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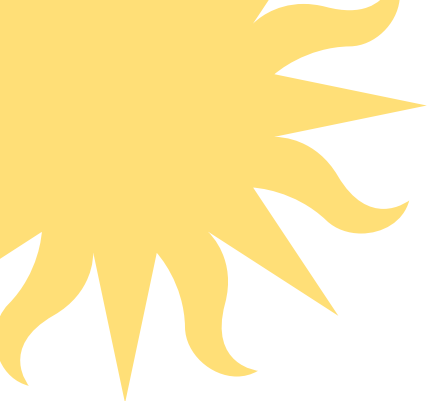
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8 Reasons to Travel with Smithsonian Journeys

1. The Smithsonian Difference

Our trips reflect the vast knowledge and experience Smithsonian has gathered since its founding in 1846. All of our itineraries are carefully crafted to provide a deep, authentic, and unique experience, and many also provide special access to Smithsonian research, people, and facilities. For example, meet Smithsonian scientists at a research station in Kenya, observe astrophysicists at work at a Smithsonian observatory in Arizona, or delve into the culture of Alaska's native people at the Smithsonian Arctic Studies Center.

2. A Name You Can Trust

Smithsonian has worked hard over the past 175 years to earn its reputation as one of America's most trusted institutions. And, as you would expect from Smithsonian, our journeys are known for top-notch service, engaging experts, and some of the most experienced trip leaders and local guides. And when you travel with Smithsonian, you know that your safety and well-being are always a top priority.

3. Travel with Our Experts

Our travelers tell us one of their favorite aspects of our journeys is the fun and engaging learning at the core of every trip. Our world-class experts bring meaningful enrichment and insider perspectives to hundreds of departures on all seven continents. You'll find that some of your best times with your Smithsonian Journeys Expert take place during informal conversations, at meals, and while exploring sites in more depth.

In addition to traveling with a Smithsonian Journeys Expert, you'll be accompanied by a top professional trip leader and local guides who are the best in the industry. They know their destination and itinerary intimately and can make adjustments on a moment's notice.

4. The Smithsonian Community

On any given trip, you'll travel with intellectually curious and adventurous lifelong learners. And the enthusiasm lingers long after the trip is over. Often some of the most lasting elements of a journey are the friendships that develop with other travelers who share your passion for deeper learning and exploration.

5. Small Groups and Big Experiences

Now more than ever, the idea of traveling with a small group of fellow travelers is reassuring. Almost all of our land trips feature guaranteed small groups of 12 to 24 people, allowing for more flexibility. You'll experience the world in a bigger way, getting up close to renowned sites and taking the path less traveled. And with small-group travel, it's all about the people. You'll meet with the local people, participate in cultural traditions, and get to know your fellow travelers and trip leaders.

6. Great Value

Once you add up the extras that we include—experts, enrichment, most meals, excursions, transfers, most gratuities, and even airfare-inclusive pricing on many trips—you'll find that many of our trips are a very good value in addition to being an exceptional experience.

7. Supporting the Smithsonian Mission

When you travel with Smithsonian Journeys, your participation benefits the work of the Institution, supporting our educational mission to preserve our heritage, discover new knowledge, and share our resources with the world. And, you have the comfort of knowing that you are traveling with an organization that is committed to sustaining the character and biodiversity of the places we visit by selecting partners and suppliers who meet our standards for responsible travel and supporting regional economies through our use of distinctive local guides and accommodations.

8. Peace of Mind

To assure your peace of mind during these times, we've made our payment terms more flexible. Reserve your journey before May 31, 2022 and you may cancel up to 95 days before the departure date and receive a full refund.* And, we have implemented new protocols to ensure that all of our trips meet the health and safety guidelines established by the U.S. Travel Association and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

**Offer valid for new bookings received before May 31, 2022. At 95 days before departure, funds paid are no longer refundable. This offer is not available on Smithsonian Journeys/PONANT cruises, Private Jet, or Tailor-Made Journeys.*





“Cassandra’s lectures linked history with the music and poetry of the periods, making them come alive.”
– The Emerald Isle traveler





“ Grant “made” this trip for us. He is smart, engaging, personable, inclusive, and knowledgeable of the area and animals. – African Safari traveler

Gain In-Depth Understanding and a Sense of Wonder

With Our Experts

Among the experts who accompany you on your journey are scholars from around the world who possess in-depth understanding of history, culture, politics, the natural world, geology, astronomy, or the fine arts. We select experts whose area of expertise fits perfectly with the destination and who are eager to share their passion, knowledge, and insights about the place you are visiting. Our travelers continue to tell us that our experts are a major reason they come back to Smithsonian Journeys again and again. Meet some of our experts and read about the tours they will lead in the pages that follow. Go online to read more about them and see the accolades shared by our travelers.

1. **Debora Heard** – anthropologist specializing in Nubian Archaeology. See page 90.
2. **Cassandra Potts Hannah** – expert in Celtic, Viking, and Anglo-Saxon studies. See pages 19, 23, and 28.
3. **Anita Cook** – archaeologist with expertise in the Inca Empire and other ancient societies in Andean South America. See page 83.
4. **Peter Bobrowsky** – archaeologist and geologist who has traveled to more than a hundred countries. See pages 16, 60, 100, 101, and 111.
5. **Madeline Díaz** – expert in art history and museum studies. See page 31.
6. **Grant Nel** – naturalist with expertise in biodiversity and conservation. See pages 87 and 88.

See bios and interviews with Smithsonian Journeys Experts at SmithsonianJourneys.org/Experts.

Be at Home in the World

By Land, River, or Sea

Whether you're enjoying the cultural treasures of Europe or the wildlife of a safari adventure in Africa, your comforts and daily activities away from home enhance your overall experience and are integral to a memorable trip.

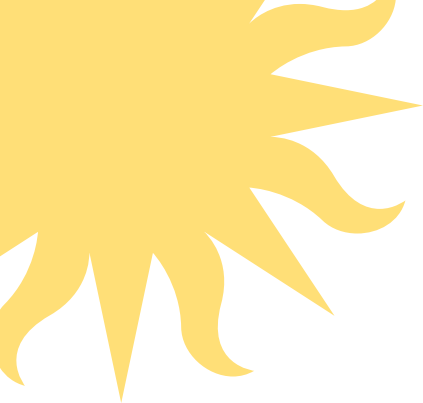
Traveling with Smithsonian Journeys, you can be assured of distinctive properties that reflect the character and ambiance of the local culture, plus the quality service that meets the high standards you expect. You will see our commitment to authenticity, comfort, and luxury when you stay at a historic *parador* in Spain, an *agriturismo* estate in Chianti, a Luxury Collection property in Peru, or one of the renowned Serena Safari Lodges in Tanzania. Similarly, when plying the oceans, rivers, or canals of the world, your voyage will be aboard a small ship of the PONANT fleet (see pages 12–13 for details), the elegant tall ship *Sea Cloud II*, or an upscale river ship. All of our ships feature a unique ambiance with attentive and personalized service to enhance your comfort and experience.

And throughout every Smithsonian Journey, you will be immersed in the culture of your destination so that you will feel at home there. Oftentimes, you may enjoy a meal with a local family; experience the fun of a cooking class or demonstration featuring local specialties; or savor local wines with a vintner. And on our Cultural Stays, our programs are specifically designed to make you feel at home in your adopted city and to reach new depths of understanding into its history, culture, and people.

Learn more about our properties and
cruise ships online!







Find Your Perfect Trip

Our Travel Styles

Discover a journey that speaks to your aspirations and interests! All Smithsonian Journeys trips feature a unique blend of enriching insights, exceptional quality, engaging experts and travel companions, and personal attention.

Narrow your search—from 130 different itineraries—by using our online Trip Finder. You can discover your perfect trip in just seconds by filtering your interests by travel style (featured here!), special interests, activity level, destination, dates, and trip duration.



Classic Land Journeys

Our Classic Land Journeys are exciting forays into the history, culture, and natural world of a single country or region. Meticulously planned to include iconic sites and hidden gems, these 10- to 23-day trips often include airfare for even more value. You may travel the full breadth of a country or just one region, but you'll always see the highlights up close with an intimate group of 12 to 24 travelers.



Cultural Stays

Our one-week Cultural Stays allow you to unpack once and enjoy time to discover a destination's unique sense of place in more depth. Choose from a single European cultural capital or a smaller town that showcases the intrinsic character of the region. Whichever you choose, you'll enjoy an insightful experience that features both highlights and lesser-known sites, and opportunities to meet with local people.



Special Interest Tours

Join travelers who share your interest in art to astronomy or military history. Become a student at Oxford, delve into art and science in Switzerland, or learn about the lives of African Americans in Paris. You can also go behind the scenes at the U.S. Space and Rocket Center to understand the challenges of NASA astronauts! Whatever your interest, Smithsonian Journeys ensures a unique and top-notch learning experience.



Train Journeys

There's a magical quality to traveling by train as you watch your destination unfold from the comfort of your train car. Whether you are a true train buff or simply enjoy the "romance of the rails," you will find several fascinating train trips to fulfill your dreams.



Small-Ship Cruises—Ocean and River

Unpack once and wake up to a brand-new world every day on an ocean or river voyage aboard a fleet of ideal ships that range from a river boat of just 36 guests to small vessels that accommodate up to 264 guests (with only a few that are larger). All of our small upscale cruises share the same hallmark qualities of superb amenities, excellent cuisine, an informal ambiance, and top-notch Smithsonian Journeys Experts who travel with you. Read more about our alliance with PONANT on the next page.





“ *Having knowledgeable leaders and an overall theme provided focus and made the selection of sights and cultural experiences relevant. We saw sights and gained insights that you just don’t get on the average tour.*

— Wayne B.



ACTIVE

Active Journeys

Be engaged, energized, and inspired on an Active Journey that combines long walks, hiking, or rafting with educational enrichment. Stay in top-notch accommodations, travel with experienced Adventure Guides, and learn from local experts along the way.



TAILOR-MADE

Tailor-Made Journeys

These days, you may wish to travel with just those close to you—your spouse or your extended family, a favorite travel partner, or a group of close friends. Now you can experience the world your way on a Smithsonian Tailor-Made Journey, custom designed just for you and your favorite traveling companions. You decide where and when you want to go, and with whom, and we’ll work with you to build your ideal journey.



PRIVATE JET

Private Jet Journeys

For the ultimate trip of a lifetime, join one of our spectacular Private Jet Journeys. You can visit an incredible array of destinations in one itinerary and in style, made possible by the convenience and comfort of a custom-configured jet. Our knowledgeable experts share their insights during action-packed days filled with iconic sites and engaging activities that allow you to experience firsthand the people, customs, and natural world of each destination.

Our Alliance with PONANT

Enriching Experiences on the Seas

We invite you to awaken your sense of wonder on a new kind of small-ship cruise with Smithsonian Journeys. We have teamed up with PONANT, a leader in small-ship cruises, to create unique Smithsonian experiences that embrace cultural immersion and discovery. On each of these curated itineraries, you'll explore with fellow Smithsonian Journeys travelers and enjoy an included excursion or activity in every port of call. Each cruise features two Smithsonian Journeys Experts, who enrich your experience with their passion, insight, and in-depth knowledge, and bring you deeper into the history and natural world of the region you're exploring.

Life on Board a Smithsonian Journeys/PONANT Cruise

Aboard the PONANT fleet, you'll experience the refined elegance of an intimate ship with a relaxed, informal ambiance. Accommodating just 184 to 264* guests, these nimble ships can access small ports, narrow waterways, and remote destinations, while providing guests attentive and personalized service. You'll unpack once and set off on an unforgettable adventure with like-minded travelers, enjoying a range of amenities and inviting lounges and common spaces. Excellent cuisine can be savored in gracious dining rooms or al fresco on deck, and enlightening lectures and discussions will give you ample food for thought.

As always, health and safety are at the forefront of every program. Our stringent health protection measures ensure that you get the most out of your journey while enjoying peace of mind.

Each departure includes:

- Two Smithsonian Journeys Experts
- An included shore excursion or activity in each port of call, as noted in the itinerary
- Airport transfers to and from the ship on cruise embarkation and disembarkation days
- Welcome and farewell cocktail receptions
- Complimentary open bar and free Wi-Fi aboard ship
- Gratuities to ship personnel, porters, guides, drivers

**Excludes the Paul Gauguin, which accommodates 330 guests.*





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Europe

Iceland Voyage: Land of Fire and Ice

Round-trip from Reykjavík Aboard the 184-guest *Le Bellot*
A cruise offering from Smithsonian Journeys and PONANT



8 days from \$6,660*

June 6–13, Aug. 8–15, 2022 &

Aug. 13–20, 2023

Encounter the thrilling geological extremes of Iceland, where glaciers and still-warm lava fields coexist, and mystical emerald hills give way to bursting geysers and waterfalls. On a voyage that includes some of Iceland's most remote corners, discover spectacular landscapes imbued with mythology, cross the Arctic Circle, and learn about the resilient people who have made their life in these rugged lands.

Highlights Include

Snaefellsnes Peninsula: Arrive at the iconic cone-shaped peak of Kirkjufell and explore the many wonders of this mystical peninsula, from black-pebble beaches to legendary glaciers and charming villages set amid stunning lava landscapes.

Grimsey: Spend an afternoon in the Arctic on Grimsey Island, a birdwatcher's paradise that straddles the Arctic Circle. Enjoy the often-mild weather to watch for auks, puffins, and more.

Lake Myvatn: Spend a day near cerulean Lake Myvatn, where volcanic activity—both past and current—is seen in a steaming geothermal field, unique craters, and surreal lava formations. Another highlight is legendary Godafoss, “Waterfall of the Gods.”

Westfjords: Experience the beauty of this rugged region of mountains and fjords as you explore fishing villages and the town of Isafjörður. Learn about the area's rich maritime history and fishing traditions at both the Heritage Museum and the tiny Osvör Maritime Museum.

Southern Islands: At Heimaey Island, witness one of Iceland's largest puffin colonies; see Mount Eldfell, with its still-warm lava fields; and view Surtsey, the youngest island in the world. Or observe belugas in a private sanctuary and learn about efforts to protect puffins.

Golden Circle and Reykjavík: Encounter some of Iceland's most iconic sites: Thingvellir, home of shifting tectonic plates and the world's first legislative body; the two-tiered waterfall of Gullfoss; and the geothermal landscape of Geysir. Then take in panoramic views of Reykjavík from the viewing deck of the “Pearl” museum.

**Pricing reflects a savings bonus ranging from 5% to 30%, based on the number of staterooms available at the time of printing. See our website for current pricing and details on the ship and deck plan. Book early for higher savings.*

The Smithsonian Journeys/PONANT Experience

Each cruise will feature two Smithsonian Journeys Experts and an included excursion or activity in each port of call. Our experts on this cruise include **Jim Zimbelman** (June), a senior geologist emeritus at Smithsonian's National Air and Space Museum; **Elisabeth Ward** (June/Aug. 2022), an expert in Scandinavian literature and languages, with special focus on Icelandic literature and the Viking Age; and **Scott Burns** (Aug. 2022), a highly respected geologist.



Godafoss



Puffins



Adventure in Iceland



11 days from \$5,897
Includes airfare, taxes, & all fees

May 21–31, June 14–24, July 7–17, Aug. 4–14, Sept. 22–Oct. 2, Sept. 29–Oct. 9, Oct. 13–23, 2022 &
May 20–30, June 13–23, 2023

Join us for this exceptional and popular highlights tour of Iceland, showcasing its powerful landscapes of waterfalls, geologic features, and myriad sea birds. You'll journey to both the southern and northern regions and take delight in its natural wonders, gracious hospitality, and relaxed pace.

Highlights Include

Dramatic Waterfalls: Feel the power of Iceland's many waterfalls, each one unique and breathtaking. You'll see popular Gullfoss, Skogafoss, and Seljalandsfoss in the south and Godafoss, the "waterfall of the gods," and jaw-dropping Dettifoss, Europe's most powerful waterfall, in the north.

The Snaefellsnes Peninsula: Walk along the shell-sand beach at the abandoned fishing village of Budir, surrounded by a vast lava field. Explore the caves and bizarre basalt rock formations near Arnarstapi, site of thousands of nesting cliff birds.

Lake Myvatn: Discover the many natural wonders of the north when you travel to lovely Lake Myvatn and its environs. The national parks feature bubbling mud flats, bizarre lava formations, and lunar-like volcanic craters. From Husavik, embark on a bird-watching cruise to Puffin Island to see thousands of seabirds (seasonal), including puffins, black guillemots, and Arctic terns.

Vik and Reykjavik: At Thingvellir National Park witness the spot where the world's oldest Parliament met and walk along the rift valley where the fissure between the geological plates of North America and Europe is most evident. Along the coast, observe the black-sand beach at Reynisfjara, lined with columnar basalt-filled caves. Stop in lovely Vik, see the geothermal exhibit at the Hellisheidi

Power Plant, and learn about renowned Icelandic saga writers. Plus, take a city tour of Reykjavik and enjoy a day at leisure to explore this sophisticated capital city or join an optional tour to the Blue Lagoon and spa.

The Northern Lights: Iceland is one of the most ideal places to view the aurora borealis. Join us on the September or October departure when this celestial phenomena is more likely to occur. (Viewing conditions however are based on weather and solar activity and not guaranteed.)

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.



Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Peter Bobrowsky (May 21/Aug.), **Pat Dickerson** (June 14), and **Jim Reynolds** (July/Oct.)—all highly respected geologists. **Michelle Thaller** (Sept. 22)—highly respected astrophysicist.



Seljalandsfoss



Le Dumont-d'Urville navigates Nordfjorden

Cruising the Norwegian Fjords

From Bergen to Oslo Aboard the 184-guest *Le Dumont-d'Urville*

A cruise offering from Smithsonian Journeys and PONANT



8 days from \$7,300*

July 30–Aug. 6, 2022

Sail into the heart of the Norwegian fjords, discovering extraordinary landscapes of sheer cliffs, snowcapped peaks, jewel-toned lakes, and picturesque villages. See natural wonders from the Jostedal ice cap to precipitous Pulpit Rock, and venture to historic sites from Viking settlements to centuries-old ironworks. Opt for active excursions by electric bike or Nordic walking, and explore local music, art, and cuisine.

Highlights Include

Alesund: Admire Art Nouveau architecture on a city tour, encounter the marine life of the region on an excursion to the Atlantic Ocean Park, or explore this stunning city of islands by electric bike.

Norwegian Fjords and Glaciers: Venture deep into the fjord lands to the spectacular Geirangerfjord, and set out to explore a dramatic landscape of snowcapped mountains, verdant valleys, and glittering lakes. Then encounter continental Europe's largest ice cap, exploring the edge of a glacier or riding a cable car for a panoramic view of the ice.

Sandnes and Lysefjord: Explore Norway's history at the important Viking site of Ullandhaug and the oil town of Stavanger, hear a recital at the 13th-century Utstein Monastery, or discover Sandnes the Norwegian way—on a guided Nordic walking excursion. Then sail the magnificent Lysefjord along iconic Pulpit Rock, rising nearly 2,000 feet above the water.

Arendal: Explore the fascinating Naes Ironworks Museum to see equipment that dates back to the 1600s and learn about the evolution of iron and steel production. Then visit picturesque Tvedestrand and enjoy free time to meander among the wooden houses of this “international book town.” Or opt to hike along the coast in beautiful Raet National Park.

Gothenburg, Sweden: During a day in Sweden, discover lively Gothenburg on a panoramic tour, and visit either the world-renowned Museum of Fine Art—one of the best in Northern Europe—or the Volvo Museum, where every model since 1927 is on display.

Add a one-night extension in Bergen.

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The Smithsonian Journeys/PONANT Experience

Each cruise will feature two Smithsonian Journeys Experts and an included excursion or activity in each port of call. Our experts on this departure are **Terje Leiren**, an expert in Scandinavian studies with a focus on history and culture, and Pulitzer Prize-winning author **Elizabeth Kolbert**.



Ring of Brodgar, Orkney Islands



Traditional boats along Sognefjord



Scottish Isles and Norwegian Fjords Voyage

A Cruise from Bergen to Glasgow

Aboard the 184-guest *Le Dumont-d'Urville*

A cruise offering from Smithsonian Journeys and PONANT



8 days from \$5,590*

June 17–24, June 24–July 3, † 2023

Follow in the wake of ancient seafarers on a voyage from Norway's spectacular coast to the far-flung archipelagos of Scotland. Experience the majesty of the Norwegian fjords by train and cable car, encountering glaciers, traditional fishing villages, and breathtaking vistas. Then sail to the Shetland and Orkney Islands to explore prehistoric sites and the legacy of the Vikings, and observe vast colonies of breeding seabirds. Round Scotland's northern coast and spend a day learning local legends on the mystical Isle of Skye, and end your journey amid the grandeur of the Scottish Highlands.

Highlights Include

Norwegian Fjords and Glaciers: Embark on a thrilling—and spectacular—train journey aboard the Flåm Railway. Then set out from the fjord-side village of Olden to encounter continental Europe's largest ice cap, exploring the edge of a glacier or riding a cable car for a panoramic view of the ice.

Shetland Islands: At the crossroads where Scotland meets Scandinavia, discover the extraordinary settlement of Jarlshof, inhabited for 5,000 years; trace history and local culture on an in-depth tour of Lerwick; or go hiking on the Island of Mousa to encounter seabirds and marine life.

Orkney Islands: In the Orkney Islands, visit the settlement of Skara Brae, and see the Neolithic Stones of Stenness and the Ring of Brodgar. Then examine the legacy of the Vikings in Kirkwall.

Isle of Skye and Scottish Highlands: Visit Eilean Donan Castle and Armadale Castle on the Isle of Skye; or spend the day discovering this rugged island from the Trotternish Peninsula to Dunvegan Castle. From Fort William, head into the Scottish Highlands on a scenic drive, tour Fort Augustus, and enjoy a cruise on the infamous—and beautiful—Loch Ness.

Add a one-night extension in Bergen and/or a two-night extension in Edinburgh.

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†The June 24 departure is two days longer and runs in the reverse, from Glasgow to Bergen. Visit our website for details.

The Smithsonian Journeys/PONANT Experience

Each cruise will feature two Smithsonian Journeys Experts and an included excursion or activity in each port of call. See our website for the experts on these departures.

Scotland's Treasures

Featuring the Royal Military Tattoo*



12 days from \$6,296

Includes airfare, taxes, & all fees

*May 28–June 8, July 30–Aug. 10,**

Aug. 22–Sept. 2, Aug. 29–Sept. 9, 2022 &

May 27–June 7, July 29–Aug. 9, 2023*

Discover Scotland's enduring appeal as you enjoy the stunning natural beauty of the Highlands and the Isle of Skye, learn about the legacy of its clans, and explore the historic treasures of Glasgow and Edinburgh.

Highlights Include

Glasgow: Renowned for its museums and distinctive architectural style of the late 19th and early 20th centuries, Glasgow is a unique gem. Discover this and more during a city tour. At Kelvingrove Art Gallery, view comprehensive collections focused on Scottish history and the arts, including furniture and decorative objects by Charles Rennie Mackintosh. You will also enjoy a curator-led tour of Pollok House, home of the Maxwell clan, and time at the Riverside Museum, featuring modern architecture by Zaha Hadid and exhibits on transport and travel.

The Highlands and Hebrides: Savor the enchanting landscape of Loch Lomond and learn about historic sites such as Glencoe and Glenfinnan Monument. Make a full-day excursion to the Isle of Skye, known for its strong Gaelic influence and breathtaking landscapes. Returning to the mainland, stop at fabled Loch Ness and explore the ruins of the 13th-century Urquhart Castle. Continue to Culloden Moor, site of the last battle of the Jacobite Rising in 1746, then travel farther north and visit the grand Dunrobin Castle and Gardens and attend a falconry demonstration.

Kinraig, Pitlochry, and St. Andrews: Gain insight into Scottish traditions. Watch a sheepdog demonstration in Kinraig, located in Cairngorms National Park. Visit a small distillery in Pitlochry, where a unique single malt has been handcrafted for more than 150 years. And in St. Andrews, explore the town renowned for Scotland's oldest university and as the home of golf.

Edinburgh: In stately Edinburgh, explore the "Old Town" in depth as you visit the castle and walk along the Royal Mile to Holyrood House. You'll also tour the 18th-century Georgian "New Town." Afternoons are at leisure to pursue individual interests, and guests on the July 30, 2022 and July 29, 2023 departures will enjoy an evening performance of the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo, the spectacular annual pageant set in the floodlit esplanade of Edinburgh Castle.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.

Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Rab Houston (May 28/July 30)—expert in modern British history.

Cassandra Potts Hannahs (Aug. 29)—expert in Celtic, Viking, and Anglo-Saxon studies.



St. Andrews Cathedral



Glenfinnan



Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo





Tobermory, Scotland



Caernarfon Castle, Wales

Celtic Voyage: The Hebrides and the Irish Sea

Round-trip from Glasgow Aboard the 184-guest *Le Dumont-d'Urville*

A cruise offering from Smithsonian Journeys and PONANT



CRUISE

7 days from \$5,060*

June 17–23, 2022 &

May 5–13, 2023†

Delve into a realm of legends and lore as you cruise to historic sites and breathtaking landscapes in Scotland's Hebrides, Ireland, and Wales. Trace the legacy of early Christians on the mystical isle of Iona, and of Scottish clans and English kings at evocative castles on the Isle of Mull and in North Wales. Follow Ireland's tumultuous past on the streets of Belfast and Dublin, and encounter natural splendor from the geometric geology of Giant's Causeway to the stunning Bodnant Gardens.

Highlights Include

Scotland's Hebrides: Cruise to Kyle of Lochalsh and tour iconic Eilean Donan Castle, or head to the Isle of Skye to visit Armadale Castle. See the vividly painted houses of Tobermory on the Isle of Mull, and delve into the intriguing history of the Clan MacLean at Duart Castle. Cross to tiny Iona and tour the monastery and the churchyard's intricate Celtic crosses.

Northern Ireland: Explore Belfast, including the stately buildings of the city center, Crumlin Road Gaol, and the fascinating Titanic Belfast museum. Or travel along the coast to Northern Ireland's most famous sites: the Carrick-a-Rede rope bridge, Giant's Causeway, and Dunluce Castle.

Ireland: On a city tour of Dublin, examine the illuminated pages of the 9th-century *Book of Kells*, visit St. Patrick's Cathedral, and see sites associated with the 1916 Easter Rising. Or take in-depth tours of two of the city's oldest and most important buildings.

Wales: Sail to northern Wales, where people maintain old traditions and Welsh remains the mother tongue. Explore the imposing 13th-century Caernarfon Castle on a guided tour, or meander through a stunning collection of rare

plants from around the world at Bodnant Garden.

Add a two-night extension in Edinburgh.

**Pricing reflects a savings bonus ranging from 5% to 30%, based on the number of staterooms available at the time of printing. See our website for current pricing and details on the ship and deck plan. Book early for higher savings.*

†The May 5, 2023 departure is two days longer and will sail from London to Glasgow, following an alternate itinerary. Visit our website for details.



The Smithsonian Journeys/PONANT Experience

Each cruise will feature two Smithsonian Journeys Experts and an included excursion or activity in each port of call. Our experts on this cruise include **Miriam Davis** (June), an expert in early British history.

Waterways of Holland and Belgium

From Amsterdam to Antwerp

Aboard the 160-guest *Amadeus Queen* or *Amadeus Star*



9 days from \$3,690

Includes \$250 special savings

No single supplement

Special air rates available

*Apr. 6–14, Apr. 13–21, * Apr. 21–29, † Apr. 28–May 6, *† 2023*

Our popular cruise of Holland and Belgium showcases magnificent art and architecture, spellbinding gardens, and enchanting medieval villages. Cruise along delightful canals and rivers from Amsterdam to Antwerp, observing windmills, fields of spring flowers, and local traditions while you enjoy a choice of included excursions.

Highlights Include

Amsterdam: Take a private cruise along Amsterdam's historic canals, lined with 16th- and 17th-century gabled row houses, which have been designated a World Heritage site. Then choose from three excursions, including a trip to the world-renowned Keukenhof Gardens where more than seven million tulips, daffodils, and other spring flowers are expected to be in bloom; an active bicycle trip in rural Waterland, an area of historical villages and wetland north of the city; or a more leisurely day featuring a guided tour of the Old Masters at the Rijksmuseum, balanced with time at leisure.

Deventer: Rich in history, Deventer is known for its former prominence as a Hanseatic town. Enjoy a walking tour to see its towering Gothic church and other historic stone buildings.

The Hague, Delft, or Gouda: Choose from three compelling day excursions. In The Hague, see sites associated with the seat of Dutch government during a city tour, then visit the Mauritshuis museum to view paintings by Vermeer and other Dutch Masters. Or travel to the charming town of Delft to stroll through Market Square and visit the Royal Delft Porcelain Factory. Alternatively, stroll through Gouda's Market Square; visit Sint Jan Church, the longest church of the Netherlands; and enjoy a cheese tasting.

Zeeland Coast: Come to understand the country's continuous battle with the sea at the educational Delta Expo, then visit one of the storm surge barriers.

