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# TAUCK 100

## 2025 Small Ship Cruising

Worldwide Cultural Journeys and Expeditions





## *A Message from the Tauck Family*

*Since 1925, our family-owned company has been committed to enhancing lives through travel.*

*As we approach Tauck's Centennial, we celebrate 100 years of exploration, ten decades of innovation, and innumerable moments of wonder. Our family is humbled to share this legacy with you. Thank you for placing your confidence in Tauck as you embark on journeys to new places, in new ways, and with new-found friends.*

*For four generations, we have endeavored to connect you with the world's most treasured places. We believe that human connection is at the heart of meaningful travel and is vitally important. It is through connection and understanding that the places we visit can be sustained for generations to come. As true today as it was in 1925, the spirit to go forth and seek immersion is ultimately about connecting as people. As a company, as an industry, and as fellow travelers, we are One Global Family, united in our mission to enhance lives and make a positive impact.*

*We are so pleased to share Small Ship Cruising with you. In 1993, our family created our first luxury, small yacht-like experiences for Tauck guests. That concept has grown into a collection of journeys around the world featuring exceptional, hand-selected ships combined with our signature land experiences and exclusive access. We are still a family of enthusiastic explorers, and that spirit extends to an esteemed team at Tauck as well as dedicated relationships with our global partners at sea.*

*From our founders' novel vision to the growth that shaped an industry; our second and third generations' collective leadership of Tauck and our fourth generations' stewardship of family values, our family will continue to remain closely involved. We will ensure that when you travel with Tauck, you connect with what matters most: great natural beauty, joy, learning, and one another. Much has changed since 1925, but that will always remain the same.*

*We also stand united by a common belief: that travel is a force for good. We are committed to responsible practices, respectful of destinations, and dedicated to leaving a positive impact on the communities we visit.*

*To our valued patrons, both old friends and new, thank you for your trust. Thank you for being an integral part of four generations of our family's journey. Here's to the future, where the world is home, and everyone is family.*

*With heartfelt appreciation,  
The Tauck Family*

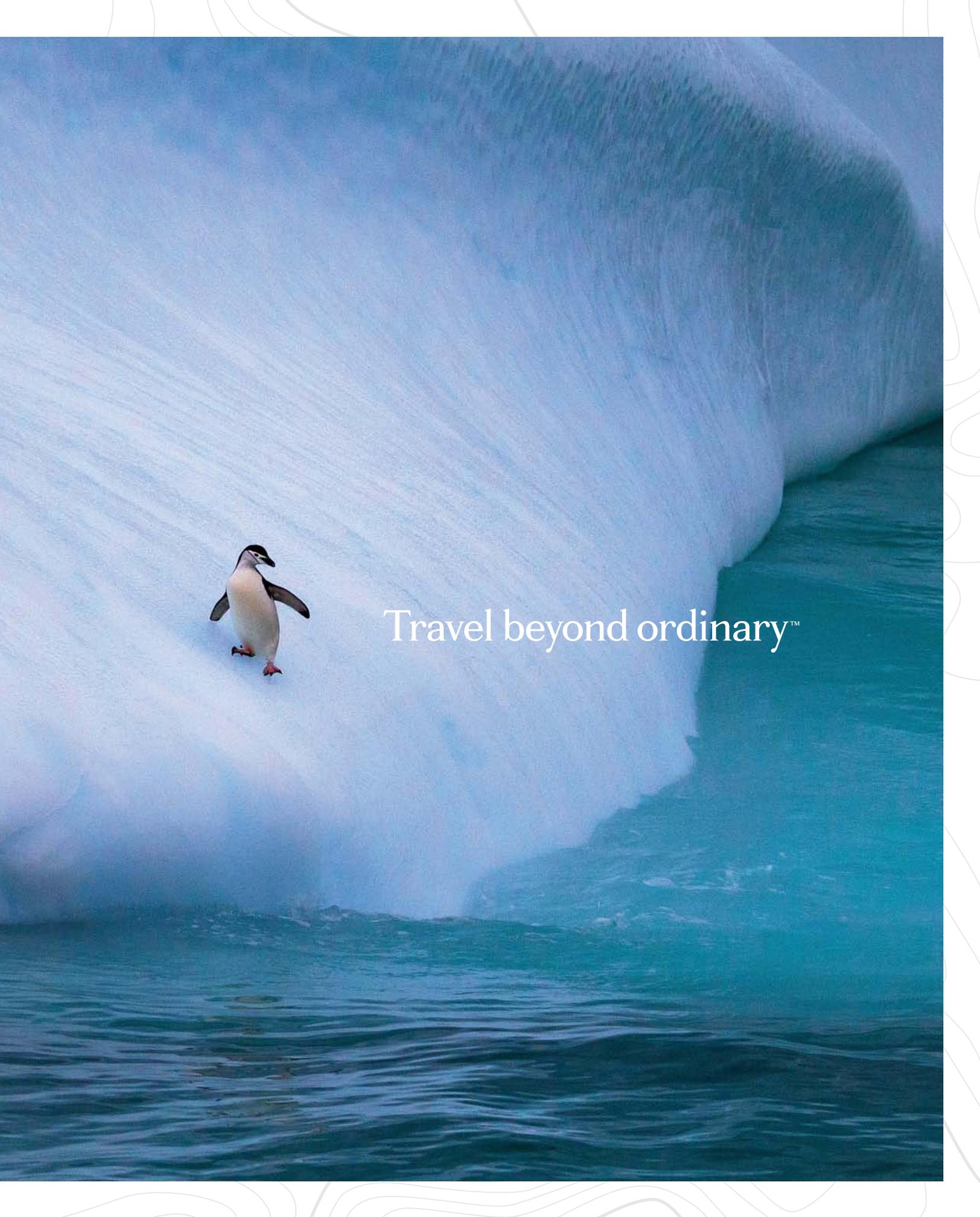


*Welcome to Tauck. We invite you to see the world as you've never seen it before. To travel the world with exclusive access, authentic local connections, insider knowledge, and unique, one-of-a-kind experiences.*

*We keep raising the bar to find new ways to connect you more deeply with the places you explore.*



Named to *Travel + Leisure's* "World's Best Awards" list for 26 consecutive years



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As a family of sailors, cruising has always been close to our hearts; it's an experience we love sharing with our guests. Welcome to our 2025 collection of small ship cruises as we celebrate a new century of Tauck voyages combining the best of land and sea. Our cruise partnerships are so important within our One Global Family. Together, we are raising the bar in small ship cruising.

Our first European small ship cruise was launched in the Mediterranean, where passenger cruising itself began nearly 200 years ago – and our earliest itinerary called on some of the same ports and islands that you'll visit today on the reimagined *Rome, the Amalfi Coast & Sicily*, new for 2025. *Aegean Voyage: Istanbul to Athens* is also new, and marks a return to one of our favorite cities, Istanbul.

Small is big when you cruise with Tauck. Smaller ships afford an opportunity for more personalized service with fewer guests onboard; you are accompanied by our expert Tauck Directors and local guides every step of the way, onboard and ashore.

Our cultural voyages and expeditionary cruises are all-inclusive, from all shore excursions to all gratuities. They are inspired by their destinations, and go to places where the bigger ships don't go – the connections you make with the people you meet and the places you explore are unique, personal, and memorable.

There's nothing quite like cruising – the experience matches a world of possibilities to fulfill travel dreams. We look forward to welcoming you aboard as you become part of Tauck's story in our second century!



*Dan*

*Daniel W. Mahar, CEO*

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# 26

*Consecutive years named to  
Travel + Leisure's "World's Best" list*

# 250

*Average guests aboard our small  
ship cruises*

In destinations the world over across seven seas

# 30+

*Years of Small Ship Cruising*

Longstanding partners include Ponant, Windstar, Silversea and Metropolitan Touring

# 9

*Expeditionary Cruises*

Cruise aboard expeditionary ships comfortably at home in wilderness destinations both tropic and glacial

# II

*Cultural Journeys*

Cultural land exploration steeped with centuries of tradition and local charm.

# 100%

*All-Included Shore Excursions*

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*North  
Pacific  
Ocean*

*North  
Atlantic  
Ocean*

*South  
Pacific  
Ocean*

*South  
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# Small is Big

It's a big world, and sometimes, it takes a small ship to see it clearly. To find its heart, hidden away on unexplored shores. So welcome aboard, and discover the joy of traveling the world small.

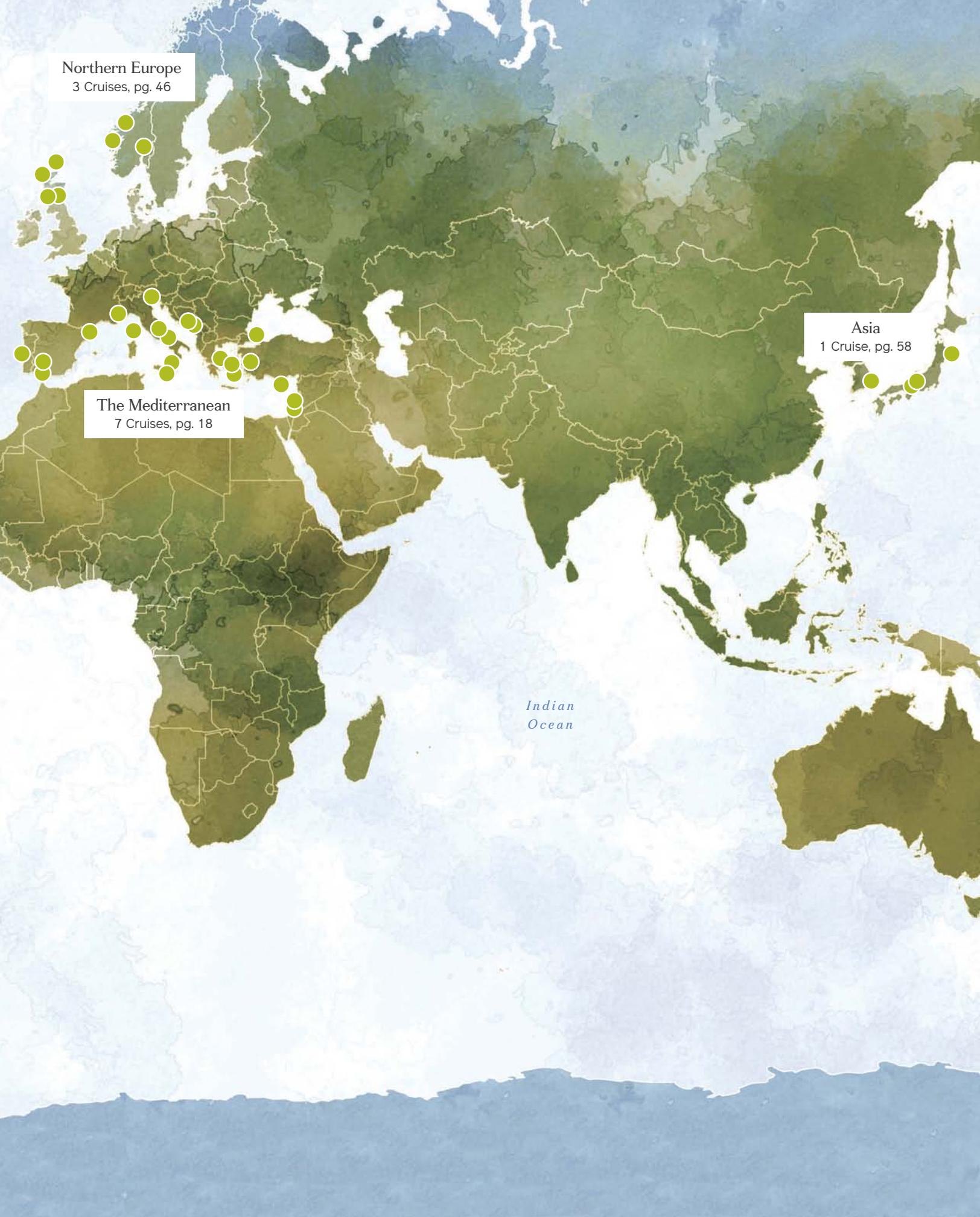
When you cruise aboard a small ship with Tauck, a new day promises new discoveries. You might be standing watch on deck as your ship sails into a secluded harbor or a hidden port – and as morning dawns, that first light brings possibilities ashore. And that... awakens the adventurer in all of us, the world over.

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*Indian  
Ocean*



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# One Global Family

*A century of gratitude begins with you, our dear guests, whose trust in Tauck across the decades has been our inspiration. Your curiosity and desire to experience our world motivates us to continue creating authentic and engaging discoveries of the world's most precious places.*

*We are truly grateful for the shared purpose and commitment of our global partners. Many hundreds of people come together to make each tour or cruise a reality for you, from drivers and local guides to staff on-board riverboats and cruise ships, hotel and restaurant staff and so many more.*

*Also greatly appreciated are our loyal travel advisors who help us realize your travel dreams. And of course, we have enormous gratitude for our team of employees across our world. Their remarkable passion, care and commitment inspires us all to keep moving forward. Together, we are one special global family.*



Still family owned in our 100th year, the second, third and fourth generations of the Tauck family (top); our longstanding European river cruise partner, Scylla (middle); our employees, past and present (bottom); our patrons, whose trust and loyalty inspire us (right, guests on tour in Switzerland).



# Driven by Innovation

*On the cusp of our next century, with 4th generation Tauck family involvement, our*

## **Tour Broker License #1**

*Hearings are held in Washington, DC to regulate modes of transportation, and Arthur Sr. is granted Tour Broker License #1; a new "tour operator" industry becomes official*



1935

## **Opening Doors To The West**

*Tauck becomes one of the first land tour operators to expand West by air; not rail – and to secure accommodations at premier railroad-owned hotels within the national parks*



1962

## **Global Expansion**

*With the third generation running the business, Tauck becomes a global travel leader over the next decade, expanding to Europe, Australia, Asia, Latin America, Antarctica and Africa*



1991

1925

1958

1978



## **The First Tauck Tour**

*Arthur Tauck Sr. creates and hosts the first fully inclusive guided tour by taking six passengers on a journey through New England in a Studebaker touring car... and a new industry is born*



## **First Private Air Charter**

*Arthur Jr. is convinced the future is air travel – and he takes on the entire airline industry opposing his application to charter flights to Nova Scotia. And wins... in a Supreme Court decision*



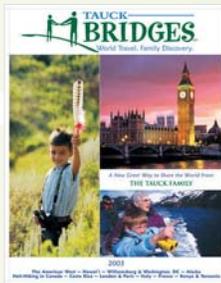
## **First Heli-Hiking**

*Introduced by Arthur Jr. and Hans Gmoser of Canadian Mountain Holidays, heli-hiking brings summertime guests by helicopter to walk atop Western Canada's mountains – previously enjoyed only in winter*

values and vision remain true. With a look to the past that inspires the future, key milestones in Tauck's journey include:

### Tauck Bridges

Family travel becomes the first separate brand in the company's history and introduces a new industry category as the first guided travel brand specifically designed for multi-generational families



2003

### Only With Tauck

Innovation leads the way in the 21st century, inspiring original and unique ways to explore – including our exclusive partnership with filmmaker Ken Burns and the launch of Ken Burns American Journeys



2011

### The Future

As the next 100 years begin for our family-owned company, with involvement from multiple generations, we embrace the pioneering spirit of the past and continue to create new ways to travel for new generations



2025

1993



### Small Ship Cruising

A combination of signature land touring and small ships is born in the 1990s out of the Tauck family's shared passion for sailing; from 2018–2020, the launch of the 6-vessel "Explorer Class" enables land and sea expansion to global destinations

2006



### Tauck River Cruising

Our first European river cruises launch, part of what is now a fleet of exquisite, intimate riverboats providing an all-inclusive destination immersion across Europe's rivers and waterways

2016



### Small Is Big

From smaller ships on the seas and riverboats with fewer passengers – to the introduction of small group departures on land journeys – Tauck creates new destination experiences where going small is truly big



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# What's New for 2025

*Thank you for inspiring us to continually raise the bar. In our centennial year, we are excited to add new destinations, new travel experiences, and new ways to explore by small ship in some of the most exciting places on Earth that speak to the explorer in all of us.*

## *Blue Mosque*

A guided visit shares insights into one of Turkey's most celebrated Ottoman mosques, [see page 18](#)

## *New 2025 Small Ship Cruises*

### **Aegean Voyage: Istanbul to Athens (p. 18)**

We are returning to Istanbul, Türkiye, on a true odyssey that brings you the best of the Aegean Sea, from fabled islands to ancient sites and treasured antiquities. Your voyage aboard a Windstar ship blends ancient and modern into a kaleidoscope of history and legends, both mythic and epic. Destinations include Istanbul, Lemnos, Ephesus, Bodrum, Santorini, Mykonos and Athens – and a fabulous transit through the amazing Corinth Canal. It's a voyage that informs and inspires – and we invite you to join us.

### **Rome, the Amalfi Coast & Sicily (p. 22)**

One of our earliest small ship cruises belonged to our Mediterranean portfolio – and we're charting the same course through the Mediterranean in 2025. Enjoy two nights at premier hotels in the heart of Italy's capital, Rome, followed by travels to the Amalfi Coast, and a cruise that explores the islands at the tip of Italy's boot, Sicily and Malta. Witness some of the world's most renowned antiquities, magnificent frescoed duomos, grand piazzas, Baroque balconies and terraced towns that speak volumes about island life, past and present, concluding with two nights at a premier hotel on Malta.

## *New Small Ship – Welcoming Silver Moon*

Silversea's award-winning *Silver Moon* is a guest favorite, and she joins our small ship fleet to cruise the wildlife-rich waters along Alaska's shores on *Alaska's Inside Passage* (p. 66). With one of the highest space to space guest ratios at sea, *Silver Moon* is known for spacious suites and superior service – and amenities that enhance and enrich your journey; learn more on page 114.

*Keep an eye out in the coming months as we have a lot more "new" to introduce, including new river cruises and new land journeys throughout North America and Europe.*

### *Top to bottom:*

Learnings about – and from – antiquities, as shared by local experts, include the caryatid porch of the Erechtheum on the famed Acropolis in Athens, **see p. 18**

The Mediterranean's scenic and historic treasures, from Rome to Sicily and Malta, hold a special allure for travelers – such as the exquisite Amalfi Coast, **see p. 22**

Spaces such as the Panorama Lounge, aptly named for extraordinary views while cruising Alaska's shores, define Silversea's *Silver Moon*, **see p. 114**



# Supporting a Thriving World

For over five decades, we have been committed to making a positive impact – environmentally, socially and economically – in the lives of the individuals and places we visit around the globe, and in the communities where we live and work.

Tauck has invested in more than 80 national parks, monuments and other places we visit to better protect our planet and preserve these special historical and cultural destinations for generations to come. Examples include: Mesa Verde, Grand Teton National Park Foundation, National Civil Rights Museum, Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center, Jasper National Park, and Notre Dame Cathedral.

## *Preservation & Volunteerism*

Going hand-in-hand with destination grants is our commitment to encourage and actively participate in volunteerism. These efforts include Tauck's on-tour national park guest volunteer program that won a "Preserve America" presidential award, and Hammer Corps, our program in which Tauck employees helped restore and preserve iconic treasures such as Mormon Row in Grand Teton National Park. Additionally, hundreds of Tauck employees have participated in annual volunteer days in places like Valley Forge and Ellis Island.

Our itineraries are woven into the very fabric of places where we travel. We partner with many family-owned businesses and businesses of all kinds, from very small to large. We create jobs and improve the economic health and vitality of destinations. Traveling with a light "footprint" enabled by smaller groups and lower guest-to-guide ratios, we are mindful about how we travel to ensure we make a positive impact.



*Here are some of the ways traveling with Tauck makes an impact through tours featured in this brochure:*

## *Ponant & Sustainability at Sea*

Ponant, our longstanding cruise partner, is a leader in sustainable tourism. They've launched a "Zero Single-Use Plastic" policy; reduced CO2 emissions as part of their zero emissions ambition; and upgraded their ships to include new equipment for waste management. Ponant earned Green Globe certification meeting 44 criteria – and their support for scientific research includes welcoming more than 100 scientists aboard *Le Commandant Charcot* last year with a focus on protecting marine ecosystems.

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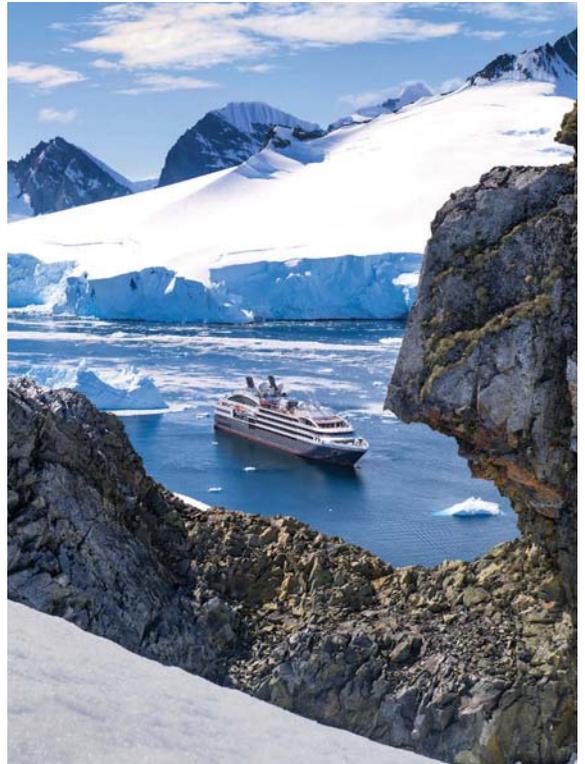
## *Galápagos Conservancy*

In partnership with the Galápagos Conservancy, and as part of our commitment to protecting and preserving our planet and fragile ecosystems, Tauck is the first to underwrite a research and rewilding expedition in the Galápagos Islands, to help restore the populations of native tortoises. Driven to extinction on some islands, and on the brink of extinction on others, today only 10% of the original population remains. Critical to the fragile ecosystems in the Galápagos, Tauck is committed to helping restore the populations of these once thriving animals.

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## *San Blas Islands beach cleanup*

Led by our Tauck Directors, Tauck guests make a difference in Panama when they have an opportunity to participate in a beach clean-up on the San Blas Islands. A significant amount of trash washes up on the islands daily – in particular plastics, which have a negative effect on the islands. With the assistance of our Ponant crew, the trash is transported for safe disposal.



In our centennial year we will be highlighting 100 ways Tauck's family stewardship and your travels with Tauck are making an impact on our thriving world; check back to discover more at [tauck.com/impact](https://www.tauck.com/impact)

# The Tauck Difference

When you cruise with Tauck, virtually every aspect of your trip is included in one upfront price – from shore excursions and hotel stays to all gratuities at sea and on land, with no options sold and no hidden fees. Aboard our small ships, small is truly big – they're hand-picked for the destinations we explore, averaging less than 200 guests onboard. And when you're staying ashore, premier hotels are carefully selected to ensure you are in the best locations. We've built our business on one principle – to provide our guests with the very best travel experience possible at sea and ashore, with an uncompromising focus on service, quality and value.

## *Unique access, exclusive experiences*

Imagination, creativity and ingenuity inspire Tauck's combination of small ship cruising with cultural land exploration. Because it's not only what you see, but how you see it – and that's what makes a Tauck small ship cruise unique. Enjoy all-included privately guided shore excursions with a range of choices – and exclusive Tauck experiences in must-see venues, often open only for Tauck guests.

## *Memorable connections*

The moment you join a Tauck small ship cruise, you'll make meaningful connections and share a special kinship as each new day promises new discoveries. Learn from local experts who impart their knowledge and expertise, sharing details of their daily lives. Discover the secrets of nature on expeditionary cruises in extraordinary places, where wildlife experts provide insights. Engage with artisans skilled in crafts unique to the destination. The local perspective enriches every Tauck trip, and you'll see the world like never before.

## *Fully guided by the best*

Our experienced Tauck Directors are by your side both onboard and ashore – passionate and knowledgeable about travel, they come from 41 countries and speak 52 languages collectively. Together with our handpicked local experts and guides, they share personal insights that enrich your journey – and are truly the world's best travel companions.



### *Galápagos Islands*

Wildlife in the Galápagos Islands are as eager to meet you as you are them, [see page 82](#)



*Top to bottom:*

Visit the Guna people of Panama's San Blas islands and learn about their traditions and village life, [see page 78](#)

The view while dining is absolutely amazing at Hotel Grande Bretagne in the heart of Athens, [see page 30](#)

Tauca Directors in Croatia share insights into cultural legacies, history's best stories, and natural wonders, [see page 34](#)

# Our Fleet of Small Ships

Discover a fleet that's born to explore with 18 custom-crafted small ships designed, built and handpicked for the destinations they sail to. Our small ships are big on service, special touches and comfort with sophisticated onboard technologies and environmentally friendly equipment. We partner with maritime leaders whose ships and crews are best in class; our award-winning destination expertise offers our guests in-depth, meticulously orchestrated shore excursions that go deeply into history and culture – and feature exclusive Tauck-only experiences just for them.

- Small is big on the seas, offering you more flexibility and more opportunities to go where the larger ships don't, casting anchor in ports of call ideally suited just for small ships and expeditionary vessels
- We sail aboard smaller ships that hold fewer passengers (averaging 250 guests) so you can enjoy more personal attention from the captain and the crew
- Onboard, the atmosphere is easygoing and congenial, the pace is unhurried and comfortable, with no crowds or lines; you'll feel right at home the moment you board
- Lectures, presentations, tastings, dance and musical performances onboard promise personal connections with the places and cultures you experience ashore
- Shipboard dining is a delight with chef-prepared cuisine, locally sourced ingredients and complimentary beverages, including regional wines and spirits



# Meaningful Experiences

Your small ship is a big part of your cruise experience, helping you make more meaningful, authentic connections in the places you visit, and creating unforgettable moments onboard and ashore.

Cruise into hidden harbors and small ports inaccessible to larger ships, walking right off the ship or riding a private tender – or zodiac – ashore to experience Tauck's signature land excursions, renowned as the best in the industry. Explore daily life in Croatian villages, with wine tasting, flour making and a silk thread demonstration. Experience the timeless cultural traditions of Japan as you join in a taiko drumming and calligraphy class. Visit the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame in Cleveland before it opens to the general public so you can immerse in its musical treasures without lines or crowds. Enjoy a lobster bake on Prince Edward Island, Icelandic cakes with a local family on Vigur Island, meet the owners of a local Scottish croft and so much more, discovering the must-see sites and hidden gems of each destination in distinctive Tauck style.



## *Top to bottom:*

Meet local experts who share insights into daily life in places you explore, such as Alaska's Dungeness crabs, **see page 66**

Connect with the locals on your cruise to Antarctica, stepping ashore on glacial islands where penguins thrive, **see page 62**

Ride ashore via Zodiac to meet the Emberá people in Panama's Darien region on an expedition cruise, **see page 78**

## *Opposite page, top to bottom:*

*Le Champlain* cruises into Norwegian fjords, glacier-rich and spectacular to behold, **see page 50**

The panoramic lounge onboard *Le Bougainville* invites with stunning views, entertainment and relaxation, **see page 100**

Dine with a view at La Comète grill restaurant aboard *Le Lyrial* where al fresco dining is a delight, **see page 102**



*New for 2025*

# Aegean Voyage: Istanbul to Athens

*From views of the Acropolis at your grand hotel in Athens to your 8-night cruise odyssey to storied Greek Isles and Turkish ports to a treasure trove of historic sites in Istanbul, immerse in the wonders of the ancient world with insights from expert guides and unique experiences exclusive to Tauck.*

14 DAYS FROM \$11,990  
Activity Level 3 / Pace Level 3

*Ancient Ephesus*

## *Uniquely Tauck*

- Visit the archaeological site of Delphi before transiting the Corinth Canal, 2,500 years in the making and accessible only by small ship
- Experience daily life on the island of Lemnos, inviting with a wine and cheese tasting or a walking tour that samples local specialties
- Explore the iconic sites of jet-setting Mykonos Island with a local guide or board a boat bound for Delos, one of the largest active dig sites in Greece

## DAY 1

### Arrive Istanbul

*Tour begins: 6:00 PM, InterContinental Hotel Istanbul.* A transfer is included upon arrival from Istanbul International Airport to the InterContinental Hotel Istanbul, welcoming with stunning views of the Bosphorus and Istanbul's world-famous skyline. Join us for a welcome reception and dinner tonight at the hotel. **Meals D**

## DAY 2

### The Blue Mosque & a Bosphorus cruise

Begin your day with a visit to the Hippodrome as you learn about the history of the city with insights from a local expert. Continue to the Blue Mosque, built in the early 1600s, for a guided visit. Cross over the Bosphorus for lunch on the Asia side of the city, then embark on an afternoon cruise along the Bosphorus Strait. This evening, join us for a special dining experience exclusive to Tauck guests. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 3

### Topkapi Palace & the Grand Bazaar

Guided sightseeing today includes a locally guided tour of 15th-century Topkapi Palace, home of the Ottoman Sultans for almost four centuries, and the Harem. Take a short walk from the palace and descend into the ancient Cisterna Basilica. Have lunch at a local restaurant before venturing into the Grand Bazaar, one of the largest covered markets in the world, with 61 streets and over 4,000 small shops. Explore as you wish for the remainder of the day. **Meals BL**

## DAY 4

### Mosques, spices & embark your ship

Learn about the Five Pillars of Islam from a local guide during a visit to Rusem Pasha or Yeni Cami Mosque. Continue on to Misir Çarşisi, the center for the spice trade in Istanbul, for a guided walk and free time to explore. Embark your ship after lunch, sailing for Lemnos, Greece. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 5

### A look at daily life on Lemnos

This morning, dock at Lemnos for a choice of shore excursions that includes a sightseeing drive that visits an archaeological site and a cemetery honoring the soldiers who fought in the Gallipoli campaign in World War I. Alternatively, visit a winery for a tasting of cheese and wine followed by free time in the capital city of Myrina. Your third choice is a walking tour of Myrina that samples its culinary specialties for an authentic taste of daily life here. Return to the ship for an afternoon sail bound for Mykonos, and have dinner onboard as you please. **Meals BLD**

## Voyage at a glance

■ 8 Cruise Days aboard Windstar's *Star Legend*

### Southbound: Istanbul / Athens

Day	Destination
1	Arrive Istanbul
2	Istanbul
3	Istanbul
4	Embark <i>Star Legend</i>
5	Lemnos
6	Mykonos / Delos
7	Kusadasi / Ephesus
8	Bodrum
9	Santorini
10	Day at Sea
11	Itea / Corinth Canal
12	Disembark Piraeus
13	Athens
14	Depart Athens

### Northbound: Athens / Istanbul

Day	Destination
1	Arrive Athens
2	Athens
3	Embark <i>Star Legend</i>
4	Corinth Canal / Delphi
5	Day at Sea
6	Santorini
7	Bodrum
8	Kusadasi / Ephesus
9	Mykonos / Delos
10	Lemnos
11	Disembark Istanbul
12	Istanbul
13	Istanbul
14	Depart Istanbul

### Map Detail



## ■ DAY 6

### The magic of Mykonos or deities on Delos

Cast anchor in Mykonos for a choice of excursions. Explore the iconic sights of this jet-setting island with a local guide, or board a boat bound for Delos, a UNESCO World Heritage Site that once was the holiest of all Greek sanctuaries and today is one of the largest active dig sites in Greece. Both excursions enjoy free time in Mykonos. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 7

### Kusadasi & ancient Ephesus

Dock in the port city of Kusadasi this morning and head out to explore the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Ephesus. Marble paved streets wind past squares, baths and monumental ruins. See the Temple of Hadrian; the ruins of the Temple of Artemis, one of the Seven Wonders of the World; the Library of Çelsus that once housed between 12,000-15,000 scrolls; an acoustically amazing theatre built to hold and entertain some 24,000 spectators; and the mosaic-filled Terrace Houses. Have lunch in Kusadasi with a presentation on handmade Turkish carpets – and this evening, a special dinner under the stars in ancient Ephesus with music by the Aegean Chamber Orchestra. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 8

### Explore Bodrum

Arrive in Bodrum, dubbed the "St. Tropez of Turkey" and home to historical sites dating back millennia. Your choice of shore excursions today includes a guided tour of the Castle of St. Peter and the Museum of Underwater Archaeology, where you will see artifacts from ancient shipwrecks. Alternatively, embark on a more active walking excursion to the Mausoleum of Halicarnassus, one of the Seven Wonders of the World, and visits to the Castle of St. Peter and the Museum of Underwater Archaeology. This afternoon, if you wish, join us for a ride\* on a traditional wooden boat with an opportunity to swim, weather permitting. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 9

### Scenic Santorini

Your arrival into Santorini inspires with visions of towering cliffs, white-washed houses and blue domes. Disembark via a tender for a drive around the island and free time to experience its clifftop capital. Return to the ship by gondola for dinner onboard or dine ashore as you wish. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 10

### A day at sea

Spend a full day cruising aboard *Star Legend*. Recently refurbished with two new dining venues, a new spa, elevated pool, and fitness area, the all-suite ship goes where bigger ships can't. Attend an informative presentation by your Tauck Director and join us for a cocktail hour this evening. **Meals BLD**

## The Blue Mosque

With a history that spans thousands of years, Istanbul is famous for its unique blend of ancient and modern, the East and the West. One of the defining features of its skyline are the ascending domes and six slender soaring minarets of the 17th century Blue Mosque, one of the finest examples of classical Ottoman architecture, dressed with some 21,000 flowered Iznik tiles that give it its name.

## ■ DAY 11

### Itea, Delphi and a transit on the Corinth Canal

Disembark in Itea for a guided visit to the archaeological site of Delphi, dating back to 8th century BC. Join a local guide on a walking tour before returning to your ship, and chart a course towards Piraeus. En route, an amazing transit through the Corinth Canal, 2,500 years in the making, linking the Ionian Sea with the Aegean. Accessible only by small ship, your transit cuts off hundreds of miles of your journey around the Peloponnese to mainland Greece. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 12

### Disembark in Piraeus / antiquities in Athens

Disembark ship this morning in Piraeus for a drive to Athens and a panoramic tour of the city, plus a visit to the National Archaeological Museum. Enjoy lunch and join us for a walk to your hotel, steps from the fascinating cobblestoned Plaka neighborhood and close to perfection. **Meals BL**

## DAY 13

### The Acropolis

Walk up to the Acropolis today, perched atop a hill overlooking Athens since the fifth century BC. A local guide shares insights about the Parthenon; the Erechtheion; the Temple of Athena Nike; and the Propylea. Enjoy time at leisure before a guided tour of the Acropolis Museum, housing priceless finds from the Acropolis. Join us for a farewell reception and dinner at the hotel. **Meals BD**

## DAY 14

### Journey Home

*Tour ends: Grande Bretagne Hotel.* Fly home anytime. A transfer is included from the Grande Bretagne Hotel to Athens' Eleftherios Venizelos International Airport. Allow a minimum of three hours for check-in at the airport. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day



Experience a taste of daily life during a three-night stay in Istanbul, where visits to local cultural sites include the colorful spice market. Cruise aboard your Windstar ship to magical Greek islands, including a day exploring Santorini as you wish.

