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Distinction...

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And, at Mayflower Tours, we encourage you to find the points of distinction in the choices you have to great destinations around the World.

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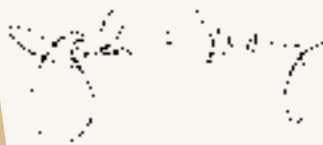
- A great value with so many included features and never-to-be-forgotten moments
- Knowledgeable English Speaking Tour Managers who take care of all the details
- Local Historians and Guides who enhance the touring experience
- Accommodations that are top quality and located in close proximity to the attractions
- Many meals included that feature local culinary dining experiences
- The must see, must do, sights and attractions
- Comfortable and unique types of transportation
- Free time to explore at the destination
- Book your air at the lowest logical fare with us
- While overseas or on tour, round trip airport transfers are included when you make your air arrangements with Mayflower Tours
- Guaranteed Share Program for single travelers
- Travelers Protection Plan should unforeseen circumstances change your travel plans

All of this is provided to you by a family-owned and operated tour company in our 33rd year of providing rewarding travel experiences.

We look forward to being your choice when you make your travel plans.



Happy Travels,



John and Mary Stachnik
Co-owners

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The Mayflower Experience...

POINTS OF



The Mayflower Experience... Truly unique and rewarding travel with your comfort and enjoyment as our first priority... Our Points of Distinction!

VALUE AND SATISFACTION

- Each holiday is described in detail so you know the value of what you are paying for – with so many included features. One easy to understand cost.
- Our travelers satisfaction has rewarded us with a great number of repeat travelers each year...and many of our new travelers are referred by their friends.
- Schedule your flight arrangements with Mayflower Tours based on the lowest logical airfare on a regularly scheduled airline.
- Airport transfers are included at no cost to you from the gateway airport to and from your hotel when you make your air arrangements with us.



ENRICHMENT AND ENJOYMENT

- Our Tour Managers are highly experienced and professionally trained on the regions you visit and will take care of all details so your holiday is enriching and carefree.
- Local Historians and Guides bring the holiday to life with their first-hand knowledge and expertise of the touring area that you might miss if you traveled on your own.



HOSPITALITY AND CONVENIENCE

- Comfort and unique places to stay -- the accommodations listed on each holiday are chosen by a rigorous review to deliver specific requirements for on-site amenities, proximity to attractions, attentive staff and well-appointed rooms.
- Baggage Handling at your hotels is always included in each Mayflower deluxe escorted holiday – you'll have your bags brought to your room and picked up from your room.

DISTINCTION

A MEMORABLE JOURNEY

- Experience the destination up close with carefully selected sightseeing and attractions that are the must-see, must-do, in each location.
- You'll travel aboard comfortable and unique styles of transportation from deluxe air-conditioned motorcoaches to historic trains, riverboats, cruise ships and so many more.
- Balance is the key for free time to explore the destination on your own to meet the locals, shop, dine or just relax and take in the scenery.



UNIQUE CULINARY DELIGHTS

- Special attention for included meals is given to the local cuisine. We strive to include those special customs, cultural and culinary styles for unique dining experiences.
- Hands-on cooking classes, wine tastings and meals at world-renowned restaurants add to those delectable aromas and flavors on your holiday.



CONFIDENCE AND EXPERIENCE

- Guaranteed departures provide added confidence that your holiday will depart on time.
- For 33 years, Mayflower Tours has been family-owned and operated by John and Mary Stachnik.
- A Travelers Protection Plan is available for your confidence in knowing you are taken care of for every cancellation or refund should unforeseen circumstances change your travel plans.
- Mayflower Tours is a member of the United States Tour Operators Association backed by a \$1 million Travelers Assistance.



The Mayflower Experience... YOUR TRAVEL DREAMS

EUROPEAN RIVER CRUISING

The waterways of Europe carve their way passing castles, vineyards, monuments and monasteries where legends have been created and our curiosity leads us. A European River Cruise with Mayflower Tours is *your* river cruise set aboard an exclusively chartered river vessel with all of the comforts of home sailing through eight countries in Europe. Your choice of the quaint yet versatile canals and rivers of Holland or the majestic Rhine, Mosel or Danube rivers during the peak of seasons bursting with colors, culture and picturesque countryside will beckon you to share in them all.

SCENIC RAIL EXPERIENCES

You'll feel the exhilaration take hold when you are whisked away aboard high-speed trains or remarkable scenic railways through mountainous countryside. Mayflower Tours has selected the most ingenious rails that are a must for a spectacular scenic rail holiday in Europe. The high-speed *Eurostar* takes you through the Chunnel below the English Channel. A ride aboard the Flam Railway in Norway descends 3,500 feet on a 13-mile journey through the most breathtaking scenery imaginable.

CRUISE/TOURS

There's nothing like an evening sky bursting with a palette of color from a sunset on the horizon seen from the deck of ship. You are the explorer, one who loves the adventure that sailing the vast oceans of the World will bring. Here is an opportunity to visit inspiring and remarkable ports of call on continents that you only imagined you would ever set foot. Mayflower Tours has carefully selected the best cruise lines and the best ships to ensure your holiday is comfortable and complete. Whether it is sailing the Mediterranean, traversing the Panama Canal or cruising the romantic Greek islands, when you choose your next cruise/tour with Mayflower Tours your senses will come alive...bon voyage.

HISTORIC HOLIDAYS

Expand your knowledge of history from Ireland to China and beyond on an historic holiday with Mayflower Tours. Step back in time where civilization began when you stand before the pyramids in Egypt, see the 2,000-year-old Coliseum, walk the Great Wall of China, see the neighbors where the people of Northern Ireland recall the period of the "Troubles," and so much more. Learn historical facts from local, English-speaking guides as you stroll towns filled with remarkable landmarks you've only dreamed of seeing on a Mayflower Tours' historic holiday.

NATURAL ADVENTURES

The World's treasures are not just found in museums or historic towns, but in environments where natural wonders abound and unique creatures make their homes. Mayflower Tours gives you an upclose view of the wildlife in Australia, the geothermal wonderland in New Zealand and the variety of birds, monkeys, iguanas, turtles, frogs and more in the most incredible natural settings in Costa Rica. Nature is at its finest when you choose a natural adventure with Mayflower Tours.

Let your imagination take hold and create your personal travel plan with Mayflower Tours. Our unique styles of travel are designed to fill your heart, mind and soul with experiences to incredible destinations around the World.



— OUR TRAVEL STYLES



MULTIPLE WAYS TO SAVE

EARLY BIRD SAVINGS

Save up to \$300 per couple when you make your reservation seven months or more prior to your selected departure date.

MAYFLOWER MONEY

You'll earn future travel credits for each day of your Mayflower Tour. Our way of saying thank you for traveling and we look forward to having you join us again soon!

FIRST-TIME TRAVELER CERTIFICATE

For those of you new to Mayflower Tours, you'll receive a First-Time Traveler Certificate that you can use today when you make your reservation! SAVE up to an additional \$50 for each new traveler based on the holiday you choose!

GUARANTEED SHARE PROGRAM

Single travelers will reduce their costs and enjoy the company of a roommate when you take advantage of Mayflower's Guaranteed Share program. You will be paired with another traveler of the same gender at the twin rate. Should your roommate not travel, you'll get a single room and only pay the twin rate!

REFERRAL REWARDS

Thank you for sharing Mayflower Tours with your friends and family. For every person you refer that travels for the first-time, you'll earn up to \$50 towards your next Mayflower holiday.



Keukenhof Gardens

DUTCH WATERWAYS CRUISE IN SPRINGTIME

9 DAYS • 20 MEALS



Cruise the dutch waterways aboard the MS Rigoletto

7 Cruise Overnights

Start/End City

Visit

Cruise Route

Tour Route

Optional Tour



KEY FEATURES

- See the best of the Netherlands from aboard the exclusively chartered river ship *MS Rigoletto* on a seven night cruise.
- Enjoy walking tours with English-speaking guides in Volendam, Hoorn, Enkhuizen, Hindeloopen, Kampen, Deventer, Zutphen and Nijmegen.
- Visit to the UNESCO World heritage site of Kinderdijk famous for its historic windmills. Enjoy a private lecture on the history and importance of windmills to Holland.
- You'll unpack just once in your beautifully appointed outside stateroom with large picture windows for perfect viewing.
- All meals included on board featuring local and international specialties served at one leisurely seating. All dinners are four courses served with regional wines. Afternoon tea and late evening buffet served daily in the lounge.
- Spacious public areas with large picture windows in the lounge and bar furnished with comfortable sofas and chairs, evening piano music and onboard Dutch folklore show.
- Join an optional excursion to Keukenhof Gardens at the height of tulip season.

Cruise The Netherlands while in bloom aboard the *MS Rigoletto*

There is no better time to visit this small, charming and beautiful country than in the spring when a symphony of tulip color over-spreads the land. Cruise a land partially reclaimed from the sea with its inland seas, rivers and lakes. Explore towns that are living museums of the past with their ornate church spires and thatch-roofed houses.



Amsterdam, Netherlands

Amsterdam, Holland – The “Venice of the North”

Your journey begins and ends in Amsterdam, known for its winding tree-shaded canals, ornately gabled 16th-century townhouses, hundreds of bridges and tulips everywhere! Like the diamonds that make it famous, Amsterdam shines with works of the world's greatest artists. Enjoy a panoramic city tour which includes historic landmarks such as the Royal Palace, the Tower Of Tears, the “Skinny Bridge,” spanning the Amstel River and the venerable Portuguese Synagogue.

Step back to the “Golden Age” and join an optional cruise along Amsterdam’s picture-book narrow canals through the city centre. See elegant 17th-century merchant residences with their beautiful gabled fronts, narrow bridges, churches with their bell towers and 16th/17th-century warehouses.

Keukenhof Gardens

While in Amsterdam join us for an optional excursion to Keukenhof, also called the “Garden of Europe.” Known throughout the world for its open-air flower exhibition, admire the flowers at the height of tulip season only two months a year.

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DUTCH WATERWAYS CRUISE IN SPRINGTIME *continued*

Volendam

The picturesque postcard fishing village of Volendam has retained its original charm, delighting you with women who greet you in traditional wooden shoes, lace caps and skirts. Volendam is well-known for making wooden clogs.



Witness historic sailboats while cruising the IJssel Mer

Hoorn

Next cruise to Hoorn, an ancient medieval harbor town with a long-standing maritime history. Hoorn was the 17th-century headquarters for the Dutch East India Company. Enjoy a leisurely walk through the town or take time to visit a colorful pub.

Enkhuizen

Stroll through historic parts of the inner city which have remained intact from the 17th century. See two magnificent 15th-century churches, the largely intact 17th-century city walls, gates and Drommedaris tower. On your own visit the Zuiderzee indoor and outdoor museum which reflects life in the villages around the Zuiderzee throughout history. Then during lunch, cruise the IJssel Mer, a large inland sea, the result of a Dutch engineering feat cutting it off from the open North Sea.



The Zuiderzee indoor and outdoor museum at Enkhuizen

Stavoren/Hindeloopen, Friesland

Arrive in Stavoren and visit the nearby quaint Friesland village of Hindeloopen which offers a blend of “old” and “new” with many canals and beautiful wooden bridges.



The quaint Friesland village of Hindeloopen

Kampen

Situated on the IJssel River, the former Hanseatic League city of Kampen is known for its well-preserved mansions and former homes of Dutch sea captains. Kampen has one of the best preserved old town centers of the Netherlands. While in Kampen participate on an optional excursion to Giethoorn – “Venice of the Lowlands” and considered the “prettiest village in Holland.” This is a town where vehicles are prohibited and the only transport is by canal boat.

Deventer

This 11th-century town was the setting for the movie, “A Bridge Too Far.” Join us on a walking tour of the town. See St. Lebuin’s Church with its Gothic architecture and fascinating Market Square.



Mayflower travelers in picturesque Nijmegen

Zutphen

Zutphen has the nickname “Ancient city of towers” because of its many churches and towers. It lies on the east bank of the river IJssel in the province Gelderland. Because of its position on the river IJssel which has a connection with the Rhine and the former Zuiderzee, it became an important trading city.



Kinderdijk, a UNESCO World Heritage Site

Arnhem

Arnhem is most recognized for the many fierce air battles fought in its forests during WW II. Join an optional excursion to get an overview of this rebuilt city and then continue to the nearby Kröller Mueller Museum and Sculpture Park set in 25 hectares of parkland. Here admire 276 works by Van Gogh as well as works by such sculpture artists as Henry Moore.

Kinderdijk – UNESCO World Heritage Site

Situated close to Rotterdam and just seven feet above sea level, Kinderdijk is famous for its beautifully preserved 19th-century windmills along a dyke called “Kinderdijk” or Child’s Dyke. Enjoy an introductory talk on the importance and operation of windmills in the Netherlands before having the chance to explore first hand the working mechanism and living quarters inside the windmills.

From Kinderdijk, enjoy an optional excursion to Delft, where the Dutch Golden Age remains alive. See where this magnificent hand-crafted and painted china comes from as well as beautiful canals, Gothic churches and 17th-century Market Square.

Rotterdam – Largest Port in Europe

Rotterdam is famous throughout the world for its modern and automated port facilities. Enjoy an afternoon cruise of this modern port city before your return cruise to Amsterdam.

CRUISE ACCOMMODATIONS

Days Two through Eight – aboard the *MS Rigoletto*

2011 Depart USA	Category	Per Person Twin	Single Room Add
April 16	Main Stateroom	\$1,998	\$1,249
	Upper Stateroom	\$2,248	\$1,399
	Superior Stateroom	\$2,448	N/A

All staterooms are outside staterooms and have two twin beds with large picture window, private bathroom with shower, hair dryer, radio, television, individually controlled heating and air conditioning, safe, telephone



Call for air rates and schedules from your city to and from Amsterdam, The Netherlands

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

EASY **1 2 3 4** ENERGETIC

YOUR RIVER SHIP

See page 80 for a complete description of the *MS Rigoletto*

DAY BY DAY

- 20 Meals (7 dinners, 6 lunches and 7 breakfasts)
- Airport transfers when air is provided by Mayflower
- Mayflower Tours expert staff onboard to assist
- \$45 in Mayflower Money

Day One

- Transatlantic flight to Amsterdam, The Netherlands

Day Two

- Tour begins in Amsterdam. Meet your Tour Manager and enjoy a panoramic city tour of Amsterdam before boarding the *MS Rigoletto*, your home for the next seven nights.
- Optional canal cruise through Amsterdam
- Welcome Reception and dinner on board

Day Three

- Breakfast, lunch, tea with pastries and dinner onboard
- Optional excursion to Keukenhof Gardens, at the height of tulip season
- Cruise to Volendam
- Cruise to Hoorn

Day Four

- Breakfast, lunch, tea with pastries and dinner onboard
- Arrive Enkhuizen and visit the old town
- Cruise the IJssel Mer
- Arrive Stavoren, Friesland
- Included visit to quaint Hindeloopen
- Cruise to Kampen

Day Five

- Breakfast, lunch, tea with pastries and dinner onboard
- Optional excursion to Giethoorn, regarded as the prettiest village in Holland
- Afternoon walking tour of Kampen
- Cruise the IJssel River to Deventer

Day Six

- Breakfast, lunch, tea with pastries and dinner onboard
- Walking tour of Deventer
- Cruise to Zutphen and enjoy a walking tour
- Arrive Arnhem
- Dutch Folkloric show onboard after dinner

Day Seven

- Breakfast, lunch, tea with pastries and dinner onboard
- Optional excursion to the Kröller Muller Museum
- Cruise to Nijmegen and enjoy a walking tour

Day Eight

- Breakfast, lunch, tea with pastries and dinner onboard
- Cruise to Kinderdijk, UNESCO World Heritage Site.
- Informative lecture on the importance and history of windmills in Holland followed by a tour of Kinderdijk
- Optional excursion to Delft
- Cruise the port of Rotterdam
- Captain’s Farewell dinner
- Arrive Amsterdam late evening

Day Nine

- Breakfast onboard
- Disembark Amsterdam for return flights home



Cruise aboard the MS Rigoletto

ROMANTIC RHINE AND MOSEL RIVER CRUISE

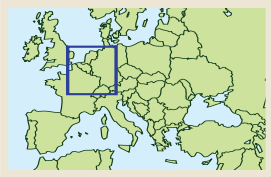
Switzerland • France • Germany • The Netherlands

10 DAYS • 22 MEALS



Rhine River Valley, Germany

- 1** Overnight
- 7** Cruise Overnights
- Start City
- End City
- ◆ Visit
- Tour Route
- ⋯ Cruise Route
- ⋯ Optional Tour



● KEY FEATURES

- Accommodations at the Hotel Flora in Lucerne, Switzerland allowing for convenient transfers from Zurich airport.
- There is no better way to experience the Rhine and Mosel Rivers than by cruising through the heart of central Europe aboard our exclusively chartered river vessel.
- After boarding, unpack just once in your comfortable outside stateroom with large picture windows for perfect viewing.
- Included shore excursions escorted by local English-speaking guides in Lucerne, Basel, Strasbourg, Cochem and Amsterdam
- Guided tour of Reichsburg Castle.
- Narrated cruising through the UNESCO World Heritage Region of the Rhine River Valley including Lorelei Rock.
- All meals included onboard. Enjoy a variety of international cuisines. All four-course dinners are served with regional wines. Afternoon tea and pastries served daily in the lounge.
- Inviting public areas with large picture windows in the lounge and bar are comfortably furnished with large sofas complete with evening piano music. Enjoy local cultural entertainment and a cuckoo clock demonstration.

Welcome Aboard the *MS Rigoletto*

You'll feel a sense of adventure as you imagine the historic events that occurred along these rivers where the ever-changing scenes of castles, kingdoms and cathedrals unfold before your eyes. From the comfort of a cozy lounge or out on the sundeck, cruise two rivers that have determined the course of European history



Chapel Bridge, Lucerne, Switzerland

Lucerne, Switzerland – The Historic Center of the “True” Switzerland

Once a simple fishermen's village, the picturesque town of Lucerne, whose name means “Alpine Splendor” is surrounded by mountains and meadows. Your walking tour highlights the city's landmark, the famous 14th-century Chapel Bridge that crosses the Ruess River with its paintings of heroic town events. See the 17th-century Renaissance Town Hall, old squares and Lion Monument. As you walk along the cobble streets, delectable chocolates, candied fruit cookies and fine Swiss timepieces will tempt you. Enjoy lunch on your own and try traditional Swiss cuisine, accompanied by the local ale.

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ROMANTIC RHINE AND MOSEL RIVER CRUISE *continued*

Basel – Switzerland’s Second Largest City

Tradition-conscious, open-minded and full of contrasts, Basel is regarded as one of Switzerland’s centres for art, music and architecture. See old Market Square with its brightly colored Town Hall, charming streets with 18th-century houses and spired Munster. In Basel, you’ll board our exclusively chartered river vessel, the *MS Rigoletto* to begin your memorable river cruise.

Strasbourg – Capital of the Alsace Region

Situated in France and on the border of Germany lies lovely Strasbourg, with its monumental cathedral featuring carvings as delicate as any piece of lacework. Strasbourg is one of Europe’s most attractive cities. Culturally influenced by both countries and the seat of the European Parliament, your included city tour features the fascinating Old Quarter, “La Petite France” with its typical Alsatian half-timbered houses and the magnificent Gothic Cathedral with its famous astronomical clock.

Speyer/Heidelberg

Take an optional excursion to Heidelberg famous for its red-walled 16th-century Castle. With its picture-postcard houses and maze of roofs. Heidelberg represents the essence of German Romanticism. Enjoy free time before returning to the ship.



Drosselgasse, Rudesheim, Germany

Rudesheim – One of the Rhine’s Most Delightful Towns

Nature and history have left a rich heritage here in the wine-growing Rheingau region whose origins date back to pre-Roman times. The inescapable romanticism of the Rhine, the historic palaces and ancient castles, excellent riesling and pinot noir wines, together with Rudesheim’s famous hospitality and conviviality give the town a very distinctive atmosphere. Home to three medieval castles, Rudesheim provides a fascinating look through German history. See Market Square and aristocratic mansions. Stop in a beer hall or wine tavern along lively Drosselgasse, filled with music and song, and sample the best of genuine Rhine hospitality.

Boppard

Boppard lies in the middle of the UNESCO World Heritage area of the upper part of the Middle Rhine. Its history dates back to Romans of which the finest preserved Roman fortifications in all of Germany can be seen. In the Middle Ages it became an important commercial and shipping center and therefore the town has an historic market place and also many fine historic mansions along the Rhine promenade.



Cochem on the Mosel River, Germany

Cochem - Cozy Wine Taverns

Along the beautiful Mosel River, countless vineyards of alternating greens and squares of grapevines unfold before your eyes. Cochem, rated one of the prettiest villages along the Mosel, is best known for its fortified gates, pastel-colored or half-timbered buildings and Baroque towers, and vintages of Mosel Riesling wine. Enjoy a guided tour of the 19th-century Reichsburg Castle with its many spires and walls that stand out against the green trees.