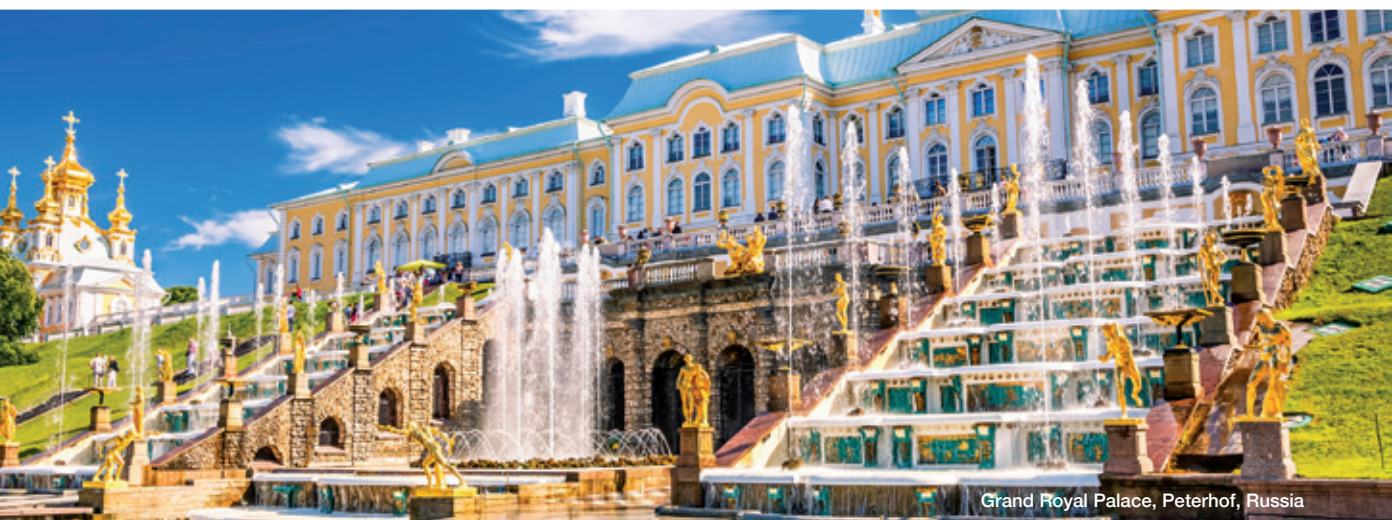
Bruges and Antwerp: The World Heritage site of Bruges features treasured 15th-century architecture, picturesque canals, and arched footbridges. Following a walking tour, choose from three excursions that focus on Flemish art, Belgian chocolate, or Belgian beer. Your cruise concludes in Antwerp with a walking tour of this medieval city.

*Port charges are an additional \$395 per person. Space reserved for 35 to 95 Smithsonian Journeys guests, depending on departure. *The April 13 and 28 departures will run in reverse. Visit our website for information on both ships.*

Smithsonian Journeys Expert

Catherine Scallen (Apr. 13)—art historian with expertise in Europe.





Grand Royal Palace, Peterhof, Russia

Cruising the Historic Cities of the Baltic Sea

From Stockholm to Copenhagen Aboard the 184-guest *Le Champlain*

A cruise offering from Smithsonian Journeys and PONANT



8 days from \$7,240*

May 18–25, 2022 ⚓

July 24–Aug. 2, Aug. 10–18, 2023†

Discover the rich history and culture of the Baltic Sea region as you cruise to some of northern Europe's most intriguing cities. From Helsinki's "rock church" to Catherine the Great's Amber Room, encounter masterpieces of architecture and design. Step into the past in Tallinn's well-preserved medieval Old Town and explore the legacy of the tsars during three days in St. Petersburg, exploring their awe-inspiring palaces, storied cathedrals, and impressive art collections. You'll gain insight into the region through your choice of guided excursions and talks by our experts.

Highlights Include

Helsinki: Discover Helsinki's renowned architecture and innovative design aesthetic on a city tour that includes Tempelaaikio Church, and meander through Market Square at leisure. Or take the ferry to Suomenlinna Island for a tour of its World Heritage-listed fortress, a stunning example of 18th- and 19th-century military architecture.

St. Petersburg: Explore the treasures of St. Petersburg on your choice of excursions. Enjoy special access to the acclaimed State Hermitage Museum, and see the famed Fabergé eggs. At Catherine the Great's palace at Pushkin, marvel at the extraordinary Amber Room, then visit Pavlovsk, the summer residence of her only son. Or explore Peterhof, known for its exceptional gardens. You'll have the chance to take in-depth tours of fascinating sites, including the Peter and Paul Fortress and St. Isaac's Cathedral.

Tallinn: Revel in the medieval charms of Tallinn's World Heritage-listed Old Town, strolling down streets that remain virtually unchanged after 600 years. See historic churches and Toompea Castle, and visit the Town Hall,

the only intact Gothic-style hall in northern Europe. Or delve into Estonia's 20th-century history on a visit to Maarjamäe Palace, where an interactive exhibit traces the hardships of the Communist era.

Add a one-night extension in Stockholm.

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†Both 2023 departures follow alternate itineraries. Visit our website for details.



The Smithsonian Journeys/PONANT Experience

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Rock of Cashel



Galway

The Emerald Isle



13 days from \$6,492
Includes airfare, taxes, & all fees

May 15–27, July 14–26, Aug. 14–26, Sept. 8–20, Sept. 29–Oct. 11, 2022 &
May 14–26, 2023

Journey from lively Dublin to the Aran Islands and Ring of Kerry and discover a country steeped in history and boasting a rich tapestry of cultural traditions and ethereal landscapes.

Highlights Include

Dublin: Enjoy a day in Dublin, home to many Irish writers past and present. Highlights include tours of St. Patrick's Cathedral and the library at Trinity College with its legendary *Book of Kells*, an exquisite illuminated medieval manuscript.

Galway, Connemara, and the Aran Islands: Traveling west, stop at 6th-century Clonmacnoise, Ireland's most important early monastic site and burial place of the last High King. From Galway, head out for a full-day excursion to Connemara, with its rugged mountains, glacial lakes, and bog lands. Visit beautiful Kylemore Abbey and enjoy spectacular views of the Twelve Bens mountain range. Another day, cross Galway Bay for Inishmor where you'll meet an islander who shares stories about the unique culture and history of the Aran Islands.

Ethereal Landscapes: Experience the dramatic Cliffs of Moher, stretching for five miles along the fabled coastline of County Clare, and pass through the Burren, the rocky landscape of craggy gray karst limestone formations. Spend a day on the Ring of Kerry with its stunning mountain and coastal scenery, a 1,000-year-old ring fort, and mysterious monument stones.

Killarney: Board a traditional jaunting cart to explore the town and tour 15th-century Ross Castle, the last stronghold to fall to Oliver Cromwell. At Muckross House, see how people lived during the 19th century in

an Elizabethan-style manor, while downstairs you can observe weavers and potters demonstrate traditional crafts. You'll also watch a sheepdog demonstration and enjoy dinner in a local family-run B&B.

Blarney, Cashel, and Kilkenny: Visit well-known castles such as Blarney and the Rock of Cashel, once home to the High Kings of Munster. In Kilkenny, Ireland's cultural capital, tour the 12th-century castle and enjoy a walking tour and time at leisure.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.



Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Miriam Davis (July)—expert in history and archaeology.
Cassandra Potts Hannahs (Aug.)—expert in Celtic, Viking, and Anglo-Saxon studies. **Christopher Griffin** (Sept. 8)—expert in Irish literature and the humanities.
Michael Jecks (both dates)



Coastal Devon



Parliament and the Thames, London

Classic Mystery Lover's England



9 days from \$6,795

Oct. 1–9, Oct. 15–23, 2022

Back by popular demand, our one-of-a-kind British mystery tour features peaceful Devon, academic Oxford, and cosmopolitan London, all of which have served as settings for stories by mystery and detective writers. Gain insight into the lives and works of famous detective novelists from our expert and, by special arrangement, from contemporary authors.

Highlights Include

Exclusive Meetings: Enjoy insider meetings with contemporary mystery writers who offer a glimpse into their work and lives, including a renowned crime novelist. Plus, attend an exclusive reception featuring a discussion with a London-based mystery writer.

Devon and Dartmoor: Delve into the world of Agatha Christie at the Torquay Museum with its collection of photographs, letters, manuscripts, and memorabilia. Tour Devon by coach, historic steam train, and river cruise to explore the landscape she so richly described in her books, and visit Greenway, her beloved home and setting for three novels. You'll also set off through mysterious Dartmoor, with its enormous granite tors, wild ponies, mist, and rain, which Sir Arthur Conan Doyle used for inspiration.

The Cotswolds and Oxford: Spend a day in Oxford, whose academic ambiance, ancient towers, and hidden quads set the scene for an extensive list of mysteries, including works by crime writers Dorothy Sayers, P.D. James, and Colin Dexter. View the quintessential Cotswolds landscape from aboard the historic Warwickshire Steam Railway, setting for Edward Marston's *Railway Detective* series. Later, stop to visit

charming Cotswolds towns, such as Chipping Campden, which provided inspiration to so many mystery writers. You can also imagine a Dick Francis mystery during an afternoon excursion focused on horse racing.

London: Conclude in cosmopolitan London, where virtually all mystery writers have orchestrated a murder. First, stop at Syon House, a 16th-century estate that has been used as the setting for many mystery and detective film productions. Later, explore the legal district at the Inns of Court, a favorite backdrop in the works of James and Sayers.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.



Smithsonian Journeys Expert

Michael Jecks (both dates)—professional crime writer, author of 43 novels, and teacher.

Smithsonian at Oxford

Featuring Six Courses of Study for 2022



8 days from \$5,550

Book early—course capacity is limited!

July 2–9, 2022 &

July 1–8, 2023

Join fellow Smithsonian Journeys travelers who share a deep and unbridled love of learning and wish to study a subject in depth. Immerse yourself in the intellectual and cultural environment of Oxford University—one of the most prestigious academic institutions in the world, where Smithsonian Journeys travelers have congregated since 1979.

We return to Merton College—a renowned academic institution that has produced multiple Nobel laureates and cultural giants such as J.R.R. Tolkien and T.S. Eliot. Here, you'll explore the libraries and grounds, dine in the college hall, sample life as an Oxford student, and study with Oxford tutors after choosing a course from six fascinating themes.

Highlights Include

Courses of Study: Stimulate your mind in pursuit of knowledge as you spend your mornings learning from an Oxford tutor. 2022 course selections include *The Rise and Fall of the British Empire*; *Myths and Legends of the British Isles*; *The Age of Winston Churchill*; *The Archaeology of Anglo-Saxon England*; *The English Garden in History*; and *Shakespeare's English History Plays: Richard II, Henry IV, and Henry V*. Visit our website for full course descriptions for 2022, and to-be-announced 2023 course selections.

Excursions: During a tour of Oxford, learn about this historic city, the British educational system, and the connection between James Smithson (founding donor of the Smithsonian Institution) and the university, which he attended as a student. Plus, take an excursion tailored to your specific course. Find details on our website.

Optional Activities: For returning students (and first-timers as well), tour staff will help arrange alternative afternoon outings, including punting, a guided tour to the Ashmolean Art Museum, and a walking tour based on the popular British drama, *Inspector Morse*.

Lifestyle: Stay at historic Merton College, featuring the university's oldest quadrangle, and sample life as an Oxford student. Live in a dormitory room (with en suite bathroom), dine in the college hall (including High Table, a privileged tradition), and use Merton's common rooms and gardens. Explore the charming town of Oxford, take tea at local eateries, and enjoy Evensong at Christ Church College.

The average course size is 14 to 16 guests. Book early to ensure your preferred choice.

Oxford Tutors

Historians, authors, and heritage professionals from the Oxford community will serve as Smithsonian faculty. See our website for more information.



Oxford



Merton College Dining Hall





Lake District National Park



Derwentwater, Lake District



England's Lake District

A One-Week Stay in Historic Cumbria



9 days from \$5,990

Includes \$250 special savings

Special air rates available

May 16–24, Aug. 21–29, Sept. 5–13, 2023

Experience the evocative beauty of England's Lake District, settling in for a full week to explore the region in depth. On excursions by foot, boat, and road, discover silver lakes and sweeping emerald slopes that have inspired poets and artists over the centuries. Visit castles, ancient ruins, and timeless villages. Venture up breathtaking mountain passes and take in views of Scafell Pike, the highest peak in England. Then venture out of the park to explore Hadrian's Wall and the beautiful Yorkshire Dales.

Highlights Include

Bowness-on-Windermere: Explore the Lake District from your base at a waterfront hotel in Bowness-on-Windermere. Admire views of Lake Windermere and the surrounding mountains, and enjoy free time during the week to discover the hidden gems of this Victorian village.

Northern Lake District: Take in stunning vistas on a driving tour through the northern reaches of Lake District National Park. Visit picturesque Grasmere, admire panoramic views at a 5,000-year-old stone circle, and stop for a bistro lunch and a tasting tour at a renowned whisky distillery. From the town of Keswick, cruise beautiful Derwentwater, one of the region's largest lakes.

Hadrian's Wall: Head north on a full-day excursion to Hadrian's Wall, an ancient Roman fortification that stretches 73 miles from coast to coast. Explore turrets and observation towers of this World Heritage site, follow the wall on foot, and visit the Roman Army Museum.

Castles and Gardens: Tour Muncaster Castle, a 14th-century family home surrounded by lovely gardens and parklands, and visit its Hawk and Owl Centre. Later, hike along the shores of Lake Windermere to Wray Castle, or meander through Holehird Gardens, home to the Lake District Horticultural Society.

Lake District Literary Tour: Set out with a guide to discover the haunts of the writers who settled here. Take a private garden tour at William Wordsworth's house at Rydal Mount, and visit the homes of John Ruskin and Beatrix Potter.

Yorkshire Dales: Encounter waterfalls and expansive moors on a morning excursion to the Yorkshire Dales. Go on a hike, sample local cheeses at a creamery, and take a walk through the charming village of Grassington.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.

Smithsonian Journeys Expert

See our website for the expert on these departures.



Arromanches, France

D-Day: A Journey from England to France



SPECIALTY

8 days from \$6,895

May 31–June 7, 2022 &

May 31–June 7, 2023

Exclusive tours, poignant excursions, and thoughtful lectures provide in-depth insight to your understanding and appreciation of the monumental military feat of Operation Overlord. Plus, attend the special anniversary ceremonies on June 6 (if applicable), when dignitaries, officials, and the public gather to pay homage to the brave soldiers who changed the course of history.

Highlights Include

England: Learn about the behind-the-scenes preparations necessary to stage the largest amphibian landing in history. In London, visit Winston Churchill's underground Cabinet War Rooms, then continue to the Thames River and step aboard the HMS *Belfast*, the most significant surviving Royal Navy warship of World War II. You'll also travel to Bletchley Park where a curator will explain the story behind the Enigma code breakers, credited with shortening the war by successfully deciphering the encryption used by the Wehrmacht to safeguard its messages.

Portsmouth and the Channel: Travel to Portsmouth to tour the newly refurbished D-Day Museum. Just outside the city, visit the Supreme Headquarters of the Allied Expeditionary Force by special arrangement. Then take a ferry to Normandy.

France: Stand atop the dramatic bluffs of Pointe du Hoc, where U.S. Rangers scaled hundred-foot cliffs to knock out the gun emplacements. Visit the village of Sainte-Mère-Église, where paratroopers dropped from the sky in a hail of gunfire. With your expert historian, walk along Utah Beach, site of one of two American amphibious landings in the early hours of D-Day. Stop at Arromanches, where the prefabricated concrete harbors (or mulberries) still dot the water, and visit the Arromanches Landing Museum. During

your four days in Normandy, you'll also visit museums that provide further insight into D-Day, including the Overlord Museum and the Pegasus Memorial Bridge and Museum, where the director will give a talk prior to time to view the exhibitions. At Omaha Beach, site of the bloodiest fighting of the invasion day, lay flowers to honor those who made the ultimate sacrifice. And commemorate the D-Day anniversary with a wreath laying ceremony at the American Military Cemetery in Colleville-sur-Mer.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.



Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Mitch Yockelson (2022)—military historian and **Flint Whitlock** (2022)—award-winning author, both with expertise in World War II, with special emphasis on the Normandy campaign.



Cliffs of Moher



Carcassonne

County Clare

A One-Week Stay in Western Ireland



9 days from \$4,690

Includes \$250 special savings

No single supplement

Special air rates available

June 11–19, Sept. 3–11, Sept. 17–25, 2022 &

June 10–18, Sept. 2–10, 2023

Experience the essence of Irish culture in Ennis, County Clare, where you'll view Ireland through the eyes of its people. The Old Ground Hotel, situated in the heart of Ennis, provides the perfect base for your discoveries.

Highlights Include

Music: Listen to live music throughout your stay in Ennis, a stronghold of traditional Irish music. Enjoy exclusive performances and more informal gatherings in charming local pubs. Plus, meet a musician in his home to hear more about Irish musical history.

Other Cultural Traditions: Gain insight into the Irish game of hurling, dating back 2,000 years, and learn about Irish history and genealogy from a local expert.

Dramatic Landscapes: Enjoy walking along the Cliffs of Moher and the Burren, special areas of outstanding geology and beauty. You'll also drive along the Wild Atlantic Way and the scenic Loop Head Peninsula.

Aran Islands: Travel to Inis Mór, inhabited since ancient times and a center for the Irish language. Learn about its history and meet a family who are modern purveyors of culinary seaweed.

Castles and Gardens: Learn about Irish castles, gardens, history, and science at Birr Castle and Bunratty Folk Park.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.

Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Christopher Griffin (June 11) and **Hilary Lennon** (Sept. 17)—experts in Irish literature. **Miriam Davis** (Sept. 3)—expert in history and archaeology.



15 days from \$6,897

Includes airfare, taxes, & all fees

Apr. 25–May 9, Sept. 9–23, Sept. 28–Oct. 12, 2022 &

Apr. 24–May 8, May 22–June 5, 2023

Delve into the essence of France—its rich history, culture, and scenic beauty—on this popular comprehensive tour, featuring many World Heritage sites.

Highlights Include

Southern Treasures: In the fortified town of Carcassonne, view the longest medieval city walls in Europe. Stroll through the market town of Albi, known for the artist Toulouse-Lautrec. Travel to the fascinating Dordogne region, where you'll tour the International Center for Cave Art at Lascaux IV, visit medieval Sarlat and the pilgrimage site of Rocamadour, and cruise by cliffside castles along the Dordogne River.

Loire River Valley: Experience this legendary landscape of spectacular châteaux, including the romantic Château de Chenonceau, a Renaissance masterpiece that spans the River Cher; the Château du Clos Lucé, where Leonardo da Vinci spent his final years; and the World Heritage site of Fontevraud Abbey.

Normandy: Gain insight into the extraordinary events of D-Day while visiting Utah Beach; Sainte-Mère-Église; Pointe du Hoc; the American cemetery, which overlooks Omaha Beach; and the Caen Memorial Museum. You'll also stop in Bayeux to see the renowned Bayeux Tapestry and ascend cobblestone streets to the pilgrimage site of Mont St. Michel, Normandy's famed medieval abbey.

Along the Seine: Stroll through Monet's gardens at Giverny, then conclude in Paris with a highlights tour and visit to the Louvre.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.

Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Ross King (Apr. 25)—best-selling author on French art and history. **Cassandra Potts Hannahs** (both Sept.)—historian with expertise in France and Great Britain.

Normandy

A One-Week Stay in France



9 days from \$4,790

Includes \$250 special savings

No single supplement / Special air rates available

Apr. 23–May 1, June 11–19, Sept. 3–11, Oct. 15–23, 2022

Normandy is renowned as a center of Impressionism and for its charming towns and fine cuisine. It's also remembered for major military efforts, from the Norman Conquest to the D-Day invasion of World War II. Join us for a one-week stay at the centrally located Hotel Mercure in Honfleur, the ideal base to explore this region

Highlights Include

Battle of Normandy: Spend a solemn day along the beaches where World War II's Operation Overlord took place. Stirring sites include Omaha Beach; Arromanches; and Pointe du Hoc, where U.S. Rangers scaled the cliffs to take out the German gun emplacement. You'll visit the Caen Memorial and Museum, which focuses on World War II, the D-Day Landings, and the Cold War through a variety of exhibitions; as well as the Arromanches Museum. To honor the many brave soldiers who gave their lives, you'll also visit the U.S. Military Cemetery at Colleville-sur-Mer.

Artistic Legacy: Travel to Bayeux to view the embroidered story of William the Conqueror's victory at the Battle of Hastings in 1066. The Bayeux Tapestry, nearly 230 feet in length, offers historians insight into the battle as well as the weapons, clothing, food, and other details of daily life in that age. During a walking tour of Honfleur, see why artists like Claude Monet, Gustave Courbet and native son Eugène Boudin were in awe of this charming seaside town.

Mont St. Michel: Discover this breathtaking tidal island

with its iconic abbey and historic church, one of the most remarkable sites in France and a World Heritage site.

Cultural Traditions: Savor traditional culinary products such as Calvados (apple brandy), and visit a nearby estate farm to sample Norman cheeses. At the Château du Bec, attend a presentation on local cooking traditions by Chef Régine, a local chef, who will proceed with the preparation of your lunch.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.



Smithsonian Journeys Expert

Robert Dalessandro (Sept./Oct.)—military historian.

Les Braves, Omaha Beach



Honfleur



A River Cruise of Provence

Aboard the 140-guest *Amadeus Provence*



9 days from \$4,990 / Includes \$250 early booking savings
No Single Supplement / Special air rates available

Sept. 14–22, Oct. 12–20, 2022 &

May 3–11, Aug. 16–24, 2023

Feel the essence of sun-drenched Provence and historic Burgundy as you cruise along the Rhône and Saône Rivers on a round-trip journey from Lyon. Trace the history of the Romans in southern France, hear stories of medieval popes, see many World Heritage sites, savor Burgundy and Beaujolais wines, and appreciate the landscapes and ambiance that drew famous artists.

Highlights Include

Historic Sites: In Arles, explore the magnificently restored Roman amphitheater, built in the first century B.C., and the Romanesque Cathédrale de St. Trophime. In Avignon, visit the 14th-century Palais des Papes, a World Heritage site. Choose to see other ancient sites such as the Pont du Gard aqueduct or the Roman theater and Triumphal Arch in Orange, and medieval sites such as Vieux Lyon. Plus, everyone explores the Benedictine Abbey of Cluny, once home to 10,000 monks, and the World Heritage site of Beaune with its 15th-century Hôtel Dieu.

Rhône and Saône Wines: Visit the historic wine regions of the Beaujolais and Mâconnais, which produce some of the finest wines in the world. Enjoy a morning tour through peaceful vineyards, followed by a wine tasting. Tour the Côte de Beaune region and its famed wine-growing villages, and drive the Route des Grands Crus (Road of Great wines)—one of the oldest and most celebrated wine routes in France.

Memorable Landscapes: View the horses, pink flamingos, egrets, and herons that make their home in

the marshy fields of the coastal Camargue, a nationally designated protected wetland, and visit the nearby coastal town of Saintes-Maries-de-la-Mer. Choose other nature excursions such as a tour to the Ardèche Gorges and a cycling tour along the Rhône River.

Port charges are an additional \$395 per person. Space reserved for 36 Smithsonian Journeys guests. Learn more about the Amadeus Provence on our website.



Smithsonian Journeys Expert

Stephanie Jeanjean (Oct.)—art historian.



The Pont du Gard



Paris and the Seine River



Gornergrat Bahn, Switzerland

A Seine River Cruise

Aboard the 148-guest *Amadeus Diamond*



CRUISE

9 days from \$4,990
Includes \$250 special savings
No single supplement
Special air rates available

Sept. 6–14, Sept. 27–Oct. 5, 2022 &
May 16–24, 2023

Cruise the legendary River Seine and discover the historic, artistic, and cultural highlights of Ile-de-France and Normandy.

Highlights Include

Conflans-Sainte-Honorine and Versailles: Learn about Conflans-Sainte-Honorine's history on a walking tour. Then tour the iconic Palace of Versailles.

Rouen: Explore the nearby abbeys of Jumièges and Wandrille, then visit the Rouen cathedral.

Normandy Coastline and Castles: Stroll cliff-top paths and view impressive chalk formations. Tour a privately owned 10th-century castle, and learn about the cuisine of Normandy during a special chef-prepared luncheon.

Honfleur: Explore the charming Old Port, which dates to the 17th century and served as a favorite subject of the Impressionist painters.

Caen and D-Day Beaches: Focus on modern history at the Caen Memorial Museum and visits to Omaha Beach and the American Military Cemetery.

Giverny: Trace Monet's passion for gardening to his artistic genius while touring his house and gardens.

Paris: Enjoy a scenic cruise in the "City of Light," followed by a walking tour focused on the city's history and architecture.

Port charges are an additional \$395 per person. Space reserved for 35 Smithsonian Journeys guests. Learn more about the Amadeus Diamond on our website.

Smithsonian Journeys Expert

Madeline Díaz (Sept. 6)—expert in art history.

Treasures of the Alps

Swiss Trains and Italy's Lake District



LAND



TRAIN

10 days from \$7,292
Includes airfare, taxes, & all fees

June 6–19, Aug. 8–21, Sept. 5–18,
Sept. 19–Oct. 2, 2022 &
June 1–14, 2023

The awe-inspiring Alps have drawn visitors to Switzerland and Austria throughout history. This exciting journey spotlights the region's history and its Alpine trains.

Highlights Include

Historic Swiss Trains and Charming Towns: Gaze upon panoramic mountain views from the legendary *Glacier Express* and *Pilatus Railway*. Aboard the *Gornergrat Bahn*, Europe's highest open-air railway, absorb the dramatic vistas of 29 Alpine peaks, including the majestic Matterhorn. Enjoy stays in charming Lucerne, with its pristine lake, and Zermatt, gateway to the Swiss Alps.

Ticino and the Swiss Lake District: During three days along Lake Lugano, take in nearby castles, gardens, and magnificent landscapes. Enjoy a scenic drive to Stresa and Lake Maggiore in the Italian Lake District.

Austria's Innsbruck and Salzburg: Enjoy a walking tour of charming Innsbruck, then take a cable car into the mountains for a panoramic view of the city and the Alps. Traveling through the stunning scenery of the Tyrol, arrive in Salzburg for a delightful stay in the home town of Mozart. Here you'll visit the baroque Old Town, the cathedral, medieval Hohensalzburg Fortress, and Mirabell Gardens (as seen in *The Sound of Music*), and attend a chamber music concert. Your final day features a trip to the cliff-top Eagle's Nest, the Nazi Party's alpine retreat.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.

Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Tim Blanning (June 6) and **Bertrand Patenaude** (Sept. 19)—historians with expertise in modern Europe.
Hugh Neighbour (Aug./Sept. 5)—former diplomat with expertise in history, culture, and current affairs.



Globe of Science, CERN



Einstein Museum



Bernese Alps

Art Meets Science in Switzerland

Featuring a Visit to the Scientific Research Center at CERN



SPECIALTY

9 days from \$8,745

May 5–13, Sept. 1–9, 2022

Art and science enthusiasts will delight in this special journey to Switzerland. As you travel to Zurich, Bern, and Geneva, follow in the footsteps of Albert Einstein, view the art of Paul Klee, and take in breathtaking panoramas of the Bernese Alps. A special highlight features a visit to the European Organization for Nuclear Research (CERN).

Highlights Include

Science: Follow Albert Einstein's career as student and professor in Zurich. In Bern, visit the Einstein Museum, which is part of the Bern Historical Museum and features fascinating exhibitions on the famous physicist. You'll also follow in his footsteps in his flat on Kramgasse No. 49, where he lived during the important years of 1903 to 1905, when he developed his Theory of Relativity.

CERN: Located just outside Geneva, CERN is home to a vast international community of scientists who seek answers to the most fundamental questions of physics. Visit this amazing site and learn about the work that has taken place here since 1954. You'll meet with a scientist for a private talk regarding their ongoing research, at one of the detector sites on the Large Hadron Collider (LHC). Continuing to the main center of CERN, explore the Microcosms Exhibit and the Universe of Particles Sphere.

Arts: Visit the Kunsthaus Zurich Museum, showcasing an extensive collection of modern art, and the Swiss National Museum with its comprehensive collection of cultural history. In Bern, stop at the Zentrum Paul Klee, home to the largest collection of Klee's work in the world, which is housed in an architectural gem designed by Renzo Piano.

Culture: Take in stunning Alpine panoramas from the windows of a cog railway as you ascend the Bernese Alps to the "Top of Europe" restaurant and the Sphinx Terrace. Enjoy a leisurely afternoon in the Swiss countryside, featuring a wine tasting at a private estate. And savor a lunch at a Michelin-starred restaurant and a traditional raclette lunch in the medieval town of Gruyères.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.



Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Michelle Thaller (May) and **Alex Young** (Sept.)—highly respected astrophysicists.

Voyage Through Europe

Featuring the Rhine, Main, and Danube Rivers Aboard the 168-guest *Amadeus Silver III*



14 days from \$6,090

Includes \$250 special savings

No Single Supplement / Special air rates available

Oct. 13–26, 2022 &

Oct. 14–29, 2023*

Explore the cultural landscapes of four European countries situated along three legendary rivers—the Danube, Main, and Rhine—on this special autumn cruise, featuring a choice of excursions and many World Heritage sites.

Highlights Include

Hungary: Your river voyage begins in Budapest, one of Europe's most beautiful cities situated along the Danube River. Here, enjoy an excursion featuring the city's highlights, Jewish heritage, or cuisine.

Slovakia: Given Bratislava's associations with Hummel, Liszt, Bartok, Beethoven, and Haydn, choose a tour featuring the city's musical heritage or its medieval architecture or Castle Hill.

Austria: Arrive in cosmopolitan Vienna, and enjoy a choice of excursions that feature the World Heritage sites of Hofburg Palace or Schönbrunn Palace (the lavish summer residence of the Habsburgs), or the art treasures of Klosterneuburg Monastery. In Dürnstein, enjoy a walking tour, take a bicycle ride along the river, or enjoy a tour and tasting at a local winery. Then discover two World Heritage Sites, the beautiful Wachau Valley and the impressive Benedictine abbey at Melk.

Germany: Cruise along the Danube River to lovely Passau, home to the baroque St. Stephen's Cathedral, then continue on to well-preserved Regensburg. Picking up the Main River, you'll cruise to Nuremberg, known for its associations with World War II. Continue on to the medieval towns of Bamberg, Würzburg and Miltenberg with its rich Roman history. Your ship makes its way

through the breathtaking Rhine Gorge, adorned with hilltop castles and the legendary Lorelei Rock. Stop in Koblenz, located at the confluence of the Moselle and Rhine rivers, for a choice of excursions. Our 2022 voyage concludes in Mainz, Germany.

Port charges are an additional \$495 per person. Space reserved for 75 Smithsonian Journeys guests. Learn more about the Amadeus Silver III on our website.

