drink of choice. \$184 p/p. The Blue Lagoon requires all bathers to shower before entering the water.



亀 Day 13 • At Sea



💂 Day 14 • Kirkwall, Scotland

(1:00 PM - 8:00 PM)

Today, explore Kirkwall, the capital of the Orkney Islands off the northeastern coast of Scotland.

💂 Day 15 • Invergordon, Scotland

(8:00 AM - 7:00 PM)

Spend the day in Invergordon in the legendary Scottish Highlands, famous for its wild and majestic landscapes. The mystical Highlands are full of rolling hills, jagged cliffs, and some of the most otherworldly vistas in the world.



Day 16 • At Sea



💂 Day 17 • Bremerhaven, Germany

(8:00 AM - 2:00 PM)

Bremerhaven's waterfront, full of vintage ships, rusty docks and fascinating history, is just part of the German city's abundant appeal. Many men, women, and children left here for Ellis Island and a brand-new life in New York—which you can learn about at the German Emigration Centre.



#### 💂 Day 18 • Disembark in Amsterdam

(Arrives at 8:00 AM)

Today we disembark and spend a final day in Amsterdam. Enjoy the Amsterdam canals, which provide an ideal vantage point to see the city's architecture. The capital of the Netherlands, Amsterdam is widely considered to be one of Europe's most sophisticated cities. The evening ends with an included farewell feast. (D)

◆ Park Plaza Amsterdam Airport or similar

Day 19 • Depart for Home (B)



## FREE BALCONY UPGRADE

Valued at \$800 per couple

"See page 14 for details.

#### **MUST BOOK BY 4/15**

PRICES STARTING AT \$2.749\*

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INSIDE CABIN 2021 Dates

BALCONY CABIN

Jul 14 **Book by 4/15** 

\$2.749 \$2,499

\$3,949 \$3.299 \$3.299

FREE BALCONY UPGRADE Single Supplement from \$1,900

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Add-on airfare with transfers available. Call for details.





- · Boat tour through Amsterdam's famed
- · Admission to the stunning 11th century **Bremen Cathedral**
- · City tour of spectacular Hamburg
- Join in the lively Hamburg Cruise Parade

#### INCLUDES

10-night cruise aboard MSC's Preziosa, 4-night land tour with hotels, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels and on the cruise ship, 6 meals on the land portion and all meals on the cruise, and sightseeing per itinerary.

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#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

The Irish coast, wild Scotland, Liverpool, and many of Europe's finest cities are only part of the appeal of this unforgettable journey by land and by sea through Europe and the British Isles.

#### Day 1 & 2 • Arrive in Amsterdam

After an overnight flight, arrive to Amsterdam! If you purchased airline tickets from YMT Vacations, a YMT representative will welcome you at Amsterdam Airport Schiphol and transport you to the hotel. This evening, relax on your own and then get to know your fellow travelers over a welcome dinner at your hotel, where you will learn about the exciting days ahead. (D)

◆ Radisson Blu Schiphol Airport or similar

#### 🖬 Day 3 • Amsterdam, Netherlands

Enjoy a half-day city tour, starting with a cruise through Amsterdam's canals, where you will see the Dam Square with the Royal Palace, New Church, the National Monument, and the Skinny Bridge across the River Amstel. Your cruise concludes in central Amsterdam, at which point you will continue on foot to view City Hall, Rembrandt Square and more before stopping for free time and lunch on your own. (B)

◆ Radisson Blu Schiphol Airport or similar

#### 🛱 Day 4 • Amsterdam to Bremen, Germany

Transfer from Amsterdam to Bremen, Germany's oldest coastal city, where you will learn about the lively culture and see stunning attractions on a panoramic city tour. Highlights include the City Hall, a 15th century Gothic civic building that is now a UNESCO World Heritage Site, the Marktplatz, St. Petri Dom and the Bottcherstrabe, a street famous for its unusal architecture. Your tour includes admission to the Bremen Cathedral, a Gothic masterpiece dating back to the 11th century, which you can visit at your own pace, including the Cathedral Museum. (B)

♦ Dorint City Bremen or similar

#### 🛱 💂 Day 5 • Bremen to Hamburg (Departs at 6:00 PM)

Today includes a city tour of Hamburg, "the gateway to the world." Enjoy highlights of Germany's largest port city, which is as renowned for its musical heritage—Gustav Mahler once directed its storied state opera, both Brahms and Felix Mendelssohn were born here, and the Beatles enjoyed pre-fame residencies at various clubs around the city—as its stunning architecture. Standouts include the glass and brick Elbphilharmonie Concert Hall and the Medieval City's half-timbered structures. You will visit the Speicherstadt UNESCO World Heritage Site, the world's largest complex of warehouses. Speicherstadt's beautiful neogothic brick architecture is incredibly impressive. Board the MSC Preziosa this evening. (B)



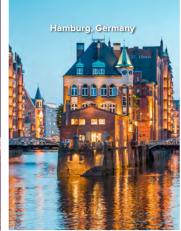
💂 Day 6 • At Sea



💂 Day 7 • Cork Island, Ireland (2:00 PM - 8:00 PM)

Experience Cork, Ireland's second largest city. Its city center is set on an island in the River Lee, surrounded by waterways and packed with sights and experiences you won't want to miss.















#### 違 Day 8 • Dublin, Ireland

(8:00 AM - 6:00 PM)

Arrive in Dun Laoghaire, just outside Dublin, the lively capital city of the "Emerald Isle." Dublin is laid out perfectly for casual walkers, so shops, restaurants, the River Liffey, and many other highlights are easy to explore on foot at your leisure.



#### 違 Day 9 • Belfast, Ireland

(8:00 AM - 6:00 PM)

Spend the day enjoying Irish hospitality at its finest in this picturesque capital city on Northern Ireland's rugged east coast. Belfast is know for its shipbuilding industry and was made famous as the birthplace of the Titanic.



#### 🚊 Day 10 • Liverpool, England

(10:00 AM - 8:00 PM)

Today we port in Liverpool, a port city from where over 9 million emigrants left England for a new life in America. Highlights include the Liver building, the Headquarters of the Whitestar Shipping line owners of the *Titanic*, Albert Docks, and the two cathedrals of Hope Street. Fans of the Beatles will have no shortage of places to visit in the Fab Four's hometown.



#### 🚊 Day 11 • Glasgow, Scotland

(9:00 AM - 5:00 PM)

Stop in Greenock, just outside of Glasgow, Scotland's largest city. Glasgow perfectly combines a storied history and bright, lively present. Once a major center for shipbuilding famed for its Victorian and art nouveau architecture, it is now a national cultural hub. It is home to institutions including the Scottish Opera, Scottish Ballet and National Theatre of Scotland, as well as many acclaimed museums.



#### 🚊 Day 12 • At Sea



#### 💂 Day 13 • Zeebrugge, Belgium

(10:30 AM - 6:30 PM)

Today's stop is the city of Zeebrugge. You may travel on your own to Bruges, home to some of the world's best-preserved Medieval architecture, or you may stay closer to the ship. A local highlight is Seafront Zeebrugge, where you can learn about the region's role in World War II, its historic fishing industry, or take a few steps in a Cold War-era Russian Foxtrot Submarine.



#### 🚊 Day 14 • Hamburg Cruise Parade

(5:00 PM - 11:30 PM)

The day's main event is sure to be lively, as your floating home will play a part in the spectacular Hamburg Cruise Parade, where a procession of splendidly illuminated ships will sail down the river towards the sea. Prepare for the MSC Preziosa to be celebrated with a special fireworks display and accompanied by a fleet of smaller escort boats. This unique event takes place against the backdrop of a Blue Port light installation that will be a highlight of your tour.



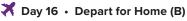
#### 💂 🛱 Day 15 • Disembark in Hamburg

to Lübeck day trip (Arrives at 6:00 AM)

After disembarking in Hamburg, take a visit to the city of Lübeck. Lübeck grew wealthy during the Middle Ages as a member of the Hanseatic League thanks to its location along one of Europe's most important trade routes. Seven monumental Gothic church towers and the Holsten Gate dominate Lübeck's skyline, and the entirety of the city's Old Town is recognized by UNESCO. Enjoy a panoramic and walking tour in the Old Town, view the Holsten Gate, Gothic

Church Towers and learn about the history of the "Queen of the Hanseatic League" before a lunch on your own. Return to Hamburg for a glorious farewell feast with your fellow travelers. (D)

◆ Leonardo Hamburg Airport or similar





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- Explore intriguing port stops in Germany, Finland, and Sweden
- Visit the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Old Town Tallinn, a city that has one of the bestpreserved city centers in the world
- Spend 2 days at port in St. Petersburg, Russia's cultural center

#### INCLUDES

9-night cruise aboard Norwegian Cruise Line's Norwegian Getaway, 2-night land tour of Copenhagen with hotels, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels and on the cruise ship. 2 breakfasts and one dinner on land, all meals on the the cruise, and sightseeing per itinerary.

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#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

RELAXED EASY GOING MODERATE ACTIVE VERY ACTIVE

#### Day 1 • Depart for Europe

Your journey begins on your overnight flight to bustling Copenhagen. Kastrup Airport, one of Europe's oldest, is located just off of Copenhagen, on the island of Amager.

#### Day 2 • Arrive in Copenhagen, Denmark

Velkommen til København! The Danish capital was first established in the 10th century, and during your time in this vibrant city you'll have the chance to learn about its storied history while enjoying the cutting-edge technology that it now embraces as a leading modern city. If you purchased airline tickets through YMT, a representative will welcome you at the airport and transport you to the hotel. The rest of the day is yours to enjoy at your leisure until the included dinner at the hotel begins. Get acquainted with your traveling companions and learn about the exciting days ahead. (D)

◆ Comfort Hotel Vesterbro or similar

#### Day 3 • Copenhagen City Tour and Embark on Norwegian Getaway

(Departs at 5:00 PM)

After breakfast at the hotel, board the motor coach for a tour of this delightful city. Highlights include Nyhavn (or "New Harbor"), Copenhagen's most scenic waterfront, canal and entertainment district. Built by King Christian V in the 17th century, Nyhavn is lined by brightly colored 17th and early 18th century townhouses and bars, cafes and restaurants, and the canal harbors several historical wooden ships. Another must-see is The Little Mermaid statue. located in the lovely Langelinie promenade. The Little Mermaid was cast in bronze in 1913, and depicts the beloved Hans Christian Andersen character perched on a rock in the water staring longingly at the shore. She has become one of Copenhagen's most famous icons. This afternoon, head to port to board your floating home, the spectacular Norwegian Getaway. (B)

#### 💂 Day 4 • Warnemünde (Berlin), Germany

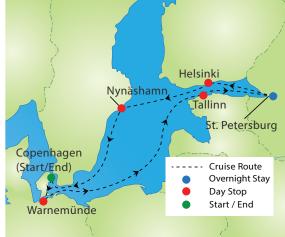
(7:00 AM - 10:00 PM)

Your first stop is Warnemünde, a German seaside village with broad sandy beaches and a proud nautical tradition clearly on display in its 19th century lighthouse. Founded as a small fishing village in the 13th century, Warnemünde now boasts a wonderful seaside promenade, the Alte Strom or "Old Channel," full of cute shops and restaurants and absolutely perfect for strolling, beer-tasting, and people watching. Not to mention Warnemünde's close proximity to Berlin-which you can see on a shore excursion (additional cost).



💂 Day 5 • At Sea















#### 💂 Day 6 • Tallinn, Estonia

(8:00 AM - 5:00 PM)

Estonia's capital city is home to one of the best preserved medieval city centers in the world, and the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Old Town Tallinn offers visitors much to see. During your time here, we recommend visiting one of Tallinn's 60 museums, catching some live folk music, and sampling some delicious marzipan!



#### 🔁 Days 7 & 8 • St. Petersburg, Russia

(7:00 AM - 7:00 PM next day)

Spend 2 days at port in Russia's second largest city. St. Petersburg was first settled in 1611 before being overtaken almost a century later by Peter the Great, who built it into a powerful seaport that would open Russia to trade with the rest of Europe. Modern St. Petersburg is generally viewed as Russia's cultural heart—home to stunning buildings like the Winter Palace, Kazan Cathedral, and the breathtaking Hermitage Museum, founded in 1764 by Empress Catherine the Great, plus wonderful dining and shopping options.



#### DAY 7 OPTION: PANORAMIC ST. PETERSBURG TOUR

From the comfort of your coach, enjoy cultural, historical and architectural landmarks abound in this dazzling capital city, founded by Peter the Great in 1703. Free time near Arts Square included! \$99 p/p. Please add this option at time of booking.

Note: In St. Petersburg, "No-Visa Entry" is only for 72 hours and only for cruise ship passengers. A tour confirmation from a Russian travel company is needed to an ashore (which can be secured by booking an NCL shore excursion. The optional tour above aualifies as well). You are required to depart and return to the port with the NCL shore excursion tour. you do not have the option to stay in St. Petersburg and return to the ship on your own.



#### 角 Day 9 • Helsinki, Finland

(7:00 AM - 4:00 PM)

Sail the Gulf of Finland overnight to Helsinki, Finland's capital city. Finland is renowned for its impeccable design sense, and there is no better example of that keen national eye for detail than Helsinki. There is a stunning mix of old and new buildings, parks, promenades, and seaside boardwalks-all created with walkability and pedestrian enjoyment in mind.



#### 💂 Day 10 🔹 Nynäshamn (Stockholm), Sweden (7:00 AM - 7:00 PM)

Today's port stop is Nynäshamn, Sweden's favorite local getaway. The harbor is often full of seafaring Swedes in boats of all sizes, and the adorable waterfront restaurants and boutiques are a great vantage point to take it all in. Nynäshamn is not very far from Stockholm, Sweden's bustling capital.



#### 💂 Day 11 • At Sea



#### 🚊 🛱 Day 12 • Disembark in Copenhagen, Denmark (Arrives at 7:00 AM)

Take one last day to enjoy Copenhagen after an early morning disembarkation. We recommend circling back to your favorite sites to explore them in depth at your leisure. Before you leave, be sure to try rød pølse (red sausage) from one of the many hot dog stands. It's Denmark's favorite street food, and an inexpensive, delicious taste of what local life is like! (B)

◆ Comfort Hotel Vesterbro or similar



#### Day 13 • Depart for Home

Enjoy a final European breakfast before boarding your flight home. (B)











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#### **TOUR HIGHLIGHTS**

- Stay 3 nights in Germany with sightseeing
- Spend the day in vibrant Copenhagen
- Cruise Norway's breathtaking Nordfjorden, the central feature of the Nordfjord region
- Explore charming villages and fascinating culture in 3 ports of call in Norway

#### INCLUDES

7-night European cruise aboard Costa Cruise Line's *Costa Diadema*, 3-night land tour of Germany with hotels, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels and on the cruise ship, 3 breakfast and 3 dinners on the land portion and all meals on the cruise, and sightseeing per itinerary.