Cologne, Germany



Keukenhof Gardens, The Netherlands

Cologne – One of Germany’s oldest cities

When you visit 2,000-year-old Cologne, the largest city in Germany during the Middle Ages, you're sure to be enchanted by the blend of Romanesque churches, simple post-war buildings, and classic modern architecture. Visit the magnificent cathedral, the largest in Germany, which took 600 years to construct and serves as the symbol of the city. See the Shrine of the Three Magi, a masterpiece of goldsmith artistry. Then take a drive around this beautiful city, where perfumed water was first created and cologne gets its name.

Amsterdam, Holland – The “Venice of the North”

With its winding tree-shaded canals, ornately gabled 16th-century townhouses, hundreds of bridges and tulips everywhere, Amsterdam is a garden of earthly delights. Like the diamonds that make it famous, Amsterdam shines with works of the world’s greatest artists.

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HOTEL AND CRUISE ACCOMMODATIONS

Day Two – Hotel Flora, Lucerne, Switzerland

Days Three through Nine – aboard the *MS Rigoletto*

2011 Depart USA	Category	Per Person Twin	Single Room Add
March 30	Main Stateroom	\$2,198	\$1,345
April 23*	Upper Stateroom	\$2,448	\$1,445
April 29	Superior Stateroom	\$2,598	N/A

*This departure operates from Amsterdam, The Netherlands and to Zurich, Switzerland

All staterooms are outside staterooms and have two twin beds with large picture window, private bathroom with shower, hair dryer, radio, television, individually controlled heating and air conditioning, safe, telephone



Call for air rates and schedules from your city to Zurich, Switzerland and from Amsterdam, The Netherlands

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EASY **1 2 3 4** ENERGETIC

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DAY BY DAY

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- Airport transfers when air is provided by Mayflower
- Mayflower Tours expert staff onboard to assist you
- \$50 in Mayflower Money

Day One

- Transatlantic flight to Zurich, Switzerland

Day Two

- Arrive in Zurich, meet your Tour Manager and transfer to your hotel in Lucerne, Switzerland
- Afternoon at leisure
- Welcome dinner in the hotel

Day Three

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Walking tours of charming Swiss cities, Lucerne and Basel
- Board *MS Rigoletto* in Basel, your home for the next seven nights
- Welcome Reception and dinner on board

Day Four

- Breakfast, lunch, tea with pastries, and dinner onboard
- Arrive in Strasbourg, France with an included city tour
- Cruise from Strasbourg to Speyer

Day Five

- Breakfast, lunch, tea with pastries, and dinner onboard
- Cruise from Speyer via Mannheim to Rudesheim with its three Medieval castles. Enjoy regional wines

Day Six

- Breakfast, lunch, tea with pastries, and dinner onboard
- Morning at leisure in Rudesheim to explore the Market Square and aristocratic mansions
- Narrated cruising through the UNESCO Natural World Heritage region of the Rhine River Valley including Lorelei Rock
- Arrive in medieval Boppard, once a Roman fort, with free time to explore
- Depart Boppard

Day Seven

- Breakfast, lunch, tea with pastries, and dinner onboard
- Cruise the Mosel River past Gothic churches and quaint villages
- Arrive in Cochem with an included guided tour of Reichsburg Castle
- Depart Cochem and cruise to Cologne

Day Eight

- Breakfast, lunch, tea with pastries, and dinner onboard
- Arrive Cologne, the 2,000 year old city
- Depart Cologne

Day Nine

- Breakfast, lunch, tea with pastries, and dinner onboard
- Arrive Amsterdam
- Enjoy a panoramic city tour of Amsterdam
- Farewell dinner onboard

Day Ten

- Breakfast onboard
- Transfer to the Amsterdam Schiphol Airport for return flights home



Dürnstein, Austria, the pearl of the Wachau

THE BLUE DANUBE LEGENDARY RIVER CRUISE

Germany • Austria • Slovakia • Hungary

9 DAYS • 20 MEALS



Cruise the Danube aboard the MS Swiss Diamond

7 Cruise Overnights

● Start City

● End City

◆ Visit

— Tour Route

⋯ Cruise Route

⋯ Optional Tour



● KEY FEATURES

- Experience the Danube River aboard the exclusively chartered river ship *MS Swiss Diamond* on a seven-night cruise.
- Visit four countries - Germany, Austria, Slovakia and Hungary - while cruising the best of the Danube River including the beautiful Wachau Valley.
- Included shore excursions escorted by local, English Speaking Guides in Passau, Bratislava, Esztergom including a visit to the Basilica and Budapest.
- Unpack just once in your tastefully furnished outside staterooms with large picture windows for perfect viewing.
- All meals included on board featuring local and international specialties served at one leisurely seating. All dinners are four courses served with regional wines. Afternoon tea and late evening buffet served daily in the lounge.
- Spacious public areas with large view windows in the lounge and bar furnished with comfortable sofas and chairs, evening piano music and onboard performances of a Vienna Boys Choir and a Hungarian Folklore Show.

The Blue Danube

Welcome aboard the exclusively chartered *MS Swiss Diamond* designed solely for river cruising. Unpack just once in your comfortable river-view stateroom and journey with us on a relaxing seven-night cruise along the most romantic section of the Danube River. Cruise from medieval Passau, Germany, past centuries old villages and through idyllic rolling landscapes to the former imperial city of Vienna, Austria, where you can explore palaces and sample the delights of traditional coffee shops. Next Bratislava, Slovakia, followed by the twin cities of cosmopolitan Buda and



Passau, Germany

Pest; all which have witnessed a fascinating and turbulent history of Middle Europe. See splendid Baroque churches, cathedrals and abbeys contrasting with their natural scenic surroundings. Stroll old quarters of winding lanes and alleys lined with medieval houses. All meals are included as well as complimentary wine during dinner. A Mayflower Tours expert staff will be on board to make your cruise experience even more enjoyable.

Passau, Germany

After arriving in Munich, Germany, transfer to Passau, one of Germany's oldest cities situated at the confluence of the Inn, Ilz and Danube rivers. Passau is a beautiful and fascinating fairytale town with a history dating back more than 2,000 years. During an included city tour, admire graceful arcades, cobblestone streets and see the breathtaking Baroque cathedral of St. Stephan which contains the largest pipe organ in the world with 17,000 pipes. Enjoy an organ concert in the Cathedral and then some free time.

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THE BLUE DANUBE LEGENDARY RIVER CRUISE *continued*

Linz, Austria

In the 2nd century, Roman soldiers built a fortified camp on the riverbank, and in the 15th century, Emperor Frederick III built a castle high above the river. Today the city's history is told through its Baroque architecture which surrounds an ancient market square. From Linz, you may choose to join an optional full-day excursion to Mozart's Salzburg where in the Old Town you can walk the famous Getreidegasse shopping lane, past Mozart's birthplace.

Melk and Dürnstein, Austria

Arriving early in the morning in Melk, join an optional excursion to visit the glorious and magnificent 900-year-old Benedictine Abbey (UNESCO World Heritage Site). This 1,000-year-old golden abbey perched high above the Danube boasts a breathtakingly opulent Baroque interior. See the Marble Hall and Library with its thousands of identically bound books and also its terraced gardens, which command breathtaking views over the river. Later return to your cruise ship and sail to the pretty medieval town of Dürnstein "The Pearl of the Wachau" set in Austria's spectacular vine-terraced Wachau valley. Dürnstein with its cobblestone streets and old burgher houses is dominated by the magnificent baroque Stiftskirche with its blue façade and the ruined hilltop Kuenringerburg Castle, which served as a prison to England's Richard the Lionhearted in 1193.

Vienna, Austria

For over 600 years, the magnificent baroque capital city of Vienna was the seat of the mighty Habsburg Emperors, a heritage that has bestowed it with many dazzling palaces and monuments: the lavish Hofburg Palace, the impressive Vienna Opera House, the majestic Ringstrasse. The capital is also known as the "City of

Music" for having once been the home of composers such as Beethoven, Schubert, Mozart and Johann Strauss. On an optional excursion, see the famous Kärntnerstrasse pedestrian street as well as the magnificent St. Stephen's Cathedral, noted for its Gothic edifice. Next see the Mozart House, where Mozart lived and wrote his most important works, including The Marriage of Figaro. Continue on foot to the Hofburg Complex and the Treasury.

Old Vienna is ideal for exploring independently. Or choose an optional excursion to the summer Palace of Schonbrunn with its magnificent interiors and landscaped gardens. We will stay overnight in Vienna so that the following morning you can explore more of the city on your own.



Bratislava Castle, Slovakia

Bratislava, Slovakia

Enjoy the views as your river ship sails to Bratislava, Slovakia's capital (formerly known as Pressburg and for more than three centuries during the Middle Ages, capital of Hungary.) On an included panoramic tour of the city see the imposing Bratislava Castle built more than 1,000 years ago, the National Slovakian Theatre and Blumental Church. After passing through the Vienna Gate, discover Bratislava's charming old quarter on foot, admiring St. Martin's Cathedral, the coronation site of 11 Hungarian monarchs, and quaint central square with its fairytale Town Hall.

Esztergom, Hungary

The striking skyline of 1,000-year-old Esztergom is dominated by the massive dome of the Basilica. This magnificent cathedral is reminiscent of St. Peter's in Rome.



St. Stephen's Cathedral, Vienna, Austria

● DAY BY DAY

- 20 Meals (7 breakfasts, 6 lunches and 7 dinners)
- Airport transfers when air is provided by Mayflower
- Mayflower Tours expert staff onboard to assist
- \$45 in Mayflower Money

Day One

- Transatlantic flight to Munich, Germany

Day Two

- Arrive in Munich, meet your Tour Manager and transfer to Passau on the Danube River.
- Embark the *MS Swiss Diamond*
- Included city tour of Passau
- Captain's Welcome Reception and dinner
- Depart Passau in the early evening

Day Three

- Arrive Linz, Austria, in the early morning
- Breakfast, lunch, tea with pastries, and dinner onboard
- Optional full day excursion to Mozart's Salzburg
- Depart Linz in the early evening

Day Four

- Arrive Melk in the early morning
- Breakfast, lunch, tea with pastries, and dinner onboard
- Optional excursion to the famous Melk Abbey
- Depart Melk and cruise to Dürnstein nestled in the spectacular Wachau Valley
- Explore Dürnstein on your own or join an included walking tour.

Day Five

- Depart Dürnstein in the early morning
- Breakfast, lunch, tea with pastries, and dinner onboard
- Arrive Vienna
- An optional morning excursion of Vienna
- An optional afternoon excursion to Schonbrunn Palace
- Evening performance on board by "A Vienna Boys Choir"

Day Six

- Breakfast, lunch, tea with pastries, and dinner onboard
- Morning at leisure in Vienna
- Cruise during lunch to Bratislava, Slovakia
- An included city tour of Bratislava

Day Seven

- Breakfast, lunch, afternoon tea with pastries, and dinner
- Depart Bratislava in the morning and cruise to Esztergom, Hungary
- An included visit the Basilica of Esztergom.

Day Eight

- Depart Esztergom in the early morning
- Breakfast, lunch, afternoon tea with pastries
- Morning arrival into Budapest, Hungary
- Included city tour of Budapest
- Afternoon optional excursion of Pest
- Captain's Farewell dinner
- Enjoy an evening Hungarian Folklore show on board

Day Nine

- Breakfast onboard
- Transfer to Budapest Airport for return flights home



Fisherman's Bastion, Budapest, Hungary

Budapest, Hungary

Be on deck for a breathtaking morning cruise into Budapest, one of Europe's most beautiful cities. The city straddles both banks of the Danube linked by seven bridges, including the famous Chain and Elizabeth Bridges. An included morning sightseeing tour presents you with a fantastic opportunity to become acquainted with Hungary's beautiful capital. Enjoy a photo stop at Gellert Hill, see historic Buda Castle, 500-year-old Matthias Church, St. Stephen's Basilica, the distinctive Fisherman's Bastion and the marvelous Royal Palace.

Enjoy some time in the afternoon to explore on your own and shop for renowned peasant embroidery, Herend porcelain and paprika. In the afternoon join an optional excursion to visit the Parliament with its lace-worked stone façade, the Opera House and Heroes Square. In the evening enjoy a Farewell Dinner on board followed by a Hungarian Folklore show.

Your wonderful cruise comes to an end in the Hungarian capital of Budapest.

CRUISE ACCOMMODATIONS

Days Two through Eight – Aboard the *MS Swiss Diamond*

2011 Depart USA	Category	Per Person Twin	Single Room Add
September 26	Emerald Stateroom	\$2,198	\$1,495
October 3*	Ruby Stateroom	\$2,498	\$1,595
October 10	Ruby Stateroom (superior twin)	\$2,698	N/A

*This departure operates from Budapest, Hungary and to Passau, Germany

All staterooms are outside staterooms and have two twin beds with large picture window, private bathroom with shower, hair dryer, radio, television, mini bar, individually controlled heating and air conditioning, safe, telephone

Please add \$75 for port charges



Call for air rates and schedules from your city to Munich, Germany and from Budapest, Hungary

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

EASY **1 2 3 4** ENERGETIC

YOUR RIVER SHIP

See page 80 for a complete description of the *MS Swiss Diamond*



Cruise the Rhine River aboard the MS Rigoletto during the holidays

CHRISTMAS MARKETS CRUISE ON THE RHINE

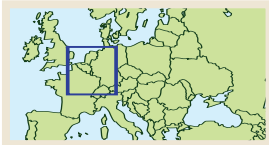
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- 1** Overnight
- 7** Cruise Overnights
- Start City
- End City
- ◆** Visit
- Tour Route
- ⋯** Cruise Route
- ⋯** Optional Tour



● KEY FEATURES

- Celebrate the Christmas season along the Romantic Rhine River aboard the exclusively chartered river ship *MS Rigoletto* on a seven night cruise.
- Enjoy shopping in over 16 Christmas Markets filled with regional handcrafted items, the merriment and beautiful decorations in Germany, France and Switzerland.
- Included shore excursions with English-speaking guides in small groups in Cologne, Koblenz, Strasbourg, Freiburg, Basel and Lucerne.
- Narrated cruising through the UNESCO World Heritage Region of the Rhine River Valley including Lorelei Rock.
- After boarding, you'll unpack just once in your beautifully appointed outside stateroom with large picture windows for perfect viewing.
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European Christmas Markets along the romantic Rhine

The magic of European Christmas markets will enchant you with hand-crafted gifts from toys, wood carvings, candles to lambskin shoes and luscious delicacies. Sail along the romantic Rhine River to magnificent villages where these treasures will be found. Enjoy a glass of mulled wine, delicious gingerbread houses and baked apples. Shop to your heart's delight and bring back one-of-a-kind gifts to share with your loved ones, recalling beloved memories of your own childhood celebrations.



Christmas Market in Cologne, Germany

Düsseldorf

The Capital of Germany's North Rhine-Westphalia state, Düsseldorf is the modern and vibrant city that retains plenty of traditional character beneath its glamour. A stroll through Düsseldorf's center is a wonderful experience with Christmas Markets of individual themes where you'll find nostalgic, beautifully decorated huts filled with arts and crafts of the region.

Cologne - One of Germany's oldest cities

When you visit 2,000 year old Cologne, the largest city in Germany during the Middle Ages, you're sure to be enchanted by the blend of Romanesque churches, simple post-war buildings, and classic modern architecture. There are no less than five Christmas Markets and the largest Christmas tree in the Rhineland aglow in front of the cathedral. Enjoy the regional delicacies of sweets and the "Original" Christmas mulled wine served in festively decorated mugs.

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CHRISTMAS MARKETS CRUISE ON THE RHINE *continued*

Koblenz

The 2000-year-old town of Koblenz is situated in the picturesque landscape of the Rhine, surrounded by four low mountain ranges. The abundance of cultural monuments and historic buildings, its cozy lanes and narrow alleyways makes Koblenz a friendly town where visitors feel at home especially during the holidays. Stroll the Christmas Market for the perfect hand-made goods and decorations all carefully watched by the boy on the famous “Schangel” fountain.

Boppard

The history of Boppard dates back to Romans of which the finest preserved Roman fortifications in all of Germany can be seen. In the Middle Ages it became an important commercial and shipping center and therefore the town has an historic marketplace and also many fine historic mansions along the Rhine promenade.

Rüdesheim - One of the Rhine's Most Delightful Towns

Nature and history have left a rich heritage here in the wine-growing Rheingau region whose origins date back to pre-Roman times complete with three medieval castles. The inescapable romanticism of the Rhine, the historic palaces and excellent riesling and pinot noir wines gives the town a very distinctive friendly atmosphere. Stroll the Drosselgasse lane, filled with Christmas treasures, and the Christmas Market where Europe's biggest Nativity scene is on display.

Mannheim

Take an optional excursion to Heidelberg famous for its red-walled 16th-century Castle. Heidelberg represents the essence of German Romanticism and five Christmas Markets. Enjoy free time before returning to the ship.

Strasbourg - Capital of the Alsace Region

Situated in France and on the border of Germany lies lovely Strasbourg, with its monumental cathedral featuring carvings as delicate as any piece of lacework. Strasbourg is one of Europe's most attractive cities with the oldest Christmas Market in France. Culturally influenced by both countries and the seat of the European Parliament, your included city tour features the fascinating Old Quarter, “La Petite France” with its typical Alsatian half-timbered houses and the magnificent Gothic Cathedral with its famous astronomical clock.



Christmas Market in Strasbourg, France

Two French Christmas Markets in the Alsace Region

In Alsace, Christmas comes alive with enchanted villages, glittering with Christmas lights, all decked out for the season. Join an optional excursion to the Alsatian villages of Ribeauville and Kaysersberg offering true experiences of French traditions so different than in those towns and villages you have visited. You'll smell the aroma of the bread baking as you step into one of the quaint bakeries and delight in the flavors of the food and wine that truly captures the feeling of your visit to France.

Explore the magical Black Forest region

Well-known for its rich, mythological landscape, the Black Forest is also recognized for its wooded highlands, tasty cherry schnapps and the magical cuckoo clocks which all originate from this region. You'll also delight in their traditional, enormous pompon hats as you shop for brightly colored wooden toys and delectable Christmas cookies. Freiburg, Germany is the capital of the Black Forest. Their Christmas market held in the town square is well known for its lovely glass blowing demonstrations, puppets, pottery, candles, and life-size nativity scene. A visit would not be complete without enjoying a piece of the true Black Forest cake.



Nativity Scene in Rüdesheim, Germany



Chapel Bridge, Lucerne, Switzerland

Basel - Switzerland's Second Largest City

Tradition-conscious, open-minded and full of contrasts, Basel is regarded as one of Switzerland's centres for art, music and architecture. See old Market Square with its brightly colored Town Hall, charming streets with 18th-century houses. In the Marketplatz you will delight in the beautifully illuminated Christmas Market. Over 100 Christmas trees adorn the Market filled with unique gifts of elegant angels and ornaments. Enjoy lunch on your own of Swiss delights.

Lucerne, Switzerland - The Historic Center of the "True" Switzerland

Once a simple fishermen's village, Lucerne is a picturesque town surrounded by mountains and meadows. Your walking tour highlights the city's landmark, the famous 14th-century Chapel Bridge that crosses the Rues River with its paintings of heroic town events. See the 17th-century Renaissance Town Hall, old squares and Lion Monument. Shop for delectable chocolates, candied fruit cookies, fine Swiss timepieces and other wonderful holiday gifts

The joys of the season, a variety of European Christmas markets and holiday memories and gifts to last a lifetime will be yours along the Rhine River.