**The October 14, 2023 departure is two days longer and will sail from Budapest to Amsterdam, following an alternate itinerary. Visit our website for details.*

Smithsonian Journeys Experts

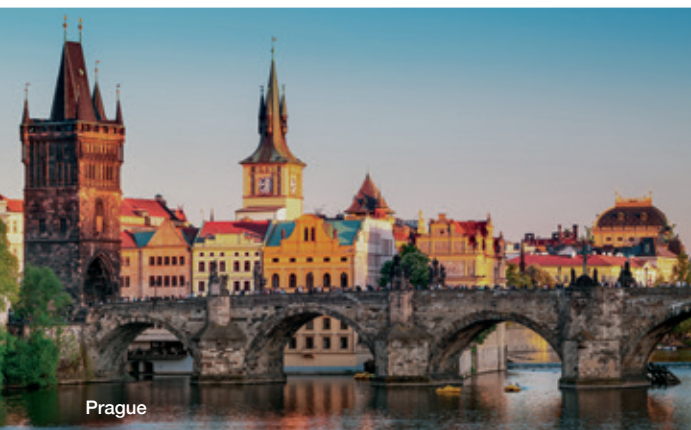
Tim Blanning (Oct. 13)—highly respected historian with expertise in modern Europe. **Carol Reynolds** (Oct. 14)—expert in European arts, culture, and music history.



Koblenz



Budapest and the Danube River



Prague



Alexander Nevsky Cathedral, Sofia

A Danube River Cruise

From Prague to Sofia Aboard the 160-guest *Amadeus Star* or *Amadeus Silver III*†



15 days from \$6,490

Includes \$250 special savings

No single supplement—Limited availability / Special air rates available

May 20–June 3, May 29–June 13, *Aug. 24–Sept. 7, †Sept. 2–17, *† 2022

The fabled Danube River flows through the heart of Central and Eastern Europe—an evocative landscape of ancient capitals, lovely villages, and magnificent churches, palaces, and castles. This unique itinerary showcases eight countries and many World Heritage sites, plus features a choice of specialty excursions.

Highlights Include

Czech Republic: Your journey begins in Prague, the capital of Old World Europe. During a three-night hotel stay, you'll enjoy tours of Charles Bridge and the historic district; a choice of excursions, including Lobkowicz Palace, the Jewish Quarter, or Prague's architectural treasures; and some time at leisure.

Germany and Austria: Travel to Passau, located at the confluence of three rivers—the Danube, Inn, and Ilz. Before boarding your ship, visit magnificent St. Stephen's Cathedral, among other sites. Then sail through the beautiful Wachau Valley, a World Heritage site, stopping at the Benedictine abbey at Melk and lovely Dürnstein. In Vienna, tour the lavish Imperial Apartments of the Hofburg Palace, Schönbrunn Palace, or Klosterneuburg Monastery, and enjoy an evening of Viennese waltz.

Slovakia and Hungary: In Bratislava, Slovakia's capital, view St. Michael's Gate and the Primate's Palace during a walking tour, bike along the storied Slovak-Austrian border, or explore sites associated with renowned composers. Cruise into the heart of Hungary's Budapest, one of Europe's most striking capitals, nestled along the banks of the Danube. Visit the Great Market Hall, tour the old Jewish Quarter, or explore both the Buda and the Pest sides of the Danube. Later, see Ottoman mosques in Pécs.

Croatia, Serbia, and Romania: Visit the small towns of Kopacevo, Osijek, and Vukovar, plus enjoy a wine tasting. In Belgrade, a choice of excursions features the Nikola Tesla Museum, a culinary tour, or a highlights tour with a

stop at Kalemegdan Park. Then sail through the Iron Gate Gorge, a remarkable passage just 530 feet wide along the Serbian-Romanian border.

Bulgaria: Visit a historic church in Vidin. Then continue to Sofia for a two-night hotel stay, where you'll learn about the city's history and culture during a tour featuring the Royal Palace and Battenberg Square.

*Port charges are an additional \$395 per person. Space reserved for 35 to 75 Smithsonian Journeys guests, depending on departure. *The May 29 and September 2 departures are one day longer and will run in reverse. Learn more about both ships on our website.*



Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Benjamin Sutherland (May 20)—expert in European geopolitics, globalization, and conflict. **Hugh Agnew** (May 29), **Christopher Brennan** (Aug.), and **Tim Blanning** (Sept.)—historians with expertise in Central and Eastern Europe.

Holiday Markets

A Rhine River Cruise from Basel to Düsseldorf and Featuring a Stay in the Swiss Alps

Aboard the 168-guest *Amadeus Silver III*



11 days from \$3,790 / Includes \$250 special savings

No Single Supplement—Limited Availability / Special air rates available

Nov. 27–Dec. 7, *Dec. 2–12, 2022

Welcome the start of the holiday season during a delightful river cruise as towns along the Rhine open their cheerful *Christkindlmarkts* (Christmas markets) with holiday food specialties, hot mulled wine, and beautifully crafted holiday decorations. Personalize your cruise with a choice of excursions in select ports of call and visit many World Heritage sites.

Highlights Include

Heart of the Swiss Alps: Enjoy a two-night hotel stay in Interlaken, situated in the Bernese Oberland. Explore the charming town of Interlaken at leisure, and take a tour of nearby Bern with its historic Old Town en route to the ship.

Alsace and Germany: From Basel, cruise north along the Rhine, the border between France and Germany. See the highlights of the historic German town of Freiburg and stroll through the charming holiday market. In the afternoon, choose between two tours of lovely French towns: the 16th-century town of Riquewihr with its Alsatian wines, or Colmar with its many holiday markets and Dominican Church that dates to the 14th century. Then spend a day in the principal Alsatian city of Strasbourg, where select tours will feature its history and architecture or culinary heritage, in addition to time to peruse the city market and a presentation about local family holiday traditions.

Heidelberg, Rudesheim, and the Rhine Gorge: Take a walking tour of Heidelberg, showcasing the imposing hillside castle and the cathedral, and enjoy a special afternoon musical performance. The next day, choose from two tours around Rudesheim: a walking tour of the Old Town and its special Christmas Market of the Nations or a visit to the Abbey of St. Hildegard and a winery tour. Then enjoy a leisurely afternoon cruising one of the most scenic sections of the Rhine, considered a World Heritage

site, which features the famous Lorelei Rock and hillside castles around every bend.

Cologne, Düsseldorf, and Aachen: Join a walking tour of Cologne's Old Town, Cathedral Square, and the magnificent Gothic Dom, a World Heritage site and one of the largest Gothic cathedrals in Europe. Then choose to explore either Düsseldorf, with its mix of old and new architecture, or Aachen, the city of Charlemagne with its World Heritage site cathedral and "Throne of Charlemagne." The afternoons are at leisure to discover the various Christmas markets.

*Port charges are an additional \$395 per person. Space reserved for 35 Smithsonian Journeys guests. *The November 27 departure will run in reverse. Learn more about the Amadeus Silver III on our website.*



Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Tim Blanning (Nov.)—highly respected historian with expertise in modern Europe. **Carol Reynolds** (Dec.)—expert in European arts, culture, and music history.



Strasbourg



Bern clock tower

Great European Journey

A River Cruise and Train Trip from Holland to Switzerland

Aboard the 160-guest *Amadeus Imperial* and Featuring Three Historic Swiss Railways



CRUISE



TRAIN

11 days from \$3,995

Special savings of up to \$1,000 available

June 29–July 9, *July 8–18, 2022

Reminiscent of the 19th-century “Grand Tour,” this unique and popular journey features the heart of Western Europe—with both river cruising and train travel. In Amsterdam, board your deluxe riverboat for a five-night cruise through Holland, Germany, and France, and then enjoy panoramic vistas of the Swiss Alps from the windows of historic trains.

Highlights Include

Holland: Take a private cruise along Amsterdam’s legendary canals, with their 16th- and 17th-century gabled row houses, designated a World Heritage site.

Germany and the Rhine River: Visit Cologne’s Old Town and the historic Gothic cathedral. Cruise through the most scenic section of the Rhine River Valley, a World Heritage site where each bend in the river features a medieval castle and tranquil village. Travel to a vineyard renowned for its Riesling where you’ll enjoy a private wine tasting. And in Heidelberg, visit the magnificent 13th-century castle perched above the river.

France: Arrive in Alsace, a region whose ownership has moved between Germany and France for generations. In lovely Strasbourg, visit the Old City, a World Heritage site featuring medieval houses and covered bridges spanning picturesque canals.

The Swiss Alps and Legendary Railways: Cross the rolling Swiss countryside to Bern, the capital and a World Heritage site. Travel through the spectacular Bernese Oberland to the snowcapped mountain peaks of the Alps and the towering Jungfrau. Enjoy two nights each in Lucerne and Zermatt, dramatically set beneath the iconic Matterhorn. Explore these charming towns and experience

the soaring majesty of the Swiss Alps from three legendary railways: the *Gornergrat Bahn*, the *Glacier Express*, and the *Pilatus Railway*, the world’s steepest cogwheel railway.

Port charges are an additional \$55 per person.

*Space reserved for 50–60 Smithsonian Journeys guests, depending on the departure. *The June departure will run in reverse. Learn more about the Amadeus Imperial on our website.*



Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Bertrand Patenaude (July)—historian with expertise in Central and Eastern Europe and **Charles Ingrao** (July)—historian.



Zermatt and the Matterhorn



Amadeus Imperial, Cologne

Old World Europe

Poland, Hungary, Austria, and the Czech Republic



16 days from \$6,097 / Includes airfare, taxes, & all fees

Apr. 19–May 4, May 7–22, Aug. 30–Sept. 14, Sept. 17–Oct. 2, 2022 &

Apr. 18–May 3, May 9–24, 2023

Discover four distinctly different and fascinating nations in Central and Eastern Europe, featuring many World Heritage sites. Throughout your journey, you'll enjoy visits to historic sites, attend concerts of classical music, and savor traditional cuisine.

Highlights Include

Poland: Spend time in both Warsaw and Kraków over five days in Poland. In Warsaw, explore the Old Town, Royal Castle, and the area of the former Jewish Ghetto, and enjoy a private piano recital. Spend time in Kraków, a major center of Polish culture with a thousand-year-old history. You'll also see the artistic wonders of the Wieliczka Salt Mine and spend time at Auschwitz-Birkenau to remember those who lost their lives there.

Hungary: Budapest is widely regarded as one of the most beautiful cities in Europe. Over the course of two days, tour the treasures of both the Buda and Pest sides, which stretch along the banks of the Danube. Highlights include the Matthias Church, Fisherman's Bastion, and Dohany Street Synagogue. You'll also enjoy a curator-led visit of the art museum and a day at leisure to explore this historic city.

Austria: Travel through a landscape of forests and castles along the scenic Danube River. Follow in the footsteps of imperial Habsburgs as you explore Vienna's many treasures, including the ornate opera house, one of the city's most beloved sites. Spend time at the imperial summer palace of Schönbrunn, an important architectural, cultural, and historical monument. Visit the bucolic Vienna Woods, a medieval Cistercian abbey, and the spa town of Baden. You'll also enjoy a classical music concert while in Vienna.

Czech Republic: Explore the acclaimed museums and cultural treasures of Prague. In the Hradcany castle district, see the 9th-century Prague Castle, Gothic St. Vitus Cathedral, and Golden Lane. You'll also visit several of the once thriving synagogues of Josefov, Prague's historic Jewish area, and enjoy time to discover the city at leisure.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.



Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Christopher Brennan (Apr. 19) and **Hugh Agnew** (Sept.)—historians with expertise in Central and Eastern Europe. **Laurie Koloski** (May)—historian with expertise in modern Europe. **Carol Reynolds** (Aug.)—expert in European art, music, and history.



Prague



Sea Cloud II



Monreale, Sicily

Sailing the French and Italian Rivas

From Nice to Rome

Aboard the 94-guest *Sea Cloud II*



9 days from \$6,990

Apr. 29–May 7, 2022 – Limited Availability

Antibes... Nice... Monte Carlo... Èze... Cinque Terre... Lucca... the Isle of Elba... These are places that evoke images of medieval history, sun-drenched beaches, glamorous seaports, and rich masterpieces of art and architecture—in short, the quintessential Mediterranean journey. Join us for a three-night luxury hotel stay on the French Riviera, then board *Sea Cloud II* for a relaxed four-night cruise along the Italian coast.

Highlights Include

French Riviera: From your base at the Hotel du Cap-Eden-Roc in Antibes, explore the Old Town and the Picasso Museum, and enjoy a private tour of the Fondation Hans Hartung. Later, choose to explore the Fondation Maeght in Saint-Paul-de-Vence or a perfume factory in Grasse. From Nice, take delight in other choices: the Old Town of Monaco and the Prince's Palace; a special tour of modern architecture, including Le Corbusier's Cabanon and Eileen Gray's Villa E-1027; or the medieval village of Èze, perched high atop the Riviera. There will be an optional visit to the Chagall or Matisse museum for those interested. Then choose to visit either Villa Saint Sospir or Villa Ephrussi de Rothschild before boarding your tall ship.

Italian Riviera: Spend an afternoon exploring (by boat or on foot) some of the five Ligurian villages that comprise Italy's Cinque Terre. From Livorno, choose a full-day excursion to Florence or Lucca. Spend a morning on the Isle of Elba, following in Napoleon's footsteps and visiting a vineyard, then enjoy a final sailing opportunity that afternoon en route to Rome.

Space reserved for 23 Smithsonian Journeys guests. Learn more about the *Sea Cloud II* on our website.

Smithsonian Journeys Expert
Mary O'Neill—expert in art history.

Sicily by Sea

Round-trip from Malta

Aboard the 94-guest *Sea Cloud II*



9 days from \$6,990

June 4–13, 2022

Ancient civilizations converged and flourished along the shores of Sicily, leaving a legacy of artistic masterpieces and important archaeological sites. Aboard *Sea Cloud II*, discover the island's rich history as you circumnavigate its idyllic shorelines, enhanced by colorful spring wildflowers.

Highlights Include

Malta: Select from three full-day excursions, focusing on Malta's archaeology, military history, or featured architecture. Board *Sea Cloud II* in the late afternoon and set sail for Sicily.

Segesta and Erice: Following a full day under sail, arrive on the west coast of Sicily. Stop to explore the Greek Doric temple of Segesta, then choose to see the hilltop fortress of Erice or savor a wine tasting in Marsala.

Palermo: The morning highlight showcases the Norman cathedral of Monreale and the Palatine Chapel of Palermo, both featuring renowned Byzantine mosaics. Then choose from a wide variety of afternoon excursions.

Aeolian Islands: Discover the island of Lipari by foot, e-bike, or on a drive, returning to the ship for lunch and an afternoon swim. Enjoy sailing through the Strait of Messina at sunset.

Taormina: Tour the renowned Greek theater, ride the cable car to the summit of Mt. Etna, or hike in Alcantara Gorge. Cruise to Syracuse in time for the evening passeggiata.

Syracuse: Explore the treasures of the Archaeological Park and the Old Town of Ortygia, including the Santa Lucia Church with its famed Caravaggio painting. Visit a private palazzo as guests of the owner before cruising back to Malta.

Space reserved for 25 Smithsonian Journeys guests. Learn more about the *Sea Cloud II* on our website.

Smithsonian Journeys Expert

Gary Radke—art historian with expertise in Italian medieval and Renaissance art.



Palermo and Taormina

A Stay in Sicily



10 days from \$5,590

Includes \$250 special savings

Special air rates available

Apr. 20–29, May 11–20, Sept. 7–16, Oct. 26–Nov. 4, 2022

At the crossroads of the Mediterranean, Sicily reflects a fascinating blend of cultural influences—from the Greeks, Romans, Moors, and Normans to later civilizations. Explore this fascinating island during our popular two-center Cultural Stay, making excursions from the upscale Grand Hotel Piazza Borsa in Palermo and Eurostars Monte Tauro in Taormina.

Highlights Include

Palermo and Environs: Gaze in awe before stunning mosaics in Monreale's cathedral and Palermo's Palatine Chapel, which reflect a blend of Byzantine, Moorish, and Norman styles. Witness immense monuments from Greek culture at Segesta, featuring a spectacular Doric temple amid a lush landscape and a well-preserved Greek theater. In nearby Erice, explore a medieval hill-town perched high above the harbor, see two medieval castles and walls that date from the Phoenicians, and marvel at the Romanesque architecture of the cathedral. Later, in the picturesque fishing village of Cefalù, visit one of Italy's most important Romanesque cathedrals and enjoy free time.

Taormina and Environs: Explore the Valley of the Temples at Agrigento with its exceptional collection of Greek temples, and stop at Piazza Armerina to gaze upon some of the best-preserved Roman floor mosaics at the Roman Villa of Casale. During your stay in Taormina, visit the famed Greek theater, with its commanding views of the sea and Mt. Etna, and stroll along the Corso Umberto, located just a short walk from your hotel. In the ancient Greek town of Syracuse, once a strong rival of Athens, tour the Old Town of Ortigia, including the baroque cathedral which features the columns of a previous Greek temple. You'll also tour the extensive Archaeological Park, featuring a Greek theater with perfect acoustics.

History and Culture: Gain insight into Sicily as a crossroads of cultures and learn about prize-winning virgin olive oil during lunch at a family farm. Enjoy traditional Sicilian cuisine, experience lively markets, and join the *passeggiata* (evening stroll) as you reside in Palermo and Taormina. Enjoy a day to explore Taormina at leisure.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.



Cefalù



Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Sheri Shaneyfelt (Apr.) and **Gary Radke** (May)—art historians.

Glenn Bugh (Sept.)—highly respected classicist. **Trudy Harrington Becker** and **Andrew Becker** (Oct.)—experts in Roman history and Roman literature and culture, respectively.



Greek theater, Taormina



Positano

Southern Italy and Sicily



LAND

15 days from \$6,374

Includes airfare, taxes, & all fees

*Apr. 19–May 3, Sept. 11–25, Oct. 5–19,**Oct. 21–Nov. 4, 2022 &**Apr. 2–16, Apr. 22–May 6, 2023*

Explore Italy's southernmost regions, where each area reflects a unique history, architecture, and cuisine.

Highlights Include

Sicily: In lovely Taormina, visit the Greek theater and 13th-century cathedral and enjoy four days at a boutique hotel overlooking the Ionian Sea. Take an excursion to Agrigento's Valley of the Temples, participate in a private cannoli-making lesson, and venture to Mt. Etna for lunch at a family-run farm.

Apulia and Basilicata: Travel to Apulia and the town of Lecce to view the town's distinctive baroque architecture and savor a wine tasting and dinner in the gardens of a palazzo. View some of Alberobello's famous 400 *trulli* (conical houses, designated a World Heritage site), and visit an artisan's workshop. In Basilicata's Matera, walk amid ancient troglodyte churches and *sassi* cave houses (a World Heritage site), and experience a renovated cave dwelling during an overnight stay.

Amalfi Coast: During a four-night stay in Sorrento, take a breathtaking drive along the winding Amalfi Coast, high above the Tyrrhenian Sea. In fascinating Pompeii, which faced destruction in A.D. 79, view remains of homes and shops and learn about ongoing archaeological work. And on the isle of Capri, a resort town since Roman times, tour the terraced Gardens of Augustus. You'll also enjoy a hands-on Neapolitan cooking lesson.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.

Smithsonian Journeys Experts

John Dobbins (Apr. 19) and **Janet Duncan Jones** (Oct. 5)—experts in the classics, archaeology, and history. **Carrie L. Sulosky Weaver** (Sept.) and **Allan Langdale** (Oct. 21)—art and architectural historians.

Italy's Amalfi Coast

A One-Week Stay in Vietri Sul Mare



STAY

9 days from \$4,890

Includes \$250 special savings

Special air rates available

Apr. 20–28, Sept. 7–15, Sept. 14–22, Oct. 19–27, 2022

Italy's Amalfi Coast is renowned for its stunning coastline of pastel-colored villages perched on steep cliffs above the Mediterranean. For centuries, writers, artists, and emperors have found inspiration and respite in this stunning region, as have travelers. Join us on the Amalfi Coast at the Hotel Raito in Vietri sul Mare, and enjoy a leisurely sojourn that features World Heritage sites, breathtaking landscapes, and luscious cuisine and wine.

Highlights Include

Amalfi Coast: Spend two days exploring the Amalfi Coast, with its dramatic hairpin curves and stunning views. Explore iconic Positano, as well as the charming towns of Ravello and Amalfi, and board a local ferry to admire the coastal views from the water.

Archaeological Sites: Travel to Paestum to see three of the most well-preserved Greek temples in the world. Later, spend a day exploring the ancient Roman towns of Pompeii and Herculaneum, both destroyed by the catastrophic eruption of Vesuvius in A.D. 79.

Naples: Gaze upon stunning art and artifacts discovered at Pompeii and Herculaneum, now housed at the Museo Archeologico Nazionale, and see other cultural highlights.

Sorrento and Capri: Sample a limoncello as you stroll along Sorrento's Corso Italia, and spend a day on the enchanting Isle of Capri.

Local Culture: Savor the traditional cuisine of Campania during meals and gain insight into contemporary Italy.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.

Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Sara James (Apr.) and **Ashley Elston** (Sept. 7)—art historians with expertise in Italy. **Gail Cornell** (Oct.)—architectural historian.

The Italian Riviera

A One-Week Stay on the Ligurian Coast



9 days from \$4,790
Includes \$250 special savings
Special air rates available

Aug. 27–Sept. 4, Oct. 15–23, 2022 &

Apr. 15–23, June 10–18, Aug. 26–Sept. 3, Sept. 2–10, Oct. 21–28, 2023

Stretching along the Mediterranean and dotted with jewel-like villages, the rugged Ligurian Coast is known as the Italian Riviera. From your base in Sestri Levante, spend a delightful week soaking up the culture and ambiance of northwestern Italy. Explore warm-hued coastal villages from Santa Margherita to Cinque Terre, and go on excursions to historic sites in nearby Tuscany and Piedmont. Between wine-tasting, a cooking class, and walking tours, enjoy free time to discover the spectacular Italian Riviera on your own.

Highlights Include

Sestri Levante: Settle into the gem-like town of Sestri Levante, perched on a narrow peninsula. In your free time, relax on the beaches that edge the town, stroll past coral-colored houses along the Bay of Silence, and watch the sunset from the rooftop lounge of your elegant hotel.

Sailing the Italian Riviera: Cruise to the glitzy resort town of Portofino by boat and enjoy time at leisure to explore. Then sail into the sheltered harbor of beautiful Santa Margherita for a walking tour.

Lucca and Carrara: Travel into Tuscany and take a walking tour of the walled city of Lucca. See carvings by 13th-century sculptor Nicola Pisano at the Duomo di San Martino, and enjoy free time in this enchanting town. At the quarries of Carrara, where Michelangelo sourced his marble, see artisans at work at a privately owned quarry.

Piedmont Wine Region: Venture into the vineyard-covered hills of Piedmont, a World Heritage site, and

enjoy lunch and wine tasting at the Castle of Tagliolo, where wines have been produced for centuries.

Cinque Terre: Experience the dramatic Cinque Terre, where steep coastal slopes shelter five picturesque villages. Take a walk in Portovenere and Manarolo, and ride a boat to Vernazza for a traditional seafood lunch at a trattoria.

Local Experts: Delve deeper into the art history, geography, current events, and cuisine of the Italian Riviera during presentations—and a tasting—led by local experts.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.



Smithsonian Journeys Expert

See our website for the expert on these departures.

Lucca



Portofino



Gondolas in Venice



Trevi Fountain, Rome

Highlights of Italy



16 days from \$6,274

Includes airfare, taxes & all fees

Apr. 19–May 4, May 17–June 1, Sept. 6–21, Sept. 13–28, Oct. 4–19, Oct. 11–26, 2022 &

Apr. 11–26, Apr. 18–May 3, May 2–17, May 16–31, 2023

Experience the best of Italy's famed cities—Rome, Florence, and Venice—on this Smithsonian Journeys “top 10” tour. From the dramatic landscapes of the Amalfi Coast to the captivating St. Mark's Square in Venice, our comprehensive journey showcases ancient sites, priceless art, and smaller towns off the beaten path.

Highlights Include

Amalfi Coast and Pompeii: View the stunning Amalfi Coast from the sea, explore some of the magical hill towns, and enjoy the breathtaking drive high above the azure Mediterranean. Spend time in Pompeii to witness the remains of everyday life from A.D. 79, when ash from Mt. Vesuvius entirely covered the town. En route to Rome, stop at the Benedictine abbey of Montecassino, lovingly rebuilt following its destruction in World War II.

Rome: Capture the essence of ancient Rome with a tour of the Colosseum, currently being restored to new glory, and the Forum. Step inside the Borghese Gallery to view masterpieces by Bernini, Titian, Caravaggio, and other major artists. Plus, a day at the Vatican showcases St. Peter's Basilica and the Sistine Chapel and Vatican Museums, featuring works by Michelangelo and Raphael.

Umbria and Tuscany: Discover the arts, churches, and unique ambiance and history of these regions. Visit the scenic town and cathedral of Orvieto and view Giotto's priceless frescoes in the basilica at Assisi. See how the traditions of hand-painted Majolica ceramics continue today in Deruta. Stop in San Gimignano, famous for its medieval watchtowers that once guarded the town, many of which still pierce the sky. Walk along the medieval streets of ochre-colored Siena to explore the fan-shaped Campo and visit the Duomo with art by Michelangelo and Donatello.

Florence: Take a walking tour of the crown jewel of Tuscany. See Michelangelo's *David* and other sculptures at the Galleria dell' Accademia and visit the revered Duomo with its stupendous dome by Brunelleschi. Enjoy time to explore more of the city's treasures on your own.

Venice: Tour St. Mark's Square, then discover many of the museums and canals of this magical city at leisure.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.



Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Sara James (Sept. 13), **Gary Radke** (Oct. 4), and **Valerie Hedquist** (Oct. 11)—art historians. **Sanjaya Thakur** (Apr. 19)—expert in the classics. **Allan Langdale** (May 17/Sept. 6)—art and architectural historian.



David by Michelangelo



Florence

The Genius of Michelangelo

Artist, Architect, and Renaissance Master



9 days from \$5,825

Apr. 1–9, Nov. 5–13, Nov. 12–20, 2022 &

Mar. 18–26, Nov. 4–12, 2023

Immerse yourself in the life and times of one of the world's most famous artists—Michelangelo Buonarroti. Trace his work in Florence and Rome and consider his masterpieces in their social, political, and religious contexts under the patronage of Lorenzo the Magnificent and various popes. As you view his major works, often during behind-the-scenes special access, deepen your understanding of the artworks themselves and in comparison to his competitors.

Highlights Include

Florence: Trace Michelangelo's footsteps as you view important early works, such as *David* at the Accademia and *Bacchus* at the Bargello, and important later works, such as the Medici Tombs at the Church of San Lorenzo and *Pietà* at the Duomo Museum. Through special access, meet the director of the Casa Buonarroti and view Michelangelo's early sketches, and visit the Laurentian Library, a masterpiece of his later Mannerist style. Other highlights include a tour of the Uffizi Gallery.

Rome: Follow Michelangelo the architect, from his work at the Farnese Palace and the magnificent Piazza del Campidoglio to the spectacular dome of St. Peter's Basilica. View works by the sculptor, including his early, breathtaking *Pietà* and later impressive *Moses*.

The Vatican: At the world's smallest city-state, enjoy an unencumbered view of Michelangelo's dome atop St. Peter's Basilica and view his moving statue, *Pietà*. Enjoy a private guided tour of the Vatican Museums and the Sistine Chapel, taking your time to admire the intricate

details and vibrant colors of the frescoed ceiling by Michelangelo.

Carrara: In Carrara, travel by special mountain jeeps to the quarries where Michelangelo chose his marble, often laboring for months over the perfect block. See how the marble is cut, polished, and finished, using the same 16th-century techniques as Michelangelo.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.



Smithsonian Journeys Expert

Ross King (both Nov. 2022)—best-selling author on art historical topics of Italy.

Living In...

Immersive Three-Week Stays

Fulfill your dream of living abroad during one of our three-week immersion programs, and become immersed in the culture, history, and language of your chosen destination. You'll explore many of the must-see sites as well as off-the-beaten-path treasures with a local expert, and enjoy time on your own (or with new friends!) to pursue personal interests.

Local Experts: Enjoy learning from local experts who share their knowledge of art, history, and culture and join you on select excursions.

Resident Director: An engaging and resourceful resident director handles logistics and helps you plan your free time.

Special Enrichment Tracks: Personalize your experience with special enrichment tracks (at an additional cost). Take one or all three: Language Lessons or Cuisine (all destinations), Art and Architecture (France/Italy), or Hiking Adventures (Spain).

Social Connection: In addition to group activities, you'll enjoy the camaraderie of convivial gatherings of Smithsonian Journeys travelers, as well as many group meals.

Accommodations: Stay in a residential hotel located near the historic city center. Studio and one-bedroom apartments offer convenient amenities, plus hotel services such as friendly, helpful staff.

Each departure is limited to 36 Smithsonian Journeys guests. Learn more about these special programs on our website.



Duomo of Florence

Living in Italy

A Three-Week Stay in Florence



23 days from \$5,890
Includes \$250 special savings
Special air rates available

Oct. 28–Nov. 19, 2022 &

Apr. 21–May 13, June 9–July 1, Sept. 1–23,

Sept. 29–Oct. 21, 2023

Florence—the city where Brunelleschi, Leonardo, and Michelangelo all lived for a time—boasts a wealth of Renaissance splendors, yet many of its riches elude all but the most experienced travelers. During our three-week immersive cultural stay, you'll soon feel at home and enjoy the time and opportunity to reach new depths of understanding into Italy's arts, history, and culture. Walking tours and museum visits plus day trips into greater Tuscany provide insight into this favorite Italian destination. Yet you'll also enjoy *la dolce vita* (the sweet life) as you meet new friends and find yourself irresistibly lulled into the unhurried pace of daily life, sipping espresso at a local bar, getting to know vendors at the market, and savoring the cuisine at neighborhood restaurants. Reside in a renovated, modern apartment at the PopArtment, located near the heart of the city's historic center.

Highlights Include

Excursions, Day Trips, Presentations: Take an in-depth walking tour of Florence led by an expert guide and enjoy tours of the Uffizi and Accademia galleries. Learn more about Tuscany during day trips to Chianti, Lucca, Siena, Colle di Val d'Elsa, and Cortona. Attend sessions by a local expert on Renaissance art and contemporary life, and enjoy a wine tasting.



Smithsonian Journeys offered a once-in-a-lifetime experience with their Living in France program. The resident director was exceptional and excursions were hosted by knowledgeable local experts. Plus, the accommodations were perfect for a long stay. I will be going on another Smithsonian tour! — Deborah W.