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#### ACTIVITY LEVEL

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Slowly cut over thousands of years by mighty glaciers, Norway's stunning fjords radiate from the sea. Surrounded by cliffs, they have stood as the playgrounds of Norse gods, the proving grounds of Viking kings, and the home to a modern people with a friendly culture and colorful heritage.

#### ✗ Day 1 ⋅ Depart for Europe

Take an overnight flight to Germany.

#### Day 2 • Arrive in Berlin, Germany

Welcome to Berlin, one of the world's most beautiful and sophisticated capital cities. If you purchased airline tickets from YMT, a representative will welcome you at the airport and transport you to the hotel. The rest of the day is yours to enjoy at leisure until the included welcome dinner at the hotel begins. This is your chance to get to know your fellow travelers and learn about the exciting days ahead. (D)

◆ Comfort Hotel Lichtenberg or similar

# Day 3 • Berlin City Tour, Lunch Stop in Potsdam, and Transfer to Hamburg

This morning, board your coach and enjoy guided sightseeing in Berlin. Discover the city's vibrant culture, cutting-edge architecture, fabulous food, and tangible history from the Brandenburg Gate to Checkpoint Charlie, to the beautiful gardens and museums that pepper Germany's sophisticated capital. Afterwards, we'll stop in Potsdam, the capital and largest city of the German federal state of Brandenburg, where you'll have time to enjoy lunch on your own. The residence of the Prussian kings and the German Kaiser until 1918, the city features a delicate balance of architecture and landscape as it was intended to be "a picturesque,

pastoral dream" to remind its residents of their relationship with nature and reason. Arrive at your hotel in Hamburg this evening. (B, D)

♦ Leonardo Hotel Hamburg Stillhorn or similar

# Day 4 • Hamburg City Tour, Lunch Stop in Lübeck, and Embarkation (Departs at 8:00 PM)

Start your day with a city tour of Hamburg, "the gateway to the world." Enjoy highlights of Germany's largest port city, which is as renowned for its musical heritage—Gustav Mahler once directed its storied state opera, both Brahms and Felix Mendelssohn were born here, and the Beatles enjoyed pre-fame residencies at various clubs around the city—as its stunning architecture. Standouts include the glass and brick Elbphilharmonie Concert Hall and the Medieval City's half-timbered structures. Enjoy time on your own for lunch in Lübeck, an influential trading post during the Middle Ages, before boarding the glamorous Costa Diadema in Kiel. (B)

# Day 5 • Copenhagen, Denmark (10:00 AM - 6:00 PM)

Velkommen til København! The Danish capital was first established in the 10th century, and during your time in this vibrant city you'll have the chance to learn about its storied history while enjoying the cutting-edge technology that it now embraces. If you're interested in shopping, take a













Geiranger

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stroll through a few of Copenhagen's boutiques. Scandinavian clothing and home goods are world-famous for their thoughtful, innovative, minimalist design, and you can make some great purchases right here in Copenhagen.



#### **OPTION: COPENHAGEN CITY TOUR** Spend the day exploring Copenhagen,

the rich capital of Denmark, renowned for being on the cutting edge of fashion, design, and technology. Includes a photo stop at the Little Mermaid Statue, Copenhagen's favorite mascot! \$79 p/p. Please add this option at time of booking.



💂 Day 6 • At Sea



As you cruise through what many consider to be the most beautiful fjord in the world, discover Hellesylt and Geiranger, two villages sitting at either end of the UNESCO World Heritage Site Geirangerfjord. Enjoy awe-inspiring views, charming farmhouses, and spectacular waterfalls on your cruise through the fjords. These long, narrow fingers of the ocean were formed over countless millenia by glacial movement. They may look like clear mountain lakes, but these narrow inlets are actually offshoots of the sea. They are slowly-formed canyons, surrounded by steep cliffs and filled with ocean water, that jut deep into the Norwegian interior.



違 Day 8 • Bergen, Norway

(9:00 AM - 7:00 PM)

Despite being Norway's second largest city, UNESCO World Heritage City of Bergen boasts a wonderful small-town atmosphere; once the center of the Hanseatic League's trading empire, the old wharf now features charming colorful wooden houses. Known as the "city of seven mountains," Bergen offers plenty for visitors to enjoy, including museums, art galleries, and restaurants serving some of the finest seafood in Norway!



#### 💂 Day 9 • Stavanger, Norway

(8:00 AM - 6:00 PM)

There is no shortage of things to see and do in Stavanger! Stop by the Old Cathedral, visit one of the fascinating museums, or stroll down the shopping street Øvre Holmegate, known for its colorful houses during your leisure time in port today. This scenic and historic town is a lovely example of rich culture in a growing metropolis.



💂 Day 10 🔹 At Sea



#### 😾 Day 11 • Disembarkation and

Transfer to Berlin (Arrives at 8:00 AM)

Your morning starts with disembarkation in Kiel and motorcoach transportation back to Berlin. The rest of the day will be at your leisure until dinnertime, when you are invited to an included sit-down Farewell Feast. (D)

◆ Comfort Hotel Lichtenberg or similar



Day 12 • Depart for Home (B)



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#### **TOUR HIGHLIGHTS**

- · Charming city tour of Copenhagen, including a stop at the famous Little Mermaid Statue
- · Guided tour of Lübeck including the city's Old Town, a UNESCO World Heritage site
- Port stops in 6 iconic countries
- · City tour of the worldwide fashion capital of Milan, Italy

#### INCLUDES

11-night cruise aboard MSC's Preziosa, 4 night land tour with professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels and on the cruise ship, 4 breakfasts and 2 dinners on the land portion and all meals while on the cruise, and sightseeing per itinerary.

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#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

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Explore 7 diverse European nations on this spectacular cruise tour. From the architecture and history of Denmark, the United Kingdom, and France, to the warm water and flavorful cuisines of Spain, Portugal, and Italy, this cruise tour allows you to experience Europe in all its glory.

#### Day 1 • Depart for Copenhagen

Your journey begins on your overnight flight.

#### 🛪 🛱 Day 2 • Arrive in Copenhagen

Velkommen til København, or welcome to Copenhagen! If you purchased airline tickets from YMT Vacations, a YMT representative will greet you at the airport and transport you to the hotel. This evening, relax on your own in the Danish capital that was established in the 10th century and whose history you'll have the chance to learn while enjoying sophistication that it now enjoys. Tonight, get to know your fellow travelers over dinner at your hotel, where you will learn about the exciting days ahead. (D)

♦ Vesterbro or similar

#### Day 3 · Copenhagen

After breakfast at the hotel, board YMT's comfortable coach for a tour of this delightful city. Highlights include Nyhavn or "New Harbor", Copenhagen's most scenic waterfront, canal and entertainment district, Strøget in the heart of the city, Amalienborg Palace Courtyard, and the famous Little Mermaid statue in the Langelinie promenade. (B)

♦ Vesterbro or similar



#### 屈 Day 4 • Lübeck

This morning, take a scenic, comfortable ride to Lübeck, the medieval capital of the highly

influential Hanseatic League. See sights on the road, relax on the Puttgarden ferry from Rødby, and enjoy a relaxing evening on your own in lovely Lübeck. (B)

♦ Radisson Blu Senator or similar

🛱 💂 Day 5 • Lübeck and embarkation in Hamburg (Departs at 7:00 PM)

Wake up in Lübeck, which you will get to know on an included panoramic and walking tour. Lübeck grew wealthy during the Middle Ages as a member of the Hanseatic League thanks to its location along one of Europe's most vital trade routes. Seven monumental Gothic church towers and the Holsten Gate dominate Lübeck's distinctive skyline, and the entirety of the city's Old Town is recognized by UNESCO. Enjoy the inside of Lübeck Cathedral, the finest in the city.

Continue to Hamburg, "the gateway to the world." Enjoy highlights of Germany's largest port city, which is as renowned for its musical heritage—Gustav Mahler once directed its storied state opera, both Brahms and Felix Mendelssohn were born here, and the Beatles enjoyed pre-fame residencies at various clubs around the city—as its stunning architecture. Standouts include the Elbphilharmonie Concert Hall and the Medieval City's halftimbered structures, and the Speicherstadt, or "Warehouse City" UNESCO site. Embark this evening on the MSC Preziosa. (B)

















💂 Day 6 • At Sea



#### 💂 Day 7 • Southampton, England

(7:00 AM - 8:00 PM)

Today's port of call is Southampton, most prominently known as the origin point of RMS Titanic's infamous maiden voyage to the New World. Stay local and enjoy the charms of this stone age port city, or join an optional excursion to Great Britain's capital city of London with famous Big Ben and Buckingham Palace.



#### 💂 Day 8 • La Havre, France

(7:00 AM - 6:00 PM)

Today's port will be historuc La Havre, the second lagest port in France. Founded in 1417, it was designated as a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 2005 for its iconic Auguste Perret postwar concrete Architecture.



#### Day 9 · At Sea



#### 🚊 Day 10 🔹 Vigo, Spain

(10:00 AM - 5:00 PM)

Vigo is a beautiful town located in the region of Galicia, the "green heart" of Spain, on the northeast coast. This port offers visitors an authentic taste of Spain and its local life.



#### 💂 Day 11 • Lisbon, Portugal

(12:00 PM - 6:00 PM)

Welcome to Portugal's coastal capital! Lisbon is watched over by 7 hills, and their view of an ancient city with cobblestoned streets and stately ruins, combined with the light and noise of modern life, is one of Europe's prettiest.



💂 Day 12 • At Sea



#### 💂 Day 13 • Cartagena, Spain

(9:00 AM - 6:00 PM)

Explore Cartagena, a city overflowing with culture and history. Among its museums, landmarks, churches and monuments, you'll see evidence of Carthagian, Roman, Vandal, Visigoth, Moorish, and modern influences.



#### 💂 Day 14 • Valencia, Spain

(8:00 AM - 7:00 PM)

Valencia is one of the most popular vacation destinations in Spain due to its combination of culture and history—especially the ancient Serrans and Quart Towers in the medieval city, and the Monasterio de San Miguel de los Reyes. You can enjoy numerous museums, parks, and the city's impressive architecture.



#### 💂 Day 15 🔹 Barcelona, Spain

(7:00 AM - 1:00 PM)

You'll be mesmerized by this thoroughly modern city where Roman ruins live next door to sophisticated high-rises, innovative exhibition spaces, and one of the world's most impressive sports complexes. Barcelona boasts 8 UNESCO World Heritage Sites. Use your time in this port to see the world-famous Las Ramblas, Gaudí's Sagrada Familia, Olympic Park, and views from Montiuic.



## 🚊 屏 Day 16 • Disembarkation in Genoa

and Transfer to Milan (Arrives at 9:00 AM)

Bid a fond farewell to the MSC Preziosa and disembark in Genoa, a stunning port city that has maintained much of its Renaissance charm over the centuries. Continue to Milan, capital of the region of Lombardy. Your panoramic sightseeing tour highlights will include Piazza

del Duomo, the main central square surrounded by several important buildings, such as Milan's Gothic cathedral and the Royal Palace of Milan. You'll also have a chance to see Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II, an impressive and ornate indoor shopping arcade built in 1865, as well as La Scala Opera House. Your evening ends with a delicious farewell feast. (D)

♦ Crowne Plaza Milan Malpensa or similar

# Day 17 • Depart for Home (B)

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#### **TOUR HIGHLIGHTS**

- · Visit the bronze age city of Mycenae
- Learn how to make authentic tzatziki
- · Sample a glass of anise-flavored ouzo after learning a traditional Greek dance
- Soak your feet in the warm waters of Greece
- · Guided tour of the sanctuary of the god Apollo in Delphi
- · Tour of Athens, including the Acropolis and Hadrian's Arch

#### INCLUDES

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ancient world's most influential countries. Experience this unforgettable cruise and land tour through the paradise of the Greek islands and its remarkably-maintained historic sites.

#### Day 1 • Depart for Athens

Your vacation begins as you depart on your transatlantic flight to Europe.

♦ Overnight in flight

#### Day 2 • Arrive in Athens

Arrive in Athens, Greece, the land of history's greatest philosophers and the birthplace of democracy. If you purchased airline tickets from YMT Vacations, you will be transferred to your hotel to enjoy the afternoon at your leisure. This evening, you'll get a chance to meet all your fellow travelers and your Tour Director at an informative welcome briefing and delicious included welcome dinner at the hotel. (D)

♦ Athens Marriott or similar

#### Day 3 • Olympia via Mycenae

Greet Athens with a kaliméra, or good morning, before crossing the Corinth Canal into the Peloponnese peninsula, home to many of Greece's most legendary ancient sites. The first stop of the day is Mycenae. At the height of its powers, it was surrounded by massive walls and entered through the Lion Gate. The Bronze Age acropolis is one of the great cities of the Mycenaean civilization and played a vital role in classical Greek culture. It was the home of King Agamemnon, who led the expedition against Troy during the Trojan War.

Your day ends in Olympia, where you will enjoy a cooking demonstration on tzatziki, one of Greece's most sensational dips. The flavorful combination of garlic, cucumber, and tangy Greek yogurt pairs perfectly with grilled souvlaki or fresh baked pita bread. (B)

♦ Hotel Amalia or similar



#### Day 4 • Olympia

Today explore Olympia, the legendary home of the first Olympic Games. This ancient site on the Peloponnese peninsula hosted the original Olympic Games in the 8th century B.C. Its extensive ruins include athletic training areas, a stadium, and temples dedicated to the gods Hera and Zeus. Visit the Archaeological Museum of Olympia to see finds from the site, including a statue of Hermes attributed to the sculptor Praxiteles.

After a stunning drive, spend the evening in Delphi, the perfect place for an included dance lesson. Learn how to dance the sirtaki, a traditional folk dance made famous by the film Zorba the Greek. Your evening will end with a complimentary glass of ouzo, the traditional anise-flavored aperitif that must be enjoyed with plenty of ice and a hearty "opa!" (B)

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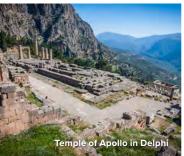
#### Day 5 • Delphi

Start your day at the site of Delphi, the sanctuary to the god Apollo that was once home to the ancient world's most powerful soothsayer, the Oracle of Delphi. Lying on the















slopes of Mount Parnassus high above the Gulf of Corinth, this is one of the most famous historic sites in Greece. (B)

♦ Athens Marriott or similar



#### **OPTION: ATHENS BY NIGHT**

Enjoy a lively dinner at a century-old traditional Greek tavern, then enjoy a walking tour through the ancient city of Athens illuminated against the night sky. Picture-perfect. \$89 p/p.

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#### 角 Day 6 • Embark in Athens

(Departs at 6:00 PM)

Enjoy Athens at your leisure before an evening embarkation on the MSC's Lirica. You can venture to the Plaka district in the shadow of the Acropolis, Athens' oldest neighborhood. The maze of cobblestone pedestrian streets is lined with shops, boutiques, souvenir stands, and flea market stalls that beckon all who pass. (B)



#### **Day 7 • Mykonos** (8:00 AM - 6:00 PM)

The island of Mykonos is famous for its windmills, whitewashed buildings, and domed churches. You can enjoy exquisite Greek cuisine, including plenty of fresh seafood, in the waterfront cafes and tavernas in the area of Mykonos Town known as Little Venice.