## 2025 DATES & PRICES

### DOUBLE PRICE PER PERSON

Windstar's <i>Star Legend</i>	Apr 1, 8*	Sep 10, 17*, 26 Oct 3*
Star Porthole Suite - Deck 3	\$ 11,990	\$ 12,990
Ocean View Suite - Deck 4	\$ 12,390	\$ 13,390
Star Ocean View Suite - Deck 4	\$ 12,500	\$ 13,500
Balcony Suite - Deck 5	\$ 13,430	\$ 14,430
Star Balcony Suite - Deck 6	\$ 13,670	\$ 14,670
Balcony Suite 1 - Deck 6	\$ 13,910	\$ 14,910
Star Balcony Suite 1 - Deck 5	\$ 14,150	\$ 15,150
Deluxe Suite - Deck 6	\$ 14,950	\$ 15,950
Owner's Suite - Deck 6	\$ 17,110	\$ 18,110

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\*Indicates Istanbul to Athens southbound direction

### 2025 PRICE INCLUSIONS

Land / Cruise price includes 35 meals (13 breakfasts, 11 lunches, 11 dinners) on land and at sea, all Tauck private shore excursions, airport transfers as noted, service charges, applicable fuel surcharges, taxes and portage, cruise fare, port charges, entertainment and gratuities to Tauck Director and ship staff. Tauck's private shore excursions and distinctive inclusions valued at \$6,079. Aboard ship, non-alcoholic and alcoholic beverages are included, including house wines and spirits. Premium spirits and wines are available at an additional cost.

### 2025 PREMIER ACCOMMODATIONS

Night 1-3	<b>INTERCONTINENTAL ISTANBUL</b>	Istanbul, Turkey
Night 4-11	<b>ABOARD STAR LEGEND</b>	Cruising
Night 12,13	<b>GRANDE BRETAGNE HOTEL</b>	Athens, Greece

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Activity Level 3 / Pace Level 3

*New for 2025*

# Rome, the Amalfi Coast & Sicily

*Newly relaunched for 2025, this Mediterranean cruise explores antiquities steeped in history, islands lush with natural wonders, and culturally rich sites on Malta and in Rome during stays at premier hotels.*

12 DAYS FROM \$11,990

Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

## *Uniquely Tauck*

- A choice of visits to privately owned palaces in Palermo that includes Palazzo Gangi, made famous by the Burt Lancaster film *The Leopard*, or Palazzo Mazzarino, still inhabited by its aristocratic owners
- A guided visit to the Ggantija Temples on the island of Gozo, designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site and among the world's oldest free-standing structures, predating the Egyptian pyramids and England's Stonehenge
- An exclusive farewell dinner in Malta's seaside capital city of Valletta at the historic La Sacra Infermeria, once the hospital of the Order of the Knights of St. John, where views of the harbor and a history of hospitality await



*Cetara*

## DAY 1

### Arrive Rome

Tour begins: 6:00 PM, *Anantara Palazzo Naiadi Rome* or *Sina Bernini Bristol Rome*. A transfer is included upon your arrival from Rome's Leonardo da Vinci-Fiumicino airport to the *Anantara Palazzo Naiadi Rome* or *Sina Bernini Bristol Rome*, ideally located in the heart of the city. Join us for a welcome reception and dinner at the hotel tonight. **Meals D**

## DAY 2

### A walking tour of Roman squares

Join a local guide this morning for a guided walking tour of Rome's famous squares, including 18th-century Trevi Fountain; the Pantheon, dating to 27 BC; and Piazza Navona, followed by lunch and time at leisure. (Sightseeing on Day 2 and 3 may alternate, schedule permitting.) **Meals BL**

## DAY 3

### The Colosseum & train to Naples to embark ship

Enjoy a guided visit inside the Colosseum this morning and continue on to the Roman Forum for a guided walk past temple ruins and monuments, followed by lunch at a typical trattoria. It's all aboard a high-speed train this afternoon bound for Naples, where your Explorer ship awaits your arrival. Set sail for the Amalfi Coast this evening. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 4

### Along the awe-inspiring Amalfi Coast

Wake up to one of the most magnificent shorelines in the Mediterranean Sea, Amalfi, and ride a tender ashore for a choice of excursions. Join a local guide for a close-up look at Amalfi, with a scenic cruise along the Amalfi Coast; take a boat ride along the coast to seaside Cetara for a tuna tasting; drive up to Ravello for a walking tour; or venture to Tramonti for a wine tasting at Apicella Winery. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 5

### A taste of Sicily from Trapani

Dock in Trapani for a choice of shore excursions steeped in local treats. Enjoy a guided tour of the archaeological ruins in Segesta, a walking tour of medieval Erice with a taste of traditional almond pastries and lunch in the village with a cable car ride back to Trapani. Alternatively, take a cable car ride for a tour of Erice, highlighted by a fish couscous cooking class – or explore the region's salt pans and the town of Marsala, where salt and wine tastings celebrate local specialties. You also have a choice of a drive to Marsala for a guided walking tour, a museum visit to see an ancient Roman ship, a unique fish tasting lunch hosted by a fish monger and a Marsala wine tasting at a local winery. Enjoy time at leisure this afternoon, then chart a course for Palermo. **Meals BLD**

## Voyage at a glance

■ 7 Cruise Days aboard *Le Dumont d'Urville* or *Le Bougainville*

### Southbound: Rome to Malta

Day Destination

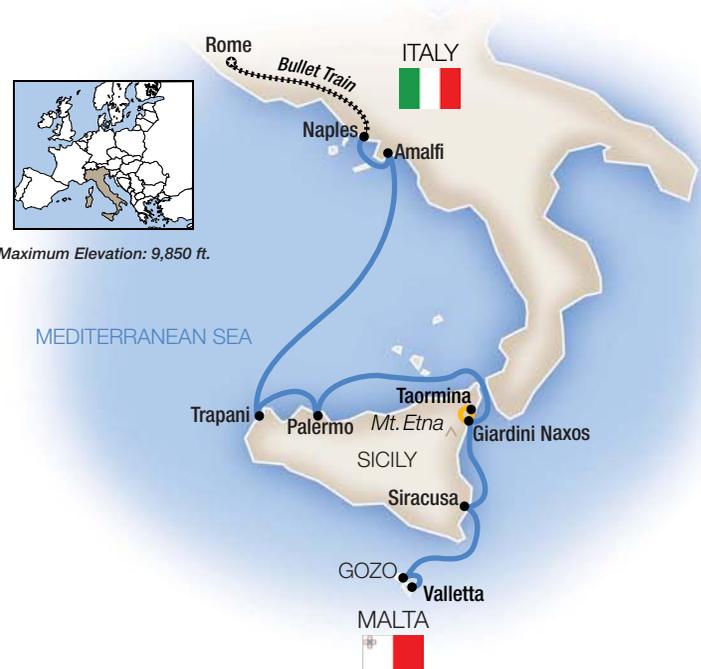
- 1 Arrive Rome, Italy
- 2 Rome
- 3 Rome / Naples / Embark ship
- 4 Amalfi
- 5 Trapani
- 6 Palermo
- 7 Taormina (Giardini Naxos)
- 8 Siracusa
- 9 Gozo
- 10 Disembark Valletta
- 11 Malta
- 12 Journey home from Malta

### Northbound: Malta to Rome

Day Destination

- 1 Arrive Valletta, Malta
- 2 Malta
- 3 Malta / Embark ship
- 4 Gozo
- 5 Siracusa
- 6 Taormina (Giardini Naxos)
- 7 Palermo
- 8 Trapani
- 9 Amalfi
- 10 Disembark Naples / Rome
- 11 Rome
- 12 Journey home from Rome

### Map Detail



## ■ DAY 6

### Palermo and a private palazzo

Dock in Palermo, the cultural capital of Sicily, for a choice of three excursions. Our no-mafia themed walking tour is guided by locals who share insights about the notorious Sicilian mob beyond the *Godfather* myths. See the exterior of Teatro Massimo, the open-air market Il Capo, the Cathedral, City Hall and Piazza Pretoria, with a taste Sicilian specialties along the way. Other walking excursion choices are culturally inspired with guided exploration of landmark sites along the Corso Vittorio Emanuele, including special visits to either sumptuous Palazzo Gangi, made famous in 1963 by the Burt Lancaster / Alain Delon film, *The Leopard*, or lavish Palazzo Mazarino, still inhabited by its aristocratic owners. Both palaces are privately owned, exquisitely decorated and opened exclusively for Tauck. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 7

### Taormina, Mt. Etna or Schiavi Castle

Tender ashore in Giardini Naxos for a choice of three excursions. Ride up to Taormina on a mini bus for a guided walk that visits the courtyard of 15th-century Palazzo Corvaja and 2nd-century Teatro Greco. Enjoy time to stroll along Corso Umberto before driving to a family-owned winery on the slopes of Mt. Etna for lunch and a wine tasting. Alternatively, experience a closer look at Mt. Etna on an adventurous excursion to the Sapienza Refuge for a cable car ride, before boarding specially built UNIMOG vehicles headed to the top of the volcano. Learn about the volcano with guides who lead the way and have lunch at a nearby restaurant. Or, choose to visit Schiavi Castle, the private villa featured in *The Godfather*, and enjoy stories about the filming by the Baron himself; a boat ride to Isola Bella follows, with a prosecco and cannoli tasting onboard. Attend a presentation by a volcanologist before dinner. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 8

### Siracusa, as you choose

Arrive in Siracusa this morning for a day of sightseeing choices. Join an expert guide for a tour of the Archaeological Park, before a walking tour in Ortigia to see the 6th-century Temple of Apollo and the Duomo. Or, drive to nearby Noto for a guided tour of private Palazzo Castelluccio and free time in town. Wine aficionados can visit Pupillo Winery for a tour and tasting of locally produced wines. If you wish, join a local guide for an active bicycle ride in Ortigia. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 9

### Gozo's archaeological treasures & a Blue Lagoon

Explore Gozo today, visiting the Ggantija Temples, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, before a choice of excursions. Embark on a drive around the island, stopping to learn about the salt

## Mt. Etna, Up Close

An iconic UNESCO World Heritage Site, Mt. Etna is also one of the world's most active volcanoes. Its eruptive history can be traced back 500,000 years, shaping island landscapes in its wake. Family-owned vineyards flourish on its volcanic slopes, inviting guests to explore life here up close by cable car, 4x4 vehicle, and on a walk to the summit with local volcanologists who share insights along the way.

pans before a motorboat ride through a sea cave and along the coast, weather permitting, with lunch in a local restaurant. Or, sail to the Blue Lagoon on Comino aboard a two-masted sailboat, where turquoise waters invite you in for a swim and lunch is served onboard. Enjoy time at leisure in Mgarr and the captain's farewell dinner onboard tonight. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 10

### Discover Valletta, past & present

Disembark ship in Valletta, the tiny capital of the Mediterranean island nation of Malta. Enjoy a filmed introduction to this historic city at the *Malta Experience*, before a guided walking tour that visits the Baroque-style St. John's Co-Cathedral, whose opulent interior is home to the Caravaggio masterpiece *The Beheading of Saint John*. Meet a knight of Malta on a tour of his family's private residence, Casa Rocca Piccola. Arrive at your hotel in St. Julian's, where the rest of the afternoon and evening is free. **Meals B**

## DAY 11

### Medieval Mdina & a farewell dinner to remember

Sightseeing today begins with a locally guided walking tour of Mdina, and a visit to Mosta Rotunda, the "Miracle Church." After a lunch of Maltese favorites, enjoy free time in Valletta and join us tonight for an exclusive farewell dinner at La Sacra Infermeria, once the hospital of the Order of the Knights of St. John. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 12

### Journey Home

*Tour ends: Malta.* Fly home anytime. A transfer is included from the Marriott Malta Hotel & Spa or Westin Dragonara Malta to Luqa International Airport. Allow a minimum of three hours for flight check-in at the airport. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day



*From insider visits at a choice of private palaces, including Palazzo Gangi in Palermo and Rome's Colosseum to a walking tour up to Taormina's 2nd-century Greek theatre, this cruise enchants with experiences culturally rich and unforgettable.*

## 2025 DATES & PRICES

DOUBLE PRICE PER PERSON

Ponant's <i>Le Dumont d'Urville / Le Bougainville</i>	Jun 6*	May 30 Sept 18, 25* Oct 2, 9*
 <b>Deluxe Stateroom</b> Deck 3	\$11,990	\$12,490
 <b>Prestige Stateroom</b> Deck 4	\$12,690	\$13,190
 <b>Prestige Stateroom</b> Deck 5	\$12,990	\$13,490
 <b>Prestige Stateroom</b> Deck 6	\$13,190	\$13,690
 <b>Deluxe Suite</b> Deck 3, 4, 5, 6	\$14,990	\$15,490
 <b>Prestige Suite</b> Deck 5	\$17,990	\$18,490
 <b>Prestige Suite</b> Deck 6	\$18,490	\$18,990
 <b>Privilege Suite</b> Deck 5, 6	\$18,990	\$19,490
 <b>Grand Deluxe Suite</b> Deck 6	\$20,490	\$20,990
 <b>Owner's Suite</b> Deck 5	\$23,990	\$24,490

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## 2025 PREMIER ACCOMMODATIONS

Night 1,2	<b>ANANTARA PALAZZO NAIADI ROME /</b> <b>SINA BERNINI BRISTOL ROME</b>	Rome, Italy
Night 3-9	<b>ABOARD LE DUMONT D'URVILLE /</b> <b>LE BOUGAINVILLE</b>	Cruising
Night 10,11	<b>MARRIOTT MALTA HOTEL &amp; SPA /</b> <b>WESTIN DRAGONARA MALTA</b>	St. Julians, Malta

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**Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2**



# Mediterranean Odyssey: Greece, Cyprus & Israel

*Cross the Mediterranean on a cruise unlike any other. Discover the magical island of Mykonos and the birthplace of Apollo, explore the ancient world of Crete, spend a day in Cyprus enjoying the “island of wine,” and explore historic sites in Israel from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem.*

13 DAYS FROM \$11,990  
Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 3

*Knossos Palace, Crete*

## *Uniquely Tauck*

- Spend three nights in the heart of Jerusalem at one of the world's most outstanding hotels, King David Hotel, and one night at the glamorous Hotel Grande Bretagne in Athens
- Attend a private lunch filled with Greek food and live entertainment at a special venue on the island of Rhodes, exclusively for Tauck guests only
- Enjoy an exclusive olive oil tasting experience with a master olive oil sommelier on the ship

## DAY 1

### Arrive Athens

*Tour begins: 6:00 PM, Hotel Grande Bretagne.* A transfer is included from Athens International Airport to historic Hotel Grande Bretagne, located in the heart of Athens. Join us for a welcome reception and dinner this evening. **Meals D**

## DAY 2

### Athens / Embark your Windstar ship

In Athens, excursion choices include a guided tour of the Acropolis, high above the city, with its complex of temple ruins including the iconic Parthenon; peruse the staggering wealth of archaeological treasures at the Acropolis Museum, accompanied by a local guide. Visit picturesque Plaka, a tree-lined neighborhood of narrow streets, and sidewalk cafés, for time at leisure. Alternatively, begin the day with a panoramic drive viewing iconic city sights such as the Academy (founded by Plato), the National Gardens and Panathenaic stadium – site of the first modern Olympic games; visit the Acropolis Museum and Plaka. Drive the short distance to the port of Piraeus and board your ship; this evening, sail for the Cycladic islands. **Meals BD**

## DAY 3

### Magical island of Mykonos

Arrive at Mykonos, Island of Winds, known for resorts, glorious beaches, fishing boats, and windmills. Everyone has a choice of shore excursion today; one is a ferry ride to Delos, the birthplace of Apollo; the most sacred island in Ancient Greece, it is now a UNESCO World Heritage Site teeming with ruins from prehistoric times to Antiquity. Or, on an island drive, visit a farm for a taste of traditional daily and island flavors. Following time to explore Mykonos on your own, join us this afternoon for a special olive oil tasting and presentation aboard ship with a master sommelier. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 4

### The hub of the ancient world – Crete

Crete was the island hub of the ancient world, and Heraklion, its capital city, is steeped in 5,000 years of history and unrivaled collections of Greek artifacts. Explore centuries of architectural influences, from ancient Minoan to Arabic and Byzantine, during a visit to the Heraklion Archaeological Museum followed by a walking tour. Or visit the fabulous Archaeological Museum, one of the top museums in Greece then head to the Palace of Knossos, a Minoan masterpiece. Everyone meets at a family winery for lunch, prepared by the owner, as well as a tour about their winemaking. **Meals BLD**

## Voyage at a glance

■ 8 Cruise Days aboard Windstar's *Star Legend*

### Athens to Jerusalem

Day	Destination
1	Arrive Athens
2	Embark ship in Athens
3	Mykonos
4	Heraklion, Crete
5	Rhodes, Greece
6	Day at Sea
7	Limassol, Cyprus
8	Tel Aviv / Jaffa / Ashdod
9	Choice of Haifa / Galilee
10	Disembark ship in Haifa
11	Bethlehem
12	Explore Jerusalem
13	Depart Jerusalem

### Jerusalem to Athens

Day	Destination
1	Arrive Jerusalem
2	Explore Jerusalem
3	Bethlehem
4	Embark ship in Haifa
5	Choice of Haifa / Galilee
6	Tel Aviv / Jaffa / Ashdod
7	Limassol, Cyprus
8	Day at Sea / Rhodes
9	Rhodes, Greece
10	Heraklion, Crete
11	Mykonos
12	Disembark ship in Athens
13	Depart Athens

Map Detail



## ■ DAY 5

### A special day & evening in Rhodes

Today you'll head outside Old Town Rhodes to Kamiros, one of the three ancient city-states of the island mentioned by Homer. Explore the ruins with an archaeologist guide to learn more about this fascinating area. Back in Old Town, enjoy a guided walk along the cobblestone streets of the medieval town. Marvel at the architecture reflecting its rich cultural heritage from Byzantine times through to the Ottoman period. Join us for a private lunch of Greek food and entertainment. After, visit the Palace of the Grand Master of the Knights of Rhodes. Enjoy free time in town or walk back to the ship for dinner onboard. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 6

### Enjoy a day at sea

Spend the day as you please aboard your Windstar ship as you sail the Eastern Mediterranean to Cyprus. You can take advantage of amenities such as a newly renovated spa, a terraced infinity pool, and fitness area – or simply enjoy the Aegean sea views. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 7

### Cyprus, the island of wine & antiquities

Cyprus has been making wine from its rare indigenous grapes for at least 6,000 years; everyone gets to taste the legendary viniculture at Gerolemo Winery, as well as a guided visit in the Old Port town of Limassol. Choices include exploring the antiquities at Kourion and seeing its Greco-Roman amphitheatre with its mosaic floors, or a visit the village of Omodos to visit the monastery, a bakery and artisan shops selling typical Cypriot handmade crafts. Set sail for Ashdod this evening and enjoy dinner aboard. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 8

### Explore the coastal Tel Aviv & Jaffa

Dock in Ashdod, Israel, and travel to Tel Aviv. Experience the vibrant city life along Rothschild Boulevard and its parade of modernist, Bauhaus architecture. Tour the colorful, cobble streets and alleys of Jaffa followed by your choice of sightseeing excursions; visit the Museum of Jewish Peoples or Sarona Market. Cruise for Haifa this evening. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 9

### Haifa / Akko or Galilee / Nazareth

Dock in Haifa, where choices include a drive to seaside Akko to explore its prison and tunnels, and visits to the Jezza Pasha Mosque, and Nazareth. Or, travel to Galilee to visit sites where Jesus lived and preached, including Tabgha, and the Mount of Beatitudes. Both sightseeing excursions include a visit to Nazareth where you'll meet Ghada, a woman who is working to preserve traditional crafts of skilled local artisans, and a visit the Church of the Annunciation. **Meals BLD**

## Your Address in Jerusalem

King David Hotel is one of the "Leading Hotels of the World," and is universally recognized as one of the most renowned hotels in Jerusalem. With its fusion of contemporary luxury and rich history, the hotel blends the splendor of a bygone era with modern luxury. This iconic location connects the Old City with the new so you can stroll to some of the city's iconic sites at your leisure.

## DAY 10

### Travel from Haifa to Jerusalem

Disembark your ship in Haifa. En route to Jerusalem, view the stunning Baha'i Gardens on Mount Carmel, before a visit to a kibbutz for a look at communal life. The kibbutz communities are unique to Israel that are traditionally based on agriculture; the first kibbutz was established in 1910. Have lunch at a local winery before arriving in Jerusalem for three nights in the heart of the city. **Meals BL**

## DAY 11

### Jerusalem & Bethlehem

A guided walking tour through Arab and Christian quarters includes the Via Dolorosa and the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. Visit the Israel Museum for a look at the Dead Sea Scrolls, then travel on to Bethlehem for a tour of iconic sites with local guides, returning to Jerusalem. **Meals BL**

## DAY 12

### Experience Jerusalem

You'll begin the day with an early morning visit inside the Temple Mount and a view of the Dome of the Rock from the outskirts; enjoy a walking tour of the Jewish Quarter, a visit to the Western Wall, and a stop at the Machane Yehuda Market, with free time to explore. Then it's your choice of a visit to the Yad Vashem Museum or a walking tour of an Ultra-Orthodox neighborhood. Join us at the hotel for a farewell reception and dinner. **Meals BD**

## DAY 13

### Journey Home

*Tour ends: Jerusalem.* Fly home anytime A transfer is included from King David Hotel to Israel's Ben Gurion Airport. Allow at least three hours for flight check-in. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day



*Windmills in Mykonos are iconic features that are primarily used to mill wheat and act as a reference point for sailors entering the harbor. The Dome of the Rock and The Western Wall form part of the retaining wall to the hill that connects to Temple Mount.*

## 2025 DATES & PRICES

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<b>Star Ocean View Suite</b> Deck 4	\$12,290
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<b>Star Balcony Suite</b> Deck 5	\$13,690
<b>Balcony Suite 1</b> Deck 6	\$13,790
<b>Star Balcony Suite 1</b> Deck 6	\$13,890
<b>Deluxe Suite</b> Deck 6	\$14,590
<b>Owner's Suite</b> Deck 6	\$16,990

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## 2025 PREMIER ACCOMMODATIONS

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Night 2-9	<b>ABOARD STAR LEGEND</b>	Cruising
Night 10-12	<b>KING DAVID HOTEL</b>	Jerusalem, Israel

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**Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 3**

# Treasures of the Aegean

*A spellbinding odyssey of ancient Greek treasures, island pleasures and Turkish delights that play out in Athens, Mykonos, Delos, Patmos, Santorini and Nafplion, with special experiences in Ephesus and more.*

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10 DAYS FROM \$9,990

Activity Level 3 / Pace Level 2

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## *Uniquely Tauck*

- Spend two nights at the Hotel Grande Bretagne in Athens, with in-depth sightseeing of the Greek capital including guided visits to the Acropolis and the National Archaeological Museum
- Dine under a canopy of stars during dinner at the Library of Celsus in ancient Ephesus, built in the 10th century BC, where live music by the Aegean Chamber Orchestra romances the soul in one of the world's best preserved ancient cities
- Develop your creative eye on an expertly guided tour of Patmos, learning pointers about photographing the cobalt blue seascapes and pristine beaches of this beautiful island gem



*Patmos*

## DAY 1

### Arrive Athens

*Tour begins: 6:00 PM, Hotel Grande Bretagne.* A transfer is included from Athens International Airport to Hotel Grande Bretagne. Located in the heart of Athens, across from Greek Parliament buildings, your historic hotel has been a favorite of royalty, heads of state and celebrities for more than 140 years. Join us for a welcome dinner tonight. **Meals D**

## DAY 2

### The height of history at the Acropolis

You can see the Acropolis from your hotel; in the quiet early morning, before the crowds, you'll visit it in person. Make your way up to the ancient citadel to see the Parthenon, the Propylaea, the Erechtheum, and the Temple of Athena Nike on a guided tour. A visit to the Acropolis Museum follows, featuring amazing finds from the Acropolis slopes. Spend the rest of the day as you wish in Athens, perhaps on the Grand Promenade – a pedestrian paradise built for the 2004 Olympics, not far from your hotel. **Meals B**

## DAY 3

### Archaeological museum / Embark ship

Begin your day with a guided tour through the National Archaeological Museum of Athens; considered one of the top ten museums in the world, its collection of Greek artifacts is unrivaled. Travel to the port of Piraeus, where you'll embark your Windstar ship in time for lunch. Later, enjoy a cocktail hour, an evening briefing, and dinner onboard at your leisure as you sail for Mykonos. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 4

### Explore Mykonos & Delos

Discover the jet-setting island of Mykonos today; known as the "island of the winds," it is located in the Cyclades group – enjoy a choice of shore excursions. Embark on a guided tour of the island that includes a visit to the 16th-century church in the village of Ano Mera. Alternatively, take a boat ride to the archaeological site of the island of Delos (in mythology, it was the birthplace of Apollo and Artemis). Today it is one of Greece's most active dig sites where you'll find remnants of its reign as the holiest of all Greek sanctuaries, including Doric temples, markets, an amphitheater, houses with mosaics and the iconic Terrace of the Lions statues. Ancient laws forbade anyone to be born on this island or to die on it – even today, no one is allowed to stay the night. Return to the ship for lunch, then you have an opportunity to spend a free afternoon in Mykonos Town (known as Chora), exploring the intricate winding lanes as you wish. This evening, chart a course for Kusadasi, Turkey and have dinner onboard at your leisure. **Meals BLD**

## Voyage at a glance

### 7 Cruise Days aboard *Wind Star*

#### Day Destination

- 1 Arrive Athens
- 2 Athens
- 3 Athens / Embark ship
- 4 Mykonos
- 5 Kusadasi
- 6 Patmos
- 7 Santorini
- 8 Monemvasia
- 9 Nafplion
- 10 Journey home from Athens

#### Map Detail





## Hotel Grande Bretagne

From breathtaking views of the Acropolis atop its lovely rooftop restaurant to sumptuous guest rooms exquisitely furnished, your Athens hotel promises a memorable stay.



## Ancient Ephesus

Your guided visit and dinner in Ephesus, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and one of Turkey's best preserved classical cities, reflect a taste of life in ancient times.



## Santorini

Movie-set scenery, combined with its rich history and cultural traditions along with spectacular cliff-top sunsets, distinguish Santorini as an island of rare beauty.

### ■ DAY 5

## Kusadasi & ancient Ephesus

Cast anchor in Kusadasi, and join us for an excursion to Ephesus, one of the world's best-preserved classical cities, revealing important vestiges of an ancient Roman civilization. View the Odeon, the Temple of Hadrian, Trajan's Fountain, the Arcadian Way and the Library of Celsus on a locally guided walking tour. Have lunch at a local restaurant and spend some time as you please before returning to the ship for early evening cocktails – then return to the Library of Celsus in Ephesus for a special al fresco dinner under the stars with music by the Aegean Chamber Orchestra. Chart a course to Patmos later tonight. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 6

## Choices on the island of Patmos

Today you'll discover the many charms of the picturesque island of Patmos, an important Christian pilgrimage site for its role in the writing of the Book of "Revelations" in the Christian Bible by St. John the Theologian. You'll have three choices of activities today. The first is a photography excursion through the historic heart of Chora, Patmos' capital city; with your guide, make your way through the old village's maze of winding cobblestoned streets, learning to capture stunning images of ancient whitewashed buildings, rugged cliffs, and blue Aegean seascapes. Alternatively, enjoy a day of relaxation by the Aegean Sea on Agriolivadi Beach. A third choice includes a tour of the Monastery of St. John the Theologian plus a visit to the Grotto of St. John – also known as the Cave of the Apocalypse – where tradition has it that John of Patmos wrote the "Book of Revelation." Following lunch, you'll have time to explore the port of Skala. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 7

## Cruise to Santorini

Rise early to observe your arrival into Santorini, one of the Cyclades islands formed from an ancient volcanic caldera – and thought by some to be the lost city of Atlantis; you won't want to miss the sight of a new day breaking over the island's multicolored cliffs and the blue sea or the sunset from cliff-top Fira. Travel ashore by motor launch for a tour that takes you to Athinios Port and then up to Fira, the capital city. Take in the spectacular views of the blue-domed buildings and barrel-roofed cave houses terraced into the cliffs that seem to tumble down to the water. You'll have the opportunity to see these treasures by gondola or by foot as you make your way back down to the port. Your ship offers tender service to and from the port this afternoon, giving you the opportunity to explore this enchanting town on your own, before returning to the ship. **Meals BLD**



Sail aboard this recently renovated ship, indulging in onboard comforts and ocean views from Wind Star's wide open teak decks.

■ DAY 8

### Cruising the Aegean / Monemvasia

After a leisurely morning of cruising, your ship arrives at Monemvasia, set on a rock-like island off the Peloponnese Peninsula. Nicknamed "the Gibraltar of the East," Monemvasia had been ruled by the Byzantines, Venetians and Ottomans before becoming part of an independent Greece in the 19th century. See traces of its many occupiers during a guided walking tour through its cobbled pathways. **Meals BLD**

■ DAY 9

### Nafplion and Mycenae

Nafplion on the Peloponnese Peninsula is the starting point for your choice of explorations today. One excursion includes the tomb of Agamemnon in Mycenae; the fortified citadel first settled in 3,000 BC; Palamidis Castle, set high above the town of Nafplion; and, after lunch, a guided walking tour of Nafplion. Or, choose a different excursion that visits the 4th-century amphitheatre of Epidaurus and Agamemnon's tomb at Mycenae. Join us for farewell cocktails followed by dinner onboard ship this evening. **Meals BLD**

DAY 10

### Journey Home

*Tour ends: 9:00 AM at Athens International Airport.* Disembark your Windstar ship for an included transfer to Athens Int'l Airport. Flights should be booked after 11:45 AM. Please allow a minimum of three hours for check-in. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day

## 2025 DATES & PRICES

DOUBLE PRICE PER PERSON\*

Wind Star	May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Jun 6, 13 Aug 29 Sep 5, 12, 19, 26 Oct 3	Jun 20 Aug 22 Oct 10	Jun 27 Jul 4, 11, 18, 25 Aug 1, 8, 15
■ Category B Deck 3	\$10,790	\$10,390	\$ 9,990
■ Category BX Deluxe Deck 3	\$11,290	\$10,890	\$10,490
■ Category A Deck 4	\$11,490	\$11,090	\$10,690
■ Category AX Deluxe Deck 5	\$11,790	\$ 11,390	\$10,990

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## 2025 PREMIER ACCOMMODATIONS

Night 1,2	<b>HOTEL GRANDE BRETAGNE</b>	Athens
Night 3-9	<b>ABOARD WIND STAR</b>	Cruising

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Activity Level 3 / Pace Level 2



# Venice & the Dalmatian Coast

*Dubrovnik, Croatia*

*Imagine sailing into ports hidden from the sea or the subjects of stories millennia old... Experience daily life along the beautiful Dalmatian Coast, from architecture to art to unique culinary fare – and wine. A cruise that immerses in the authenticity of the region – and is unforgettable.*

10 DAYS FROM \$10,590  
Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

## *Uniquely Tauck*

- Remarkable Venice is revealed with visits to the Gothic-styled Doge's Palace, Piazza San Marco and its centerpiece, the Basilica San Marco
- Your choice of excursions in Croatia: explore the natural beauty of Krka National Park, visit the medieval port of Trogir, or take a historic walking tour in Split to visit Emperor Diocletian's palace
- Explore the Dalmatian Coast's rich history firsthand with visits to UNESCO World Heritage Sites in Venice, Kotor, Dubrovnik, Hvar, Trogir and Split

## DAY 1

### Arrive Venice

*Tour begins: 6:00 PM, JW Marriott Venice Resort & Spa or Hilton Molino Stucky, Venice.* A transfer from Marco Polo Airport or Santa Lucia Train Station to Hilton Molino Stucky, Venice or JW Marriott Venice Resort & Spa is included upon arrival. Join us this evening for a welcome reception and dinner at your hotel. **Meals D**

## DAY 2

### Explore the Canal City

You'll get a taste of how opulent life was for the ruling elite of medieval Venice at the richly decorated Gothic-styled Doge's Palace, the official residence of the Venetian Republic's rulers through the Renaissance and beyond. Explore landmark Venetian sights, including Piazza San Marco (St. Mark's Square) and its centerpiece, Basilica San Marco. Discover the Venetian gondolas passing through the canals, used as the main "roadways" for transportation, as Venice is a pedestrian-only city. Enjoy lunch and dinner on your own in town or back at your hotel. **Meals B**

## DAY 3

### Venetian Islands / Embark ship

Cruise to the nearby islands in the Venetian Lagoon this morning. On a visit to the island of Murano, famous for glass production since medieval times, you'll see artisans craft their signature glass in the traditional way at a glassblowing studio, followed by free time to explore. Cruise to Burano, known for its lace and colorfully painted homes lining its canals, with free time to explore on your own and enjoy lunch here. Return to Venice early afternoon and embark your ship for your seven night cruise in the Adriatic Sea. **Meals BD**

## DAY 4

### Hvar, the UNESCO island

Tender ashore to Hvar Island, the world's only island with six UNESCO World Heritage Sites, for a choice of excursions. Join our local guide for a walking tour of Hvar town, followed by a drive to Stari Grad for free time to walk around and do some wine tasting in a local village, and walk up to Hvar Fortress. For more active choices, take a robust cross-island hike\* along rustic trails through local villages for a taste of tavern fare and a swim in the Adriatic. Or, set off on a sea kayaking\* excursion lining the beautiful coast that leads to refreshing swimming opportunities in the sparkling waters and hidden caves. Everyone may enjoy the evening to explore Hvar on your own, then back on the ship for dinner as you cruise to Sibenik. **Meals BLD**

## Voyage at a glance

### 7 Cruise Days aboard L'Austral

#### Day Destination

- 1 Arrive Venice, Italy
- 2 Venice, Italy
- 3 Burano & Murano Island visits / Embark ship
- 4 Hvar, Croatia
- 5 Sibenik / Split, Croatia
- 6 Kotor, Montenegro
- 7 Dubrovnik, Croatia
- 8 Korcula, Croatia
- 9 Rovinj, Croatia / Disembark ship
- 10 Depart Venice, Italy

#### Map Detail





## In the heart of Venice

Embrace the atmosphere of old-world Venice with two nights in the heart of the city, including a visit to the islands of Murano and Burano in the Venetian Lagoon.



## Montenegro's Bay of Kotor

Kotor, on the Bay of Kotor, is truly one of the most impressive landscapes of the Adriatic Sea – the medieval squares its old town are a treasure trove of history.



## Hvar, a "summer resort"

Hvar is one of the most popular islands off the Dalmatian coast for its lively beaches, and vineyards, all of which you get to explore.

### ■ DAY 5

## Sibenik & Split

Disembark in Sibenik, Croatia, for a choice of three morning excursions. Drive inland to the picturesque village of Primošten Burni, where you'll get a taste of daily life; you also have a choice of a visit to the medieval UNESCO World Heritage town of Trogir to view its stunning 13th-century cathedral with free time to explore on your own; and for a third choice, drive to Krka National Park, where a guided walk through the forest leads to cascading waterfalls that are picture perfect in every way. Everyone travels to the fascinating city of Split this afternoon where you'll also have a choice of sightseeing excursions. Journey back in time on a walking tour that explores Split's historic roots and Imperial Roman past – included is a visit to the cellars of Diocletian's Palace as well as the Temple of Jupiter, and a visit to the Cathedral of St. Duje. Alternatively, join us for a walking tour of Split that includes a visit to Meštrovic Gallery, an art museum which is dedicated to the work of famous local sculptor Ivan Meštrovic. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 6

## Choices in Kotor, Montenegro

Discover the sights in and around Kotor, Montenegro, on a choice of excursions. Take a scenic tour that includes a village visit and a private boat trip to Our Lady of the Rocks, the Italian Madonna dello Scalpello, a Baroque-style church built in 1452, set atop a tiny man-made island in the Bay of Kotor; or journey to the limestone landscapes of Lovcen National Park for a hike\* and picnic lunch. Alternatively, take a walking tour of Kotor or visit the village of Njegusi to explore a traditional smokehouse where they make prosciutto. Everyone spends the afternoon as they please exploring the charming, winding streets of medieval Kotor, returning to the ship for an evening cruise. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 7

## Dubrovnik, the "Pearl of the Adriatic"

Begin your day with an arrival in Dubrovnik and an exclusive lecture by a Croatian expert before heading ashore on your choice of excursions. Take a guided walking tour of Dubrovnik's well-preserved walled medieval center, followed by free time to explore on your own. Alternatively, journey into the countryside to visit two typical Croatian villages, with flour making and silk thread demonstrations, then return to Dubrovnik for a guided walking tour. Or, visit a family owned Olive Oil Mill that's more than 250 years old to see a demonstration of olive-oil production used for many years, that involves the use of horses. You'll have the opportunity to taste their homemade foods, wine, and homegrown goods that pair well with their olive oil. The rest of the day is free to spend as you wish. Cruise for Korcula this evening and enjoy dinner aboard the ship. **Meals BLD**



Located on the western coast of the Istrian peninsula, the city of Rovinj is a popular fishing port, with houses that line the seafront.