HOTEL AND CRUISE ACCOMMODATIONS

Days Two through Eight – aboard the *MS Rigoletto*

Day Nine – Hotel Flora, Lucerne, Switzerland

2011 Depart USA	Category	Per Person Twin	Single Room Add
December 6	Main Stateroom	\$1,945	\$995
	Upper Stateroom	\$2,245	\$1,025
	Superior Stateroom	\$2,395	N/A

All staterooms are outside staterooms and have two twin beds with large picture window, private bathroom with shower, hair dryer, radio, television, individually controlled heating and air conditioning, safe, telephone



Call for air rates and schedules from your city to Dusseldorf, Germany and from Zurich, Switzerland

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

EASY **1 2 3 4** ENERGETIC

YOUR RIVER SHIP

See page 80 for a complete description of the *MS Rigoletto*

DAY BY DAY

- 23 Meals (8 breakfasts, 7 lunches, 8 dinners)
- Airport transfers when air is provided by Mayflower
- \$50 in Mayflower Money

Day One

- Transatlantic flight to historic Düsseldorf, Germany

Day Two

- Tour begins with arrival in Düsseldorf. Enjoy a panoramic city tour and visit to the Christmas Market in the town center
- Transfer to Cologne and embark the *MS Rigoletto* with afternoon at leisure
- Light lunch, Welcome Reception and dinner on board

Day Three

- Breakfast, lunch, tea with pastries, dinner on board
- Walking tour of Cologne with a visit to the Christmas Market
- Depart Cologne

Day Four

- Breakfast, lunch, tea with pastries, dinner on board
- Morning walking tour of Koblenz and visit the Traditional Christmas Market
- Free time in Koblenz
- Depart Koblenz and arrive in Boppard
- Walking tour of Boppard with free time to enjoy this quaint town

Day Five

- Breakfast, lunch, tea with pastries, dinner on board
- Depart Boppard
- Narrated cruising through the UNESCO Natural World Heritage region of the Rhine River Valley including Lorelei Rock
- Arrive in Rudesheim
- Afternoon and evening at leisure to enjoy the festive Christmas Market, enjoy the regional wines

Day Six

- Breakfast, lunch, tea with pastries, dinner on board
- Depart Rudesheim and arrive in Mannheim
- Free time in Mannheim
- Depart Mannheim and arrive in Speyer
- Free time in Speyer

Day Seven

- Breakfast, lunch, tea with pastries, dinner on board
- Arrive in Strasbourg, France
- Walking tour and visit the Christmas Market
- Afternoon at leisure in Strasbourg

Day Eight

- Breakfast, lunch, tea with pastries, dinner on board
- Arrive in Breisach am Rhein
- Visit the Black Forest and the capital city of Freiburg with a city tour
- Free time to visit the Christmas Market

Day Nine

- Breakfast on board
- Disembark the *MS Rigoletto* in Basel, Switzerland
- Walking tour of Basel and a visit to the Christmas Market
- Walking tour of Lucerne, Switzerland, lunch on own
- Farewell dinner

Day Ten

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Transfer to Zurich Airport for return flights home



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- 7** Cruise Overnights
-  Start/End City
-  Visit
-  Cruise Route



Trevi Fountain, Rome, Italy

Welcome to Rome, Italy

Your Mediterranean Classic Cruise begins on arrival at Rome Leonardo da Vinci airport where you will be met by your experienced Tour Manager who will make your cruise/tour both carefree and enlightening. Mayflower Tours has arranged for two nights in Rome with one night prior to embarking on your cruise ship and a second night following your Mediterranean Classic Cruise.

Roma...an historic city rich in art, monuments and exquisite views which have been preserved through the centuries. On a panoramic tour of the city, you'll be mesmerized by the ancient architecture of the Pantheon, Roman Forum and Arch of Titus which have all stood the test of time. Don't miss the optional visit to the Vatican and be in awe of the magnificent art and sculptures

leading up to the Sistine Chapel. On your return stay in Rome, while visiting St. Peter's Square, witness the weekly blessing (Angelus) bestowed by Pope Benedict XVI (*Papal schedule permitting.*) Shop for the latest designer fashions, sip a cup of Italian coffee and toss a coin in the Trevi Fountain.

Welcome aboard Costa cruises newest ship the *Costa Concordia*

"Beautiful! Passionate! Italian!" This is the essence of a Costa Cruise. Sail aboard the *Costa Concordia*, a ship that encapsulates all that is best in Costa Cruises. Enjoy tastefully furnished modern staterooms with first-class amenities as well as a gym, sauna and whirlpool, five restaurants, casual dining venues and lounges, casino, shopping gallery, theatre and more.

After spending one night in Rome, embark on *Costa Concordia*, your luxurious home for the next seven nights. Visit the city of Genoa, birthplace of the world's most famous mariner, Christopher Columbus. Stroll the cobblestone streets of Barcelona's medieval Gothic Quarter and see Antonio Gaudi's incredible unfinished cathedral. Then the sun-splashed port of Palma de Mallorca in the Balearic Islands of Spain. Feast your eyes on Ottoman art in exotic Tunis, home to an ancient medina and the Roman ruins of Carthage. Next, discover the Italy of old in the ancient island-kingdom of Sicily. Then end your cruise with one final night in Rome before returning home.

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Genoa, Italy

Genoa, Italy: The Most English of all Italian Cities

The birthplace of Christopher Columbus is full of refined palaces and elegant churches, standing next to humble houses. Museums are filled with Renaissance art from the city's illustrious past. Genoa boasts several spots on the World Heritage List, among them the 16th-century Via Garibaldi, with its magnificent palaces, lovely gardens and frescoes. Genoa is also home to the world's oldest working lighthouse, Genoa's city landmark. Take a walk in the historic center with its street vendors and smell the coffee, intermingled with the flavor of pesto sauce. A 19th-century writer said, "I have never seen anything like Genoa! It's something indescribably beautiful, grandiose, distinctive," words that remain as true today as they did then.



Sagrada Familia Church, Barcelona, Spain

Barcelona, Spain: Home of Gaudi delights

Next, bustling Barcelona, one of the most flamboyant and loved cities in the Mediterranean. Las Ramblas and Gaudi's Sagrada Familia Church are among the favorite sights. Many galleries and the Picasso museum make it an art lover's dream.

Palma de Mallorca, Balearic Islands, Spain: A Vibrant Port with an Historic Past

Amid fishing boats, pine groves and palm trees lies the capital of the island of Mallorca, famous for its beaches and beautiful sea. Stand in awe of the grand gothic cathedral, the Palace of L'Almudaina, a former residence of the Majorcan monarchs, now a museum, and the Museum of Modern Art with famous works by Cézanne, Gauguin, and Picasso. Visit the fish market and Plaza Mayor. Behind the 18th-century walls that kept pirates at bay, the historic quarter is concealed. Old churches, palaces and stately mansions speak of its prosperous past.



Mosque in Tunis, Tunisia

Tunis, Tunisia - Africa: Of Mosques and Mausoleums

With a history that dates back to the 2nd century, Tunis is the capital city of Tunisia. The medina of Tunis is an important UNESCO World Heritage Site with more than 700 monuments of ancient mosques and mausoleums. The Roman ruins of Carthage are nearby as is the Bardo Museum, offering a collection of Roman mosaics and other antiquities. You won't want to miss is the lively souk or marketplace where you can buy handicrafts of gold, bronze and olive wood as well as watch the artisans weave brightly-colored fabric with hand looms.



Palermo Cathedral, Sicily

Palermo, Sicily: The Biggest Island in the Mediterranean

As Sicily's largest, most cosmopolitan city, Palermo has a history that dates back some three thousand years with beautiful palaces and churches, colorful markets and a distinct cultural identity. See the Four Corners of Palermo, where each 17th-century Spanish Baroque facade is adorned with a statue, truly one of the city's most memorable sights. Tour the famous Norman Cathedral and Capuchin catacombs. Walk along the cobbled streets and stop in the delightful pastry shops. Try granita, the flavored ices. Shop on the pedestrian Via Belmonte for Sicilian-made treasures like ceramic items and original jewelry.

Join us for this once-in-a-lifetime cruise/tour and explore the wonders of the Mediterranean!

HOTEL AND CRUISE ACCOMMODATIONS

Days Two and Ten – NH Hotel Leonardo da Vinci, Rome, Italy

Days Three through Nine – *Costa Concordia*

2011 Depart USA	Category	Per Person Twin	Single Room Add
April 29	Inside Stateroom	\$1,695	\$945
	Outside Stateroom	\$1,995	\$1,345
	Outside Stateroom with Verandah	\$2,325	\$1,630
November 4	Inside Cabin	\$1,375	\$795
	Outside Stateroom	\$1,645	\$1,085
	Outside Stateroom with Verandah	\$1,925	\$1,360

Please add \$190 for port charges and government taxes
Taxes are subject to change



Call for air rates and schedules from your city to and from Rome, Italy

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

EASY **1 2 3 4** ENERGETIC

YOUR CRUISE SHIP

See page 82 for a complete description of the *Costa Concordia*

DAY BY DAY

- 23 Meals (9 breakfasts, 6 lunches, 8 dinners)
- Airport transfers when air is provided by Mayflower
- \$55 in Mayflower Money

Day One

- Transatlantic flight to Rome, Italy

Day Two

- Tour begins with arrival in Rome, Italy, and meet your Tour Manager
- Enjoy a panoramic sightseeing tour of Rome ending at the hotel
- Afternoon and evening at leisure
- Welcome dinner at your hotel

Day Three

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Morning optional excursion to Vatican City and Sistine Chapel
- Seven-nights sailing on the *Costa Concordia*
- Dinner onboard

Day Four

- Breakfast, lunch and dinner onboard
- Port of Call – Genoa, Italy, birthplace of Christopher Columbus
- Optional Genoa city tour or to picturesque Portofino

Day Five

- Breakfast, lunch and dinner onboard
- Port of Call – Barcelona, Spain
- Optional city tour of Barcelona or to Montserrat

Day Six

- Breakfast, lunch and dinner onboard
- Port of Call – Palma de Mallorca, Spain
- Optional excursion of Palma de Mallorca or to Vall De Mosa

Day Seven

- Breakfast, lunch and dinner onboard
- Day at sea

Day Eight

- Breakfast, lunch and dinner onboard
- Port of Call – Tunis, Tunisia in Africa
- Optional excursion to the Roman Ruins at Carthage or to the Medina and Souk of Tunis

Day Nine

- Breakfast, lunch and dinner onboard
- Port of Call – Palermo, Sicily
- Optional excursions of Palermo and Agrigento

Day Ten

- Breakfast onboard *Costa Concordia*
- Disembark *Costa Concordia*
- Transfer to hotel in Rome via St. Peter's Square for the weekly blessing by Pope Benedict XVI (*Papal schedule permitting*)
- Evening at leisure

Day Eleven

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Transfer to Rome Leonardo da Vinci Airport for flights home



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-  Cruise Route
-  Optional Tour



Mykonos, Greece

Cruise the Aegean and Sea of Marmaris to Istanbul, Turkey aboard the *MV Louis Cristal*

A cruise through the Eastern Mediterranean offers the best way to see this remarkable region. Mayflower Tours has arranged a seven day cruise on the *MV Louis Cristal*. From the moment you embark the *MV Louis Cristal*, you will immediately feel pampered and delighted by the service what will be yours over the next seven days. Clear blue skies, unspoiled scenery, fascinating archaeological sites, friendly vibrant people, delicious food, captivating music and dances await you. From early morning to late at night, enjoy a cuisine that combines the exquisite variety of the Mediterranean with other popular flavors from around the world, creating a culinary harmony that suits every palate. Enjoy tastefully furnished fully air-conditioned staterooms each with private bathroom and shower, telephone, hairdryer, TV.

Istanbul, Turkey - Capital of Byzantium

Istanbul, formerly Byzantium and Constantinople, where the great domes and minarets of more than 400 mosques rise gracefully above the Bosphorus. A vibrant 2500 year old city where past and present, East meets West, Islam and Christianity, have stood side by side as a “Crossroads of Civilizations.” Choose from a variety of optional excursions and see Istanbul as a modern city and the Old City, with the greatest monuments and visit the Topkapi Palace, the largest and oldest remaining palace in the world which served as the Imperial Palace. See superb mosaics and marble of the Hagia Sophia, the magnificent basilica built by Emperor Justinian in the 6th century and dedicated to Holy Wisdom, and the 21,000 blue Iznik tiles of the famed Blue Mosque, a striking example of classical Turkish architecture from the 17th century which is the only mosque in the world with six minarets. Visit the Roman Hippodrome dating from the 2nd century AD and enjoy the covered Grand Bazaar with more than 3,000 shops with your opportunity to see the magnificent carpets, jewelry and leather goods famous to this city.

Mykonos, Greece – Jewel of the Aegean

The enchanting island of Mykonos often called the “Jewel of the Aegean,” where spotless white houses, red-roofed churches and well-preserved picturesque windmills are the essence of this Cycladic island. Visit charming white-washed tiny chapels, stroll the winding narrow streets and esplanade filled with fashionable boutiques and restaurants overlooking its picturesque harbor. You

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may choose to join an optional excursion to Delos, the legendary birthplace of the Sun God Apollo and his twin sister Artemis. See the Temple of Apollo, the remains of the Hellenistic Quarter with its harbor, water house and luxurious villas and the Avenue of Lions with the five Naxian marble lions from the 7th century BC guarding the now dry sacred lake.



Church of the Holy Sepulchre, Jerusalem, Israel

Ashod, Israel – Gateway to the Holy Land

Join a full day optional excursion to Bethlehem, where three thousand years before the birth of Christ, was already known as a Canaanite settlement. Bethlehem has become a bustling tourist city combined with the holy place, as we know it, where the Church of Nativity in Manger Square and birthplace of Jesus of Nazareth is found.

Continue on to Jerusalem, the site of many Biblical events. Such is Jerusalem, the capital of Israel, the only city in the world that has 70 names of love and yearning, the city that in old maps appears at the center of the world and is still adored like a young bride.

At Jerusalem's heart is the Old Town which is surrounded by a wall and divided into four quarters - Jewish, Armenian, Christian, and Muslim. Walk the narrow "souk" to the Western Wall plaza visited by millions of worshipers, and on to the rebuilt Jewish Quarter with its magnificent Cardo, the reconstructed shopping arcade of Roman times.

Or choose a full day optional excursion to the picturesque hills of Nazareth. Here the Eastern Orthodox history and works of the Crusaders in the 12th century are told. Visit the Greek Orthodox Church of the Annunciation with its underground spring, the location believed to be where the Virgin Mary was drawing water at the time of the Annunciation.

Then continue to ancient Tiberias and the Sea of Galilee. Visit the renowned biblical sites dating back to 150 BC including Capernaum and Tabgha where New Testament scholars believe that the loaves and fishes were blessed by Jesus. A visit to the Mount of Beatitudes where in the 4th Century the Byzantine church was erected. See remains of a cistern and a monastery still visible today.

Port Said/Alexandria (Cairo), Egypt

Port Said is the entrance to the Suez Canal and access to Cairo, the capital city of Egypt. Join an optional excursion to see unbelievable architectural wonders on the Western Plateau of Giza, where Egypt's greatest monuments, the Great Pyramids of Cheops, Chephren, Micerinus and the Sphinx still stand. Acquaint yourself with Egypt's ancient history, spanning a period of over 50 centuries, on a visit to the National Archaeological Museum. Sail aboard a cruise boat on the River Nile—the same timeless waterway traversed by Pharaohs, Queens and Nobles thousands of years ago. Learn the art of paper making from reeds at a demonstration on your visit to the Papyrus Institute. Enjoy time in a Bazaar for shopping before your drive to the ancient Mediterranean port city of Alexandria to reboard the *MV Louis Cristal*.



Pyramids of Giza, Egypt



The Acropolis, Athens, Greece

Agios Nikolaos, (Crete), Greece

Agios Nikolaos located in peaceful Mirabello Bay is the capital of Lassithi province and is one of the most picturesque towns on the island of Crete. It takes its name from the charming 7th century Byzantine chapel of Agios Nikolaos. The town flourished under Venetian rule in the 12th and 13th centuries. You may choose to join an optional excursion to the picturesque village of Elounda situated in a natural bay of the same name. Then continue to the town of Krista and a visit to an Olive Oil Farm.

Athens

Named after the goddess of wisdom Athena, the capital city of Greece has a history that dates back almost four millennia. The highlight of Athens is the Acropolis which stands tall, overlooking the city. You'll take a guided tour of the House of Parliament and the Parthenon, Erechtheum and Propylae (UNESCO World Heritage sites), with a key visit to the Acropolis. As with all Mayflower Tours, you'll have ample opportunity for free time to explore Athens on your own.

HOTEL AND CRUISE ACCOMMODATIONS

Days Two and Ten – Divani Palace Acropolis Hotel, Athens, Greece

Days Three through Nine – *MV Louis Cristal*

2011 Depart USA	Category	Per Person Twin	Single Room Add
April 6	Inside Cabin	\$1,629	\$659
	Outside Cabin	\$1,789	\$759
May 18	Inside Cabin	\$1,739	\$739
	Outside Cabin	\$1,899	\$839
October 19	Inside Cabin	\$1,739	\$739
	Outside Cabin	\$1,899	\$839

Please add \$222 for port charges and government taxes
Taxes are subject to change



Call for air rates and schedules from your city to and from Athens, Greece

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

EASY **1 2 3 4** ENERGETIC

YOUR CRUISE SHIP

See page 82 for a complete description of the *MV Luise Cristal*

DAY BY DAY

- 24 Meals (9 Breakfasts, 7 Lunches, 8 Dinners)
- Airport transfers when air is provided by Mayflower
- \$55 in Mayflower Money

Day One

- Transatlantic flight to Athens, Greece

Day Two

- Tour begins with arrival in Athens. Meet your Tour Manager and transfer to your hotel.
- Welcome Dinner in the hotel followed by a short walking tour to the Old Town

Day Three

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Set sail aboard the *MV Louis Cristal* with lunch and dinner on board.

Day Four

- Breakfast, lunch and dinner on board
- Port of call – Istanbul, Turkey
- Select from a variety of optional tours featuring Highlights of Istanbul, Scenic Bosphorus Cruise or Secret Treasures of Istanbul

Day Five

- Breakfast, lunch and dinner on board
- Morning at sea cruising the Sea of Marmaris, The Dardanelles – the strait between Europe and Asiatic Turkey
- Port of call – Mykonos, Greece, the “Jewel of the Aegean”
- Free time to shop, enjoy a stroll or visit a waterfront Greek tavern

Day Six

- Breakfast, lunch and dinner on board
- Full day of cruising the Eastern Mediterranean Sea

Day Seven

- Breakfast, lunch and dinner on board
- Port of call – Ashdod, Israel
- Enjoy an optional excursion to Jerusalem and Bethlehem or Nazareth and Galilee

Day Eight

- Breakfast, lunch and dinner on board
- Port of calls – Port Said and Alexandria (Cairo), Egypt
- Enjoy an optional excursion to Cairo, The Pyramids of Giza and a cruise on the Nile

Day Nine

- Breakfast, lunch and dinner on board
- Port of call – Agios Nikolaos (Crete) Greece
- Optional excursion to the picturesque village of Elounda; the town of Krista and a visit to an Olive Oil Farm

Day Ten

- Breakfast on board before disembarking in Piraeus (Athens)
- Disembark the *MV Louis Cristal* and transfer to the hotel
- Panoramic city tour of Athens including Panathenaic Stadium, Temple of Zeus, Hadrian's gate and new Parliament Buildings, Constitution Square and Tomb of Unknown Soldier Guided tour of the Parthenon

Day Eleven

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Transfer to Athens Airport for flights home

Ports of Call subject to weather conditions



Cruise the Aegean Sea aboard the MV Aquamarine

GREECE

featuring Greek Island Cruising

9 DAYS • 14 MEALS



Santorini, Greece



Athens

Named after the goddess of wisdom Athena, the capital city of Greece has a history that dates back almost four millennia. The highlight of Athens is the Acropolis which stands tall, overlooking the city. You'll take a guided tour of the Parthenon (UNESCO World Heritage site) see the Acropolis Museum, visit the site of the 2004 Olympics and stand in awe at the Temple of Zeus. But Athens is more than ancient ruins. The picturesque neighborhood of Plaka features a unique mix of Turkish, Neoclassical and Greek-island architecture along with fascinating museums. As with all Mayflower Tours, you'll have ample opportunity to explore Athens on your own for a visit to the National Archeological Museum, lively markets and ornate monasteries.

Cruising the Greek Isles aboard the *MV Aquamarine*

Cruising is the best way to see the Greek Islands. Mayflower Tours has arranged with the majestic *MV Aquamarine* a four-day cruise of the Greek Islands. When you're not out exploring the ancient cities of the Aegean, the ship provides an atmosphere of comfort and relaxation. From shows, disco and a casino to international cuisine, you'll find the ship an ideal haven and perfect base from which to enjoy the islands.



Overnight by the Acropolis, Athens

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Mykonos, Greece

Mykonos

Often called the “Jewel of the Aegean,” Mykonos is the most popular of the Greek Islands. Well-preserved windmills, red-roofed churches and whitewashed buildings make the island a joy to behold. Stroll the esplanade by night filled with restaurants and shops.

Kusadasi, Turkey

Shop to your heart's content among the colorful markets in the bazaar. Or, join us for an optional excursion to Ephesus, one of the most fascinating archeological sites in the world. An ancient city that dates back to 2000 BC, Ephesus still possesses a mystical atmosphere. See the Temple of Artemis, one of the seven wonders of the ancient world and the theatre that could hold more than 24,000 people.



The Library of Celsius, Ephesus, Turkey

Patmos

A majestic fortress monastery stands high atop the hill, surrounded by dazzling whitewashed houses, grand sea captain's mansions and flowering courtyards. Spend time exploring the narrow streets and shops in Patmos. Or take an optional excursion to the Monastery and Cave of the Apocalypse (UNESCO World Heritage site) where St. John wrote the Book of Revelations.

Heraklion, Crete

Heraklion is the capital of Crete - the largest of the Greek islands, and the birthplace of Zeus - king of the ancient gods. Close by are the fantastic ruins of the Palace of Knossos. Discovered in 1899 and partially reconstructed, the elaborate Palace is believed to be the mythical Labyrinth of King Minos and the seat of ancient Minoan culture.



Palace of Knossos, Heraklion, Crete

Santorini

The island of Santorini “Black Pearl of the Aegean” is perhaps the most breathtaking of all the Greek Islands. History and nature combine to make this one of the most unforgettable places in the world. The town of Thira with its white-washed houses, narrow streets, open-air cafes and glittering boutiques cling to steep cliffs, accessible by cable-car or mule. It is said that Santorini is all that is left of the lost city of Atlantis.