#### Day 8 • At Sea



#### **Day 9 • Haifa, Isreal** (7:00 AM - 9:00 PM)

One of the most picturesque regions in the Middle East, Israel's third largest city is built on the slopes of Mount Carmel. Its Bahá'í Gardens are the largest hanging gardens in the world, and many visitors are also drawn to the Cave of Elijah. Haifa is also close to holy sites like Galilee, Nazareth, and Jerusalem.



#### 💂 Day 10 • Limassol, Cyprus

(9:00 AM - 7:00 PM)

Limassol is home to many archaeological sites, as well as plentiful contemporary boutiques. Don't miss the centuries-old Limassol Castle, home to the Cyprus Medieval Museum and its collection of pottery and tombstones.



#### 🚊 Day 11 • Rhodes, Greece

(12:00 PM - 6:00 PM)

The remarkable walled city of this Greek island just off the coast of Turkey is now one of the most popular tourist destinations in Europe.



#### 💂 Day 12 • Kusadasi, Turkey

(9:00 AM - 4:00 PM)

Take a journey into the past in historic Ephesus, now known as Kusadasi. An important city to the Ancient Greeks, Ephesus was built, destroyed, and rebuilt again through the course of its history. It still boasts bountiful ruins and archaeological excavation sites, and was home to the Temple of Artemis, one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World. During your day at leisure, you could visit the Roman Library of Celsus, the Gate of Augustus, the Tomb of John the Apostle, or the Basilica of St. John.



### 🚊 🖨 Day 13 • Arrive in Athens

(Arrives at 7:30 AM)

After disembarking this morning, enjoy a half-day sightseeing tour of Athens to observe the striking contrasts and history that make this such a fascinating city. You will see the Panathenaic Stadium where the first Olympic Games of modern times were held, the Temple of Olympian Zeus, Hadrian's Arch, the Parliament, the monument of the Unknown

Soldier, and Constitution Square. Then it's on to the most famous site in Athens—the Acropolis, atop which lies the 2,500 year old Parthenon Temple built to honor the goddess Athena. Finally, visit the new Acropolis Museum. Spend one last night exploring Athens on your own.

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#### Day 14 • Depart for Home (B)



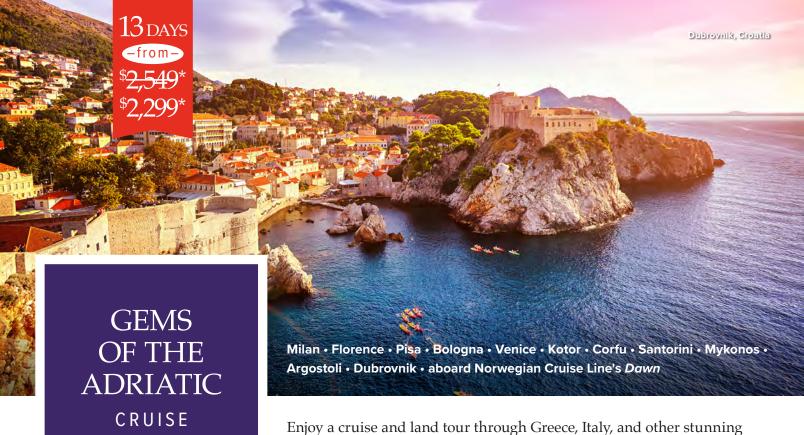
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★ Day 1 • Depart for Italy

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#### Day 2 • Arrive in Milan, Italy

Bienvenuto in Italia, and welcome to Milan! If you purchased airline tickets from YMT Vacations, a friendly YMT representative will welcome you at the airport and transport you to the hotel. The rest of the day is yours to enjoy, until the included dinner at the hotel begins. This is your chance to get to know your fellow travelers and learn about the exciting days ahead. (D)

◆ Crowne Plaza Milan Malpensa or similar

#### Day 3 • Milan to Florence via Pisa

Start your morning with a tour of Milan, one of the world's leading cities for high fashion. Your panoramic sightseeing tour highlights will include the Piazza del Duomo, the main central square surrounded by buildings such as Milan's Gothic cathedral and the Royal Palace of Milan. You'll also have a chance to see Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II, an impressive glass-roofed shopping arcade built in 1865, and La Scala Opera House.

Next, take a scenic drive to see the Leaning Tower of Pisa, the most famous architectural bungle in history. Your night ends in Florence. (B)

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# Day 4 • Florence and Michelangelo's

Wake up bright and early for a walking tour of Florence, the birthplace of the Renaissance. See the 13th century Duomo with the Brunelleschi dome and Giotto's Campanile; Ghiberti's golden "Gates of Paradise" doors at the Baptistery of St. John; the Piazza della Signoria; and the Ponte Vecchio, a medieval bridge over the River Arno.

You will also make a stop at the Galleria dell'Accademia to see Michelangelo's legendary statue of David, a striking masterpiece that is considered the finest sculpture in the world. (B)

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# ☐ ☐ Day 5 • Walking Tour of Bologna and Embarkation in Venice

(Departs at 5:00 PM)

Take a walking tour of Bologna. Probably best known for its culinary tradition, Bologna also has an impressive history and is home to the world's oldest university, which was founded in 1088. You'll embark on the NCL *Dawn* this evening from Venice. (B)

# **Day 6 • Kotor, Montenegro** (2:00 PM - 8:00 PM)

A tiny coastal town blessed with stunning views and over 2,000 years of history, Kotor offers an authentic glimpse into the past. Kotor has a phenomenal UNESCO-recognized Old City that was built between the 12th and 14th centuries and is filled with medieval architecture and













historic monuments, including the magnificent Cathedral of Saint Tryphon. When you get hungry, seafood lovers should order one of Montenegro's signature dishes, black risotto, which gets its purple hue from cuttlefish ink!



#### 💂 Day 7 • Corfu, Greece

(10:00 AM - 4:30 PM)

Corfu is one of Greece's most naturally beautiful islands—full of plant life and stunning beaches. In addition, the culture and history reflect numerous influences—from Venetian fortresses to colorful Byzantine churches to ruins from ancient times. Corfu is the perfect Greek island to sightsee, or to just relax and enjoy a dip in the Ionian Sea.



#### 🚊 Day 8 • Santorini, Greece

(2:00 PM - 10:00 PM)

Today is yours to explore the unique island paradise of Santorini at your own pace. Enjoy the day and take in the majesty of the island's spectacular 1,000-foot-high volcanic cliffs! Santorini is also famous for the stacked whitewashed houses of Fira, the island's main town perched on the side of the caldera. On the southern side of the island, the resorts of Kamari and Perissa are well-known for their black volcanic sand, and Santorini is also renowned for producing some of the best wine in Greece.



#### 違 Day 9 • Mykonos, Greece

(7:00 AM - 3:00 PM)

Wandering Mykonos on foot is easy. The central part of Mykonos Town is closed to traffic during most of the day, and will delight you with its whitewashed cubic houses, labyrinth of narrow streets, beautiful churches, lovely chapels, and bountiful purple bougainvillea!



#### 💂 Day 10 • Argostoli, Greece

(8:30 AM - 3:00 PM)

The island of Kelafonia is full of incredible sights that visitors from around the world fall in love with—chief among them the views of the mesmerizingly blue Ionian Sea you can enjoy from nearly everywhere in Argostoli. In addition, the Lithostroto and Rizospaston are two of the main pedestrian-friendly thoroughfares in town, and are great places to eat, shop, people watch, and enjoy the lovely weather and atmosphere of this charming island city.



#### Day 11 • Dubrovnik, Croatia (7:00 AM -1:00 PM)

Dubrovnik is guaranteed to be a highlight of your trip. It is widely considered to be one of Europe's most magical cities, owing largely to its aweinspiring Old City. Enclosed by imposing stone walls, much of the Old City dates back centuries, including its spectacular 800-year-old Gothic monastery and the world's oldest pharmacyserving Franciscan friars since 1317!



#### Day 12 • Debarkation in Venice and Transfer to Milan (Arrives at 7:00 AM)

After disembarkation this morning in Venice, enjoy a sightseeing tour of this UNESCO World Heritage Site that has remained a diverse and successful city in the twenty-first century entirely without cars or trucks. Wander the canals and alleyways lined with boutiques, or simply relax with an espresso or refreshing gelato. Continue to Milan where you will enjoy a delicious included Farewell Feast. (D)

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#### Day 13 • Depart for Home (B)



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Take a dip in luxury as you escape to the Mediterranean. You'll explore the French Riviera before cruising the Mediterranean's azure waters in style aboard the *MSC Seashore*. See the lasting influence of the Roman empire, immerse yourself in the glamour of the south of France, and stroll through Spain on this flavorful taste of the good life

#### Day 1 • Fly to Nice, France

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#### Day 2 • Arrive in Nice

Arrive in Nice. If you purchased airline tickets through YMT Vacations, a friendly representative will welcome you at Nice Côte d'Azur Airport and transport you to the hotel. The evening is yours to enjoy. Get acquainted with your traveling companions and learn about the exciting days ahead.

♦ Nice Riviera or similar

#### Day 3 • Nice to Cannes

Today begins with a panoramic tour of this glamorous capital of the French Riviera. See Promenade des Anglais and the Notre Dame de Nice, then explore Nice's Old Town and stop at "marché aux fleurs," the flower market.

Continue to Cannes. It may be best known for its film festival, but on your tour of this resort town on the French Riviera, you will see that it is far more than just a chic place to watch a movie. Don't miss the palm tree lined Promenade de la Crositte, Cannes' most famous street. It has fabulous views of the white sand beach, as well as excellent restaurants, shopping, and cafes. (B)

♦ Nice Riviera or similar

#### Day 4 • City tour of Monaco

Travel to Monaco, the world's second smallest country! Visit the Monaco Cathedral and see the changing of the guards. Transfer to Montecarlo for a panoramic view of this magnificent city. Continue to Eze village for an included admission to the famous fragonard perfumery. (B)

♦ Nice Riviera or similar

# Day 5 • San Remo to Genoa and Embarkation (Arrives at 4:00 PM)

Your day starts with a walking tour of San Remo. The city produces some of the finest olive oil in the world—its coastal climate is ideal for olive trees, which dot the hillsides throughout the area.

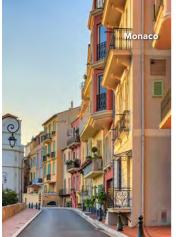
Continue to Genoa, a port city which has maintained much of its Renaissance charm over the centuries. Snake through its twisty caruggi, the famously narrow streets that make guests feel like they're traveling back in time. The ornate, UNESCO-listed Palazzi dei Rolli is a must-see. Embark this evening on the MSC Seashore. (B)

## Day 6 • Naples, Italy

(1:00 PM - 7:55 PM)

Naples was first settled by the Greeks over 3,000 years ago, making it one of the oldest continuously inhabited urban areas in the world. It's unsurprising that Naples has always been















such a desirable location; it's perched 400 feet above the Mediterranean, which gives the city incredible views and an enviable defense position! Don't miss out on authentic Neapolitan pizza while you're here in its birthplace.



#### 💂 Day 7 • Messina, Italy

(9:00 AM - 7:00 PM)

Spend the day in Messina, one of the most popular cities on the breathtaking island of Sicily. The people of Messina are renowned for their hospitality, which will charm you as you explore famous sites like the Piazza del Duomo, the city's historic center, and sample Sicilian cuisine especially an authentic cannoli.



#### 💂 Day 8 • Valleta, Malta

(8:00 AM - 5:00 PM)

Valletta, one of the world's smallest capitals, is so packed with history that the entire city has been designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Despite its small size, Valletta is full of sites of historical significance, including buildings dating back to the 16th century. This fortified city has hundreds of monuments within a relatively small space, making it one of the most concentrated historic areas in the world.



Day 9 • At Sea



#### 🚊 Day 10 • Barcelona, Spain

(9:00 AM - 6:00 PM)

You'll be mesmerized by this thoroughly modern city where Roman ruins live next door to highrises, innovative exhibition spaces, and one of the world's most impressive sports complexes. A spectacular display of architecture, Barcelona

boasts 8 UNESCO World Heritage Sites, as well as a long, sandy coastline, fabulous food, cultural and artistic exhibitions, and shopping. Use your time in this port to see the world-famous Las Ramblas, Gaudi's Sagrada Familia, Olympic Park, and to take in views from Montjuic.



### 🚊 Day 11 • Marseille / Provence, France

(9:00 AM - 5:00 PM)

Marseille was first established in 600 BC, making it France's oldest city. Among the terracottaroofed buildings lie many intriguing sights, including the majestic Palais Longchamp and the Cathedral of Notre-Dame-de-la-Garde.



#### 💂 Day 12 • Genoa, Italy &

Disembarkation (Arrives at 8:00 AM)

Bid a fond farewell to the MSC Seashore and return to Genoa for a tour including the Palazzo del Principe, Via Garibaldi, Porta Soprana, and Piazza della Vittoria. Continue to Milan, stopping on the way for a stunning three-course farewell lunch at the Naviglio Grande Restaurant, featuring Mediteranean dishes expertly cooked with a touch of panache. (L)

◆ Cavalieri della Corona or similar



#### 🛪 Day 13 • Depart Milan for Home

Make sure to eat a hearty breakfast at the hotel as you say addio to the Mediterranean and set off for home. (B)



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- · Take a fascinating city tour of Düsseldorf, one of the best places in Germany to grab a beer
- · See Bonn, the hometown of the legendary composer Ludwig van Beethoven

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5-night river cruise aboard A-ROSA's Agua, 3-night land tour with hotels, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels and on the ship, daily breakfast and 2 dinners on the land portion and all meals and most drinks while on the cruise, and sightseeing per itinerary.

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#### ▼ Day 1 • Depart for Frankfurt

#### Day 2 • Arrive in Frankfurt, Germany

Welcome to Germany! If you purchased airline tickets through YMT Vacations, a representative will welcome you at the airport and transport you to your hotel in Frankfurt. Get acquainted with your traveling companions and learn about the exciting days ahead at an included dinner. (D)

♦ Intercity Frankfurt Airport or similar

#### Day 3 • Frankfurt to Bonn, Germany

Enjoy a morning tour of Frankfurt, where you see the Römer, a medieval building that has served as Frankfurt's city hall for over 600 years; Römerberg, the city's most beautiful town square; Frankfurt Cathedral, a glorious example of Gothic Roman Catholic architecture; and St. Paul's Church, where President Kennedy made a stirring speech in 1963. Keep an eye to the skyline: 14 out of 15 of Germany's tallest buildings can be found in Frankfurt.