## ■ DAY 8

### The Croatian island of Korcula

After a morning at sea, explore the island of Korcula with an architecturally rich guided, leisurely walking tour of Old Town, viewing its 14th-century fortifications and the small stone house that is thought to be Marco Polo's birthplace. Enjoy a private Moreška sword dance presentation (Korcula's proudest tradition) before returning to the ship for the Captain's farewell reception and dinner as you cruise on for Rovinj this evening. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 9

### Rovinj on the Istrian Peninsula

Arrive this morning in romantic Rovinj, a late medieval Croatian city with a strong Venetian influence, particularly in its architecture and everyday life; it has a long fishing tradition and is highly popular with artists, particularly painters. Choices today include a walking tour of Rovinj; bicycling\* along the coast; or a visit to the Roman amphitheatre in ancient Pula. Spend a free afternoon in Rovinj before cruising to Venice. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 10

### Journey Home

*Tour ends: Venice. Disembark ship this morning.* A transfer is included from the ship to Marco Polo Airport or Santa Lucia Train Station. Please book flights from Venice no earlier than 12:00 noon; allow a minimum of three hours for flight check-in at the airport. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day

## 2025 DATES & PRICES

DOUBLE PRICE PER PERSON\*

Ponant's <i>L'Austral</i>	Jun 2 Sep 3, 10, 17
■ Superior Stateroom Deck 3	\$10,590
■ Deluxe Stateroom Deck 3	\$10,965
■ Prestige Stateroom Deck 4	\$11,340
■ Prestige Stateroom Deck 5	\$11,590
■ Prestige Stateroom Deck 6	\$11,790
■ Deluxe Suite Deck 6	\$13,290
■ Prestige Suite Deck 5	\$16,090
■ Prestige Suite Deck 6	\$16,590
■ Owner's Suite Deck 6	\$19,590

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## 2025 PREMIER ACCOMMODATIONS

Night 1,2 **JW MARRIOTT VENICE RESORT & SPA / HILTON MOLINO STUCKY, VENICE** Venice, Italy

Night 3-9 **ABOARD L'AUSTRAL** Cruising

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Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2



# Treasures of the Mediterranean Isles

*The islands of the Mediterranean enchant with bucolic settings, delight with wine and olive oil tastings, and wow with archaeological treasures culturally rich. Experience them up-close and unforgettably as you discover the gems of Provence, Corsica, Elba, Sardinia, Sicily and Malta by land and sea.*

12 DAYS FROM \$10,990  
Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

*Bonifacio, Corsica*

## *Uniquely Tauck*

- Explore medieval Bonifacio by mini train and a guided walking tour; or, venture to the pier for a private cruise that views limestone cliffs and caves
- On Malta, visit inside the Co-Cathedral of St. John; meet a Knight of Malta at Casa Rocca Piccola; and enjoy a private dinner at La Sacra Infermeria
- Enjoy an exclusive visit to your choice of private palazzos in Palermo, including Palazzo Gangi or Palazzo Mazzarino, open only for Tauck

## DAY 1

### Arrive Marseille

*Tour begins: 6:00 PM.* A transfer is included from Marseille's international airport to InterContinental Marseille – Hotel Dieu, near the historic Le Panier, or Sofitel Marseille Vieux Port, overlooking the old harbor. Join us tonight for a welcome reception followed by dinner at your hotel. **Meals D**

## DAY 2

### Mediterranean Marseille

Settled by Greeks in 600 BC, Marseille has well over 2,000 years of history as a crossroads of cultural influences tucked in the colorful tangle of narrow streets and eclectic architecture of its Old Port. Choose a walking tour of this old commercial port, or experience the Cosquer Cave replica exhibition, garnering insights into the history, discovery and significance of its prehistoric cave. Spend the remainder of the day enjoying Marseille as you wish. **Meals B**

## DAY 3

### Nice & Aix-En-Provence / Embark ship

Drive to Aix-en-Provence this morning, set against the backdrop of oft-painted Montagne Sainte-Victoire; a walking tour of landmarks includes the main plaza with a medieval bell tower and astronomical clock; the Cathedral of the Holy Savior; and the outdoor food market in Place Richelme. Spend time at leisure in this charming town before continuing to Nice, where your ship awaits. Settle in aboard and have dinner at leisure as your small ship charts a course for Elba, where Emperor Napoleon was exiled. **Meals BD**

## DAY 4

### Elba, an island paradise

Dock in Elba for a choice of sightseeing excursions. Walk off the ship in the harbor town of Portoferraio for a visit to Palazzina dei Mulini, Napoleon Bonaparte's cliff-top winter mansion where he spent ten months in exile, with a stop at the recently restored Teatro dei Vigilanti, a gift from the Emperor Napoleon to his sister Pauline, and a wine tasting in front of the theatre with stunning views of the gulf and harbor. Alternatively, embark on a scenic drive to the west side of the island to the upscale resort town of Marciana Marina and the Monte Capanne Cableway. Ride a cableway lift to the top of Monte Capanne for panoramic vistas of the islands of the Tuscan Archipelago, descending down to Marciana Marina, an old seaside village with a delightful main square, artisanal workshops and cafés, where a coffee and local chestnut beer provide a taste of life here. The afternoon is at leisure prior to an early evening departure for a cruise to Corsica. Join us onboard for the Captain's welcome reception and dinner this evening. **Meals BLD**

## Voyage at a glance

■ 7 Cruise Days aboard *Le Bougainville / Le Dumont d'Urville*

### Marseille to Malta

Day	Destination
1	Arrive Marseille
2	Marseille
■ 3	Aix-en-Provence / Embark ship in Nice
■ 4	Elba
■ 5	Corsica
■ 6	Sardinia
■ 7	Palermo, Sicily
■ 8	Taormina, Sicily
■ 9	Siracusa, Sicily
10	Disembark Valletta
11	Valletta
12	Depart Valletta

### Malta to Marseille

Day	Destination
1	Arrive Malta
2	Valletta
■ 3	Embark Valletta
■ 4	Siracusa, Sicily
■ 5	Taormina, Sicily
■ 6	Palermo, Sicily
■ 7	Sardinia
■ 8	Corsica
■ 9	Elba
10	Disembark Nice / Aix-en-Provence / Marseille
11	Marseille
12	Depart Marseille





## Two nights in Provence

Follow in the footsteps of artists in Aix-en-Provence and explore history in the Old Port of Marseille during a two-night stay at a choice of ideally located hotels.



## Islands of amore

Cruise to Napoleon's home on Elba, clifftop Bonifacio in Corsica, historic ports of call on Sicily and ancient sites in Sardinia – and fall in love with Italy's off shore islands.



## The knights of Malta

During a two-night stay, visit sites built by the Knights of Malta, from Valletta to the Co-Cathedral of St. John and La Sacre Infermia, and meet a knight at his family's villa.

### ■ DAY 5

## Corsica & the city of cliffs

Anchor in clifftop Bonifacio for a choice of shore excursions. Ride a mini-train up to Old Town Bonifacio for a walking tour of the citadel's medieval defenses and the cliffside Garden of Ruins. Alternatively, take a boat ride around the island's limestone cliffs and sea caves, weather permitting, before an orientation walk of the Old Town. Spend time enjoying Bonifacio as you like before returning to your ship. Enjoy a musical performance after dinner onboard. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 6

## Olbia, Sardinia

Sightseeing choices in Sardinia today include a locally guided walking tour and visit to the National Archaeological Museum in Olbia; a boat tour to nearby La Maddalena Archipelago; or a visit to a local winery for a taste of the local vintages and its famous cheese, pecorino sardo. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 7

## Sicily – Palermo's private palazzos

Dock in Palermo for a choice of excursions. Take a walking tour along the Corso Vittorio Emanuele past the Cathedral to the Piazza Pretoria and enjoy an exclusive visit to Palazzo Gangi, made famous in the Burt Lancaster film, *The Leopard*. Or, join us for an exclusive visit to private Palazzo Mazzarino, home to an aristocratic family, plus a visit to the Church of the Immaculate Conception. Alternatively, tour the Botanical Gardens and visit a villa where scenes from *White Lotus* were filmed. Attend an onboard lecture on the anti-Mafia movement, "Addiopizzo," this afternoon. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 8

## Mount Etna & Taormina

Arrive in Giardini Naxos this morning for a day of discovery. Drive up to medieval Taormina for a walking tour along cobblestoned streets to Palazzo Corvaja and the 3rd-century BC Teatro Antico, followed by a tour and tasting lunch at a Mt. Etna winery. Alternatively, drive to Mt. Etna and the Sapienza Refuge – ride by cable car and all-terrain vehicle up to the crater of the volcano. Or, board a traditional wooden boat to nearby Isola Bella and its blue grotto, before visiting Schiavi Castle, featured in the epic film, *The Godfather*, with an opportunity to meet the baron for personal stories about the making of the movie. Enjoy an afternoon onboard lecture by a volcanologist. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 9

## Treasured sights in Siracusa

A choice of shore excursions today includes exploration of historic Siracusa, a UNESCO World Heritage city, with a locally guided visit to the Neapolis Archaeological Park and



Walk up to Teatro Greco in hilltop Taormina, where views of Mt. Etna and beyond have awed visitors since the 3rd century.

a guided walking tour through Ortigia Island. You can also drive to the Baroque city of Noto for a guided walking tour, or explore Ortigia on a bicycle excursion. **Meals BLD**

#### DAY 10

### Disembark and explore Malta

Disembark your ship in Valletta for a day of sightseeing that includes a visit to the *Malta Experience*; a tour of opulent St. John's Co-Cathedral; a walking tour of the walled city of Mdina; and a visit to Casa Rocca Piccola, the elegant private home of a local noble family (who still reside there), where you'll have the unique opportunity to meet a Knight of Malta. Enjoy a traditional Maltese lunch with music before free time to experience Valletta as you wish. (Sightseeing and timing varies over your two days in Malta.) **Meals BL**

#### DAY 11

### Megalith Hagar Qim / Special Farewell

Visit the temple complex of Hagar Qim in Mnajdra; tour the sprawling complex of chambers, altars, cisterns, carvings and statuary. Join us this evening at La Sacra Infermeria – once a hospital run by the Knights of St. John – for a farewell reception followed by dinner; the stunning medieval complex overlooks the harbor, renowned for its hospitality. **Meals BD**

#### DAY 12

### Journey Home

*Tour ends: Valletta.* Fly home anytime. Transfers are included from Malta Marriott Hotel & Spa or The Phoenicia Malta to Malta's Luqa International Airport; allow three hours for flight check-in at the airport. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day

## 2025 DATES & PRICES

### DOUBLE PRICE PER PERSON

<i>Le Bougainville / Le Dumont d'Urville</i>	May 2*	May 9	May 16*, 23 Sep 4*, 11
■ <b>Deluxe Stateroom</b> Deck 3	\$10,990	\$11,490	\$11,690
■ <b>Prestige Stateroom</b> Deck 4	\$11,690	\$12,190	\$12,390
■ <b>Prestige Stateroom</b> Deck 5	\$11,990	\$12,490	\$12,690
■ <b>Prestige Stateroom</b> Deck 6	\$12,190	\$12,690	\$12,890
■ <b>Deluxe Suite</b> Decks 3,4,5,6	\$13,990	\$14,490	\$14,690
■ <b>Prestige Suite</b> Deck 5	\$16,990	\$17,490	\$17,690
■ <b>Prestige Suite</b> Deck 6	\$17,490	\$17,990	\$18,190
■ <b>Privilege Suite</b> Decks 5,6	\$17,990	\$18,490	\$18,690
■ <b>Grand Deluxe Suite</b> Deck 6	\$19,490	\$19,990	\$20,190
■ <b>Owner's Suite</b> Deck 5	\$22,990	\$23,490	\$23,690

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## 2025 PREMIER ACCOMMODATIONS

Night 1,2	<b>INTERCONTINENTAL MARSEILLE - HOTEL DIEU OR SOFITEL MARSEILLE VIEUX PORT</b>	Marseille
Night 3-9	<b>ABOARD LE BOUGAINVILLE / LE DUMONT D'URVILLE</b>	Cruising
Night 10,11	<b>MALTA MARRIOTT HOTEL &amp; SPA OR THE PHOENICIA MALTA</b>	Malta

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Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

# Treasures of Spain and Portugal

*Chart a course along the Iberian Peninsula with land explorations to discover marvelous monuments, charming seaside villages, majestic horse dances, and iconic architectural landmarks.*

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13 DAYS FROM \$9,990

Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 3

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## *Uniquely Tauck*

- Experience a special flamenco dance performance at Seville's Museo del Baile Flamenco
- Dine like royalty at an exclusive farewell dinner in an 18th-century Baroque-styled guild house recognized as a National Cultural Heritage Site
- Take a private visit to Palau de la Música Catalana, boasting magnificent arches, stained glass windows, and a dome skylight
- Chart a course for an 8-night cruise on Windstar's *Wind Surf*, discovering a treasure trove of Iberian wonders from the comfort of your own bedroom with ocean views



*Sintra National Palace*

## DAY 1

### Arrive Barcelona

Tour begins: 6:00 PM, *Majestic Hotel & Spa Barcelona*. A transfer is included from Barcelona Airport, Barcelona Franca or Sants Train Station to *Majestic Hotel & Spa Barcelona*, located on the exclusive *Passeig de Gràcia*. Join us for a welcome dinner at your hotel tonight. **Meals D**

## DAY 2

### Discover the best of Barcelona

Begin your 13-day journey of Spain and Portugal with visits to Gaudí's unconventional, unfinished *La Sagrada Família*, begun by the architect in 1882, and Gaudí's whimsical *Parc Güell*, a UNESCO World Heritage Site of colorful buildings embellished with glass and ceramic mosaics, sculpted animals and creative furnishings, all set in a 50-acre garden city. After lunch, enjoy free time to do as you wish. **Meals BL**

## DAY 3

### A choice in Barcelona & embark ship

Your day starts with a private visit to *Palau de la Música Catalana*, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Afterwards, choose between two walking tours; one to visit the medieval quarter of *Barri Gòtic*, or, alternatively, explore the architectural style of *Passeig de Gràcia* that also includes a visit inside *La Pedrera-Casa Milà*. Drive to the site of the 1992 Olympic Games on *Montjuïc*; the views of the city and Mediterranean Sea from here are memorable. Embark your ship to set sail for the gorgeous island of *Mallorca*. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 4

### Palma de Mallorca

A walking tour of *Palma* begins the day. Visit the Gothic Cathedral, *La Seu*, built of golden limestone; its interior was remodeled by Antoni Gaudí and considered to be one of the most breathtaking buildings in all of Spain, partly because of its stained glass windows. This afternoon you may explore *Palma* as you please before an afternoon sail. Enjoy a Captain's welcome reception before dinner. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 5

### A morning under sail & Cartagena

Sail for *Cartagena* today, as your Tauck Director shares insights about the region you explore on this cruise. Arrive midday and walk to the city's Roman Forum for a private visit of the 1st-century thermal baths, atrium and a temple dedicated to *Isis* and *Serapys*; enjoy a wine tasting inside the Forum and a demonstration of the art of ham slicing, a delicacy in Spain that offers a unique tasting experience of flavor and texture with every cut. **Meals BLD**

## Voyage at a glance

### 8 Cruise Days aboard Windstar's *Wind Surf*

#### Barcelona to Lisbon

Day Destination

- 1 Arrive Barcelona
- 2 Barcelona
- 3 Barcelona / Embark Windstar ship
- 4 Palma de Mallorca
- 5 Cartagena
- 6 Almeria / Granada
- 7 Málaga
- 8 Gibraltar
- 9 Cádiz / Seville
- 10 Day at Sea
- 11 Disembark ship - Lisbon / Sintra, Cascais
- 12 Lisbon
- 13 Depart Lisbon

#### Lisbon to Barcelona

Day Destination

- 1 Arrive Lisbon
- 2 Lisbon
- 3 Sintra, Cascais / Embark Windstar ship - Lisbon
- 4 Day at Sea
- 5 Cádiz / Seville
- 6 Gibraltar
- 7 Málaga
- 8 Almeria / Granada
- 9 Cartagena
- 10 Palma de Mallorca
- 11 Disembark ship - Barcelona
- 12 Barcelona
- 13 Depart Barcelona

#### Map Detail



## ■ DAY 6

### Moorish Granada

From Almería, drive to Granada, created to reflect the Moors' vision of paradise on Earth, for a walking tour followed by lunch at a local restaurant. Guitarist Andrés Segovia described Granada, nestled in the foothills of the Sierra Nevada, as a "place of dreams." Return to your ship late afternoon and enjoy dinner at leisure onboard. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 7

### Taste of Málaga

Today you'll take a walking tour of Málaga, seeing Plaza Merced, the birthplace of Pablo Picasso and the ruins of 8th-century Alcazaba (Moorish castle). If you like, join us for a visit to Museo Picasso Málaga. Enjoy time at leisure to explore Málaga as you wish before returning to your ship; after dinner, set sail for Gibraltar. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 8

### A day in Gibraltar

Just 2¼ square miles, Gibraltar is a British Overseas Territory with a recorded history that dates from 711 AD. The massive limestone Rock of Gibraltar rises out of the sea to a height of 1,398 feet and is often referred to as the gateway to the Mediterranean. Visit the storied sights of this legendary place, including St. Michael's Cave with the chance to take photos up-close with Barbary macaques (monkeys.) Set sail for Cádiz in the early evening. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 9

### Cultural discoveries in Seville

Arrive in Cádiz and drive to historic Seville for a guided visit to Plaza de España, Seville's most famous public square which has been featured in several films including *Star Wars* and *Lawrence of Arabia*. After a tapas lunch, enjoy a special dance performance at the Museo del Baile Flamenco. A choice of afternoon excursions afterwards includes a visit to the 15th-century Seville Cathedral where you'll see Christopher Columbus' tomb, or a visit to the royal palace complex, Real Alcázar de Sevilla, the oldest royal palace in Europe still in use today. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 10

### Pleasures of a day at sea

Enjoy a full day of cruising with an array of shipboard amenities, and an onboard presentation by your Tauck Director. Your ship sails for Portugal today. **Meals BLD**

## Palau de la Música Catalana

The Orfeó Català is a choral society based in Barcelona, founded in 1891. The Palau de la Música Catalana is a concert hall and major landmark commissioned for them in 1904. In 1997, it was declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and is the only concert hall in Europe lit by natural light and dazzles with its stained glass windows. You'll get to visit this palace of music on a private tour.

## DAY 11

### Disembark Lisbon; Sintra & Cascais

Disembark the ship in Lisbon this morning and drive to the nearby charming town of Sintra for a tour of medieval Sintra National Palace, the oldest in Portugal. Continue to the seaside fishing town of Cascais for a guided stroll and time on your own, then return to Lisbon. After settling into your hilltop hotel, spend the remainder of the day exploring the colorful streets as you please. **Meals B**

## DAY 12

### Lisbon landmarks

A guided tour of the city this morning showcases the downtown Baixa area, Praça do Comércio, Parque Eduardo VII, an outside view of Mosteiro dos Jeronimos, and visits the Navy Museum, and the Monument to the Discoveries. Spend the remainder of the afternoon at your leisure. Join us tonight for an exclusive private farewell evening at the 18th-century Palácio Nacional de Queluz, including a reception in the gardens, weather permitting, and dinner inside the opulently decorated palace. **Meals BD**

## DAY 13

### Journey Home

*Tour ends: Lisbon.* Fly home anytime. A transfer is included to Lisbon Airport or Santa Apolónia Train Station from InterContinental Lisbon. Allow a minimum of three hours for flight check-in at the airport. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day



Visit iconic landmarks such as Parc Güell in Barcelona, a UNESCO World Heritage Site showcasing the works of Antoni Gaudí, and The Cathedral of Santa Maria of Palma, referred to as La Seu, the Gothic Roman Catholic church built in the 1600s.

## 2025 DATES & PRICES

DOUBLE PRICE PER PERSON

Windstar's <i>Wind Surf</i>	Jul 25 Aug 2*	Apr 10* Nov 8
Category B - Deck 2	\$ 9,990	\$ 10,290
Category BX Deluxe - Deck 2	\$ 10,219	\$ 10,519
Category A - Deck 1	\$ 10,447	\$ 10,747
Category AX Deluxe - Deck 1	\$ 10,630	\$ 10,930
Suites - Deck 3	\$ 11,910	\$ 12,210

Please visit [tauck.com](http://tauck.com) for Single and Triple pricing.

\*Indicates Lisbon to Barcelona eastbound direction

## 2025 PRICE INCLUSIONS

Land / Cruise Price includes 31 meals (12 breakfasts, 9 lunches, 10 dinners) on land and at sea, airport transfers as noted, service charges, applicable fuel surcharges, taxes and portorage as well as Tauck shore excursions, cruise fare, port charges, entertainment and gratuities to Tauck Director and ship staff. Tauck's private shore excursions and distinctive inclusions valued at \$5,042. Aboard ship alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages are available throughout the day, including house wines & spirits. Premium spirits and wines are available at extra cost.

## 2025 PREMIER ACCOMMODATIONS

Night 1,2	<b>MAJESTIC HOTEL &amp; SPA</b>	Barcelona
Night 3-10	<b>ABOARD WIND SURF</b>	Mediterranean Sea
Night 11,12	<b>INTERCONTINENTAL LISBON</b>	Lisbon

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Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 3



# Legendary Scottish Isles, Edinburgh and Glasgow

*From the haunting skirl of the bagpipes to treasured traditions, connect with distinctive ways of daily life on remote Scottish Isles and the cities of Glasgow and Edinburgh... bygone days are present still, welcoming with breathtaking landscapes and gracious hospitality.*

11 DAYS FROM \$9,990  
Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

*Isle of Skye*

## *Uniquely Tauck*

- Attend an exclusive evening in Edinburgh that will be long remembered – a reception and dinner aboard The Royal Yacht Britannia
- Select the sightseeing excursions that interest you most in island ports with active choices such as hiking and nature walks in select destinations
- You'll be joined by our very own Whisky Bard who shares his extensive whisky expertise at a tasting – accompanied by his own original folk music

## DAY 1

### Arrive Glasgow

*Tour begins: 6:00 PM Glasgow.* A transfer is included from Glasgow International Airport to voco Grand Central Glasgow or Kimpton Blythswood Square Hotel, each centrally located near must-see sights. Join us this evening for a welcome reception and dinner. **Meals D**

## DAY 2

### Glasgow and embark ship

A tour of city sights includes George's Square, Buchanan Street, Glasgow Cathedral, Necropolis and Princes Square. Visit Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum, one of the city's most popular attractions, featuring a wide-ranging collection of art and artifacts of cultural, ancient and natural history. Drive to Greenock and embark; sail for the Isle of Mull in the Inner Hebrides. **Meals BD**

## DAY 3

### The Isle of Mull

Sail to the Isle of Mull, a popular destination for naturalists and photographers in search of Britain's more elusive birds and wildlife. Anchor in Tobermory on a morning arrival for a choice of excursions. Take a guided nature hike\* in Aros Park; alternatively, you can drive along the scenic coastline to medieval Duart Castle, still owned by its clan members. This evening, join us for the Captain's welcome reception and dinner as you sail to the Isle of Skye. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 4

### Discover the Isle of Skye

On the Isle of Skye, it's your choice of shore excursions. Discover the local wildlife on a wildlife cruise, keeping a look out for sea eagles; tour 13th-century Eilean Donan Castle, arguably the most photographed castle in Scotland; journey across the island to medieval Dunvegan Castle, overlooking Loch Dunvegan and the sea; or visit a local croft to meet the owners and learn about living and crofting on Skye. Enjoy free time in Portree; late afternoon, aboard ship, see Skye through the lens of a local photographer. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 5

### Lochs, brochs and standing stones

The Isle of Lewis in the Outer Hebrides offers a dreamlike landscape of winding rolling hills, moors, and rugged shores. Dock in Stornoway for your choice: set off for a sea safari\* to view the island's marine life and some of the most magnificent coastline in Scotland; take a walk to Lews Castle, departing along the seafront before crossing the bridge to follow the pathway along the coastline; visit the Museum for the Hebrides and explore the castle; or embark

## Voyage at a glance

■ 7 Cruise Days aboard *Le Bellot / Le Champlain*

### Glasgow to Edinburgh

Day Destination

- 1 Arrive Glasgow
- 2 Sightsee Glasgow / Embark Ship
- 3 Isle of Mull
- 4 Isle of Skye
- 5 Isle of Lewis
- 6 Orkney Islands
- 7 Shetland Islands
- 8 Day at sea
- 9 Disembark Edinburgh
- 10 Edinburgh
- 11 Depart Edinburgh

### Edinburgh to Glasgow

Day Destination

- 1 Arrive Edinburgh
- 2 Sightsee Edinburgh
- 3 Edinburgh / Embark Ship
- 4 Day at sea
- 5 Shetland Islands
- 6 Orkney Islands
- 7 Isle of Lewis
- 8 Isle of Skye
- 9 Isle of Mull
- 10 Disembark Ship / Sightsee Glasgow
- 11 Depart Glasgow

### Map Detail



on a panoramic drive that shows you the highlights of the island, including the Standing Stones of Callanish. You'll have an opportunity to spend some time at leisure in Stornoway before returning to your ship. **Meals BLD**

#### ■ DAY 6

### Life in the Orkney Islands

Arrive in Kirkwall on Orkney's Mainland. Tour historic Kirkwall, then drive to Scapa Flow, where 52 German battleships sank in 1919. Or, depart Kirkwall for the Brough of Deerness and Mull Head – for a hike\* and visit to Deerness Gin Distillery. Alternatively, immerse in the heritage of the Orkneys and savor a “taste” of Orkney life in the fishing village of Burray – or explore the Neolithic monuments at the Ring of Brodgar, Skara Brae and other sights. Enjoy some free time to explore Kirkwall and return to the ship late afternoon. Prior to dinner, join us onboard for the “Orkney Experience” featuring bagpipes, Highland Dancers and a Ceilidh Band. **Meals BLD**

#### ■ DAY 7

### Treasures of the Shetland Islands

Arrive in Lerwick for a choice of four ways to explore. Depart Lerwick, and head west to the picturesque harbor village of Hamnavoe, continuing through the Tingwall Valley before arriving at the “Keolka” croft – a beautiful Shetland croft nestled within the rugged heather hills, with stunning views across the water. Here you'll watch a local crofter execute precision herding maneuvers – without a single word – and meet some Shetland sheep and ponies. Ferry to the island of Mousa Broch\*, hike across the island and visit its 2,000-year-old stone tower – 43 feet high, it is one of the best preserved in the world; explore its beehive-like chambers and climb the internal staircase to the top for panoramic views; explore Jarlshof, one of Europe's biggest and most complex archaeological sites; or travel to the islands' western villages to learn about daily life in a fishing community and visit a Shetland pony farm. Back aboard ship, attend a lecture on the “Shetland Bus,” a World War II operation that smuggled people in and out of occupied Norway – or alternatively, a lecture on life in the remote Shetland Islands. **Meals BLD**

#### ■ DAY 8

### Enjoy a day at sea

Your ship charts a course for Edinburgh today, affording you the opportunity to enjoy a relaxing day at sea. Onboard amenities include a spa and fitness center, outdoor pool, a library, lounges and a theatre that boasts cutting edge audio and lighting technology. There's also an opportunity today to enjoy a guided whisky tasting with our very own “Whisky Bard,” Robin Laing, who will share his whisky expertise paired with his original folk music. Today you'll also have an opportunity for some time for a little relaxation. **Meals BLD**

## The Royal Yacht Britannia evening

A royal experience that will long be remembered. Arrive at The Royal Yacht Britannia, one of the world's most famous ships, where the red carpet is rolled out. You're piped aboard the yacht through the entrance reserved for the King and the Royal Family. After a behind-the-ropes tour, you'll be seated for a four-course dinner created by the executive chef, meticulously prepared in the original Royal Galley.

#### DAY 9

### Edinburgh Castle & cobbled streets

Disembark ship in Edinburgh, where your two-night stay begins with a tour of city sights. Under the watch of its lofty cliff-top castle, Edinburgh invites you into its captivating maze of crooked medieval streets, cozy passages, avenues, shops, pubs, townhouses, and monumental palaces. Visit Edinburgh Castle with a local guide before a walking tour of the Royal Mile, a cobbled street lined with shops, pubs, museums, and intriguing alleyways. Spend the rest of the day discovering Scotland's historic capital city as you wish. **Meals B**

#### DAY 10

### Edinburgh sights

Visit the Palace of Holyroodhouse, the King's residence when he is in Scotland. A tour of the city includes medieval Old Town, stately New Town, the Royal Botanic Garden, and Princes Street; see Robert Louis Stevenson's birthplace. Join us tonight for a Tauck exclusive farewell reception and dinner aboard The Royal Yacht Britannia. **Meals BD**

#### DAY 11

### Journey Home

*Tour ends: Edinburgh, Scotland.* Fly home anytime. A transfer is included from InterContinental Edinburgh The George or Kimpton Charlotte Square Hotel to Edinburgh Airport. You should allow three hours for flight check-in. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day



*The islands in the Orkney archipelago date back thousands of years, with amazing archaeological finds – and the historical timeline of Edinburgh is witnessed at Edinburgh Castle.*

## 2025 DATES & PRICES

DOUBLE PRICE PER PERSON

Ponant's <i>Le Bellot / Le Champlain</i>	May 3*, 11	May 17* Sep 12, 18*, 26
 <b>Deluxe Stateroom</b> Deck 3	\$ 9,990	\$ 10,590
 <b>Prestige Stateroom</b> Deck 4	\$ 10,690	\$ 11,290
 <b>Prestige Stateroom</b> Deck 5	\$ 10,990	\$ 11,590
 <b>Prestige Stateroom</b> Deck 6	\$ 11,190	\$ 11,790
 <b>Deluxe Suite</b> Decks 3,4,5,6	\$ 12,690	\$ 13,290
 <b>Prestige Suite</b> Deck 5	\$ 15,490	\$ 16,090
 <b>Prestige Suite</b> Deck 6	\$ 15,990	\$ 16,590
 <b>Privilege Suite</b> Decks 5,6	\$ 16,490	\$ 17,090
 <b>Grand Deluxe Suite</b> Deck 6	\$ 17,990	\$ 18,590
 <b>Owner's Suite</b> Deck 5	\$ 18,990	\$ 19,590

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## 2025 PREMIER ACCOMMODATIONS

Night 1	<b>VOCO GRAND CENTRAL GLASGOW / KIMPTON BLYTHSWOOD SQUARE HOTEL</b>	Glasgow
Night 2-8	<b>ABOARD LE BELLOT / LE CHAMPLAIN</b>	Cruising
Night 9,10	<b>INTERCONTINENTAL EDINBURGH THE GEORGE / KIMPTON CHARLOTTE SQUARE HOTEL</b>	Edinburgh

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Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

# Norwegian Fjords & Coastal Treasures

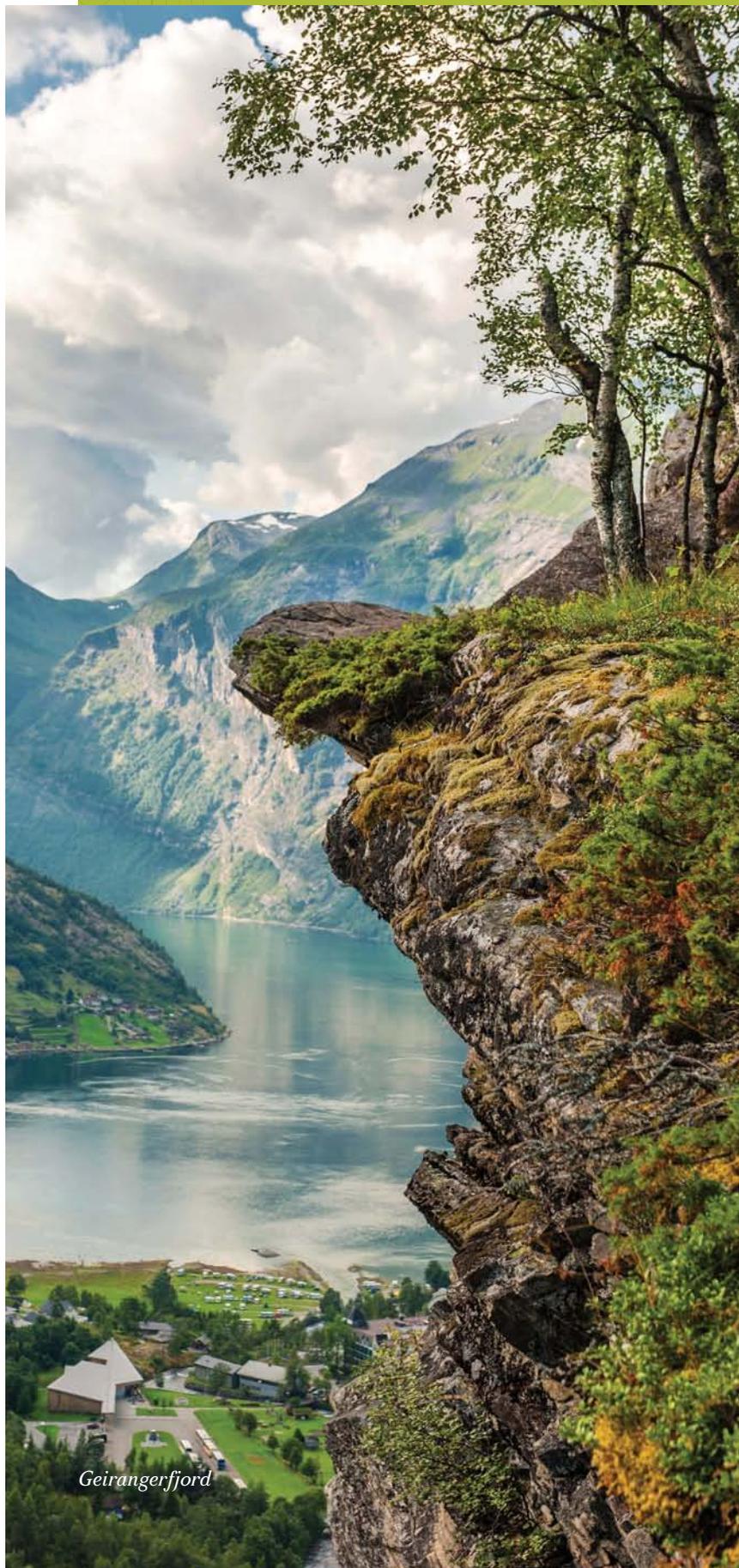
*Experience a glacier-carved land where some of the world's tallest waterfalls can be found, and fjords and lakes paint every color of blue. Discover rich culture and history, shaped and inspired by nature.*

10 DAYS FROM \$10,390

Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

## *Uniquely Tauck*

- Enjoy a private concert, reception, and tour at Edvard Grieg's lakeside villa outside Bergen
- Experience the natural beauty of fjord country in Geirangerfjord your way: on a gondola ride to the Sunnmøre "Alps," or on a cruise to Geiranger with the opportunity to kayak on the Geiranger fjord
- Take a private cruise on Lake Loen & walk to view Kjenndalsbreen Glacier, or take a troll car ride & a short hike to Briksdal Glacier for stunning views