Market in Aix-en-Provence



Flamenco dresses, Málaga

Living in France

A Three-Week Stay in Aix-en-Provence



23 days from \$5,290
Includes \$250 special savings
Special air rates available

*Apr. 20–May 12, May 11–June 2, Aug. 10–Sept. 1,
Aug. 31–Sept. 22, Oct. 5–27, 2022*

Provence. The very name evokes images of idyllic days of dazzling light illuminating the countryside's lush olive groves and sloping vineyards. It was the same colorful scenery and light that drew artists such as Cézanne, Chagall, and Van Gogh to this region. On this special immersive cultural stay in Aix-en-Provence, let this charming small city, which boasts a 600-year-old university and numerous art and cooking schools, become your home for three weeks. You'll stroll elegant cobblestone streets on your way to class or to a bustling outdoor market. Explore medieval hilltop villages, Roman ruins, and the lovely countryside. Linger over a glass of wine at a neighborhood café and dine in restaurants that few tourists could hope to find. Stay in a modern apartment at the Adagio Aix-en-Provence Centre, a residential hotel located on a peaceful street near the shops along Cours Mirabeau.

Highlights Include

Excursions, Day Trips, Presentations: Take an in-depth walking tour of Aix-en-Provence led by an expert guide. Learn about the region's history as you explore greater Provence during day trips to Avignon and the Pont du Gard, Marseille, and the Luberon Valley. Plus, enjoy a wine tasting and attend sessions on history and art by a local expert during your stay.

Living in Spain

A Three-Week Stay in Andalusia



23 days from \$6,290
Includes \$250 special savings
Special air rates available

*Oct. 2–24, 2022 &
Apr. 16–May 8, May 7–29, Oct. 1–23, 2023*

Whitewashed villages laced with bougainvillea, the seductive rhythms of flamenco, historic cities filled with delicate Moorish architecture, scalloped beaches and rugged mountains: Andalusia is a place to savor. Settle into your apartment in the inviting town of Marbella, perched on the Mediterranean Sea, and spend three weeks immersed in sun-kissed southern Spain. Burnish your Spanish skills, learn a few steps of flamenco, or cook authentic gazpacho with a local chef. Trace the history and enduring influence of the Moors, and then see that influence firsthand on guided excursions to beautiful mountain villages and world-class cities like Granada and Seville. Watch the sunset from the beach, or while sipping sangria on a town square, and revel in the unhurried pace of life on Spain's Costa del Sol.

Highlights Include

Excursions, Day Trips, Presentations: Discover seaside Marbella on a walking tour and venture to nearby caves of Nerja and the Moorish village of Frigiliana. Learn about Andalusia's unique cultural heritage from local experts, and enjoy an evening of flamenco and a wine tasting. Delve deeper into the region's history and character on day trips to Granada, Málaga, Ronda, the White Villages, and more; and opt for a weekend escapade to Seville and Córdoba.

NEW

Italy's Lake District

A One-Week Stay

Featuring Lake Maggiore, Lake Como, and Lake Orta



9 days from \$5,090

Special air rates available

May 7–15, June 18–26, Sept. 8–16, Sept. 15–23, Oct. 15–23, 2022

Join us on a unique stay program in Italy's breathtaking Lake District and experience a region that has inspired painters, writers, and poets as you enjoy *la dolce vita*. Stay at the lovely Hotel la Palma, located in the lakeside town of Stresa on Lake Maggiore, which features breathtaking lake and mountain views.

Highlights Include

Lake Maggiore: Delight in visits to Isola Madre, Isola Bella, and Isola dei Pescatori. A private boat takes you to Isola Madre, the largest of the Borromean Islands, for a guided tour of the impressive English-style gardens, where exotic peacocks stroll amid lush flowerbeds. Extolled by writers for centuries, Isola Bella comprises a baroque villa with an astounding art collection and exquisite hanging gardens adorned by Greek and Roman statues. Other highlights during your stay in Stresa include an interactive cooking class of regional specialties, presentations on the gardens, arts, and contemporary life of the Lake District, and a day at leisure to explore independently.

Lake Orta: Take a walking tour of the lovely resort town of Orta San Giulio, then board a boat for the enchanting Isola San Giulio and its Romanesque basilica.

Lake Como: Enjoy time on beautiful Lake Como. Explore Bellagio's charming streets lined with pastel houses and villas built by the region's noble families. Enjoy lunch at a delightful lakeside restaurant and admire sweeping Alpine and lake vistas during a private boat ride to the town of Como.

Milan: See world-famous treasures during a day excursion to cosmopolitan Milan. Highlights include the Church of Santa Maria delle Grazie, a World Heritage site and home to Leonardo's *The Last Supper*; the museum at the legendary La Scala, Italy's opulent opera house; and the exquisite Duomo, a Gothic masterpiece.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.



Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Gail Cornell (May)—architectural historian. **Allan Langdale** (June)—art and architectural historian with expertise in Italy. **Pedar Foss** (Oct.)—professor of Classical studies.



Isola Bella, Lake Maggiore



Vernazza



Trulli in Alberobello

Northern Italy



15 days from \$6,374
Includes airfare, taxes, & all fees

Apr. 16–30, May 25–June 8,

Sept. 21–Oct. 5, Oct. 5–19, 2022 &

Apr. 19–May 3, May 24–June 7, 2023

Discover the diverse landscapes, culture, arts, and history of Italy's northern regions.

Highlights Include

Italian Lake District: Enjoy a delightful three-night stay in Stresa, situated along beautiful Lake Maggiore and nestled amid the lower Alps. From here, cruise to Isola Bella to tour the stunning 17th-century palazzo and extravagant gardens, and later, visit lovely Lake Orta.

Italian Riviera: En route to the Riviera, stop in Barolo for lunch and sample the “King of Wines.” From the resort town of Santa Margherita, visit charming Portofino and take a full-day boat excursion along the rugged coastline of the Cinque Terre, a World Heritage site, to explore some of its pastel-colored villages.

Florence and Tuscany: Travel to Florence where you'll stay in a restored 14th-century Franciscan convent and discover Renaissance treasures at the Accademia and Duomo. In Siena, explore the fan-shaped Piazza del Campo and striking cathedral.

Alpine Tyrol: Journey to Bolzano, gateway to the Dolomites, where highlights include breathtaking mountains and the archaeology museum (home to Ötzi the Iceman). Plus, stop in lovely Verona, renowned for its Roman arena and setting for three Shakespeare plays.

Venice: Enjoy a walking tour of St. Mark's Square and time at leisure.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.

Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Allan Langdale (Apr. 16)—art and architectural historian. **Trudy Harrington Becker** and **Andrew Becker** (May 25)—experts in Roman history, literature, and culture. **Gary Radke** (Sept.) and **Sheri Shaneyfelt** (Oct.)—art historians.

Italy's Apulia

A One-Week Stay in Polignano a Mare



9 days from \$4,490

Includes \$250 special savings

No single supplement

Special air rates available

Apr. 20–28, May 25–June 2, Sept. 14–22, Oct. 5–13,

Oct. 26–Nov. 3, 2022

Gaining new recognition, Italy's southeastern Apulia (or Puglia) is a magical landscape of ancient towns with unique architecture, diverse cultural sites, and outstanding culinary traditions. Explore this region during a one-week stay in Polignano a Mare, at the Hotel Covo dei Saraceni, perched on dramatic cliffs overlooking the Adriatic.

Highlights Include

Unique Trulli and Sassi: In Alberobello, walk amid iconic *trulli*, the whitewashed limestone buildings with conical roofs found nowhere else in the world. Named European Capital of Culture in 2019, Matera (located in nearby Basilicata), is home to the rock-hewn cave dwellings known as *sassi*. Experience this unique town during a walking tour and visit a cave house and rock church. Both the *trulli* and *sassi* are World Heritage sites.

Greek to Baroque Towns: Explore the presence of early Greeks and Romans at the archaeological site of Egnazia. Stop in Ostuni, with its white homes perched on the coastline, and take a tour of Trani, noted for its medieval fort, cathedral, and Jewish neighborhoods. And in Lecce, witness the town's minutely detailed baroque architecture.

Culture and Cuisine: Savor regional specialties and learn about culinary traditions at a family olive mill and local vineyard. Plus, hear about the rich cultural heritage, slow-paced lifestyle, and cuisine of Apulia from local speakers.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.

Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Adam Tanner (Apr.)—journalist. **Rebecca Schindler** (May)—professor of Classical studies. **John Dobbins** (Sept.) and **David Price Williams** (Oct. 5)—archaeologists. **Charles Ingrao** (Oct. 26)—historian.

Pearls of Croatia and Slovenia



15 days from \$6,184
Includes airfare, taxes, & all fees

Apr. 21–May 5, May 12–26, Sept. 8–22, Sept. 22–Oct. 6, 2022 &

Apr. 24–May 8, May 13–27, 2023

Situated along the exquisite Adriatic Sea and at the crossroads of Europe and the Balkans, Croatia and Slovenia showcase charming towns that reflect a blend of cultures, pristine parklands and coastlines, and many World Heritage sites.

Highlights Include

Lake Bled and Ljubljana: Surrounded by the Julian Alps and deep forests, and with a medieval castle perched on its shore, Slovenia's Lake Bled evokes a fairy-tale setting. After touring the castle, take a boat ride around this scenic lake. In the charming heart of Ljubljana, the nation's capital, enjoy a walking tour and time at leisure.

Zagreb and Environs: Your visit to Croatia's capital showcases the Old Town with the Gothic twin-spired Zagreb Cathedral, as well as Art Nouveau architecture from the Austro-Hungarian Empire. Later, explore Plitvice Lakes National Park, famous for its string of 16 turquoise-colored lakes connected by a series of dazzling waterfalls.

Istrian Peninsula: This alluring spit of land jutting into the Adriatic boasts an interesting history—from a vassal of Venice to part of the first Austro-Hungarian Empire, Fascist Italy, the Yugoslav Federation, and finally, Croatia. Highlights include Pula, with its Roman amphitheater; Rovinj, a charming Venetian port; and Opatija, once a resort of Habsburg princes.

Dalmatian Coast: Delight in the many treasures along this legendary coastline. In seaside Split, explore the city's core, comprised of the massive remains of Roman Emperor Diocletian's palace. On the island of Hvar, see the lingering influence of the Venetians in its 17th-century squares. Founded in the 7th century and reaching its zenith in the 15th and 16th centuries, Dubrovnik is often

called "the Pearl of the Adriatic." During a morning tour, walk along the famed city walls, whose original ramparts and bastions date to the 12th and 13th centuries. You'll visit the stately baroque Assumption Cathedral with its impressive Treasury, home to almost 200 reliquaries, and walk along the main thoroughfare of the Stradun to the Franciscan monastery with its 14th-century pharmacy. Enjoy a day at leisure to explore independently, then conclude with a special farewell dinner in the home of a local family, which overlooks the city.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.



Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Tim Blanning (Apr. 21) and **Christopher Brennan** (May 12)—historians with expertise in Europe.
Adam Tanner (Sept. 8)—journalist.



Lake Bled, Slovenia



Split, Croatia



Porto at sunset, Portugal

Lisbon to London: Cruising Europe's Western Shores

Aboard the 184-guest *Le Champlain*

A cruise offering from Smithsonian Journeys and PONANT



9 days from \$5,530*

Apr. 15–23, 2022

Experience centuries of history from the Roman era to the D-Day landings as you voyage along the coasts of Portugal, Spain, France, and England. Encounter a wide spectrum of architectural masterpieces, including Porto's sumptuous Stock Exchange palace and Frank Gehry's iconic Guggenheim in Bilbao. Trace the critical role of religion in European history at the pilgrimage site of Santiago de Compostela and the abbey of Mont St. Michel, and explore the events of World War II on the beaches of Normandy.

Highlights Include

Porto: Discover charming Porto, a 2,000-year-old city on the banks of the Douro River. Take a walking tour of the World Heritage-listed historic center, and visit a port lodge to learn about—and sample—the city's renowned port wine. Or take a deeper look at architectural gems such as the Church of São Francisco and the neoclassical Stock Exchange.

Santiago de Compostela: Take a guided walking tour of this historic Spanish city, the last stop on the Camino de Santiago pilgrimage route. Enjoy free time to visit its impressive cathedral, a World Heritage site, and gather for lunch in the beautiful Hostal de los Reyes Católicos, built by Ferdinand and Isabella to house pilgrims.

Bilbao: In Spain's Basque city of Bilbao, encounter a dynamic mix of old and new architecture, from stately baroque and Gothic buildings to avant-garde creations, including the Frank Gehry-designed Guggenheim Museum.

Brittany and Normandy: Venture to the walled city of Saint-Malo and get acquainted with its salty history—as a seafaring center and a safe haven for privateers. Or visit the World Heritage site of Mont St. Michel, a fortified abbey

that is one of the most iconic sites in France. In Caen, discover the legacy of William the Conqueror and his wife Queen Mathilde, or visit the beaches and hallowed sites associated with Normandy's historic D-Day landings.

Add a one-night extension in Lisbon.

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The Smithsonian Journeys/PONANT Experience

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San Sebastian

France and Spain's Basque Region

A One-Week Stay at the Parador de Hondarribia



9 days from \$4,790

Includes \$250 special savings / Special air rates available

Apr. 23–May 1, Sept. 10–18, Sept. 24–Oct. 2, 2022 &

Apr. 22–30, May 13–21, Sept. 16–24, 2023

Delve into the wide-ranging soul of the Basque region in both France and Spain. Settle in for a week and explore the cultural traditions of art havens and resorts as well as gem-like villages dotting the Bay of Biscay and nestled amid the Pyrenees. You'll reside in the seaside village of Hondarribia, with its charming medieval Old Town known as a Basque mecca for foodies, and be fully immersed in quintessential Spanish Basque culture.

Highlights Include

Spain: A walking tour of Hondarribia's Old Town provides insight into your home for the week. From here, it's easy to explore the Basque region. You'll venture to Bilbao to visit the renowned Guggenheim Museum, designed by architect Frank Gehry; explore nearby San Sebastian, a world-famous resort on the Bay of Biscay; and discover legendary Pamplona, a charming city located in the foothills of the Pyrenees.

France: Learn about the heritage of Bayonne, capital of the French Basque region and designated a "Town of Art and History." Spend time in the fashionable seaside resort of Biarritz and explore smaller gems in the shadow of the Pyrenees. Highlights include Espelette, where strands of red peppers adorn traditional Basque homes, and St. Jean Pied de Port, a crossroad for pilgrimage routes to Santiago de Compostela.

Culture and Cuisine: Meet with Spanish residents in Hondarribia and French residents in Sare to discuss Basque history and culture. Visit a wine cellar to learn about and taste local French vintages. Plus, savor delicious Basque cuisine, renowned for its blend of tradition and creativity. You'll have the opportunity to try out a *txoko*

(a Basque members-only dining society), a traditional cider house, and local *pintxos* bars and fine-dining restaurants.

Parador de Hondarribia: Enjoy a one-week stay at this historic upscale Spanish property. Located in the medieval center of Hondarribia, the fortified *parador* is also known as the Castle of Charles V and dates from the 10th century. Here, stone walls and public spaces decorated with tapestries and fine antiques remind guests of the *parador*'s storied past, while the terrace offers panoramic vistas of the bay.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.



Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Margaret Monnier (Apr. 23)—historian. **David Gies** (Sept. 10)—expert in Spanish language and literature. **Rafael Chacón** (Sept. 24)—art historian.

NEW

Prehistoric Caves of France and Spain



10 days from \$6,995

Oct. 8–17, 2022 &

May 6–15, Sept. 30–Oct. 9, 2023

Tucked into rolling countryside from southwestern France to Spain's northern coast lies a treasure trove of artifacts and art left by early humans tens of thousands of years ago. Gain insights into these Stone Age civilizations as you make your way from the stunning Dordogne region into the Basque country of France and Spain, exploring World Heritage-listed prehistoric sites both celebrated and little-known. Witness some of the oldest art in the world in caves from Lascaux to El Castillo, and marvel at the artistic skill and sensitivity of our early ancestors.

Highlights Include

Dordogne: Spend three days immersed in a fairy-tale landscape of spectacular karst cliffs and castles along the Dordogne River. Settle into the charming village of Les Eyzies-de-Tayac, built into the cliffs in the heart of the Vézère Valley, and take a walk among golden-stone, half-timbered houses in the medieval town of Sarlat-la-Canéda.

Cave Art: Visit a fascinating range of prehistoric cave art sites, from the celebrated caves of Lascaux IV and Altamira to lesser-known sites such as Font-de-Gaume and Puente Viesgo.

Local Archaeology Experts: Gain insights from leading archaeologists and anthropologists working in the field, who join us for private lectures and tours of important paleontological sites.

Atapuerca: Venture into the World Heritage site of Atapuerca with an archaeologist and learn about the incredible range of fossils and artifacts that continue to be unearthed here, including 1.2-million-year-old hominin fossils—the oldest ever found in Europe.

Basque Country: Explore the superimposed caves of Isturitz and Oxocelhaya in France's Basque region, and get acquainted with Basque culture during a free afternoon in Bilbao, the largest city in Spain's Basque country.

Unique Accommodations: Stay in a cliff-side village on the Vézère River, a historic monastery on Toulouse's main square, an 18th-century mansion in the heart of medieval Santillana del Mar, and a contemporary boutique hotel just steps from Frank Gehry's Guggenheim Museum in Bilbao.

Exceptional Cuisine: Try out Neanderthal cuisine during a prehistoric lunch and enjoy gastronomic dining experiences and excellent French and Spanish wines throughout your journey.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.

Smithsonian Journeys Expert

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Sarlat-la-Canéda



Atapuerca archaeological site





Lisbon



Santiago de Compostela Cathedral

Across Northern Spain and Portugal

Featuring Historic *Paradores* and *Pousadas*



17 days from \$6,674

Includes airfare, taxes, & all fees

Apr. 15–May 1, May 31–June 16, Sept. 16–Oct. 2, Oct. 4–20, Oct. 23–Nov. 8, 2022 &

Apr. 14–30, May 12–28, May 30–June 15, 2023

Join us for a fascinating journey from Lisbon across northern Spain to vibrant Barcelona. Highlights of this popular tour feature fortified cities and tiny fishing villages, rugged Atlantic coastline and commanding Pyrenees peaks, iconic shrines to both religion and fine art, and intimate lodgings in historic *paradores* and *pousadas*.

Highlights Include

Paradores and Pousadas: Enjoy stays in three distinctive inns, including a former palace built in 1742, a hospital for pilgrims built by King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella, and historic pilgrimage lodgings in the Pyrenees.

Lisbon and Porto: Discover the treasures of Lisbon, including the rococo-style Queluz Palace, and stop in the small fortified town of Obidos and seaside Nazare. In Porto, a World Heritage site, take a city tour and short cruise on the Douro River, and enjoy a winery tour and tasting of its famous fortified wine.

Santiago de Compostela: See this World Heritage site, considered the last stop on the celebrated Camino de Santiago pilgrimage route.

León and Bilbao: Encounter the architectural and historical heritage of León, with visits to its beautiful 12th-century cathedral and Casa Botines, a modernist structure designed by Antoni Gaudí. In Bilbao, stroll through the medieval Old City and see the cathedral, then tour the Guggenheim Museum, designed by Frank Gehry, and the Fine Arts Museum, with its rich collection of Spanish and Basque art.

Basque Country and the Pyrenees: Make stops in poignant Gernika (Guernica), the town razed during

the Spanish Civil War, and various seaside villages that reflect the Basque culture. Travel through the Pyrenees to Pamplona and Bielsa, where you'll visit an important national park.

Barcelona: Pay homage to native son and architect Antoni Gaudí at Casa Milà, Parc Güell, and his surreal cathedral, La Sagrada Família. Stroll through the Gothic Quarter and bustling Las Ramblas, and enjoy a day at leisure to explore this exciting city on your own.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.



Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Ana Afzali (Apr. 15) and **Dianne Konz** (Oct. 4)—experts in Spanish history, culture, and literature. **Stephen Clancy** (Sept.)—art historian with expertise in Europe.

Spain's Andalusia

A One-Week Stay in Antequera



9 days from \$4,290
Includes \$250 special savings
No single supplement
Special air rates available

*Apr. 28–May 6, May 12–20, Sept. 15–23,
Oct. 20–28, 2022*

Immerse yourself in the heart of Andalusia and explore the influence of Moorish, Christian, and Jewish cultures as reflected in its art and architecture, cuisine, and culture. Settle into the lovely white hill town of Antequera and the Parador de Antequera, ideal settings for exploring the region.

Highlights Include

Antequera: Take delight in this classic medieval town, where you'll also find the largest megalithic tomb in Europe, a 14th-century fortress that watches over the city, and more than 30 churches and cathedrals.

Granada, Seville, Ronda, Córdoba: Gaze at the elaborate Moorish design of Granada's Alhambra, a palace with ornate buildings, courtyards, and gardens. In Seville, admire the tile work at the Plaza de España and visit the immense Gothic cathedral and Alcázar. Explore the smaller towns of Ronda, dramatically perched on the El Tajo gorge, and Córdoba, with its grand La Mezquita (mosque) later transformed into a cathedral. And in Málaga, take in the art of native son Pablo Picasso at the Museo Picasso.

Cultural Traditions: Admire the passionate music and dance of flamenco and savor the region's culinary specialties, including a wine tasting.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.

Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Allen Fromherz (May) and **Margaret Monnier** (Oct.)—historians and **Rafael Chacón** (Sept.)—art historian, all with expertise in the Iberian Peninsula and the Islamic world.

Barcelona

A One-Week Stay in Spain



9 days from \$4,590
Includes \$250 special savings
Special air rates available

Apr. 23–May 1, May 14–22, Oct. 1–9, Oct. 8–16, 2022

Experience the essence of Barcelona, a Catalan jewel with stunning artistic and architectural wonders. Settle into the centrally located Renaissance Barcelona Hotel, savor traditional cuisine, and enjoy the lively ambiance of this cosmopolitan coastal city.

Highlights Include

History, Art, and Culture: Stroll through one of the most complete Gothic Quarters in Europe and visit El Born district, site of medieval jousting and trade guilds.

Antoni Gaudí & Other Modern Masters: Come to understand Gaudí's unique vision of Modernism during visits to La Sagrada Família and Parque Güell (together designated a World Heritage site). Also see buildings by other modern masters including the stunning Palau de la Música Catalana by Lluís Domènech i Montaner, a Moderniste concert hall and World Heritage site. Stop at Sant Pau Recinte Modernista, the largest Art Nouveau complex in the world.

Early Picasso: Explore sites connected to Picasso's early life and tour the Picasso Museum, a showcase for his formative art work.

Girona and Montserrat: Travel to medieval Girona, then continue to Figueres and the museum devoted to surrealist artist Salvador Dalí. Journey to the Benedictine monastery at Montserrat and sample famous sparkling cava in the Penedès wine region.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.

Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Beebe Bahrami (Apr.)—anthropologist and writer with expertise in Spain. **Michael Ryan** (May) and **Ana Afzali** (Oct. 8)—experts in Spanish history, culture, and literature.



Ronda Gorge



Parc Güell

Southern France and the Italian Riviera by Sea

From Barcelona to Civitavecchia Aboard the 184-guest *Le Champlain*
A cruise offering from Smithsonian Journeys and PONANT



9 days / See website for pricing*

Oct. 8–16, 2023

Climb aboard in Barcelona and sail the length of France's southern coast, dropping anchor to explore medieval villages, ancient Roman sites, and charming Provençal towns. Continue along the Italian Riviera to the picturesque villages of Cinque Terre, and explore gems of art and history in Tuscany on excursions to Pisa, Lucca, Florence, or Volterra. Make a final stop in the captivating cliff-top village of Bonifacio, Corsica before ending your voyage near Rome.

Highlights Include

South of France: Spend the day discovering the medieval walled city of Carcassonne, a World Heritage site that seems straight out of a fairy tale. Explore Aix-en-Provence, once home to Paul Cézanne; or take an excursion to Arles and Avignon. In Nice, visit museums dedicated to Marc Chagall and Henri Matisse. Alternatively, tour Monte Carlo or the hilltop medieval village of Eze.

Cinque Terre and Tuscany: Sail along the Italian Riviera to the picturesque fishing village of Portofino, and take a walking tour. View the tiny villages of Cinque Terre during a leisurely morning on the water. Then set off in private boats from Porto Venere to visit two of the villages—Monterosso and Vernazza; or spend a day in the historic Tuscan towns of Lucca and Pisa. Encounter revered Renaissance art in fabled Florence or visit Roman ruins and the Etruscan Museum in Volterra.

Bonifacio, Corsica: In the cliff-top fortress town of Bonifacio, venture into the labyrinthine streets of the medieval Citadel, or ride a local boat along coastal cliffs to impressive grottos.

Add a two-night extension in Barcelona or a two-night extension in Rome.

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Arles, France



Cinque Terre

Treasures of Southern Spain and Portugal

Featuring Historic *Paradores* and *Pousadas*



15 days from \$5,774

Includes airfare, taxes, & all fees

Mar. 24–Apr. 7, May 2–16, Sept. 10–24, Sept. 29–Oct. 13,

Oct. 8–22, Oct. 24–Nov. 7, 2022 &

Mar. 23–Apr. 6, Apr. 17–May 1, May 1–15, 2023

An exciting history of explorers and invaders is etched across the gentle landscapes of the Iberian Peninsula. Hilltop citadels, striking Roman sites, and elaborate cathedrals and palaces speak of the many cultures that graced southern Spain and Portugal.

Highlights Include

Paradores and Pousadas: Experience Iberia's history up close as you spend eight nights in distinctive inns, including a medieval monastery, 14th-century Moorish castle, stately Renaissance palace, and a medieval town hall overlooking a dramatic gorge.

Lisbon and Évora: Delight in Portugal's lively capital with visits to Belém Tower, the Jeronimos Monastery, and the Monument to the Discoveries, plus the National Palace in nearby Queluz. In the university town of Évora, a World Heritage site, explore the Roman and Moorish sites and enjoy spending time at your *pousada*, considered one of Portugal's finest.

Mérida, Seville, Córdoba: Crossing into Spain, stop in Mérida to see the impressive Roman theater, temple, and aqueduct. In Seville, a city known for colorful Spanish tile work, tour the large Gothic cathedral and the delicately ornate Moorish Alcázar (royal palace). Nearby Córdoba holds a rich legacy where Moorish, Christian, and Jewish cultures flourished, as reflected in your walking tour, which features the magnificent mosque.

Ronda and Granada: In tiny Ronda, perched dramatically on a bluff overlooking a plunging gorge, take a walking tour and enjoy time at leisure to discover the impressive Moorish architecture, spectacular views, and amenities of your *parador*. Then travel to Granada and the World Heritage site of the legendary Alhambra, a sprawling palace complex featuring the epitome of exquisite Moorish architecture and evocative garden design.

Toledo and Madrid: Feel the ambiance of medieval Toledo, the city of El Greco, as you discover the massive Gothic cathedral, exquisite synagogue, and other sites. In Madrid take a city tour featuring Plaza Mayor, the Moorish medieval district, and the opulent Royal Palace. Plus, enjoy a day at leisure to explore the city's museums such as the Prado and Reina Sofia Museum.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.

Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Ana Afzali (Mar. 24) and George Greenia (Sept. 10)—experts in Spanish history, culture, and literature. Joanne Ferraro (Sept. 29)—historian. Stephen Clancy (Oct. 8) and Marta Staudinger (Oct. 24)—art historians.



Mosque, Córdoba



Toledo



Portrait of Portugal

Cruising the Douro River Aboard the 132-guest *Amalia Rodrigues*



CRUISE



LAND

12 days from \$5,290 / Includes \$250 special savings
No Single Supplement / Special air rates available

May 20–31, Sept. 12–23, Sept. 26–Oct. 7, Oct. 3–14, 2022 &

May 20–31, Sept. 12–23, Sept. 26–Oct. 7, Oct. 3–14, 2023

Portugal is renowned for the Age of Discovery, Old World towns and centers of learning, *rabelo* (sail boats) loaded with casks of port plying the Douro, and distinctive blue *azulejos* (tiles). Encounter all this and much more during our land and river cruise program featuring seven nights aboard an intimate riverboat.

Highlights Include

Lisbon to Coimbra: Explore World Heritage sites in Lisbon, including the Jeronimos Monastery, renowned for its Manueline style of architecture, and the Tower of Belém, part of the city's defense system as well as a ceremonial gateway. Both sites also reflect the strong maritime impact of the Age of Exploration during the 15th and 16th centuries. You'll also see the modern Monument to the Discoveries, and later enjoy a performance of traditional Portuguese *fado* music. The next day, travel to the ancient town of Sintra to tour the palace, a medieval royal residence and World Heritage site, and the fishing village of Cascais and elegant resort of Estoril. After your drive to Coimbra, a center of fine arts and learning, tour the spectacular university library and the Royal Palace, including the Ceremonial Hall.

Cruising the Douro: In Porto, embark your riverboat and enjoy a selection of fascinating shore excursions. First, discover Porto during a walking tour or tram tour and savor a taste of the area's port wine. Then visit the town of Guimarães (a World Heritage site) or take a hike along the river. Cruise along the meandering Douro River to the Spanish border. From here, choose from two excursions that feature the glories of Salamanca. During two more

days on the river, explore historic sites and traditional towns and vineyards along the famous wine trail.

Amalia Rodrigues: This newly built ship features three decks, a spacious lounge with large picture windows, full-service restaurant, terrace, elevator, and spacious sun deck to enjoy the spectacular scenery of the Douro River valley.

Port charges are an additional \$395 per person. Space reserved for 25 Smithsonian Journeys guests. Learn more about both ships on our website.



Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Lawrence Butler (May 2022)—art historian,
Margaret Monnier (Sept. 12, 2022), and **Brian Catlos** (Sept. 26, 2022)—historians, all with expertise in the Iberian Peninsula.



Tower of Belém, Lisbon



Vineyards of the Douro

More Cruises in Spain

NEW

Cruising from Morocco to Spain's Andalusian Coast

8 days from \$4,530* / Apr. 20–27, 2023

Trace the legacy of the Moors from the ancient cities of Morocco to the shores of Andalusia on a new cruise offering from Smithsonian Journeys and PONANT. Visit our website for details.