Enjoy the rest of the day in Bonn, the charming former capital of West Germany and the birthplace of legendary composer Ludwig van Beethoven. Classical music fans can visit Beethoven's birthplace, one of the city's most popular historic attractions. (B)

♦ Hilton Bonn or similar



#### Day 4 • Embarkation in Cologne

(Departs at 4:00 PM)

Take a morning trip to Königswinter, a nearby mountain resort area. It's the perfect place to take a stroll, or you can enjoy an optional funicular ride to the posh Schloss Drachenburg, a private villa built in the late 1800s and styled to look like a fairytale palace. Surrounded by lush gardens bordered by a dense forest, you'd be wise to keep your eyes peeled for long-haired maidens and lovesick princes. Embark on the A-rosa Aqua this evening, which boasts delicious food, a casual atmosphere, comfortable cabins, and incredible views. (B)



#### **OPTION: COG RAILWAY TO SCHLOSS DRACHENBURG**

Take the Drachenfels Railway (cog railway) and spend the morning exploring the enchanting Schloss

Drachenburg. \$45 p/p. Please add this option at time of booking. Requires a 5 minute walk from station to castle



#### 🕮 Day 5 & 6 • Antwerp, Belgium

(2:30 PM - Next Day 4:00 PM)

Rich in art and culture, Antwerp is also known as the "Diamond City" due to its role in the global diamond trade. Its sprawling diamond district covers a full mile, and is where approximately 84% of the world's rough diamonds are cut. Antwerp is nearly as good at











food as precious gems. The city is particularly enjoyable for foodies thanks to the many tasty Belgian specialties on offer-including waffles, chocolates, and the legendarily tasty Belgian fries-be sure to try then with a wide variety of dipping sauces!

History buffs love Antwerp, as well. It is packed with innovative museums, including the Museum Plantin-Moretus, devoted to printing and the only museum in the world that is itself recognized as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Visitors will also enjoy The Museum aan de Stroom, or MAS, a unique museum-gallery whose 10th floor observation deck offers the best views in the city. Antwerp's historic buildings include the Antwerp Zoo, which opened in 1843 and is one of the world's oldest zoos; Renaissance-style City Hall, which dates back to the 16th century; and most famously, the 14th century Cathedral of

#### Day 7 • Amsterdam, Netherlands (8:30 AM - 6:30 PM)

Today we continue to the magical city of Amsterdam. Discover the charm of the renowned Amsterdam canals, which provide an ideal vantage point to see the city's wonderful architecture. The capital of the Netherlands, Amsterdam is widely considered to be one of Europe's most sophisticated cities.

Amsterdam is also the ultimate destination for art lovers—during your free time today, perhaps visit some of the museums devoted to Vincent van Gogh, modern street art, and contemporary art. Be sure not to miss one of the finest museums in the world, the 200-year-old Rijksmuseum. It is overflowing with spectacular pieces, including works from Dutch masters like Rembrandt, Johannes Vermeer, and Vincent van Gogh.



#### Day 8 • Düsseldorf, Germany

(4:30 PM - 11:00 PM)

Spend the evening in Düsseldorf, a riverfront village that over the past century has transformed into one of Germany's best-loved cities. It is the heart of the country's media and fashion industries, and you will see many sharply dressed locals during your free time this afternoon and evening.

If you want to experience the German version of British teatime, take a seat in a café and enjoy a leisurely kaffee und kuchen, or coffee and cake. You can't go wrong with a big slice of streuselkuchen, or streusel cake, the most traditional option.



### 🕮 🛱 Day 9 • Disembark in Cologne

(Disembarks at 6:00 AM)

After disembarking this morning, your day continues with an informative city tour of Cologne, one of Germany's most important metropolitan regions. You'll learn about how this former Roman province and influential medieval and Renaissance era trade base was nearly wiped out during WWII. Virtually all of Cologne's buildings were built after the war, and the landscape is characterized by simple and modest post-war buildings, with just a few pre-war buildings that were either rebuilt or miraculously untouched during air raids. Don't miss the spectacularly spired Cathedral Church of Saint Peter, which was rebuilt after the war and is now a UNESCO World Heritage Site and Germany's most visited landmark.

Continue to Düsseldorf for the night, and join your fellow travelers for a delicious included farewell dinner. (D)

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#### ▼ Day 10 • Depart for Home from Düsseldorf (B)



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#### Days 1 & 2 • Overnight flight to Munich

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♦ Grand Hotel Palladium or similar

#### Day 3 • Munich to Nuremberg

Start the day with a city tour of Munich, known for its hearty German cuisine, beer and the original Oktoberfest. It also has a vibrant art scene and beautifully preserved architecture.

Next, take a tour of Nuremberg, a place that Martin Luther once claimed, "shines throughout Germany like a sun among the moon and stars." Once the preferred seat of German kings, and a major city for the Roman Empire, Nuremberg is full of history—which you can taste for yourself by sampling its 600-year old recipe for Nuremberg Lebkuchen, the local version of gingerbread. (B)

♦ Seminaris or similar

#### Day 4 • Heidelberg to Frankfurt

En route to Frankfurt, stop in enchanting Heidelberg for a city tour and lunch on your own. Home to a beautiful baroque old town, Germany's oldest university, and the stunning Heidelberg Castle, it is one of Germany's most popular tourist destinations. (B)

♦ Intercity Franfurt Airport or similar

#### 🖬 Day 5 • Frankfurt to Bonn

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◆ Intercity Frankfurt Airport or similar



#### **OPTION: BEETHOVEN MUSEUM** WITH GERMAN DINNER

Enjoy a self-guided tour of Beethoven Museum and then a short walk to a restaurant to enjoy an authentic German dinner. \$85 p/p. Please add this option at time of booking. Requires a moderate 5 minute walk to the restaurant.



### 🛱 👛 Day 6 • Embarkation in Cologne

(Departs at 5:00 PM)

Take a morning trip to Königswinter, a nearby mountain resort area. It's the perfect place to take a stroll, or enjoy an optional funicular ride to Schloss Drachenburg, a private villa built in the late 1800s and styled to look like a palace. Embark on the Arosa Aqua this evening. (B)









#### Day 7 • Enkhuizen, Netherlands

(2:00 PM - 11:00 PM)

The lisselmeer is an inland lake that was created by diking the Wadden Sea and the Zuiderzee bay, where you'll find the lovely little town of Enkhuizen. Enkhuizen was once a significant outpost for the Dutch East India Company, who built it up beautifully during the 17th century.



#### Day 8 • Zaanstad and Amsterdam, Netherlands (6:00 AM - Noon) (1:00 PM - 11:00 PM)

Today, after a brief stop in the historic shipbuilding city of Zaanstad, we continue to the magical city of Amsterdam. Discover the charm of the renowned Amsterdam canals, which provide an ideal vantage point to see the city's wonderful architecture. The capital of the Netherlands, Amsterdam is widely considered to be one of Europe's most sophisticated cities.



#### Day 9 • Rotterdam, Netherlands

(8:00 AM - 4:00 PM)

After sustaining heavy damage in WWII, Rotterdam opted to reimagine rather than simply rebuild its destroyed structures. The result is an architecturally extraordinary city, with nearly 80 years' worth of projects that set it apart and make it one of the best places in the world to see interesting and impressive modern buildings.



#### Day 10 • Ghent, Belgium

(7:00 AM - 6:30 PM)

A delightful Flemish city, Ghent is home to more than 100 churches and over 400 historic buildings. The most famous is the moated Castle of the Counts, known locally as Gravensteen. Go to the top of the 12th century castle for some of the best views in Ghent, while the interior houses a museum that gives visitors incredible insight into the daily struggles of medieval life.



#### Day 11 • Antwerp, Belgium

(3:00 AM - 6:00 PM)

Rich in art and culture, Antwerp is also known as the "Diamond City" due to its role in the global diamond trade. Its diamond district covers a full mile, and is where approximately 84% of the world's rough diamonds are cut. The city is particularly enjoyable for foodies thanks to the many Belgian specialties on offer - including waffles, chocolates, and Belgian fries.



#### Day 12 • Nijmegen, Netherlands (7:00 AM - 1:00 PM)

One of Europe's oldest cities, ancient Nijmegen celebrated its 2,000th birthday in 2005. Visitors will encounter far more than just ancient history on today's port stop. The shopping is excellent, there is a large selection of outdoor cafes to enjoy in one of the country's warmest cities, and the views of the Rhine are breathtaking.



## Day 13 • Düsseldorf, Germany

(Disembarks at 6:00 AM)

After disembarking this morning, your day continues with a city tour of Cologne, one of Germany's most important metropolitan regions. You'll learn about how this former Roman province and influential medieval and Renaissance era trade base was nearly wiped out during WWII. Virtually all of Cologne's buildings were built after the war, and the landscape is characterized by simple postwar buildings. Don't miss the spired Cathedral Church of Saint Peter, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and Germany's most visited landmark.

Continue to Düsseldorf, a riverfront village that over the past century has transformed into one of Germany's most sophisticated cities. Enjoy an included farewell dinner. (D)

♦ Wyndham Garden Duesseldorf City or similar



Day 14 • Depart for Home (B)



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#### **TOUR HIGHLIGHTS**

- Visit Salzburg, the home of Mozart and the singing von Trapp family, who you will learn about on an included Sound of Music Tour
- Spend time in refined Vienna, one of the world's most influential capital cities
- Sit down for a filling farewell feast at Munich's most legendary beer hall, the original Hofbräuhaus

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5-night river cruise aboard A-ROSA's *Donna*, 3-night land tour with hotels, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels and on the ship, daily breakfast and 2 dinners on the land portion and all meals and most drinks while on the cruise, and sightseeing per itinerary.

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Travel down the brilliant blue Danube, experiencing the stunning nature, history, and culture of riverside settlements in Germany, Austria, Budapest, and Slovakia. Fall in love with intimate villages, sophisticated cities, and the sprawling countryside found on the banks of Europe's second-longest river.

#### ▼ Days 1 • Depart for Germany

Your journey begins on an overnight flight to Europe.

#### Day 2 • Arrive in Munich

Welcome to Germany! If you purchased airline tickets through YMT Vacations, a representative will welcome you at the airport and transport you to your hotel in Munich, one of the world's most lively cities. Get acquainted with your traveling companions and learn about the exciting days ahead at an included dinner. (D)

◆ Achat Munich Hotel or similar

#### 🛱 Day 3 • Munich to Salzburg, Austria

Start the morning with breakfast in Munich, well known for its German cuisine, beer specialties, and the original Oktoberfest; it also has a vibrant art scene and beautifully preserved architecture.

From there, travel to Salzburg for a city tour of this stunning ancient capital. First settled during the Neolithic Age, it has been home to Celts, Romans, and the singing von Trapp family in the many centuries since. See the Salzach River, the Baroque and Gothic architecture of Salzburg's Altstadt area, and the Alpine views that make Salzburg a popular tourist destinations. In addition, Salzburg was home to one of the

most beloved musicians in history—Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart. Mozart's presence is still felt here—walk the same cobblestone streets as the young genius on an included walking tour. You will view the Old Town area, St. Peter's Abbey, Mozart's Birthplace and have time for shopping in Getreidegasse. You may wish to simply enjoy a performance at one of the many restaurants that offer live music in a variety of genres. (B)

♦ Austria Trend Hotel Europa Wien or similar



# OPTION: SOUNDS OF SALZBURG DINNER SHOW

Enjoy a night of live entertainment, featuring works from Mozart, the operatta the Magic Flute, and the Sound of Music film, then enjoy a

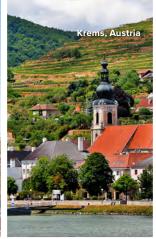
traditional 3-course Austrian dinner. \$109 p/p. Please add this option at time of booking.

# Day 4 • Embarkation in Engelhartszell (Departs at 5:00 PM)

Fans of the von Trapp family, or just of Julie Andrews' awe-inspiringly beautiful singing voice, are sure to enjoy today's *Sound of Music* tour, where guests will learn the real history behind the beloved musical. This panoramic tour will include views of the Mirabell Gardens, Schloss Leopoldskron, Hellbrunn Palace and Mondsee

Get settled on the A-ROSA's *Donna* this evening and set off down the Danube. (B)















#### Day 5 • Vienna, Austria

(1:00 PM - 7:00 PM)

Today is yours to enjoy Vienna, one of history's greatest cities, whose impact on the world's music and culture cannot be overstated. Ample evidence remains of the role it played as the grand setting for classical performances by Mozart, Ludwig van Beethoven, and Johannes Brahms. It is home to opulent palaces like the Hofburg, and the stunning Vienna State Opera House. In addition, Vienna is full of museums: you can find institutions devoted to music, art, history, dance, the Habsburgs, and of course Sigmund Freud, the Vienna-based neurologist whose controversial theories on psychology became infamous. Vienna is also home to the magnificent Schönbrunn Palace, once the main summer residence of the Habsburg rulers.



#### Day 6 • Budapest, Hungary

(12:30 PM - 6:30 PM)

Today, enjoy Budapest, Hungary's history-rich capital city, at your leisure. Budapest was once two distinct cities on opposite sides of the Danube—Buda, on one bank, was characterized by rolling hills and valleys; and Pest, on the other, with its flatter landscape, offered a panoramic view over the banks of the Danube.

Everywhere you look, experience fascinating history, spectacular architecture, and fantastic natural beauty—not to mention delicious regional cuisine. The Danube provides Budapest with an abundance of fresh carp, the star of the unmissable, flavorful, strikingly red (thanks to locally grown and vibrantly crimson paprika) Fisherman's Soup. Sit down to a steaming bowl, or another Hungarian specialty like goulash or delicious fried Lángos, topped with savory ingredients like mashed potatoes and sausages.



#### 🕮 Day 7 • Bratislava, Slovakia

(12:30 AM - 6:00 PM)

Today you get to experience Slovakia's riverside city of Bratislava. Explore the ancient palaces and colorful Old Town of this forest-ringed capital. Bordered by the Small Carpathia mountains and lowland vineyards, Bratislava is one of Europe's most appealing destinations, despite its under-the-radar reputation.



## Day 8 • Krems, Austria

(8:00 AM - 8:30 AM) & Melk, Austria (12:30 PM - 1:00 PM)

Tiny Krems is packed with history dating back to the 10th century, when it was first mentioned as an imperial fortress. In addition, it has been a longtime producer of fine wines, and is home to many extremely well-regarded wineries.

Next, come to the lovely town of Melk. Famous for its towering baroque Melk Abbey, an 11thcentury Benedictine abbey perched on a rocky outcrop above the Danube with a spectacular view, Melk's Old Town is full of a variety of historic buildings, nearly all of which boast stunning river views.