*Geirangerfjord*

## DAY 1

### Arrive Bergen

Tour begins: 6:00 Hotel Norge by Scandic or Clarion Collection Hotel Havnekontoret. A transfer is included upon arrival from Bergen Airport to Hotel Norge by Scandic or Clarion Collection Hotel Havnekontoret, located in the historic wharf district, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Please join us for a welcome reception and dinner this evening. **Meals D**

## DAY 2

### Bryggen & Grieg / Embark ship

Discover Bergen, one of Northern Europe's oldest port cities, and join our local guide for a walking tour of the historic Bryggen harbor district to learn about the many fires that have damaged this town over the centuries; each time it's been rebuilt to maintain its original structure. After free time to explore as you please, visit a traditional stave church before heading to Troidhaugen, the home of Edvard Grieg, Norway's great composer and pianist. Enjoy a guided tour, a brief reception and a private piano concert featuring Grieg's music. Embark your ship in Bergen in time for dinner onboard, and set off on your 7-night cruise. **Meals BD**

## DAY 3

### Lake Loen & Kjenndalen Glacier

Spend a relaxing morning at sea, viewing magnificent scenic landscapes along the way while your Tauck Director shares a few stories. After lunch onboard the ship, disembark in Olden for a quick trip to the summit of Mt. Hoven aboard a gondola, prior to a choice of activities. Choose to explore the Loen Valley on a boat ride and a walk for views of the blue and white Kjenndalsbreen, an arm of Jostedal glacier, the largest glacier in Europe. Or drive to Briksdalsbreen, where a ride on a "Troll Car" and a short hike to the foot of Briksdal Glacier lead to stunning vistas of one of Norway's most inspiring natural wonders. Sail on to Hellesylt on the Geirangerfjord this evening. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 4

### Geiranger Fjord & the mountains

Disembark in Hellesylt for a choice of activities. On one, head off for a full day of exploration with a local expert around this UNESCO World Heritage Site. Ride a gondola up to the Sunnmøre "Alps" and drive through the mountains surrounding Geiranger Fjord, and through Fjord og Fjell. Have lunch at a local fjord-side restaurant en route. Or stay aboard the ship this morning and explore the charming hamlet of Geiranger on your own, perhaps visiting the Norwegian Fjord Center. After lunch, join us for a drive up the mountain of Dalsnibba, climbing one mile from sea level to the sky, or embark on a guided kayaking excursion to Geiranger village. **Meals BLD**

## Voyage at a glance

### 7 Cruise Days aboard Le Bellot

#### Bergen to Oslo

Day Destination

- 1 Arrive Bergen
- 2 Bergen / Embark Bergen
- 3 Olden / Mt. Hoven
- 4 Hellesylt
- 5 Ålesund
- 6 Sandnes / Stavanger
- 7 Arendal
- 8 Göteborg
- 9 Disembark Oslo
- 10 Depart Oslo

#### Oslo to Bergen

Day Destination

- 1 Arrive Oslo
- 2 Oslo / Embark Oslo
- 3 Göteborg
- 4 Arendal
- 5 Sandnes / Stavanger
- 6 Ålesund
- 7 Hellesylt
- 8 Olden / Mt. Hoven
- 9 Disembark Bergen
- 10 Depart Bergen

#### Map Detail



## ■ DAY 5

### Choices in Ålesund

Disembark in the fishing harbor of Ålesund for your choice of excursions. Drive around Ålesund and its neighboring islands through its network of tunnels on a panoramic sightseeing excursion, join our local expert for a walking tour of the city's Art Nouveau architecture, or alternatively, enjoy a guided bicycle tour through the town. A leisurely afternoon of cruising precedes dinner onboard ship tonight. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 6

### Stavanger, old & new

Explore the port city of Stavanger on a choice of sightseeing. Choose a city tour that includes a visit to massive Swords in Rock and the Iron Age Farm at Ullandhaug, an archaeological site that chronicles how the prehistoric people of the Iron Age lived; see long buildings of rock and sod, where animals were housed at one end and their owners at the other. Then it's on to the Norwegian Petroleum Museum, a Stavanger Port landmark, to learn about the oil and gas industry. Or, you can choose to take a Stavanger walking tour that includes the city's harborfront and Gamle Stavanger (Old Stavanger), a settlement of small white wooden houses from the 1800s set on narrow streets paved by ballast blocks, used long ago as ballast on the ships that sailed in and out of port. After lunch, sail through Lysefjord en route to Arendal; keep your eyes peeled for Preikestolen, a mammoth flat-topped cliff overlooking the water. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 7

### Seaside delights in Arendal

Enjoy some time at sea this morning, taking advantage of the amenities onboard your ship and hearing a talk by our lecturer. Early afternoon, the ship arrives in Arendal, a popular seaport town on Norway's southern coast. Established in the mid-1500s, Arendal's historic center contains an area called Tyholmen, containing a number of wooden houses dating back to the 17th century; the inner harbor area, Pollen; and 19th-century Trinity Church. Discover the town on a guided walking tour and during free time to explore on your own. Sail across the Skaggerak Strait for Göteborg, Sweden this evening. **Meals BLD**

## A private piano recital in Norway

Edvard Grieg was a Norwegian composer and pianist best known as one of the leading Romantic era composers. When you visit Bergen, you'll take a private tour of his home, "Troidhaugen" and enjoy a reception and performance showcasing his music. He and his wife, Nina lived here in the summer season until he died in 1907. Edvard himself called the building "my best composition hitherto."

## ■ DAY 8

### Sweden for a day

Dock in Göteborg this morning for a day of exploration, your way. A choice of guided tours explores city sights including Kungssportsavenyn, the city's elegant main avenue inspired by the Champs-Élysées, and Långgatorna, a charming network of narrow canals, before visiting the Volvo Museum or the Botanical Garden, one of the largest in Europe. Return to the ship midday, and set sail for Oslo. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 9

### Disembark ship in Oslo

Disembark in Oslo this morning and set off to discover some of Norway's greatest heroes – from Arctic exploration to the arts. A city tour includes the Fram Museum, chronicling the story of Norwegian polar exploration. The museum showcases some of the most famous wooden polar vessels in the world, including the wooden polar ship *Fram*, used on three historic expeditions, including Roald Amundsen's voyage to Antarctica. Go onboard and take a look around the ship's cabins, lounges, cargo hold and engine room. A guided walk around Frogner Park introduces the work of sculptor, Gustav Vigeland in more than 200 granite and bronze human figures. Lunch is at a local restaurant and the afternoon is free. This evening, we invite you to join us for a farewell dinner at your hotel. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 10

### Journey Home

*Tour ends: Oslo.* Fly home anytime. A transfer is included today to Oslo Airport from the Grand Hotel Oslo or Hotel Bristol Oslo. Please allow at least three hours for flight check-in at the airport. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day



Explore on your choice of excursions in Ålesund, best known for its art nouveau architectural style, on a walking tour or by motor coach, and take a troll car ride for views of Briksdalsbre, part of the largest continental glacier in Europe, Jostedalbreen.

## 2025 DATES & PRICES

DOUBLE PRICE PER PERSON

	Ponant's <i>Le Bellot</i>	Jun 5, 12*, 19
 <b>Deluxe Cabin</b> Deck 3		\$ 10,390
 <b>Prestige Cabin</b> Deck 4		\$ 11,090
 <b>Prestige Cabin</b> Deck 5		\$ 11,390
 <b>Prestige Cabin</b> Deck 6		\$ 11,590
 <b>Deluxe Suite</b> Decks 3,4,5,6		\$ 13,390
 <b>Prestige Suite</b> Deck 5		\$ 16,390
 <b>Prestige Suite</b> Deck 6		\$ 16,890
 <b>Privilege Suite</b> Deck 5, 6		\$ 17,390
 <b>Grand Deluxe Suite</b> Deck 6		\$ 18,890
 <b>Owner's Suite</b> Deck 5		\$ 22,390

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## 2025 PREMIER ACCOMMODATIONS

Night 1	<b>HOTEL NORGE BY SCANDIC / CLARION COLLECTION HOTEL HAVNEKONTORET</b>	Bergen
Night 2-8	<b>ABOARD LE BELLOT</b>	Cruising
Night 9, 10	<b>GRAND HOTEL OSLO / HOTEL BRISTOL OSLO</b>	Oslo

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**Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2**



# Iceland

*Embark on an epic journey through the land of ice & fire with visits to small island villages to see where puffins and arctic fern call home, and perhaps spy the only native mammal, the Arctic Fox. Relax at the Blue Lagoon and explore the spectacular Godafoss the “waterfall of gods.”*

8 DAYS FROM \$9,990

Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

*Gullfoss waterfall*

## *Uniquely Tauck*

- Tour Iceland's “Golden Circle” – Thingvellir National Park, the majestic Gullfoss waterfall and the stunning geysers and hot springs of Geysir
- Enjoy a boat ride visit to Vigur Island, home to some 100,000 puffins and Iceland's only windmill
- Take an optional excursion to the famed Blue Lagoon spa, offering a chance to soak in this aqua-blue pool of mineral-rich geothermal seawater, temperatures range 98 - 102 degrees

## ■ DAY 1

### Arrive Reykjavik / Embark

*Tour begins: 12:00 PM, Reykjavik.* A transfer is included upon arrival at Reykjavik's Keflavik International Airport to Hilton Reykjavik Nordica or Grand Hotel Reykjavik. Join us for a welcome lunch, followed by an orientation tour of landmark sights. See Old Town and enjoy a guided visit to the Perlan museum. This afternoon, embark ship in Hafnarfjörður; dine at your leisure onboard tonight. **Meals LD**

## ■ DAY 2

### Heimaey, Westman Islands

Visit the Westman Islands today, coming ashore on Heimaey for a day of exploration that includes a visit to Sprangan cliff, where young islanders are taught the sport of rope-swinging and cliff-side egg-collecting, and a stop at Stórhöfði, home to the island's largest colony of puffins and a spot for breathtaking views of the island and the massive glaciers of the mainland (weather permitting). The volcanic eruption of Mt. Eldfell in 1973 spewed lava over Heimaey, the only populated island in the Westmans, destroying the small town and changing the island's landscape forever by creating the world's youngest mountain and the new "Pompeii of the North," which you will see today. Back aboard ship, join us for the Captain's welcome reception and dinner. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 3

### Fishing villages & Grundarfjörður

Enjoy a leisurely morning cruise before docking in Grundarfjörður for a choice of shore excursions. Take a scenic drive along the rugged coast of the Snaefellsnes Peninsula, passing through fishing villages bustling with daily life and stopping for walks in Djúpalónssandur, Arnarstapi and Búdir. Alternatively, experience a "Lava and Viking Adventure" that takes you to sites immortalized in Icelandic sagas and includes a walk up the 240-foot slope of Mt. Helgafell, rewarding with great views, weather permitting. Your third choice is a boating expedition to learn about marine wildlife and local birds, with a taste of shell fish fresh from the sea. Join us for dinner on the ship as you cruise to the Arctic Circle. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 4

### Explore Grímsey on the Arctic Circle

Sail to Grímsey, Iceland's Arctic Circle gem, where it is said birds outnumber the people who live here about 10,000 to one. Remote and weather beaten, this tiny island measures just 2½ miles by 1¼ miles – and guards the Arctic Circle with huge colonies of seabirds and a scant population of hardy islanders said to consistently number about 100 residents.

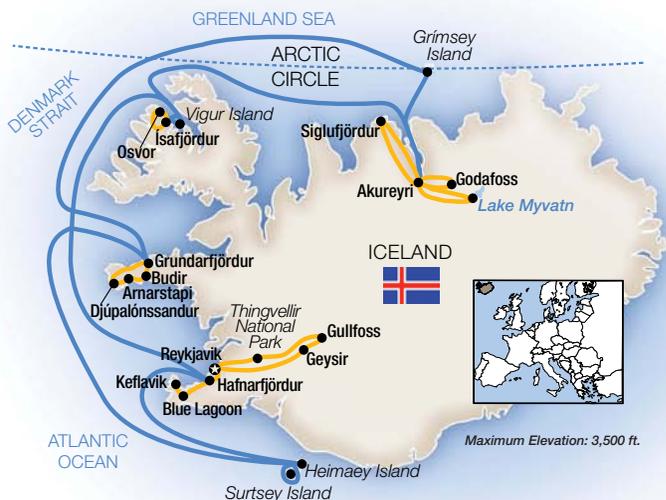
## Voyage at a glance

### ■ 7 Cruise Days aboard *Le Champlain*

#### Day Destination

- 1 Arrive Reykjavik / Embark ship in Hafnarfjörður
- 2 Heimaey
- 3 Grundarfjörður
- 4 Grímsey
- 5 Akureyri
- 6 Ísafjörður
- 7 Reykjavik – Hafnarfjörður
- 8 Disembark ship in Hafnarfjörður / Depart Reykjavik

#### Map Detail



Step ashore for a walking tour with a naturalist guide to see the Arctic terns and whimsical puffins that live here, and walk across the Arctic Circle line, get your cameras ready to record this once-in-a-lifetime experience. **Meals BLD**

#### ■ DAY 5

### Discover Akureyri

Cruise the Eyjafjörður fjord to Akureyri, the second-largest city in Iceland. Set amidst magnificent mountains, Akureyri is known as the “capital of North Iceland” and noted for its lively cultural life. First settled by Norse Vikings in the 9th century, the city was home to a Norwegian-British fighter squadron during World War II and today boasts the northernmost 18-hole golf course in the world. Your choices of activities here include mineral bathing at the Myvatn Nature Baths in the geologically intriguing area around Lake Myvatn; visiting the historic fishing village of Siglufjörður and learning about its ties to Iceland’s 19th-century herring economy, with journeys “back in time” at the Folk Music Center and the Herring Era Museum; or leisurely exploration of Akureyri and environs, including a visit to Godafoss, the “waterfall of the gods,” to learn about the saga recounting the arrival of Christianity in Iceland and the banishment of the pagan gods in 1000 AD. Enjoy time at leisure to explore Akureyri as you wish then set sail for Ísafjörður. **Meals BLD**

#### ■ DAY 6

### Ísafjörður, Sudavík or Vigur island

Dock in the fishing town of Ísafjörður, boasting some of the oldest houses in Iceland, dating from the 18th century. A choice of shore excursions includes a drive through Ísafjörður for a look at the local culture, including stops at the quaint church of the village of Bolungarvík, a restored Ósvör fisherman’s hut showcasing what life was like here for fishermen before the 20th century, and the Maritime Museum. Or, choose to hike and visit to the Arctic Fox Center in Sudavík, focusing on the biology and natural history of Iceland’s only native mammal. Alternatively, board a ferry for the short trip to Vigur Island, inhabited only by a handful of residents and seabirds. See Iceland’s only windmill and enjoy Icelandic cakes served by the family in the restored Viktoria House, built in 1862, before sailing on to the Westman Islands. **Meals BLD**

#### ■ DAY 7

### Iceland’s “Golden Circle” & Blue Lagoon

Tour the “Golden Circle” – the country’s “Big Three” landmark sights. Visit Thingvellir National Park – named a UNESCO World Heritage Site, it is Iceland’s most important historic landmark, where the Vikings established the world’s first democratic parliament, the Althing, in 930 AD. View magnificent Gullfoss waterfall, cascading 96 feet in two

### Vigur island - small but plentiful

Located in the Westfjords of Iceland, Vigur is the second largest island of the Ísafjörður bay. Despite its ranking, the island is 148 acres and home to some 7,000 eider ducks and 100,000 puffins. Vigur hosts Iceland’s smallest post office and the only windmill found in the country. When you take the short ferry ride here you’ll have the chance to see its bird residents; arctic terns, razorbills puffins & more.

roaring falls, arched with rainbows. After lunch at a local restaurant, continue on to the spouting hot springs of Geysir, where geysers erupt with clockwork precision. Return to the ship for time at leisure or join us on an optional excursion to the Blue Lagoon for an opportunity to take a dip in the healing waters of this geothermal spa. Enjoy a final dinner aboard the ship this evening. **Meals BLD**

#### DAY 8

### Journey Home

*Tour ends: 8:00 AM at Reykjavik’s Keflavik International Airport.* Disembark this morning in Hafnarfjörður; a transfer is included from the ship to Reykjavik’s Keflavik International Airport or Tauck’s post-stay hotels. Please allow at least three hours for your flight check-in at the airport. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day

### Special Departures with Tim Martin

#### June 24 & July 1 departures

Travel with wildlife filmmaker Tim Martin, enjoying expert insights about the wildlife and natural wonders found in Iceland on these departures, specially priced. Ask at booking for details.





*Iceland's landmarks and wildlife are part of what makes it so unique. The Lutheran church of Hallgrímskirkja was designed to resemble mountains and glaciers, and the Atlantic Puffin is a signature bird, given 60% of the world's population nest here.*

## 2025 DATES & PRICES

DOUBLE PRICE PER PERSON\*

Ponant's <i>Le Champlain</i>	Jun 17 Jul 8, 15, 22	Jun 24 Jul 1
 <b>Deluxe Stateroom</b> Deck 3	\$ 9,990	\$ 10,190
 <b>Prestige Stateroom</b> Deck 4	\$ 10,690	\$ 10,890
 <b>Prestige Stateroom</b> Deck 5	\$ 10,990	\$ 11,190
 <b>Prestige Stateroom</b> Deck 6	\$ 11,190	\$ 11,390
 <b>Deluxe Suite</b> Deck 3, 4, 5, 6	\$ 12,990	\$ 13,190
 <b>Prestige Suite</b> Deck 5	\$ 15,990	\$ 16,190
 <b>Prestige Suite</b> Deck 6	\$ 16,490	\$ 16,690
 <b>Privilege Suite</b> Deck 5, 6	\$ 16,990	\$ 17,190
 <b>Grand Deluxe Suite</b> Deck 6	\$ 18,490	\$ 18,690
 <b>Owner's Suite</b> Deck 5	\$ 21,990	\$ 22,190

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## 2025 PRICE INCLUSIONS

Land / cruise price includes 21 meals (7 breakfasts, 7 lunches, 7 dinners) on land and at sea, airport transfers as noted, service charges, applicable fuel surcharges, taxes and portage as well as Tauck shore excursions, cruise fare, port charges, entertainment and gratuities to Tauck Director and ship staff. Tauck's private shore excursions and distinctive inclusions are valued at \$3,151. Aboard ship, alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages are included throughout the day.

## 2025 PREMIER ACCOMMODATIONS

Night 1-7 **ABOARD LE CHAMPLAIN** Cruising

International Airfare is additional. Call Tauck for special rates on international air for travel originating in the US and Canada (subject to availability). Departures will be hosted by one Tauck Director for approximately every 40 guests. Shore Excursion Selection: Tauck will contact guests 90 days prior to departure to assist with shore excursion selections. Day rooms will be reserved upon arrival at Hilton Reykjavik Nordica or Grand Hotel Reykjavik for all guests' flight arrivals into Reykjavik on Day 1 of the trip only. Note: For all activities marked with an asterisk (\*), participation is at your own risk and requires a signed liability waiver to be provided. Certain exceptions may apply (will be advised at time of booking). Itinerary is subject to change. **Please go to General Information for additional information, including our Cruise Protection Plan and Activity / Pace details; see *Le Bellot* ship page for deck plans and specifications.**

**Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2**

# Cruising the Land of the Rising Sun

*An island nation rich in timeless traditions, revered sites and historic ports of call, Japan blends past and present with innovative technologies and pop culture icons that make it uniquely inspiring to explore.*

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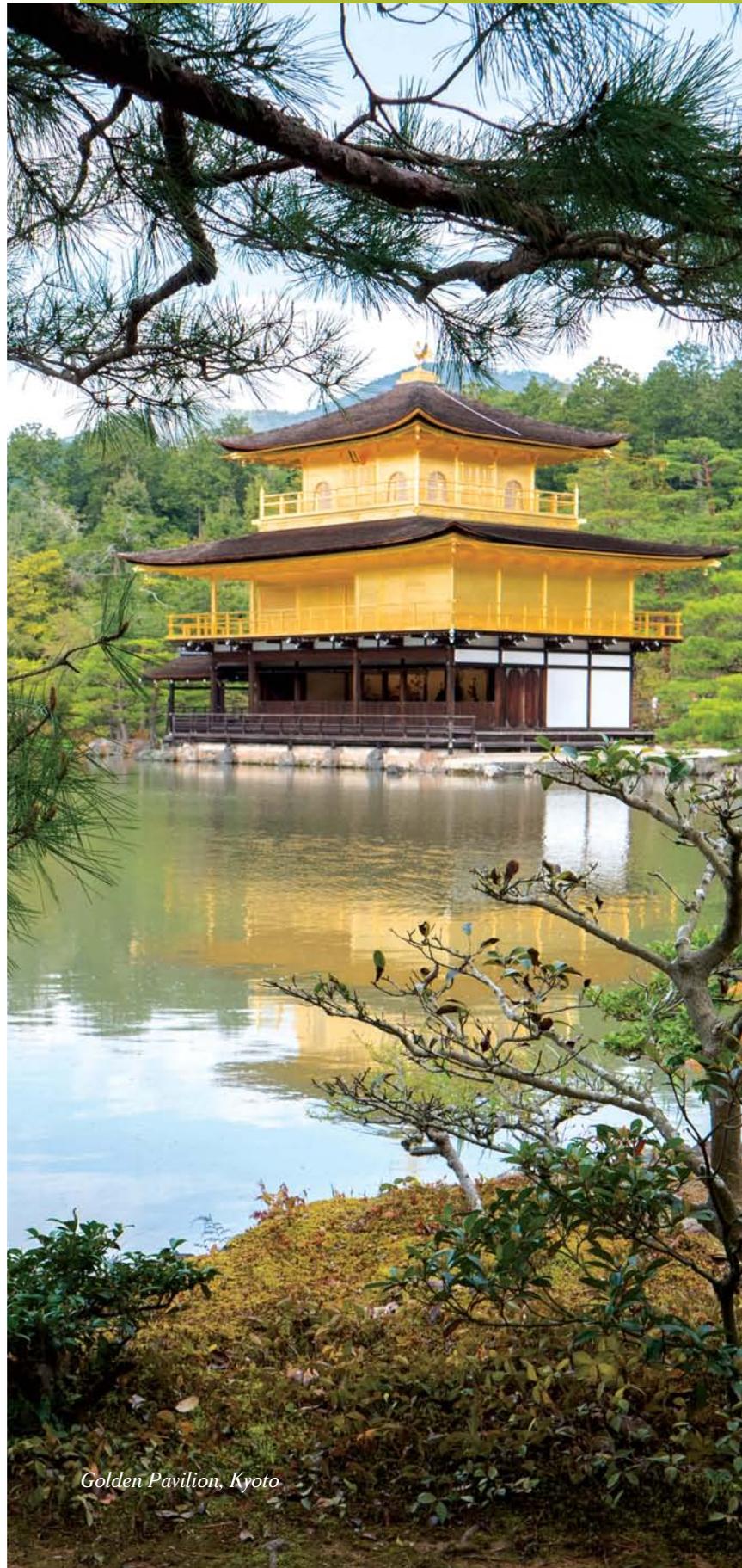
**14 DAYS FROM \$15,990**

Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 3

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## *Uniquely Tauck*

- Bookending your 8-night cruise aboard *Le Soléal*, spend three nights in Osaka and two nights in Tokyo, staying at a choice of premier hotels ideally located in the heart of these fascinating cities
- Discover the cultural traditions of Japan during a taiko drumming class, a tea ceremony, a sumo wrestling demonstration and an expert lecture on the life of a geisha / geiko
- Board a ferry bound for Sakurajima, “Cherry Blossom Island” to view the volcano and enjoy a choice of a visit to Sengan-en Garden or a poignant visit to the Chiran Peace Museum back on the mainland



*Golden Pavilion, Kyoto*

## DAY 1

### Arrive Osaka

Tour begins: *The St. Regis Osaka, The Ritz-Carlton Osaka or Conrad Osaka.* A transfer is included from Osaka's Kansai Int'l Airport or Osaka Int'l Airport (Itami) to The St. Regis Osaka, The Ritz-Carlton Osaka or the Conrad Osaka. This evening, join us for an exclusive welcome reception, a geiko / geisha lecture and performance, and dinner at one of the oldest Shinto shrines in Osaka. **Meals D**

## DAY 2

### Temples & traditions in Kyoto

Travel to Kyoto, a city of 2,000 temples and shrines, for a day of sightseeing. Walk around the Golden Pavilion (Kinaku-ji), meticulously preserved since the 1400s, and visit Sanjusangen-do temple. After lunch, attend a taiko drumming performance and return to your hotel for dinner (sightseeing days 2 and 3 may alternate). **Meals BLD**

## DAY 3

### Exploring historic Nara

Drive to Nara to tour Todai-ji, the Great Eastern Temple; deer roam the grounds freely, and are regarded as messengers of the gods in the Shinto religion. After lunch, visit Kasuga Taisha Grand Shrine, known for its bronze lanterns. **Meals BL**

## DAY 4

### Osaka & embark ship

Explore Osaka by motor coach, walking tour, and on a visit to a local market, followed by lunch. This afternoon, embark your small ship and have dinner aboard. Chart a course for Tamano (Uno Ko) tonight. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 5

### Art, bicycling & beer in Uno Ko

Anchor off Tamano (Uno Ko) and travel to the old merchant town of Kurashiki for a walking tour of its historic quarter and a visit to the Ohara Museum. Enjoy a choice of three activities this afternoon. Ferry to the art island of Naoshima, devoted to the work of architect Tadao Ando; enjoy a bicycle ride\* through Tamano; or visit a craft brewery and sample local beers. Join us for the captain's welcome dinner tonight as the ship sails for Hiroshima. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 6

### Hiroshima & Miyajima

Sightseeing in Hiroshima today includes a visit to the Hiroshima Peace Memorial, where sites associated with the WWII atomic bomb blast of August 1945 are memorialized. Enjoy a ferry ride to see the iconic Miyajima-Itsukushima Shrine and have lunch ashore in Hiroshima. Dine at leisure onboard your ship this evening. **Meals BLD**

## Voyage at a glance

■ 8 Cruise Days aboard *Le Soléal*

### Osaka to Tokyo - Northbound

Day	Destination
1	Arrive Osaka
2	Osaka / Kyoto
3	Osaka / Nara
■ 4	Osaka / Embark Osaka
■ 5	Uno Ko (Tamano)
■ 6	Hiroshima / Miyajima
■ 7	Uwajima
■ 8	Kagoshima
■ 9	Nagasaki (Sasebo)
■ 10	1/2 Day at Sea - Busan, South Korea
■ 11	Sakaiminato
12	Disembark Maizuru /Tokyo
13	Tokyo
14	Depart Tokyo

### Osaka to Tokyo - Southbound

Day	Destination
1	Arrive Osaka
2	Osaka / Kyoto
3	Osaka / Nara
■ 4	Osaka / Embark Maizuru
■ 5	Sakaiminato
■ 6	Busan, South Korea / 1/2 Day at Sea
■ 7	Nagasaki
■ 8	Kagoshima
■ 9	Uwajima
■ 10	Hiroshima / Miyajima
■ 11	Uno Ko (Tamano)
12	Disembark Osaka / Tokyo
13	Tokyo
14	Depart Tokyo

Map Detail



## ■ DAY 7

### Choices in Uwajima

Enjoy a choice of three excursions in Uwajima. Visit a family-owned pearl farm in the countryside and tour a local open-air museum. Or, visit Nanrakuen Garden on a guided walk, followed by a calligraphy demonstration and a tea ceremony. A third choice explores a series of danbata (terraced fields) that form a “staircase” on a steep mountain slope; go on an active hike\* to a beautiful waterfall in Yakushidani Canyon outside Uwajima. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 8

### A volcano, gardens & more in Kagoshima

Disembark in Kagoshima for a ferry ride across the bay to “Cherry Blossom Island” to see Sakurajima Volcano before a choice of excursions. Visit Sengan-en Garden, a traditional Japanese garden and stately home in Kagoshima, or head to Chiran Peace Museum located on the site of a former airstrip used by kamikaze pilots during WWII. Return to the ship late afternoon and have dinner onboard at leisure. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 9

### A day in Nagasaki

Arrive in Sasebo and drive to Nagasaki. Visit the Nagasaki Peace Park, home to monuments and memorials; and the Atomic Bomb Museum. After a lunch of local specialties, choose a visit to the Glover Gardens and Dejima, or travel on the Nagasaki Ropeway up Mount Inasa. Set sail this evening for South Korea. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 10

### Bustling Busan, South Korea

Arrive in Busan, South Korea, this morning. City sightseeing includes the United Nations Memorial Cemetery, honoring troops from many nations who fell during the Korean War, and a tour of the renowned Jagalchi Fish Market, a traditional seafood market on Busan’s colorful waterfront. Return to the ship and set sail for Sakaiminato. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 11

### Sakaiminato & Matsue’s Black Castle

Explore western Japan’s fishing industry center, Sakaiminato, and visit the Adachi Museum of Art. Following lunch, take an excursion to Matsue to visit the Black Castle or drive to Hanakairo Tottori Flower Park for a road train tour and free time to explore on your own. Tonight, say goodbye to the captain and crew of your small ship at the captain’s reception and farewell dinner. **Meals BLD**

## The secret world of the geisha

In Japan, the enigmatic geisha represents one of the most iconic traditions in the country. Exceptionally trained and skilled in flower arranging, tea ceremonies, song and dance, games, musical instruments, calligraphy and painting, geisha excel in art of conversation and hospitality. Enjoy a privileged glimpse into their secret world at a lecture and private performance during an exclusive welcome in Osaka.

## DAY 12

### A Bullet Train to Tokyo

Disembark your small ship in Maizuru for a scenic drive to Kyoto where you will have lunch before boarding the *Shinkansen* Bullet Train bound for Japan’s capital city, Tokyo. Check in to your hotel upon arrival and join a local guide for an orientation walk of the famous Ginza District. The rest of the day is free to pursue your own interests. **Meals BL**

## DAY 13

### A shrine & Sumos in Tokyo

Visit Meiji Shrine this morning, honoring the deified spirits of Japan’s Emperor Meiji and his wife, Empress Shoken, and enjoy a guided tour of the newly renovated Edo Museum, schedule permitting. Have lunch at a local restaurant before an afternoon spent enjoying the sights on your own. Our farewell reception and dinner tonight features traditional music and an unforgettable sumo wrestling demonstration that has to be seen to be believed. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 14

### Journey Home

*Tour ends: Tokyo.* Fly home anytime. A transfer is included from the Mandarin Oriental, Tokyo, the Shangri-La Hotel, Tokyo or the Palace Hotel, Tokyo to Narita International Airport or Haneda Airport. Allow a minimum of three hours for flight check-in at the airport. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day



*Experience an authentic taste of daily life as you sail to the lively fishing port of Busan in South Korea, and view artful treasures and colorful fans on sightseeing excursions with local guides who share insights about their culture with you.*

## 2025 DATES & PRICES

DOUBLE PRICE PER PERSON

Ponant's <i>Le Soléal</i>	Apr 17, 25* May 3
<b>Superior Stateroom</b> Deck 3	\$ 15,990
<b>Deluxe Stateroom</b> Deck 3	\$ 16,640
<b>Prestige Stateroom</b> Deck 4	\$ 17,390
<b>Prestige Stateroom</b> Deck 5	\$ 17,790
<b>Prestige Stateroom</b> Deck 6	\$ 18,190
<b>Deluxe Suite</b> Deck 6	\$ 21,390
<b>Prestige Suite</b> Deck 5	\$ 24,990
<b>Prestige Suite</b> Deck 6	\$ 26,490
<b>Owner's Suite</b> Deck 6	\$ 32,990

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\*Indicates Osaka to Tokyo southbound direction

## 2025 PRICE INCLUSIONS

Land / cruise price includes 36 meals (13 Breakfasts, 12 Lunches & 11 Dinners), on land and at sea, airport transfers as noted, service charges, applicable fuel surcharges, taxes and portage as well as Tauck shore excursions, cruise fare, port charges, entertainment and gratuities to Tauck Director and ship staff. Tauck's private shore excursions and distinctive exclusions are valued at \$6,741. Aboard ship, non-alcoholic and alcoholic beverages are included throughout the day.

## 2025 PREMIER ACCOMMODATIONS

Night 1-3	<b>ST. REGIS OSAKA / RITZ-CARLTON, OSAKA / CONRAD OSAKA</b>	Osaka
Night 4-11	<b>ABOARD LE SOLÉAL</b>	Cruising
Night 12,13	<b>MANDARIN ORIENTAL TOKYO / SHANGRI-LA, TOKYO / PALACE HOTEL TOKYO</b>	Tokyo

International Airfare is additional; call Tauck for special rates on international air for travel originating in the US and Canada (subject to availability). Departures will be hosted by one Tauck Director for approximately every 40 guests. Travel North or South: Go to [tauck.com](http://tauck.com) for southbound itinerary or ask at booking. Shore Excursion Selection: Tauck will contact guests 90 days prior to departure to assist with shore excursion selections. Note: For all activities marked with an asterisk (\*), participation is at your own risk and requires a signed liability waiver to be provided. Certain exceptions may apply (will be advised at time of booking). Itinerary is subject to change. **Please go to General Information for additional information, including our Cruise Protection Plan and Activity / Pace details; visit [tauck.com](http://tauck.com) for *Le Soléal* deck plans and specifications.**

**Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 3**



# Antarctica

*Antarctic Glacier*

*Become an Antarctic explorer on an expedition aboard a Ponant ship, learning about centuries of explorers that came before you. Discover a world visited by the very few, where wildlife are inquisitive, the ice continually beckons, and vistas create memories that last a lifetime.*

13 DAYS FROM \$13,990

Activity Level 3 / Pace Level 2

## *Uniquely Tauck*

- Don your new Antarctic parka for Zodiac landings ashore with expert naturalists who share insights and personal observations
- Explore the landmark sights of Buenos Aires, including Avenida 9 de Julio and famed La Recoleta Cemetery, and attend a tango performance by professional dancers
- Our 10-day cruise to Antarctica includes 6 days exploring the Antarctic archipelago, where you'll discover a world of ice and light unlike any other

## DAY 1

### Arrive Buenos Aires

*Tour begins: 2:00 PM, Hilton Buenos Aires.* A transfer is included upon arrival from Buenos Aires Ezeiza International Airport to the Hilton Buenos Aires, exceptionally located in the riverside Puerto Madero district. Enjoy a sightseeing tour that includes Avenida 9 de Julio; the elegant Palermo neighborhood, the city's largest, with its beautiful parks and gardens; and a visit to world-famous La Recoleta Cemetery, the final resting place of Evita Perón (order of sightseeing may vary). Join us tonight for a welcome reception and dinner, followed by a traditional tango performance. **Meals D**

## DAY 2

### City sightseeing

Explore Buenos Aires today, including Plaza de Mayo, home to the neoclassical Catedral Metropolitana; the waterfront district of Puerto Madero on the Río de la Plata riverbank; the barrios (neighborhoods) of San Telmo, thought to be the birthplace of the tango, and colorful La Boca, reflecting the culture of its Italian settlers. Spend the remainder of the day at your leisure. **Meals BL**

## DAY 3

### Fly to Ushuaia / Embark ship

Rise early this morning for a flight to the alpine town of Ushuaia, gateway to Antarctica. Isolated from the Argentine mainland by water and mountains, Ushuaia (on the Tierra del Fuego Archipelago) is surrounded by a panorama of natural beauty, from lakes and bays to snow-capped peaks, forests and glaciers. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant; time permitting, explore the sights and steep streets as you please. Late this afternoon, embark your ship for your 10-night Antarctic cruise and join us for an onboard briefing from the captain and crew before dinner. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 4-5

### Crossing the Drake Passage

From the southern tip of South America to the Antarctic's South Shetland Islands, the Drake Passage has been navigated throughout the centuries by explorers and whalers in search of the mythical land once known as Terra Australis Incognita. As you sail these same waters, our team of onboard naturalists begins their presentations on Antarctica's wildlife, history and geography. Anticipation mounts as you approach the Antarctic Convergence, which is a continually moving zone that circles Antarctica – where cold Antarctic waters from the south meet warmer currents from the north. The Drake Passage is unpredictable with regards to weather, but the rewards upon arrival are endless. **Meals BLD**

## Voyage at a glance

### 10 Cruise Days aboard *Le Boréal / L'Austral*

Day	Destination
1	Arrive in Buenos Aires
2	Buenos Aires
3	Fly to Ushuaia / Embark ship
4,5	Drake Passage Crossing
6-10	Antarctic exploration
11,12	Drake Passage Crossing
13	Disembark Ushuaia / Fly to Buenos Aires Depart Buenos Aires

### Map Detail





Once part of a large equatorial land mass that broke off on its own about 180 million years ago – and today one of the most remote places on Earth – the great white continent of Antarctica astounds with glacial landscapes and wildlife. Cruising with Tauck provides the rare opportunity to view these natural wonders up-close, with experts who have spent a lifetime studying them. Travel ashore is by Zodiac, bringing you up close to the amazing wildlife.