View from the Alhambra, Granada

Cruising Southern Spain and Portugal

From Lisbon to Barcelona Aboard the 184-guest *Le Bougainville* or *Le Champlain*

A cruise offering from Smithsonian Journeys and PONANT



8 days from \$4,280*

May 3–10, Oct. 8–15, † 2022

Trace the Iberian coast from Lisbon along the southern shores of Spain, experiencing a rich cultural heritage. Discover the captivating cities of Andalusia, venturing into the World Heritage-listed Alcázar and Alhambra. Then sail to magnificent Mallorca to experience the lively seaside city of Palma. Encounter a wide range of architecture in sophisticated Valencia before concluding your voyage in Barcelona.

Highlights Include

Seville: Admire Mudéjar architecture on a tour of the 14th-century Alcázar, once the residence of Seville's Moorish and Spanish rulers. Enjoy a lunch of Andalusian tapas, then stroll through the charming Jewish quarter.

Granada: Spend an afternoon in splendid Granada, where the Moors left a priceless architectural legacy: the Alhambra. On a walking tour of the city, see the cathedral where King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella are buried. Take a private evening tour of the Alhambra and the beautifully landscaped Generalife Palace and Gardens.

Mallorca, Balearic Islands: Immerse yourself in the beauty of Mallorca, an island of idyllic coves, soaring limestone cliffs, and almond orchards and vineyards. Step into history in Palma de Mallorca, the cosmopolitan capital of the Balearic Islands, and discover its sandstone cathedral.

Valencia: Admire a wealth of architecture, visiting the 13th-century cathedral, home to paintings by Goya and Maella; the World Heritage-listed La Lonja de la Seda, a masterpiece of late Gothic architecture; and the modern creations of Santiago Calatrava. Enjoy a Valencian

specialty—paella—at a local restaurant, and stroll through the modernist Mercado Central, a gastronomic hub.

Add a one-night extension in Lisbon or a two-night extension in Barcelona.

**Pricing reflects a savings bonus ranging from 5% to 30%, based on the number of staterooms available at the time of printing. See our website for current pricing and details on the ship and deck plan. Book early for higher savings.*

*†The October departure will be aboard *Le Champlain* and run in reverse. Visit our website for details.*



The Smithsonian Journeys/PONANT Experience

Each cruise will feature two Smithsonian Journeys Experts and an included excursion or activity in each port of call. Our experts on this cruise include **Charles Ingrao** (May) and **Franklin Knight** (Oct.)—historians, and **Gail Cornell** (Oct.)—architectural historian.



Corfu, Greece



Dubrovnik, Croatia

Cruising the Dalmatian Coast and the Ionian Sea

From Venice to Athens Aboard the 184-guest *Le Jacques Cartier* or 244-guest *Le Lyrial*

A cruise offering from Smithsonian Journeys and PONANT



8 days from \$4,960*

June 28–July 5, 2022 &

Sept. 17–24, 2023†

Set sail from Venice's fabled waterways on an eight-day cruise along Croatia's island-studded coast to the Ionian Sea. Encounter six World Heritage sites in four countries as you explore the legacy of Greeks, Romans, Venetians, and Byzantines from Croatia's stunning Istria and Hvar to Dubrovnik and Montenegro's Gulf of Kotor. In Greece, experience magical Corfu and its intriguing history, and visit Delphi or St. Lucas Monastery before passing through the dramatic Corinth Canal on your way to Athens.

Highlights Include

Istria: Admire Venetian architecture and venture into a warren of enchanting lanes on a guided walking tour of Rovinj, built on a rocky island now connected to the mainland of Croatia's Istrian Peninsula.

Hvar: Step into history on beautiful Hvar on a walking tour of the 17th-century squares and monuments of Hvar town; or travel into the countryside to view a lavender field and enjoy an easy hike to the beach.

Dubrovnik: Enjoy a full day in exquisite Dubrovnik to see the famous landmarks of this iconic World Heritage-listed walled city.

Kotor: Sail into Montenegro's spectacular Bay of Kotor, surrounded by towering peaks, and tour the historic town of Kotor.

Corfu: On the Ionian island of Corfu, a retreat for royalty since the Roman era, take a walking tour of the Old Town, where French, British, Venetian, and Greek influences co-exist.

Delphi and the Corinth Canal: From the port of Itea, venture to the ancient site of Delphi, home to the mythical Oracle and considered by the Greeks to be the center of the world; or explore St. Lucas Monastery, a spectacular monument of Middle Byzantine architecture. Then make a thrilling passage through the dramatic Corinth Canal, an

ultra-narrow waterway that cuts through the rocky Isthmus of Corinth and is navigable only by small ship.

Add a two-night extension in Venice (2022 and 2023) or a one-night extension in Athens (2023).

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†The 2023 departure will be aboard the *Le Lyrial*, operate in reverse, and follow an alternate itinerary. Visit our website for details.



The Smithsonian Journeys/PONANT Experience

Each cruise will feature two Smithsonian Journeys Experts and an included excursion or activity in each port of call. Our experts on the June departure include **Aneta Georgievska-Shine**, an art historian, and **Dennis Romano**, a historian with expertise in medieval and Renaissance Europe and the Mediterranean. See our website for experts on the September departure.

A Circumnavigation of Sicily

Round-trip from Malta Aboard the 184-guest *Le Bougainville*

A cruise offering from Smithsonian Journeys and PONANT



8 days from \$4,870*

May 4–11, 2023

Step into antiquity as you cruise all the way around Sicily, discovering the extraordinary ruins of cities that flourished in the Greco-Roman era. On a voyage that begins and ends in Malta's walled capital, explore five World Heritage sites, including the ancient Greek cities of Agrigento and Syracuse. Sample Sicilian wines on the slopes of Mount Etna, and enjoy a range of excursions to choose from along the way.

Highlights Include

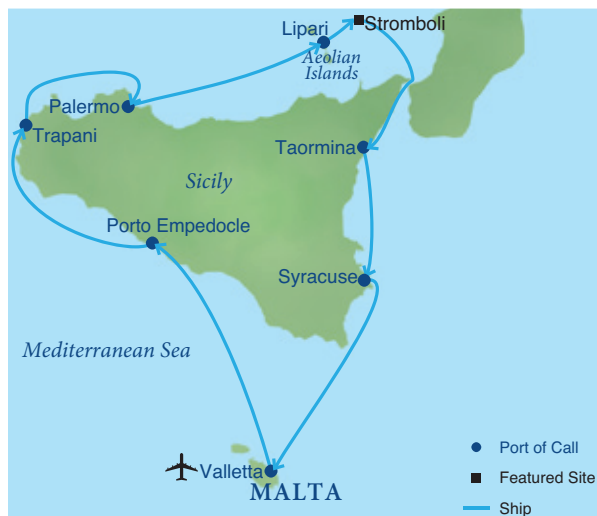
Valletta, Malta: Sail out of and into one of Europe's most stunning harbors, the fortified city of Valletta. Enjoy a chance to see its baroque architecture on your own before boarding the ship, and be on deck to photograph the golden-hued city as you cruise towards Sicily.

Sicily, Italy: Encounter captivating towns and important archaeological sites as you circumnavigate Sicily. Explore the ancient temples of Agrigento, a powerful city in antiquity and now a World Heritage site. See the impressive ruins at Segesta, visit medieval Erice, and admire the mosaics in Palermo's Norman cathedral. Delve into the lively bustle of Taormina, and sample local wines on the slopes of Mount Etna. Make a final stop in Syracuse to stroll amid the stunning architecture of Ortigia.

Lipari and Stromboli, Italy: Tour the Aeolian Island of Lipari, and visit the Aeolian Archaeological Museum to see an excellent exhibit of ancient artifacts. Then cruise by Stromboli in the evening, watching for activity from its active volcano.

Add a one-night extension in Malta.

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The Smithsonian Journeys/PONANT Experience

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Cefalù, Sicily





Mykonos



Santorini caldera

Cruising the Greek Islands of the Southern Aegean

Round-trip from Athens Aboard the 184-guest *Le Jacques Cartier*, *Le Bougainville*, or *Le Champlain*
A cruise offering from Smithsonian Journeys and PONANT



8 days from \$4,760*

July 5–12, Sept. 1–8, 2022 &

July 12–19, Oct. 22–29, 2023†

Strung like gems across the turquoise Aegean, the Greek Isles are legendary for their beauty. Delve into the Classical world and see important World Heritage sites from Patmos to Delos on a voyage to three different island groups: the Dodecanese, the Cyclades, and the Saronics. Along the way, explore delightful villages, get acquainted with local life, and immerse yourself in spectacular scenery.

Highlights Include

Patmos: Explore the World Heritage site of Patmos, from the Greek Orthodox Monastery of St. John, built in 1088 and still inhabited by monks, to the Cave of the Apocalypse, where St. John is said to have received his vision for the Book of Revelations.

Symi and Amorgos: Enjoy a day on gem-like Symi, strolling through its brightly painted villages and taking in views of the spectacular coast. On Amorgos, take a guided tour of the incomparable Chora and the cliffside Monastery of Hozoviotissa, or learn about local life on a visit to an olive oil producer and a traditional Cycladic home where essential oils are distilled.

Santorini and Folegandros: Be on deck to enter the spectacular harbor of Santorini, a natural caldera with towering volcanic walls. Then spend the afternoon exploring the secluded beaches and whitewashed villages of Folegandros.

Delos and Mykonos: In Delos, the mystical birthplace of Apollo and Artemis, tour the evocative ruins of early temples and mansions, an amphitheater, and the legendary Terrace of the Lions. Enjoy an afternoon at leisure to explore nearby Mykonos, which epitomizes the beauty of the Greek Isles.

Hydra: Encounter stunning stone architecture and a rich maritime history on a guided tour of Hydra, an island where no motor vehicles are allowed.

Add a one-night extension in Athens.

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†The 2023 departures will follow an alternate itinerary. Visit our website for details.



The Smithsonian Journeys/PONANT Experience

Each cruise will feature two Smithsonian Journeys Experts and an included excursion or activity in each port of call. Our experts on this cruise include **Diane Harris Cline** (July 5), an expert in the classics, archaeology, and history, and **Peter Bobrowsky** (July 5), a highly respected geologist. **Al Leonard** (Sept.), an archaeologist with expertise in cross-cultural connections in the Mediterranean, and **Nancy Harmon Jenkins** (Sept.), an author with expertise in Mediterranean cuisine.

Classical Greece



14 days from \$6,992

Includes airfare, taxes, & all fees

May 17–30, Aug. 25–Sept. 7, Sept. 6–19, Sept. 13–26, Oct. 11–24, 2022 &

Apr. 18–May 1, May 2–15, 2023

Trace the spark of Greek genius—from the Cycladic and Minoan civilizations to the Classical era—that blossomed in the Aegean and left an indelible mark on our heritage.

Highlights Include

Athens and Delphi: Gaze upon the grandeur of the Parthenon and the Acropolis and see important artifacts at the Acropolis Museum and the National Archaeological Museum. At nearby Delphi, explore the ancient Sanctuary of Apollo, where the oracle presided over the ancient world; walk the marble Sacred Way; climb to the ancient theater; and visit the superb museum.

The Peloponnese: Travel south to the magnificent archaeological sites of Mycenae and Epidaurus, both World Heritage sites. Epidaurus is home to the Sanctuary of Asklepios and its 2,300-year-old theater known for perfect acoustics. Linked to Homer's epics, Mycenae features the Tomb of Agamemnon and the Lion's Gate. Enjoy time at leisure during an afternoon in Nafplion, a gem of a Venetian-Byzantine town, and a day on the nearby island of Hydra, a car-free Saronic island that exudes a traditional old way of life and boasts charming waterfront cafés. Other highlights include ancient Corinth and the Corinth Canal.

Crete and Santorini: Fly to Crete, where you'll explore ancient Knossos—the political center of Minoan civilization and legendary home of King Minos, the Labyrinth, and the Minotaur—and visit the the superb archaeological museum. Take a high-speed ferry to spectacular Santorini, where you'll tour the archaeological site of Akrotiri, once a flourishing Bronze Age Minoan town. Enjoy time at leisure

in the towns of Thira and Oia.

Cultural Experiences: Visit a winery and olive oil factory, and enjoy exploring traditional towns at leisure with their seaside cafés and taverns.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.



Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Bella Vivante (May 17/Aug.)—classicist with a focus on Homer, oral traditions, Greek drama, and the role of women. **Veronica Kalas** (Sept. 6/Oct.)—art historian and field archaeologist with expertise in classical studies. **Ismini Miliarexis** (Sept. 13)—classical archaeologist.

Oia, Santorini





Segovia, Spain



Paris, France



London, England



Greek Isles



Dordogne, France



Iceland's southern coast



Italian cuisine



Kraków, Poland



Strasbourg, France

More Ways to Explore Europe

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The Life and Times of Winston Churchill
Apr. 24–30, Oct. 2–8, 2022

France's Dordogne River Valley
May 19–26, Sept. 8–15, 2022

Smithsonian at the Cannes Film Festival
May 21–29, 2022

Paris: The African American Experience
Apr. 23–May 1, Aug. 27–Sept. 4, 2022

Culture and Cuisine of Italy
*A Tailor-Made Journey handcrafted just for you.**

Segovia: A One-Week Stay in Spain
Apr. 19–27, May 17–25, Sept. 6–14, 2022

Cruising the Rhine and Moselle: A Family Journey
July 3–14, 2022

Kraków: A One-Week Stay in Poland
June 5–13, Aug. 21–29, 2022

Athens and the Greek Isles
*A Tailor-Made Journey handcrafted just for you.**

Glaciers and Geysers of Iceland's Southern Coast
*A Tailor-Made Journey handcrafted just for you.**

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Active Journeys in Europe

Explore Europe on an Active Journey that combines the Smithsonian's educational enrichment with long walks or hikes. Stay in top-notch accommodations, travel with experienced Adventure Guides, and learn from local experts along the way. See more Active Journeys in the Americas on pages 74 and 76.



Vernazza, Cinque Terra

Walking the Camino de Santiago Spain's Historical Pilgrimage Route

11 days from \$6,595

May 11–21, Sept. 21–Oct. 1, Oct. 12–22, 2022

For over a thousand years, pilgrims have hiked the Camino de Santiago across northern Spain, one of the most important Christian pilgrimage routes during the Middle Ages. Walk along those same trails yourself, from Pamplona to Santiago de Compostela. Along the way, experience ancient villages and dramatic landscapes of Spain's mighty Basque region, where nature and history are revered, and local wine and cuisine are cherished.

Highlights Include

The Pilgrimage Route: From the charming foothills of the Pyrenees, hike nearly 41 miles of the Camino's most scenic sections, averaging five miles per day of low-impact hiking through pastoral landscapes and ancient villages.

Storied Cities: Enjoy guided tours of historic cities and towns frequented by pilgrims, including Pamplona, Burgos, León, Lugo, and Bilbao, some of which are home to important cathedrals and World Heritage sites.

Santiago de Compostela: Your journey concludes by hiking into Santiago de Compostela, arriving at the legendary cathedral where you can reflect on your experience, and if you wish, attend a Pilgrim Mass. While here, stay two nights at the Parador de Santiago de Compostela, built to accommodate pilgrims, first as a royal hospital in 1499 and later as a hotel.

Gastronomic Traditions: Indulge in authentic Galician flavors where recipes and culinary traditions have been passed on through generations as you dine in family-owned restaurants.

Limited to 20 Smithsonian Journeys guests. Daily hikes from 4 to 8 miles.

Hiking Along the Italian Riviera Featuring the Cinque Terre

9 days from \$5,995

May 8–16, June 5–13, Sept. 11–19, 2022

For centuries, writers, artists, and travelers have been drawn to the Italian Riviera for its charming pastel-colored villages and traditional lifestyle. Join us for this tour, where moderate hikes take you from one seaside village to another, revealing breathtaking views around every turn.

Highlights Include

The Cinque Terre: Soak up the ambiance of the Cinque Terre, a World Heritage site, during a day of hiking along coastal paths with panoramic views of the sea. From Monterosso, hike through citrus orchards to Vernazza, taking time to admire this beautiful village. Continue to Corniglia and pause for a picnic lunch. Later, take a leisurely walk through the vineyards of Manarola where a sommelier provides insight into the region's wine culture.

Riviera Hikes: Take a ferry to the island of Palmaria to hike to its peak and enjoy a view of the Gulf of Poets, then continue by boat to the colorful fishing village of Porto Venere. During a hike from Santa Margherita Ligure, admire panoramic views of Portofino and the Gulf of Paradise. Take a morning ramble through olive groves from Noli to the hamlet of Varigotti, following a route along the Pilgrim's Path that offers dramatic views of rocky cliffs, sandy beaches, and Saracens Bay.

Cultural Insights: Listen to a local expert discuss the region's influence on British poets. During a walking tour of Genoa, learn about the city's fascinating history and powerful families. Enjoy a cooking class featuring local specialties, attend a presentation about Ligurian cuisine and wine by a food expert, and savor local wines at a tasting.

Limited to 20 Smithsonian Journeys guests. Daily hikes from 2 to 5 miles.



Standing Stones of Callanish



Coast of the Dingle Peninsula

Hiking Scotland's Hebrides and Highlands

10 days from \$6,995

May 12–21, Aug. 4–13, Sept. 22–Oct. 1, 2022

Embrace mountain hikes and leisurely coastal walks in Scotland's Hebrides and Highlands amid landscapes that evoke poignant stories and clan history. Step back in time as you walk up to ancient standing stones and iconic castles, meet weavers and distillers, and take in breathtaking views of the Isle of Lewis and Harris, the Isle of Skye, and the Cairngorm Mountains.

Highlights Include

The Hebrides: On the Isle of Lewis and Harris, a coastal walk links the Callanish Standing Stones with a broch house and the blackhouse village. Among other hikes, travel a historic coast-to-coast trail from the rocky east to the sandy western beaches and enjoy glorious coastal views in all directions. Along the way, meet a local weaver of Harris tweed, learn about the island's cultural history, and watch for golden eagles, otters, seals, and whales. On the Isle of Skye, experience the dramatic Red and Black Cuillin mountain ranges up close during a hike through Glen Sligachan.

The Highlands: Enjoy a leisurely cruise of Loch Ness and explore the remains of Urquhart Castle, situated along its shore. Later, take in the romantic Eilean Donan Castle and sip some Scotch at a historic distillery. In Cairngorms National Park, hike a variety of trails that take you through ancient Caledonian pinewood forests and offer views of castles and wildlife. During your rambles, you'll also discover historic sites, a sculpture trail, and an outdoor folk museum that traces Highland life through the centuries.

Limited to 16 Smithsonian Journeys guests. Daily bikes from 1 to 5 miles.

Hiking the Emerald Isle

11 days from \$6,895

July 3–13, Aug. 7–17, 2022

Blend vigorous tramps with insightful cultural visits along Ireland's west coast—on the Dingle Peninsula, Killarney, the Aran Isles, and Connemara—where the traditional Irish language is still spoken and the music is ever present. With your small group, walk along pristine beaches, dramatic coastal cliffs, and rugged mountainous areas, explore historic sites, and meet with local people along the way. And at night, warm Irish hospitality, lively music, a tasty pint, and genuine Irish *craic* await you at local pubs.

Highlights Include

Hiking Dramatic Landscapes: Hike along the windswept Gap of Dunloe and climb narrow mountain passes in Killarney National Park. Spend two days on the Dingle Peninsula and hike the Dingle Way, often considered one of the most beautiful walks in the world. On the Aran Isle of Inis Mór, you'll walk to a stone fort situated on a 325-foot cliff overlooking the Atlantic, offering spectacular views. Farther north, hike the quartzite mountain of Diamond Hill in Connemara National Park and learn about the flora and fauna of the coastline.

Historic Sites and Local People: En route to County Kerry, stop in Kilkenny, a medieval city celebrated for its arts and crafts. During your hikes, see prehistoric ogham stones, an ancient fort, and Kylemore Abbey with its Victorian walled gardens, and travel through Killarney's lakes by boat to visit historic Ross Castle. You'll also stop at quaint fishing villages and old abandoned cottages, meet a goat farmer, and learn about modern seaweed foraging from a local expert.

Limited to 20 Smithsonian Journeys guests. Daily bikes from 2 to 7 miles.



The Americas

Alaska's Natural Wonders



11 days from \$7,697

May 31–June 10, July 8–18, Aug. 5–15,

Aug. 30–Sept. 9, 2022 &

May 30–June 9, 2023

Experience the natural wonders of Alaska during this unique journey featuring three important national parks. From Denali to Wrangell-St. Elias to Kenai Fjords, feel the excitement of seeing bountiful wildlife, majestic snow-covered mountains, and dramatic glistening glaciers. Plus, gain a better understanding of the Alaskan way of life from insightful visits in Anchorage and along your journey.

Highlights Include

Denali National Park: Enjoy Alaska's dramatic scenery from a train window as you travel from Anchorage to Denali. The centerpiece of this six-million-acre preserve is Denali, America's tallest peak. Traveling deep into the park (to Eielson Visitor Center), your expert ranger talks about all that you'll encounter: the landscape of forests, alpine tundra, and snow-covered mountains, and wildlife such as grizzly bear, moose, and caribou that you'll likely see along the road. Plus, enjoy an easy walk through the tundra.

Wrangell-St. Elias National Park: Journey by coach to remote Chitina, then board a prop plane for the half-hour scenic flight to this isolated park. At 13.2 million acres, Wrangell-St. Elias is the largest park in the U.S. and a World Heritage site. Settle deep within the rugged wilderness, home to some of North America's highest mountains and largest collection of glaciers. You'll don crampons for a half-day hike out to icefields, cascading waterfalls, and deep canyons and spend time exploring Kennecott, once a bustling copper mine.

Seward and Kenai Fjords National Park: Travel through the Chugach National Forest en route to Seward. From here, an exciting day cruise of Kenai Fjords National Park features close-up views of glaciers and pristine fjords, along with plenty of marine wildlife, such as whales, harbor seals, and sea lions; as well as bears, mountain goats, and moose along the shore; and memorable puffins and other species of birds.

Anchorage: Learn more about the Alaskan experience in Anchorage during visits to the Alaska Native Heritage Center, the Anchorage Museum with its Smithsonian Arctic Studies Center, and the Wildlife Conservation Center, plus a city tour featuring the historic downtown area.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.

Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Patty Hostiuck (May 31)—highly respected naturalist. **Carola Stearns** (July)—field geologist and geophysicist. **Jim Reynolds** (Aug. 5) and **Wayne Ranney** (Aug. 30)—experts in natural and Earth sciences.



Grizzly bear



Sawyer Glacier





Bald eagle



Traditional totem



Alaska's Glaciers and the Inside Passage

A Cruise from Vancouver to Juneau

Aboard the 300-guest *Star Breeze*



8 days from \$4,995

Special savings of up to \$1,800 available

July 14–21, 2022

Join us for an adventure of a lifetime as you experience the magnificent natural wonders and mosaic of cultural traditions of Alaska during our popular small-ship cruise featuring southeast Alaska and the Inside Passage.

Highlights Include

Dramatic Landscapes: Explore scenic treasures, from coastlines near Vancouver to tiny Elfin Cove in the north. Venture through narrow straits and into the heart of Tracy Arm and Endicott Arm, where sheer cliffs rise thousands of feet. Listen to the thunder of large ice calving into the water at South Sawyer Glacier and Dawes Glacier and see their iconic icebergs up close on naturalist-led expeditions.

Wildlife: As nature unfolds before you, take delight in watching hundreds of harbor seals basking on icebergs, a pod of whales feeding off the ship's bow, and Steller sea lions and sea otters in the water. Look to the sky to see bald eagles soaring overhead, plus myriad other birdlife, including guillemots and Arctic terns. You may even spot brown bears hunting for fish on nearby banks.

Cultural Experiences: In Ketchikan, visit a recreated Native Alaskan village with totem poles and clan houses at Potlatch Totem Park. Sitka is laden with the art and history of its Tlingit culture and 19th-century Russian fur-trading era. Converse with Tlingit artisans in Sitka National Historical Park, where trails are lined with intricately carved totem poles, and watch a master carver during an exclusive demonstration. Marvel at priceless Russian Orthodox icons in the onion-domed St. Michael's Cathedral. And get up close to eagles, hawks, and falcons at the Alaska Raptor Center.

Port charges are an additional \$280 per person. Space reserved for 60 Smithsonian Journeys guests. Learn more about the Star Breeze on our website.

Smithsonian Journeys Expert

Scott Burns—highly respected geologist.



Caribou and Denali mountain

NEW

Alaska

A One-Week Stay in Anchorage and Denali National Park



8 days from \$6,090

Includes \$250 special savings

Aug. 6–14, Aug. 27–Sept. 4, Sept. 3–11, 2023

The majestic landscapes of Alaska harbor a wealth of wildlife as well as a vibrant cultural heritage derived from its indigenous peoples and from its history as a destination on the American frontier. In Anchorage, focus on the ancient traditions and everyday life of native Alaskans. Then enjoy two full days to explore Denali National Park and Preserve on hikes, wilderness tours, and a variety of optional activities. Ride a scenic railway back to Anchorage and end your trip with a wildlife cruise amid the glaciers of Prince William Sound.

Highlights Include

Anchorage: Delve into Alaska's rich indigenous cultures on a private tour and presentation at the Smithsonian Arctic Studies Center, a branch of the Natural History Museum housed within the Anchorage Museum. Then get a firsthand look at local culture at the Alaska Native Heritage Center, a living museum that celebrates Native crafts, dance, storytelling, and everyday life.

Talkeetna: Once a supply stop for steamers, lively Talkeetna is now home to art galleries, breweries, and charming boutiques. Take a guided tour of the Talkeetna Historical Society, or head to the Mountaineering Ranger Station to learn about the history of climbing Denali, formerly known as Mount McKinley.

Denali National Park and Preserve: Set out with a naturalist on guided wilderness excursions, venturing deep into the boreal forests and vast, untamed tundra where bears, moose, wolves, caribou, and Dall sheep roam. Gain insights into the history and geography of the region during a talk by a local mountain climber or naturalist, and choose

from a host of activities such as fly-fishing, river rafting, or flightseeing during a free day in the park.

Alaska Railroad: Take in the views from a glass-domed car as you journey from Denali to Anchorage, and learn about the flora and fauna and passing sites from an onboard expert.

Prince William Sound: Visit the Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center to hear about efforts to protect Alaska's endemic creatures; then set sail amid glacier-topped peaks on a cruise of wildlife-rich Prince William Sound.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.



Smithsonian Journeys Expert

See our website for the expert on these departures.

A Voyage Along the Great Lakes

From Toronto to Milwaukee Aboard the 184-guest *Le Bellot*
A cruise offering from Smithsonian Journeys and PONANT



8 days from \$7,710*

Sept. 18–25, 2022 &

Aug. 28–Sept. 4, Oct. 9–16, 2023

Straddling the shores of the United States and Canada, the Great Lakes are a freshwater treasure trove of wild islands, unusual geology, and legendary waterfalls. Their intriguing heritage is woven from American Indian culture, French colonists and the fur trade, and maritime traditions. Make your way through four of the five Great Lakes, discovering a wealth of natural wonders and historic sites.

Highlights Include

Niagara Falls: Cross Lake Ontario and transit the Welland Canal, known for its 1,377-foot lock, one of the world's longest. At legendary Niagara Falls, ride a boat right up to the spray; then enjoy a leisurely cruise on Lake Erie.

Georgian Bay: Navigate the “Ten Thousand Islands” of Lake Huron’s Georgian Bay on a local cruise. Or venture into Killbear Provincial Park, a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve, to discover beaches, lush forests, and unusual geology.

Manitoulin Island: On the world’s largest freshwater island, learn about local First Nations traditions at the Ojibwe Cultural Foundation, hike the Cup and Saucer Trail for sweeping views at the height of autumn colors, or kayak through wetlands on Kagawong River.

Sault Ste. Marie: See the spectacular falls at Tahquamenon Falls State Park and trace maritime history at the Great Lakes Shipwreck Museum. Or discover the engineering marvel of the Soo Locks, explore an authentic freighter at the Museum Ship Valley Camp, and navigate the locks on a local cruise.

Mackinac Island: Tour this timeless island in a horse-drawn carriage, viewing the iconic Grand Hotel and visiting Fort Mackinac, a 19th-century army outpost; then cruise Lake Michigan to Milwaukee.

Add a one-night extension in Toronto.

**Pricing reflects a savings bonus ranging from 0% to 30%, based on the number of staterooms available at the time of printing. See our website for current pricing and details on the ship and deck plan. Book early for higher savings.*



The Smithsonian Journeys/PONANT Experience

Each cruise will feature two Smithsonian Journeys Experts and an included excursion or activity in each port of call. Our experts on the 2022 departure are geologist and author **Kirt Kempter** and **Frederick Stonehouse**, a historian with expertise in American maritime history, specifically the Great Lakes.



The spectacular Niagara Falls



Mission simulation, International Space Station



Banff National Park

Smithsonian at Space Academy



SPECIALTY

5 days from \$4,495

Mar. 6–10, Nov. 6–10, 2022 &

Mar. 5–9, 2023

In collaboration with the renowned U.S. Space & Rocket Center, a Smithsonian Affiliate, we invite you to travel to Huntsville, Alabama for a VIP and hands-on experience focused on the history and future of space exploration.

Highlights Include

Special Speakers and Mission Leaders: Partner with a former astronaut who will train your group and share insights for your missions. Participate in daily discussions and attend a panel discussion with NASA emeritus scientists and engineers who have worked on the most important projects in the history of the space program.

Behind the Scenes: Explore the nearby Marshall Space Flight Center, the largest NASA center and home of the U.S. government's rocketry and spacecraft propulsion research. Visit historic rocket launch testing sites and the Payload Operations and Integration Center—the NASA facility that oversees scientific operations on board the International Space Station.

Space Academy Activities: Participate in classic Space Academy activities, including group missions that simulate a lunar shuttle launch and address the challenges of surviving on Mars. The adventurous have the option to try out the astronaut training simulators, featuring the spinning Multi Axis Trainer and the Aviation Challenge Flight Simulators. You'll also build and launch your own model rockets and take part in a stargazing session led by USSRC staff.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.

Smithsonian Journeys Enrichment

Astronauts **Hoot Gibson** or **Mike Foreman** will lead teams of 10–16 travelers. Scientists and speakers from the U.S. Space & Rocket Center, including former NASA engineer **Homer Hickam** or **David Hitt** will provide further educational insight. (Please note that speakers are subject to change.)