#### 🕮 🖬 Day 9 • Disembark in Engelhartszell (Disembarks at 7:00 AM) & **Travel to Munich**

After disembarking in Engelhartszell an der Donau in Austria, return to Munich, which you will explore on an illuminating city tour. See the beautiful Baroque Nymphenburg Palace, Marienplatz, the heart of Munich's Old Town, Munich Residenz, Germany's largest city palace, Hofgarten, the court garden completed in 1617, and Frauenkirche, a local landmark church famous for its lofty towers. Enjoy a

farewell dinner with your fellow travelers at the original Hofbräuhaus, Munich's second largest tourist attraction. The historical tavern features authentic food and dirndl-clad waitresses. (D)

♦ Achat Munich Hotel or similar



Day 10 • Depart for Home (B)



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#### **TOUR HIGHLIGHTS**

- Explore 5 European countries
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- Tour the spectacular Imperial Castle of Nuremberg
- Enjoy a full day in Munich plus a guided tour
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7-night river cruise aboard A-ROSA's *Donna*, 5-night land tour with hotels, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels and on the ship, 5 breakfasts and 2 dinners on the land portion and all meals and most drinks while on the cruise, and sightseeing per itinerary.

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#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

RELAXED EASY GOING MODERATE ACTIVE VERY ACTIVE

Delight in the scenery, spirit, and robust culture of 5 Central European countries as you enjoy a leisurely cruise down the dazzling Danube River. See countless miles of spectacular scenery—vibrant villages, colossal castles, ornate churches, and sophisticated capital cities await!

#### Day 1 • Depart for Prague

♦ Overnight in flight

#### Day 2 • Arrive in Prague

If you purchased airline tickets from YMT, a representative will welcome you at the airport and transport you to the hotel. Learn about the days ahead over the included dinner tonight. (D)

◆ Duo Hotel Prague or similar

#### Day 3 • Prague to Nuremburg

Explore this incredible red-roofed city on a guided tour. Founded in the 7th century, Prague played a major part in the Protestant reformation, the Holy Roman empire, the Austro-Hungarian empire, both World Wars, and even the Hapsburg Dynasty. On a walking tour, see Prague Castle, Charles Bridge, St. Vitus Cathedral, Old Town Square, and Prague's historic center, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Continue on to Nuremberg for a two-night stay. (B)

◆ Seminaris Hotel or similar

#### Day 4 · Nuremberg

Martin Luther once claimed that Nuremberg "shines throughout Germany like a sun among the moon and stars." Enjoy an illuminating walking city tour and see the Nuremberg medieval walls, Church of Our Lady, Hauptmarkt, Old Town Hall, and Albrecht-Durer-Platz. (B)

♦ Seminaris Hotel or similar

# Day 5 • Nuremberg Cathedral and Transfer to Engelhartszell for Embarkation (Departs at 5:00 PM)

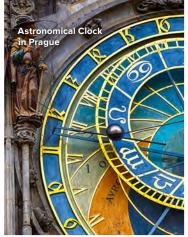
This morning, you'll have some time to take a self-guided tour of the Imperial Castle of Nuremberg, the symbol of the city. One of the most important imperial castles of the Holy Roman Empire, it is considered to be one of Europe's most formidable medieval fortifications. Explore the Palace and see the Knight's Hall, double chapel, and continue to the upper floor for the Imperial Castle Museum and more. Then, transfer to nearby Engelhartszell to board the A-ROSA *Donna*. (B)

#### **Day 6** • Vienna (Arrives at 1:00 PM)

After a night and morning of tranquil cruising and navigating the river locks, the rest of the day is yours to enjoy Vienna. You may choose to explore the imperial city on our optional city tour (additional cost). Return to the ship for dinner and perhaps join fellow travelers on an optional outing to a "Heurigen"—a local wine pub with traditional Viennese live music.

# Day 7 • Vienna and Evening Departure to Esztergom (Departs at 6:30 PM)

Enjoy a full day in Vienna! This classical city of music, waltz, and the royal Habsburg dynasty has a lot to offer. Join an optional tour of the Imperial Palace of Schoenbrunn, or if you prefer,





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venture into town or perhaps take a spin on the famous Ferris wheel at the Prater.

#### **Day 8** • Esztergom (8:00 AM - 10:30 AM) to Budapest (Arrives at 3:00 PM)

Savor breakfast as the ship docks in Esztergom. One of Hungary's oldest cities, Esztergom is home to the Basilica, the main Roman Catholic church of Hungary. The Donna will continue to nearby Budapest, one of the most beautiful cities in Europe. This World Heritage Site includes the banks of the Danube, the Buda Castle Quarter, Andrássy Avenue, Heroes' Square and the Millennium Underground Railway.



Day 9 • Budapest (Departs at 6:00 PM)

Enjoy a leisurely morning in Budapest. Perhaps ioin an optional excursion to the Hungarian countryside, "the Puszta," to visit a horsebreeding farm and see presentations of the local Hungarian cowboys.



**Day 10** • Bratislava (12:00 PM - 5:00 PM)

Wake up in Slovakia and spend the day discovering beautiful Bratislava! Join a city tour to the towering castle and Old Town, or walk in the historic town center on your own.



### Day 11 • Wachau Passage to Melk

(12:00 PM - 4:00 PM)

After breakfast, a cruise highlight awaits as the Donna glides through the UNESCO World Heritage Site of the Wachau region. Surrounded by apricot orchards, marvel at Duernstein where once King Richard Lion Heart was held captive. Then, arrive in Melk for a wonderful view of the monastery that towers over the Danube. Enjoy your last night aboard en route to Engelhartszell.



Your final day takes you through Munich, known for its hearty German cuisine, exceptional beers, and the original Oktoberfest; it also has a vibrant art scene and beautifully-preserved architecture. Explore Munich on an illuminating city tour, where you will see the beautiful Baroque Nymphenburg Palace, Marienplatz, the heart of Munich's Old Town, Munich Residenz, Germany's largest city palace, Hofgarten, the court garden completed in 1617, and Frauenkirche, a local landmark church famous for its lofty towers.

♦ Feringapark Hotel or similar

#### Day 13 • Munich Leisure Day

Enjoy a full day at leisure to relax and explore this city at your own pace or you may join us on an optional excursion, for additional cost, before the included farewell dinner at your hotel. (B, D)

♦ Feringapark Hotel or similar

#### **OPTION: TOP OF GERMANY TOUR - GARMISH-**





Enjoy a full day tour of the scenic Bavarian town of Garmisch-Partenkirchen and Zugspitze, Germany's highest peak. Enjoy morning views of the alps via cogwheel train and cable car, as well as the historic town of Garmisch-Partenkirchen. \$169 p/p.

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Day 14 • Depart for Home (B)



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- Take in the wonderful aroma of lavender season in France
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- Explore Roman sites in Arles and Avignon

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7-night river cruise aboard A-ROSA's *Stella*, 3-night land tour with hotels, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels and on the ship, 3 breakfasts and 1 dinner on the land portion and all meals and most drinks while on the cruise, and sightseeing per itinerary.

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♦ Hotel Apogia Paris or similar

dinner at your hotel. (D)

Day 3 • Full Day Sightseeing in Paris

This morning your Tour Director will take you on a half-day panoramic tour of Paris. See the Eiffel Tower and the Arc de Triomphe in the center of the *Etoile* (Star) where 12 avenues come together in a big traffic roundabout. You will have views of Invalides and Champs Elysees. The afternoon is at leisure. (B)

♦ Hotel Apogia Paris or similar

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# OPTION: PARIS ILLUMINATION TOUR & FRENCH DINNER

Enjoy dinner at the renowned "Les Noces de Jeannette" followed by a panoramic tour through the illuminated city. \$119 p/p. Please add this option at time of booking.

#### Day 4 • Paris to Dijon

This morning, see the Court of Versailles where the Sun King once reigned, followed by his two successors and the famous Marie Antoinette. Take a self-guided audio tour through the palace; see the Hall of Mirrors and the Grand Apartment, and enjoy lunch on your own. Then it's off to Dijon with its medieval and Renaissance buildings, your home for the night. (B)

Lavender Field in France

✦ Hotel Mercure Centre Clémenceau or similar

# Day 5 • Dijon and Beaune to Lyon for Embarkation

A short drive this morning leads to the beautiful village of Beaune where two highlights of Burgundy await. Explore the astonishing world of France's favorite condiment, Dijon Mustard. Visit the family-owned Faillot mustard factory and learn all about the many varieties of the original. Then, visit the Hotel Dieu, arguably one of the finest Renaissance buildings in the world. It is also one of the most fascinating historic museums of Europe. Continue to Lyon where the crew of the A-ROSA Stella waits to greet you with a complimentary rose for your cabin, as is A-ROSA tradition. Settle into your cabin and explore the ship before dinner. In the evening, the Stella will leave the port and take you on a panoramic cruise of Old Town Lyon. (B)

# **Day 6 • Chalon-sur-Saône** (12:00 PM - 8:00 PM)

Your first stop is charming Chalon-sur-Saône. Known as the birthplace of photography, this historical and charming town welcomes you with its lively and relaxed atmosphere.













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Wake up in Mâcon, where much of France's best chardonnay is produced. These local wines pair beautifully with regional dishes. The most famous dishes include boeuf bourguignon-a particular favorite of Julia Child—and Escargots à la Bourguignonne. Burgundy snails cooked in a flavorful combination of butter, parsley, and plenty of garlic are nothing short of magnificent. After a short stop in Trévoux, you'll arrive in Lyon.



#### Day 8 • Lyon (Depart 2:00 PM)

This morning wake up in Lyon with ample time to explore this beautiful city while the Stella stays in port. The old town "Vieux Lyon" features Renaissance houses and is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The city is known for its highquality silk products and the Basilica of Notre-Dame de Fourvière, which sits above the city. Wander into town on your own, or perhaps take a bike tour along the river or use your onboard credit to enjoy a massage!



After a very brief stop in Châteauneuf-du-Pape, this afternoon we will arrive in Avignon. You can find an extraordinary collection of monuments, and Avignon's world-famous bridge, the Pont Saint-Bénézet, also known as the Pont d'Avignon. The wooden structure built in the late 12th century spans the Rhône between Villeneuve-lès-Avignon and Avignon, and is one of the few bridges to have ever inspired a hit song. "Sur le pont d'Avignon" has been a favorite amongst French children for centuries.

Avignon will also be the starting point for an optional excursion into the lavender regions of Sault and Senanque. Purple as far as the eyes can see and a heavy lavender scent in the air, that is France at its best!

#### Day 10 • Avignon (Depart 12:00PM) and Arles (3:30 PM - 9:00 PM)

Spend the morning in Avignon. The city is ringed by incredibly preserved 800-year-old stone ramparts; erected to keep the plague and invaders out during the turbulent Middle Ages. In addition, because of the Avignon Papacy when seven popes opted to reside in Avignon rather than Rome, the city is full of magnificent churches, art, and architecture.

Next, travel to the colorful town of Arles, which you'll be able to recognize in some of the world's most famous paintings. Vincent van Gogh painted Arles in 187 of his works. Long before Van Gogh, the Romans had discovered Arles' beauty and made it their provincial capital. The impressive amphitheatre is one of Arles' main attractions; it is best explored on foot.

#### **Day 11 • Viviers** (8:00 AM - 8:30 AM) and La Voulte-sur-Rhône (12:30 PM - 1:30 PM)

Enjoy your morning in picturesque Viviers. Located in the Rhône Ardeche region, the beautiful walled city is home to a cathedral dating back to the 12th century and an ancient bridge dating back to the 3rd century.

You'll also have a bit of time to visit La Voulte-sur-Rhône, a tiny town beloved by paleontologists for its extraordinary collection of fossilized Jurassic sealife. Enjoy an included visit to Southern Ardeche Grotto where you will enjoy the views and scents of lavenders.

#### 🕮 🤾 Day 12 • Disembark in Lyon and **Depart for Home**

It is time to say goodbye to the crew of the A-ROSA and return home from Lyon Airport.



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#### **TOUR HIGHLIGHTS**

- Discover Paris during a 2-night stay. See the Eiffel Tower, Arc de Triomphe, and many more exciting highlights!
- Included self-guided tour of Versailles Palace
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Sightseeing in Paris followed by a river cruise through the heart of Provence and French wine country, as made famous in the works of Vincent Van Gogh. Sounds wonderful, doesn't it? This picture-perfect vacation is designed to give travelers a complete experience of France in just 8 nights: Paris, Versailles, Dijon, Lyon, Avignon, and more!

#### Days 1 & 2 • Fly to Paris, France

After your overnight flight, arrive in the "City of Light." Guests who booked their air with YMT will be greeted at the airport and transported to their hotel. Tonight, join your fellow travelers for an included welcome dinner at your hotel; the remainder of the night is at leisure. (D)

♦ Hotel Apogia Paris or similar

#### Day 3 • Full Day Sightseeing in Paris

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♦ Hotel Mercure Dijon Centre Clémenceau or similar

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despite their ability to pay. Sparked by the idea of modern tax deductible charity of its time, it was once a hospital, pharmacy, and almshouse at the same time. Throughout the years, it became a wealthy trust that, amongst other things, counts the most expensive vineyard in Burgundy among its assets. Then, on to Lyon where the A-ROSA Stella awaits you. Get settled in your cabin and explore the ship a bit before dinner, or perhaps take a stroll around Lyon for a glass of wine or coffee at a local bar. In the evening, the Stella will leave the port and take you on a panoramic cruise of Old Town Lyon. (B)



#### **Day 6 • Viviers** (1:00 PM - 7:00 PM)

After enjoying cruising on the river overnight and this morning, your first stop is picturesque Viviers. Located in the Rhône Ardeche region where the two rivers briefly merge, the beautiful walled city is home to a cathedral dating back to the 12th century, and an ancient bridge dating back to the 3rd century. The flat area is an ideal starting point for a guided bike tour that you can book onboard or an excursion to a nearby grotto and lavender farm.

#### **Day 7** • Arles (3:30 AM - 2:00 PM) and Avignon (Arrives at 6:00 PM)

Wake up in Arles, the southernmost point of your cruise. Even if you have never been here before, you're sure to recognize pictures of it. Vincent van Gogh painted Arles in 187 of his works. Long before Van Gogh, the Romans had discovered Arles' beauty and built the impressive amphitheater, one of the main attractions today. In the afternoon, continue northbound. In the early evening, we will arrive in Avignon where

the brightly-lit monuments and the famed bridge will astound you. "On the bridge of Avignon, we all dance there," the words of a 15-century folk song pay tribute to the unbridled joie de vivre at the foot of the Palace of the Popes—a zest for life that is still very much alive today.



#### Day 8 • Avignon (Departs at 12:00 PM)

Ringed by incredibly preserved 800 year old stone ramparts, graceful Avignon's turn as the seat of papal power bestowed upon the city a treasury of magnificent art and architecture. The ramparts were erected to keep the plague and invaders out during the turbulent Middle Ages. Enjoy a leisure morning in town and marvel at its history before leaving at lunch time.



#### **Day 9 • Vienne** (9:00 AM - 9:30 AM) to Lyon (Arrives at 1:00 PM)

A quick stop in Vienne lets off guests who choose to partake in shore excursions from here, then it is off to beautiful Lyon, where you will have ample time to explore. The old town "Vieux Lyon" features Renaissance houses and is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The city is known for its high quality silk products and the Basilica of Notre-Dame de Fourvière, which sits above the city; you can discover both with an optional organized city tour.