Our two sister ships, *Le Boréal* and *L'Austral*, launched a new era of award-winning small ship cruising. Known for their elegance, personality, and eco-friendly technologies, they are designed for expeditionary cruising in Antarctica and enjoy the highest quality standards. Small is truly big aboard these ships with just 122 – 132 staterooms and suites, all with ocean views. Evenings are a mix of lectures, chats with the expedition team, and documentary films or perhaps just relaxing in the ship's lounge or library.



## ■ DAY 6-10

### Antarctic exploration

Your first sighting of the Antarctic Archipelago, where ice, sea, land, and sky effortlessly blend together into a single portrait of spectacular beauty, will be a lifelong memory. While cruising, the Antarctic weather determines your daily schedule so that each departure's itinerary will differ slightly from the others, but all typically include a visit to one site in the morning and a second site in the afternoon. Landings ashore are preceded by a naturalist's briefing, providing insights into the discoveries you will make at each site. The landings themselves are guided by our naturalists and lecturers. You'll explore the world of the fascinating (and highly entertaining) penguin, walking among them on the beaches while observing their rookeries and trails and treks into the sea for food.

Enjoy an opportunity to spot seals on ice floes and along the shore – you'll soon learn to identify the many different species of birds at sea and on land. Southern elephant seals, so named for their massive size and the trunk-like nose of the male, prefer to hang out in beach parties; look for them on rocky island shores. Conditions permitting, your captain will navigate the ship around the Lemaire Channel; here be on the lookout for humpback whales, always a breathtaking sight. There is a continual dramatic parade of icebergs and unique ice formations in the waters, deep blue, light blue, green, clear, and snow white. The formations materialize in an amazing variety of shapes and sizes, visible throughout the evening under a night sky and illuminated by a sun that appears never to completely set. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 11

### Drake Passage crossing

Your return trip through the Drake Passage affords quiet time for you to be able to reflect on the vast range of experiences that you have shared with your fellow cruisers. During your passage, onboard lectures continue to enrich your Antarctic experience. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 12

### Final day aboard ship

Cruise to Ushuaia through the Drake Passage for a final day enjoying the amenities aboard ship. This evening is a perfect time to toast your once-in-a-lifetime voyage. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 13

### Fly to Buenos Aires / Journey Home

Disembark ship this morning and fly from Ushuaia Airport to Buenos Aires for your flight home. *Tour ends: 6:00 PM at Buenos Aires Ezeiza International Airport.* Allow a minimum of three hours for your flight check-in. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day



*An expeditionary voyage to Antarctica is unlike any other; the ice is mesmerizing, ever-changing and a mix of colors and hues illuminated by the Austral sun; sightseeing during your two-night stay in Buenos Aires includes La Recoleta Cemetery.*

## Cruise with filmmaker Peter Bassett

January 22 and February 1 departures

Multi-award winning producer and wildlife filmmaker Peter Bassett, with a 20-year track record in natural history productions, shares insights during onboard presentations.



## 2025 DATES & PRICES

DOUBLE PRICE PER PERSON\*

All prices include on-tour air (2 flights) valued at \$1,000

Ponant's <i>Le Boréal / L'Austral</i>	Feb 7	Jan 12	Jan 22 Feb 1
<b>Superior Cabin</b> Deck 3	\$13,990	\$14,490	\$14,690
<b>Deluxe Cabin</b> Deck 3	\$14,890	\$15,390	\$15,590
<b>Prestige Cabin</b> Deck 4	\$15,490	\$15,990	\$16,190
<b>Prestige Cabin</b> Deck 5	\$15,690	\$16,190	\$16,390
<b>Prestige Cabin</b> Deck 6	\$15,990	\$16,490	\$16,690
<b>Deluxe Suite</b> Deck 6	\$21,590	\$22,090	\$22,290
<b>Prestige Suite</b> Deck 5	\$22,390	\$22,890	\$23,090
<b>Prestige Suite</b> Deck 6	\$23,390	\$23,890	\$24,090

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## 2025 PRICE INCLUSIONS

Land / Cruise price includes 34 meals (12 breakfasts, 11 lunches, 11 dinners), all Tauck private shore excursions, airport transfers as noted, service charges, applicable fuel surcharges, taxes and portage as well as cruise fare, port charges, entertainment and gratuities to Tauck Director and ship staff. Aboard ship, alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages are included throughout the day. A water-repellent, hooded parka is provided aboard ship by Tauck, yours to keep; boots will be provided for your use for the duration of the Antarctic cruise. On-tour air included (2 flights).

## 2025 PREMIER ACCOMMODATIONS

Night 1,2	<b>HILTON BUENOS AIRES</b>	Buenos Aires
Night 3-12	<b>ABOARD LE BORÉAL / L'AUSTRAL</b>	Cruising

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**Activity Level 3 / Pace Level 2**

# Alaska's Inside Passage

*Cruise through Alaska's legendary coastal waters... surrounded by some of the most dramatic and wildlife-rich scenery on Earth, a perfect combination introducing the natural and cultural history of the 49th state.*

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**10 DAYS FROM \$8,790**

Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

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## *Uniquely Tauck*

- A naturalist will be on board throughout your cruise; all-included shore excursions feature choices to personalize your cruise and explore Alaska your way, including opportunities to view Alaska's wildlife by land and sea
- On a special sea otter and wildlife cruise from Sitka, you'll search for sea otters, whales, sea lions, porpoises, harbor seals, brown bears, blacktail deer, bald eagles and a variety of marine birds from the boat's expansive topside observation deck
- Spend one night at a premier hotel in the heart of Vancouver with city sightseeing – and one night in Anchorage



*Mendenhall Glacier*

## DAY 1

### Arrive Vancouver

*Tour begins: 6:00 PM, Fairmont Waterfront.* A transfer is included from Vancouver International Airport to your hotel, Fairmont Waterfront Vancouver. We invite you to join us this evening for a welcome reception and dinner at your acclaimed hotel overlooking the scenic harbor. **Meals D**

## DAY 2

### See the sights of Vancouver / Embark ship

Sightseeing in Vancouver this morning includes Stanley Park, a 1,000 acre urban rainforest almost entirely surrounded by the waters of Vancouver Harbour and English Bay; historic Gastown; the Capilano Suspension Bridge in North Vancouver; and the Kitsilano neighborhood. After lunch, take in the best view of Vancouver from the top of Little Mountain at Queen Elizabeth Park before making your way to the cruise terminal to embark *Silver Moon* for the start of your 7-night cruise. **Meals BD**

## DAY 3

### British Columbia / Inside Passage Cruising

Spend a full day at sea aboard *Silver Moon* cruising the coastal landscapes of British Columbia and the Inside Passage, watching for whales, dolphins, and sea lions in the wildlife-rich waters while enjoying the many amenities aboard *Silver Moon*. Your Tauck Director shares insights and commentary at a presentation. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 4

### In and around Ketchikan

Dock in Ketchikan this morning for a choice of shore excursions. Discover more about the famed Dungeness crabs that reside in the bays and estuaries, including an opportunity to "pull them up" from the waters (with help from volunteers); do some eco-exploring that includes a guided nature hike, an opportunity to learn about bald eagles at an exhibit at the Alaska Raptor Center, and a visit to an exclusive reserve located in the forested mountains at rustic Herring Cove, a rainforest wildlife sanctuary visit; or, you can choose instead a kayak adventure\* to the Eagle Islands in Tongass Park. Set sail for Juneau late afternoon. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 5

### Juneau and a choice of sightseeing

The city of Juneau is the capital of Alaska, surrounded by an extraordinary backdrop of valleys cut from glaciers and snow-capped mountains, blanketed with lush forests. You'll have a choice of sightseeing today, from a tour of Mendenhall Glacier and Glacier Gardens to a whale watching and wildlife cruise or sea kayaking\* – enjoy a range of choices to explore by land or sea. **Meals BLD**

## Voyage at a glance

### 7 Cruise Days aboard *Silver Moon*

#### Vancouver to Anchorage

Day Destination

- 1 Arrive Vancouver
- 2 Vancouver / Embark ship
- 3 Cruising the Inside Passage
- 4 Ketchikan
- 5 Juneau
- 6 Skagway
- 7 Sitka
- 8 Cruising near Hubbard Glacier
- 9 Disembark Seward / Anchorage
- 10 Depart Anchorage

#### Anchorage to Vancouver

Day Destination

- 1 Arrive Anchorage
- 2 Embark Seward
- 3 Cruising near Hubbard Glacier
- 4 Juneau
- 5 Skagway
- 6 Sitka
- 7 Ketchikan
- 8 Cruising the Inside Passage
- 9 Disembark ship / Vancouver
- 10 Depart Vancouver

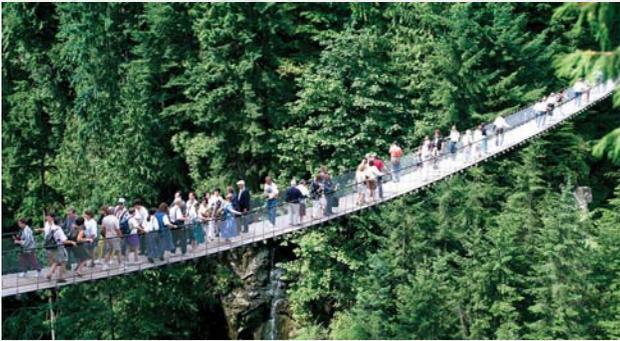
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### Iditarod Dogs' Summer Camp\* (Day 6)

Travel back in time to relive the spirit of the gold rush with an Iditarod Dog Musher and his team of Alaskan huskies at the Sled Dog Summer Camp where you are greeted by Iditarod Musher and their teams of Alaskan huskies who provide an in-depth look at what it's like to "mush."



### Capilano Suspension Bridge (Day 2)

Vancouver sightseeing includes an opportunity to traverse the popular Capilano Suspension Bridge – first constructed over 130 years ago. Your experience crossing the bridge provides you with an amazing introduction to the Pacific Northwest rainforest.



### Sea Otter & Wildlife Cruise (Day 7)

A cruise on the wildlife-rich waters off Sitka provides an opportunity to search for sea otters, whales, sea lions, porpoises, harbor seals, bald eagles and so much more – accompanied by an onboard naturalist who will explain the workings of this remarkable ecosystem.

### DAY 6

#### Skagway, a railway, and sled dogs

Arrive in the historic gold-rush era town of Skagway where you'll have a choice of three sightseeing excursions. Combine an antique streetcar tour with a classic round-trip excursion by vintage train to White Pass Summit; alternatively, visit the village where mushers train their dogs for dogsled races\* that includes an opportunity to meet the puppies – or embark on a Glacier Point Wilderness Safari\* where you'll explore by boat, canoe, and hiking. **Meals BLD**

### DAY 7

#### Sitka, rich in natural beauty

Meet the locals today, four-footed, finned and feathered, on a three-hour sea otter and wildlife cruise that views them up close in their natural habitat. Your onboard naturalist shares insights about the unique ecosystem at play here, including recovery efforts for the sea otters once near extinction at the hands of early Russian fur traders in the 1800s. Look for sea otters, whales, sea lions, porpoises, harbor seals, brown bears, deer, bald eagles and a variety of marine birds from the boat's expansive topside observation deck. **Meals BLD**

### DAY 8

#### Hubbard Glacier Cruising

You'll spend the day cruising to the spectacular site known as Hubbard Glacier, which is the largest glacier in North America. Set in Wrangall-St. Elias National Park, the massive glacier is dramatic, mesmerizing and historic – and provides many opportunities to witness calving, where ice chunks make a thunderous noise as they drop into the sea. **Meals BLD**

### DAY 9

#### Disembark in Seward / Anchorage

Disembark in Seward, your final port, and journey to Anchorage for a day of sightseeing that includes an opportunity to see much of the glacial wonderland known as the Kenai Peninsula. Visit the Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center, a sanctuary dedicated to preserving Alaska's wildlife through conservation, education, research, and quality animal care. Join us this evening for a farewell reception and dinner at your hotel. **Meals BLD**

### DAY 10

#### Journey Home

*Tour ends: Anchorage.* A transfer from The Hotel Captain Cook to Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport is included. You should allow at least 3 hours for check-in at the Anchorage airport. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day



Unique experiences lie around every bend of your Alaskan cruise, from cultural discoveries to learning about eagles or exploring the gateway to the Inside Passage, Ketchikan.

## 2025 DATES & PRICES

DOUBLE PRICE PER PERSON

Silversea's <i>Silver Moon</i>	May 28 Jun 4*, 11	Jun 18*, 25 Jul 2*, 9, 16*, 23, 30* Aug 6, 13*, 20
Vista Suite	\$ 8,790	\$ 8,990
Classic Veranda Suite	\$ 9,590	\$ 9,790
Superior Veranda Suite	\$ 9,790	\$ 9,990
Deluxe Veranda Suite	\$10,190	\$10,390
Silver Suite	\$13,790	\$13,990

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\*Indicates Anchorage to Vancouver southbound direction

## 2025 PRICE INCLUSIONS

Land / Cruise price includes 25 meals (9 breakfasts, 7 lunches, 9 dinners) on land and at sea, airport transfers as noted, service charges, applicable fuel surcharges, taxes and portage as well as Tauck shore excursions, cruise fare, port charges, entertainment and gratuities to Tauck Director and ship staff. Tauck's private shore excursions and distinctive inclusions valued at \$3,383. Aboard ship non-alcoholic and alcoholic beverages are included throughout the day.

## 2025 PREMIER ACCOMMODATIONS

Night 1	<b>FAIRMONT WATERFRONT, VANCOUVER</b>	Vancouver
Night 2-8	<b>ABOARD SILVER MOON</b>	Cruising
Night 9	<b>THE HOTEL CAPTAIN COOK</b>	Anchorage

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Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2



# Cruising the Great Lakes: Toronto to Chicago

Chicago

*Exploring sights scenically diverse and historically important, this Great Lakes cruise offers a unique window into places that chronicle American innovation and ingenuity, paying testimony to industrious inventions, architectural gems, natural wonders and musical genius along the way.*

12 DAYS FROM \$10,790  
Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

## *Uniquely Tauck*

- Spend seven nights aboard a Ponant Explorer ship cruising Lake Ontario, Lake Erie, Lake Huron and Lake Michigan with a transit of the Welland Canal
- Experience life along Lake Michigan on a jeep ride; visits to museums including the Hackley & Hume Historic House & Muskegon Heritage Museum of Business & Industry; or an excursion to Holland
- Take an architecturally inspired river cruise in Chicago, seeing works by Frank Lloyd Wright & others

## DAY 1

### Arrive Toronto

Tour begins: 5:00 PM, Fairmont Royal York or Four Seasons Hotel Toronto. A transfer is included from Lester B. Pearson International Airport to your choice of two premium hotels in the heart of downtown, Fairmont Royal York or Four Seasons Hotel Toronto. Join us for a special welcome dinner at Casa Loma, one of the only true castles in North America. **Meals D**

## DAY 2

### Toronto & Niagara Falls

Drive to Niagara Falls to experience the power of the falls up close by boat (rain poncho provided – you will get wet!). After lunch at Queen Victoria Place overlooking the falls, return to your hotel where the evening is free (sightseeing may alternate on days 2 and 3). **Meals BL**

## DAY 3

### A choice of sightseeing & embark ship

A choice of sightseeing excursions in Toronto today includes a visit to the Royal Ontario Museum, showcasing a collection of six million historic artifacts; a visit to the Ontario Art Gallery, housing 90,000 works of art from the first century to present day; or a visit to St. Lawrence Market & Distillery District. Embark *Le Champlain* this afternoon for your cruise on Lake Ontario and the Welland Canal. **Meals BD**

## DAY 4

### Transit the Welland Canal

Navigate the Welland Canal today, linking Lake Ontario to Lake Erie, for a full day cruise. The 27-mile canal is a marvel of engineering that allows ships to bypass the Niagara River and Niagara Falls. An onboard lecture on the canal and its history will be provided by an expert on the locks as you make your way to Lake Erie and on to Cleveland. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 5

### A day in Cleveland

Spend a day in Cleveland, Ohio, beginning with an early opening visit to the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame. After lunch, enjoy a panoramic drive through the city followed by free time to explore. Set sail for Detroit after dinner. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 6

### Detroit sights & The Henry Ford

Arrive in Detroit for a choice of activities. Take a guided tour of the Henry Ford Museum of American Innovation and Greenfield Village – schedule permitting – in Dearborn. Alternatively, choose a guided tour of Detroit's famous landmarks, including the Motown Museum. Enjoy live Motown music onboard during cocktail hour this evening and chart a course for Mackinac Island. **Meals BLD**

## Voyage at a glance

■ 7 Cruise Days aboard *Le Champlain*

### Toronto to Chicago

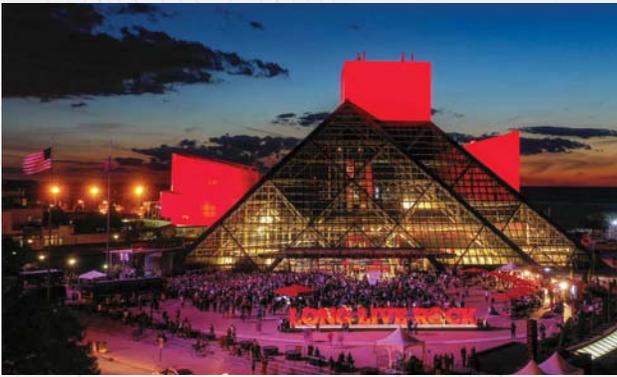
Day	Destination
1	Arrive Toronto
2	Toronto / Niagara Falls
■ 3	Toronto / Embark Ship
■ 4	Welland Canal / Lake Erie
■ 5	Cleveland
■ 6	Detroit / Dearborn
■ 7	Cruising Lake Huron
■ 8	Mackinac Island
■ 9	Muskegon
10	Disembark Milwaukee / Chicago
11	Chicago
12	Depart Chicago

### Chicago to Toronto

Day	Destination
1	Arrive Chicago
2	Chicago
■ 3	Chicago / Embark ship Milwaukee
■ 4	Muskegon
■ 5	Mackinac Island
■ 6	Cruising Lake Huron
■ 7	Detroit / Dearborn
■ 8	Cleveland
■ 9	Lake Erie / Welland Canal
10	Disembark Toronto / Niagara Falls
11	Toronto
12	Depart Toronto

### Map Detail





## Rock & Roll Hall of Fame

Explore the interactive exhibits and memorabilia of famous rock stars during a private early opening visit to Cleveland's Rock & Hall of Fame for Tauck only.



## Welland Canal Transit

Enjoy an informative transit through the engineering marvel that is the Welland Canal, connecting Lake Ontario to Lake Erie, with insights by an onboard expert.



## Casa Loma in Toronto

Toronto's treasured heritage castle, Casa Loma, is the site of Tauck's private welcome dinner that wows with exquisitely decorated rooms and European splendors.

### ■ DAY 7

## A day on Lake Huron

Spend the day sailing Lake Huron up the scenic east coast of Michigan toward the Mackinac Straits; enjoy onboard amenities as you cruise. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 8

## Timeless Mackinac Island

Step back in time on car-free Mackinac Island today, choosing from a carriage ride or a bicycle tour around the island. Visit 19th-century Fort Mackinac and have lunch at the iconic Grand Hotel. Enjoy dinner onboard tonight en route to Muskegon. **Meals BLD**

### ■ DAY 9

## Dunes, museums & Dutch treats in Muskegon

Disembark ship in Muskegon this morning for a choice of activities. Travel to Saugatuck for a jeep ride\* along the giant sand dunes; visit a choice of museums, including the USS LST 393 Veterans Museum, USS Silversides Submarine Museum or Hackley & Hume Historic House & Muskegon Heritage Museum of Business & Industry. Or explore Holland, settled by Dutch immigrants in the 19th century. Spend your last night aboard ship sailing to Milwaukee. **Meals BLD**

### DAY 10

## Disembark ship & drive to Chicago

Depart your ship in Milwaukee and drive to Chicago. Enjoy an architectural sightseeing cruise along the river with a docent from the Chicago Architecture Center, followed by a traditional deep-dish pizza lunch. Check in to your premier city-center hotel for a two-night stay. **Meals BL**

### DAY 11

## Art Institute or Millennium Park

A choice of sightseeing tours includes a guided visit to the Chicago Art Institute (schedule permitting); a tour that highlights sights from the World's Fair of 1893; or a guided walking tour of Millennium Park. We invite you to join us this evening for a farewell reception and dinner with musical entertainment at the Fairmont Millennium Park. **Meals BD**

### DAY 12

## Journey Home

*Tour ends: Chicago.* Fly home anytime. A transfer is included from Fairmont Chicago, Millennium Park or Four Seasons Hotel Chicago to O'Hare Airport, or Midway Airport. Allow three hours for flight check-in. **Meals B**

■ *Indicates Cruise Day*



From timeless views at the iconic Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island on Lake Huron to the sandy shores of Saugatuck Dunes State Park on Lake Michigan, a symphony of scenic delights abound on this Great Lakes cruise.



### Four Seasons Hotels, Chicago and Toronto

Your accommodations on land are at Fairmont Chicago, Millennium Park and Fairmont Royal York in Toronto; if you wish, you may choose to stay at Four Seasons hotels in Chicago and Toronto (additional cost per person below, subject to availability). Please ask at time of booking; go to [tauck.com](http://tauck.com) for details.

Double: \$500    Single: \$1,000    Triple: \$333

## 2025 DATES & PRICES

### DOUBLE PRICE PER PERSON

Ponant's <i>Le Champlain</i>		Aug 18, 25* Sep 1, 8*
 <b>Deluxe Stateroom</b> Deck 3		\$10,790
 <b>Prestige Stateroom</b> Deck 4		\$11,490
 <b>Prestige Stateroom</b> Deck 5		\$11,790
 <b>Prestige Stateroom</b> Deck 6		\$11,990
 <b>Deluxe Suite</b> Decks 3,4,5,6		\$13,790
 <b>Prestige Suite</b> Deck 5		\$16,790
 <b>Prestige Suite</b> Deck 6		\$17,290
 <b>Privilege Suite</b> Decks 5,6		\$17,790
 <b>Grand Deluxe Suite</b> Deck 6		\$19,290
 <b>Owner's Suite</b> Deck 5		\$22,790

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\*Indicates Chicago to Toronto eastbound direction

### 2025 PRICE INCLUSIONS

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## 2025 PREMIER ACCOMMODATIONS

Night 1,2	<b>FAIRMONT ROYAL YORK / FOUR SEASONS HOTEL, TORONTO</b>	Toronto
Night 3-9	<b>ABOARD LE CHAMPLAIN</b>	Cruising
Night 10,11	<b>FAIRMONT CHICAGO, MILLENNIUM PARK / FOUR SEASONS HOTEL CHICAGO</b>	Chicago

International Airfare is additional. Call Tauck for special rates on international air for travel originating in the US and Canada (subject to availability). Departures will be hosted by one Tauck Director for approximately every 40 guests. Travel East or West: go to [tauck.com](http://tauck.com) for eastbound itinerary or ask at booking. Shore Excursion Selection: Tauck will contact guests 90 days prior to departure to assist with shore excursion selections. Note: For all activities marked with an asterisk (\*), participation is at your own risk and requires a signed liability waiver to be provided. Certain exceptions may apply (will be advised at time of booking). Itinerary is subject to change. **Please go to General Information for additional information, including our Cruise Protection Plan and Activity / Pace details; see *Le Champlain* ship page for deck plans and specifications.**

Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

# Shores of Eastern Canada and New England

*Maritime traditions come to life on this small ship cruise between Quebec City and New York City, inviting you to experience multicultural coastal gems like the locals do.*

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13 DAYS FROM \$10,690

Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 3

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## *Uniquely Tauck*

- Indulge in a true Prince Edward Island tradition at a lobster bake *Ceillidh* in a private garden setting with local music
- Explore the “Cradle of Liberty” in Boston on a guided walk along the historic Freedom Trail with a local expert; a tour of the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum; or an excursion that explores Cape Ann and Boston’s North Shore
- In Newport, drive past the mansions of Ocean Drive, choosing to stop for a tour of The Breakers, built by Cornelius Vanderbilt, or a visit to the Marble House



*New York City*

## DAY 1

### Arrive New York City

*Tour begins: 6:00 PM, New York Marriott Marquis.* A transfer is included from La Guardia, John F. Kennedy International Airport, Newark Liberty International Airport or New York's Grand Central and Pennsylvania train stations to New York Marriott Marquis located in Times Square in the theater district. Join us this evening for a welcome dinner. **Meals D**

## DAY 2

### The streets of New York / Embark ship

Wake up this morning for a city sightseeing tour of New York City, taking in the iconic landmark sights of Lower Manhattan, South Street Seaport, the Empire State Building, Rockefeller Center, Central Park and St. Patrick's Cathedral. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant and afternoon sightseeing, before making your way to the city pier where your Silversea yacht awaits. Have dinner aboard ship tonight at your leisure as your ship charts a course for Newport tonight. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 3

### The gilded age in Newport

Your ship arrives in Newport this morning for a choice of included shore excursions. Drive along its gilded coast past ornate "cottages," and tour The Breakers, built by railroad magnate Cornelius Vanderbilt II. Or experience the 10 Mile Drive with a visit to the Marble House, followed by free time to enjoy the sights as you wish. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 4

### Boston, Your Way

Arrive in Boston for your choice of guided excursions. Enjoy a visit to the home of Isabella Stewart Gardner, now a museum housing art that the family collected. Or, embark on a panoramic drive through Boston's neighborhoods viewing landmark sites. Another choice is a walking tour that explores the Freedom Trail and includes Boston Common; the Old Granary Burying Ground; the 'old' Massachusetts' state house; Faneuil Hall, and Boston's North End where you will see Paul Revere's house and visit the Old North Church. Alternatively, drive to Cape Ann and Boston's North Shore to explore the fishing villages of Gloucester, Rockport and Manchester-by-the Sea. **Meals BD**

## DAY 5

### A day in Portland, Maine

Your choice of excursions in Portland today include a drive through historic neighborhoods and a visit to its oldest lighthouse on Cape Elizabeth; a birdwatching adventure along the waterfront; or a walking tour of the Old Port and a ride aboard a working lobster boat in Casco Bay. **Meals BLD**

## Voyage at a glance

- 10 Cruise Days aboard *Silver Shadow*

### New York City to Quebec City

Day Destination

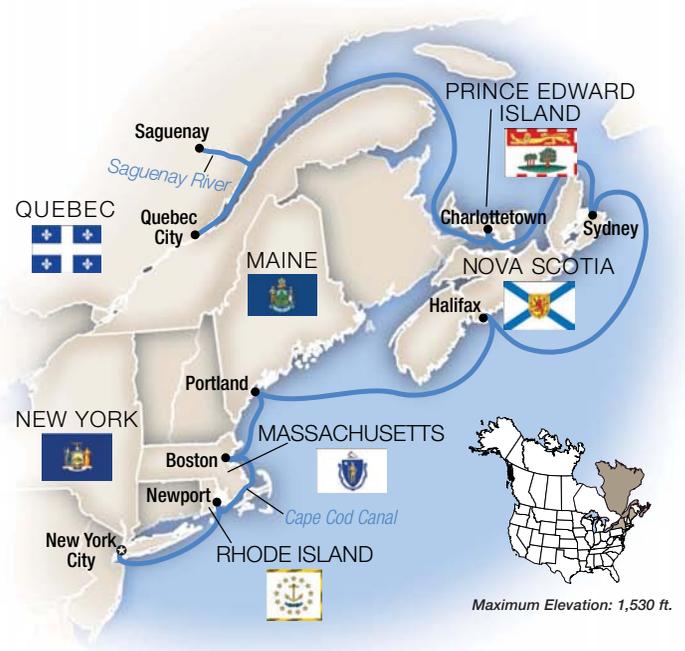
- 1 Arrive New York City
- 2 Embark New York City
- 3 Newport, RI
- 4 Boston, MA
- 5 Portland, ME
- 6 Day at Sea - Gulf of Maine
- 7 Halifax, NS
- 8 Day at Sea - Cabot Strait
- 9 Charlottetown, PEI
- 10 Day at Sea / Gulf of St. Lawrence
- 11 Saguenay, QC
- 12 Disembark Quebec City
- 13 Depart Quebec City

### Quebec City to New York City

Day Destination

- 1 Arrive Quebec City
- 2 Embark Quebec
- 3 Saguenay, QC
- 4 Day at Sea / Gulf of St. Lawrence
- 5 Charlottetown, PEI
- 6 Day at Sea / Cabot Strait
- 7 Halifax, NS
- 8 Day at Sea / Gulf of Maine
- 9 Portland, ME
- 10 Boston, ME
- 11 Newport, RI
- 12 Disembark New York City
- 13 Depart New York City

### Map Detail



## ■ DAY 6

### Spend a day at sea cruising to Halifax

Spend a relaxing day at sea onboard your elegant small ship as you chart a course along the Atlantic seaboard to Canada's scenic Maritime Provinces and the capital city of Halifax, Nova Scotia. You'll have onboard enrichment activities to choose from, including lectures. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 7

### Historic Halifax or Fishing Villages

Spend a relaxing morning at sea before arriving in Halifax. Join us for a full day tour to pretty Peggy's Cove and the fishing village of Lunenburg, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, renowned for its 19th-century wooden homes, or embark on a sightseeing drive that stops at landmark sites in Halifax, before time to explore as you wish. Your ship leaves for Prince Edward Island late afternoon. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 8

### A day at sea

Spend the entire day at sea, cruising the Cabot Strait. Once a strategic shipping waterway, the scenery is visually stunning and historically rich; it figures prominently in both Canada's history and the story of Newfoundland. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 9

### Storybook Sights in Charlottetown

Disembark in Charlottetown today and drive to Prince Edward Island National Park to view sand dunes, salt marshes, remnants of an Acadian forest, beaches and sandstone cliffs. Experience a traditional lobster bake *Ceillidh* for lunch in a garden setting, a genuine Down East treat that is made more memorable with local musical entertainment. Continue to the literary landscapes that charmed readers in the book *Anne of Green Gables*, and visit the house and grounds of this storied setting. Return to the ship and set sail for Saguenay Fjord during dinner onboard this evening. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 10

### Nature Rules on a Day at Sea

Cruise the Gulf of St. Lawrence today as your all-suite ship charts a course for Saguenay River in Quebec. Relax onboard amidst scenic vistas of the Gulf. Discovered by Jacques Cartier in 1534, it is lined with national parks, rich with fish, and connected to a variety of rivers and bays. Dine aboard as you wish in any of the ship's fine dining venues, including La Terrazza, The Grill and The Restaurant; enjoy the ship's spa and fitness center; and take in views of the passing scenery from the pool or outside decks. **Meals BLD**

## Fairmont Le Château Frontenac

Reigning over the walled city of Old Quebec with views of the St. Lawrence River, Fairmont Le Château Frontenac is a National Historic Site of Canada with a legacy of hospitality that dates back to 1892. A recipient of the "Global Hotel of the Year" Award from the prestigious World Luxury Awards, the hotel welcomes with a superb fitness and aquatic center, European-style guest rooms, and a restorative spa.

## ■ DAY 11

### Saguenay River

Spend the morning cruising the scenic Rivière Saguenay and Canada's Saguenay Fjords National Park. Disembark for a scenic drive through the tiny hamlet of La Baie, first settled in 1838, and a visit to the interactive Fjord Museum. See the Little White House before stopping at the Pulp Mill of Chicoutimi, a National Historic Site. Or, drive into Saguenay National Park for a guided nature walk\* with a local guide or an opportunity to explore the park as you wish. Alternatively, join us for a sea kayaking\* excursion in Saguenay Fjord, enjoyable for all abilities. Enjoy dinner this evening at leisure as you set sail for Quebec City. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 12

### Bonjour Quebec

Disembark ship for a sightseeing drive of Quebec City that sees La Citadelle, the Parc des Champs-de-Bataille and the Grande-Allée before venturing to Montmorency Falls. Enjoy time at leisure in Old Quebec where 17th- and 18th-century buildings line its charming cobbled squares. Spend the night at the majestic Le Château Frontenac, and join us for a farewell reception and dinner tonight. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 13

### Journey Home

*Tour ends: Quebec City.* Fly home anytime. Hotel check-out is 12:00 PM. A transfer is included to Quebec City Jean Lesage International Airport or Quebec City train station. Allow a minimum of two hours for flight check-in. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day



Experience an authentic look at daily life in Canada, from an overnight stay in Quebec City to a traditional lobster bake on Prince Edward Island and a day exploring historic Halifax.