The Northern Rockies

Featuring Glacier, Banff, and Jasper National Parks



LAND

11 days from \$6,391

Includes airfare, taxes, & all fees

June 20–30, July 4–14, Aug. 24–Sept. 3, 2022

Discover some of the most spectacular landscapes of the northern Rocky Mountains during leisurely hikes and drives through Glacier, Banff, and Jasper National Parks—all World Heritage site parks.

Highlights Include

Glacier National Park: Drive along the Going-to-the-Sun Road, famous for its breathtaking landscapes and wildlife. Hike along St. Mary Lake, which showcases the divide between the Great Plains and the Rocky Mountains. And in Whitefish, Montana, you'll go hiking, visit a nature center, and enjoy vistas from the mountain summit.

Banff National Park: Take a hike along emerald Lake Louise, often called the "Jewel of the Canadian Rockies." Journey to the Columbia Icefield for a once-in-a-lifetime "ice coach" tour of Athabasca Glacier. Other highlights include a gondola ride to the top of 8,000-foot Sulphur Mountain, overlooking the town of Banff, and a drive along Tunnel Mountain Road where you'll see the Banff Hoodoos and Bow Falls.

Jasper National Park: Explore the geological marvel of Maligne Canyon and enjoy a cruise on cerulean Maligne Lake, the largest glacially formed lake in the Canadian Rockies. Later, drive along the Columbia Icefields Parkway, which parallels the Continental Divide and features dramatic landscapes and wildlife such as bear, moose, elk, and mountain goat. You'll also stop at the Glacier Skywalk, a transparent-bottomed observation deck suspended nearly 1,000 feet above the valley floor.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.

Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Carola Stearns (June)—field geologist and geophysicist.
Martin Magne (July/Aug.)—expert in the history, archaeology, and anthropology of Canada.



Yosemite National Park



Grand Canyon National Park

Treasures of Yosemite



7 days from \$4,875

June 11–17, June 25–July 1, Sept. 17–23, 2022

Yosemite National Park is home to some of the most magnificent scenery in the American West. During leisurely hikes, discover imposing sequoia trees, towering cliffs, expansive vistas, and cascading waterfalls that comprise this World Heritage site, located in northern California.

Highlights Include

Classic Sites: Walk amid the giant sequoias of Mariposa Grove, home to some 500 giant trees hundreds of feet tall. Then travel into the heart of Yosemite to witness the classic features of El Capitan, Half Dome, and Sentinel Peak. For many, Half Dome is the park's signature landmark, with walls etched by vertical joints and the trails of past glaciers. Take off on the best hikes based on weather and trail conditions, which may include Bridalveil Fall and Lower Yosemite Falls.

John Muir and Ansel Adams: Learn about the legacies of the important naturalist and photographer and their roles in preserving California's Sierra Nevada. Plus, hear about conservation efforts to protect the park's majestic character and visit the Pioneer History Museum.

Yosemite's High Country: Drive over Tioga Pass Road and take easy hikes with incredible views of the valley below or explore Hetch Hetchy Valley. Depending on weather, highlights could include Mono Lake, Tuolumne Meadows, Tenaya Lake, and Olmsted Point. Hike to Wapama Falls along a quiet trail leading to the 1,000-foot two-part cascade.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.

Smithsonian Journeys Expert

See our website for the expert on these departures.

Bryce, Zion, and the Grand Canyon



10 days from \$4,595

Apr. 20–29, Aug. 31–Sept. 9, Oct. 5–14, 2022 &
Apr. 19–29, 2023*

Enjoy an overview of the natural wonders of three of America's most iconic national parks, all in one tour through Arizona and Utah.

Highlights Include

Sedona: Travel through the beautiful desert landscape from Phoenix to Sedona, known for its towering red sandstone formations. Explore this dazzling landscape during an exciting off-road jeep excursion.

Grand Canyon National Park: This World Heritage site stretches nearly 300 miles through the Arizona desert. Witness truly awe-inspiring vistas of banded layers of rock that rise to plateaus and bluffs thousands of feet overhead, while the mighty Colorado River rushes below. Beyond the park, walk through Upper Antelope Canyon, and later, observe soaring sandstone cliffs up close during a float trip on the Colorado River. Learn about the canyon's cultural and geological history during almost three days here.

Bryce Canyon National Park: Gaze in wonder at a stunning array of hoodoos, the legendary rock formations dramatically sculpted by erosion. Learn about the park's unusual geology at the visitor center and enjoy the day to walk or hike where you wish.

Zion National Park: Spend a day exploring the diverse landscapes of this wondrous park, including deserts, forests, rivers, canyons, buttes, and natural arches. Take a guided hike to observe the sandstone cliffs ranging from cream to pink and rusty red, then explore at leisure.

*Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests. *The 2023 departure will follow an alternate itinerary. Visit our website for details.*

Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Patty Hostiuck (Apr. 20)—highly respected naturalist.
Allen Glazner (Aug./Oct.)—geologist and professor.

Yellowstone in Winter



6 days from \$5,150

Dec. 31, 2022–Jan. 5, 2023 &
Jan. 24–29, Feb. 7–12, 2023

When winter comes, Yellowstone National Park is transformed into a snowy wonderland. Wildlife is easier to spot and the park is open only to vehicles that can travel on snow, keeping the crowds at bay. Discover this national treasure from the comfort of heated snow coaches, and explore by snowshoe and on foot.

Highlights Include

Mammoth Hot Springs: Stay in the historic Mammoth Hot Springs Hotel, and take walks among Mammoth's travertine terraces edged in snow and ice. Enjoy the opportunity to photograph this ethereal site without the daytime crowds.

Wildlife: Spend a day with naturalists in the wild expanse of the Lamar Valley, watching for bison, elk, pronghorns, and perhaps wolves; and learn about the effort to reintroduce wolves to the valley. Meet with wildlife photographers Dan and Cindy Hartman to hear their tales from many years of exploring Yellowstone and photographing its creatures.

Geysers, Waterfalls, Mud Pots, and Mineral Pools: Take in extraordinary views of the Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone and the ice created by its waterfall. Watch Old Faithful erupt, spraying the landscape with frozen mist, and explore the surrounding wilderness by cross-country ski or snowshoe.

Montana's Paradise Valley: Immerse yourself in the splendor of Montana's Paradise Valley on a scenic drive along the Yellowstone River, and soak in the therapeutic waters of Chico Hot Springs.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.

Smithsonian Journeys Expert

See our website for the expert on these departures.



Coyote

Yellowstone and the Tetons

150th Anniversary of Yellowstone National Park



7 days from \$5,195

Aug. 14–20, Sept. 13–19, 2022

Discover the wonders of Yellowstone, America's first national park, and nearby Grand Teton National Park as you enjoy leisurely walks or more strenuous hikes, learn about geology, and observe plentiful wildlife.

Highlights Include

Yellowstone National Park: Watch for bears, bison, bald eagles, coyotes, and elusive wolf packs in the wildlife-rich Hayden Valley and Lamar Valley, often called the "American Serengeti." Learn about geology as you marvel at the awesome Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone; and walk around the geysers, hot pools, and mud pots at Norris Geyser Basin, Old Faithful, and Mammoth Hot Springs. You'll also visit with renowned landscape and nature photographer Dan Hartman at his home studio.

Grand Teton National Park: Enjoy a calm-water float trip along the Snake River, offering spectacular vistas and wildlife viewing. Take a boat ride across jewel-like Jenny Lake and visit the National Museum of Wildlife Art. Plus, enjoy the lively town of Jackson during your two-night stay.

Lodgings: Spend two nights at a hotel located on the banks of the Yellowstone River in Gardiner; two nights at a lodge within Yellowstone National Park; and two nights at an upscale boutique property just a short walk from the heart of downtown Jackson.

Limited to 18 Smithsonian Journeys guests.

Smithsonian Journeys Expert

See our website for the expert on these departures.

More Yellowstone Trips

Yellowstone and the Tetons for Families

7 days from \$5,195 (adult) & \$4,160 (child)

July 3–9, July 11–17, July 31–Aug. 6, 2022



Bison in Yellowstone National Park



Mesa Verde



Arches National Park

NEW

Pueblo Culture and History

Mesa Verde, Chaco Culture, Canyon de Chelly, and Pueblo of Acoma



LAND

8 days from \$4,975

Apr. 23–30, May 7–14, Oct. 8–15, 2022

For over 2,000 years, the Ancestral Puebloan people occupied a vast region of the Colorado Plateau in the Southwest's Four Corners area. Here, they built highly sophisticated communities on mesa tops, canyons, and cliffs, where they carried out ceremonies, agriculture, and trade. Learn about the traditions, legends, and archaeological finds of Mesa Verde National Park and Chaco Culture, both World Heritage sites, and other significant sites of the Southwest during this tour.

Highlights Include

Durango's Center for Southwest Studies: View rare and historic artifacts from the center's private collections.

Mesa Verde National Park: Some 600 cliff dwellings have been recorded at this ancient site, including the famous multi-story Cliff Palace with 150 rooms. Learn about this impressive ancestral site and visit several of the significant dwellings.

Chaco Culture National Historical Park: Witness this remarkable site, renowned for its monumental public buildings and distinctive architecture, especially the ancient urban ceremonial center.

Canyon de Chelly National Monument: Hike into this unique and jointly managed park. Then take a full-day, four-wheel-drive excursion to Fortress Rock and Antelope House with a Navajo guide who shares ancient and modern insights.

Pueblo of Acoma: Visit Sky City, built on top of a mesa and the oldest continually inhabited site in North America.

Limited to 20 Smithsonian Journeys guests.

Smithsonian Journeys Expert

See our website for the expert on these departures.

Hiking Canyon Country in Utah and Colorado



ACTIVE

7 days from \$4,495

Sept. 30–Oct. 6, Oct. 22–28, 2022 &

Apr. 8–14, Apr. 22–28, 2023

Straddling the border of Utah and Colorado, the red-rock country of the American West is home to spectacularly sculpted landscapes and a rich cultural legacy. Set off on a hiking adventure in four national parks and monuments for a closer look at the region's natural and human history.

Highlights Include

Canyonlands National Park: Hike through the 1,000-foot-high mesa known as Island in the Sky and the unusual Needles District, which bristles with striped rock pinnacles. Learn about the park's ancient residents while examining the petroglyphs of Newspaper Rock State Historic Monument.

Arches National Park: Spend a day exploring the awe-inspiring rock formations of Arches National Park. Follow short trails to iconic sites such as Delicate Arch, Balanced Rock, Landscape Arch, and the Windows.

Bears Ears National Monument: Enjoy the expertise of a seasoned guide as you explore this undeveloped protected area. Hike through juniper forests and among wild red rock formations and high plateaus, and encounter ancient rock art.

Mesa Verde National Park: This UNESCO World Heritage site protects some of the best-preserved archaeological heritage of the Ancestral Puebloan people. Get a glimpse into this fascinating culture on guided walks to some of the 600 cliff dwellings that were built into crevices and ledges many centuries ago.

Limited to 16 Smithsonian Journeys guests. Daily hikes from 4 to 6 miles.



The MMT at the Harvard | Smithsonian Whipple Observatory



Observatory at Haleakala, Maui

Astronomy in Arizona

Behind the Scenes with Smithsonian



SPECIALTY

5 days from \$3,690
Includes \$250 special savings
Special air rates available

May 1–5, Oct. 23–27, 2022

Few places on Earth offer better opportunities to study astronomy than the ultra-clear skies of southern Arizona. Join us on an intergalactic journey and discover for yourself an infinite array of celestial phenomena during hands-on telescope viewing, in-depth lectures, and tours of some of the world's great centers for astronomical research.

Highlights Include

Exclusive Access: Gain special insight during a VIP visit to the Center for Astrophysics | Harvard & Smithsonian's Fred Lawrence Whipple Observatory. This four-story structure high atop Mt. Hopkins includes offices, workshops, and computer labs that rotate with the impressive MMT telescope during nightly observations. Lower down on the Ridge, get to know the astronomers and staff during a special dinner at the Astronomers' Quarters, who then join you for night sky viewing through small telescopes.

Engineering, Technology, and Manufacturing: Take a private tour of the University of Arizona Richard F. Caris Mirror Lab to learn about the production of the most advanced giant telescope mirrors in the world.

Active Stargazing: Ascend more than 9,000 feet to Mt. Lemmon SkyCenter (part of the University of Arizona Steward Observatory), to take part in an exclusive night of astronomy. Here, you'll view planets, stars, and galaxies through the center's 32-inch Shulman telescope, the largest publicly dedicated telescope in the Southwest. You'll also learn how to photograph stars and planets and use sky charts to view the night sky.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.

Smithsonian Journeys Expert

David Aguilar (both dates)—astronomer, author, and former director of public affairs at the Harvard & Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics.

Astronomy and Natural Wonders of Hawai'i



SPECIALTY

9 days from \$7,995

Apr. 28–May 6, Sept. 21–29, Oct. 19–27, 2022

Discover the wonders of the universe and marvel at Earth's immense geological forces and the undersea world during this unique tour of the Hawaiian islands of Maui and Hawai'i.

Highlights Include

Astronomy: On Maui, visit an important observatory on the summit of Haleakala where an array of astronomical cameras, telescopes, and computing facilities search the sky for new asteroids, comets, and other celestial objects. You'll also take a stargazing cruise with an astronomer. On the island of Hawai'i, learn about distant planets, star clusters, and galaxies in a location of unmatched clarity for sky viewing as you look through a powerful telescope into the night sky. Later, trace the history of Hawaiian celestial navigation during a curator-led tour of the Imiloa Astronomy Center. And, pending final confirmation, visit Smithsonian's Submillimeter Array, high atop Mauna Kea.

Geology and Natural History: Spend a day with a resident geologist on the Big Island, exploring Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park and learning about its ongoing volcanic activity. Plus, take a walk in the North Kohala backcountry, known for its waterfalls and breathtaking views. On Maui, explore the moon-like crater, endemic plants, and native birds at Haleakala National Park.

Marine Biology: Join a marine biologist on a private tour of the Maui Ocean Center. You'll also see green sea turtles along a black-sand beach on Hawai'i.

Limited to 22 Smithsonian Journeys guests.

Smithsonian Journeys Expert

Richard Wainscoat (all dates)—astronomer at the University of Hawai'i who works with the Pan-STARRS telescope atop Haleakala.



Tenorio National Park



Perito Moreno Glacier

NEW

Costa Rica

Rainforests, Volcanoes, and the Pacific Coast



8 days from \$4,995

Dec. 10–17, 2022 &

Jan. 14–21, Feb. 11–18, 2023

Step off the beaten path in Costa Rica's northwestern Guanacaste province, exploring remote river canyons, private wetlands, and some of the country's newest national parks and refuges. Spot wildlife on boat tours, hikes, and a walk across hanging bridges, and cap off your stay on the pristine beaches of the Papagayo Peninsula.

Highlights Include

Rio Perdido: Settle into bungalows nestled in a lush river canyon, and enjoy two days to explore the area's forests and thermal hot springs. Hike to a lookout to see Guanacaste's volcanic peaks, soak in mineral pools and natural springs, and opt for a zip-lining or tubing adventure.

Arenal Volcano and Tenorio National Park: In Arenal National Park, hike across lava-sculpted landscapes or to breathtaking La Fortuna waterfall. Explore the rainforests of Tenorio Volcano, and experience the jungle canopy on hanging bridges. Visit the newly established Tapir Nature Reserve, and learn about its importance from a wildlife expert.

Hacienda El Viejo Wetlands: Glide through Hacienda El Viejo Wetlands in covered boats, watching for a wide range of water birds as well as monkeys and crocodiles, and visit the hacienda to learn about local *sabanero*—or cowboy—culture.

Papagayo Peninsula: Stay at a beachfront hotel and enjoy a day to snorkel or sea kayak, relax at the beach, and stroll through the town of Playa Hermosa.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.

Smithsonian Journeys Expert

See our website for the expert on these departures.

Hiking Through Patagonia

Featuring Los Glaciares National Park



11 days from \$6,995

Oct. 25–Nov. 4, Nov. 29–Dec. 9, 2022 &

Jan. 21–31, Feb. 18–28, 2023

Join us for an exciting trip to Argentina to hike the dramatic mountainous landscapes of Los Glaciares National Park, a World Heritage site. From lodges in both the northern and southern areas of the park, you'll follow trails that offer breathtaking views of snowcapped peaks, pristine glacial lakes, and imposing glaciers, and learn about the region's natural wonders along the way.

Highlights Include

Mt. Fitz Roy in the North: Choose from hikes that take you to the base of the dramatic, granite massif Fitz Roy and the beautiful glacial lake at the base of the famed Cerro Torre, as well as more remote trails around Lago del Desierto.

Estancia Stay in the South: Get a true taste of rural Patagonian hospitality during a stay at a historic ranch. Enjoy a choice of activities as you immerse yourself in the gorgeous surroundings. As you hike through the beech forest to glacial Laguna Azul, watch for guanacos, rheas, black-necked swans, and other creatures. If you wish, you can even ride with gauchos across the Pampas plains of this vast ranch. You'll also savor delicious meals during your stay, including a traditional asado or Argentine barbecue.

Other Natural Wonders: Hike out to La Leona Petrified Forest to examine ancient fossils. Spend your last full day at Perito Moreno Glacier, one of the largest and most active glaciers in the world, where you'll enjoy a boat trip and guided walk along the base of this commanding glacier.

Limited to 16 Smithsonian Journeys guests. Daily hikes from 2 to 5 miles.

Patagonian Explorer

Argentina and Chile by Land and Sea

Featuring a Four-Night Cruise Aboard the 210-guest *Ventus Australis*



16 days from \$9,882 / Includes airfare, taxes, & all fees

Nov. 4–19, Dec. 6–21, 2022 &

Jan. 7–22, Feb. 8–23, Mar. 12–27, 2023

Follow in the footsteps of intrepid explorers as you travel to the southernmost tip of South America. From the bustling cities of Buenos Aires and Santiago to the dramatic vistas of Torres del Paine and the Patagonian channels, explore by land and sea and gain insight into the natural and cultural elements of this breathtaking region.

Highlights Include

Buenos Aires: Capture the essence of Argentina's cultural capital during visits to well-known neighborhoods, including La Boca, San Telmo, and Palermo, plus the Colón Opera House and a premier tango house.

Cruise of the Patagonian Channels: From Ushuaia, sail for four nights aboard the expedition ship *Ventus Australis*. Cruise the Strait of Magellan and the Beagle and Murray Channels. Watch for sea lions and Antarctic fur seals as you cruise to Cape Horn National Park and take a guided walk at the sheltered Wulaia Bay. Plus, observe an immense colony of more than 120,000 Magellanic penguins at Magdalena Island.

Torres del Paine National Park: Enjoy two days exploring this World Biosphere Reserve, renowned for its mountain peaks, glaciers, turquoise lakes, rushing rivers, and thunderous waterfalls.

Santiago: In this sophisticated Chilean capital, visit the Museum of Pre-Columbian Art, discover the old port city of Valparaíso, and attend a private winery tour and tasting. Plus, enjoy meeting gracious Santiago families when you are dinner guests in their homes.

***Ventus Australis*:** Cruise for four nights aboard a comfortable expedition ship, featuring indoor and outdoor lounges, an all-inclusive bar, and a dining room offering flavorful cuisine. Plus, an expert expedition team provides Zodiac excursions. Find more details on our website.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.



Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Patricia Hostiuck (Feb.)—naturalist with a background in biology and geography. **Don Wilson** (Nov./Mar.)—senior scientist and curator emeritus at Smithsonian's Natural History Museum.



Torres del Paine National Park



Red macaw



Panama Canal lock



Panama and Costa Rica by Sea

From Colón to Puerto Caldera

Aboard the 184-guest *Le Bellot*

A cruise offering from Smithsonian Journeys and PONANT



CRUISE

8 days from \$4,540*

Feb. 11–18, 2023

Discover the rare tropical ecosystems of Panama and Costa Rica on a voyage that features a full daylight transit of the Panama Canal. Venture to Panama's pristine Caribbean islands, then cross the historic canal to the Pacific Coast. Smithsonian's scientists have conducted research on tropical ecology in Panama since 1910, in part to prepare for the opening of the canal. Gain insight from today's scientists on an exclusive visit to the Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute's Punta Culebra Nature Center. Then visit Darién National Park before cruising to Costa Rica to explore the tropical habitats of Quepos.

Highlights Include

San Blas Islands: Go snorkeling among coral reefs, walk white-sand beaches, and meet the indigenous Kuna people in this remote archipelago.

Panama Canal and Panama City: Make a full daylight transit of the Panama Canal, one of the greatest wonders of engineering in history. Then take a guided tour of the Biomuseo, designed by architect Frank Gehry. The museum's interactive biodiversity exhibitions were created by scientists from the Smithsonian Institution and the University of Panama. Enjoy lunch and a walking tour in the charming colonial center of Casco Antiguo.

Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute: Visit the Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute's Punta Culebra Nature Center, an open-air museum dedicated to marine science and conservation. On a specially arranged tour guided by Smithsonian staff, hear about the latest studies, observe marine species up close, and explore the unique flora and fauna of the tropical dry forest.

Darién National Park: Within this World Heritage-listed park, ride Zodiacs to a traditional village of the indigenous Emberá people, who have maintained their timeless lifestyle. Learn about their rich culture from their excellent craftwork to their music and dance traditions.

Costa Rica: Explore the flora and fauna of stunning Manuel Antonio National Park, where the rain forest borders a pristine white beach. Or choose to take a mangrove boat ride or a float trip down the Savegre River.

Add a three-night extension in Costa Rica.

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The Smithsonian Journeys/PONANT Experience

Each cruise will feature two Smithsonian Journeys Experts and an included excursion or activity in each port of call. See our website for the experts on this departure.



Pitons, St. Lucia

Cruising the Caribbean's Windward Islands

From St. Lucia to Bridgetown Aboard the 184-guest *Le Dumont-d'Urville*

A cruise offering from Smithsonian Journeys and PONANT



9 days from \$4,690*

Feb. 25–Mar. 5, 2023

An arc of jewel-like islands separating the Caribbean Sea from the Atlantic, the Windward Islands offer much more than a tropical beach paradise. From the lush rain forests of Dominica to a French fortress in Guadeloupe and the World Heritage-listed architecture of Barbados, discover history, culture, and natural wonders as we make our way across the eastern Caribbean. Sail by catamaran to remote islands in St. Vincent and the Grenadines, and enjoy plenty of opportunities to swim and snorkel or dive amid colorful reefs and rich marine life.

Highlights Include

Dominica: Experience the lush beauty of the Caribbean's "Nature Island" on a hike to spectacular viewpoints, a boat ride through the enchanting tangled forests along the Indian River, or a tour and tasting at a family-owned chocolate factory.

Les Saintes: In this mostly uninhabited French archipelago, home to the superb Baie des Saintes, go island-hopping in a local boat, watching for wildlife and swimming and snorkeling in pristine waters. Or choose an outing by glass-bottomed kayak or a visit to a historic French fortress with incredible island views.

Bequia and Mayreau: On a jeep tour, explore the lively town of Port Elizabeth and the 18th-century Hamilton Fort; and visit a turtle sanctuary to hear about efforts to raise and release endangered hawksbill turtles. Or set off on a catamaran cruise. During a day on tiny Mayreau, stroll along the beach, go swimming and snorkeling, and enjoy a beach barbecue.

Grenada and Tobago Cays Marine Park: Discover the "Spice Isle" of Grenada, visiting a nutmeg cooperative and a rum distillery and exploring Grand Etang National Park. Then head for the turquoise lagoons of Tobago Cays Marine Park for excellent snorkeling and diving.

World Heritage sites: Experience the dramatic, jungle-clad peaks of St. Lucia's Pitons and the colonial architecture of Bridgetown in Barbados.

Add a two-night extension in St. Lucia.

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Andean woman portrait



The enigmatic Machu Picchu



Legendary Peru

World of the Inca and Machu Picchu



LAND

11 days from \$5,187

Includes airfare, taxes & all fees

May 16–26, Sept. 21–Oct. 1, Nov. 28–Dec. 8, 2022 &

Mar. 20–30, May 15–25, 2023

A land of spellbinding archaeological, cultural, and natural treasures, Peru offers a memorable travel experience. During this popular tour, view spectacular Inca sites and artifacts, learn firsthand about contemporary life from local residents and skilled artisans, and sample the unique flavors of Peru.

Highlights Include

Lima: Your Peruvian odyssey begins with a tour of colonial Lima, highlighted by a visit to the renowned Larco Herrera Museum, whose stellar collection features pre-Incan ceramics.

Sacred Valley: Spend two nights in the Sacred Valley, situated beneath the towering Andes, as you acclimate to the elevation. From here, visit the awe-inspiring Inca ruins at Ollantaytambo. Plus, gain insight into the local culture by attending a native ceremony and stopping at the colorful Indian market at Pisac and the farming village of Chinchero.

Machu Picchu: Absorb the beauty and mystery of the “Lost City of the Incas” as you walk amid this enigmatic World Heritage site with an expert during morning and afternoon visits. Staying in Aguas Calientes, you’ll arrive early to view the site with the early morning sun bathing the stones in an evocative light—the ideal time to explore, before the crowds appear.

Cusco: An archaeological hub of the Americas, Cusco is the continent’s oldest continuously inhabited city and a World Heritage site renowned for its combination of Inca and Spanish colonial structures. Visit the important Pre-Columbian Art Museum and see the massive ruins of Sacsayhuaman, an Inca citadel, plus the sacred Inca site of Korikancha and Spanish colonial Church of Santo Domingo. Enjoy warm hospitality and a traditional meal in the home of a local family.

Lake Titicaca: Travel through the rugged altiplano, with its snowcapped Andean peaks, small villages, and herds of llama, to Lake Titicaca. Board a boat to the island of Los Uros and meet the bowler-hatted Uros people living on islands made of reeds.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.

Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Paul Goldstein (May 16)—anthropologist and **Bill Sapp** (Sept.)—archaeologist and anthropologist, both with expertise in Andean South America. **Regina Harrison** (Nov.)—expert in the language and literature of South America.



Zafiro



Squirrel monkey

Amazon River Cruise

Featuring Lima and a Round-trip Cruise from Nauta Aboard the 36-guest *Zafiro*



9 days from \$5,295

Includes \$1,000 special savings

Oct. 8–16, Oct. 22–30, 2022 &

Feb. 4–12, Mar. 11–19, 2023

Exploring the mysterious Amazon River Basin—one of Earth's most exotic natural realms and our planet's largest rain forest ecosystem—is an unforgettable and once-in-a-lifetime experience. Witness a spectacular variety of lush flora and extraordinary fauna during daily expeditions by excursion boat and nature walks. As you discover this enthralling world of verdant tropical waterways and rain forests, learn about the relationship the local villagers have with their environment as well as the critical global issues of biodiversity and sustainability.

Highlights Include

Lima and Iquitos: Tour the historic center of Peru's capital city, a World Heritage site, and vibrant Iquitos, an important rubber boom city in the 19th century.

River Exploration: In an authentic atmosphere of exploration, cruise past the confluence of the Río Ucayali and Río Marañón—the legendary inception of the Amazon River—where the primeval calls of birds and wildlife echo across the rain forest. Far removed from civilization, cross into the Pacaya-Samiria Reserve, the largest wetlands refuge in the world. Here, cruise along sinuous tributaries and serpentine blackwater rivers and see rare indigenous wildlife as well as the *Victoria amazonica* waterlilies, which can grow nine feet in diameter.

Tropical Wildlife: Gain close-up views of gray and pink Amazon River dolphins, red howler and squirrel monkeys, monk sakis, sloths, and other animals. Walk through forests where the number of butterfly species climbs into the thousands, and see colorful large-billed toucans, blue-and-gold and scarlet macaws, kites, hawks, jabiru storks, and the distinctive hoatzin.

River Villages: Visit villages along the shore, accompanied by your local guides. You'll learn about the *riberleño* people who live here and their special relationship

with the Amazon, meet a local shaman who explains indigenous medicinal plants, and watch preparations of a traditional meal.

Zafiro: Launched in 2015, this deluxe small river ship is ideal for traveling on the Amazon, given its modern comforts (including air-conditioned cabins), spacious public areas, and superb service. The delightful top deck features a lounge with floor-to-ceiling windows, which serves as a hub for lectures, while the outdoor bar is ideal for stargazing. Find more details on our website.

Port charges are an additional \$395 per person. Space reserved for 36 Smithsonian Journeys guests.



Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Nina Zitani (Oct. 8) and **Jesus Rivas** (Oct. 22)—highly respected naturalists with expertise in biodiversity and conservation.



Galápagos tortoise



Galápagos sea lions



Galápagos Islands

A Voyage Aboard the 48-guest *La Pinta*



9 days from \$7,995
Includes \$1,000 special savings

May 12–20, June 23–July 1, July 21–29, Oct. 27–Nov. 4, 2022

The Galápagos Islands comprise a mysterious landscape of wonder, beauty, and the most unusual wildlife found anywhere on Earth. Wake up to new vistas each day—cruising to seven of the Galápagos Islands, including rarely visited western islands. You'll learn about this fascinating World Heritage site, where Darwin developed his research on evolution, from a highly qualified and diverse team of experts.

Highlights Include

Unique Wildlife: Watch the antics of blue-footed boobies and observe the beauty of Nazca boobies, flamingos, and frigate birds. Along sparkling white-sand beaches, get up close to sea lions, seals, Sally Lightfoot crabs, iguanas, penguins, giant land tortoises, and other amazing wildlife in their native habitat. Learn about efforts to protect the rare giant tortoises at the Charles Darwin Research Station.

Featured Islands: Enjoy a day in an area that is rarely visited—the Western Galápagos Islands. Cruise through the Bolivar Channel, offering stunning views of the volcanic peaks of Isabela and Fernandina Islands. Your time at seahorse-shaped Isabela features snorkeling along the cliffs and searching the northern shores for wildlife. Isabela is also known for its orca whale and dolphin populations and land iguana and tortoises. Then continue to the moon-like landscapes of Fernandina, which showcases one of the densest concentrations of wildlife in the archipelago. You'll also call at Floreana, one of the first islands to be settled by European whalers and buccaneers; the small Champion Islet, known for its sea horses, coral hawkfish, and other aquatic wonders; and Baltra Island.

Active Adventure: Throughout your voyage, discover the islands through nature walks, kayaking, snorkeling, swimming, or excursions by glass-bottom boat.