Delphi and Temple of Apollo

After the Acropolis, Delphi (UNESCO World Heritage site) is the most popular archaeological site in Greece, considered the center of the world, the place where heaven and earth met. Recognized as the center of worship for the god of Apollo, son of Zeus, people today believe the “Oracle of Delphi” still creates a spiritual experience. The Doric Temple of Apollo was the home of Pythia, the priestess who channeled the spirit of the gods, predicting the future. Before the fire which destroyed the temple, the walls were inscribed with the ancient wisdom of “Know Thyself” and “Nothing in Excess,” still meaningful today.



Temple of Apollo, Delphi, Greece

Optional Tour to Argolis

To get a better understanding of the Greek Empire, take an optional trip to the Argolis region, the oldest continually inhabited city in Greece. See the Corinth Canal, a narrow passageway carved out of solid rock and the city of Mycenae, best known from Greek Mythology and its ruler King Agamemnon of The Iliad fame. See the Lion's Gate, the imposing entrance to the city. The open-air theater of Epidaurus (UNESCO World Heritage site) is known for its outstanding acoustics and is the best preserved in all of Greece. Today it is still used for live performances.

HOTEL AND CRUISE ACCOMMODATIONS

Days Two and Three – Divani Palace Acropolis Hotel, Athens, Greece

Days Four through Six – *MV Aquamarine*

Days Seven and Eight – Divani Palace Acropolis Hotel, Athens, Greece

2011 Depart USA	Category	Per Person Twin	Single Room Add
March 22, 29	Inside Cabin	\$1,199	\$569
	Outside Cabin	\$1,284	\$689
April 12	Inside Cabin	\$1,299	\$669
	Outside Cabin	\$1,384	\$789
November 1	Inside Cabin	\$1,199	\$569
	Outside Cabin	\$1,284	\$689

Please add \$70 for port charges.
Taxes and fuel surcharges are subject to change



Call for air rates and schedules from your city to and from Athens, Greece

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

EASY **1 2 3 4** ENERGETIC

YOUR CRUISE SHIP

See page 83 for a complete description of the *MV Aquamarine*

DAY BY DAY

- 14 Meals (7 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 4 dinners)
- Airport transfers when air is provided by Mayflower
- \$45 in Mayflower Money

Day One

- Transatlantic flight to Athens, Greece

Day Two

- Tour begins with arrival in Athens and transfer to your hotel
- Meet your Tour Manager who will suggest dining and sightseeing options

Day Three

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Panoramic city tour of Athens including Panathenaic Stadium, Temple of Zeus, Hadrian's Gate and new Parliament Buildings, Constitution Square and Tomb of the Unknown Soldier
- Guided tour of the Parthenon and Acropolis Museum
- Welcome dinner

Day Four

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Set sail on the *MV Aquamarine* with lunch and dinner onboard
- Port of Call – Mykonos (evening arrival)

Day Five

- Breakfast, lunch and dinner onboard
- Port of Call – Kusadasi and Patmos
- Kusadasi – Optional tours to the ancient city of Ephesus and the House of the Virgin Mary
- Patmos – Optional excursion to St. John's Monastery and Grotto of the Apocalypse.

Day Six

- Breakfast, lunch and dinner onboard
- Ports of Call – Heraklion, Crete and Santorini
- Optional tours of Crete and also Knossos Palace and Heraklion City
- Optional excursions of Thira and Oia Village on Santorini

Day Seven

- Breakfast onboard before disembarking in Piraeus
- Full day tour of Delphi and Temple of Apollo ending at the hotel

Day Eight

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Free day to explore Athens on your own
- Optional tour to Argolis and the City of Mycenae

Day Nine

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Transfer to Athens Airport for flights home

Ports of Call subject to weather conditions



Experience the wonder of the ancient world

EGYPT - TREASURES OF THE PHARAOHS

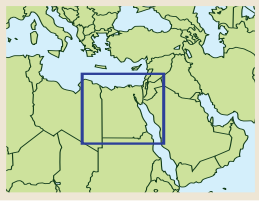
featuring a Three-Night Nile River Cruise

10 DAYS • 17 MEALS



The Sphinx and the Pyramids, Giza

- ① Overnights
- ③ Cruise Overnights
- Start/End City
- ◆ Visit
- Tour Route
- ⋯ Cruise Route
- ⋯ Optional Tour



Mediterranean Sea

Pyramids of Giza

EGYPT

Nile

Red Sea



Sultan Hassan Mosque, Cairo

Cairo - The Glorious Capital City

Journey with us back in time to the dawn of civilization. Your adventure starts in Cairo as you tour the only remaining “Seven Wonders of the Ancient World,” the Pyramids of Giza. Visit the Royal Burial Chambers in the Pyramid of Cheops, rising nearly 450 feet. Stand in awe of the Great Sphinx, carved out of massive limestone, showing Pharaoh Chefred’s head on the body of a lion.

Join us for an optional tour to the Egyptian Museum of Antiquities where the treasures of King Tut are displayed, among them his famous golden burial mask and glittering jewels. Love to shop for treasures in the market? Then continue to the Khan el Khalili bazaar and discover exquisite silver, brass and jewelry. Also join us for an optional tour of Cairo that takes you to the legendary Citadel, the Alabaster Mosque of Mohammed Ali, whose five domes can be seen throughout the city and to the Sultan Hassan Mosque. At night, an optional excursion to the Sphinx Sound and Light Show features an exciting performance as powerful as this ancient legend itself!

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King Tutankhamun’s gold mask, Cairo Museum



Cruise the Nile aboard the MS Ti-Yi

Welcome Aboard the Majestic *MS Ti-Yi*

Fly to Aswan and board the *MS Ti-Yi*, your luxurious home for the next three nights. Named after an Egyptian Queen, the *MS Ti-Yi* deluxe river boat features comfortable cabins with private bath, pool, gym and several dining as well as lounge options. From belly dancing shows to international cuisine, you'll find the *MS Ti-Yi* the perfect vessel for watching the wonders of the Nile float by.



Philae Temple

While in Aswan, board a felucca, a traditional Nile sailboat, and visit Kitchener's and Elephantine Islands, with lovely gardens, fascinating artifacts and ancient ruins. Fly with us on an optional tour across the Nubian Desert to Abu-Simbel and the magnificent Temple of Ramses II, Egypt's longest ruling pharaoh. Built almost 3,000 years ago in honor of Ramses II and Queen Nefertari, the Temple and four massive statues are among the world's most treasured sites.

You'll find Aswan has a distinctively African atmosphere with lush palm groves and tropical plants. Here you'll visit famous Aswan High Dam and see quarries from where the famous pink granite was mined. See the unfinished obelisk and the Temple of Isis at Philae, considered the "pleasure of existence" by the ancient Egyptians.



Felucca sailboats on the Nile

Nile Cruise Includes Five Fascinating Ports

At Kom Ombo, you'll visit the Temple at Kom Ombo with its exceptional relief walls. Stop at Edfu to see the Temple of Horus, one of the largest and best preserved temples, displaying Egyptian myths, legends and festivals. Your final port is Luxor, where you'll walk in the footsteps of royalty. Visit the Valley of the Kings and the Queens, King Tutankhamun's Tomb and the Colossi of Memnon. Tour the Karnak Temple with its 134-column hall of shrines added by pharaohs over the centuries. Continue on to Luxor Temple with its two colossal statues and the towering Obelisk of Hatshepsut.



Temple of Ramses II at Abu Simbel



Luxor Temple

OPTIONAL TWO-DAY ALEXANDRIA EXTENSION

Extend your tour with a trip to Alexandria, the ancient world's most famous city. Highlights include the ancient sites of Pompeii's Pillar, the Roman Amphitheater, the catacombs of Kom El Shogafa and the 12th-century Morsi Abou El-Abbas Mosque. Visiting the National Museum, Alexandria Library and Montezah Palace Gardens, the summer residence of former King Farouk, will enhance your appreciation of this wondrous civilization.

full details available upon request



Catacombs of Kom El Shogafa

Per Person Rates

\$435 Twin

Single Room add \$95

HOTEL AND CRUISE ACCOMMODATIONS

Days Two through Four – Ramses Hilton Hotel, Cairo, Egypt

Days Five through Seven – *MS Ti Yi* Deluxe Nile River Boat

Day Eight and Nine – Ramses Hilton Hotel, Cairo, Egypt

2011 Depart USA	Per Person Twin	Single Room Add
February 7	\$1,795	\$695
October 24	\$1,795	\$665

Please note additional cost for domestic flights within Egypt is \$300 and will be booked through Mayflower Tours.



Call for air rates and schedules from your city to and from Cairo, Egypt

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

EASY **1 2 3 4** ENERGETIC

YOUR RIVER SHIP

See page 81 for a complete description of the *MS Ti Yi*

DAY BY DAY

- 17 Meals (8 breakfasts, 4 lunches and 5 dinners)
- Airport transfers when air is provided by Mayflower
- \$50 in Mayflower Money

Day One

- Transatlantic overnight flight to Cairo, Egypt

Day Two

- Tour begins with arrival in Cairo and transfer to your hotel
- Evening to explore on your own

Day Three

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Morning tour to the Pyramids of Giza and Sphinx
- Afternoon optional excursion to the Egyptian Museum and treasures from King Tutankhamun's Tomb and visit to Khan el Khalili Bazaar
- Welcome Dinner in the hotel

Day Four

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Morning optional excursion of historic Cairo
- Optional evening at the Sphinx Sound & Light Show

Day Five

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Transfer to Cairo Airport for flight to Aswan
- Board the *MS Ti Yi* for a three night cruise on the Nile River
- Optional flight excursion to Abu Simbel to visit the Temple of Ramses II and Queen Nefertari
- Felucca Nile sailboat to Kitchener's and Elephantine Islands
- Lunch and dinner with Nubian dance show onboard

Day Six

- Breakfast, lunch and dinner onboard
- Visit Aswan High Dam, and the Temple of Isis at Philae
- Leave Aswan – Port of Call Kom Ombo – Visit the Temple of Kom Ombo
- Sail Kom Ombo to Edfu
- Captain's Welcome Party

Day Seven

- Breakfast, lunch and dinner onboard
- In Edfu, visit the Temple of Horus
- Sail Edfu to Luxor
- Optional evening excursion to Karnak Temple Sound & Light Show
- Farewell dinner onboard

Day Eight

- Breakfast on board
- Disembark *MS Ti Yi* and visit to the Valley of the Kings for King Tutankhamun's Tomb and the Valley of the Queens for Queen Hatshepsut's Temple, the Colossi of Memnon, Karnak Temple and Luxor Temple
- Lunch in Luxor
- Flight to Cairo and transfer to your hotel
- Evening at leisure

Day Nine

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Optional excursion to Memphis, capital of the Old Kingdom, and to Sakkara to see the world's oldest stone structure, the Step Pyramid of Zoser
- Afternoon at leisure
- Farewell dinner in your hotel

Day Ten

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Transfer to Cairo Airport for flights home or depart for the optional two day extension to Alexandria, Egypt



Jerusalem, Israel

BEST OF ISRAEL AND JORDAN

12 DAYS • 17 MEALS



The Treasury, Petra, Jordan

- 1** Overnights
- Start City
- End City
- ◆ Visit
- Tour Route
- - - Optional Tour



Church of Beatitudes, Israel

Tel Aviv/Caesarea/Nazareth

The second largest city in Israel on the Mediterranean coast, Tel Aviv is a bustling metropolis with a diverse population. Often called “The White City” for its UNESCO-designated Bauhaus architecture, Tel Aviv boasts an amazing blend of ancient and contemporary sites. Visit Rabin Square, see Independence Hall where David Ben Gurion declared Israel’s independence in May 1948 and Neve Tzedek with its historic homes and art galleries. Continue on to Caesarea, built by King Herod and its ancient Roman theatre, still used today. It was from here that Paul the Apostle, as a prisoner, sailed on his hazardous journey to Rome. Stand in awe of the ancient hippodrome, the Crusader moat and massive aqueduct.

Then continue to Nazareth, where you will visit the Basilica of the Annunciation and St. Joseph’s Church before arriving in Tiberias.

Discover Biblical History - Mount of the Beatitudes and Tabgha

Drive along the Sea of Galilee as Biblical sites come into view. Stop at the Mount of Beatitudes, the church with the octagonal dome where Jesus blessed his disciples some 2,000 years ago and gave his sermon on the mount. Go to Tabgha, where Jesus fed the 5,000 with two fish and five loaves of bread. Visit the Church of the Primacy of St Peter and Capernaum, where Jesus performed many miracles during his ministry. Enjoy a traditional St. Peter’s Fish lunch at Ein Gev and experience first-hand what daily life is really like on a kibbutz, Israel’s communal living system. Sail across the Sea of Galilee and see the Yardenit Baptismal Site on the Jordan River.

Beit Shean - Remarkable Excavations of Roman and Byzantine Cities

Explore the fascinating ruins of Beit Shean, one of the most magnificent Roman archeological sites in Israel. Walk among the ruins of the Roman baths, theatre and amphitheatre. Travel through the Jordan Valley passing by Jericho along the winding desert highway ascending some 4,000 feet to Jerusalem.

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The Western Wall, Jerusalem, Israel

Jerusalem - The Eternal City

Your city tour includes many Biblical and historical sites important in Judaism, Christianity and Islam. Drive up to the Mt. of Olives for beautiful panoramic views of the Holy City. Next visit the Garden of Gethsemane, the Basilica of Agony and the Tomb of the Virgin Mary. Enter through Damascus Gate and enjoy a walking tour of the Old City, the Four Quarters through the Muslim, Christian, Jewish and Armenian quarters. Walk up the Via Dolorosa to Calvary Hill, regarded in Catholicism as the site where Christ was crucified and ascended into heaven. After lunch, walk through the narrow “souk” of Jerusalem to the Western Wall - the only remaining wall of Herod’s Temple and through the rebuilt Jewish Quarter. Wander through the Cardo, the reconstructed shopping arcade of Roman times.

Optional Excursion to the Dead Sea and Masada

Drive through the Jordan Valley and the Judean Wilderness. Pass by the beautiful waterfalls of Ein Gedi, an oasis some 1200 feet below sea level. Ascend by cable car to Masada and marvel at the ancient ruins of King Herod’s fortress, the last stronghold of the Jewish Rebellion against the Romans. Witness the well-preserved



Herod’s fortress at Masada and the Dead Sea, Israel

fortifications, waterworks, temples and palaces. Take a swim (or float) in the Dead Sea. See the Qumran Caves, where the earliest Biblical documents, the Dead Sea Scrolls, were discovered, possibly written by the first century sect, the Essenes.

Optional Excursion to Bethlehem and Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial

Visit the birthplace of Jesus in Bethlehem. See Manger Square, Church of the Nativity where Jesus was born and Grotto of the Nativity, buried under the Greek monastery.

On another optional excursion, tour the museum of Yad Vashem, a memorial to the six million Jews murdered during the Holocaust. This living museum has been entrusted with documenting the history of the Jewish people during the Holocaust period, preserving the memory and story of each of the six million victims, and imparting the legacy of the Holocaust for generations to come.



Walk the narrow gorge that leads into the city of Petra

Treasures of Jordan

Travel on to Jordan crossing the Allenby Bridge. Visit Madaba to view the 6th-century mosaic map in St. George’s Church. Enjoy panoramic views of the Jordan Valley, a visit to Mount Nebo, alleged burial place of Moses and The Dead Sea.

Enjoy a morning tour of Petra, the Rose Red city. Here walk the Siq, a narrow gorge that leads into the city of Petra, emerging dramatically in front of the Treasury along the way. It is impossible to describe the feeling of standing at the foot of the Treasury, look-



The Citadel, Amman, Jordan

ing up at some of the amazing carvings and sharp lines that have survived for all these years. Also see The Monastery, the Silk Tomb and the Roman Colonnade and Amphitheater which could seat 7,000.

On a morning tour of Amman, the capital of Jordan, see a fascinating city of contrasts – a unique blend of old and new, ideally situated on a hilly area between the desert and the fertile Jordan Valley. See the Citadel, the Roman Theater and a view of the residential areas.

Optional Excursion to Jerash

Visit the former Roman city of Jerash. This ancient city is considered to be one of the best preserved Roman sites in the world. This is due to the fact that Jerash was buried in sand for centuries. The history of Jerash goes back to prehistoric times, and on the slopes east of the Triumphal Arch can be found flint implements which show that here was the site of the Neolithic settlement. Outside the walls to the north was a small Early Bronze Age village dating back 2500 BC, and on the hilltops above are remains of an old burial ground.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Day Two – Dan Panorama, Tel Aviv, Israel

Days Three and Four– Caesar Hotel, Tiberias, Israel

Days Five through Eight – Prima Kings, Jerusalem, Israel

Day Nine – Marriott Hotel, Petra, Jordan

Days Ten and Eleven - Geneva Hotel, Amman, Jordan

2011 Depart USA	Per Person Twin	Single Room Add
February 17	\$1,995	\$799
March 3	\$2,095	\$799
October 20	\$2,195	\$799
November 3	\$2,195	\$799

Add \$45 per person border tax between Israel and Jordan



Call for air rates and schedules from your city to Tel Aviv, Israel and from Amman, Jordan

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

EASY **1 2 3 4** ENERGETIC

● DAY BY DAY

- 17 Meals (10 breakfasts, 3 lunches and 4 dinners)
- Airport transfers when air is provided by Mayflower
- \$60 in Mayflower Money

Day One

- Transatlantic flight to Tel Aviv, Israel

Day Two

- Arrive in Tel Aviv with transfer to your hotel
- Welcome dinner at the hotel

Day Three

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Orientation tour of the White City of Tel Aviv
- Visit Caesarea with its ancient Roman Theatre as well as Nazareth and Tiberias

Day Four

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Visit many biblical sites: Mount of Beatitudes, Tabgha and Capernaum
- Lunch – St. Peter's Fish at Kibbutz Ein Gev
- Sail across the Sea of Galilee
- Visit Yardenit Baptismal Site

Day Five

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Excavations at Beit Shean, the Roman and Byzantine cities
- Arrive in Jerusalem
- Dinner at the hotel

Day Six

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Full day tour of Jerusalem: Mount of Olives, Garden of Gethsemane, the Basilica of Agony, The Old City, Four Quarters, the Via Dolorosa and Western Wall

Day Seven

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Optional excursion to the Dead Sea and Masada including buffet lunch and visit to Qumran

Day Eight

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Optional excursion to Bethlehem, birthplace of Jesus, Manger Square and Church of the Nativity
- Optional excursion to Yad Vashem, memorial to the Holocaust
- Evening at leisure

Day Nine

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Visit Madaba, Mount Nebo, The Dead Sea with lunch
- Arrive Petra
- Dinner at the hotel

Day Ten

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Morning excursion of Petra, the Siq, the Treasury, Roman Colonnade and Amphitheater with included lunch
- Arrive Amman, Jordan

Day Eleven

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Panoramic city tour of Amman including the Citadel, Roman Theater and residential areas
- Optional excursion to Jerash
- Farewell dinner at the hotel

Day Twelve

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Group transfers to the Amman Jordan Airport
- Return home



Experience Ireland's 40 shades of green

BEST OF IRELAND

9 DAYS • 10/11 MEALS



Killarney's beautiful countryside

1 Overnights
 Start/End City
 Visit
 Tour Route




Temple Bar, Dublin

Dublin - Contemporary, yet Filled with History and Tradition

Once a walled medieval city, Dublin is an eclectic mix of elegant Georgian homes, wide streets and gracious squares. You'll feel the energy of Celtic tradition wherever you go. See the National Museum, with collections of antiquities, decorative arts and history; the National Gallery, which displays over 2,000 works; the Parliament Building; and St. Stephen's Green. After this renowned district, your tour continues past Trinity College, founded in 1591 by Elizabeth I, whose library contains the Book of Kells, the famous 8th-century hand-illuminated gospel manuscript. Travel along O'Connell Street with its monuments to notable figures from Ireland's turbulent history as well as the General Post Office, site of rebel headquarters in the 1916 Easter Rising. The Mespil Hotel, your home for the next three nights, is convenient to Temple Bar, Dublin's cultural quarter and lively nightlife.

Optional: Dublin's Coastal Villages and Malahide Castle

Experience more of Ireland's scenic beauty as you drive through the seaside towns, just north of Dublin. Malahide Castle, set on 250 acres of park land, was both a fortress and a private home for nearly 800 years. See the beautiful period furniture along with an extensive collection of Irish portrait paintings, mainly from the National Gallery. Visit the town of Portmarnock, home of the world-famous Portmarnock Golf Club. The quaint fishing port of Howth with its Abbey, lighthouse and pier is your last stop before returning to Dublin.

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Malahide Castle

An Evening of Irish Music, Dance and Song

Join us for traditional Irish cuisine, merriment and fun. Enjoy a three-course dinner in an 18th-century pub, followed by a musical performance by one of Ireland's finest groups. Next on the stage are traditional Irish dancers to mesmerize you with their fast jigs and intricate steps.