## 2025 DATES & PRICES

DOUBLE PRICE PER PERSON

Silversea's <i>Silver Shadow</i>	Oct 27*	Oct 15	Sep 1, 23
Vista Suite	\$ 10,690	\$ 10,990	\$ 11,690
Classic Veranda Suite	\$ 12,290	\$ 12,590	\$ 13,290
Superior Veranda Suite	\$ 12,590	\$ 12,890	\$ 13,590
Deluxe Veranda Suite	\$ 13,290	\$ 13,590	\$ 14,290
Silver Suite	\$ 20,790	\$ 21,090	\$ 21,790

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\*Indicates Quebec City to New York City southbound direction

## 2025 PRICE INCLUSIONS

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## 2025 PREMIER ACCOMMODATIONS

Night 1	<b>NEW YORK MARRIOTT MARQUIS</b>	New York City
Night 2-11	<b>ABOARD SILVER SHADOW</b>	Cruising
Night 12	<b>FAIRMONT LE CHÂTEAU FRONTENAC</b>	Quebec City

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Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 3



# The Panama Canal & Costa Rica

*San Blas Islands*

*Where oceans meet... and you transit the mighty waterway exploring remarkable coastal treasures of Panama and neighboring Costa Rica. Discover exotic wildlife, tropical rainforests, secluded beaches, majestic waterfalls, centuries-old cultures and man-made wonders.*

12 DAYS FROM \$8,990  
Activity Level 3 / Pace Level 2

## *Uniquely Tauck*

- Enjoy a full daylight transit of the Panama Canal with expert insights from a local canal guide as you experience one of the most acclaimed engineering marvels of the 20th century
- Spend two nights in San José where your discoveries include a museum of gold and the secrets of brewing renowned Costa Rican coffee
- Visit the Emberá people of the Darien region, and learn about cultural traditions

## DAY 1

### Arrive San José

*Tour begins: 6:00 PM, Costa Rica Marriott Hotel San José or InterContinental Costa Rica at Multiplaza Mall.* A transfer is included from Juan Santamaria International Airport to Costa Rica Marriott Hotel San José or InterContinental Costa Rica at Multiplaza Mall. We invite you to join us for a welcome reception and dinner at your hotel. **Meals D**

## DAY 2

### San José gold & artisans in Sarchi

San José city sightseeing today includes visits to the Baroque-style, 19th-century National Theatre, a grand symbol of civic pride dating back to 1897 – its interior glistens with Baroque gold overlays and Carrara marble – and the Gold Museum, which houses pre-Columbian works of gold crafted by indigenous islanders. After lunch at a local restaurant, visit Sarchi, an artisans' hamlet outside of San José where workshops display the traditional painted carretas (ox carts) and other handmade products bearing the colorful starburst designs that have become a symbol of Costa Rica. After returning to the hotel, the afternoon and evening are free to spend as you wish in San José. **Meals BL**

## DAY 3

### Waterfalls, wildlife & embark ship

Visit the Doka Coffee Plantation, located on the fertile slopes of Alajuela's Poás Volcano. Learn how the beans are produced and roasted and how different microclimates affect the taste. Have lunch at La Paz Waterfall Gardens, a private rainforest eco-park and wildlife refuge; this protected reserve is home to 100+ species of wildlife, including toucans, butterflies, spider monkeys, two-toed sloths and red-eyed leaf frogs. Embark your ship late this afternoon in Puntarenas for the start of your cruise. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 4

### A choice of excursions at Punta Leona

Your ship arrives at Punta Leona for a choice of shore excursions; take a walking tour in Carara National Park with a local naturalist guide, after which you'll cross the crystal waters of Tarcolitos River on a tractor-drawn wagon. Alternatively, choose a more active walk in the park, followed by a mangrove cruise. A third choice features a visit to Tropical Forest Sky Walk near the boundary of Carara Biological Reserve, for a hike across suspended cable bridges skimming the top of the rainforest. Your guide will point out species of birds, monkeys, butterflies and other mammals that you may encounter. Your final option is a short walk through Carara National Park followed by a cruise through the mangroves, learning about the local animal, floral and fauna species that live and thrive here. **Meals BLD**

## Voyage at a glance

### 7 Cruise Days aboard *Le Bellot*

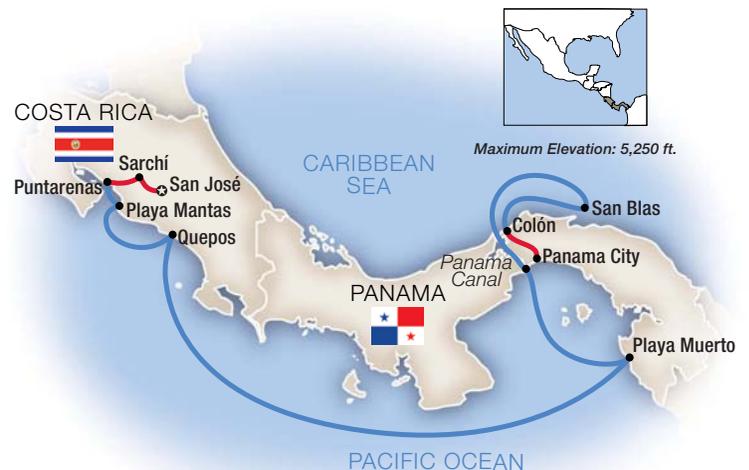
#### San José to Panama City

Day	Destination
1	Arrive San José
2	San José / Sarchí
3	San José, La Paz Waterfall Gardens / Embark Puntarenas
4	Punta Leona
5	Quepos
6	Day at Sea
7	Playa del Muerto / The Darién
8	Transit of the Panama Canal
9	San Blas Islands
10	Disembark Colón / Gamboa Rainforest Resort / Panama City
11	Panama City, Casco Viejo
12	Depart Panama City

#### Panama City to San José

Day	Destination
1	Arrive Panama City
2	Panama City, Caso Viejo
3	Gamboa / Rainforest Resort / Embark Colón
4	San Blas Islands
5	Transit of the Panama Canal
6	Playa del Muerto / The Darién
7	Day at Sea
8	Quepos
9	Punta Leona
10	Disembark Puntarenas / Sarchi / Panama City
11	San José, La Paz Waterfall Gardens
12	Depart San José

#### Map Detail



## ■ DAY 5

### Adventures at Quepos

Call on the city of Quepos this morning, a perfect jumping off point for a day of activities in Costa Rica's eco-wonderland. Your day is rich with excursions, as you'll have a choice of activities in both the morning and the afternoon. Shore excursions today include: a scenic drive through Quepos and a stop at Espadilla Beach; a horseback ride through a mountain forest; a cruise through the Central American mangroves; an active hike through the rainforest; a nature walk through Rainmaker Conservation Park; a walking tour of Manuel Antonio National Park; and an exciting river float trip\* on the Savegre River. Back aboard the ship, enjoy dinner at your leisure tonight as your ship sets sail, bound for the Pacific Ocean. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 6

### A day at sea on the Pacific

Enjoy a relaxing day at sea, bound for the remote Darien region of Panama. Take advantage of your ship amenities that include a spa and fitness center, a pool, a movie theater, and more. Keep your eyes peeled for wildlife; activities include a presentation by your Tauck Director. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 7

### The Emberá people of the Darien

Explore the remote Darien region today, landing ashore by Zodiac. Visit an indigenous community of the Emberá people, whose lifestyle remains largely unaffected by modern times. Meet the locals, watch them perform traditional dances, and see their wood or vegetable ivory carvings. Return to the ship and enjoy a naturalist lecture this afternoon. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 8

### Transiting the Panama Canal

This morning, your ship begins to position for her daytime transit of the Panama Canal. A canal pilot will come aboard to help guide the ship under the Bridge of the Americas, through Miraflores and Pedro Miguel locks, into the narrow Gaillard Cut and into Gatún Lake, before finally clearing the Gatún Locks on the Atlantic side of the isthmus. Enjoy insights and commentary during your transit. **Meals BLD**

## ■ DAY 9

### The Guna people of the San Blas Islands

Arrive in the archipelago of San Blas today to visit a Guna village; view the elaborately embroidered, colorful molas they make here. Spend a leisurely afternoon swimming and snorkeling before returning by Zodiac to your ship. Join us for the Captain's farewell dinner tonight. **Meals BLD**

## Transiting the Panama Canal

When the Panama Canal first opened in 1914, some enthusiasts called it one of the "seven wonders of the world"; before it was finished, ships had to sail 13,000 miles around the tip of South America. Over a century later, you'll join the special ranks of travelers who traverse the entire length of the canal. A daylight crossing aboard a small ship like *Le Bellot* makes the experience an even more memorable one.

## DAY 10

### Gamboa Rainforest & crossing the Isthmus

Disembark the ship in Colón this morning. Visit the Agua Clara locks, before driving to the Gamboa Rainforest Resort for an aerial tram ride with a naturalist, or a boat cruise along waterways leading to hidden islands. After lunch, continue across the isthmus to your Panama City hotel, where the remainder of the day is free to enjoy as you wish. **Meals BL**

## DAY 11

### Exploring Panama City

Begin today's exploration of Panama City in its key historic district, Casco Viejo; a walking tour will show you this walled cobblestoned city, built in the 1670s at the foot of Ancon Hill to provide safety from attack. The area is a gem of Spanish colonial architecture in various stages of redevelopment, and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Tour the former Canal Zone, driving through Ancon Hill, and visit the Biomuseo, the Panama City biodiversity museum designed by renowned architect Frank Gehry. Join us this evening for a final farewell reception and dinner. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 12

### Fly to Panama City / Journey Home

*Tour ends: Panama City.* A transfer from Hilton Panama or JW Marriott Panama to Tocumen International Airport is included. Please allow at least three hours for flight check-in. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day



Visit Playa del Muerto, a remote Darien region of Panama to meet the unique people and learn about traditional dances, their daily life in the village, and how they make Tagua, a vegetable ivory carving.

## Cruise with filmmaker Tim Martin

January 11 & 18

Travel with award-winning wildlife filmmaker Tim Martin, who shares expert insights about the wildlife and natural wonders of Costa Rica and Panama (select departures). Ask at booking for details.



## 2025 DATES & PRICES

DOUBLE PRICE PER PERSON

Ponant's <i>Le Bellot</i>	Jan 25	Jan 11, 18*
 <b>Deluxe Stateroom</b> Deck 3	\$ 8,990	\$ 9,390
 <b>Prestige Stateroom</b> Deck 4	\$ 9,690	\$10,090
 <b>Prestige Stateroom</b> Deck 5	\$ 9,990	\$10,390
 <b>Prestige Stateroom</b> Deck 6	\$ 10,190	\$10,590
 <b>Deluxe Suite</b> Decks 3,4,5,6	\$ 11,990	\$12,390
 <b>Prestige Suite</b> Deck 5	\$14,990	\$15,390
 <b>Prestige Suite</b> Deck 6	\$15,490	\$15,890
 <b>Privilege Suite</b> Decks 5,6	\$15,990	\$16,390
 <b>Grand Deluxe Suite</b> Deck 6	\$ 17,490	\$ 17,890
 <b>Owner's Suite</b> Deck 5	\$19,490	\$19,890

Please visit [tauck.com](http://tauck.com) for Single and Triple pricing.

\*Indicates Panama City to San José westbound direction

## 2025 PRICE INCLUSIONS

Land / cruise price includes 30 meals (11 Breakfasts, 10 Lunches & 9 Dinners), on land and at sea, all Tauck private shore excursions, airport transfers as noted, service charges, applicable fuel surcharges, taxes and portage as well as cruise fare, port charges, entertainment and gratuities to Tauck Director and ship staff. Tauck's private shore excursions and distinctive inclusions valued at \$3,407. Aboard ship, alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages are included throughout the day.

## 2025 PREMIER ACCOMMODATIONS

Night 1,2	<b>INTERCONTINENTAL COSTA RICA AT MULTIPLAZA MALL / COSTA RICA MARRIOTT HOTEL SAN JOSÉ</b>	San José
Night 3-9	<b>ABOARD LE BELLOT</b>	Cruising
Night 10,11	<b>HILTON PANAMA / JW MARRIOTT PANAMA</b>	Panama City

International Airfare is additional; call Tauck for special rates on international air for travel originating in the US and Canada (subject to availability). For activities marked with an asterisk (\*), participation is at your own risk; a signed liability waiver will be required. Tauck will contact guests 90 days prior to departure to assist with shore excursion selections. Itinerary is subject to change. **Please go to General Information for additional information, including our Cruise Protection Plan and Activity / Pace details; see *Le Bellot* ship page for deck plans and specifications.**

**Activity Level 3 / Pace Level 2**

# Cruising the Galápagos Islands

*Voyage to equatorial islands on a six-night cruise for unforgettable encounters with wildlife unseen anywhere else in the world, with up-close views of blue footed boobies, iguanas, penguins and more.*

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9 DAYS FROM \$9,190

Activity Level 3 / Pace Level 2

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## *Uniquely Tauck*

- Discover wildlife found nowhere else in the world as you cruise to remote tropical islands near the Equator with onboard naturalists who share expert insights at sea and on guided hikes ashore
- Learn about indigenous species like the endangered giant Galápagos tortoise which can live up to 100 years, during your cruise through the islands of the Galápagos archipelago
- Explore the coastline of the archipelago's youngest ecosystem and visit magical Punta Mangle on Fernandina Island, a pristine world of tiny bays, tall mangroves and tranquil coves where diminutive endemic Galápagos penguins thrive



*San Cristóbal Island*

## DAY 1

### Arrive Guayaquil

*Tour begins: Hotel Wyndham Guayaquil.* A transfer is included from Guayaquil's José Joaquín de Olmedo International Airport to Hotel Wyndham Guayaquil. Most flights arrive late in the day.

## DAY 2

### Fly to Baltra / Embark *Isabela II*

Fly to Baltra Island and embark your ship. A briefing by the captain and crew informs you about your cruise.\* Take a panga (Zodiac-style raft) for a wet landing on a white sand beach this afternoon where green sea turtles nest. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 3

### San Cristóbal Island

Disembark your ship on San Cristóbal Island; one of the oldest in the archipelago. Visit Punta Pitt on the eastern tip of the island and look for the abundant wildlife, including different species of boobies, two frigatebird species and a colony of bachelor sea lions on a guided walk with a naturalist. Enjoy free time for swimming, kayaking\* and snorkeling (conditions permitting). Drive to the island's southern shore to explore the forest at Cerro Colorado where the San Cristóbal mockingbirds and endemic San Cristóbal Lava Lizards can often be seen. Enjoy dinner aboard the ship at your leisure tonight **Meals BLD**

## DAY 4

### Discovering Española Island

Get set for a wet landing as you ride a panga to Gardner Bay on Española Island for a guided walk on a white coral beach. Observe sea lions, mockingbirds and finches or enjoy the beach with an opportunity to go snorkeling, kayaking or riding on a glass-bottom boat. This afternoon visit Punta Suarez for a trail walk across lava terrain. Sights include unique sea birds, marine iguanas, colorful and large, and the island's famous blow hole. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 5

### Flamingos & an island post office

Disembark on the green-tinged, olivine-crystal beaches on the island of Floreana, the southernmost island in the Galápagos Archipelago, for an easy walk to a flamingo-filled lagoon. Cross to the other side for a hike to the white sand beach where turtles come out at night to nest. Choose to snorkel, explore by panga or look for underwater life on a glass-bottom boat. After lunch aboard ship, visit Post Office Bay to see the historic barrel that served as an island post office for over two centuries. If you wish, snorkel off the beach before returning to your expedition ship. **Meals BD**

## Voyage at a glance

### 6 Cruise Days aboard *Isabela II*

#### Day Destination

- 1 Arrive Guayaquil
- 2 Fly to Baltra Island / Embark *Isabela II*
- 3 San Cristóbal Island
- 4 Española Island
- 5 Floreana Island
- 6 Isabela Island & Fernandina Island
- 7 Santa Cruz Island & North Seymour
- 8 Disembark Baltra / Guayaquil
- 9 Depart Guayaquil

#### Map Detail



*Learn about species found nowhere else on Earth from Tauck's naturalist guides. Undisturbed by human visitors, many of these locals are friendly, inquisitive and remarkably tame. Welcome to their world.*

Hunted almost to extinction, the Giant Galápagos Tortoise is one of the most ancient and rarest of reptiles. They can live more than a century, enjoying a diet of cacti, grasses, lichens, and berries.



Stilt-legged flamingos live in the salt-water lagoons of lava fields. They can only eat with their head upside down and rest standing on one leg. They have good hearing, but little sense of smell and define elegance.



Beyond cute, Galápagos fur seal pups fortunately have no constant predators. Protected from poachers by law since 1959, they spend most of the day on the rocky shores, sunning and "smiling" for visitors.



Their brilliant blue feet are giveaways as you look for the boobies. The males put on an ostentatious courtship show with their feet in hopes of attracting an interested lady friend.



Sally Lightfoot Crabs are entertaining and just about everywhere in the rocks above the sea spray, feeding on algae or plant matter. Quick and agile, they are hard to catch but are easily photographed.



## ■ DAY 6

### Isabela & Fernandina Islands

In the 1950s, geological activity on Isabela Island caused a mass of land to lift up some 15 ft., leaving the coastline pushed further out to sea and the underwater marine life stranded ashore. After a wet landing at Punta Moreno, join us for a walk along the rugged trails of the island, a perfect opportunity to view the unique lava formations, lava cacti, scalesia trees and of course, the abundance of wildlife that calls this place home; such as Galápagos penguins, sea lions, herons, marine iguanas, brown pelicans and Sally Lightfoot crabs. After lunch aboard the ship, board a panga for an adventure along the coastline of Punta Mangle on Fernandina Island, the archipelago's youngest ecosystem. Filled with tiny bays, tall mangroves and tranquil coves, stay on the lookout for the Galápagos penguins and green-eyed flightless cormorants or sea turtles and rays gliding beneath the ocean surface. **Meals BL**

## ■ DAY 7

### Eden Islet & North Seymour Island

This morning, board a panga for a wet landing on Eden Islet. Located off the coast of Santa Cruz Island, this small island (less than 2,000 square feet) is the perfect place to observe blue-footed boobies, reef sharks and frigatebirds. Explore North Seymour Island this afternoon to see one of the archipelago's hidden gems. Disembark for a walk along the interior of the island, passing by nesting frigatebirds and witness the males display their vibrant, balloon-like red gular sacs to attract the lady birds. Or, cruise along the coast by panga, where you can be on the lookout for fur seals and other wildlife. Join us this evening for farewell cocktails aboard ship as you cruise to Baltra. **Meals BD**

## DAY 8

### Disembark Baltra / Fly to Guayaquil

Disembark *Isabela II* on Baltra for your return flight to Guayaquil and a late afternoon arrival at the Wyndham Guayaquil. Join us tonight for our farewell cocktail party followed by dinner at the hotel. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 9

### Journey Home

*Tour ends: Guayaquil.* Fly home anytime. A transfer from Wyndham Guayaquil to José Joaquín de Olmedo International Airport is included. Allow a minimum of three hours for flight check-in at the airport. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day



Discoveries in the Galápagos are endless; kayaking allows great opportunities to see marine iguanas swimming to shore, or red-footed boobies flying overhead; on leisurely hikes across volcanic rock, you may come across the unique species of lava cactus.

## 2025 DATES & PRICES

DOUBLE PRICE PER PERSON

All prices include on-tour air (2 flights) valued at \$500

<i>Isabela II</i>	Jan 9, 23 Feb 6, 20	Mar 6 Jul 10 Dec 11
Category C - Cabin Deck	\$ 9,590	\$ 9,190
Category B - Cabin Deck	\$ 9,690	\$ 9,290
Category A (Master Suite) - Main Deck	\$ 9,890	\$ 9,490

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## 2025 PRICE INCLUSIONS

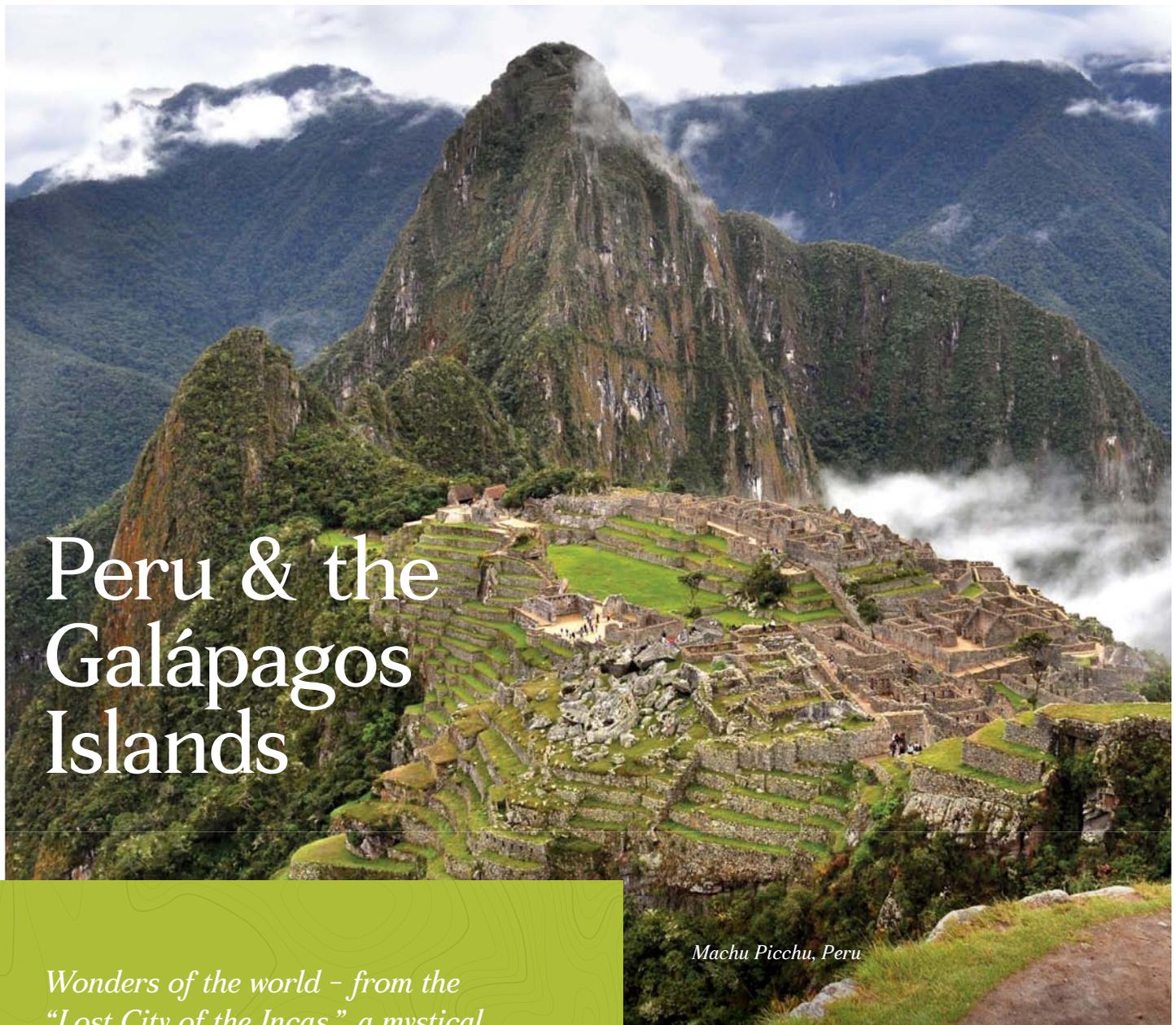
Land / cruise price includes 21 meals (8 Breakfasts, 6 Lunches & 7 Dinners), Galápagos National Park entrance fee, cruise fare, port charges, applicable fuel surcharges, private Tauck shore excursions with naturalists, daily cocktail hour, all-day soft drinks, wine with dinner on *Isabela II*, airport transfers upon arrival and departure as noted, all gratuities to Tauck Director, naturalists and ship staff. On-tour air included (2 flights).

## 2025 PREMIER ACCOMMODATIONS

Night 1-8	<b>WYNDHAM GUAYAQUIL</b>	Guayaquil, Ecuador
Night 2-7	<b>ABOARD ISABELA II</b>	Galápagos Cruising

International Airfare is additional. Triples are not available aboard ship. This is an active journey requiring a fair amount of walking, often on uneven terrain; touring in hot and humid weather can be strenuous and challenging. Daily shore excursions will include wet and dry landings on diverse Galápagos islands. Itinerary is subject to change due to wildlife encounters, atmospheric conditions and Galápagos National Park directives. For activities marked with an asterisk (\*), participation is at your own risk and a signed liability waiver will be required. Certain exceptions may apply (will be advised at time of booking). Itinerary is subject to change. **Please go to General Information for additional information, including our Cruise Protection Plan and Activity / Pace details; visit [tauck.com](http://tauck.com) for *Isabela II* deck plans and specifications.**

**Activity Level 3 / Pace Level 2**



# Peru & the Galápagos Islands

*Machu Picchu, Peru*

*Wonders of the world – from the “Lost City of the Incas,” a mystical kingdom and man-made villages of Machu Picchu in Peru, to the most unique wildlife in the world that call the Galápagos Islands home – your journey by land and expeditionary cruise is truly unlike any other.*

15 DAYS FROM \$14,090  
Activity Level 3 / Pace Level 2

## *Uniquely Tauck*

- A scenic train ride to see the ancient Incan citadel at Machu Picchu, steps from your mountain lodge
- Immerse in Cusco traditions during a Peruvian Paso (horse) performance, and with a choice to visit a local village or Cusco's South Valley
- Visit a llama and alpaca farm to learn about the art of Peruvian weaving using their wool
- Explore lava landscapes with expert naturalist guides and meet the unique wildlife living there



## DAY 6

### Your choice in Cusco

Sightseeing choices today include a tour of the city of Cusco and the Korikancha Temple, a walk along the main square, Plaza de Armas, and visits to the cathedral and San Pedro Market with lunch afterwards; or travel to the highlands to visit the Chinchero village and Misminay community for lunch. Everyone has the rest of the day free. **Meals BL**

## DAY 7

### Fly to Guayaquil

Fly to Guayaquil today for an overnight stay in preparation for tomorrow's flight to the Galápagos Islands and the beginning of your expeditionary cruise. **Meals BD**

## DAY 8

### Cruising begins in the Galápagos

Fly to Baltra to board *Isabela II* for the start of your Galápagos cruise. Ride a panga to a beach on Santa Cruz Island for your first shore excursion, where you may see myriad sea birds, from stilts to flamingos. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 9

### San Cristóbal Island

Visit Punta Pitt for a walk that rewards with spectacular views and colonies of boobies, frigatebirds and bachelor sea lions. After a shipboard lunch, explore San Cristóbal this afternoon, where abundant bird species are found. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 10

### Española Island

Cruise ashore by panga for wildlife discoveries on Española Island. Observe sea lions sunning on the island's white coral beach on a morning walk at Gardner Bay and hike on lava terrain at Punta Suarez where unique sea bird colonies include waved albatross, boobies, and swallow-tail gulls. See the famous blow hole and colorful, super-sized marine iguanas before returning to your ship for dinner. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 11

### Gems of Floreana Island

Discover flocks of coral-colored stilt-legged flamingos near a brackish lagoon on Floreana Island this morning. Go boating or snorkeling at Champion Islet and take a naturalist-led walk to see the historic postal barrel at Post Office Bay, used by visitors for over 200 years. **Meals BLD**

## Peruvian Paso Horse Shows

The Peruvian horse is a breed known for its smooth ride and easy-going nature, and despite its name it descends directly from Spanish horses brought to Peru by conquistadores. When you visit Cusco, you'll get to experience a show for yourself and see how graceful and high-spirited these majestic animals are. The most upheld principal amongst breeders is these talented horses are born not trained.

## DAY 12

### Explore Isabela & Fernandina

Join your guide for a walk on a rugged trail lined by unique lava formations, pioneer lava cactus and scalesia trees as you meet the locals of Isabela Island, including Galápagos penguins, flightless cormorants, brown pelicans, sea lions and more. Board pangas bound for Fernandina to explore a pristine place not frequented by visitors; at Punta Mangle, penguins, rays and sea turtles thrive. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 13

### Santa Cruz & North Seymour

Your last day in the Galápagos unfolds with a panga ride and snorkeling at Eden Islet, located in a volcanic setting off the coast of Santa Cruz, where blue-footed boobies are often observed. This afternoon, in-depth exploration of North Seymour Island includes a walk along the coast and interior of the island, ambling between nesting frigatebirds, land iguanas and sea lion colonies, as well as an opportunity for a panga ride and snorkeling where fur seals can often be seen. Back aboard ship, join us for a farewell cocktail, toasting the memories you made on this cruise. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 14

### Fly to Guayaquil

Your Galápagos journey ends; disembark the ship in Baltra and fly to Guayaquil on the mainland. Join us this evening for a farewell reception and dinner at your hotel. **Meals BD**

## DAY 15

### Journey Home

*Tour ends: Guayaquil.* A transfer is included from Oro Verde Guayaquil to José Joaquín de Olmedo International Airport. Allow three hours for flight check-in at the airport. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day



When you visit San Pedro Market in Cusco, you'll have the chance to meet locals and see their colorful hand-woven goods. Then, as you sail the Galápagos, view unique wildlife – from blue-footed birds to penguins, iguanas, and more.

## 2025 DATES & PRICES

DOUBLE PRICE PER PERSON

All prices include on-tour air (5 flights) valued at \$1,000

Metropolitan's <i>Isabela II</i>	Sep 12, 26 Oct 10	Mar 28 Apr 11, 25 May 9 Jun 20
<b>Category C (Limited)</b> Cabin Deck, double bed (120 sq. ft.)	\$ 14,090	\$ 14,490
<b>Category B</b> Cabin Deck, twin or double bed (142 sq. ft.)	\$ 14,290	\$ 14,690
<b>Category A (Master Suite)</b> Main Deck, double bed (166 sq. ft.)	\$ 14,490	\$ 14,890

Please visit [tauck.com](http://tauck.com) for Single pricing.

## 2025 PRICE INCLUSIONS

Land / cruise price includes 36 meals (14 Breakfasts, 10 Lunches & 12 Dinners), private Tauck shore excursions with naturalists; Galápagos National Park entrance fee; cruise fare; port charges; airport transfers upon arrival and departure as noted; applicable fuel surcharges; daily cocktail hour, all-day soft drinks, wine with dinner on *Isabela II*; departure tax; all gratuities to Tauck Director, naturalists and ship staff. On-tour air included (5 flights).

## 2025 PREMIER ACCOMMODATIONS

Night 1,2	<b>MIRAFLORES PARK, A BELMOND HOTEL</b>	Lima, Peru
Night 3	<b>TAMBO DEL INKA</b>	Sacred Valley, Peru
Night 4	<b>SANCTUARY LODGE, A BELMOND HOTEL</b>	Machu Picchu, Peru
Night 5,6	<b>MONASTERIO, A BELMOND HOTEL</b>	Cusco, Peru
Night 7	<b>ORO VERDE GUAYAQUIL</b>	Guayaquil, Ecuador
Night 8–13	<b>ABOARD ISABELA II</b>	Galápagos, Ecuador
Night 14	<b>ORO VERDE GUAYAQUIL</b>	Guayaquil, Ecuador

International Airfare is additional; call Tauck for special rates on international air for travel originating in the US and Canada (subject to availability). Triples are not available aboard ship. This is an active journey requiring a fair amount of walking, often on uneven terrain; several days touring at elevations up to 12,200 ft. in hot and humid weather can be strenuous and challenging. Daily shore excursions include wet and dry landings. Our Galápagos itinerary is subject to change due to wildlife encounters, atmospheric conditions and Galápagos National Park directives. For activities marked with an asterisk (\*), participation is at your own risk and a signed liability waiver will be required. **Please go to General Information for additional information, including our Cruise Protection Plan and Activity / Pace details; visit [tauck.com](http://tauck.com) for *Isabela II* ship page for deck plans and specifications**

**Activity Level 3 / Pace Level 2**

# Hidden Galápagos & Peru

*A cultural journey to a remote mountain village and volcanic islands - from the cloud forests of Machu Picchu to the mystical waters of the Galápagos Islands, discover treasures by land and water.*

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16 DAYS FROM \$16,990

Activity Level 3 / Pace Level 2

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## *Uniquely Tauck*

- Enjoy lunch in the privately owned Museo Larco to see Peruvian pre-Columbian history chronicled in priceless art and artifacts
- Discover cultural treasures as you explore Lima with expert guides to the bohemian Barranco District, followed by a gastronomy experience
- Experience a taste of daily life in Cusco with a paso performance, a choice to visit a local village or an excursion to a market and Cusco's South Valley
- Cruise the Galápagos Islands with naturalists to see iguanas, fur seals, blue- and red-footed boobies, the Galápagos Penguin, Darwin's Finches and more



*Flightless Cormorant*

## DAY 1

### Arrive Lima

*Tour begins: Country Club Lima Hotel.* A transfer is included from Jorge Chavez International Airport to Country Club Lima Hotel, a legendary, elegant hotel in the heart of the city's lovely embassy district.

## DAY 2

### Explore colonial Lima

Begin today exploring Lima on your own before lunch at Museo Larco; it became a favorite hangout for poets, writers, painters and sculptors who were inspired by its coastal scenery. Join us for a welcome evening featuring a gastronomy experience with traditional Peruvian cuisine and a pisco sour class included. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 3

### The Sacred Valley & Peruvian Pasos

Fly to Cusco and drive through the Sacred Valley of the Incas. Enjoy lunch and a performance of folk dancing and horsemanship featuring Peruvian Paso horses, before arriving at your hotel. Dinner this evening is preceded by a private performance of Andean music and dance. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 4

### By rail & land to Machu Picchu

Set out for Machu Picchu this morning, stopping to explore the archaeological site of Ollantaytambo, and its ruins of an Incan fortress. Then board a scenic train ride to Aguas Calientes, the closest access point to the mountaintop "lost citadel." Join a local expert for a tour before discovering the amazing Incan site at your leisure. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 5

### Machu Picchu, Sacsayhuaman & Cusco

Take one last walk to Machu Picchu, if you wish, early this morning before returning to Ollantaytambo by train. En route to your hotel in Cusco, explore the mountaintop Incan fortress at Sacsayhuaman, visit a camelid breeding center and see a demonstration of traditional Peruvian weaving methods by local artisans. **Meals BD**

## DAY 6

### Cusco or highlands adventures

Today, choose between a walking tour through the city of Cusco and visit to Coricancha Temple, with lunch at a local restaurant; or, depart for the Cusco highlands and visit the Andean village of Chinchero, where the Mullak'as Misminay Community welcomes you to dress in their traditional outfits and cook you lunch. The evening is free to explore. **Meals BL**

## Voyage at a glance

■ 7 Cruise Days aboard *Silver Origin*

Day Destination

- 1 Arrive Lima
- 2 Lima
- 3 Fly to Cusco / Sacred Valley
- 4 Aguas Calientes / Machu Picchu
- 5 Machu Picchu / Cusco
- 6 Cusco
- 7 Fly to Guayaquil
- 8 Embark ship / San Cristóbal Island
- 9 Genovesa (Tower) Island
- 10 North Seymour Island / Santiago (James) Island
- 11 Fernandina Island / Isabela Island
- 12 Santa Cruz Highlands/ Puerto Ayora
- 13 Bahia Gardner / Española Island
- 14 San Cristóbal Island / Cerro Brujo
- 15 Disembark ship in San Cristobal / Fly to Guayaquil
- 16 Depart Guayaquil

Map Detail



## DAY 7

### Arrive in Guayaquil, Ecuador

An early morning flight to Lima is followed by a flight to Guayaquil, Ecuador, for an overnight stay before you fly on to the Galápagos Islands for your cruise. **Meals BD**

## DAY 8

### Fly to the Galápagos

Fly to San Cristóbal Island where you will embark your expeditionary-style yacht, *Silver Origin*. Enjoy a briefing on the visits we have lined up for tomorrow and dinner aboard the ship to begin your cruise. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 9

### A day on Genovesa Island

Take a panga\* to Genovesa (Tower Island), also known as "Bird Island" for its extraordinary avian population, to see where the world's largest red-footed booby colonies nest. Climb Prince Philip's Steps and observe frigatebirds with their fiery red sacs, and the nesting grounds of Nazca "Masked" boobies. This afternoon, go kayaking, enjoy the beach, or snorkel in the caldera. Join us for the Captain's welcome reception followed by dinner. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 10

### North Seymour & Santiago Island

Visit North Seymour Island this morning, home to thousands of iguanas, blue-footed boobies, swallow-tailed gulls, common noddies, and frigatebirds. This afternoon, head to Santiago Island for a wet landing at Sullivan Bay for a coastal walk or a snorkeling adventure. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 11

### Discover Punta Mangle & Isabela Islands

Board a zodiac to explore lava landscapes of Punta Mangle; then, choose a deep water snorkeling adventure or kayak along the coast to look for brown pelicans, Galápagos penguins and flightless cormorants. Explore Isabela Island this afternoon on a panga cruise or a guided hike. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 12

### Santa Cruz Highlands & Puerto Ayora

Disembark ship in Puerto Ayora to visit the highlands where giant tortoises thrive. Meet naturalists who share insights on the island as you look for Galápagos tortoises while you walk. Then, visit a giant tortoise breeding center this afternoon, followed by free time in town to enjoy on your own. After, choose to explore by panga, hiking, kayaking and deep water snorkeling, each offering opportunities to find wildlife endemic to this island. **Meals BLD**

## All aboard *Silver Origin*

A journey aboard Silversea's *Silver Origin* redefines sea travel by pairing a luxurious cruising experience with adventurous destinations, designed for your interests and passion for new explorations in mind. Discover wildlife species found nowhere else in the world from the comfort of your own cabin suite, and indulge in the ship's amenities, gourmet restaurants, a piano lounge, jacuzzi, massage room, and more.