***La Pinta*:** Cruise for six nights aboard our small, upscale expedition-style ship, featuring a fleet of Zodiacs and everything you need to explore the islands. Our vessel is the ideal size—allowing ample exploration of the islands while offering an intimate experience. Find more details on our website.

Guayaquil: Discover Ecuador's cosmopolitan port city with a visit to its historic city center.

Space reserved for 21 Smithsonian Journeys guests.

Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Pepper Trail (May)—ornithologist, photographer, and writer.

Jesús Rivas (June)—naturalist with expertise in biodiversity and conservation.

Brent Garry (July)—noted geologist.

Machu Picchu and the Galápagos



16 days from \$9,693

Includes airfare, taxes, & all fees

Apr. 2–17, May 7–22, June 4–19, July 16–31,

Aug. 27–Sept. 11, Sept. 24–Oct. 9, 2022 &

Feb. 25–Mar. 12, Mar. 18–Apr. 2, May 6–21, 2023

South America is home to many unique and amazing sites, and this popular tour features two of its most important cultural and natural treasures—the World Heritage sites of Machu Picchu and the Galápagos Islands. Journey first to Cusco and the Sacred Valley to learn about ancient Inca culture and ascend into the Andes where you'll experience the enigmatic site of Machu Picchu. Then immerse yourself in the fascinating world of the Galápagos Islands for three magical days and explore the unique wildlife that Charles Darwin encountered during the early 1800s.

Highlights Include

Cusco and the Sacred Valley: Venture to the World Heritage site of Cusco, where you'll visit the Museum of Pre-Columbian Art, as well as Sacsayhuaman, and meet a local family during a traditional meal. Come to understand the Inca culture, both past and present, during excursions to Pisac, Chinchero, and Ollantaytambo.

Machu Picchu: Explore the stunning “Lost City of the Incas” as your small group moves nimbly throughout the site. By staying overnight nearby at the Belmond Sanctuary Lodge, you'll experience Machu Picchu without the crowds—allowing you to feel its true spirit.

The Galápagos Islands: Witness Darwin's theories of natural selection in a fascinating landscape during an exciting three-night stay on Santa Cruz Island. Here, settle into a beautiful hotel in the lush highlands and visit a family to see and learn about the giant Galápagos tortoises. Explore other islands, including North Seymour and Santa Fé, during excursions on a privately chartered yacht.

Active Adventure: Experience the natural wonders of the Galápagos while swimming and snorkeling and during nature walks and boat rides.

Wildlife: In addition to giant Galápagos tortoises, observe sea lions and iguanas, reefs teeming with colorful fish, and sea birds such as blue-footed and red-footed boobies, Nazca boobies, frigate birds, and perhaps the Galápagos hawk.

Limited to 19 Smithsonian Journeys guests.

Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Bill Sapp (Apr.) and **Anita Cook** (June/Sept.)—archaeologists with expertise in the Inca Empire and other ancient societies in Andean South America. **Don Wilson** (May 7)—senior scientist and curator emeritus at Smithsonian's Natural History Museum. **Regina Harrison** (July)—expert in the language of the Incas and Latin American literature. **Jim Reynolds** (Aug.)—expert in natural and Earth sciences.



Machu Picchu



Blue-footed booby





Banff National Park, Canada

More Ways to Explore North America

Find details—including full itineraries, special savings, photo galleries, and more—for these additional tours (and others!) in North America at SmithsonianJourneys.org.

African American Culture in the Lowcountry

6 days from \$4,895

Nov. 13–18, 2022

Delve into the compelling histories of African American culture in the Lowcountry of South Carolina and Georgia. Curated visits provide a deeper interpretation of family histories, the experiences and accomplishments of those who lived through slavery, and insight into the Gullah Geechee cultural heritage.

Discovering Hawai'i

*A Tailor-Made Journey handcrafted just for you.**

Suggested itinerary: 13 days from \$5,400 (Self-Drive)

Immerse yourself in the natural splendor of Hawai'i as you explore four islands, venturing to emerald jungles and volcanic peaks and experiencing the islands' history and cultural heritage firsthand.

Cliffs and Canyons of the American Southwest

*A Tailor-Made Journey handcrafted just for you.**

Suggested itinerary: 9 days from \$3,900 (Self-Drive)

Discover the highlights of the American Southwest from the gorges of Zion to the sandstone pinnacles of Sedona, exploring national parks and natural treasures on guided walks and hikes that suit your pace.

Along the Alaska Railroad

*A Tailor-Made Journey handcrafted just for you.**

Suggested itinerary: 8 days from \$4,375

Get acquainted with the culture and character of Alaska—and its magnificent landscapes—on a journey from Fairbanks to Anchorage aboard the Alaska Railroad that includes three days in Denali National Park and Preserve.

San Francisco and Yosemite

*A Tailor-Made Journey handcrafted just for you.**

Suggested itinerary: 6 days from \$2,425 (Self-Drive)

Explore two of northern California's most treasured places on a short journey that will have you discovering San Francisco's lively neighborhoods and hiking incomparable Yosemite with private guides.

Vancouver to the Canadian Rockies by Rail

*A Tailor-Made Journey handcrafted just for you.**

Suggested itinerary: 12 days from \$4,470

Discover the highlights of Vancouver and then board a train with glass-domed sightseeing cars for a scenic ride into the Rockies. Encounter the drama and splendor of the Canadian Rockies on a journey to Jasper, Yoho, and Banff National Parks.

**Tailor-Made Journeys are private, customized experiences designed for you and your spouse or traveling companions. Visit SmithsonianJourneys.org/Tailor-Made or call 855-215-8690 to plan your journey.*



Antelope Canyon, Arizona



Alaska Railroad



Yosemite National Park, California



Savannah, Georgia



Snorkelling Hawai'i



Africa & the Middle East

African Safari

South Africa, Botswana, Zambia, and Victoria Falls



14 days from \$8,984 / Includes airfare, taxes, & all fees

Apr. 3–16, May 22–June 4, July 17–30, Aug. 17–30,

Sept. 21–Oct. 4, Oct. 30–Nov. 12, 2022 &

*Apr. 2–15, June 4–17, 2023**

This Smithsonian Journeys “Top 10” tour is truly the trip of a lifetime! Enjoy thrilling game drives in search of the “Big Five,” marvel at magnificent Victoria Falls, and discover Lower Zambezi National Park by guided canoe and sunset river cruises. Plus, stays in deluxe lodges add to your safari experience.

Highlights Include

Victoria Falls Private Game Reserve: During three days at this World Heritage site, experience the thundering falls with its 300-foot-deep gorge. Look for hippo, elephant, crocodile, and the elusive rhino in the surrounding jungle and from the deck of a “sundowner” dinner cruise boat on the Zambezi River. And, on an exhilarating tour of the iconic Victoria Falls Bridge, learn about its construction from atop the catwalks.

Botswana’s Chobe National Park: With 7,000 square miles of protected land, this park features an exceptional array of wildlife. During your three-day stay, take early morning game drives and boat safaris that provide abundant opportunities to view the wildlife, including the world’s largest elephant population (120,000), along with zebra, lion, giraffe, impala, and wildebeest, and some of the park’s 450 species of birds.

Zambia: From your 14-room luxury lodge on the banks of the Zambezi River, enjoy two days of game viewing in Lower Zambezi National Park, along with guided canoe trips, bushwalks, boat safaris, and sunset river cruises. The park is known for its elephant herds and large lion prides, plus buffalo, antelope, impala, zebra, and leopard.

South Africa: Learn about the history of South Africa during a special tour of Johannesburg’s Soweto. You’ll see the former home of Archbishop Desmond Tutu, visit Nelson Mandela’s home and the Hector Pieterse Museum (a monument to the Soweto Uprising), and meet a local Sowetan who shares stories of contemporary life in this township.

*Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests. *The 2023 departures will follow an alternate itinerary. Visit our website for details.*

Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Grant Nel (Apr. 3/May/Sept.) and **Patty Hostiuck** (July)—noted naturalists. **Don Wilson** (Aug.)—senior scientist and curator emeritus of mammals at Smithsonian’s Natural History Museum.

Robyn Keene-Young (Oct.)—travel and nature writer.



Elephant calf with mother



Rhinoceros





Lion pride



Wildebeest and zebras on the Serengeti

Safari in Kenya and Tanzania

From the Serengeti to the Masai Mara



16 days from \$10,996

Includes airfare, taxes, & all fees

*July 7–22, Aug. 28–Sept. 12, Sept. 29–Oct. 14,
Oct. 20–Nov. 4, 2022*

Join us on this African safari featuring Kenya's Masai Mara and Amboseli National Parks and Tanzania's Serengeti, Ngorongoro, and Lake Manyara.

Highlights Include

The Serengeti and Masai Mara: These two reserves teem with wildlife; gaze in awe at the immense diversity of mammals and bird life during game drives.

Amboseli: Witness the large elephant population of Amboseli National Park, located in the shadow of snowcapped Mt. Kilimanjaro. At a nearby Maasai village, meet with villagers and visit a school.

Lake Manyara and Ngorongoro: See abundant birdlife, tree-climbing lions, and hippos during game drives in Lake Manyara National Park. Ngorongoro Conservation Area represents Africa in microcosm with its grassland, swampland, lakes, forest, mountains, and unparalleled wildlife. Descend into the crater to see all of Africa's "Big Five" in one place!

Nairobi: Tour the Karen Blixen Museum and see the endangered Rothschild's giraffe at the Giraffe Centre.

Three-day Extension to Mount Kenya: Spend a day at Mpala Research Centre, where Smithsonian fellows and research staff lead important research projects, plus visit the Jane Goodall Chimpanzee Sanctuary.

Limited to 17 Smithsonian Journeys guests.

Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Grant Nel (July/Oct.) and **Patty Hostiuck** (Aug.)—respected naturalists with expertise in biodiversity and conservation. **Robyn Keene-Young** (Sept.)—travel and nature writer on southern Africa.

Tanzania Safari

The Serengeti, Ngorongoro Crater, and Zanzibar



14 days from \$8,397

Includes airfare, taxes, & all fees

*July 17–30, Sept. 25–Oct. 8, 2022 &
Feb. 19–Mar. 4, Mar. 19–Apr. 1, 2023*

Journey to the depths of Ngorongoro Crater and the vast plains of the Serengeti, then to exotic Zanzibar. Experience the thrill of seeing wildlife up close, learn about the "cradle of humanity," and encounter varied cultures.

Highlights Include

Arusha National Park: With a backdrop of snowcapped Mt. Kilimanjaro, take a game drive in search of leopard, zebra, and giraffe.

Ngorongoro Crater: Descend to the floor of the crater, which some 25,000 mammals. Plus, visit a local Maasai village to learn about their traditional lifestyle.

Olduvai Gorge: Stop at one of the world's most important prehistoric sites where in 1959 anthropologist Mary Leakey discovered the 1.8 million-year-old skull of *Australopithecus boisei*.

Serengeti National Park: Take exciting game drives through the Serengeti's treeless plains teeming with Africa's "Big Five" of lion, elephant, leopard, Cape buffalo, and rhino.

Zanzibar: Fly to tropical Zanzibar and explore its ancient capital. Tour a spice plantation to learn about Zanzibar's centuries-old reputation as the "Spice Island."

Safari Comfort: Stay in deluxe Serena safari lodges that put you where the largest concentration of wildlife flourishes.

Limited to 18 Smithsonian Journeys guests.

Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Robyn Keene-Young (July)—travel and nature writer on southern Africa. **Don Wilson** (Sept.)—senior scientist and curator emeritus of mammals at Smithsonian's Natural History Museum.

Treasures of South Africa, Zimbabwe, and Botswana

Featuring *Rovos Rail*



16 days from \$10,290 / Includes \$250 special savings

Special air rates available

Mar. 7–22, Sept. 26–Oct. 11, 2023

Discover the rich natural and cultural heritage of southern Africa as you explore three of the continent's most fascinating countries: South Africa, Zimbabwe, and Botswana. Our extraordinary adventure features the cultural and political heritage of South Africa, a rail journey aboard the legendary *Rovos Rail*, safaris in three important parks, and a stay at dramatic Victoria Falls.

Highlights Include

South Africa: A comprehensive overview of Cape Town includes views from Table Mountain and Cape Point, a visit to Boulders Beach to see African penguins, and a tour of Robben Island prison where Nelson Mandela and other political dissidents made strides in attaining equal rights. In Soweto township, visit many of the sites associated with important leaders in the anti-apartheid movement.

Safari Adventures: Experience the thrill of up-close encounters with animals in the wild—lion, elephant, leopard, Cape buffalo, rhino, zebra, giraffe, hippo, and more—during safaris at three important parks. Spot the “Big Five” on game drives during a three-night stay at South Africa's Thornybush Nature Reserve. Stop at Zimbabwe's Hwange National Park to watch animals gather at The Hide's water hole. Plus, see the renowned elephant herds at Botswana's Chobe National Park.

Rovos Rail: Savor the romance of the Golden Age of train travel during a three-night rail journey from Pretoria to Victoria Falls. Ride in vintage carriages that have been restored to mint condition and take in sweeping

landscapes and wildlife from the observation car or lounge. Find more details on our website.

Victoria Falls: Feel the awesome power of Victoria Falls, a World Heritage site and one of the Seven Wonders of the Natural World. These immense falls plunge into the basalt gorges below creating a mist that can be seen for 50 miles. Enjoy a two-night stay at the historic Victoria Falls Hotel.

Space reserved for 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.



Smithsonian Journeys Expert

See our website for the expert on these departures.



Watching wildlife from *Rovos Rail*



Victoria Falls



Pyramids and Sphinx at Giza



Ramses II statues at Abu Simbel



Ancient Egypt and the Nile

Featuring Abu Simbel



14 days from \$5,997

Includes airfare, taxes, & all fees

*Apr. 2–15, Apr. 9–22, Oct. 8–21, Oct. 15–28,
Oct. 29–Nov. 11, Nov. 5–18, Dec. 3–16, 2022 &
Jan. 7–20, Jan. 28–Feb. 10, Feb. 11–24, Feb. 18–Mar. 3,
Mar. 4–17, Mar. 11–24, Mar. 18–31, Apr. 8–21, 2023*

The wonders of ancient Egypt have drawn visitors for millennia. Astounding temples and pyramids, legendary pharaohs, and elaborate hieroglyphs comprise its timeless legacy. Join us on this insightful tour to unravel Egypt's mysteries at a host of World Heritage sites.

Highlights Include

Cairo and Giza: Delve into the ancient world by visiting the acclaimed Egyptian Museum—a renowned repository of treasured artifacts, including those of Tutankhamen. Then cross the Nile to visit Memphis, Egypt's first capital, and the necropolis at Sakkara, home to the step pyramid of Imhotep. Finally, in the afternoon light, gaze in awe upon the astounding Pyramids of Giza and the enigmatic Sphinx.

Abu Simbel and Aswan: Fly to Abu Simbel and stand before the immense statues of Ramses II and his wife Nefertari, who guard massive rock temples housing incredibly well-preserved murals. You'll see the Aswan High Dam, considered a marvel of engineering when completed in 1965; tour the Temples of Philae; then board small feluccas to sail past Elephantine Island and the botanical gardens on Kitchener's Island.

Nile River Cruise: Take in scenes that have been unchanged for centuries during a three-night Nile River cruise. Stop along the way to explore two important temples of the Ptolemaic Kingdom: Kom Ombo, with its double temple dedicated to Sobek and Horus; and Edfu, the largest temple dedicated to Horus—one of the most significant Egyptian deities.

Luxor: Arrive in ancient Thebes, where vast temple complexes, tombs, and statues represent the pinnacle of early Egyptian architecture and design. Explore the Valley of the Kings, stopping to enter a few of the royal tombs and the stunning Temple of Hatshepsut, and see the Colossi of Memnon. Spend time at Karnak, the most magnificent temple complex with a breadth and diversity of structures not seen elsewhere, which stretches for more than a mile. You'll also tour the smaller but lovely Luxor Temple and the Luxor Museum, with its astonishing treasures.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests. See our website for information on a five-day extension to Jordan.

Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Ashley Arico (Oct. 8/Feb. 11)—expert in ancient Egyptian art and archaeology. **Debora Heard** (Oct. 29/Mar. 11)—anthropologist specializing in Nubian Archaeology. **Rozenn Bailleul-LeSuer** (Apr. 2) and **Emily Teeter** (Jan. 28/Feb. 18)—Egyptologists. **Janet Duncan Jones** (Jan. 7)—expert in archaeology and the classics.

Splendors of Morocco

From Imperial Cities to the Sahara



14 days from \$6,379

Includes airfare, taxes, & all fees

Apr. 10–23, Sept. 2–15, Sept. 23–Oct. 6, Oct. 9–22,

Nov. 25–Dec. 8, 2022 &

Feb. 3–16, Mar. 3–16, Mar. 28–Apr. 10, Apr. 11–24, 2023

Morocco is a land of dramatic contrasts—vast deserts and snowcapped mountains, ancient ruins and sacred mosques, imposing fortresses and spirited markets. Here, one can see the influence of Phoenicians, Romans, Berbers, Jews, Arabs, and the Portuguese and French.

Highlights Include

Ancient Imperial Capitals and World Heritage Sites: One of Morocco's four ancient imperial cities, Rabat is the present-day capital. Here, discover the fortified Kasbah of the Oudaïas, Andalusian Gardens, and the necropolis of Chellah. In Meknes, Morocco's youngest imperial city and a World Heritage site, visit the Bab el Mansour gateway and other sites, then travel to the nearby Roman ruins of Volubilis, known for its intricate mosaics. Spend two days in Fez, Morocco's oldest imperial city. In its medina, view the artisans' quarters and madrassas (religious schools). You'll also visit the royal gates, the Museum of Fez, and the old Jewish quarter with its 17th-century synagogue and home of the 12th-century Jewish scholar Maimonides.

Atlas Mountains and Sahara Desert: Cross the fertile plains to the Atlas Mountains, with its diverse terrain and Berber villages. Watch the sun set on the breathtaking sand dunes of Merzouga from atop a camel and stay at a kasbah-style hotel at the edge of the Sahara. Journey to the spectacular Todra Gorge and travel along the "Route of a Thousand Kasbahs," an ancient caravan route known for its fortified villages such as the captivating Ait-Ben-Haddou, a World Heritage site.

Marrakech and Casablanca: In the imperial city of Marrakech, see the Koutoubia Mosque, and in the main square of Djemaa el-Fna—a World Heritage site—watch snake charmers, entertainers, and vendors vie for attention. Other highlights include the Majorelle Garden and the Berber Museum. In the commercial center of Casablanca, a city tour features the harbor area and magnificent Hassan II Mosque.

Cultural Experiences: Meet with a family in Fez and with a local imam in Marrakech who discusses the Muslim faith. Enjoy dinner at a family-run *riad*, watch artisans make pottery, and attend a concert of enchanting Arabic music.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.

Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Carola Stearns (Apr. 10)—field geologist and geophysicist. **Allen Fromherz** (Sept. 2) and **Wil Rollman** (Nov.)—historians with expertise in northern African, Middle Eastern, and Islamic history. **Alia Kate** (Sept. 23)—expert in international relations. **Lawrence Butler** (Oct.)—art historian with expertise in the Mediterranean and Islamic world.



Blue Gate of Fez



Sand dunes of the Sahara



Cruising the Arabian Coast

From Dubai to Muscat Aboard the 184-guest *Le Bougainville*

A cruise offering from Smithsonian Journeys and PONANT



9 days from \$5,820*

Jan. 6–14, 2023

Experience some of the most architecturally exciting cities in the world as you trace the coast of the Arabian Peninsula from Dubai and Abu Dhabi to Doha and Muscat. Venture back in time in bustling souks and sand-swept fortresses, and encounter futuristic design amid stunning desert landscapes.

Highlights Include

Dubai: Delve into an enthralling concoction of futuristic design and Arabian tradition on a tour of Dubai. Meander through the aromatic spice souk, and immerse yourself in the gold souk, where every stall glitters with jewelry and precious stones. Ascend the iconic Burj Khalifa, the tallest building in the world; and visit the Dubai Museum, housed within a historic fort. Explore Emirati culture at the Sheikh Mohammed Center of Cultural Understanding, and sit down to a Bedouin-style lunch.

United Arab Emirates: In cosmopolitan Abu Dhabi, trace the evolution of world art the Louvre Abu Dhabi. Stroll beneath archways and marble domes in the Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque, and experience Masdar City, a fascinating experiment in sustainable urban design. Watch for oryx, giraffe, and more while exploring the wildlife reserve of Sir Bani Yas island by 4x4. Later, visit the 16th-century fort and museum of Fujairah, and see a mud-and-stone mosque in the Al Bithna oasis.

Qatar and Oman: Visit the exquisite Museum of Islamic Art in Doha, designed by IM Pei. Learn about Qatari history and heritage at the new National Museum, and delve into the colorful bustle of Souk Waqif, built on the site of an ancient

marketplace. From Khasab, Oman, sail a traditional dhow into the fjords of the Musandam Peninsula, and disembark in the enchanting capital of Muscat.

Add a one-night extension in Dubai and/or a two-night extension in Muscat.

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Doha skyline from the Museum of Islamic Art





Fez, Morocco



Elephants, Kenya

More Ways to Explore Africa

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Kenya Wildlife Safari

*A Tailor-Made Journey handcrafted just for you.**

Suggested itinerary: 9 days from \$8,950

Morocco from Sea to Sahara

*A Tailor-Made Journey handcrafted just for you.**

Suggested itinerary: 15 days from \$4,425

Cairo and the Temples of the Nile

*A Tailor-Made Journey handcrafted just for you.**

Suggested itinerary: 10 days from \$6,540

Wildlife of Tanzania

*A Tailor-Made Journey handcrafted just for you.**

Suggested itinerary: 9 days from \$9,900

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Cairo, Egypt



Giraffes, Tanzania



Asia & the Pacific

Eternal Japan



13 days from \$7,784

Includes airfare, taxes, & all fees

Apr. 4–16, Apr. 27–May 9, May 16–28, Sept. 12–24,

Oct. 3–15, Oct. 24–Nov. 5, 2022 &

Apr. 3–15, Apr. 22–May 4, May 15–27, 2023

Join us to discover the essence of Japan. From Tokyo to Mt. Fuji, Kanazawa, and Kyoto, you'll explore a land of sublime art, unsurpassed natural beauty, and fascinating traditions, plus bustling commerce and modernity. Throughout your trip, meet local people, stay in a genuine *ryokan* (inn), and experience age-old cultural traditions, including a ritualized tea ceremony and a sake tasting.

Highlights Include

Tokyo: See the highlights of this cosmopolitan city, including the Shinto Meiji Shrine, a peaceful enclave of temples and gardens; the important Edo-Tokyo Museum; the Imperial Palace garden; and Tokyo's oldest temple, Buddhist Asakusa Kannon.

Mt. Fuji: Delight in breathtaking Mt. Fuji and take a relaxing cruise on nearby Ashi Lake.

Japanese Alps: Go off the beaten path to lovely Takayama, one of the country's most attractive towns with its 16th-century castle and old buildings. Explore the World Heritage site of Shirakawago Gassho-style village, a vibrant community whose residents work to preserve its unique traditional architecture. Then visit Gokayama village to see how traditional *washi* paper is made by hand.

Kanazawa: Tour the breathtaking Kenrokuen Garden, a national landmark with origins dating to 1676. Also see Ishikawa Gate, the only remaining section of the town's original castle; a museum celebrating the art and craft of gold leaf technology; and the Higashi Chayagai tea house and geisha area.

Kyoto and Nara: Enjoy two days exploring Kyoto's many temples, shrines, gardens, and well-preserved architecture. Highlights include visits to Kinkaku-ji (the lakeside Temple of the Golden Pavilion) and lavish Nijo Castle, where the shogun asserted control over the city and its people. You'll also see the Gion district where geishas gather, as well as other neighborhoods. During a day trip to nearby Nara, Japan's ancient capital, take a walking tour that features Todai-ji Temple, the Kasuga Taisha Shrine, Kofuku-ji Temple, and the Nara National Museum.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.

Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Paula Swart (Apr. 27/May 16/Oct. 3) and **Barry Till** (Sept.)—art historians with expertise in Asian art. **Jonathan Hall** (Oct. 24)—expert in Japanese film, culture, literature, and history.



Fushimi Inari Shrine, Kyoto



Ashi Lake and Mt. Fuji





Monk at Angkor Thom, Cambodia



Ha Long Bay

Singapore, Thailand, and Angkor Wat

Featuring the *Eastern & Oriental Express*



14 days from \$9,290
Includes \$250 special savings
Special air rates available
*Oct. 10–23, Oct. 28–Nov. 10, 2022 &
Feb. 3–16, Feb. 22–Mar. 7, Oct. 17–30,
Dec. 2–15, 2023*

Take an exotic journey to the East, traveling through breathtaking landscapes that showcase ancient histories, diverse cultures, and many World Heritage sites.

Highlights Include

Singapore: Explore this modern city-state on a tour that showcases the diverse neighborhoods of Kampong Glam, Chinatown, Little India, and more.

Aboard the *Eastern & Oriental Express*: Take a two-night journey on this opulent train. (Find more details on our website.) Stop to explore the royal Malaysian town of Kuala Kangsar, boat down the River Kwai, and learn about the Thailand–Burma Railway.

Bangkok: Visit the Grand Palace with its Temple of the Emerald Buddha, the famous Reclining Buddha at Wat Pho, and Siam's ancient capital of Ayutthaya. Enjoy a leisurely cruise along the Chao Phraya River and watch a captivating Thai dance performance.

Angkor Wat: Fly to Cambodia's Siem Reap for a three-night stay to discover the City of Temples, including Angkor Wat, Angkor Thom, Ta Prohm, and the recently restored temple of Thommanon. Traditional performances and a visit with local artisans complement your stay.

Accommodations: Enjoy stays in top hotels, including the Bangkok Peninsula and Singapore Shangri-La.

Space reserved for 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.

Smithsonian Journeys Expert

Barry Till (Oct. 10)—art historian with expertise in Asian art, culture, and history.

Discovering Vietnam



15 days from \$5,297
Includes airfare, taxes, & all fees
*Oct. 20–Nov. 3, Dec. 1–15, 2022 &
Jan. 7–21, Feb. 11–25, 2023*

With its breathtaking beauty and enduring traditions, Vietnam provides endless rewards for the thoughtful traveler. Discover both the ancient and modern worlds of Vietnam on this popular and magical journey.

Highlights Include

Royal Cities: Experience the grandeur of the imperial capital of Huế and the fascinating ancient traditions of village life in Hoi An, both World Heritage sites. Tour the acclaimed Cham Museum in Da Nang. Plus, take a cruise along Huế's Perfume River and visit peaceful Thien Mu Pagoda, a Buddhist monastery, as well as the palatial Tomb of Minh Mang.

Ha Long Bay: Enjoy a boat ride through this breathtaking waterway, a World Heritage site comprising 3,000 islands and a karst landscape of limestone cliffs.

Mekong River: Spend two days on the Mekong, where boats take you along small tributaries and inlets to the bustling floating market at Cai Rang and to other traditional villages.

Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh City: Take in-depth tours of the political and cultural capital of Hanoi, and spirited and cosmopolitan Ho Chi Minh City.

Cultural Experiences: Savor local cuisine during a private cooking lesson, visit a farming settlement, and have lunch in the home of a local historian.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.

Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Sharon Ullman (Dec.)—historian with expertise in 20th-century American and Vietnamese history.
Elvira Masson (Jan.) and **Lawrence Butler** (Feb.)—art historians.



Sculpture and sunset at Angkor Thom



Khor Virap Monastery, Armenia

Cruising the Mekong River

Featuring Vietnam, Cambodia, and Laos

Aboard the 68-guest *Mekong Navigator*



CRUISE



LAND

17 days from \$7,940

Includes \$250 special savings

Special air rates available

Sept. 29–Oct. 14, 2022 &

Feb. 19–Mar. 6, 2023

Become immersed in the cultures, history, and landscape of Southeast Asia as you ply the waters of the great Mekong River; discover iconic World Heritage sites; and enjoy hotel stays in Ho Chi Minh City, Siem Reap, and Luang Prabang.

Highlights Include

Seven-Night Mekong Cruise: Learn about life along the Mekong River. Your cruise begins with a day exploring Ho Chi Minh City; additional highlights in Vietnam include sampan rides to Tien Loi Island, Vinh Long, and Sa Dec. In Cambodia, explore important sites in Phnom Penh, meet villagers in Angkor Ban, and tour the temple complex of Wat Hanchey.

Siem Reap: Discover the treasures and temples of one of the largest religious sites worldwide: Cambodia's World Heritage site of Angkor Wat, Angkor Thom, Ta Prohm, and the recently restored Thommanon.

Luang Prabang: Explore Laotian culture as you visit graceful temples, gardens, and cultural sites in and around Luang Prabang. Rise early to experience *tak bat*, when hundreds of saffron robed monks move silently through the streets to collect alms at dawn.

Mekong Navigator: This all-suite ship combines elegant French colonial decor with thoughtful Asian notes and features upscale amenities.

Port charges are an additional \$290 per person. Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.

Smithsonian Journeys Expert

Sandra Cate (Sept.)—anthropologist and folklorist with expertise in Southeast Asia.

Exploring Azerbaijan, Georgia, and Armenia



LAND

17 days from \$8,395

May 4–20, Sept. 7–23, Oct. 5–21, 2022

Wedged between the Caspian and Black Seas, the less visited countries of Georgia, Armenia, and Azerbaijan showcase a wealth of cultural and historical treasures. Discover these special gems on this unique journey.

Highlights Include

Azerbaijan: Explore Baku, the burgeoning capital on the Caspian Sea with its ancient and modern architecture. Venture outside the city to discover the archaeological sites of Gobustan and the Atashgah Zoroastrian Fire Temple. Spend a night in Sheki, one of the country's oldest cities, and enjoy a performance of traditional Azeri music.

Georgia: Cross into eastern Georgia's Kakheti region, renowned for its vineyards and some of the country's most impressive religious architecture. Discover Georgian cuisine during a traditional feast complemented by polyphonic singing. Stop at the Stalin Museum in Gori, the impressive 12th-century Vardzia cave complex, and the Phoka Nunnery. In Tbilisi, Georgia's famed capital, explore the Old Town, see the National Museum's archaeological collection, learn about modern politics, and enjoy a classical music concert.