Traditional Irish music and dance

The Capital of Northern Ireland - Belfast

In recent years, Belfast has become a popular tourist destination. The city's architecture is rich in Victorian and Edwardian buildings with elaborate sculptures over the doors and windows. Your panoramic city tour includes Donegall Square, dominated by the elaborate City Hall and Albert Clock. Drive through West Belfast's Protestant neighborhood of Shankill Road, and the Catholic neighborhood of Falls Road, where large, vivid murals painted on the sides of buildings express the feelings that still run deep on both sides. Though the names of these areas were much in the news during "the Troubles," the gate in the Peace Wall between them now stands open. Drive by the infamous Titanic Quarter, home to colossal cranes of Harland & Wolff where the RMS *Titanic* was built and launched. Enjoy lunch on your own and chat with the locals at a pub.



City Hall, Belfast, Northern Ireland



Blarney Castle

Blarney Castle - Kiss the Stone for the Gift of the Gab!

Blarney Castle was built more than 600 years ago by the King of Munster, Cormac MacCarthy, and is considered Ireland's greatest treasure. Legend has it that if you climb to the top of the castle and kiss the "Stone of Eloquence," you'll never be at a loss for words. It must be true as everyone from Sir Walter Scott to American presidents and world leaders have tried it. Get caught in its magical spell with Wishing Steps, Witch's Kitchen, Druid's Cave and other delights, telling a story of centuries past. After the castle, you'll have time to wander through the village of Blarney, shop at the Blarney Woolen Mills and have lunch on your own before continuing to Killarney.



Muckross House

Killarney - Ireland's Most Beautiful Countryside

Renowned for the splendor of its scenery, Killarney has been the inspiration of poets and painters for centuries. With sparkling lakes, deep forests and jagged misty mountains as background, this lively town will delight you with its pubs, craft galleries and shops. See St Mary's Cathedral, built during the famine by a people whose faith was stronger than their hunger. Muckross House and Gardens are majestically situated on the shores of Killarney National Park. Ride in a horse drawn Jaunting cart, while listen-



The Dingle Peninsula

ing to your “jarvey” (driver), whose tall tales add hilarity to the tour. Ride along the shores of the Lower Lake to the ruins of the 15th-century Franciscan Abbey. Then shop for wool sweaters and fine crystal along charming High Street.

The Dingle Peninsula - One of the most beautiful places on earth

Staggering cliffs, rocky hills and sandy beaches create this magnificent landscape representing more than 6,000 years of archeological history. Learn about the Blasket Islands, scene of many shipwrecks and once a close-knit fishing community. Along the drive, you’ll see relics from both the Stone Age and Bronze Age as well as the Ecclesiastical period, when Ireland was known as the “land of Saints and Scholars.” It’s easy to see why movies like *Ryan’s Daughter* and *Far and Away* were filmed in this sweeping panorama. Enjoy lunch and free time at a pub in the Gaelic town of Dingle.

Spend your last night in Ireland in an elegant Irish country manor, the former ancestral home of the Dunboyne family, and is conveniently located close to Dublin Airport for flights home.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Days Two through Four – Mespil Hotel, Dublin, Ireland

Days Five through Seven – Killarney Towers Hotel, Killarney, Ireland

Day Eight – Dunboyne Castle Hotel and Spa, Close to Dublin airport

2011 Depart USA	Per Person Twin	Single Room Add
* March 11, 15	\$1,325	\$450
April 12	\$1,245	\$450
October 18	\$1,295	\$450
November 1	\$1,245	\$450

* ST. PATRICK’S DAY DEPARTURE

Join the Irish and celebrate St. Patrick’s Day while in Killarney or Dublin with a special additional dinner on March 17.

Space is limited

Call for air rates and schedules from your city to and from Dublin

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

EASY **1 2 3 4** ENERGETIC

DAY BY DAY

- 10/11 Meals (7 breakfasts and 3 or 4 dinners*)
- Airport transfers when air is provided by Mayflower
- \$45 in Mayflower Money

Day One

- Transatlantic flight to Ireland

Day Two

- Tour begins with arrival in Dublin, Ireland and meet your Tour Manager
- Enjoy a panoramic city tour of Dublin featuring General Post Office, The Temple Bar and Grafton Street, ending at the hotel
- Afternoon at leisure

Day Three

- Full Irish buffet breakfast at your hotel
- Optional excursion to the coastal villages of North Dublin and Malahide Castle
- Afternoon at leisure
- Dinner and evening of Irish Dance, Music and Song

Day Four

- Full Irish buffet breakfast at your hotel
- Full day excursion to Belfast, Northern Ireland
- Evening at leisure in Dublin

Day Five

- Full Irish buffet breakfast at your hotel
- Depart Dublin and drive through the scenic Irish countryside to Blarney
- Visit Blarney Castle to kiss the “Stone of Eloquence” and walk around the mystical grounds
- Arrive in Killarney, the “Jewel of Ireland”
- Dinner at the hotel

Day Six

- Full Irish buffet breakfast at your hotel
- Tour of Killarney, Muckross House and Gardens with jaunting cart ride
- Evening at leisure

Day Seven

- Full Irish buffet breakfast at your hotel
- Full day excursion to the Dingle Peninsula, Ireland’s most spectacular coastal scenery
- Return to Killarney, evening at leisure

Day Eight

- Full Irish buffet breakfast at your hotel
- Scenic drive to Aghadoe Heights and Dunloe Gap
- Depart Killarney in the afternoon and drive to Dublin
- Farewell dinner in Dublin

Day Nine

- Full Irish buffet breakfast at your hotel
- Depart Dublin Airport and return flights home

* St. Patrick’s Day Parade and additional dinner on March 11 and March 15 departures.



Thalys Train

EUROPE BY TRAIN

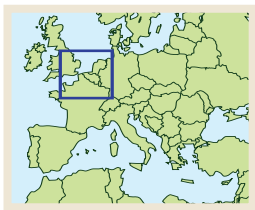
England • France • Belgium

9 DAYS • 9 MEALS



Coldstream Guard, London, England

- 1** Overnights
- Start City
- End City
- ◆ Visit
- ==== Train Route
- Optional Tour




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Hail, Britannia! – Three Days in London

The city of Shakespeare and Queen Victoria, Charles Dickens and Winston Churchill, London is rich in history, but it's also a cosmopolitan capital on the cutting edge of culture. We begin our European adventure in this remarkable city with a tour of London's highlights, seeing Buckingham Palace, St. Paul's Cathedral, Trafalgar Square and Tower Bridge. Each stop on your tour is like a step back in time!

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Tower Bridge, London, England

EUROPE BY TRAIN *continued*

Once you've gotten the lay of the land in this vibrant city, you're free to explore on your own and discover the charm and style that makes London a top destination of travelers worldwide. Or if you crave a bit of the royal touch, join us for an optional tour of Queen Elizabeth II's residence at Windsor Castle, a stately structure built in the 11th century.

Enjoy a free day in London or take an optional full day excursion to Stratford upon Avon, birthplace of William Shakespeare, the Cotswolds regarded as one of the most scenic areas of England with its thatched cottages and also visit the university city of Oxford.



Anne Hathaway's Cottage near Stratford, England

Paris – Immerse Yourself in the City of Lights

From London, we hop aboard the *Eurostar* for a high-speed train ride under the English Channel and into the French countryside. Everywhere you look, you'll see picturesque tableaux familiar from art, history and film, from the colossal Arc de Triomphe to the gothic arches and glorious stained glass windows of the Cathedral of Notre Dame.



Notre Dame, Paris, France



Eiffel Tower, Paris, France

All of Paris is yours to explore! Stroll down the Champs-Elysees and browse the many stylish shops that line this famous avenue, or take a break in a sidewalk café for a cup of creamy café au lait and a pastry. Travelers with a taste for luxury can join our guide for an optional tour of the opulent Palace of Versailles, which served as the royal residence for France's kings and queens for more than a century.



Arc de Triomphe, Paris, France

Exploring the Continent: Brussels, Belgium

We board our high-speed *Thalys* train and head northeast to Brussels, capital of Belgium, which is over 1,000 years old and today the administrative center of the European Union. A city tour of this most beautiful European city will begin in the medieval square, The Grand Place which is surrounded by ancient guild houses magnificently decorated with soaring gables, ornate facades and incredible carvings. Here you will see the historic Town Hall, a Gothic masterpiece and the Maison du Roi as well as the Manneken Pis statue (the popular symbol of Brussels.)

● DAY BY DAY

- **9 Meals (7 breakfasts and 2 dinners)**
- **Airport transfers when air is provided by Mayflower**
- **\$45 in Mayflower Money**

Day One

- Transatlantic flight to London, England

Day Two

- Tour begins with arrival in London, England, and meet your Tour Manager
- Enjoy a panoramic city tour of London ending at the hotel
- Welcome dinner hosted by your Tour Manager

Day Three

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Explore London on your own, or take an optional half day excursion to Windsor Castle

Day Four

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Optional full day excursion to Stratford upon Avon, the Cotswolds and the university city of Oxford

Day Five

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Board *Eurostar* High Speed train to Paris, passing under the English Channel through the Chunnel
- Panoramic tour of Paris including the Champs-Elysees and Place de la Concorde

Day Six

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Explore Paris on your own or join an optional tour to the Palace of Versailles
- Optional illumination cruise of Paris along the Seine River

Day Seven

- Breakfast at your hotel
- A high-speed trip to Brussels on the *Thalys* train
- A panoramic tour of Brussels including the Grand Place ending at your hotel

Day Eight

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Leisure time in Brussels or join an optional full day excursion to Bruges and Ghent, Belgium
- Farewell dinner

Day Nine

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Transfer to Brussels Airport for flights home



The Grand Place, Brussels, Belgium

While in Brussels you may also opt to tour Bruges and Ghent which has some of the best preserved Renaissance architecture in Europe. While in Bruges, enjoy the sights of many bridges, palaces, the Old Market Square, and some of the artwork in the Memling Museum. Ghent is a traditional Flemish university town, where Emperor Charles V was born. In the St. Bavo Cathedral you will have time to admire the superb *Adoration of the Mystic Lamb*, a masterpiece by Jan van Eyck.

Don't miss out on this chance to experience the splendors of Europe! Join us for an unforgettable journey you'll remember for a lifetime!

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Days Two through Four – Thistle Kensington Gardens Hotel, London, England

Days Five and Six – Mercure Montmartre Hotel, Paris, France

Days Seven and Eight – Scandic Grand Place Hotel, Brussels, Belgium

2011 Depart USA	Per Person Twin	Single Room Add
April 6	\$1,495	\$745
July 5	\$1,695	\$745
October 25	\$1,595	\$745



Call for air rates and schedules from your city to London, England and from Brussels, Belgium

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

EASY **1 2 3 4** ENERGETIC



The Louvre Museum

BEST OF PARIS

8 DAYS • 8 MEALS

Welcome to Paris, France

To see Paris is to experience a cosmopolitan world that blends fascinating architecture and historic achievements with a contemporary flair. Unpack just once after your arrival at the Mercure Montmartre hotel, located in the heart of Paris, with easy access to the Metro. Nearby is the 19th-century Sacre Coeur, built atop Montmartre hill. This famous basilica is considered the city's white castle in the sky.

Champs-Elysees, the Most Famous Street in the World

With cinemas, cafés, and luxury specialty shops standing along a tree-lined boulevard, the Champs-Elysees is considered the most beautiful avenue in the world. Prominently situated at the head of the Champs-Elysees, this stately monument was a vision of Napoleon's, begun in 1806 and completed after his death in 1836.



The Eiffel Tower

Beneath the Arch today lies the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, France's main war shrine. Don't miss the ceremonial lighting of the flame every night.

The Eiffel Tower and The Louvre Museum

Built in 1889, The Eiffel Tower, was named after its designer, engineer Gustave Eiffel. Mayflower Tours has arranged for you to ascend to the second level and take in spectacular views of the city. Then, continue on to the Louvre, the world's largest art museum. With more than 350,000 works inside, it has been said that if you looked at every piece for only a minute, it would take you eight months to see it all! Must-sees include the *Mona Lisa*, *Venus de Milo* and *Winged Victory of Samothrace*.

Paris as you like it

You will have plenty of free time to enjoy all of the amazing sights and sounds the "City of Lights" has to offer, or you can choose from a variety of optional tours in and out of Paris. Optional excursions within the city limits include a river cruise on the Seine aboard a glass-domed boat for breathtaking views of the city's wonderful landmarks. There is also an optional excursion to visit the famous Notre Dame cathedral along with the gothic style church of Sainte-Chapelle.

Normandy Landing Beaches

Join a full day optional excursion to the province of Normandy. Travel to the northern coast of France where Operation Overlord, one of history's most decisive battles, led by General Eisenhower, began with the Allied invasion of German-held Normandy. See Pointe du Hoc, Omaha Beach and spend time at the Normandy American Cemetery and Memorial in St. Laurent.

DAY BY DAY

- 8 Meals (6 breakfasts and 2 dinners)
- Airport transfers when air is provided by Mayflower
- Paris Metro Pass
- \$40 in Mayflower Money

Day One

- Transatlantic flight to Paris, France

Day Two

- Tour begins with arrival in Paris, meet your Tour Manager and transfer to your hotel
- Arrive at the Mercure Montmartre Hotel, located in the heart of Paris and unpack only once during your entire trip
- Afternoon at leisure
- During your free time over the next six days explore Paris with an included 10-ride Metro Pass
- Welcome dinner in the hotel

Day Three

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Morning sightseeing tour of Paris to see the Champs-Elysses, Arc de Triomphe and Place de La Concorde
- Visit the Eiffel Tower and enjoy spectacular views of Paris from the second level
- Visit the Louvre Museum
- Optional Seine River Cruise with a short tour of the City of Lights at night

Day Four

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Optional full-day excursion to the Normandy Landing Beaches – Operation Overlord

Day Five

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Optional excursion to Vaux-le-Vicomte, a classical French chateau
- Optional excursion to tour inside of Notre Dame Cathedral and Sainte Chapelle

Day Six

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Optional full-day excursion to the Chateau Country in the Loire Valley. Visit the chateaux of Chambord and Chenonceau.

Day Seven

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Morning optional excursion to the Palace of Versailles and exquisite gardens
- Afternoon at leisure
- Farewell dinner

Day Eight

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Transfer to Charles de Gaulle Airport for return flights home



The Palace of Versailles

Visit Versailles on an optional excursion, the opulent home of Louis XIV and the official royal residence during the 17th and 18th centuries. The Hall of Mirrors, a ballroom lined with huge mirrors to reflect the ceiling frescoes, continues to dazzle. Outside, the lovely gardens with its meticulous manicured lawns and elegant fountains are considered the most famous in the world.

Châteaux Country of France

Mayflower Tours has designed two exclusive optional excursions visting notable Châteaux of France. Join us for an optional excursion to the Châteaux Country of the Loire Valley. The French countryside comes alive with magnificent castles, old world villages and Renaissance history. The village of Chenonceau features a 16th-century chateau. See the Château de Chambord, the largest castle in the Loire Valley and most recognizable chateau in the world.

Another optional excursion will take you to Château de Vaux-le-Vicomte, a classical French chateau, just outside of Paris. Built in the 17th century, this chateau is considered one of the finest in France. All too soon it's time to leave this exquisite city, but you'll be filled with memories of your Parisian experience that will last a lifetime

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Days Two through Seven – Mercure Montmartre Hotel, Paris, France

2011 Depart USA	Per Person Twin	Single Room Add
April 14	\$1,195	\$700
October 27	\$1,225	\$700
November 3, 10	\$1,225	\$700



Call for air rates and schedules from your city to and from Paris, France

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

EASY **1 2 3 4** ENERGETIC



Stockholm, Sweden

SCANDINAVIA BY TRAIN

Sweden • Norway • Denmark

10 DAYS • 12 MEALS



Flâm Railway



Welcome to Sweden

Once home of the Vikings, today's Sweden is a captivating mix of old and new. Stockholm, Sweden's capital, is the very epitome of a vibrant cosmopolitan center, a city alive with world-class art museums, cutting-edge fashion boutiques and sizzling night life. Remarkable architecture abounds, exemplified in the dazzling City Hall, site of the Nobel Prize reception, with its glittering gold walls and stunning colored-glass mosaics.

But even in this thrilling center of culture, you'll find traces of Sweden's fabled past. In the Gamla Stan, the city's Old Town, medieval Stockholm comes to life in this beautifully preserved historic district.

Optional Excursion: The Royal Canal and *Vasa* Warship Museum

Enjoy a one-hour cruise along the shady canal of Djurgården, and then visit the remarkable *Vasa* Warship Museum, built around a 17th-century warship that sank in Stockholm's inner harbor.

Oslo – Where Culture and Nature Meet

It's hard to say what is more stunning in Oslo: its glorious urban cityscapes or towering mountains and pristine countryside. Explore the amazing granite and bronze artworks of the Vigeland

Sculpture Park. Travel back in time while visiting the amazing Viking Ships Museum. Catch a glimpse of the regal and impressive Royal Palace. All these pleasures await, plus the bustling trade of a thriving port city.

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Viking Ship Museum in Oslo, Norway

The Awe-Inspiring Fjords

Any visit to Norway would be incomplete without a cruise through the world-famous Sognefjord as well as Naeroey Fjord. Carved out over centuries by waves of majestic glaciers, the fjords are a testament to the awe-inspiring power of nature. The emerald green cliffs of the fjord sweep sharply down to glittering waters, where you just may glimpse a sight of seals as they sun themselves on flat, warm rocks.

In the heart of this rugged countryside, historic Stalheim Hotel offers a stunning panoramic perspective on astounding fjordland views. For nearly 200 years, artists, painters and poets have drawn inspiration from the awe-inspiring majesty of this remarkable natural spectacle.



Stalheim Hotel

Breathtaking Railway Journeys

One of the best ways to take in the wonders of Scandinavia is aboard one of the several scenic railways that traverse this breathtaking countryside. Passengers take in dizzying vistas that open out on all sides as they speed from Oslo toward Myrdal, a remote mountain station located 3,000 feet above sea level. Famous for its remarkable panoramic views, Myrdal is the stepping off point for yet another glorious train ride on the world-renowned Flåm Railway. Descending 3,500 feet during a 13-mile journey into mountainous countryside, passengers glimpse wild rivers that cut through deep ravines, waterfalls cascading down sheer cliffs, and mountain farms clinging perilously to steep slopes.



Bergen, Norway

The Rich Historical Heritage of Bergen

The second largest city in Norway, Bergen offers a fascinating mix of history, culture and natural beauty. A UNESCO World Heritage City, Bergen proudly preserves its rich past, seen in the timbered 15th-century houses, centuries-old warehouses built by seagoing merchants, and a charming labyrinth of cobblestone streets. Nearby, you'll find Troldhaugen, the former home and estate of one of Norway's most famous sons, composer, Edvard Grieg.

Wonderful Copenhagen

A bustling metropolis, Copenhagen offers a mix of Old World grandeur with the excitement of a thriving modern cultural center. Parks and green spaces are everywhere, and canals and waterways crisscross its streets, recalling the city's seagoing roots.



Copenhagen, Denmark



Little Mermaid, Copenhagen, Denmark

Alive with such sites as; Tivoli Gardens, one of the world's oldest pleasure parks; and Christiansborg Palace, home to the Danish Parliament and the Royal Theater. Fans of literature make a pilgrimage to the statue of *The Little Mermaid*, inspired by Hans Christian Andersen's famous fairytale, while shoppers enjoy browsing the quaint boutiques along the famous Stroget, Copenhagen's renowned pedestrian district.

Optional Excursion to North Zealand

Enjoy a drive along the Danish Riviera and visit Helsingør, one of the oldest towns in Denmark, and nearby Kronborg Castle, legendary home of Prince Hamlet. Your tour also includes stops at a number of remarkable castles in the area.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Days Two and Three – Sergel Plaza, Stockholm, Sweden

Day Four – Hotel Clarion Royal Christiania, Oslo, Norway

Day Five – Stalheim Hotel, Stalheim, Norway

Days Six and Seven – Augustin Hotel, Bergen, Norway

Days Eight and Nine – Scandic Copenhagen Hotel, Denmark

2011 Depart USA	Per Person Twin	Single Room Add
May 13	\$2,298	\$659
July 15	\$2,349	\$659
September 9	\$2,349	\$659

Please note additional cost for flights between Bergen, Norway and Copenhagen, Denmark is \$200 and will be booked through Mayflower Tours.