#### Day 10 • Disembark in Lyon and **Depart for Home**

Say goodbye to the crew of the Stella and return home from Lyon Airport. Your YMT Cruise Host will assist with your transfer arrangements, which are included for guests who have booked air with YMT.



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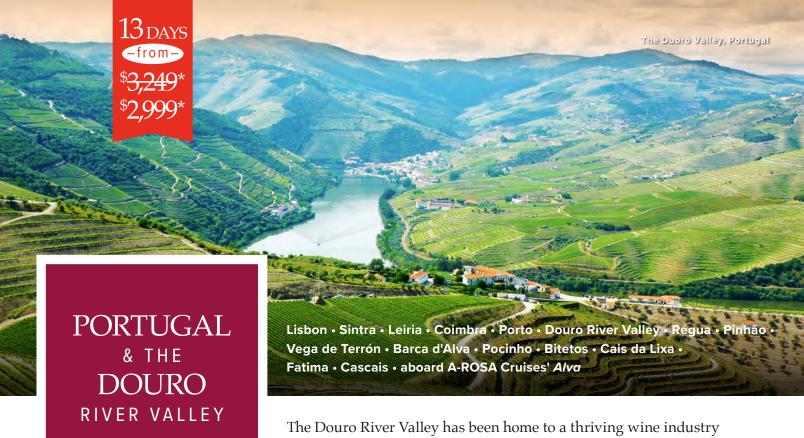
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#### **TOUR HIGHLIGHTS**

- · Enjoy a walking tour in Sintra
- Stroll the ancient grounds and library of Universidad de Coimbra, one of the world's oldest universities
- Cruise the Douro Valley's UNESCOrecognized wine region and enjoy a port wine tasting
- Explore the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Fatima, an important pilgrimage site

#### INCLUDES

7-night river cruise aboard A-ROSA Cruises' *Alva*, 4-night land tour with hotels, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels and on the ship, 4 breakfasts, 1 lunch and 1 dinner on the land portion and all meals and select drinks while on the cruise, and sightseeing per itinerary.

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#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

RELAXED EASY GOING MODERATE ACTIVE VERY ACTIVE

★ Day 1 • Depart for Europe

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#### ▼ Day 2 • Arrive in Lisbon, Portugal

If you purchased airline tickets from YMT, a representative will meet you at the airport and transport you to the hotel. Relax before your included welcome dinner at the hotel begins. (D)

♦ Hotel Aldeia Dos Capuchos or similar

#### Day 3 · Lisbon, Leira, and Fatima

Enjoy a guided city tour through Portugal's coastal capital, watched over by 7 picturesque hills. The peaks' view of Lisbon's historic cobblestoned streets and stately ruins, mixed seamlessly with the modern world around them, is one of Europe's prettiest. Tour the grounds of the Shrine of Our Lady Fatima, the location of a 1917 miracle and a pilgrimage site, and visit the many beautiful buildings and structures. There are incredible sights to see throughout the compound; from the colonnade to the chapels to the Monument of the Berlin Wall. You'll have some free time for photos before we head to Leiria for an evening at leisure. (B)

♦ Hotel Tryp Leiria or similar

#### Day 4 • Leiria, Coimbra and Porto

Start your morning in Leiria, watched over for centuries by the magnificent Leiria Castle.

Continue to Coimbra, one of Portugal's loveliest

college towns. Enjoy lunch on your own before taking a guided tour of the library and grounds of Universidad de Coimbra, originally founded in 1290. The university is dazzling, and you will visit many of its most impressive sites, including the Great Hall, Baroque Library, and Natural History Collection. Enjoy a self-guided tour of the UNESCO-listed Monastery of Batalha, commissioned in the 14th century by King John I and among Portugal's most beloved historic monuments. Arrive in Porto and enjoy the evening at leisure. (B)

♦ Hotel Inn Porto Gaia or similar

#### **OPTION: FOLKLORIC FADO SHOW & DINNER**



for over 2,000 years—sail through this stunning region whose history, natural beauty, and sophisticated culinary culture make it one of Europe's

Enjoy an evening of traditional Portuguese cuisine accompanied by the rich, soulful and nostalgic music that defines Fado, which comes from the Latin word fatum, which means fate. \$99 p/p. Please add this option at time of booking. Evening ends at 11:30PM.

🛱 👛 Day 5 • Porto with Wine Tasting

Porto is one of Portugal's oldest cities. Its historic center is recognized as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Enjoy a walking city tour with views of the Stock market, Porto Cathedral and Monument Church of St. Francis and an included port wine tasting at one of Porto's many vineyards! After some free time and lunch on your own, board A-ROSA's brand-new *Alva* to enjoy dinner on board before leaving port early tomorrow. (B)

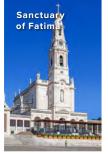
















Depart Porto this morning at 7:00 AM and watch the sights of Portugal drift slowly by on your first morning on the Douro. The countryside of the UNESCO-listed Douro River Valley promises to stun you en route to Régua. Blessed with near-constant sunshine, Régua has a colorful past as an epicenter of Renaissance-era port wine production and is now the perfect place for a leisurely stroll. Return to the ship, then continue on to dock in Pinhão for the night.

Day 7 • Pinhao, Portugal (Departs at 1:00 PM) to Vega de Terrón, Spain (7:00 PM - 12:00 PM next day)

Begin your day with a few leisurely hours in Pinhão, a small town nestled in a particularly scenic riverbend. It is surrounded by vineyards look up to see lush hills and terraces encircling the city. You'll be awed by the beauty of the Douro International Natural Park on the way to Vega de Terrón, Spain. The granite cliffs rise high above the river, the rugged home to numerous rare birds. Look to the sky, and if you're lucky you just might see peregrine falcons, golden eagles, or the extraordinarily high-flying Griffon vulture, who has a wingspan of 9 feet! Arrive this evening in Vega de Terrón, a classically Spanish community with quiet streets, friendly people, and delicious food. Visitors love its proximity to Salamanca, a popular 12th century tourist destination known for intricate sandstone architecture and its UNESCO-recognized Old City.



Today we cross back into Portugal to spend a leisurely evening in Barca d'Alva.

Day 9 • Pocinho, Portugal
(11:15 AM - 12:15 PM) to Pinhão, Portugal
(5:30 PM - 7:00 AM next day)

Enjoy the Medieval architecture and stunning views of Barca d'Alva in the clear morning light, then continue down to Pocinho and Pinhão.

Day 10 • Régua, Portugal (9:00 AM - 2:00 PM) to Bitetos, Portugal (6:30 PM - 6:45 AM next day)

Return this morning to Régua and visit Bitetos, a tiny village teeming with Roman-era ruins. Join an optional tour to the must-see attraction for visitors, the Benedectine Monastery of Alpendura, which doubles as one of the village's top restaurants!

Day 11 • Cais da Lixa, Portugal (8:30 AM - 9:00 AM) to Porto, Portugal (Arrives at 11:00 AM)

After a quick stop in Cais da Lixa, pull into Porto for a full day in Portugal's second largest city. As you wander its streets, keep an eye out for Portugal's blue azulejos tiles—a delightful reminder of the region's Moorish influences. Book lovers will enjoy the Lello Bookstore. Built in 1906, the longtime hangout for Porto's creatives and intellectuals features a winding staircase with carved wooden handrails, a stained glass skylight, and intricate ceiling.

# Day 12 • Disembarkation in Porto, Sintra, Cascais, and Lisbon

Disembark from the *Alva* and travel by coach to Sintra, located in the foothills of the Sintra Mountains. Sintra is home to charming pastel buildings surrounded by lush terrain. Enjoy an included walking tour of the Old Town. Stop

in Cascais for an included farewell lunch, a panoramic tour, and free time for shopping. Arrive in Lisbon for the evening. (L)

♦ Hotel Aldeia Dos Capuchos or similar

▼ Day 13 • Depart for Home (B)



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#### **TOUR HIGHLIGHTS**

- Explore Melbourne on a city tour, including the Victorian-style Fitzroy Gardens
- Explore the city of Sydney on a guided tour
- Encounter native animals in the wild at the Daintree Rainforest
- Learn about aboriginal culture—and sit down for a traditional lunch—at the Mossman Gorge Centre
- Spend a day discovering the Great Barrier Reef at Marine World
- Marvel at the spectacular Blue Mountains
   —not to mention countless native animals—
   on a trip to Featherdale Wildlife Park

#### INCLUDES

9 nights hotels, 9 breakfasts, 3 lunches, and 1 dinner, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels, and sightseeing per itinerary.

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#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

RELAXED EASY GOING MODERATE ACTIVE VERY ACTIVE

# ★ Days 1 & 2 • Depart for Melbourne, Australia

♦ Overnight in flight

#### Day 3 • Arrive in Melbourne, Australia

Arrival in Melbourne. Guests who booked air with YMT will be met by a representative at the airport and transferred to the hotel. The rest of the day is yours to enjoy at your leisure.

◆ Travelodge Melbourne Southbank or similar

#### ☐ Day 4 • Melbourne City Tour

Good morning, or should we say g'day! Your first on-tour activity promises to be a special one, as you take a sightseeing tour of the highlights of Melbourne's dynamic past and optimistic present. See the eclectic architecture of the central business district, the Victorian Arts Centre, and the Royal Botanic Gardens, whose imposing pyramid-style Shrine of Remembrance dominates St. Kilda Road. Continue on to Toorak Village to the beautiful Fitzroy Gardens, an impeccably landscaped Victorian-style garden. (B)

◆ Travelodge Melbourne Southbank or similar

#### Day 5 • Melbourne Leisure Day

Melbourne is often called Australia's most European city, which you're sure to enjoy wandering through on your own. Spend the day at your leisure, or sign up for one of our incredible optional day trips outside of the city to Australia's scenic seaside. (B)

◆ Travelodge Melbourne Southbank or similar

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that every morning you wake up Down Under will be a very g'day.

# OPTION: PHILLIP ISLAND SAFARI & PENGUIN PARADE WITH DINNER Enjoy a full day of on Phillip Island

Enjoy a full day of on Phillip Island, meet an array of species and witness the Penguin Parade on Summerland Beach. \$219 p/p. Please add this option at time of booking.

#### Day 6 • Melbourne to Cairns

Fly from Melbourne to Cairns, then spend the afternoon and evening at leisure. Cairns is the gateway to some of Australia's greatest natural attractions, in addition to many excellent shopping and dining opportunities. (B)

♦ Pacific Hotel or similar

#### Day 7 • Daintree Rainforest

Strap on your Akubra hat to channel your inner Crocodile Dundee—because today promises to be a wild one! Travel north to the Daintree Rainforest for a day of sightseeing in the UNESCO-listed tropical rainforest.

First, enjoy a wildlife river cruise on the Daintree River. The area is one of the most densely populated mangrove estuaries in the world, so keep your eyes peeled for birds, frogs, snakes,













butterflies, lizards, goannas, insects and possibly even crocodiles—some of which can grow to up to 18 feet in length! Next, experience the award-winning Dreamtime Gorge Walk at Mossman Gorge Centre. Learn about Aboriginal culture and practices, and sit down for a traditional bush tea and damper—or lunch before returning to Cairns. (B, L)

◆ Pacific Hotel or similar



#### 角 Day 8 • Great Barrier Reef

Spend the day viewing the world's largest coral reef system, the UNESCO-recognized Great Barrier Reef. Board a catamaran for an easy ride to Marine World, an all-weather platform situated above one of the reef's most active sections. Marine World was created to be enjoyed by guests of all levels, and you're free to participate in a variety of activities—wet or dry, it's your choice! Snorkel in the sheltered coral lagoon, go scuba diving with Marine World's Marine Biologist, or take a ride in the semi-submersible reef viewer, just to name a few. (B, L)

◆ Pacific Hotel or similar

#### Day 9 • Cairns to Sydney

Your morning starts with a flight from Cairns to Sydney, where you will take a sightseeing tour of the business district and Sydney's famous beaches. Start at The Rocks—Sydney's birthplace is still home to fascinating relics and buildings from the city's turbulent past.

Pass the picturesque Botanical Gardens, the Conservatorium of Music, and Mrs. Macquarie's Chair, stopping for spectacular views of the Sydney Opera House. Visit Darling Harbour, and Chinatown before travelling through Kings Cross and the exclusive suburbs of Double Bay, Rose

Bay and finally Watson's Bay, where you will be rewarded with a spectacular view of the Pacific Ocean from The Gap.

Arrive at famous Bondi Beach for a brief stop before returning to the city via Paddington to view its restored 19th Century Colonial Terraces. Enjoy the evening at your leisure, or sign up for an optional activity. (B)

◆ Travelodge Wynyard or similar



#### Day 10 • Blue Mountains Excursion

Spend the day out of the city in the gorgeous Blue Mountains. Your first stop is in Featherdale Wildlife Park, where you will see native animals such as kangaroos, koalas, possums (many people consider Australian possums much cuter than the local opossums in North America), emus and native birds. Featherdale provides a safe home to over 250 different native species, and serves as Australia's largest native collection.

Continue to the Blue Mountains, named for the striking blue haze caused by light rays striking atmospheric dust particles and small droplets of moisture and eucalyptus oil. The Blue Mountains are part of the Great Dividing Range that runs parallel to the east coast of Australia for thousands of miles. See the world-famous "Three Sisters" rock formation, and enjoy distant views of Jamieson Valley and Mount Solitary. Lunch is included at a local restaurant. Pass Homebush Bay, the site of the Sydney 2000 Olympics, on the way back into the city. (B, L)

◆ Travelodge Wynyard or similar

#### Day 11 · Sydney Leisure Day

Spend the day at leisure. Sydney is a great place to go shopping, visit museums, or catch some sun at the beach. Your tour ends tonight with a bang on an included Sydney Harbour Dinner cruise where you will enjoy spectacular views of the Sydney Opera House and Harbour Bridge. (B, D)

MUST BOOK BY 4/30

◆ Travelodge Wynyard or similar



#### Day 12 • Depart for Home (B)

Say goodbye to your new mates before boarding your flight to return to the US.

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#### TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- · Tours of Hanoi, Hoi An Ancient Town, Hue Imperial City, and Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon)
- Traditional water puppet show and dinner in
- · Overnight cruise in beautiful Halong Bay, a popular UNESCO World Heritage Site
- Boat trip up the Perfume River to see various historical and cultural sights
- Take a boat excursion through the Mekong Delta, one of the most bio-diverse areas in the world

#### INCLUDES

11-day land tour with hotels, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels, entrance fees, flights in tour, 9 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 3 dinners, and sightseeing per itinerary.

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#### ACTIVITY LEVEL

RELAXED EASY GOING MODERATE ACTIVE VERY ACTIVE



#### Day 1 • Depart for Vietnam

Your journey begins on your overnight flight to No Bai International Airport in Hanoi.