## DAY 13

### Española Island

Go ashore on a wet landing at Gardner Bay on Española, known for its extensive nesting grounds for Waved Albatrosses and sea turtles, and a sea lion colony. At Punta Suarez, view seabirds, from Galápagos Hawks and cactus finches to Hood Mockingbirds. Join us for a farewell cocktail and dinner reception this evening. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 14

### Cerro Brujo, San Cristóbal

This morning, visit Isla Lobos for snorkeling, or take one of the paddle boards out for a ride. Everyone enjoys a walk on the boulders on the islet before free time to explore Cerro Brujo on your own, a white sand beach picture perfect for sunbathing, swimming and more snorkeling. Join us for a farewell cocktail and dinner aboard the ship. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 15

### Return to Guayaquil

Disembark your ship this morning at San Cristóbal for a return flight to Guayaquil and an overnight stay at the Hotel del Parque. Spend the rest of the day as you please; join us this evening for a farewell dinner at the hotel. **Meals BD**

## DAY 16

### Journey Home

*Tour ends: Guayaquil.* A transfer is included from the Hotel del Parque in Guayaquil to José Joaquín de Olmedo International Airport. Please allow three hours for flight check-in at the airport. **Meals B**

■ *Indicates Cruise Day*



## 2025 DATES & PRICES

DOUBLE PRICE PER PERSON

All prices include on-tour air (5 flights) valued at \$1,000

Silversea's <i>Silver Origin</i>	Sep 6 Oct 4, 18	Mar 22 Apr 5, 19 May 3, 17, 31
Classic Veranda Suite	\$16,990	\$17,190
Superior Veranda Suite	\$18,190	\$18,390
Deluxe Veranda Suite	\$18,790	\$18,990
Silver Suite	\$29,335	\$29,535

Please visit [tauck.com](http://tauck.com) for Single pricing.

## 2025 PRICE INCLUSIONS

Land / Cruise price includes 39 meals (15 Breakfasts, 11 Lunches & 13 Dinners), aboard ship select wines, premium spirits, and soft drinks available throughout the day, all gratuities to Tauck Director and ship staff, airport transfers, private Tauck shore excursions with naturalists, select meals ashore, service charges, taxes, portage, Galápagos National Park entrance fee, cruise fare, port charges, applicable fuel surcharges. Internet is included aboard the ship. On-tour air included (5 flights).

## 2025 PREMIER ACCOMMODATIONS

Night 1,2	<b>COUNTRY CLUB LIMA HOTEL</b>	Lima, Peru
Night 3	<b>TAMBO DEL INKA, A LUXURY COLLECTION RESORT &amp; SPA, VALLE SAGRADO</b>	Sacred Valley, Peru
Night 4	<b>BELMOND SANCTUARY LODGE</b>	Machu Picchu, Peru
Night 5,6	<b>MONASTERIO, A BELMOND HOTEL</b>	Cusco, Peru
Night 7,15	<b>HOTEL DEL PARQUE</b>	Guayaquil, Ecuador
Night 8-14	<b>ABOARD SILVER ORIGIN</b>	Galápagos Cruising

International Airfare is additional. Note: Triples are not available aboard ship. For activities marked with an asterisk (\*), participation is at your own risk and a signed liability waiver will be required. This is an active journey requiring a fair amount of walking, often on uneven terrain; several days touring at elevations up to 12,200 ft. in hot and humid weather can be strenuous and challenging. Daily shore excursions will include wet and dry landings on diverse Galápagos islands. Wet landings will be made by panga (Zodiac-style rafts) on sandy or rocky beaches and may require wading ashore in shallow water. We may not visit each of the islands in the order outlined, but we typically visit two different sites per day. Our Galápagos itinerary is subject to change due to wildlife encounters, atmospheric conditions and Galápagos National Park directives. Certain exceptions may apply (will be advised at time of booking). Itinerary is subject to change. **Please go to General Information for additional information, including our Cruise Protection Plan and Activity / Pace details; visit [tauck.com](http://tauck.com) for Silver Origin ship page for deck plans and specifications.**

Activity Level 3 / Pace Level 2



When you visit Cusco, sightseeing choices feature a walking tour that includes the magnificent architecture in Plaza de Armas; or a visit to the rural community of Mallak'as Misminay - and an opportunity to dress in their traditional outfits.



# Galápagos: Wildlife Wonderland

*Galápagos sea lion*

*Get up-close with your family to see wildlife wonders found nowhere else in the world. No matter the age, exploring the Galápagos Islands is exhilarating for all, unlike any other; some of the world's most unique wildlife welcome you ashore... and you are transported back in time.*

8 DAYS FROM \$7,390  
Activity Level 3 / Pace Level 2

## *Uniquely Tauck*

- Spend four nights aboard *Santa Cruz II* sailing through the Galápagos Islands and enjoying shore excursions with a naturalist
- In Quito, visit the Equator line during a day of sightseeing that includes a visit to the Inti Ñan Museum and have a traditional Ecuadorian lunch near a volcanic crater
- Discover animals unique to the Galápagos Islands, from penguins and iguanas to fur seals, sea lions and the biggest tortoises you'll ever see

## DAY 1

### Arrive in Quito, Ecuador

*Tour begins: Hilton Colon Quito.* A transfer is included from Mariscal Sucre International Airport to Hilton Colon Quito upon your family's arrival. Your hotel is located in the heart of the city, just steps away from El Ejido Park - home to a night craft market and Casa de la Cultura Museum. Take time to explore this city on your own this evening and enjoy dinner in Quito's old town if you wish, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Amenities at the hotel include a spa, outdoor pool, fitness center, room service, and a choice of on-site dining.

## DAY 2

### A visit to the Equator & exploring Quito

Quito, Ecuador's capital, sits high in the Andean foothills at 9,200 feet above "sea" level, it's also on the Equator marking the "middle of the world." Take the opportunity to stand on both the northern and southern hemispheres at the same time, have your cameras ready for this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. Here you'll learn more about Quito's unique geography at the Inti Ñan Museum before enjoying an Ecuadorian lunch near a volcanic crater. Explore centuries-old Colonial Quito on a guided tour, seeing the Presidential Palace, Independence Plaza, the Archbishop's Palace, and more. Join us tonight for our official welcome reception and dinner at your hotel, then get a good night's sleep so you'll be rested and ready for your family's unforgettable Galápagos cruise tomorrow. **Meals BLD**

## DAY 3

### Fly to Baltra / Embark Ship

Early this morning, your family will fly from Quito to the volcanic island of Baltra to board your expedition ship, *Santa Cruz II*, mind the one hour time zone difference. Settle into your cabin and enjoy lunch as your captain and crew welcome you to a briefing and boat drill. Then it's off on your first shore excursion aboard a panga to Santa Cruz Island, and a wet landing on the gorgeous white sand beaches of Las Bachas Beach (named for the US military barges, referred to as "bachas," that were beached and abandoned there after WWII) - an important nesting area for East Pacific green sea turtles (*Chelonia mydas*). On a guided hike around the lagoon, look for flamingos, pintail ducks, sandpipers and stilts. You may enjoy swimming and snorkeling at this beach too, schedule permitting. Join our expert naturalists for an informative briefing aboard the ship this evening, followed by the captain's welcome reception and dinner. **Meals BLD**

## Voyage at a glance

### 4 Cruise Days aboard *Santa Cruz II*

#### Day Destination

- 1 Arrive in Quito, Ecuador
- 2 Cross the Equator line in Quito
- 3 Fly to Baltra Island / Embark *Santa Cruz II* / Santa Cruz Island
- 4 Santiago (James) Island
- 5 Rabida Island / Bartolomé Island
- 6 Genovesa (Tower) Island
- 7 Disembark Santa Cruz Island / Baltra / Guayaquil
- 8 Depart in Guayaquil

#### Map Detail



#### ■ DAY 4

### Santiago Island

After breakfast, start the day with a morning boat ride off Buccaneer's Cove on Santiago (James) Island – once a favorite haunt of pirates and whalers – discover the natural formations such as the “Elephant Rock” and “The Bishop.” Observe seabirds like frigates, pelicans and boobies, and enjoy a coastal panga ride with optional snorkeling if you wish to see more marine life underwater. After lunch aboard ship, a wet landing at Puerto Egas on Santiago provides even more opportunities to see seabirds, along with a colony of sea lions and marine iguanas; enjoy a swim and a snorkel from the beach before returning to the ship. Weather permitting, your family will enjoy star gazing outside on the top deck this evening. **Meals BLD**

#### ■ DAY 5

### Rabida & Bartolomé

If you wish this morning, ask for a wake up call to scout sea life and birds resting on the top deck. After breakfast, explore Rabida Island, a relatively small, arid island with several volcanic craters that contain a high amount of iron in the lava that gives it a distinctive red colored sand beach. Our young explorers have the option to take a panga ride and walk along the beach with a naturalist to spot wildlife and unique rock formations. Everyone can enjoy snorkeling from the beach or choose to take clear bottom boats for a ride. After lunch, head to Bartolomé Island, one of the “younger” islands of the archipelago, for more snorkeling and boat ride opportunities. If you feel up for the challenge, take a hike to summit of this volcanic island with great views and possible penguin sightings along the way. Enjoy dinner and a lecture by a naturalist on the ship. **Meals BLD**

#### ■ DAY 6

### Tower Genovesa Island

Explore Genovesa (Tower) Island by panga and a dry landing; climb up Prince Philip's steps (named after Queen Elizabeth's II husband, who visited the Galápagos frequently) for a hike across the island, where you'll see masked boobies, frigate birds, storm petrels and more. Those who do not wish to climb can enjoy a longer panga ride along the cliffs with optional kayaking as well. The more adventurous crew can choose to snorkel along the cliffs afterwards, or enjoy time on the beach. An afternoon cruise and a wet landing at Darwin Bay offer more amazing views of thousands of rare birds, including red-footed boobies, gulls, mockingbirds, herons and finches, as well as an optional walk across volcanic terrain. Back aboard the ship, celebrate the end of your cruise – and your family's unforgettable Galápagos tour – at our Captain's farewell dinner, a feast of fun and friendship for all. **Meals BLD**

### Giant Tortoise Restoration

When you visit Santa Cruz Island, you'll learn about the research and conservation efforts to restore the giant tortoise populations to their historical numbers (between 200,000-300,000), including on islands where tortoises went extinct. As of 2017, more than 7,000 juvenile tortoises had been returned to their island of origin, across Española, Isabela, Pinzón, San Cristóbal, Santa Cruz, and Santiago.

#### DAY 7

### Disembark ship & fly to Guayaquil

Disembark *Santa Cruz II* on the north shore of Santa Cruz Island. During a visit to a tortoise reserve, you'll have an opportunity to look for the giant tortoises that once were abundant on the islands you've just explored. Observe in the wild one of the rarest forms of wildlife that continue to thrive here on the Galápagos Islands – the giant tortoise – and learn about the efforts being made by the Ecuadorian National Park Service to preserve and protect life on the islands for future generations. Late morning, travel to the airport for your flight to Guayaquil on the mainland, and an overnight at the Wyndham Guayaquil. Join us this evening for a pool side farewell party at your hotel as your family's adventure comes to a close. **Meals BD**

#### DAY 8

### Journey Home

*Tour ends: Guayaquil.* Fly home anytime. A transfer from the Wyndham Guayaquil to José Joaquín de Olmedo International Airport is included. Please allow a minimum of three hours for flight check-in at the airport. **Meals B**

■ Indicates Cruise Day



*A journey to the Galápagos is filled with once-in-a-lifetime opportunities. Snorkeling may bring you up-close to turtles and iguanas swimming nearby, and the entire family can cross the equator line together when you visit Quito.*

## 2025 DATES & PRICES

### PRICE PER PERSON

All prices include on-tour air (2 flights) valued at \$435

<i>Santa Cruz II</i>	Apr 5 Jun 10, 14, 24, 28	Jul 8, 12, 22, 26 Aug 5	Dec 23
■ <b>Explorer Double Cabin</b> Horizon Deck	\$ 8,490	\$ 7,990	\$ 8,990
■ <b>Explorer Triple Cabin</b> Horizon Deck	\$ 7,890	\$ 7,390	\$ 8,390
■ <b>Explorer Double Cabin</b> Expedition Deck	\$ 8,795	\$ 8,295	\$ 9,295
■ <b>Explorer Double Cabin</b> Panorama Deck	\$ 9,140	\$ 8,640	\$ 9,640
■ <b>Darwin Suite</b> Panorama Deck	\$10,465	\$ 9,965	\$10,965

Please visit [tauck.com](http://tauck.com) for complete pricing.

### 2025 PRICE INCLUSIONS

Land / cruise price includes 18 meals (7 Breakfasts, 5 Lunches & 6 Dinners), aboard ship daily cocktail hour and all day soft drinks, wine and beer with dinner, gratuities to Tauck Director, local guides, ship staff, drivers, service charges, most taxes and portorage. **Recommended age: 8+;** minimum age for children is 6. Aboard ship, triple cabins are two beds and a pull-out couch limited to two adults (age 18 or older) sharing a room with one child under age 18. Interconnecting cabins (subject to availability) can be booked onboard ship. Quads accommodated in two double rooms. In hotels, triples are usually a two-bedded room plus one rollaway bed. On-tour air included (2 flights). **\$500 Child Savings: Children 12 and under**

### 2025 PREMIER ACCOMMODATIONS

Night 1,2	<b>HILTON COLON QUITO</b>	Quito
Night 3-6	<b>ABOARD SANTA CRUZ II</b>	Galápagos Islands
Night 7	<b>WYNDHAM GUAYAQUIL</b>	Guayaquil

International airfare is additional. Children under 18 must be booked in a room with at least one adult. We may not visit each of the islands in the order outlined, but typically visit two different sites per day. Our Galápagos itinerary is subject to change due to wildlife encounters, atmospheric conditions and Galápagos National Park directives. Note: April 5; June 24; July 8, 22; and Aug 5 departures follow a Western Islands itinerary that visits different islands than the itinerary detailed here; ask at booking. Certain exceptions may apply (advised at time of booking). Itinerary is subject to change. **Please go to General Information for additional information, including our Cruise Protection Plan and Activity / Pace details; visit [tauck.com](http://tauck.com) for *Santa Cruz II* ship page for deck plans and specifications.**

**Activity Level 3 / Pace Level 2**



*Taormina, Sicily*

Rome, the Amalfi Coast & Sicily, page 22

# Our Award-Winning Destination Fleet

## Inspired by the destination

Destination inspired, our small ship cruises are designed to discover the best of land by sea. We sail aboard ships handpicked for the places we explore. As an award-winning travel company renowned for our signature land tours, we have established long-term partnerships with best-in-class global cruise lines that share our steadfast commitment to provide an unparalleled travel experience, ship to shore – and then some.

## Small ships, best in class

Cruise aboard Ponant's intimate Sister Ships and Explorer yachts, internationally recognized for a commitment to sustainability and eco-friendly voyages. Set sail on Windstar ships, named among the top five "World's Best Small Ships" by the readers of *Travel + Leisure* in 2023. Indulge in unabashed luxury aboard Silversea's yachts, consistently named "Best Luxury Cruise Company" in *Travel Weekly's* Globe Travel Awards. And immerse in the natural wonders of the Galápagos on Metropolitan's award-winning expedition vessels, five-star rated on Trip Advisor. Averaging less than 200 guests onboard our partner ships, there's no need to worry about missing out on dining, entertainment or shore excursions. It's all included on every small ship cruise with Tauck, readily available and at your service, without crowds, lines or hidden fees.

## Exceptional all-inclusive value

- Exclusive Tauck experiences onshore for up close access and connections to places, people and presentations not available to the general public
- A choice of included shore excursions on land, expertly guided, locally inspiring, offering insights not available on your own
- All ocean-view suites and staterooms
- Unlimited complimentary beverages aboard ship, including regional wine, beer, premium spirits, and soft drinks
- All land accommodations, at premier hotels, handpicked for location, service and style
- Fine dining, onboard and onshore
- Regionally inspired onboard entertainment, enrichment lectures, and culinary tastings
- All gratuities to the Tauck Director, ship & hotel staff, drivers, local guides and experts – handled and included for you
- Airport transfers on arrival and departure, along with on-tour transportation
- All taxes, port charges and fees, luggage handling and more
- No options sold, no hidden costs – ever!
- More freedom and flexibility for spontaneous discoveries



# *Ponant's Explorer class ships*

Ponant's six Explorer class ships, *Le Lapérouse*, *Le Champlain*, *Le Bellot*, *Le Dumont-d'Urville*, *Le Bougainville* and *Le Jacques-Cartier*, bear the names of French explorers. With just 92 staterooms and suites, the ships combine respect for the environment, elegant design and cutting-edge technology to offer an unparalleled cruising experience. The Blue Eye, a unique multi-sensory lounge that offers an underwater view, is located in the ship's hull below the waterline. Six passenger decks include a main dining room serving French cuisine on Deck 4; a casual restaurant, main lounge and 188-seat theater on Deck 3; a panoramic lounge on Deck 6, forward; a swimming pool on Deck 3, aft; and a spa and fitness center on Deck 7. Staterooms (204 sq. ft. / 19.0 sq. m.) and suites (290 - 484 sq. ft. / 26.9 - 45.0 sq. m.) all have private balconies, individually controlled AC, queen beds (or converted twin beds), flat-screen TV, safe and minibar. Go to [tauck.com](http://tauck.com) for ship-specific details.

## Ship Specifications

**Built:** 2018 - 2020  
**Length:** 430 ft. / 131 m.  
**Draft:** 15 ft. / 4.6 m.  
**Beam:** 59 ft. / 18 m.  
**Tonnage:** 9,900 gross tons  
**Cruising Speed:** 12.5 knots  
**Air Conditioned:** Yes  
**Elevator:** Yes  
**Number of Guests:** 184  
**Number of Staterooms & Suites:** 92  
**Crew Members:** 110  
**Registry:** France  
**Crew Nationality:** French / International



Enjoy relaxed outdoor dining as you please in the Grill Restaurant on Deck 3



Grand Deluxe Suites enchant with panoramic views and private terraces

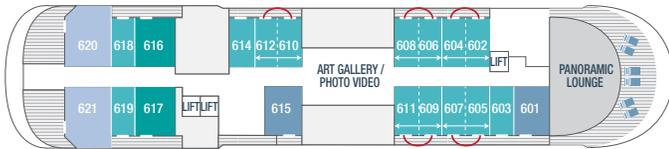


Take in the passing scenery from the sun deck, inviting with a swimming pool

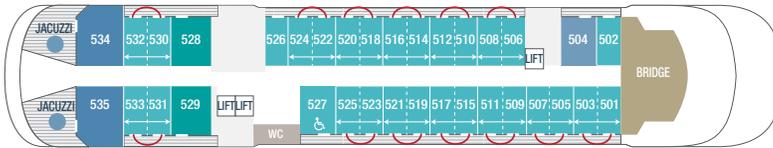
### Deck 7



### Deck 6 - Aboard Le Lapérouse and Le Champlain, the Owner's Suite with Jacuzzi is located in 621; 620 is a Grand Deluxe Suite



### Deck 5 - Aboard Le Lapérouse and Le Champlain, 534 and 535 are Grand Deluxe Suites



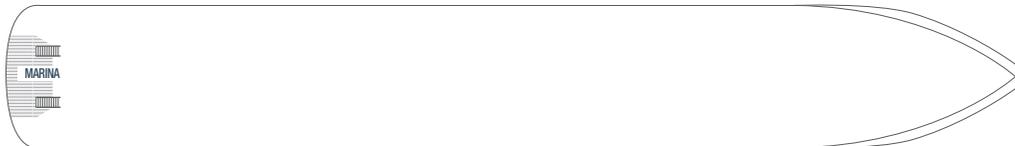
### Deck 4



### Deck 3



### Deck 2



## Deck Plans

- **Deluxe Stateroom**  
Deck 3
- **Prestige Stateroom**  
Deck 4, 5, 6
- **Deluxe Suite**  
Deck 3, 4, 5, 6
- **Prestige Suite**  
Deck 5, 6
- **Privilege Suite**  
Deck 5, 6
- **Grand Deluxe Suite**  
Deck 6
- **Owner's Suite**  
Deck 5



## *Le Boréal, L'Austral, Le Soléal & Le Lyrial*

Four gracious Sister Ships, with just 122 to 132 staterooms and suites, remain true to Ponant's philosophy of traveling on small capacity vessels with a unique atmosphere of intimacy and well-being. Decorated with top quality furnishings in soft and soothing tones, they express a French way of life – understated sophistication combining chic and natural refinement. Onboard each ship, guests enjoy two restaurants; three lounges with bars, access to open decks, and evening entertainment; a small theater, fitness and beauty corner; a medical center; observation areas, and elevators servicing decks 2 to 6. The ships' staterooms (193 - 226 sq. ft. / 17.9 - 21.0 sq. m.) and suites (290 - 592 sq. ft. / 26.9 - 55.0 sq. m.) boast ocean views; 95% have private balconies. Staterooms offer individually controlled air conditioning, twin beds that convert to a queen-size bed or a sofa bed, video on demand, flat-screen TV with satellite channels, safe, Bluetooth speakers and a minibar. Go to [tauck.com](http://tauck.com) for individual ship deck plans and specifications.

### Ship Specifications

**Built:** 2010, 2011, 2013 & 2015

**Length:** 466 ft. / 142 m.

**Draft:** 15 ft. / 4.5 m.

**Beam:** 59 ft. / 18 m.

**Tonnage:** 10,700 gross tons

**Cruising Speed:** 14 knots

**Air Conditioned:** Yes

**Elevator:** Yes

**Number of Guests:** 264

**Crew Members:** 145

**Registry:** France

**Crew Nationality:** French / International



Enjoy intimate relaxation and onboard regional entertainment in the lounge

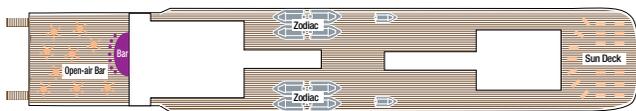


An outdoor pool on Deck 6 is the perfect place for a refreshing dip or drink



Staterooms with private baths feature premier amenities and ocean views

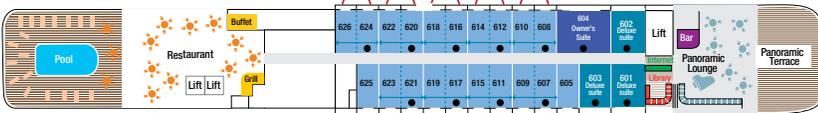
### Deck 7



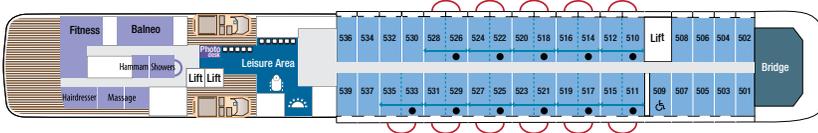
### Deck 6 - Le Lyréal only



Deck 6 - Le Boréal and Le Soléal have bathtubs where indicated by a ●, except Deluxe Suites on Le Soléal which have showers only; L'Austral has showers only in all Deck 6 staterooms except the Owner's Suite, which has a bathtub



Deck 5 - Le Boréal and Le Soléal have bathtubs where indicated by a ●, except Deluxe Suites on Le Soléal which have showers only; L'Austral has showers only in all Deck 6 staterooms except the Owner's Suite, which has a bathtub



### Deck 4



### Deck 3



### Deck 2



## Deck Plans

- **Superior Stateroom**  
Deck 3
- **Deluxe Stateroom**  
Deck 3
- **Prestige Stateroom**  
Deck 4, 5, 6
- & ■ **Deluxe Suite**  
Deck 6
- & ■ **Prestige Suite**  
Deck 5, 6  
*(Two Prestige Staterooms combined)*
- **Privilege Suite**  
Deck 6 (Le Lyréal only)
- **Grand Privilege Suite**  
Deck 6 (Le Lyréal only)
- **Grand Deluxe Suite**  
Deck 6 (Le Lyréal only)
- & ■ **Owner's Suite**  
Deck 6



# Star Legend

Windstar yacht *Star Legend* debuted in 2021 following an extensive renovation; this all-suite ship features handsomely appointed public areas – including two additional dining venues – a reimagined spa, a terraced infinity pool, and fitness area. Bathrooms in every suite have been designed to pamper and its Star suites redefine onboard luxury. In every suite you'll find queen beds with luxury linens, flat-screen TVs, Wi-Fi, L'Occitane bath amenities, hair dryers and more. Dining each evening features a choice of several restaurants including fine cuisine in lovely Amphora; dining al fresco under the stars at Candles; and Cuadro 44, a small, intimate specialty restaurant. Breakfast is either indoors or outdoors at Veranda, and you'll have an opportunity for casual grill favorites and lighter fare at al fresco Star Grill during the day. Cruising days present opportunities for learning with a variety of activities – or relaxing – or visiting the Bridge. With only 312 guests, *Star Legend* brings you to smaller ports and harbors that larger ships can't access – perfect for cruising the island-rich waters of the Aegean Sea.

## Ship Specifications

**Built:** 1992  
**Renovated:** 2021  
**Length:** 522 ft. / 159 m.  
**Draft:** 17.7 ft. / 5.4 m.  
**Beam:** 63 ft. / 19 m.  
**Tonnage:** 12,995 gross registered tons  
**Cruising Speed:** 15 knots  
**Air Conditioned:** Yes  
**Elevator:** Yes  
**Number of Guests:** 312  
**Crew Members:** 204  
**Registry:** Bahamas  
**Crew Nationality:** International



Take a dip in the outdoor pool, warm up in the hot tub and relax as you wish

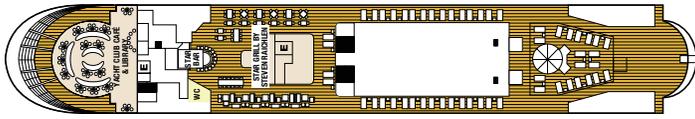


Make yourself at home in the ship's cozy Yacht Club Café & Library

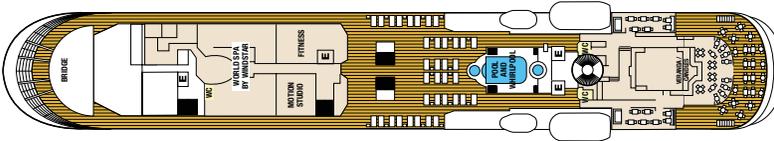


Star Balcony Suites feature open living areas, queen beds and ocean views

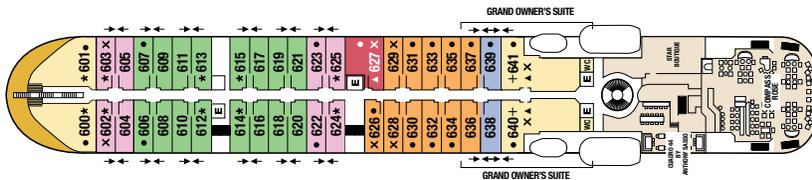
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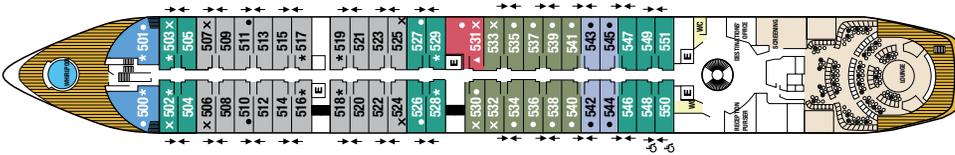
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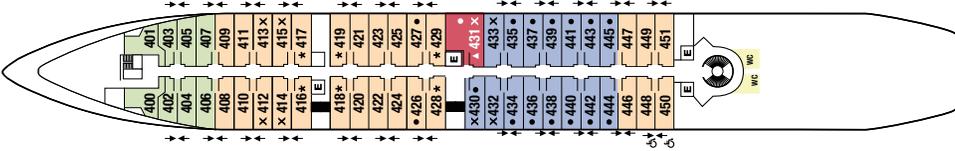
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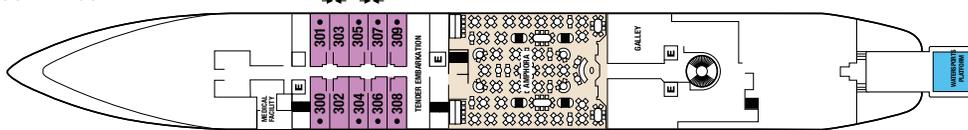
### Deck Five



### Deck Four



### Deck Three



## Deck Plans

- Star Porthole Suite (SP)
- Ocean View Suite (S1)
- Star Ocean View Suite (SS1)
- Balcony Suite (BS)
- Star Balcony Suite (SBS)
- Balcony Suite (BS1)
- Star Balcony Suite (SBS1)
- Deluxe Suite (DS)
- Owner's Suite (OW)

- + Restricted View
- ↔ Adjoining Suites
- E Elevator
- \* Includes Bathtub
- ▲ Separate Bathtub & Shower
- One Queen Size Bed Only (No twin option)
- × 3rd Berth Available
- ♿ Modified Accessible Suites  
Feature a full-size bed (No twin option)  
Suites 448, 450, 548 & 550 are modified accessible, shower only with a small lip into shower, only one sink, a step into the bathroom with a portable ramp, standard interior and exterior doorways.

Access to board ship is via stairs only. Access to/from outside deck may require assistance with doors and thresholds.



# Wind Star

Newly renovated with expanded public areas, Windstar's *Wind Star* ship provides an intimate luxury cruising experience that is as pampering as it is personal. A four-masted sailing ship with wide open teak decks, she is sleek and stylish with public spaces that invite private conversation and relaxation, and reimagined staterooms that indulge with comfort. All staterooms – measuring 188 sq. ft. (18 sq. m.) – have ocean views, queen beds, flat-screen TV with DVD player, safe, minibar / refrigerator, international direct-dial phone, bathroom with premier toiletries, hair dryer, US 110 voltage, and waffle-weave robe and slippers. Guests have a choice of onboard dining venues including the gourmet Amphora restaurant for evening meals, and the casual Veranda for breakfast and lunch. Dinner by candlelight under the stars is available at night in Candles. Onboard amenities include the Yacht Club Café, the World Spa by Windstar, an entertainment lounge, a watersports platform, a library, an outdoor swimming pool and hot tub, and an expanded Pool Bar inviting with refreshments and camaraderie.

## Ship Specifications

**Built:** 1985  
**Renovated:** December 2023  
**Length:** 440 ft. / 134 m.  
**Draft:** 14 ft. / 4 m.  
**Beam:** 52 ft. / 16 m.  
**Tonnage:** 5,703 gross tons  
**Cruising Speed:** 10 knots  
**Air Conditioned:** Yes  
**Elevator:** No  
**Number of Guests:** 148  
**Crew Members:** 101  
**Registry:** Bahamas  
**Crew Nationality:** International



Wind Star's newly expanded Pool Bar includes more seating and dining tables

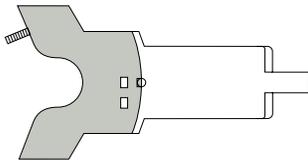


Al fresco delights are yours to enjoy day and night in the ship's restaurants



Staterooms are spacious, comfortable and welcoming with ocean views

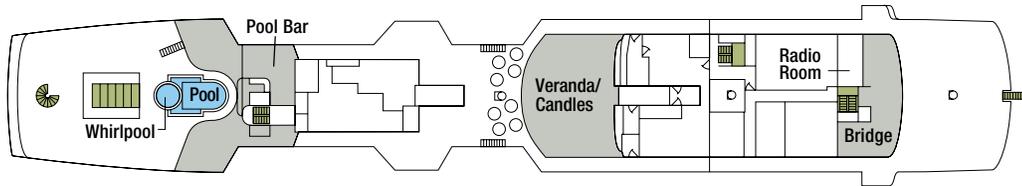
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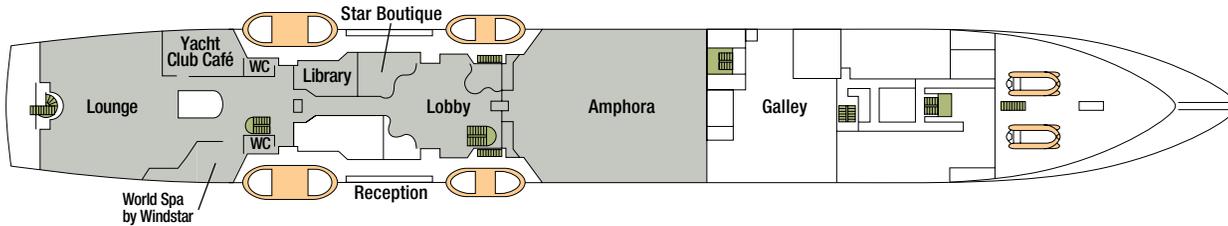
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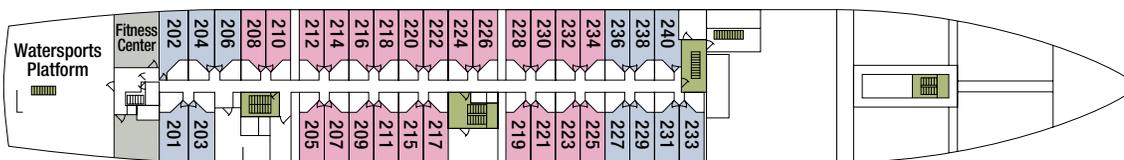
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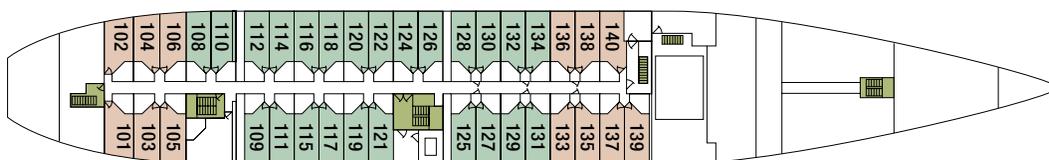
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### Deck One





# Wind Surf

Recently renovated, Windstar's five-masted, flagship sailing vessel, *Wind Surf*, draws admiring glances as she glides majestically into ports of call with her tall sails billowing. Engineered to cater to your sailing comfort, *Wind Surf* welcomes with meticulously redesigned public spaces, including a new pool and larger pool bar, a new World Spa, a redesigned lounge, and new teak decks and décor. All-new finishes and furnishings enhance her 188-sq.-ft. (18-sq.-m.) staterooms and spacious suites ranging from 376 to 495 sq. ft. (35 to 46 sq. m.). Onboard accommodations include a queen-size bed with rich tufted headboards and luxurious Egyptian cotton linens, soft seascape colors, beautiful upholstery, waffle-weave robes and slippers, flat-screen TV with DVD player, fully-stocked minibar/ refrigerator, safe, direct-dial phone, bathroom with granite countertop and shower, granite vanity, L'Occitane bath amenities and more, each designed to envelop you in an oasis of relaxation and wellbeing. Everything about *Wind Surf*, from her premier amenities to fresh flowers and fruit, says welcome aboard.