Call for air rates and schedules from your city to Stockholm, Sweden and from Copenhagen, Denmark

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

EASY **1 2 3 4** ENERGETIC

DAY BY DAY

- 12 Meals (8 breakfasts and 4 dinners)
- Airport transfers when air is provided by Mayflower
- \$50 in Mayflower Money

Day One

- Transatlantic flight to Stockholm, Sweden

Day Two

- Tour begins with arrival at Stockholm-Arlanda Airport where you will meet your Tour Manager and transfer to your hotel
- Afternoon at leisure
- Welcome dinner in the hotel

Day Three

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Stockholm City Tour, including the historic City Hall and scenic Old town
- Afternoon optional Royal Canal tour and Vasa Warship Museum
- Evening at your leisure

Day Four

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Depart Stockholm, Sweden, by train to Oslo, Norway
- City tour of Oslo, including the Viking Ships Museum and Vigeland Sculpture Park
- Evening at your leisure

Day Five

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Scenic train journey from Oslo to Myrdal and Flåm
- Breathtaking Flåm Rail journey from Myrdal to Flåm
- Cruise of the Sognefjord and Naeroey Fjord
- Transfer to Stalheim Hotel, spectacularly located with panoramic views over Norwegian mountain valleys
- Dinner in the hotel

Day Six

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Scenic transfer to Bergen, lunch on your own en route
- Dinner in the hotel

Day Seven

- Breakfast at your hotel
- City tour of Bergen including composer Edvard Grieg's former home and historic Bryggen
- Afternoon and evening at your leisure

Day Eight

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Flight to Copenhagen
- Copenhagen City Tour, including *The Little Mermaid*
- Evening at your leisure

Day Nine

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Optional excursion to North Zealand, including a visit Kronborg Castle and a visit to Frekeriksborg Castle
- Farewell dinner

Day Ten

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Morning at leisure
- Transfer to Copenhagen Airport for flights home



St. Peter's Basilica, Vatican City

ITALY

with a Tuscan Culinary Experience

9 DAYS • 11 MEALS



Leaning Tower of Pisa

1 Overnights
 ● Start City
 ● End City
 ◆ Visit
 — Tour Route
 - - - - Optional Tour




Spanish Steps, Rome

Tuscan Delight

Join us on our journey to Italy. Marvel at ancient sacred spaces, medieval hill towns, famous art, extraordinary shopping, breathtaking scenery, delicious dining and secrets of Italian cooking. A public audience with Pope Benedict XVI is an optional highlight of our day at the Vatican.

Your Italian adventure begins as you are greeted at the airport by an experienced Tour Manager who will make your tour both care-free and enlightening. After a short transfer into the city, check into your hotel situated in a charming neighborhood close to Vatican City and just minutes away from Rome's historic center. Relax, unpack and plan your afternoon.

Perhaps you will take the Metro to the Forum to see the world's first Senate building and walk cobbled streets still marked with chariot tracks. Or maybe you will go to Piazza Navona, the heart of the Renaissance with three glorious fountains, or to Trastevere, the arty part of town where serpentine lanes lead to piazzas with large fountains and little shops.

By the time the welcome party begins at your hotel, nearly everyone will have had a gelato, the world famous Italian ice cream. Comparing flavors can be as interesting as comparing the afternoon's adventures.

Relaxing in the Renaissance

The next day, enjoy a panoramic tour of the Eternal City's most famous sites. See the 2,000-year-old Coliseum and marbled forums of conquering Caesars; famous Trevi Fountain and the Church of St. Peter in Chains to see Michaleangelo's statue of Moses. Pass ancient Roman walls, elegant Renaissance palaces, Baroque churches and trattorias with fashionably dressed outdoor diners. Everywhere you look you will see another fantastic fountain, each designed to catch the breath as past generations caught buckets of water from spouting fish and mythological creatures.

Then explore more of Rome as we continue by our motorcoach to the historic hill town of Tivoli where walls raised in 400 BC still

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ITALY with a Tuscan Culinary Experience *continued*

aspire to protect the citizens and 200 BC temples remind us of forgotten pagan gods. We step into the Renaissance through the doors of Villa d'Este built in the 1550s for the son of Lucretia Borgia. Lavishly frescoed reception rooms are just a prelude to the garden of greenery and 500 fantastic fountains from a miniature reproduction of Rome to the gigantic Water Organ that cascades musically into shady pools. Our delicious dinner in Tivoli with wine and music is traditionally Italian with many courses leisurely served.



Trevi Fountain, Rome

The Heart of Christianity

The next day is devoted to an optional Vatican City tour, where you are invited to a public audience with Pope Benedict XVI (*Papal schedule permitting.*) Visit the Vatican Museum containing some of the world's greatest sculpture, famous paintings from every era, rooms decorated by Raphael for a papal apartment and ending in the Sistine Chapel with Michelangelo's breathtaking frescos on the ceiling. Together, we marvel at the treasures of St. Peter's Basilica and the unique features of Christianity's largest church and its colonnades reaching out to embrace the faithful.



Tuscan Village



Siena

On to the Middle Ages

We move on to Siena, passing ancient hill towns, olive groves and vineyards to one of Italy's best-preserved medieval towns filled with marble churches and Gothic architecture. Strolling through Piazza del Campo we may hear the echo of 900 years of pounding hooves as this is home to the Palio, the annual two-minute gallop that draws people from all over the world. Our hotel for the next four nights is in the popular resort town of Montecatini with 14th-century baths and timeless Tuscan vistas, including a funicular tram that swoops you up for a bird's eye view.



Learn the secrets of Tuscan cuisine

Simply Delicious

We take a break from sightseeing to learn the secrets of Tuscan cuisine by accompanying an accomplished chef to the market to select the freshest ingredients. In their villa kitchen, they will share secrets of Italian cooking and teach us how to prepare the memorable Tuscan meal we enjoy together before an afternoon at leisure.



Florence

Stepping Back in Time

Tucked into the hills we find the unspoiled medieval village of Lucca and enjoy its sprinkling of palaces, towers and splendid churches all within an easy walk. Also see Pisa's 900-year-old cathedral and its incredible Leaning Tower. An optional tour of Florence takes us back to the Renaissance and its art and history studded with household names like Michelangelo, da Vinci and the Medicis.

A Florentine delight is choosing what to do first while enjoying a cappuccino at an outdoor table. Purchase leather goods handcrafted by artisans, stroll the Ponte Vecchio that gleams with gold and has spanned the picturesque Arno River since the 1300s, find artistic treasures you have always wanted to see, explore marbled churches, or venture down the little lanes to the homes of Dante and Michelangelo and the studio of Leonardo da Vinci.

Departing this delightful country, you will understand why one Italian phrase is so often repeated: *non basta una vita* – one lifetime is not enough.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Days Two through Four – Cardinal Hotel, Rome, Italy

Days Five through Eight – Grand Hotel Vittoria, Montecatini Terme, Italy

2011 Depart USA	Per Person Twin	Single Room Add
March 13	\$1,525	\$445
April 10	\$1,575	\$445
October 23	\$1,595	\$445
November 6	\$1,525	\$445



Call for air rates and schedules from your city to Rome and from Florence, Italy

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

EASY **1 2 3 4** ENERGETIC

DAY BY DAY

- 11 Meals (7 breakfasts, 1 lunch and 3 dinners)
- Airport transfers when air is provided by Mayflower
- \$45 in Mayflower Money

Day One

- Transatlantic flight to Italy

Day Two

- Tour begins with arrival in Rome and transfer to your hotel for three nights
- Welcome reception

Day Three

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Tour of the "Eternal City"
- Visit to Tivoli and Villa d'Este
- Italian dinner with wine and music in the lovely village of Tivoli

Day Four

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Rome on your own or join an optional Vatican City tour including the Sistine Chapel and public audience with Pope Benedict XVI (*Papal schedule permitting*)

Day Five

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Tour Siena and its Cathedral
- Visit Piazza del Campo, site of the world-famous Palio horse race
- Check into your hotel in Montecatini for four nights
- Dinner of Tuscan specialties with your traveling companions

Day Six

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Tuscan produce market
- Cooking lessons in Tuscan villa with lunch that we prepare
- Tour the medieval town of Lucca

Day Seven

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Tour to Pisa and visit the Leaning Tower

Day Eight

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Optional excursion to Florence or day at leisure
- Farewell dinner in Tuscany

Day Nine

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Transfer to Florence Airport for flights home



Cruise the Yangtze River aboard the Victoria Empress

BEST OF CHINA AND YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE

12 DAYS • 21 MEALS



Great Wall of China



The Forbidden City, Beijing

Beijing – Capital city of the Peoples Republic of China

Start your odyssey in Beijing, a vibrant, modern and exciting city coexisting with a rich and at times turbulent history. Beijing is the heart, soul and spirit of this mysterious and mystical land. The haunting beauty of Old Cathay still remains: yellow-tiled temple roofs curve against a lacquered sky; old and mellow pagodas grace nearby hills.

Walk through the echoing courtyards and monumental palaces of the Forbidden City, once the home of China’s emperors and royal family. Marvel at Tiananmen Square, the largest public square in the world and surrounded by imposing buildings such as The Great Hall of the People. See the Mao Tse Tung Memorial Hall where the body of this preeminent leader lies in state.

Walk in awe on the Great Wall of China built in the 3rd Century BC and today one of the “Wonders of the World.” The Great Wall is the only manmade object that is clearly recognizable from space.

Take an optional excursion to visit the Summer Palace built in 1888 by the erratic Empress Dowager Ci Xi. See such lyrically named pavilions as the Hall of Longevity, the Garden of Virtuous Harmony, and the extravagant Marble Boat which sits on the edge of the palace’s Kunming Lake.

Before leaving Beijing, visit the Temple of Heaven, a masterpiece of 15th-century architecture, geometry and engineering.

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Temple of Heaven

BEST OF CHINA AND YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE *continued*

Xian

Xian, once known as Changan, served as the capital of 11 dynasties and was a center for major trade between China and Central Asia. Xian is a city of astounding archeological and art discoveries. On an optional orientation tour of this remarkable city see the Big Wild Goose Pagoda, built in 652 AD, as well as the Bell and Drum Towers.

Xian today is famous for one of history's most exciting archaeological finds, the "buried army" of 8,000 life-size Terra Cotta warriors and horses who guarded the entrance of Emperor Qin Shi Huangdi's tomb for more than 2,000 years. The "army" covering more than three acres comprises infantry soldiers, archers, cavalry, chariot drivers and officers, with each chariot driven by four pottery horses.



Terra Cotta Warriors, Xian

Chongqing

Fly from Xian to Chongqing, today the largest industrial and commercial city in Sichuan Province. During the Second World War, Chongqing was headquarters for Chiang Kai-Shek and his nationalist government and also the base for the Flying Tigers who made their historic flights over the "Hump," (the Himalayan Mountain Range) to Burma.

Three Nights Cruising the Yangtze River aboard the *Victoria Empress*

The *Victoria Empress*, built in 1996 and fully refurbished in 2008, has been awarded Five Stars by the China National Tourism Administration. The ship's understated décor is warm, comfortable and fully air-conditioned. Each well appointed outside cabin includes twin beds, private bathroom with tub/shower, in-house telephone, cable television, floor to ceiling picture windows and



Cruise the Yangtze River aboard the Victoria Empress

its own private balcony where passengers can relax and enjoy the scenery of the Three Gorges. Victoria Cruises award-winning dining is a fusion of Chinese and western cuisine, expertly prepared with the highest quality fresh ingredients.

Cruise three nights on the awesome Yangtze River from Chongqing to Yichang. The mighty Yangtze flows from the mountains of Tibet all the way to the East China Sea, a distance of 4,000 miles. Call at either Fengdu, previously known as the Ghost City with its Lanruo Dian Pagoda, or Shibaozhai for an excursion to the impressive Snowy Jade Caves.

Next cruise narrow Qutang Gorge and admire 4,000-foot mountains rising dramatically from the river bed. This combination of the narrow gorge and soaring mountains makes the Qutang Gorge the most beautiful of the "Three Gorges".



Shibaozhai, located on the Yangtze River



Shanghai

At Wushan take an excursion by small boats along the Daning River and the “Small Gorges.” Look out for monkeys as well as the “hanging coffins!” Next the Wu Gorge, known for its beauty of forest covered mountains and sheer cliffs, followed by Xiling Gorge.

On the last day arrive at Maoping and visit the controversial and new Three Gorges Dam, today the largest hydroelectric dam in the world - more than five times the size of the Hoover Dam. The *Victoria Empress* will descend the spectacular “Three Gorges Ship Locks” before arriving in Yichang, and disembarkation.

Shanghai

Shanghai situated on the delta of the Yangtze River has been one of the keys to China’s economic growth over the last two decades. During a tour of the city, see the Bund on the banks of the Huangpu River and known for its Western European colonial architecture. In sharp contrast on the opposite bank of the river is Pudong, the economic and commercial heart of modern day China’s success. End this exciting journey with a farewell dinner in Shanghai.

HOTEL AND CRUISE ACCOMMODATIONS

Days Two through Four - The Crowne Plaza Hotel or similar, Beijing

Days Five and Six - Holiday Inn Greenland Century City, Xian

Days Seven through Nine - Aboard the *Victoria Empress* of Victoria Cruises

Days Ten and Eleven - The Hotel Indigo, Shanghai

2011 Depart USA	Per Person Twin	Single Room Add
April 9	\$1,995	\$1,045
May 7	\$1,995	\$1,045
September 17	\$1,995	\$1,045
October 22	\$1,995	\$1,045

Please note additional cost for domestic flights within China is \$450 and will be booked through Mayflower Tours

Taxes are subject to change



Call for air rates and schedules from your city to Beijing and from Shanghai, China

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

EASY **1 2 3 4** ENERGETIC

YOUR RIVER SHIP

See page 81 for a complete description of the *Victoria Empress*

DAY BY DAY

- 21 Meals (10 breakfasts, 5 lunches and 6 dinners)
- Airport transfers when air is provided by Mayflower
- \$60 in Mayflower Money

Day One

- Transpacific flight to Beijing. Cross the International Date Line

Day Two

- Tour begins on arrival Beijing and transfer to your hotel

Day Three

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Excursion of Tiananmen Square and the Forbidden City
- Optional excursion to the Summer Palace
- Welcome Peking Duck Dinner

Day Four

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Full day excursion to the Great Wall of China with lunch

Day Five

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Morning excursion to the Temple of Heaven
- Fly from Beijing to Xian

Day Six

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Visit the tomb of Emperor Qin Shi Huang and the Terra Cotta Warriors
- Optional Orientation excursion of the city of Xian
- Optional Tang Dynasty dinner evening and show

Day Seven

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Fly from Xian to Chongqing
- Tour of Chongqing - lunch included
- Embark the *Victoria Empress*
- Captain’s Welcome Aboard reception and dinner
- *Victoria Empress* sails from Chongqing

Day Eight

- Breakfast, lunch and dinner onboard
- Arrive Fengdu or Shibaozhai (river conditions permitting)
- Excursion either to Lanruo Dian Pagoda or Snowy Jade Cave

Day Nine

- Breakfast, lunch and dinner onboard
- Cruise the Qutang and Wu Gorges before arrival in Wushan
- Excursion along the Daning River “Small Gorges”
- Afternoon cruise through the Xiling Gorge
- *Victoria Empress* descends the Three Gorges Dam Locks

Day Ten

- Breakfast and lunch onboard
- Arrive Maoping and visit the Three Gorges Dam
- Sail from Maoping to Yichang
- Disembark *Victoria Empress* and transfer to airport
- Fly from Yichang to Shanghai with transfer to your hotel

Day Eleven

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Excursion of Shanghai including the Bund, Pudong and the French Concession
- Afternoon optional excursion to YuYuan Gardens
- Farewell dinner at your hotel

Day Twelve

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Transfer to Shanghai Airport for flights home, crossing the International Date Line
- Arrive home



Sydney Opera House and Harbor, Australia

AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND

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Rotorua, New Zealand - a geothermal wonderland



“Upclose” with Australia’s unique wildlife

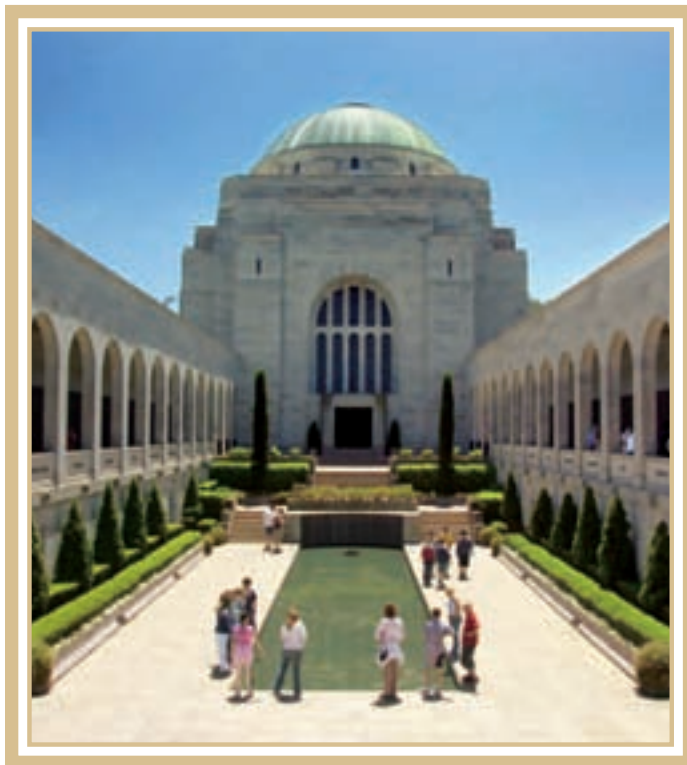
Your Journey Begins in Sydney

Built around one of the most spectacular harbors in the world, Sydney, Australia’s oldest and largest city, is full of wonderful sights, sparkling sophistication and soaring skyscrapers. The city served as host to the 2000 Summer Olympics. Your city tour will take you through the Rocks, a quaint old town area where the original European settlers first settled (along with convicts) and is considered the birthplace of modern-day Australia. Today, elegantly-restored buildings hold a delightful collection of cafes and shops. See Australia’s most recognized icon, Sydney’s beautiful Opera House (UNESCO World Heritage Site) which is dramatically perched above the sea and rises like wind-filled sails. To give you a unique perspective of Sydney, join us for a dinner cruise on the harbor where you can view the multi-colored sailboats, admire the skyline of the famous Opera House, Sydney Harbor Bridge and exquisite waterfront homes of the rich and famous.

Canberra, Australia’s Capital

One of the unique benefits of a Mayflower tour is an opportunity to experience a real slice of “Aussie” life. On the way to Canberra, we’ll stop at a local sheep station for a sheep-shearing demonstration. After this amazing experience, we’ll enjoy an authentic BBQ lunch on the “barbie!” The capital city of Canberra boasts a wealth of cultural treasures, national monuments and lush parks. Modeled after Washington, DC, Canberra is blessed with a wealth of cultural treasures including the Gallery of Australia, the Australian War Memorial and Parliament House.

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The Australian War Memorial, Canberra, Australia



Yarra River, Melbourne, Australia

Marvelous Melbourne

Melbourne's Yarra River is the focal point of the city as it winds its way through English gardens and lovely parks. Your tour will include visits to the Italian Quarter, the Shrine of Remembrance, the Botanic Gardens, a view of Captain Cook's Cottage and Fitzroy Gardens. You'll also have ample time to explore Melbourne on your own. Don't miss Federation Square with its museum, art gallery and sidewalk cafes. Melbourne will please food aficionados with a selection of cuisine that rivals any international desire.



Auckland, New Zealand

Auckland – The City of Sails

Your tour includes two fabulous days in Auckland, New Zealand's largest city. A city of many charms, Auckland boasts beautiful harbours, beaches, hiking trails and island retreats. Blending a background rhythm of Maori culture with a contemporary city environment, makes Auckland an enviable place to visit. Highlights of your city tour include the Victoria Park Market, Westhaven Marina and the Mt. Eden volcanic crater. Get a whole new perspective on Auckland as we enjoy a fabulous dinner and take in the sights from atop the Auckland Tower.

Down on the Farm – Home Hospitality

Mayflower offers another opportunity to experience a slice of country life with friendly New Zealanders who open their homes for an overnight visit. Stay in one of their guest rooms and become part of a traditional farm family. Enjoy a delicious, home-cooked meal, and share a unique cultural experience.



Experience a slice of country life with friendly New Zealanders

Waitomo Caves – An Underground Adventure

Imagine riding through a cavern lit by millions of glow worms resembling blue stars on a ceiling. The famous Glow Worm Grotto invites you on a mysterious, magical world of rushing waters as you drift in darkness along this stream of luminous shimmer.

Rotorua – A Geothermal Wonderland

Rotorua is a major spa resort, well known for its geysers, thermal springs and hot mud pools. Mayflower Tours gives you an insightful look at this unique area of the world.



The Glow Worm Grotto in Waitomo Caves



Enjoy traditional music and dancing at the Maori Hangi Feast

We visit Te Puia for a closer look at Maori life and enjoy a performance showcasing the very best of Maori culture. We also visit the Agrodome, a working sheep and cattle farm for a real hands-on, live experience of farming. Rainbow Springs National Park, famous for its trout and wildlife, is our next adventure.