#### 🛪 🖨 Day 2 • Hanoi

Welcome to Vietnam! If you purchased airline tickets from YMT Vacations, a friendly YMT representative will greet you at the airport and transport you to your hotel. After your long flight, this evening is yours to enjoy at your own pace. Meet your fellow travelers and learn what to expect in the days ahead at this evening's delicious Welcome Dinner. (D)

♦ Hotel Mercure Hanoi La Gare or similar



#### 😾 Day 3 • Hanoi

After breakfast, enjoy a city tour by bicyle taxi of Vietnam's capital city. See the Hanoi Hilton, the Hoa Lo Prison built by the French in the 1880's and used to hold American POWs in the Vietnam War, the Huc Bridge, Ngoc Son Temple, Ho Chi Minh Memorial Complex and Mausoleum, the elegant One Pillar Pagoda, and the John McCain Monument. Your dinner this evening comes with a show courtesy of the Thang Long Water Puppet Theater. Learn about Vietnam's legends and historical tales through a water puppet performance, a traditional art form dating back to the 11th century, where wooden puppets on a pool of water perform to live music. (B, D)

♦ Hotel Mercure Hanoi La Gare or similar



#### 🕮 Day 4 • Halong Bay

A boat ride through Halong Bay is a mustsee while in Vietnam! This morning, embark on a stunning overnight cruise deep into the spectacular Halong Bay. Halong Bay is a UNESCO World Heritage Site known for its uniquely breathtaking limestone karsts and thousands of small islets. It has been inhabited by humans and early human ancestors for tens of thousands of years, and has some of the greatest sunsets and scenery in the world. (B, L, D)



#### Day 5 • Hanoi to Hoi An

Take the morning to relax and say goodbye to Vietnam's scenic northeast, then board the short flight to Da Nang Airport in the country's center. Enjoy dinner at your hotel in Hoi An, and rest up for tomorrow's unforgettable walking tour! (B)

♦ Hoi An Historic Hotel or similar



#### Day 6 • Hoi An

Enjoy a leisurely walk through Hoi An Ancient Town, a UNESCO World Heritage Site on the Thu Bon River. You'll have the opportunity to wander through this well-preserved 15th-19th century trading port, which is an amazing showcase of Southeast Asian architecture, art, and culture. You'll enjoy several uniquely beautiful stops, including the Japanese Covered Bridge and Tran Family Chapel. You'll also get to try crafting a traditional Vietnamese lantern! (B)

♦ Hoi An Historic Hotel or similar















#### **OPTION: HOI AN MEMORIES SHOW**

Hoi An Memories features more than 500 live performers on open-air stage with music, poetry, and visual arts. Come experience the story of Vietnam at Hoi An Memories! \$69 p/p. Please add this option at time of booking.



Your day begins with a drive through the Marble Mountains, a cluster of five picturesque marble and limestone mountains renowned for their caves, tunnels, and Buddhist sanctuaries. From there, we'll visit the Cham Museum, which houses a small but very lovely collection of traditional stone sculptures. After riding through the Hai Van Pass, a beautiful coastal mountain road, you'll reach Hue, the stunning coastal town that was home to the Nguyen Dynasty, Vietnam's last ruling family. (B)

♦ Hotel Pilgrimage Village or similar



### Day 8 • Hue to Ho Chi Minh City

After a delicious breakfast, start another funpacked day with boat ride up the Perfume River. See the Thien Mu Pagoda, Royal Imperial City with Flag Tower, Meridian Gate, and Hue Royal Antiquities Museum, Imperial Tomb of Tu Duc, and Vinh Tu traditional garden house. Next, take a sightseeing trip to the Hue Imperial City, a walled palace within Hue's citadel. This UNESCO World Heritage Site was built in 1804 by Gia Long, Emperor of the Nguyen Dynasty. Stop at the Tha Om Garden House, a traditional 19th century Hue residence, before taking a short flight to Ho Chi Minh City. (B)

♦ Innside by Meliá Saigon Central or similar



#### Day 9 • Ho Chi Minh City

Wake up in Ho Chi Minh City, formerly Saigon, and spend the day learning about the Vietnam War right where it was waged. First, visit the Cu Chi tunnels, part of a widespread network of underground tunnels crisscrossing much of Vietnam that were used by Viet Conq soldiers. The Viet Cong used the tunnels as communication and spy routes, as well as to conceal men and supplies. The tunnels were their base of operations during 1968's Tet Offensive. From there, visit the War Remnants Museum, which contains exhibits and artifacts related to the Vietnam War and other earlier wars fought on Vietnamese soil.

After a walk along Dong Khoi Street, right beside the Saigon River, you'll reach the Saigon Opera House. A magnificent concert hall completed in 1901, it is one of the finest French-influenced buildings in all of Vietnam. (B)

♦ Innside by Meliá Saigon Central or similar



#### Day 10 · Ho Chi Minh City

Your final full day in Vietnam will take you on a scenic Mekong Delta boat trip to Cai Be, a charming rural area with a floating market that sells a wide variety of fruit and other goods. Take a tour of the Tan Phong island village, and see local craftspeople hard at work— handcrafting products from water hyacinth, weaving coconut leaf, and making rice paper. (B, L)

♦ Innside by Meliá Saigon Central or similar

#### Day 11 • Depart for Home

Enjoy one final sunrise in Ho Chi Minh City, then it's time to head home! (B)

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#### **TOUR HIGHLIGHTS**

- Admission to the Larco Museum, home to Lima's finest collection of pre-Columbian art and artifacts
- Tour through the twin historic sites of Maras and Moray
- · Spend a day exploring Machu Picchu
- Explore Cusco, recognized by UNESCO as Peru's most culturally important city
- Visit Uros and Taquile islands on Lake Titicaca
- · Look for Andean condors in the Colca Valley

#### INCLUDES

12 nights hotels, 12 breakfasts, 10 lunches, 1 dinner, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels, and sightseeing per itinerary.

**Note:** (B, L, D) as noted at the end of itinerary text ind cates meals included for that day.

#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

RELAXED EASY GOING MODERATE ACTIVE VERY ACTIVE

#### Day 1 • Arrive in Lima

If you purchased air from YMT, a representative will welcome you at the airport and transport you to the hotel.

**Note:** Depending on the departure time of your outbound flight, you may depart one day earlier.

♦ Britania Crystal Collection or similar

#### Day 2 • Lima City Tour

Start your journey with a tour of Lima, Peru's scenic capital. Explore Lima's old town, a UNESCO World Heritage Site packed with historic buildings including the Main Square, a stunning showcase of the wealth of the Spanish Empire, the 16th century Church of Santo Domingo, and Casa Aliaga, one of Lima's finest colonial mansions. Proceed to the traditional Pueblo Libre District, where you will visit the Larco Museum, a pre-Columbian art museum housed in a beautifully restored 18th century mansion. Enjoy an included lunch at the Cafe del Museo Larco, located on the terrace in front of the museum's beautiful gardens. (B, L)

♦ Britania Crystal Collection or similar

#### Day 3 · Cusco

Take a short, included flight from Lima to Cusco, in the heart of the Sacred Valley. The Sacred Valley, deep in the Andean highlands, was the center of the Inca Empire. The region boasts countless ruins, beautifully intact stone terraces, and stunningly rugged mountainous terrain. Shop for locally made alpaca textiles, musical

instruments, paintings, carvings, necklaces and replicas of old Inca pieces at the Pisac Market.

Take a scenic ride to Ollantaytambo Archaelogical Park, a living Inca city where residents still live in accordance with old Incan traditions. "Ollanta" is also famous for its wellpreserved archaeological sites, including a fortress, baths, and temples. (B, L)

→ Hacienda del Valle or similar

#### Day 4 • Sacred Valley

history to learn, and beauty to fall in love with on this sweeping tour.

Hidden from view by the rugged Andes, the Incan sites of Maras and Moray are two of the Sacred Valley's most interesting places to visit. Maras is home to Salineras de Maras, ancient terraced salt ponds. Moray contains circular terraces that were used by Incan leaders as a test garden where they could experiment on plants grown across the empire. Continue to Chinchero town, where you will see Incan ruins framed by the snow-capped Chicón and Verónica mountains. (B, L)

**Note:** Ovenight bag will be needed for your journey to Machu Picchu. Due to luggage restrictions aboard the trains to and from Machu Picchu, passengers may only take 1 small bag weighing no more than 11 lbs (5 kg). The next day, the rest of your luggage will be transferred to your hotel in Cusco City. Guests will be able to retrieve their luggage upon their arrival at night on Day 5.

♦ Hacienda del Valle or similar

### Day 5 • Machu Picchu

Travel by PeruRail Vistadome panoramic train to Peru's most famous site—the ancient sanctuary of Machu Picchu. Built in the 15th century by the













Incans at the peak of their power, Machu Picchu was abandoned fewer than 100 years later. This UNESCO World Heritage Site has three primary structures and numerous reconstructed outlying buildings all cut directly into the mountainside. Machu Picchu is the ultimate example of Incan architecture, characterized by polished stone walls and elegantly designed terraces. Archaeologists disagree on its function but judging by the quality of Machu Picchu's construction and the amount of intricate ornamental work, it is clear that it was a very important place.

After your tour, return to Aguas Calientes to enjoy an Andean fusion lunch overlooking the Vilconota River at the Cafe Inkaterra. (B, L)

Note: Machu Pichu is nearly 8,000 feet in elevation.

♦ Casa Andina Koricancha or similar

#### Day 6 • Cusco

Your tour of this UNESCO designated city starts with a visit to Santo Domingo Convent. a Spanish complex built in the 16th century on top of the sacred Inca Coricancha. Then, visit the Cusco Cathedral. Head to the hills to visit the remains of Sacsayhuaman, a fortress with panoramic views of the city. Finally, visit Puka Pukara, an Inca military installation perched on one of Cusco's most prominent hills. After an included lunch, the afternoon is yours to enjoy on your own. (B, L)

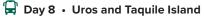
♦ Casa Andina Plaza or similar



#### Day 7 • Puno

Take a scenic drive from Cusco down to Puno. Keep your eyes peeled for landmarks including the town of Andahuaylillas, the Temple of Wiracocha, and the La Raya Pass. (B, L)

♦ Hacienda Puno Hotel or similar



Spend the day on Lake Titicaca, ancestral home of two fascinating cultures. Your first stop is on the floating islands of Uros, a series of man-made islands built by weaving together giant bulrush plants. They require constant maintenance by the Uro people, who have lived here for generations. Continue on to Taquile Island, home to the Taquileños, whose textiles are renowned for their quality. Have lunch on the island, then enjoy free time in Puno. (B, L)

♦ Hacienda Puno Hotel or similar



#### Day 9 · Colca

Travel over high plains, stone forests and blue lagoons from Puno to Colca. Visit the Pampa Cañahuas Reserve, an extensive plain where vicuñas, the wild ancestor of domesticated alpacas, are a common sight. (B, L)

♦ Casa Andina Colca or similar



#### 🛱 Day 10 • Arequipa via Condor Cross

Keep your eyes to the sky on your stop at Condor Cross. Even if you don't see a condor, your views of the stunning Colca Valley, one of the world's deepest canyons, will make the journey worth it. See Chivay and the towns of Pinchollo, Maca, Achoma, and Yanque before arriving in Arequipa. (B, L)

♦ Casa Andina Arequipa or similar



#### Day 11 • Arequipa City Tour

Enjoy a panoramic view of Areguipa, then see historic architecture and views at the Yanahuara District. Visit the Main Square, Compañía de Jesús Church, and Santa Catalina Monastery. Enjoy a leisurely evening in Arequipa. (B, L)

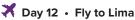
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#### **OPTION: PISCO TASTING & MAKING** CEVICHE DEMONSTRATION

Learn the history of pisco, developed by 16th-century Spanish settlers then enjoy a cooking demonstration and sample the perfect ceviche, which originated locally, and is typically

made from fresh raw fish cured in citrus juices. \$69 p/p. Please add this option at time of booking.



Take an included flight from Arequipa to Lima, then enjoy a final day in Lima including a farewell dinner and folklore show. (B, D)

♦ Britania Miraflores Hotel or similar



#### Day 13 • Depart for Home (B)

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#### **TOUR HIGHLIGHTS**

- Explore New York City including a visit to the 9/11 Memorial
- Visit the main Observation Deck of the Empire State Building
- Cross the Atlantic aboard a luxurious cruise ship visiting Portugal, Spain, and France, followed by a guided city tour of Rome.

#### INCLUDES

15-night Transatlantic cruise aboard Norwegian Cruise Line's *Gem*, 2 nights in New York City, 2 nights in Rome, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels and on the cruise ship, 4 breakfasts on the land portion and all meals while on the cruise, and sightseeing per itinerary.

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#### ACTIVITY LEVEL

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cruising through the Mediterranean aboard the *Norwegian Gem*. Visit several of the greatest cities on both sides of the Atlantic, while enjoying included experiences in New York and Rome. This is one transatlantic cruise you don't want to miss!

### ★ Days 1 & 2 • Arrive in New York City

Welcome to New York! These first two days are yours to take in the Big Apple, including taking a ride all the way up to the main Observation Deck of the Empire state Building on Day 2. The evenings are at your leisure - and you can make them late in the city that never sleeps. (B)

◆ Fairfield Inn Downtown Manhattan World Trade Center or similar

# Day 3 • New York City and

Embarkation (Departs at 8:00 PM)

Visit the 9/11 Memorial & Museum this morning. It is a solemn place of remembrance that tells the story of the events of 9/11 through artifacts ranging in scale from the monumental to the intimate, as well as through first-person accounts and multimedia displays. Board the *Norwegian Gem* for an evening departure. (B)



Day 9 • Ponta Delgada, Azores, Portugal (8:00 AM - 4:00 PM)

This stunning island city is best known for its historic buildings, vibrant green hillsides, friendly people, and confections made with the unique Azorean pineapple.





(10:00 AM - 5:00 PM)

Welcome to Portugal's coastal capital, watched over by 7 picturesque hills. The peaks' view of Lisbon's historic cobblestoned streets and stately ruins, mixed seamlessly with the modern world that grew up around them, is one of Europe's prettiest.

## 🚊 Day 12 • Cádiz, Spain

(10:30 AM - 8:30 PM)

Cádiz boasts ancient streets, seaside fortresses, and Moorish architecture infused with the easygoing energy of southern Spain.



(6:30 AM - 5:00 PM)

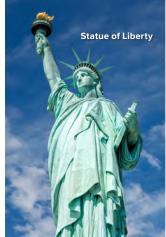
The city that gave the world Picasso remains a wonderful place to visit. Explore art galleries, eat some of Spain's finest beachside cuisine, see the spectacular "one armed" Renaissance cathedral La Manquita, or enjoy Málaga's massive Moorish fortresses known as the Alcazaba and Castillo de Gibralfaro.