## Ship Specifications

**Built:** 1989  
**Renovated:** Dec. 2024  
**Length:** 535 ft. / 162 m.  
*(at waterline)*  
**Draft:** 16.5 ft. / 5 m.  
**Beam:** 66 ft. / 20 m.  
**Tonnage:** 14,745 gross registered tons  
**Cruising Speed:** 10-12 knots  
**Air Conditioned:** Yes  
**Elevator:** Yes  
**Number of Guests:** 342  
**Crew Members:** 210  
**Registry:** Bahamas  
**Crew Nationality:** International



Dinner is a culinary-inspired delight in Amphora, the ship's main dining room

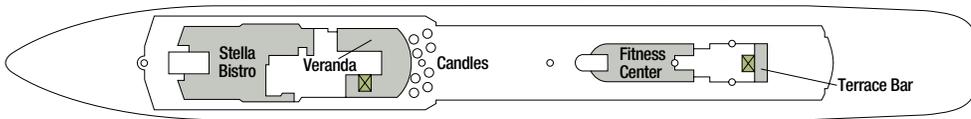


Take in scenic views while relaxing by the pool to refresh your spirit of adventure

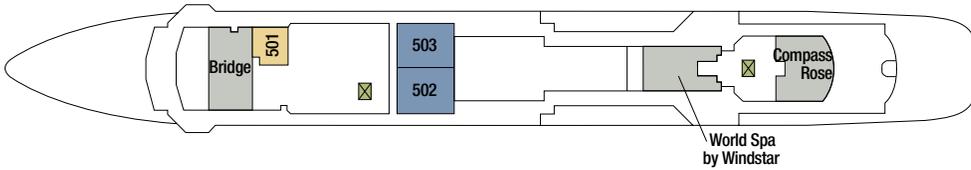


Spacious suites feature sumptuous bedding, a sitting area and two bathrooms

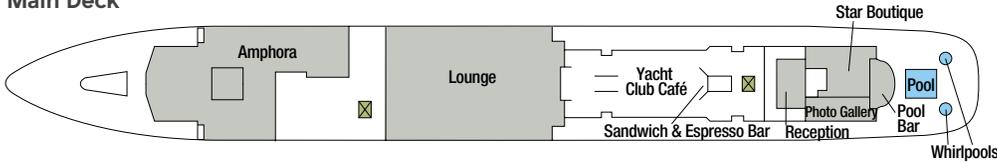
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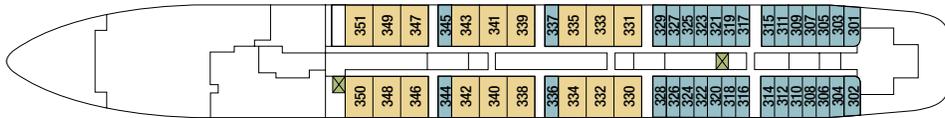
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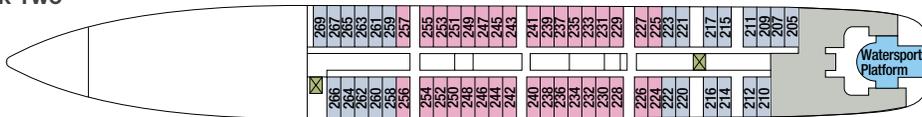
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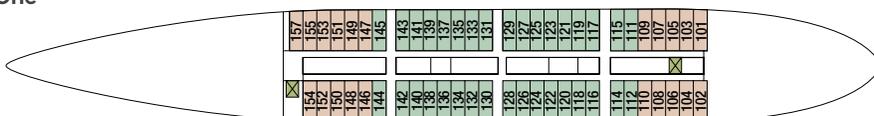
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Deck Two



Deck One



Deck Plans

- Category B
- Category BX Deluxe
- Category A
- Category AX Deluxe
- Suites



# *Silver Origin*

Silversea's first ever destination specific ship, *Silver Origin* is designed for exclusive small ship travel to the Galápagos. Featuring six decks, two dining venues, spacious suites with private balconies, floor-to-ceiling windows in the lounges, an outdoor bar, piano bar, a fitness center, and an interactive learning center, *Silver Origin* offers a uniquely elegant experience to travel the Galápagos Archipelago. Well-appointed ocean view suites welcome with Pratesi bed linens, a pillow menu, personal butler service, eco-friendly bath amenities, bathrobes and slippers and a refrigerator and bar stocked with your preferences. Enjoy fine Ecuadorian dining and exemplary personalized service from the ship's staff and Expedition Team. An onboard marina stores wetsuits and other watersports equipment; complimentary beach towels, raincoats and binoculars are available for on shore explorations. State-of-the-art from bow to stern, the ship was mindfully designed to blend luxury and comfort with environmentally conscious features for the ultimate in experiential cruising.

## Ship Specifications

**Built:** 2020  
**Length:** 331.4 ft. / 101 m.  
**Beam:** 52.5 ft. / 16 m.  
**Tonnage:** 5,800 gross tons  
**Cruising Speed:** 14 knots  
**Air Conditioned:** Yes  
**Elevator:** Yes  
**Number of Guests:** 100  
**Number of Suites:** 50  
**Crew Members:** 90  
**Registry:** Ecuador  
**Crew Nationality:** Ecuadorian



Taste the delicious art of lava stone cooking at The Grill restaurant

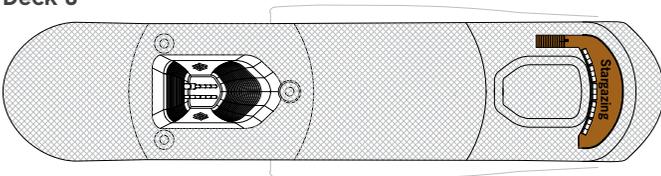


Pair your Galápagos travels with Ecuadorian cuisine at The Restaurant

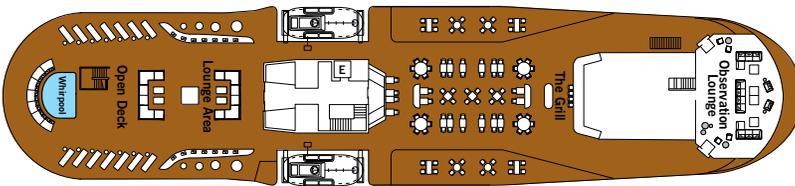


Enjoy ocean views in the Deluxe Veranda Suite from your bed or living area

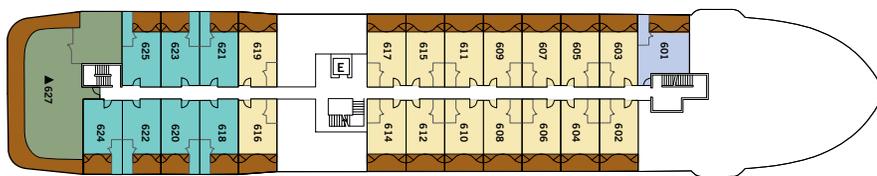
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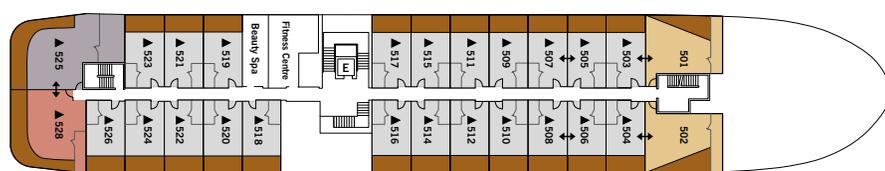
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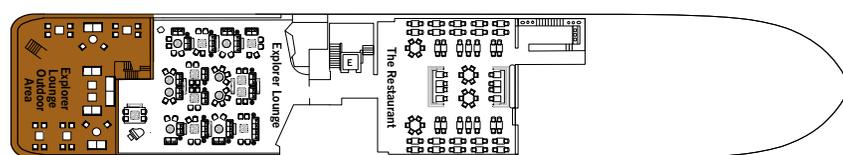
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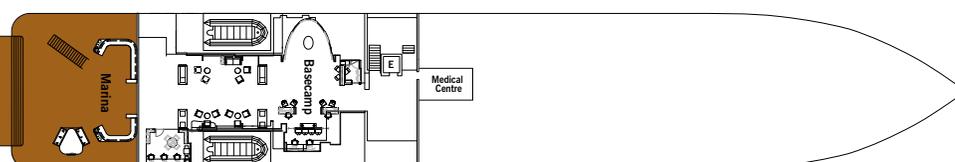
### Deck 5



### Deck 4



### Deck 3



## Deck Plans

- Classic Veranda Suite  
Deck 5
- Superior Veranda Suite  
Deck 6
- Deluxe Veranda Suite  
Deck 6
- Silver Suite  
Deck 5



# Silver Shadow

*Silver Shadow* retains Silversea's essence, with spacious suites and only 388 guests; superior service is paired with a lively cosmopolitan atmosphere. Onboard amenities include fine wines and creative cuisine in a selection of restaurants including French gastronomy in La Dame, authentic Italian cuisine in La Terrazza, and healthy choices with endless ocean views from The Grill. Energize your body and soul with complimentary Pilates and Yoga in the expanded fitness center, and enjoy the chaise lounges in sun or shade, whirlpools and a pool. The Connoisseur's Corner offers exceptional cognacs; the Show Lounge includes a broad spectrum of entertainment, from full-scale production shows and classical soloists, to cultural entertainment and feature films; and the Card Room hosts bridge games and more most days. Zagara Beauty Spa invites you to indulge in a luxurious spa treatment, including facials, body wraps, massages; the spa is the perfect place to unwind. Try your luck at the onboard casino; unwind in the Observation Library, or perhaps the Panorama Lounge and The Bar.

## Ship Specifications

**Built:** 2000  
**Renovated:** 2019  
**Length:** 610 ft. / 186 m.  
**Draft:** 19 ft. 8 in. / 6 m.  
**Beam:** 81.8 ft. / 24.8 m.  
**Tonnage:** 28,258 tons  
**Cruising Speed:** 18.5 knots  
**Air Conditioned:** Yes  
**Elevator:** Yes  
**Number of Guests:** 388  
**Crew Members:** 302  
**Ship Registry:** Bahamas  
**Crew Nationality:** International



As you cruise to your next destination, meet fellow travelers at The Arts Café



Pair a poolside afternoon meal at The Grill with endless ocean views

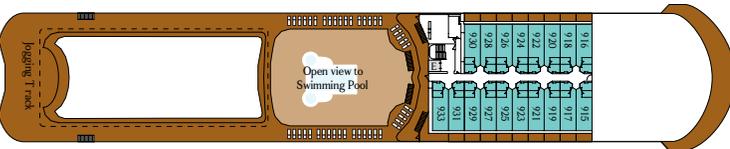


Enjoy a luxury stay in the comfort of your very own Classic Veranda Suite

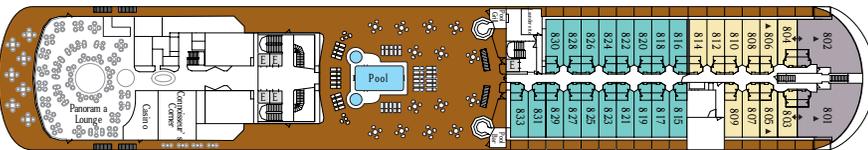
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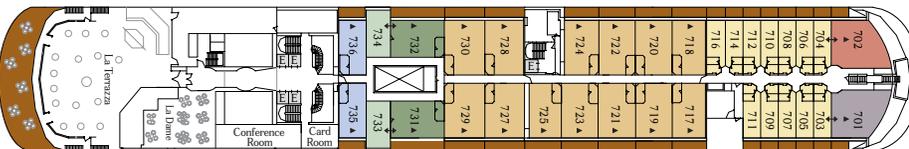
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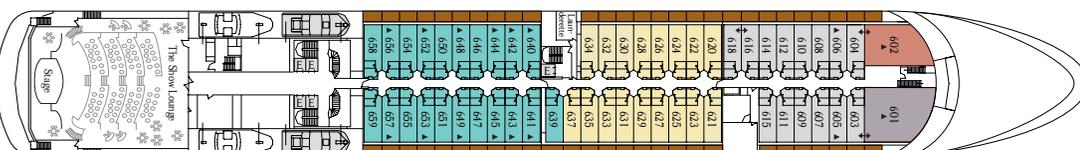
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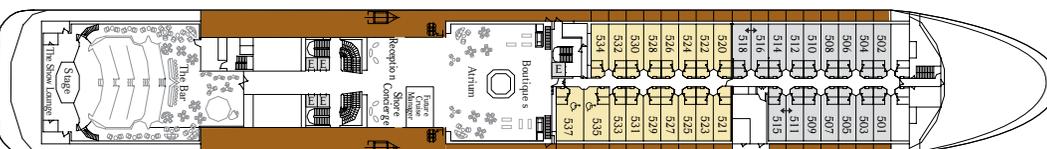
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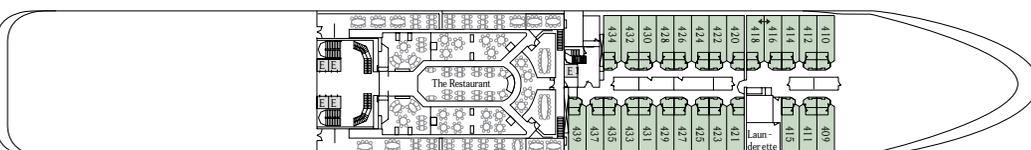
### Deck 6



### Deck 5



### Deck 4



## Deck Plans

- Vista Suite
- Classic Veranda Suite
- Superior Veranda Suite
- Deluxe Veranda Suite
- Silver Suite



## *Silver Moon*

Silversea's *Silver Moon* is without question an inspirational work of art, with one of the highest space-to-guest ratios at sea. She embodies Silversea's essence – spacious suites and superior service – paired with a lively cosmopolitan atmosphere and enhanced amenities. Savor fine wines and French gastronomy in La Dame, enjoy authentic Italian cuisine in La Terrazza, the elegant bar and grill experience at Atlantide, Japanese artistry at Kaiseki, Silversea's Italian heritage at Spaccanapoli, small plate tapas at Silver Note, or endless ocean views from The Grill; dining at sea has never been so good. Enjoy the refreshing pool water in warmer climates, or heated for cooler weather. In The Venetian Lounge, applaud a broad spectrum of musical and theatre entertainment from full-scale productions and classical soloists to cultural entertainment and feature films. Zagara Beauty Spa invites you to indulge in a luxurious spa treatment; and for leisure, try your luck at the onboard casino or relax and unwind in the Observation Lounge, Panorama Lounge or The Bar.

### Ship Specifications

**Built:** 2020  
**Length:** 698 ft. / 212.8 m.  
**Beam:** 88 ft. / 27 m.  
**Tonnage:** 40,700 tons  
**Cruising Speed:** 19.8 knots  
**Air Conditioned:** Yes  
**Elevator:** Yes  
**Number of Guests:** 596  
**Number of Suites:** 298  
**Crew Members:** 411  
**Registry:** Bahamas  
**Crew Nationality:** International



Dining is a pleasure onboard with a selection of specialty restaurants

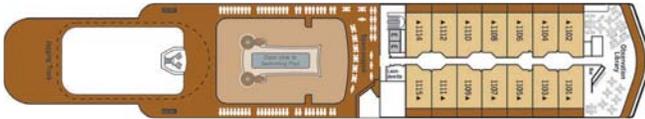


Enjoy time to relax and unwind in the appropriately named Panorama Lounge

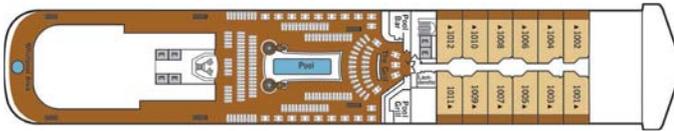


The Classic Veranda Suite is spacious, with floor to ceiling glass doors

Deck 11



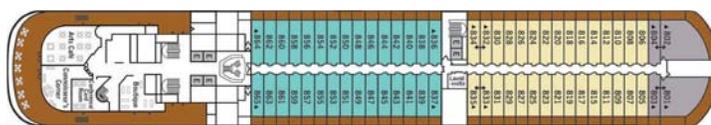
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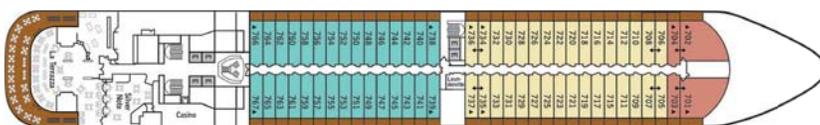
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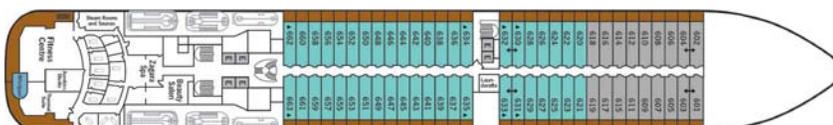
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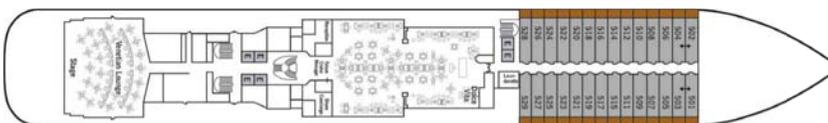
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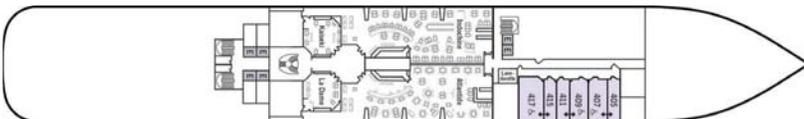
Deck 6



Deck 5



Deck 4



Deck Plans

- Vista Suite
- Classic Veranda Suite
- Superior Veranda Suite
- Deluxe Veranda Suite
- Silver Suite

# Isabela II

A classic expeditionary ship designed for Galápagos cruising, *Isabela II* accommodates just 40 Tauck guests onboard an expeditionary voyage. She has three decks - Main, Cabin, and Sun - that include a bar / lounge with outdoor seating, an observation deck, a Jacuzzi and solarium. All outside staterooms featuring en-suite bathrooms with showers, individual air conditioning, a music system and much more provide for relaxed and comfortable cruising.

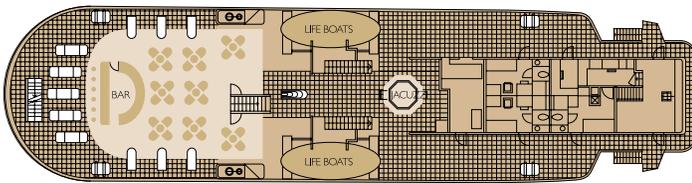


Sleek design to navigate coastal waterways

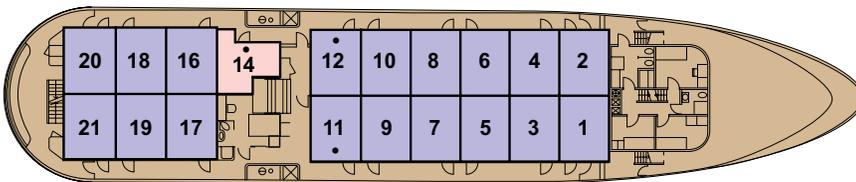


Spot wildlife from the top deck

## Sun Deck



## Cabin Deck



## Main Deck



• = One Double Bed



Category A (Master Suite) with ocean views

## Deck Plans

- **Category C**  
Cabin Deck
- **Category B**  
Cabin Deck
- **Category A (Master Suite)**  
Main Deck

## Ship Specifications

- Built:** 1979
- Refurbished:** 2018
- Length:** 166 ft / 50.6 m.
- Draft:** 12 ft. / 3.6 m.
- Beam:** 38 ft. / 11.5 m.
- Tonnage:** 1,025 tons
- Cruising Speed:** 10 knots
- Air Conditioned:** Yes
- Elevator:** No
- Number of Guests:** 40
- Crew Members:** 24
- Registry:** Ecuador
- Crew Nationality:** Ecuadorian

# MS Santa Cruz II

Boasting five decks with modern interiors all recently redecorated from bow to stern, *MS Santa Cruz II* has 50 staterooms for 90 guests, many of which can be interconnected for ideal flexibility for families and solo travelers. All staterooms have air conditioning, a picture window, hair dryer, iPod / MP3 docking station and more. Indoor and outdoor social areas offer ample privacy and space to relax.



Purpose-built for expeditionary cruising

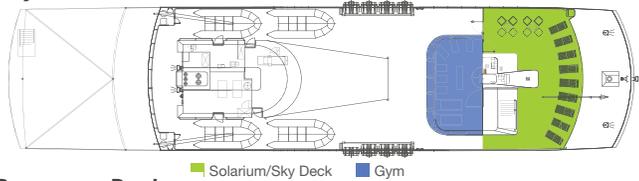


Panorama Bar & Lounge



Darwin Suite with living area & ocean views

## Sky Deck



■ Solarium/Sky Deck ■ Gym

## Panorama Deck



■ Restrooms ■ Panorama Bar & Lounge ■ Al Fresco Dining ■ Bridge

## Expedition Deck



■ Hot Tub ■ Discovery Room ■ Expedition Lounge & Library

## Horizon Deck



■ Restrooms ■ Reception Area ■ Gift Shop ■ Infirmary

## Ocean Deck



■ Beagle Dining Room

All beds can be converted from twins to double

## Deck Plans

- Explorer Double Cabin  
Horizon, Expedition & Panorama Decks
- Explorer Triple Cabin  
Horizon Deck
- Darwin Suite  
Panorama Deck

## Ship Specifications

- Built:** 2002
- Refurbished:** 2021
- Decks:** 5
- Length:** 235 ft. / 71.8 m.
- Beam:** 44 ft. / 13.4 m.
- Tonnage:** 2,664 gross tons
- Cruising Speed:** 10.5 knots
- Air Conditioned:** Yes
- Elevator:** No
- Number of Guests:** 90
- Crew Members:** 50
- Registry:** Ecuador
- Crew Nationality:** Ecuadorian

# General Information

## *Expectations Versus Reality*

*As a family of travelers, we've learned that every journey starts with a preconceived image of what to expect. Inevitably, this image changes as we experience the real thing. If the actual experience exceeds our expectations, we feel joy. If it falls short, we feel disappointment. For example, hotel accommodations vary significantly around the world in terms of room size, location and service levels. And no matter how hard we try to meet the highest standards, we will all have a favorite and least favorite experience on any trip.*

*Behind every tour or cruise, there are literally hundreds of people we depend upon to help deliver on your expectations. Should one or two of them fall short, or there is an unexpected change to the itinerary, we hope you will not allow an isolated situation to upset your vacation.*

*So much of the joy of travel is to experience the unexpected. We hope you share that philosophy.*

–The Tauck Family

This brochure is designed to provide you with an honest description of what to expect on your tour or cruise. The Introduction Pages and the General Information (on these pages) are very important for you to understand. This information, in addition to other documents we will provide when you book with us, including our *Travel Terms and Conditions* and *Journey Confirmation*, form the basis of our agreement with you. These documents include important legal obligations and should be read with care.

## **Inclusive Prices**

2025 prices are per person in US dollars. Prices include: all accommodations (see below); airport transfers and land transportation as detailed in the tour itinerary; basic internet where available in hotel rooms and aboard ships (service levels not guaranteed); entertainment and special dinners as arranged by Tauck; shore excursions and sightseeing; standard luggage handling; services of ship crew and local guides. Meals are included as specified. All appropriate gratuities for luggage handling, bellmen, doormen, dining room servers and local guides are included. On-tour airfare is included in the tour cost when flights are part of the trip, as indicated on the tour itinerary. Tauck Director and driver gratuities are included for cruises and Tauck Bridges family trips.

**Hotel & Ship Accommodations:** Tauck's per person price is based on double occupancy. Hotel rooms with two beds are usually reserved for doubles. The price

for rooms / cabins occupied by one person is higher than those when two or more people share the cost of a room. Triples usually have two beds (not recommended for comfort). Aboard ships, triples may not be available or may include a sofa or upper berth.

**Luggage Handling & Restrictions:** Normal luggage handling is included in the tour cost. Due to space restrictions on on-tour-transportation, we ask that you please limit your checked luggage to one suitcase per person weighing no more than 50 lbs. Allowances and restrictions for checked and carry-on luggage vary across airlines, so we urge you to verify your airline's current number of items, size and weight limits to avoid overage fees, which can be expensive. Tauck cannot be held liable for additional fees or inconveniences imposed by your airline.

## **Not Included in Price**

The tour price does not include your airfare and related taxes to the tour departure point and from the tour ending point. As a service, Tauck will make hotel reservations before or after your trip on a space available basis upon request. These hotel charges will be added to your tour cost. Personal Expenses such as phone calls, room service, alcoholic and bar beverages, laundry, airline excess luggage charges (as noted above) and other optional incidental extras are not included.

## **Luggage Responsibility**

Although every effort is made to handle guests' luggage carefully, we cannot be responsible for loss or damaged luggage and personal effects due to breakage, theft, or fair wear and tear through hotel, airline and ground transportation handling. It is important to have adequate insurance to cover these eventualities. See Tauck's "Guest or Cruise Protection."

## **Before You Go**

**Itinerary Changes & Price Flexibility:** Tauck will make every effort to operate all tours as published. Tauck reserves the right to alter or curtail the itinerary, or substitute sightseeing, ports, hotels, and / or conveyances as deemed necessary. Any savings realized by these changes will be refunded to guests. Any added expense will be covered by Tauck. Although not expected, prices in this brochure may be modified due to errors or unexpected factors not anticipated at the time of printing.

**Transportation Security:** The Transportation Security Administration requires all passengers to provide their name, date of birth and gender when making all airline reservations. Travelers must provide their passport number and date of birth as they appear on their passport or government-issued ID to Tauck at time of booking for all cruises. Tauck must provide this information to the cruise operator before departure or you may be denied boarding.

**Passports and Visas:** For international travel, US citizens require a passport valid for at least 6 months beyond your return flight date. Non-US citizens should contact their booking agent or appropriate consulate for information on all required documents.

**Vaccinations:** Please check with a travel medical specialist or local health department for specific

recommendations and / or requirements for immunizations. Please note that because there is no way to eliminate all possible risks while traveling with Tauck, we cannot assume liability in the unlikely event you become ill on tour.

**Health and Safety:** Please consult your physician for pre-departure health advice. Tauck regrets that it cannot provide special assistance for walking, wheelchairs, motorized scooters, dining or other personal needs. Guests needing such assistance must be accompanied by an able companion who will assist them. We regret that some itineraries cannot accommodate wheelchairs or motorized scooters.

Tauck reserves the right to terminate the journey of any person who has a health condition that creates a hazard to other guests, is abusive of others or whose behavior is disruptive. Tauck will make no refund and will accept no liability for persons who must leave the trip.

**Shore Excursion Selection:** Tauck will contact guests and travel advisors 90 days prior to departure for shore excursion selections when applicable (included in the price but subject to availability). Shore excursion selections can be made 90 days before departure directly on My Account at tauck.com.

**Photography and Video on Tour:** Occasionally, Tauck will use photographs and / or video taken on tour by fellow guests, your Tauck Director or professional photographers for use in print, Internet and other promotional purposes. If you prefer that your image not be used in any marketing activities, notify your Tauck Director at the start of your tour.

## **Airline Reservation Services**

International airfare may be purchased through Tauck for travel originating in the United States, Canada and Australia. By using Tauck's air services, you agree that Tauck, in purchasing, selling or otherwise arranging air transportation, is acting only as your agent with air carriers, who are independent contractors. Tauck is not liable or responsible for any accident, death, personal injury, illness, property damage, delay or other loss or expense of any nature whatsoever arising directly or indirectly out of any act of God, or any actions or omissions (including any failure to provide services) or default of, any carrier. Your airline ticket purchased through Tauck constitutes a contract between yourself and the airline. Tauck is not liable for, and does not assume responsibility or accept claims with regard to: seat assignments, name changes, schedule changes, flight changes, missed connections, cancellations, claims for a refund or reimbursement of airline ticket fees, or any other loss or expense incurred by you for any reason whatsoever. Tauck must handle ticketing for Tauck's special fares, which are subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed until reserved. Special fares cannot be combined with any other promotional offer. Tauck's air services must be purchased in conjunction with a Tauck tour. Electronic ticket numbers will be provided with final documents. Should you cancel or change your flights before or after departure, all airline cancellation and change fees will apply. It is the guest's responsibility to confirm all departures 24 hours in advance and to be aware of any changes by the carrier.

## How to Make a Reservation

See your travel advisor, or call Tauck at 800-468-2825 to make a reservation.

**Payment Due Dates and Amount:** To hold space up to time of "Final Payment," a deposit for each tour booked must be received by the "Deposit Due Date" or your space is automatically released.

**\$1,500 per person** – Most Small Ship Cruises

**\$1,700 per person** – Japan and Antarctica Cruises

Final Payment is due to Tauck 120 days before departure for small ship cruises. If your deposit was made by credit card, final payment will be automatic unless you opted out at time of booking. Bookings without full payment at this time may be subject to cancellation without notice. Failure to make payment will be considered a cancellation by the guest and all applicable cancellation fees will apply.

**Personal Travel Documents:** Approximately 60 days before departure, and after receipt of final payment, your travel documents will be sent electronically; they will include electronic airline ticket numbers (when applicable), joining instructions, hotel lists, a reading list, clothing suggestions, trip itinerary, and other pertinent information.

**Extreme Circumstances:** In the event of an act of God, war (declared or undeclared), terrorism, accident, natural disaster, outbreak of disease, pandemic, quarantine, decisions by governments, or other similar event or circumstance beyond Tauck's control. Tauck reserves the right to issue a credit to you in lieu of a money-back refund, applicable to a future Tauck journey.

## TAUCK Cruise Protection

Under Tauck's *Cruise Protection* plan, you will receive the following:

**Cancellation Fee Waiver:** Should you have to cancel your trip for any reason, Tauck's Cancellation Fee Waiver reduces the regular cancellation fees outlined herein, provided we are notified of cancellation before your trip departs. Certain terms and restrictions apply.

**Travel Insurance Benefits:** Underwritten by United States Fire Insurance Company. Should you have to cancel your trip due to illness, injury, death or other covered reasons, any cancellation or airline penalties not refunded by Tauck under the Cancellation Fee Waiver may be reimbursable under Trip Cancellation. This Protection also provides benefits for:

- **Trip Interruption** - If you have to interrupt your tour for covered reasons, the plan provides reimbursement to catch up to your tour or return home.
- **Travel Delay** - Provides reimbursement for missed, prepaid Tauck travel arrangements if you are delayed by a common carrier, natural disaster, unannounced strike, or other reasons as cited in the certificate.
- **Medical Expense** - Reimburses covered medical expenses incurred in the event you become injured or sick during your trip.

- **Baggage / Personal Effects Protection** - Provides reimbursement in the event your luggage or personal effects are lost, stolen, damaged or delayed during your trip.

- **Worldwide Emergency Assistance Services** - Provided by Carefree Travel Assistance 24-hour emergency telephone assistance hotline for medical and travel-related problems.

Costs of Tauck's *Cruise Protection* are as follows:

**\$699 per person** – US small ship cruises

**\$799 per person** – Most small ship cruises

**\$989 per person** – Japan and Antarctica Cruises

Tauck's optional *Cruise Protection* must be requested at time of booking and the fee must be included in initial payment. Fees are based on costs as of July 2023 and are subject to change. The amount of any refund shall be reduced by any recoveries obtained by you from any third parties. Travel agent commissions are not covered under these plans.

The protection plans discussed above provide insurance coverage that applies only during the covered trip. You may have coverage from other sources that provides you with similar benefits but may be subject to different restrictions depending upon your other coverages. You may wish to compare the terms of this policy with your existing life, health, home and automobile policies. If you have any questions about your current coverage, call your insurance agent. Should you choose to travel without *Cruise Protection*, or other adequate travel protection coverage, we will not be liable to you for any loss that such travel protection would have covered.

## If You Have to Cancel

**Cancellation Fees:** Regardless of reason, cancellations of confirmed bookings result in costly penalties and fees from hotels, ship operators and other travel providers. Therefore, the fees listed below will apply:

*With Cruise Protection* - Guests choosing to purchase Tauck's *Cruise Protection* will incur cancellation penalties as follows:

- 120 days or more before departure: Loss of *Cruise Protection* fee per person
- 119–60 days before departure: Loss of 25% of cost of tour per person, not including air (if applicable), plus loss of *Cruise Protection* fee
- 59–1 day before departure: Loss of 50% of cost of cruise per person, not including air (if applicable), plus loss of *Cruise Protection* fee

*Without Cruise Protection* - Guests choosing not to purchase Tauck's *Cruise Protection* will incur cancellation penalties as follows:

- 120 days or more before departure: Loss of deposit, per person
- 119–60 days before departure: Loss of 50% of tour cost, not including air (if applicable) per person
- 59–1 day before departure: Loss of 100% of tour cost, not including air (if applicable) per person

Time of cancellation is when notice is received by Tauck.

In the event of an unforeseen circumstance beyond our control, Tauck reserves the right to amend the *Protection* plans and cancellation terms outlined herein.

**Tour Interruption Fees:** If you have to interrupt your tour en route, you may be entitled to a refund for the unused land portion if it exceeds 24 hours; certain restrictions apply. Such refunds are based upon the number of overnights missed less a fee of \$40 per person per day for unused transportation and other fixed expenses.

**Partial Room Cancellation:** A person who cancels or leaves a tour while a roommate remains constitutes a cancellation of one type of accommodation and rebooking of another type of accommodation. The price charged to the remaining person is the new, higher price for the new accommodation.

## Before You Book

Before booking your tour or cruise, please be advised that many contain active experiences and may include touring in areas where modern amenities, like US-standard air conditioning, are not available. To access touring locations, you may need to walk considerable distances and stand on uneven terrain like cobblestones. Travelers must be in good health; consult your physician for pre-departure advice.

## Activity & Pace Levels

Higher numbers mean more active journeys.

### Activity

- 1: Walking/standing for up to one hour at a time, stairs and level ground
- 2: Walking/standing for one to two miles at a time, uneven steps & cobblestones
- 3: Active hiking, biking & walking for two to three miles, up hills & uneven terrain
- 4: Active walking, hiking, biking & sea kayaking with distances of 3+ miles for up to 3 hours at a time

### Pace

- 1: Generally easy – with time to rest and relax
- 2: Moderate – with some early morning starts
- 3: Often robust – long days, active sightseeing, early starts, evening activities, significant travel times
- 4: Consistently robust – very full and active days, extended travel times, and may include use of different modes of local transport

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<b>NEW</b> Aegean Voyage: Istanbul to Athens	18	\$ 11,990	14
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Mediterranean Odyssey: Greece, Cyprus & Israel	26	\$ 11,990	13
Treasures of the Aegean	30	\$ 9,990	10
Venice & the Dalmatian Coast	34	\$ 10,590	10
Treasures of the Mediterranean Isles	38	\$ 10,990	12
Treasures of Spain and Portugal	42	\$ 9,990	13
Legendary Scottish Isles, Edinburgh & Glasgow	46	\$ 9,990	11
Norwegian Fjords & Coastal Treasures	50	\$ 10,390	10
Iceland	54	\$ 9,990	8
Cruising the Land of the Rising Sun	58	\$ 15,990	14
Antarctica	62	\$ 13,990	13
Alaska's Inside Passage	66	\$ 8,790	10
Cruising the Great Lakes: Chicago to Toronto	70	\$ 10,790	12
Shores of Eastern Canada and New England	74	\$ 10,690	13
The Panama Canal & Costa Rica	78	\$ 8,990	12
Cruising the Galápagos Islands	82	\$ 9,190	9
Peru and the Galápagos Islands	86	\$ 14,090	15
Hidden Galápagos & Peru	90	\$ 16,990	16
Galápagos: Wildlife Wonderland	94	\$ 7,390	8



DEPARTURE MONTHS

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# *Gift of Time* *Early Booking Advantage*

Limited Time Only – Book by July 31, 2024  
and receive a free night!

For our valued past guests only, when you book any 2025 Tauck land journey or cruise by July 31, 2024 you'll receive a free night – before or after – at Tauck's selected hotel. We've made a limited number of hotel rooms available; they're based upon availability, so booking early is truly an advantage! Deposit must be paid at time of booking, and certain other restrictions apply (ask for details at booking).

**Please note – Your Tauck journey and hotel must be booked by July 31, 2024 – *Gift of Time* is not available after that date.**



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