As our final celebration, Mayflower Tours has arranged for a delicious Maori Hangi Feast, complete with traditional music and dancing to give you a multitude of memories that will last a lifetime.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Days Three and Four - The Menzies, Sydney, Australia

Day Five - Olims Hotel, Canberra, Australia

Days Six through Eight - Citigate Hotel, Melbourne, Australia

Days Nine and Ten - Rydges Hotel, Auckland, New Zealand

Day Eleven - Stay in the home of a local Farm Family, New Zealand

Days Twelve and Thirteen - Rydges Hotel, Rotorua, New Zealand

2011 Depart USA	Per Person Twin	Single Room Add
April 2	\$1,995	\$995
October 22	\$1,995	\$995



Call for air rates and schedules from your city to Sydney, Australia and from Auckland, New Zealand

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

EASY **1 2 3 4** ENERGETIC

DAY BY DAY

- 16 Meals (11 breakfasts, 1 lunch and 4 dinners)
- Airport transfers when air is provided by Mayflower
- \$70 in Mayflower Money

Day One

- Transpacific flight to Sydney, Australia

Day Two

- Cross the International Date Line

Day Three

- Tour begins with arrival in Sydney and transfer to your hotel
- Sightseeing tour of Sydney including the Historic Rocks District and the Opera House

Day Four

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Free day to explore Sydney on your own
- Optional excursion to Featherdale Wildlife Park
- Opal presentation
- Sydney Harbour dinner cruise

Day Five

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Sheep-shearing demonstration
- Authentic "Aussie" BBQ lunch
- Tour of Canberra, Australia's capital

Day Six

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Travel through wine country to Melbourne

Day Seven

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Sightseeing tour of Melbourne, the cultural capital of Australia including the Italian Quarter, the Shrine of Remembrance and Botanic Gardens
- Optional excursion to Phillip Island and the Koala Conservation Center

Day Eight

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Free day to explore Melbourne on your own

Day Nine

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Daylight flight from Melbourne to Auckland, New Zealand
- Transfer to your hotel

Day Ten

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Sightseeing tour of Auckland, including Mt. Eden, Parnell, America's Cup Village, Bastion Point and Queen Street
- Dinner at Auckland Tower

Day Eleven

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Free morning to explore Auckland on your own
- Home hospitality with a local farm family, including dinner

Day Twelve

- Hearty, home cooked breakfast
- Waitomo and tour of Glow Worm Grotto

Day Thirteen

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Rotorua's Whakarewarewa Geothermal Valley – Te Puia, the Agrodome and Rainbow Springs National Park
- Maori Hangi Dinner Feast

Day Fourteen

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Transfer to Auckland Airport for flights home, crossing the International Date Line



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Bahamas • Dutch Antilles • Panama • Costa Rica

11 DAYS • 29 MEALS



Entering the Panama Canal

 Cruise Overnights
 Start/End City
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 Cruise Route




Explore the Panama Canal and Caribbean aboard Holland America's MS Zuiderdam

Holland America's MS Zuiderdam is forward looking in both design and spirit. After boarding, unpack just once and enjoy for the next ten days more space per person than on any other ship in a fleet already known for its stylish, spacious comfort. There are more staterooms with ocean views and private verandahs. Delight in the expansive spa facilities complete with a hydrotherapy pool, shows in the three-tiered Queen's Lounge, delectable Italian cuisine at the Odyssey Restaurant, plus three sparkling pools and a casino. Gracious award-winning service, antique furnishings, and fresh flowers complete the Holland America experience.



Half Moon Cay, Bahamas



Holland America's MS Zuiderdam

Half Moon Cay, Bahamas

Holland America Line's pristine private island offers everything you need for a day of play in paradise: a two-mile crescent of perfect beach; an interior lagoon; private beachside cabanas with butler service, showers and misters; and all manner of watersports and activities.

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Oranjestad, Aruba

Oranjestad, Aruba - Netherlands Antilles

Aruba has modern Dutch taste and a delightful Caribbean spirit. The island is friendly and welcoming and perfect for swimming, sunbathing, shopping, and sightseeing. The coral reefs that shelter colorful fish are famed for world-class snorkeling. Join a photography tour and snap photos of the windmills spinning in the dry ocean breeze. Or play a round of golf among the lush foliage and unique divi divi trees or try your luck in one of the trendy resort-casinos.

Willemstad, Curacao

The neat and clean town of Willemstad is a bit of Holland-in-the-Caribbean and located off the coast of South America. Amsterdam-like canals, brightly painted gabled Dutch colonial buildings, an exotic floating market. This bustling duty-free port has it all, including the world-famous and delicious Curaçao Liqueur Distillery and an intriguing coral reef teeming with parrotfish and queen angelfish.



Willemstad, Curacao

Panama Canal

The highlight of your cruise will be a daylight journey through one of the major locks and lakes of the Panama Canal. This engineering marvel of the modern world today links oceans, continents and cultures. The *MS Zuiderdam* rises 85 feet above sea level while transiting three steps at Gatun Locks and then enters Gatun Lake which is key to supplying the water necessary to operate the lock system. It will take about 52 million gallons of water to float the *MS Zuiderdam* through the locks. On board lectures will describe the history of the Canal – a history that shapes global events even today.



Gatun Locks, Panama Canal

Colon, Panama

Colon lies on the stunning Caribbean coast of Panama, where unparalleled beaches and lush tropical scenery are de rigueur. In nearby Portobello, discover the ruins of Spanish forts, watch the colorful yachts sailing in the bay or hunt for treasures in the local markets.

Puerto Limon, Costa Rica

Enchanting Costa Rica is a small country with a big heart. Named the “Rich Coast” by Columbus, it is imbued with natural treasures. You’ll find breathtaking beaches, lush rain forests, volcanoes, and jagged mountains. Its rain forests are home to ten percent of the world’s bird species and more than a thousand varieties of orchids. This peaceful country, the oldest democracy in Latin America, has dedicated 25 percent of its land to national parks and wildlife refuges. Take an optional guided tour under the canopy of the trees and enter the world of exotic animals and unusual foliage.

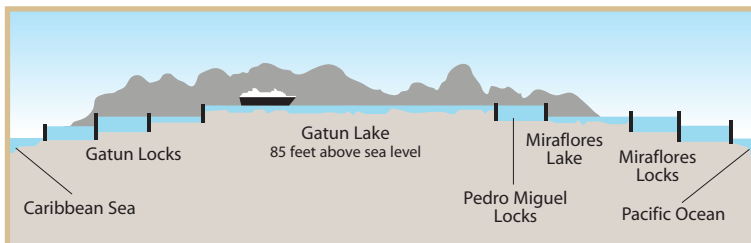
THE PANAMA CANAL

The Eighth Wonder of the Modern World

The dream to cut a path across Panama to shorten the dangerous journey around South America's Cape Horn began with the Spanish explorers in the 16th century. The Frenchman Ferdinand de Lesseps began the effort after his triumphant completion of the Suez Canal in 1879. His plan collapsed into bankruptcy in 1889, and President Theodore Roosevelt took up the cause in 1902.

A river was dammed to create what was then the world's largest artificial lake. An eight-mile channel was cut through a mountain range and more than 200 million cubic yards of earth and stone were cleared. Six immense locks, with walls 1,000 feet long and 81 feet high, took four years to build. The massive doors on the locks each weigh nearly 750 tons.

Working conditions for the more than 35,000 laborers were excruciatingly difficult. Typhoid, malaria and other tropical diseases were a constant threat, and temperatures often rose to 130 degrees. Even with all the travails, this marvel of human ingenuity was finally completed in 1913, a year ahead of schedule and \$23 million under budget. The first vessel through the Canal was the tugboat, Gatun, which fulfilled a dream hundreds of years in the making.



HOTEL AND CRUISE ACCOMMODATIONS

Days Two through Ten – Aboard Holland America Line's *MS Zuiderdam*

2011 Depart USA	Category	Per Person Twin	Single Room Add
February 11	Inside Cabin	\$1,795	\$750
	Outside Cabin	\$2,045	\$850
	Deluxe Outside with Verandah	\$2,345	\$1,680
November 4	Inside Cabin	\$1,849	\$799
	Outside Cabin	\$2,049	\$945
	Deluxe Outside with Verandah	\$2,395	\$1,895

Please add \$264 for port charges and government taxes
Taxes are subject to change



Call for air rates and schedules from your city to and from Fort Lauderdale, Florida

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

EASY **1 2 3 4** ENERGETIC

YOUR CRUISE SHIP

See page 83 for a complete description of the *MS Zuiderdam*

- 29 Meals (10 breakfasts, 9 lunches and 10 dinners)
- Airport transfers when air is provided by Mayflower
- \$55 in Mayflower Money

Day One

- Cruise begins with arrival in Fort Lauderdale, meet your Tour Manager and transfer to the *MS Zuiderdam* for embarkation
- Ten-nights sailing aboard the *MS Zuiderdam*
- Dinner onboard

Day Two

- Breakfast, lunch and dinner onboard
- Private Island stop - Half Moon Cay, Bahamas, for a day of relaxation

Day Three

- Breakfast, lunch and dinner onboard
- Day cruising the Caribbean Sea

Day Four

- Breakfast, lunch and dinner onboard
- Port of Call - Oranjestad, Aruba
- Optional excursion of Aruba Town and countryside or Colors of Aruba

Day Five

- Breakfast, lunch and dinner onboard
- Port of Call - Willemstad, Curacao
- Optional excursion of Willemstad or Curacao countryside or Highlights of Curacao

Day Six

- Breakfast, lunch and dinner onboard
- Day at sea

Day Seven

- Breakfast, lunch and dinner onboard
- Enter the Panama Canal at Cristobal and ascend three locks
- Cruise Gatun Lake, Panama Canal. Enjoy commentary on the history and construction of the Canal
- Optional Eco cruise on Gatun Lake
- Exit the Canal and arrive at Colon, Panama
- Optional excursions

Day Eight

- Breakfast, lunch and dinner onboard
- Port of Call - Puerto Limon, Costa Rica
- Optional Aerial Tram and Rainforest canopy excursion or Coastal Highlights and Banana plantation

Day Nine

- Breakfast, lunch and dinner onboard
- Day at sea cruising the Western Caribbean Sea

Day Ten

- Breakfast, lunch and dinner onboard
- Day at sea cruising the Gulf of Mexico and Western Caribbean Sea

Day Eleven

- Breakfast onboard
- Arrive Fort Lauderdale and disembark *MS Zuiderdam*
- Group transfer to Fort Lauderdale airport for flights home



A typical Costa Rican sunset

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A Keel-billed Toucan, just a sample of Costa Rica's tropical birds



Tropical Paradise

Costa Ricans have a lot to smile about – secluded palm-sheltered beaches, lush rainforests, lava-shooting volcanoes, tropical rain and cloud forests, an abundance of wildlife, fine coffee and a peaceful society. Discover the best of Costa Rica!

San Jose

Our journey begins in the historic capital of San Jose at a delightful casino hotel. You have time for a swim or massage before dinner as your busy schedule fades into Costa Rica’s mystical tropical paradise.

Poás Volcano

Enroute from San Jose to La Fortuna, visit Poás Volcano, one of the most spectacular volcanoes in Costa Rica. Poás has a long history of large eruptions, producing in 1910 a cloud of hot ash five miles high. Look down from its mile-wide rim to a gigantic boiling cauldron of steaming geysers. Then continue to the Doka Coffee Estate for a tour followed by lunch



Arenal Volcano

Arenal - Room with a View

A volcano in the front yard? That’s what the village of La Fortuna boasts. So you can see its awe-inspiring cone first thing in the morning and the last thing at night, as your room for three nights has a private terrace with a view of the Arenal Volcano. In addition to the volcano, the area is rich in natural wonders. On our arrival day, we see hot springs and beautiful waterfalls, hike easy, fragrant trails, swim or just dangle our feet in shady pools fed by waterfalls and surrounded with lush, tropical greenery. The village of La Fortuna is ringed by mountains and inhabited by friendly folk whose little shops may offer the perfect memento.

There are few places on earth where you can observe an active volcano, and we will spend a day near Arenal Volcano, one of the most active volcanoes in the Americas. Since it erupted 400 years ago, it has continued to light up the night sky. From our observation point,



Costa Rica’s unique wildlife

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we feel the ground tremble and see smoke that billows from the earth's molten core rise to join the clouds. After a day of adventure, relax at the Tabacon Grand Spa followed by dinner with lovely views of the resort's hot springs, lush tropical gardens and Arenal Volcano. While in La Fortuna, we will enjoy a full day excursion to Cano Negro National Wildlife Refuge, a remote "everglades" type of wetlands teeming in different species of flora, fauna and birdlife. Truly a unique experience.

An Aerial View

We move on to the Central Pacific Coast of Costa Rica. An aerial tram tour in a gondola gives us an eagle's eye view of the rainforest and the lush hanging gardens of one of the most interesting and exuberant forests in the Americas. Tropical flowers, scenic views of waterfalls, streams, the Pacific and glimpses of wildlife combine to give you the total rainforest experience in comfort and safety.

Manuel Antonio and the National Park

Our resort for three nights is El Parador Boutique Resort & Spa situated on a majestic bluff with panoramic views overlooking the Pacific Ocean. The resort is also ideally situated just minutes from the most pristine and tranquil area of the world famous Manuel Antonio National Park and the small fishing village of Quepos. Its elegant Mediterranean-style architecture, modeled after the traditional Spanish Paradores and quaint European "boutique hotels," has made the resort one of a kind.

Spend a day at leisure - you may choose to relax on the beach, stroll through the forest or join new companions on an excursion. There will be time to swim and snooze in the sun, time to snorkel or enjoy magical sunsets. One morning, visit nearby Manuel Antonio National Park, the smallest of the parks in Costa Rica but one of the most popular. The park's forest, mangroves, lagoons and beach vegetation support 1,009 species of mammals and 184 species of birds, with migrants bringing the bird species to some 270. Among the inhabitants that can be easily seen are sloths, iguanas, agoutis, armadillos, coatimundis, raccoons and the adorable squirrel monkey.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Day One – Herradura Hotel, San Jose

Days Two through Four – The Arenal Manoa Hotel and Resort, La Fortuna area

Days Five through Seven – El Parador Boutique Resort and Spa, Manuel Antonio

2011 Depart USA	Per Person Twin	Single Room Add
February 14	\$1,499	\$665
October 17	\$1,399	\$599



Call for air rates and schedules from your city to and from San Jose, Costa Rica

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

EASY **1 2 3 4** ENERGETIC

DAY BY DAY

- **12 Meals (7 breakfasts, 2 lunches and 3 dinners)**
- **Airport transfers when air is provided by Mayflower**
- **\$40 in Mayflower Money**

Day One

- Tour begins with arrival in San Jose and transfer to your hotel
- Welcome dinner

Day Two

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Visit to Poas Volcano and Doka Estate Coffee Tour followed by lunch
- Continue to Arenal area known for its famous and active volcano

Day Three

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Depart for Arenal Volcano National Park where we enjoy extraordinary views of the Arenal Volcano on a gentle hike along the base of this marvelous "Mountain of Fire"
- In the afternoon, enjoy a healthy and relaxing soak at the Tabacon Grand Spa and Thermal resort with dinner included

Day Four

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Excursion to Cano Negro National Wildlife Refuge where you will see a great variety of birds, monkeys, iguanas, sloths, turtles and Caymans. Lunch is included during this excursion.

Day Five

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Drive from La Fortuna to Manuel Antonio National Park area
- Ride the Pacific Aerial Tram for breathtaking views of the rail forest and hanging gardens
- Continue to Manuel Antonio

Day Six

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Day at leisure to enjoy the local beaches or relax by the pool

Day Seven

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Visit to Manuel Antonio National Park
- Farewell dinner

Day Eight

- Breakfast at your hotel
- Transfer to San Jose Airport for flights home

GENERAL INFORMATION

How to Make a Reservation

Phone, fax or visit our website - or call your travel professional. Please provide the full first, middle and last names of travelers as they appear on their passport and include address, phone number, tour name and departure date. Space will be tentatively held until deposit is received which is within five business days after your reservation.

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Reservation Hours

Monday - Friday 7:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Central Time
Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Central Time

Payments

All deposits and final payments can be made by check or credit card. We accept the following credit cards:



Prices Subject to Change

We reserve the right to vary itineraries and prices and substitute facilities, hotels or events of equal or better quality if necessary.

Guaranteed Share Program for Single Travelers

We make it easy for single travelers to reduce their tour costs with our Guaranteed Share Program. If you are traveling alone, are a non-smoker, and would like a roommate for cost savings, let us know at least 30 days before departure. You will be paired with another traveler of the same gender at the twin rate. If no roommate is available, you will get a single room yet only pay the twin price. For Cruise Tours, Guaranteed Share Program is available on the Interior Staterooms only. For River Cruises the Guaranteed Share Program is available on the Main Deck only.

Roommate Cancellation

If you are booked as a "twin" and your roommate cancels their reservation, and you cannot find another roommate, you may either travel as a guaranteed share (see above) or travel as a single and pay the single supplement.

Revision Fees

A fee of \$25 per transaction will be charged for any changes, revisions or alterations made to your reservation after confirmation.

Luggage Handling

The tour cost includes hotel portage for one average size suitcase. A charge of \$4.00 per hotel will be collected by the Tour Manager for each additional piece of luggage that you bring. Many airlines have implemented a charge for checked luggage. This amount is not included in your tour price and has to be paid directly to the airline by the traveler at the time of check in.

Referral Rewards and First Time Traveler Certificates

These coupons are available from Mayflower Tours. First Time Traveler Certificates will be sent to potential first-time travelers at the request of individual Mayflower tour members. These coupons cannot be accepted with any other promotional coupon. For recipients of the Referral Reward, coupons will be activated after the referred traveler has departed on tour. Coupons can be used in conjunction with valid future travel credits, are non-transferable and are to be used with full fare travel. Complete terms of the Referral Rewards program are printed on the reverse side of the coupons. This offer is recallable at any time.

Smoke Free Environment

Although smoking is not allowed on the motorcoach, frequent rest/smoking stops are made.

Travel Documents

Your travel documents, including airline tickets purchased through Mayflower Tours, will be in your possession approximately fourteen days prior to departure. Documents include tour itinerary, departure and arrival information and times, hotel information, clothing suggestions, luggage tags, plus any helpful hints.

Tour Activity Level / Health and Walking on Tour

Travelers should be in reasonably good health. Please consult your physician for pre-departure health advice.

- 1 LEVEL 1:** This program has a leisurely pace with minimal activity such as climbing stairs, boarding the motorcoach and walking within the hotels.
- 2 LEVEL 2:** Average physical activity on this program requiring the ability to climb stairs and walk reasonable distances, sometimes over uneven surfaces.
- 3 LEVEL 3:** A blend of longer and shorter touring days on this program with more walking tours mixed with some periods of standing. Expect more of the touring to be over uneven surfaces or involve stairs.
- 4 LEVEL 4:** A more physical touring experience based on the destination with longer walking tours, stair climbing and periods of standing. Expect some of the experiences to occur during the evening.

Air Services

Airfare may be purchased through Mayflower for travel originating in the United States. By using Mayflower's air services, you accept that Mayflower is only acting as your agent and is not responsible for any accident, death, personal injury, illness, property damage, delay or other monetary loss or expense of any nature that may arise directly or indirectly out of any act of God, or any actions or default of any carrier. Mayflower is not liable for, and does not assume responsibility or accept claims with regards to any losses incurred due to cancellation of flights or change in flight schedule resulting in additional expenses to you, even when the air services are purchased through Mayflower.

Membership

Tour membership is available to all travelers and will not be withheld if the Tour Operator can furnish special requirements that an individual may need. Should meeting these requirements materially add to the Tour Operator's cost, the Tour Member would be expected to pay these additional costs. The Tour Manager retains the right to terminate the membership of any Member if any physical or mental handicap becomes apparent while on tour and causes hardship to the Tour Manager and/or other Tour Members. Children must be six years of age or older.

Responsibility

These tour programs are operated by Mayflower Tours, Inc. 1225 Warren Avenue, Downers Grove, Illinois 60515. In common with other companies, Mayflower acts only as an agent for Tour Members in arranging room accommodations, transportation, sightseeing, admissions and restaurants. Mayflower reserves the right in its sole discretion to make changes in the itinerary and is not responsible for expenses, loss of time, money or other happening resulting from a change of tour scheduling made for Tour Members. Mayflower reserves the right to accept, decline or retain any person as a member of the tour, and is not responsible for any losses or damages of personal property, or for injuries, expenses or damages incurred by any Tour Member.

United States Tour Operators Association \$1 Million Travelers Assistance Program

Mayflower Tours, Inc., shares the coverage available under the United States Tour Operators Association ("USTOA") \$1 Million Travelers Assistance Program with affiliates of Mayflower Tours who, as an Active Member of the USTOA is required to post \$1 Million with USTOA to be used to reimburse, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the USTOA Travelers Assistance Program, the advance payments of Mayflower Tours travelers in the unlikely event of Mayflower Tours bankruptcy, insolvency or cessation of business. Further, you should understand that the \$1 Million posted by Mayflower Tours may be sufficient to provide only a partial recovery of the advance payments received by Mayflower Tours. Complete details of the USTOA Travelers Assistance Program and a list of affiliates may be obtained by writing to USTOA at 275 Madison Avenue, Suite 2014, New York, NY 10016, or by email to information@ustoa.com or by visiting www.ustoa.com.



TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Payment Information

Listed below is a schedule of deposit and final payment due dates. You will note that the first category includes an optional Travelers Protection Plan (TPP) which is to be paid within five business days after your reservation. Please see "Travelers Protection Plan (TPP)" section on the next page for further explanation of this benefit.

DEPOSIT SCHEDULE	DEPOSIT PER PERSON	FINAL PAYMENT
• World Holidays Land Tour with Air* <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With TPP Coverage \$449 • Without TPP Coverage \$250 Land Tour Only <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With TPP Coverage \$399 • Without TPP Coverage \$250 		60 Days 60 Days 60 Days 60 Days
• Mediterranean Classic Cruise • Eastern Mediterranean Cruise Cruise Tour with Air* <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With TPP Coverage \$499 • Without TPP Coverage \$300 Cruise Tour Only <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With TPP Coverage \$449 • Without TPP Coverage \$300 		90 Days 90 Days 90 Days 90 Days

The following Land/Cruise tours have different guidelines and are not covered by Mayflower Tours Traveler Protection Plan. For these tours we highly recommend that you purchase the MH Ross Travel Insurance Plan to protect your investment.

DEPOSIT SCHEDULE	DEPOSIT PER PERSON	FINAL PAYMENT
• Dutch Waterways Cruise in Springtime • Romantic Rhine and Mosel River Cruise • The Blue Danube Legendary River Cruise • Christmas Markets Cruise on the Rhine • Panama Canal and the Hidden Caribbean <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Without TPP Coverage \$400 		90 Days

Refund and Cancellation Policy

Payments for land, air and cruise arrangements (less the deposit amount) will be refunded when cancellations are received prior to the final payment due date noted above. Deposits are non-refundable unless the optional Travelers Protection Plan (TPP) is purchased at the time of booking. When the optional Traveler Protection Plan is purchased and it is necessary to cancel your reservation, you will be refunded all payments, including the deposit amount, less the TPP premium.

Exception: If you purchase non-refundable airline tickets from Mayflower Tours, the TPP does not provide a refund for the airline tickets in the event of a cancellation or a return transportation benefit if you must return home early. You will be charged the TPP premium for the land tour only. Any changes made to the reservation after final payment that alters the tour itinerary will result in cancellation charges as listed below. If you have purchased the Travelers Protection Plan, the premium will be applied to offset the cancellation charges. Should you choose not to purchase our TPP, the following per person cancellation charges will be assessed for all tours and optional excursion costs:

World Holidays

- 61 days or more prior to departure: Deposit Amount
- 60 to 45 days prior to departure: 20% of total tour
- 44 to 15 days prior to departure: 30% of total tour
- 14 to 1 day prior to departure: 40% of total tour
- Day of departure or early departure from tour: 100% of total tour
- No refund on unused portions of the tour

Cruising Programs

Mediterranean Classic Cruise; Eastern Mediterranean Cruise; Dutch Waterways Cruise in Springtime; Romantic Rhine and Mosel River Cruise; The Blue Danube Legendary River Cruise; Christmas Markets Cruise along the Rhine; and Panama Canal and the Hidden Caribbean

the following per person cancellation charges will be assessed:

- 91 days or more prior to departure: Deposit Amount
- 90 days to day of departure: 100% of total tour
- No refund on unused portions of the tour

PLEASE NOTE: The following programs are not covered under Mayflower Tours Travelers Protection Plan: Dutch Waterways Cruise in Springtime; Romantic Rhine & Mosel River Cruise; The Blue Danube Legendary River Cruise; Christmas Markets Cruise Along the Rhine; and Panama Canal and the Hidden Caribbean. We make available and highly recommend that you purchase the MH Ross Travel Insurance Plan to protect your investment. Policy and enrollment information about the MH Ross Travel Insurance Plan will be enclosed with your deposit receipt.

Fuel Surcharge for Mayflower Tours Air Add-ons

Due to the cost of jet fuel, most airlines have implemented a fuel surcharge on all domestic and international flights. The surcharge fluctuates on a daily basis based on the price of oil. The prices quoted to you for International flights include the fuel surcharge as applicable on the day of your reservation. Your reservation will be reviewed at 60 days prior to departure and revised to reflect appropriate fuel surcharge at that time. As an added benefit of purchasing the Mayflower Tours Travelers Protection Plan (TPP), the fuel surcharge amount as determined on the day of booking will be guaranteed to you, and if the fuel surcharge is lower at 60 days prior to departure you would receive the lower rate.

Exclusions

Mayflower Tours reserves the right to alter its Refund and Cancellation Policy when a substantial amount of cancellation or postponement of travel is attributable to: conditions resulting from an act of God, natural or man-made disaster, fire, government action, civil disorder, war, hostilities between nations, or unavailability of transportation through no fault of Mayflower Tours.

"Freedom to Travel" Guarantee

On those rare occasions when the Exclusions mentioned above make it necessary to modify its Refund and Cancellation Policy, Mayflower's "Freedom To Travel" Guarantee will take effect for those passengers who purchased the Travelers Protection Plan (TPP). This Guarantee will allow travelers to apply all monies paid to Mayflower Tours, including the Cancellation Fee Waiver, toward any future Mayflower tour that departs within 12 months of their notification.

Tour Price Includes

All motorcoach transportation noted in the tour itinerary, round trip airport transfers on the tour departure and return dates (only) if air is purchased through Mayflower, services of the Tour Manager and driver, lodging, sightseeing, taxes, admissions, gratuities for bellmen and waiters for included meals, as well as Mayflower Money. Included meals are clearly noted in the touring description. Air transportation is available upon request, at additional cost for all tours.

What is Not Included on the Tour

The land price of your tour does not include airfare to the tour departure point; any inter-country air; excess luggage charges; items of a personal nature; meals not included on the itinerary; sightseeing attractions listed as "optional excursions" and gratuities to the full time Tour Manager, motorcoach driver, all airport skycaps, van or limo drivers and local guides. Transfers between airport and hotel are not included unless you purchase air from Mayflower.

Airline Security Measures

The Transportation Security Administration requires that travelers provide their name exactly to their airline as it appears on their passport to be used while traveling, along with their date of birth and gender when making reservations to fly from the U.S. When making your flight reservations through Mayflower Tours, you will be asked for this information by our staff. Due to airline security measures, your passport must match your airline ticket name and your tour reservation name or you may be denied aircraft boarding.

Passport & Visas

Each U.S. citizen must have a valid passport. Expiry date of passports should be at least six months after the return date of tour. If you don't have a passport, call our office and we'll tell you how to apply for one. Some countries require visas for entry by U.S. citizens. We will send visa applications and instructions if a visa is required for your tour. Holders of non-U.S. passports should contact their nearest consulate and inquire about the necessary passport or visa documentation required for entry into the countries visited.

TRAVELERS PROTECTION PLAN (TPP)

Our Travelers Protection Plan consists of a Cancellation Fee Waiver combined with Travel Insurance Benefits.

Part A - Cancellation Fee Waiver (CFW)

Should you have to cancel your tour or interrupt your tour en route, we have added a non-refundable Travelers Protection Plan (TPP) of \$199 (Land Tour with Air*) or \$149 (Land Tour Only) per person in our deposit schedule. If you do not wish to purchase this protection, simply deduct the amount from your deposit. This non-refundable fee waives all cancellation fees and penalties, provided we are notified of the cancellation one day before your tour departs. While on tour, if a passenger must leave early due to a personal illness, illness or death of a member of the immediate family, the purchase of the Travelers Protection Plan (TPP) guarantees full refund for any unused services (including purchased optional excursions) after the departure of the tour. Handling of return air transportation is included if your airline tickets were provided by Mayflower Tours. *Exception: If you purchased non-refundable airline tickets from Mayflower Tours, the TPP does not provide a refund for the airline tickets in the event of a cancellation or a return transportation benefit if you must return home early. You will only be charged the TPP premium for the land tour instead of the premium for land tour with air.

Exclusions

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For complete details on the protection plan refer to the Description of Coverage Brochure enclosed with your deposit receipt.

IMPORTANT! The Travelers Protection Plan must be purchased by the time of initial payment and may not be purchased at a later date.

Part B - Travel Insurance Benefits

In addition to the Part A - Cancellation Fee Waiver, this plan also provides the following travel insurance benefits. These Part B Benefits are offered and administered by Trip Mate Insurance Agency, Inc., are underwritten by the insurance carriers listed below and are subject to the terms, conditions and exclusions of the policy:

- \$25,000 Accidental Death & Dismemberment
- \$500 Trip Delay (Up to \$100 Per Day)
- \$25,000 Medical Expense/Emergency Evacuation
- 24 Hour Worldwide Assistance Service
- \$2,000 Baggage / Travel Documents
- \$500 Baggage Delay (Up to \$100 Per Day)

Certain exclusions and limitations apply and are detailed in the Description of Coverage Brochure which will be enclosed with your deposit receipt and is also available to you, upon request, at any time prior to your purchase of the plan. For example, coverage does not apply to; suicide, normal pregnancy, war or any act of war, mental or nervous disorders. A Traveling Companion is defined as a person booked to share accommodations in the same room or cabin with you during your trip. Sickness or Injury must require care by a Physician and must commence while insurance is in force for you. This plan does not cover a loss that results from an illness, disease, or other condition (of you, an Immediate Family Member, Traveling Companion or Business Partner), event or circumstance which occurs at a time when this plan is not in force for you.

Part B Travel Insurance is underwritten by Monumental General Casualty Company (all states except as otherwise noted) and Monumental Life Insurance Company (AK, KS, ME, MA, NH, NJ, NC, WA, WI, WY) & J.C. Penney Casualty Insurance Company (CO, MI, MN, NY, VT).



John Stachnik cleaning the grounds of Angel Island



For the past 32 years, Mayflower Tours has been committed to not only providing rewarding travel experiences, but also taking the responsibility for the preservation of the sites of our world that we bring to our travelers. As a member of Tourism Cares, we continue to share in the mission of Tourism Cares to protect and enhance these experiences for future generations.

Tourism Cares is a non-profit organization that benefits society by preserving, conserving and promoting the responsible use of our world's natural, cultural and historic treasures and supporting education and research to help secure the positive future of travel and tourism worldwide.

www.tourismcares.org

TOURISM CARES FOR ANGEL ISLAND

300 volunteers, including Mayflower's president and co-owner John Stachnik, spent the day repairing the infrastructure and cleaning the grounds of Angel Island in San Francisco Bay. Angel Island is known as the "the Ellis Island of the West," as this is where immigrants from the Pacific Rim first entered America. The site celebrated its 100th anniversary in 2010.



Tourism Cares gives a helping hand in restoring Angel Island

RIVER SHIPS

● MS Rigoletto

featured on *Dutch Waterways in Springtime* (page 8); *Romantic Rhine and Mosel River Cruise* (page 12)
Christmas Markets Cruise on the Rhine (page 20)

The 112-passenger fully air-conditioned MS Rigoletto is a gracious river cruise ship with an elegant touch. The interior is decorated with wood and brass furnishings, and its warm colors and comfortable furniture offer a very inviting atmosphere.

● Upper Deck



● Main Deck



MS Rigoletto Twin Stateroom



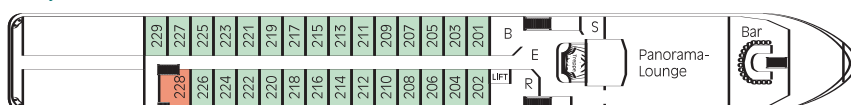
MS Rigoletto Lounge

● MS Swiss Diamond

featured *The Blue Danube Legendary River Cruise* (page 16)

The 123-passenger MS Swiss Diamond is fully air-conditioned and has a classically elegant interior that immediately creates a pleasant atmosphere and a perfect holiday feeling.

● Ruby Deck



● Emerald Deck



MS Swiss Diamond Twin Stateroom



MS Swiss Diamond Lounge

The European River Cruising Experience

Comfortable, Well-appointed Staterooms

After boarding, unpack only once. All staterooms onboard offer excellent outside views and convert from a sitting room by day to a bedroom at night. Attentive onboard staff takes care of your needs to ensure your comfort. Each first-class stateroom is fully equipped with comfortable furnishings which include private bathroom with shower, hair dryer, radio, color television, individual heating/air conditioning controls, safe and telephone.

All Meals Included on Board

Three meals daily are served graciously at one leisurely single seating in the exquisite dining room and feature local and international specialties. All dinners are four courses and are served with regional wines. While dining, you will enjoy the splendid views of the passing scenic landscapes through the large picture windows. You'll find complimentary coffee or tea served throughout the day in the lounge. Enjoy a special treat of afternoon tea and pastries and a late evening buffet also served in the comfortable lounge.

Ample Public Spaces

The classic and inviting main lounge has large picture windows and is furnished with comfortable sofas and chairs. It is one of the many ideal places from where passengers may choose to enjoy this unique river cruise. A cozy, full-service bar and dance floor is a welcoming area of the main lounge. The bar stays busy till late at night. A wide range of drinks awaits you, and the bartender ensures that the glasses are full and the ambience is convivial.

A musician will entertain each evening enhancing the classic environment and the relaxed atmosphere. Unique entertainment and demonstrations such as dancers or local handicrafts will be scheduled in the lounge. A gift shop offers both sundries and souvenirs. Also enjoy the open sundeck from where one can enjoy panoramic views of the ever changing scenery.

RIVER SHIPS

● MS TiYi

featured on *Egypt – Treasures of the Pharaohs* (page 36)

The MS Ti Yi is one of our luxurious cruises on which you can explore the wonders of the Nile with elegance and style. The MS TiYi offers 59 luxurious, fully furnished five-star deluxe cabins plus 3 suites. All cabins have an in-room safe, the windows are soundproof, air-conditioners are individually controlled, and your telephone has a voice mail messaging system. All cabins are equipped with a full mini-bar, individual interactive TV channels, a hair dryer, bathrobes, and cabin bathroom with a walk in shower, and deluxe amenities and toiletries. The MS TiYi also offers a music system with a daily program, same day laundry service with express pressing service.

The elegant dining room setting provides a perfect collection of delicious meals with a wide variety of international cuisines carefully selected by our chef to suit every taste. Dining includes an extensive breakfast buffet, a variety of brunch and lunch menus, BBQ buffet on deck, a la carte menu, afternoon tea with cakes and fresh fruits, selections of theme dinner buffets.

The MS TiYi has three dining facilities and bars, a reading room and game room, swimming pool, massage room, clinic for medical care, Internet cafe, boutique, gift shop and a hairdresser.



MS TiYi twin cabin



MS TiYi Lobby



MS TiYi Sun Deck

● Victoria Empress

featured on *Best of China and Yangtze River Cruise* (page 62)

Victoria Empress, a deluxe five-star ship sailing on the Yangtze River, was fully-refurbished in 2008 with five decks, restaurants, bar, beauty salon, and a jacuzzi on the sun deck. Meals are served in one seating in the Dynasty Dining Room. Delicious Chinese food and tasty Western selections are prepared by expert chefs. Breakfast is buffet-style, lunch consists of a variety of Chinese dishes along with traditional Western lunch options. Dinner is Chinese or Western and includes multiple courses.

The *Victoria Empress* offers cozy accommodations, and impeccable service. Warm, hospitable, attentive staff ensures travelers will make the most of their time to relax, unwind and enjoy each moment to its fullest while embracing the enchanting river scenes of the Yangtze pro-

viding a travel experience that focuses on the river destinations, its scenery, natural history and culture. Balconies in every stateroom afford outstanding views.

Designed for maximum passenger comfort, the *Victoria Empress* offers handsomely decorated accommodations, imported marble bathrooms, and enhanced stylish interiors exuding European refinement. All cabins are outside, with picture windows, two lower berths and a private bath. Standard cabins are spacious for a river ship at 155 square feet. Each cabin features key amenities including TV, mini bar, mini refrigerator, hair dryer, bath robe and slippers.



Victoria Empress Twin Cabin



Victoria Empress Lobby



Victoria Empress top deck

CRUISE SHIPS

● *Costa Concordia*

featured on *Mediterranean Classic Cruise* (page 24)

Imposing and majestic, *Costa Concordia* is one of the newest ships in the Costa fleet. It's here that the fun, relaxation and excitement of a special holiday take shape.

Completely innovative, this floating resort becomes an additional destination on your cruise holiday, complete with a theater extending over three decks, a casino, disco, and ballroom. Each of her thirteen spacious decks combines the elegance of European style with American comforts.

Reinvigorate yourself in the ultra-modern and well-appointed fitness center. The fitness area spans two decks, covering a total of 20,450 sq. ft., with a swimming pool at its center. Or choose from three other

pools, two with retractable glass roofs. Afterwards, treat yourself to a sauna, Turkish bath or shiatsu massage in the luxurious Samsara Spa facilities.

Savor the quality and elegance of Italian culinary classics or grab a quick snack in one of the five restaurants. Meet new friends in one of the 13 stylish bars and lounges. Discover hospitality at its best and toast to a well-deserved holiday. The *Costa Concordia* boasts over 500 cabins with balconies. The Private Veranda Staterooms are approximately 210 sq. ft. and include two lower beds that convert into a queen-sized bed, a private veranda, private bathroom with shower, direct-dial telephone service, mini bar, TV, safe, and a hairdryer.



Costa Concordia outside cabin



Costa Concordia Samsara Restaurant



Costa Concordia Piano Bar

● *MV Louis Cristal*

featured on *Eastern Mediterranean Cruise* (page 28)

The *MV Louis Cristal*'s spacious accommodations are a major part of what makes sailing on this vessel so relaxing and memorable. The 480 well appointed staterooms and suites boast stylish furnishings, ample closet space, private bathroom with shower or bathtub individually controlled air-conditioning, telephone, hair dryer and TV. Many of the 317 Outside Staterooms also feature large picture windows and suites with balconies.

Dining, entertainment and recreation on board the *MV Louis Cristal* is of equally high calibre. Fine Mediterranean cuisine is served in the La Scala and Caruso Restaurants, while the Traviata and Rigoletto Cafés offer more casual dining.

Entertainment venues include the two-tiered Metropolitan Lounge for nightly shows and dancing, the Stars Lounge and Disco, the Monte Carlo Casino and the Rendez Vous Lounge with its cosy Romeo & Juliet Bar.

The Riviera Pool with its retractable glass cover is one of the impressive features of the *MV Louis Cristal*. Adjacent are the Wellness Center and Beauty Salon. The Emporium for duty free shopping and the Internet Corner are both conveniently located on the Reception Deck, along with the Shore Excursion Office and the Photo Gallery.



MV Louis Cristal twin outside stateroom



MV Louis Cristal Caruso Restaurant



MV Louis Cristal Pool Area

CRUISE SHIPS

● *MS Zuiderdam*

featured on Panama Canal and the Hidden Caribbean (page 70)

With her 2003 debut, the *MS Zuiderdam* began a new class of Holland America cruise ships aptly called the Vista Series – forward-looking in both design and spirit. On board, 1,848 pampered guests will enjoy more space per person than any other ship in a fleet already known for its stylish, spacious comfort. Plus, there are more outside staterooms with ocean views and private verandahs; more convenience, including Internet/email data ports in every stateroom; and more delight: expanded spa facilities, three sparkling pools.

At the heart of the *MS Zuiderdam*, suspended in a three-story atrium, a Waterford Crystal Seahorse sets the mood for exquisite pieces of art to be seen throughout this elegant ship. Guests can also expect signature Holland America touches, such as a gracious and unobtrusive staff,

gourmet meals, spacious accommodations and the very best in entertainment, activities and spa treatments.

Once you're aboard Holland America's *MS Zuiderdam*, you're invited to relax and recharge. During your ultimate cruising experience you'll have the opportunity of so many inspiring options onboard and ashore.

World-renowned master chef Rudi Sodamin leads the Holland America award-winning culinary staff in providing extensive dining options, including "light & healthy" items, continental and ethnic cuisines, and vegetarian dishes. All are available in a range of formal and informal dining venues.



MS Zuiderdam outside cabin



MS Zuiderdam atrium and Ocean Bar



Stage production aboard the MS Zuiderdam

● *MV Aquamarine*

featured on Greece (page 32)

The *MV Aquamarine*, a member of the Louis Cruise Lines' fleet, is considered one of the best vessels for cruising the Greek Islands.

Her sleek design and medium size make her ideally suited for navigating the waters of the Aegean Sea, while her upscale amenities and services create a comfortable floating base that makes it easy to explore the beauty of the islands.

The 1250 passenger *MV Aquamarine* has 525 spacious staterooms and suites. All 339 outside staterooms, most with large windows and 186 inside staterooms, are tastefully decorated and fully equipped with an

array of modern comforts. Cabin amenities include adjustable climate control, TV, radio, direct dial phone, personal safe, and private bathroom.

The *MV Aquamarine* also features two spacious, full-service dining areas and several comfortable bar and lounge areas for cocktails, coffee, and light snacks. As vacationers sail between ports, there's an array of leisure facilities to enjoy, including a swimming pool, sun deck, fitness center, massage/sauna facilities, basketball court, casino, and more. All are available in a range of formal and informal dining venues.



MV Aquamarine twin outside stateroom



MV Aquamarine Avalon Restaurant



MV Aquamarine Bar

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