(12:00 PM - 8:00 PM)

Today we stop in this gorgeous coastal city. Valencia is a unique combination of charming seaside town, historical medieval melting pot,















and ultra-modern metropolis—look at Valencia's architecture to see how much the city has changed over its almost 2,000-year history!



#### 💂 Day 15 🔹 Barcelona, Spain

(7:00 AM - 5:00 PM)

You'll be mesmerized by this thoroughly modern city where Roman ruins live next door to highrises, exhibition spaces, and one of the world's most impressive sports complexes. See the world-famous Las Ramblas, Gaudí's Sagrada Familia, Olympic Park, and views from Montjuic.



#### 違 Day 16 • Cannes, France

(8:00 AM - 5:00 PM)

Cannes may be best known for its film festival, but this resort town on the French Riviera is far more than just a glamorous place to watch a movie. Don't miss the Promenade de la Croisitte, Cannes' most famous street. It has fabulous views of the white sand beach, as well as excellent restaurants, shopping, and cafes.



#### 角 Day 17 • Livorno, Italy

(7:00 AM - 7:00 PM)

Livorno is a perhaps Tuscany's most modern city, a fact that contrasts beautifully with its numerous ancient towers, forts and city walls. The coastline is stunning, and Livorno's breathtaking views are nearly as abundant as its renowned restaurants.



#### 🖬 💂 Day 18 • Disembark in Civitavecchia and Transfer to Rome

(Arrives at 6:00 AM)

Travel into Roma, where you will enjoy a half-day sightseeing tour of the highlights of this ancient city. Today's sights include outside views of the

Roman Forum, once a marketplace and center of daily Roman life, and the Colosseum. You'll also see the Piazza Navona, the Spanish Steps, and of course the fabled Trevi Fountain.

♦ Ergife Hotel or similar



#### Day 19 • Leisure day in Rome, Italy

You'll be mesmerized by this thoroughly modern city where Roman ruins live next door to highrises, exhibition spaces, and one of the world's most impressive sports complexes. Enjoy a guided tour of the Vatican City, home of the Pope. Spend the rest of the day enjoying the Eternal City on your own, or take part in an optional Rome-themed dinner. (B)

♦ Ergife Hotel or similar



#### **OPTION: DINNER & LIVE MUSIC** ΔΤ ΡΔΡΔ RFX

Enjoy a unique dining experience and vibrant Italian music in an ancient Rome-themed atmosphere while

enjoying a delicious, 4 course meal! \$79 p/p. Please add this option at time of booking.



#### Day 20 • Depart for Home (B)

Bid arrivederchi to Rome today and return home.

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#### **TOUR HIGHLIGHTS**

- Enjoy 3 days and an included tour in Sydney, Australia's most populous city
- Spend 12 nights in freestyle comfort aboard Norwegian Cruise Line's Spirit visiting some of Australia and New Zealand's most popular
- · Visit Tasmania, an island off of Australia's southern coast
- Take city tour of Auckland, New Zealand

#### INCLUDES

12-night cruise aboard Norwegian Cruise Line's Spirit, 2 nights in Sydney, 1 night in Auckland, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels and on the cruise ship, 1 lunch, 3 breakfasts on the land portion and all meals while on the cruise, and sightseeing per

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landscapes and distinct cultures of Australia and New Zealand. Fall in

#### Days 1 & 2 • Depart for Sydney

♦ Overnight in flight

**Note:** Depending on the departure time of your outbound flight, you may depart one day later.

#### Day 3 · Arrive in Sydney, Australia

Arrive in Sydney, Australia's most populous city. If you purchased airline tickets from YMT Vacations, a YMT representative will welcome you at the airport and transport you to the hotel. This evening, relax on your own.

◆ Travelodge Wynyard Sydney or similar



Enjoy a city tour in the morning and visit The Rocks, Sydney's birthplace. See relics and buildings of the city's past, pass the picturesque Botanic Gardens, and take in the view of the Sydney Opera House before enjoying the rest of the day at leisure. (B)

**♦** Travelodge Wynyard Sydney or similar



OPTION: SYDNEY OPERA HOUSE TOUR More than 60 years ago, Jorn Utzon designed what is now considered one of the greatest buildings of all

time. Your guide will take you on an emotional journey inside this modern masterpiece! \$79 p/p. Please add this option at time of booking.

#### 🛱 💂 Day 5 • Embarkation in Sydney (Departs 6:00 PM)

Enjoy the day at leisure before boarding the Norwegian Spirit. (B).



(8:00 AM - 2:00 PM)

The town's name reflects what you will find inside this natural wonderland. Eden is nestled among national parks, wilderness areas, and enticing beaches. Eden and its surrounding landscapes offer an abundance of outdoor activities on the water and by land.

#### 💂 Day 7 • Melbourne (Port of Geelong), **Australia** (12:00 PM - 9:00 PM)

Melbourne is Australia's cultural capital, with remarkable architecture, elegant galleries, and boutiques. Wave at a wallaby or say g'day to a dingo at one of the many local wildlife parks.

#### 🚊 Day 8 • Burnie (Tasmania), Australia (11:00 AM - 7:00 PM)

A collection of artisans on the northwest coast of the island of Tasmania, Burnie has a long history as a community of makers—enjoy locally crafted European-style cheeses, fine papers, ceramics, and single-malt whiskey.

















🚊 Days 9 & 10 • At Sea

#### 🚊 Day 11 • Cruise Dusky Sound, **Doubful Sound and Milford Sound**

Dusky Sound is the largest fjord in Fjordland National Park. It is the bredding land for the Fjordland Crested Penguins due to it's isolated and remote nature.

Doublful sound is New Zealand's second most famour toursit attraction due to spectacular scenes, numerous waterfalls and diverse sea life which includes fur seals, crested penguins, bottlenose dolphins and whales.

Milford Sound, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, is a fusion of spectacular natural features. Rugged cliffs rise vertically from the dark waters, as mountain peaks scrape the sky and towering waterfalls cascade downwards.

#### 🚊 Day 12 • Dunedin (Port Chalmers), New Zealand (9:00 AM - 7:00 PM)

This South Island coastal town offers a mix of unique natural beauty and history.

#### 🚊 Day 13 • Akaroa, New Zealand (7:00 AM - 5:00 PM)

Tiny penguins rule the roost in this historic settlement nestled in the heart of an ancient volcano. Akaroa is New Zealand's Ione French settlement, which you may notice in the scenic small town's shops, cuisine, and architecture.

#### 🚊 Day 14 • Marlborough, (Picton) New Zealand (8:00 AM - 5:00 PM)

Picton is a picturesque town located in the Marlborough Region of New Zealand's South Island. Small but bustling, it is known as the gateway to the Marlborough Sounds, and is the perfect place to taste local wines. The Sauvignon blancs, especially, are widely considered some of the best in the world.

#### 💂 Day 15 • Napier, New Zealand

(9:00 AM - 4:00 PM)

The coastal city of Napier is set amid the renowned wine-producing region of Hawke's Bay. Rebuilt after a 1931 earthquake, the city is known for art deco landmarks like the zigzagpatterned Daily Telegraph Building. It feels like an exotic re-imagining of the 30s in parts of Napier, with the era's most iconic visual elements co-mingling with Maori motifs.

#### 💂 Day 16 • Tauranga (Rotorua), New Zealand (10:00 AM - 6:00 PM)

Discover Rotorua, known for its natural beauty. Visit Te Wairoa's Buried Village, a Pompeii-like town frozen in time after being smothered by a volcanic eruption in 1886. Look for Hell's Gate, a geothermal park with boiling pools, geysers and mud baths.

#### 違 🛱 Day 17 • Disembarkation and Auckland City tour (Arrives at 7:00 AM)

After disembarking, enjoy an included sightseeing tour of Auckland, New Zealand's largest city. Cross the Auckland Harbour Bridge to Auckland's North Shore and the village of Davenport known for its chocolates, art, and cafes. Explore the Auckland Museum's collections on the history of New Zealand. (L)

♦ Grand Mercure or similar

Day 18 • Depart for Home (B)



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#### **TOUR HIGHLIGHTS**

- · Explore popular destinations around the world, including Rhodes, and Aqaba
- · Spend a day in picturesque Haifa
- · Relax on the black sand beaches of Safaga
- · Visit Abu Dhabi, the world's richest city
- Take in the view of glamorous Dubai from the 124th floor of the towering Burj Khalifa

#### INCLUDES

18-night cruise aboard Norwegian Cruise Line's Norwegian Jade, 3-night land tour with hotels, professional Tour Director, baggage handling at hotels and on the cruise ship, 3 breakfasts on the land portion and all meals on the cruise, and sightseeing per itinerary.

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#### **ACTIVITY LEVEL**

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Take an overnight flight to Dubai. If you purchased airline tickets from YMT, a representative will welcome you at the airport and transport you to the hotel.

♦ Al Bandar Rotana or similar

#### 🛱 Day 3 • City Tour in Dubai

Enjoy a panoramic city tour of this fascinating blending of traditional Arab culture and modern western culture. Highlights include the Dubai museum, the Abra water taxi crossing, and the Burj Khalifa—which you will see from the Sky Level Observation deck on the 124th floor. At a height of 2,722 feet, the tower is the tallest building in the world. The evening is at leisure. (B)

♦ Al Bandar Rotana or similar



#### **OPTION: ARABIAN DESERT EXPERIENCE**

Arabian Desert Experience Take an adventurous, off-road excursion deep into the Arabian Desert and enjoy dinner and belly

dancing on the golden sand dunes. \$79 p/p. Please add this option at time of booking.

#### 🛱 亀 Day 4 • Dubai World Expo & Embarkation (11:59 PM)

Today, enjoy a visit to the Dubai World Expo, a once-in-a-lifetime experience. The Dubai

World Expo brings together narratives from 192 countries in this unforgettable festival that will change the way you look at the world.

In the afternoon, embark about Norwegian Cruise Line's Jade. (B)

#### 💂 Day 5 • Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates (6:00 AM - 4:00 PM)

Abu Dhabi boasts a wealth of culture, history and adventure. From the emirate's old souks, the bazaars perfect for sipping Arabic coffee, to the rush and roar of the supercars driven by the city's billionaires, Abu Dhabi is a feast for the senses. Perhaps choose to visit the local merchants to get deals on handicrafts, artwork, even spices and dried fruit for the cook back home.



## 🚊 Day 6 • Fujairah, UAE

(8:00 AM - 4:00 PM)

One of the UAE's most scenic port cities, Fujairah is full of sightseeing opportunities. You can find welcoming beaches, a fascinating archaeologic museum, and a stunningly restored fort overlooking the old village and date palm oasis. The Central Souq is the best place in Fujairah to sample delicious regional specialties, especially salt-crusted hammour fish and exquisitely sweet local dates.



💂 Day 7 • At Sea













#### 💂 Day 8 • Salalah, Oman

(7:30 AM - 8:30 PM)

Discover the charming streets, museums and lively souks of this lovely old city on the Arabian Sea. Those with an interest in architecture will appreciate the Sultan Qaboos Mosque, which is one of the most exquisite houses of worship in Oman. Beyond the city lies the beach of Al Mughsail, a fertile countryside dotted with coconut and banana plantations, beautiful Tagah Castle, and the magnificent UNESCO listed Al Balid archeological site.



#### Days 9 - 12 • At Sea



#### 💂 Day 13 • Aqaba, Jordan

(6:00 AM - 8:00 PM)

Jordan's only coastal city and one of its most popular tourist destinations, Aqaba enjoys year-round sun! In the city you'll find the 13thcentury Aqaba Fortess, the archaeological museum, the Ayla ruins, and plenty of delicious traditional food. Be sure to save some time to stop at magnificent Petra, the world-famous ancient city carved out of stone, nearby.



#### 💂 Days 14 & 15 • Safaga, Egypt

(7:00 AM - 8:00 PM next day)

Safaga's black-sand beaches are the perfect place to relax under the desert sun. Guests who wish to experience the splendor of ancient Egypt can choose to visit nearby Luxor and see the Karnak Temple Complex and the 3,400-year-old Colossi of Memnon statues.



💂 Days 16 - 17 🔹 Suez Canal, Egypt



#### 違 Day 18 • Ashsod, Israel

(6:00 AM - 11:59 PM)

Ashdod, is one of the world's oldest towns dating back to 17th-century BCE. Don't miss the Ashdod Art Museum, Corinne Maman Museum, Beit Guvrin National Park, and Tel Lachish.



#### 💂 Day 19 • Haifa, Israel

(6:00 AM - 11:59 PM)

One of the most picturesque regions in the Middle East, Israel's third largest city is built on the slopes of Mount Carmel. Its Bahá'í Gardens are the largest hanging gardens in the world, and many visitors are also drawn to the Cave of Elijah. The boutiques on Massada Street and the artists village of Ein Hod featuring hand-blown glass and one-of-a-kind pieces of art. Haifa is also close to holy sites like Galilee, Nazareth, and Jerusalem that you might decide to visit during your stay.



### 🚊 Day 20 • Limassol, Cyprus

(10:00 AM - 6:00 PM)

A strategic garrison for Richard the Lionhearted during the Third Crusade, Limassol is home to many archaeological sites, as well as plentiful contemporary boutiques.



#### 💂 Day 21 • Rhodes, Greece

(9:30 AM - 3:30 PM)

The remarkable walled city of this Greek island just off the coast of Turkey is now one of the most popular tourist destinations in Europe. Discover the old fortified city on your own—perhaps visit the acropolis of Lindos, and see where the Colossus of Rhode once stood.



#### 💂 Day 22 • Piraeus (Athens), Greece & Disembarkation (6:00 AM)

Athens is home to the Acropolis and some of the most important architectural structures and archaeological finds in the Western world.

♦ Athen's Marriott Hotel or similar



#### 🛪 Day 23 • Depart for Home (B)

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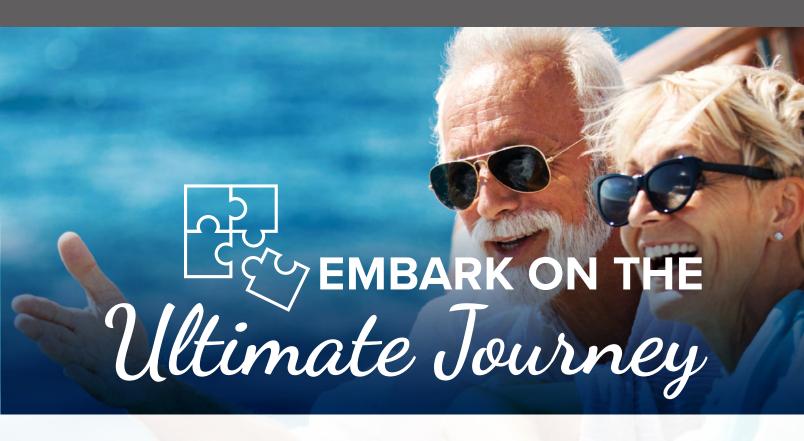
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9/1, 9/8	\$ <del>3,748</del>	\$3,498

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