Armenia: With input from Smithsonian's Center for Folklife and Cultural Heritage, you'll enjoy the best of Armenia. In the Lori region, stop in at the Nurik Center, an NGO supporting women through cultural tourism, and learn to make traditional Armenian dishes with a local family. Enjoy day trips to Geghard Monastery and Noravank.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.

Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Veronica Kalas (May)—art historian and field archaeologist with expertise in classical studies.

Bob Smolik (Sept.)—former diplomat with expertise in Central Asia. **Allan Langdale** (Oct.)—art and architectural historian.

The Silk Road: A Journey to Central Asia

Featuring the Five “Stans” of Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan, and Kazakhstan



17 days from \$8,495

Apr. 13–29, May 11–27, Sept. 7–23, Oct. 12–28, 2022 &

Apr. 12–28, Apr. 26–May 12, 2023

Central Asia is the exotic heart of the Silk Road—ancient caravan routes used for the silk and spice trade between East and West. Experience the past and present of five Central Asian countries as you explore legendary cities, visit religious sites and museums, attend cultural programs, and meet local experts.

Highlights Include

Turkmenistan: Beginning in Ashgabat, visit the National Museum of History and Ethnography, then tour the ancient site of nearby Nisa with an archaeologist.

Uzbekistan: Explore the legendary cities of Khiva, Bukhara, Samarkand, and Tashkent, with their noble squares and breathtaking architecture. Highlights feature religious sites, including madrassas and important mosques such as the 20th-century Tillya Sheikh Mosque, home to the oldest Koran in the world, and Bibi Khanum Mosque, built by Tamerlane to be the largest mosque in the world. You'll meet with the scientific advisor of the Ark Citadel, artists at a renowned ceramics studio, and other local experts. Tour one of the ancient world's most advanced observatories, drive across the Red Sands Desert, and enjoy performances of traditional music and dance.

Tajikistan: Penjikent is an isolated city of 130,000 that was built in the 5th century and is most famous for its past as an important Sogdian trade center. Visit the site of an archaeological dig at Old Penjikent, where excavations began over 50 years ago. Tour the remains of Shakristan, two Zoroastrian temples, the citadel, and the Rudaki Museum of History and Regional Studies—named after the founder of Tajik and Persian poetry.

Kyrgyzstan: In the capital of Bishkek, tour the central square, the National History Museum, and the State

Museum of Fine Arts, and meet with a Kyrgyz resident who participated in the 2010 revolution. In a nearby village, enjoy lunch with a family in their home and watch a demonstration of Kyrgyz horse games. Later, delight in a Kyrgyz Manas folk performance.

Kazakhstan: Highlights in Almaty include the Zenkov Cathedral, the delightful Museum of Musical Instruments, and the State Central Museum. Outside the city, visit a traditional Kazakh falcon farm.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.



Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Barry Till (Apr. 13) and **Paula Swart** (Sept.)—art historians with expertise in Asian art, culture, and history.



Registan complex, Samarkand, Uzbekistan



Trans-Siberian Express, Lake Baikal



St. Basil's Cathedral, Moscow

The Trans-Siberian Express

A Private Train Journey from Mongolia to Moscow Featuring the Naadam Festival

Aboard the *Golden Eagle Trans-Siberian Express*



TRAIN

14 days from \$18,795

July 9–22, 2022 &

July 9–22, 2023

Join us for an adventure of a lifetime! Spend two days in Mongolia at the incomparable Naadam Festival, a centuries-old celebration of nomadic traditions. Then board the legendary *Golden Eagle Trans-Siberian Express* for one of the most epic journeys on Earth, where you'll travel nearly 4,000 miles through five time zones and across two continents, and witness magnificent landscapes and diverse cultures.

Highlights Include

Ulaanbaatar: Observe Mongolian culture up close as you attend the opening ceremony of the Naadam Festival, renowned for its long-distance horse races and archery and wrestling competitions. Plus, attend a performance of traditional Mongolian entertainment and see the giant statue of Genghis Khan at the National Park.

Ulan Ude: Board your train and head north to Russia's Siberia. Learn about the unique cultural identity of the indigenous Buryat people. Then experience another distinctive culture as you visit a village of Old Believers, who adhere to 17th-century Russian Orthodoxy, and enjoy a concert of traditional music.

Lake Baikal and Irkutsk: Admire the magnificent scenery of this World Heritage site as your train travels through tunnels and along the lake's shoreline. Stop to explore sites in Listvyanka and enjoy a special barbecue along the shore. In the "capital" of Siberia, known for its ornate wooden architecture, visit the Decembrist House Museum to learn about the people who settled here after the uprising in St. Petersburg, and attend a special concert.

Siberia to the Urals: See historic train cars in the open-air Trans-Siberian Museum in Novosibirsk. Crossing from Asia to European Yekaterinburg, visit the Church on the Blood at the site where Russia's last tsar and his family were executed.

The Volga and Moscow: In the capital of Tatarstan, situated along the Volga River, tour the Kazan Kremlin (a World Heritage site), and learn about the cultural history of Tatars, Cossacks, and Russians. Once in Moscow, a panoramic city tour showcases the major landmarks of the Russian capital.

Golden Eagle: Comfortable for adventurous travel, this modern train features a choice of cabin levels (each with private en suite bathroom/shower). Dine on traditional Russian and European cuisine and enjoy lectures in the bar/lounge car. Find more details about the train on our website.

Space reserved for 32 Smithsonian Journeys guests.



Smithsonian Journeys Expert

Sharon Hudgins (2022)—expert in Russian studies.



Lake Wakatipu and Queenstown



Maori sculpture

Journey Through New Zealand

From Auckland to Queenstown



16 days from \$7,574

Includes airfare, taxes, & all fees

May 5–20, Oct. 20–Nov. 4, Nov. 10–Dec. 25, 2022 &

Feb. 16–Mar. 3, Mar. 23–Apr. 7, 2023

Join us for an unforgettable adventure through New Zealand's North and South Islands. Meet the “Kiwi” people—from the indigenous Maori to sheep farmers and winery staff—and stand in awe at landscapes of magnificent fjords and fascinating geological activity. This tour offers a perfect balance of outdoor wonders and cultural delights.

Highlights Include

Auckland and Rotorua: Explore New Zealand's multifaceted cultural traditions on the North Island. In cosmopolitan Auckland, take a cruise of the glittering harbor and tour the Auckland Museum with its prized collections of Maori and Pacific Islander art and artifacts. In Rotorua, where 40 percent of the population are the indigenous Maori, meet local people at the Maori Cultural Center, learn about their traditions, and enjoy a *hangi* dinner and performance. You'll also visit the new Rotorua Museum. Explore other New Zealand cultural traditions during a wine tasting at celebrated Hawke's Bay, learn about the vital sheep farming industry during demonstrations at a private farm, and visit the acclaimed Te Papa National Museum in the capital of Wellington.

North Island's Geology: Discover geothermal wonders, including geysers, bubbling mud pools, and hot thermal springs at the Te Puia Thermal Reserve.

South Island's Breathtaking Landscapes: A full-day excursion to renowned Fiordland National Park features a catamaran cruise of Doubtful Sound, noted for its remarkable serenity, mountain peaks, rain forest, waterfalls, and marine wildlife. You'll also take one of the world's great rail journeys, aboard the *TranzAlpine* train, to the Southern Alps and Arthur's Pass. In Westland National Park, encounter the spectacular Franz Josef Glacier, take a walk through the Glacial Valley, and see

rare kiwi birds at a wildlife center.

Christchurch and Queenstown: In the “Garden City” of Christchurch, tour the Botanic Gardens, Cathedral Square, and the civic area that rose from the rubble of the 2011 earthquake. Stop at the award-winning Gibbston Valley winery for a private tour and tasting. Plus, enjoy a day at leisure in Queenstown, with its spectacular setting on Lake Wakatipu. Activities range from jet boating and fly fishing to art-gallery hopping or riding the Skyline gondola for outstanding views of this scenic city.

Limited to 24 Smithsonian Journeys guests.



Smithsonian Journeys Experts

Peter Bobrowsky (Nov.)—highly respected geologist.

George Losey (Feb.)—expert in the natural sciences, the environment, and marine biology.

Splendors of Australia and New Zealand



22 days from \$9,884 / Includes airfare, taxes, & all fees

May 7–28, Sept. 24–Oct. 15, Oct. 29–Nov. 19, 2022 &

Jan. 11–Feb. 1, Feb. 15–Mar. 8, Mar. 15–Apr. 5, Apr. 8–29, 2023

Venture “Down Under” for an exploration of some of the world’s most stunningly diverse landscapes—from colorful coral reefs and lush forests to stark deserts and dramatic fjords!

Highlights Include

Great Barrier Reef: Learn about this World Heritage site from a marine biologist and see the reef up close as you swim, snorkel, or view it from a glass-bottomed boat. You’ll also take a thrilling journey aboard the historic Kuranda Scenic Railway and travel through the rain forest canopy on the world’s longest gondola cableway.

Australian Outback: Watch the sun set over Uluru (Ayers Rock) at Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park. Relax around a campfire and look for the Southern Cross as you savor a traditional “bush” dinner. Learn about the Walpiri Aboriginal people during a “Dreamtime” tour.

Sydney: Enjoy two fascinating days exploring Sydney, where highlights include tours of the iconic Sydney Opera House and Featherdale Sydney Wildlife Park (home to koalas, kangaroos, and wallabies), plus a luncheon cruise around Sydney Harbour.

New Zealand’s South Island: Venture to the Southern Alps and Mt. Cook to experience the mountainscape and visit the Hillary Gallery, which commemorates Sir Edmund’s achievements, including the first ascent of Mt. Cook’s south face. Look in awe upon breathtaking Milford Sound, a World Heritage site, during an afternoon cruise through the fjords. Plus, savor a wine tasting and enjoy independent time in Queenstown.

North Island: In Rotorua, meet with a group of Maori people and enjoy a traditional *hangi* dinner and cultural

performance. You’ll also observe famed geothermal features, such as geysers and thermal hot springs, at a nearby park. Conclude your spectacular journey with a two-night stay in Auckland, the “City of Sails,” where a half-day city tour features the War Memorial Museum, Auckland Harbour, and the America’s Cup Village.

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Smithsonian Journeys Experts

James Zimbelman (Sept.)—senior geologist emeritus at Smithsonian’s National Air and Space Museum.

George Losey (Oct.) and **Geoff Cox** (Apr.)—experts in the natural sciences, the environment, and marine biology. **Don Wilson** (Jan.)—senior scientist and curator emeritus at Smithsonian’s Natural History Museum. **Peter Bobrowsky** (Feb./Mar.)—highly respected geologist.



Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park



More Ways to Explore Asia & the Pacific

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Cruising French Polynesia:
Tahiti, Bora Bora, and the Tuamotus
A cruise offering from Smithsonian Journeys and PONANT aboard the 330-guest Paul Gauguin.
11 days from \$5,800
Sept. 7–17, 2022

An Eclipse Cruise from Bali to the Kimberley
*A **NEW** cruise offering from Smithsonian Journeys and PONANT aboard the 184-guest Le Lapérouse.*
16 days / See website for pricing
Apr. 9–24, 2023

Vietnam, Laos, and Cambodia
*A Tailor-Made Journey handcrafted just for you.**
Suggested itinerary: 14 days from \$5,990

Thailand Culinary Adventure
*A Tailor-Made Journey handcrafted just for you.**
Suggested itinerary: 12 days from \$4,850

Japan for Families
*A Tailor-Made Journey handcrafted just for you.**
Suggested itinerary: 11 days from \$6,950

Highlights of Australia
*A Tailor-Made Journey handcrafted just for you.**
Suggested itinerary: 12 days from \$4,950

New Zealand North and South
*A Tailor-Made Journey handcrafted just for you.**
Suggested itinerary: 17 days from \$7,995

Himalayan Kingdom of Bhutan
*A Tailor-Made Journey handcrafted just for you.**
Suggested itinerary: 8 days from \$4,660

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Rice terraces, Vietnam



Doubtful Sound, New Zealand



Sydney, Australia



Tea ceremony, Japan



Thai cuisine



Tiger's Nest, Bhutan



Polar Regions

Antarctica: The White Continent

Aboard the 244-guest *Le Lyrial*

A cruise offering from Smithsonian Journeys
and PONANT



12 days from \$10,850*

Includes round-trip air between Buenos Aires and Ushuaia and one hotel night in Buenos Aires

Feb. 20–Mar. 3, 2023

Venture to a magnificent realm of ice and intriguing wildlife on an unforgettable 12-day voyage to Antarctica. During the lingering light of the austral summer, encounter fantastically shaped icebergs, dramatic rocky promontories, and immense glaciers that rise hundreds of feet above the sea. Take walks on volcanic islands alive with seals, seabirds, and penguins, and set out by Zodiac to discover firsthand how a diverse array of marine wildlife flourishes in this seemingly harsh environment.

Highlights Include

Tierra del Fuego and the Beagle Channel: From Ushuaia, Argentina, the world's southernmost city, explore the enchanting landscapes of Tierra del Fuego National Park; then cruise the legendary Beagle Channel on the way to the open sea.

Exploring Antarctica: Cross the legendary Drake Passage en route to the outer shores and islands of the Antarctic Peninsula. Here, below the 60th parallel south, explore some of the world's most stark and spectacular wilderness areas, where towering glaciers and lava-sculpted mountains plunge to an ice-choked sea. Our route will be determined by weather and ice conditions, making every trip a unique encounter with this mystical and marvelous land.

Wildlife: Observe up close the antics of chinstrap and gentoo penguins as they fish, molt, and feed their young; and watch for breaching fin, humpback, and minke whales in icy bays. See crabeater and leopard seals lazing on the ice between meals and discover the unusual creatures of the polar seas.

Zodiac and Land Excursions: Embark on sturdy Zodiacs with expert naturalists for unforgettable excursions to islands, among ice floes and icebergs, and, conditions permitting, to the continent itself. During shore excursions, walk among wildlife on rugged islands and black-sand beaches, and witness how volcanic activity has played a pivotal role in Antarctica's natural history. Learn about the work of scientists at research stations and hear tales of the whalers and spies who made their base here.

Add a two-night extension in Buenos Aires.

Limited to 200 Smithsonian Journeys guests.

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Antarctic ice sculpture



Exploring by Zodiac





Polar bears, Svalbard

Cruising Arctic Norway: Glaciers, Ice Floes, and Polar Bears

Round-trip from Longyearbyen Aboard the 264-guest *Le Boréal* or *L'Austral*

A cruise offering from Smithsonian Journeys and PONANT



CRUISE

10 days from \$10,360*/ Includes round-trip air from Paris to Longyearbyen and two hotel nights in Paris

June 14–23, 2022 &

June 13–22, 2023

Experience a wondrous land of ice and wildlife under the midnight sun on a cruise to Norway's remote Svalbard archipelago. Just over 600 miles from the North Pole, the nine islands of Svalbard are home to a host of rare creatures—from walruses to polar bears—as well as Europe's largest ice cap. Learn about the environmental challenges to the Arctic as you explore glaciers and polar deserts at the 80th parallel north. Cruise through an ethereal gallery of raw geology, deep-blue fjords, and glittering ice—an unforgettable landscape enchanted by the glow of the midnight sun.

Highlights Include

Svalbard: Enter a world where nature is in its purest form, exploring glaciers, islands, ice floes, and secluded fjords in some of the most remote parts of the Svalbard archipelago.

Zodiac Excursions: Throughout your voyage, get up close to geological formations and wildlife on excursions by Zodiac. You'll hear the sound of calving ice crashing into the sea from Kongsbreen Glacier, and stop at former mining and whaling settlements.

Wildlife: Watch for the majestic polar bear in its remote native habitat. View herds of walrus hauled out on scoured granite beaches, bearded and ring seals lazing about, and some of the world's largest whales. You may also spot arctic foxes scurrying across the snow and iconic reindeer grazing the tundra. And you're sure to see teeming bird colonies nesting amid the sea cliffs, including kittiwakes, guillemots, hawks, puffins, and king elders.

Ice: Marvel at the spectacular icebergs of Kongsfjorden,

and glide among the vast ice floes of the Arctic Sea to the north of Svalbard.

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Arctic Explorer by Private Train

A Russian Train Journey Aboard the *Golden Eagle*

A Holiday Program in Search of the Northern Lights



13 days from \$18,395

Dec. 28, 2022–Jan. 9, 2023

Join us for an exciting, adventurous rail journey to celebrate winter and discover both the natural and cultural treasures of Russia and the Arctic Circle. In the north, you'll search for the *aurora borealis*, experience twilight at noon, and sip vodka at the Snow Hotel. Farther south, view the masterpieces of the Hermitage in St. Petersburg, ride in a traditional horse-drawn troika near Vladimir, and enjoy New Year's Eve with local villagers. From Moscow to Murmansk to St. Petersburg, watch the taiga landscape from aboard the *Golden Eagle* and feel the essence of the Arctic Circle. This is truly an adventure of a lifetime!

Highlights Include

Moscow: Begin your journey with visits to Red Square, where you'll see St. Basil's Cathedral, the Kremlin's Armoury Museum with its national treasures, and Novodevichy Convent, a World Heritage site.

Golden Ring: Travel by train to the Golden Ring towns of Vladimir and Suzdal, both World Heritage sites. Among the oldest of Golden Ring towns, they feature some of the most beautiful churches in Russia and offer intimate views into the past. After visiting some of the religious sites, celebrate the new year in a nearby village, where you'll enjoy a choral concert sung by monks, ride a traditional troika through the snow, and join villagers for a fireworks display.

Crossing the Arctic Circle: Journey north during the polar night to the port city of Murmansk and tour the first nuclear-powered icebreaker. Continue by coach to Kirkenes, Norway, for a two-night stay. Here, visit the Snow Hotel, enjoy chilled vodka, see reindeer and huskies, go on an Arctic king crab fishing adventure in the frozen fjords, and in the evenings, set off in search of the Northern Lights!

St. Petersburg: Gaze upon the cultural gems of this beautiful city, conceived by Peter the Great. You'll view priceless masterpieces at the Hermitage Museum, plus the famous re-created Amber Room at Catherine's Palace in Pushkin. Visit the recently reopened Church of the Savior on Spilled Blood and the breathtaking St. Isaac's Cathedral with its interior of lapis lazuli, malachite, and frescoes. Plus, attend a ballet performance at one of the city's world-renowned theaters.

Golden Eagle: Comfortable for adventurous travel, this modern private train features a choice of cabin levels (each with private en suite bathroom/shower). Dine on traditional Russian and European cuisine and enjoy lectures in the bar/lounge car. Find more details on our website.

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Smithsonian Journeys Expert

Nadia Kizenko—expert in Russian studies.



Sleigh ride, Suzdal



The Northern Lights

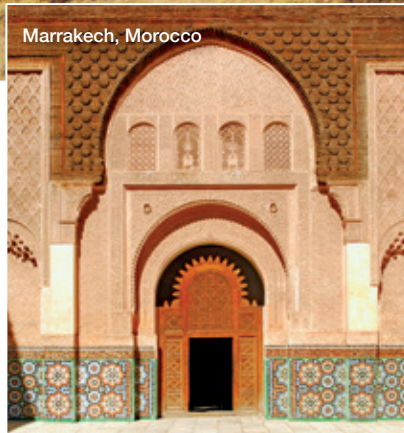




Machu Picchu, Peru



Serengeti Plain, Tanzania



Marrakech, Morocco

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A Classic Journey by Private Jet



PRIVATE JET

24 days from \$124,950

Oct. 29–Nov. 21, 2022 ✂

Mar. 14–Apr. 6, Oct. 5–28, Dec. 30, 2023–Jan. 22, 2024 ✂

Feb. 15–Mar. 9, 2024

Join our breathtaking Around the World journey and explore cultural and natural treasures that have inspired and captured the imagination of humankind for centuries. Experience the sights, sounds, and cultures of some of the world's most iconic and remote places, as well as unforgettable activities. You'll learn firsthand about the people, customs, and natural world of many World Heritage sites all in one trip as you travel aboard our private jet, which has been custom configured with up to 52 flatbed seats.

Highlights Include

Machu Picchu: Climb the terraced steps of the ancient Inca citadel of Machu Picchu and examine its artfully cut stone altars, temples, fountains, and terraced gardens. If you've already visited this iconic site, then explore Peru's lesser-known North Coast.

Easter Island: Feel the protective gaze of the *moai* statues of Easter Island as you trace the history of a lost civilization with your archaeologist guides.

Fiji: Relax at a beachfront resort on picturesque Denarau Island.

Great Barrier Reef: Immerse yourself in the underwater splendor of the Great Barrier Reef with its vibrant collection of coral and tropical fish. Or opt to venture into the Daintree Rainforest, one of Australia's truly wild areas.

Angkor Wat: Explore the mystifying site of Angkor, including the enigmatic Bayon Temple, the captivating overgrown remains of Ta Prohm, and majestic Angkor Wat.

Taj Mahal and Jaipur: Watch the play of light on the magnificent, beloved Taj Mahal, one of the world's greatest architectural wonders. And discover the royal architecture and vibrant markets of Jaipur, fabled home of the maharajas.

Serengeti Plain or Ngorongoro Crater: Spot iconic African wildlife on game drives in Tanzania's Serengeti Plain or the Ngorongoro Crater.

Jordan or Egypt: Discover the Lost City of Petra, half built and half carved into red sandstone cliffs by the Nabataeans more than 2,000 years ago (March 2023 departure). Or, trace Egyptian history in Luxor, venture into the tomb of Tutankhamun, and marvel at the Pyramids of Giza and Sphinx on a day trip to Cairo (Oct. 2022/Oct. & Dec. 2023/Jan. 2024 departures).

Marrakech: Immerse yourself in the exotic ambiance of Marrakech as you stroll through the winding pathways of the medina, see the spectacle of Djemaa el-Fna Square, and savor the lovely views of the Majorelle Garden.

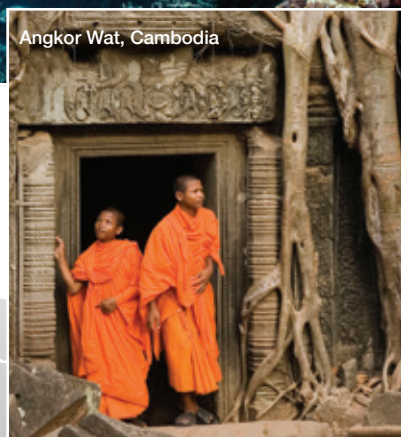
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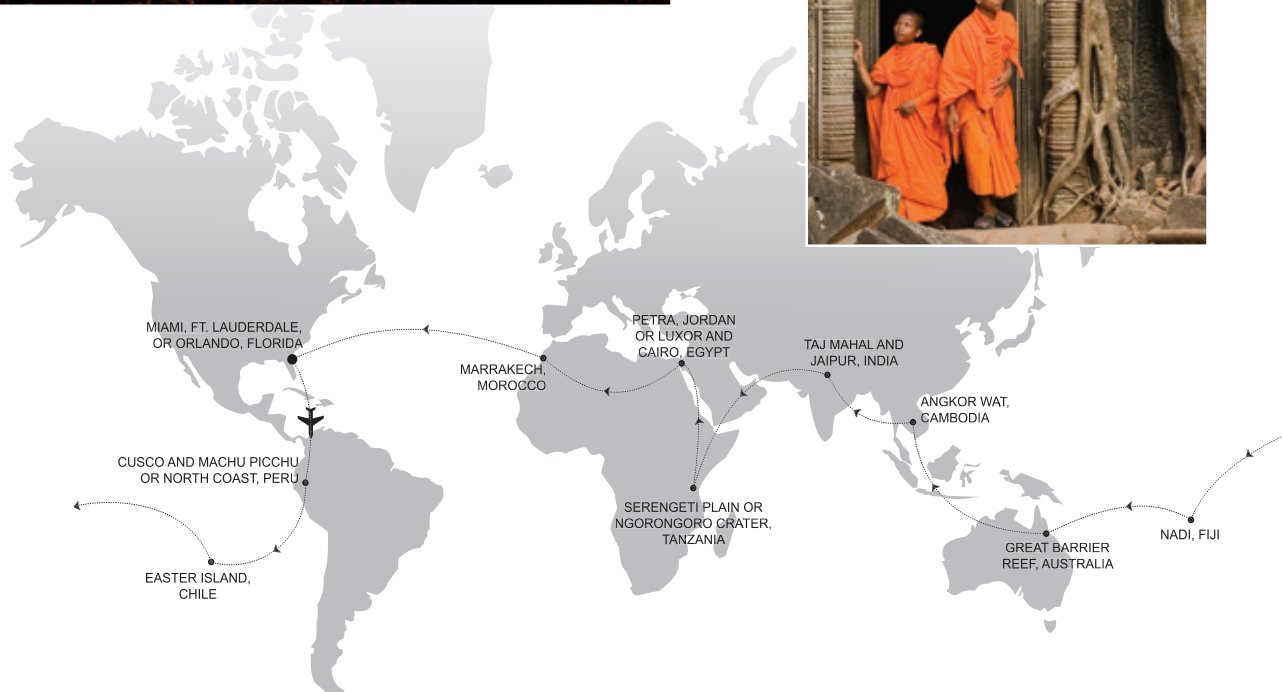
Taj Mahal, India



Great Barrier Reef, Australia



Angkor Wat, Cambodia



“ Besides the very special places we were privileged to see, the staff were amazing... prepared, thoughtful, and caring. It was a trip I'll remember forever! – Ron R.



Cape Town, South Africa

Best of Africa

A Cultural and Wildlife Journey by Private Jet



PRIVATE JET

22 Days from \$129,950
May 20–June 10, 2023

Explore the length and breadth of Africa, encountering a host of fascinating cultures and natural wonders across eight countries. Flying in comfort aboard a new, custom-configured private jet, visit legendary places from the Pyramids of Giza to Victoria Falls, experience captivating traditions from Cape Town to Accra, and search out rare flora and fauna from Rwanda's gorillas to the elephants of Botswana.

Highlights Include

Accra, Ghana: Experience vibrant Accra, where ancient traditions are woven into contemporary life and art, music, and entrepreneurship thrive. Visit lively markets, historic monuments, and art galleries; and meet the renowned Ga craftsmen who fashion imaginative coffins.

Chobe National Park, Botswana and Victoria Falls, Zambia: Settle into a luxury lodge and spot a wide range of wildlife on land and water safaris led by the Chobe Angels, a groundbreaking team of women guides. Then walk amid the mists of legendary Victoria Falls.

Sossusvlei, Namibia: Immerse yourself in enchanting Sossusvlei, where immense, orange-red sand dunes rise out of the Namib Desert. Watch for wildlife such as oryx and ostriches on a journey by 4x4, and walk among the sun-scorched camelthorn trees of Dead Vlei.

Cape Town, South Africa: Discover the cultural melting pot of Cape Town, spectacularly situated between mountains and sea. Ascend Table Mountain by cable car, ride a helicopter to the Cape of Good Hope, and enjoy a day of wine tasting in the Cape Winelands.

Volcanoes National Park, Rwanda: Hike through bamboo forests with a naturalist guide for a once-in-a-lifetime chance to observe endangered mountain gorillas up close. Or stay in Kigali and experience the spirit of renewal and innovation that drives the city's cosmopolitan culture.



Mountain gorilla, Rwanda

NEW

Seychelles: On this idyllic archipelago, see the iconic granite boulders at La Digue and wander among ancient coco-de-mer palms at the World Heritage-listed Vallée de Mai Nature Reserve. Examine rare orchids at the National Botanical Gardens, and take a creole cooking class.

Cairo, Egypt: Take a private tour of the Egyptian Museum of Antiquities and see Cairo's Islamic architecture with a local expert. Marvel at the Pyramids of Giza and the Sphinx before a farewell dinner.

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Smithsonian Journeys Expert

Don Wilson—senior scientist and curator emeritus at Smithsonian's Natural History Museum.



Geyser, Iceland



Lake Bled, Slovenia

NEW

Hidden Wonders of Europe

A Journey by Private Jet



PRIVATE JET

15 days from \$98,950
June 19–July 3, 2022

Travel from the realm of the midnight sun to the radiant isles of the Mediterranean, discovering some of Europe's little-known treasures on a journey by private jet. Encounter the soaring sea cliffs of the fabled Faroe Islands and the enormous chambers of Slovenia's Škocjan Caves. Hike along the coast of Mallorca and into the spruce forests of Iceland. Witness the sweep of history across the continent, seeing the vestiges of prehistoric peoples, Romans, Vikings, and medieval knights. As you fly from one destination to the next, experience the diverse architecture, cuisine, and flora and fauna that flourish on the edges of Europe.

Highlights Include

Faroe Islands: Explore the soaring cliffs and dramatic fjords of the mystical Faroe Islands on hikes and horseback rides. Ride a ferry to the breathtaking sea cliffs of Vestmanna, a maze of vertical walls, sea stacks, and arches that draws rich birdlife. Then visit the Viking village of Kirkjubøur.

Slovenia: Stay in Ljubljana, and discover some of the many wonders of this small country. Ride a traditional *pletna* boat to the iconic island in Lake Bled, and venture to cliff-top Bled Castle. Enter the vast chambers of the World Heritage-listed Škocjan Caves, or enjoy a private tour and horse show at the Lipica Stud Farm.

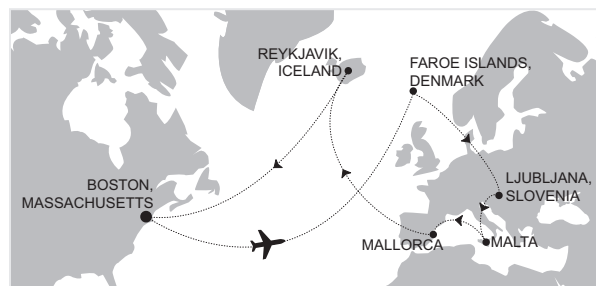
Malta: Discover gems of baroque architecture within the walled city of Valletta, and see a masterpiece by Caravaggio in St. John's Co-Cathedral. Then step further back in time at the megalithic temples of Hagar Qim and Hal Saflieni

Hypogeum and learn about Malta's earliest inhabitants.

Mallorca: Take a walking tour of elegant Palma de Mallorca, which dates back to Roman times, and explore the island's coast by sailboat or on a hike. Visit the monastery and palace of Valldemossa, and savor local wines and olives at a private tasting.

Iceland: Experience the geothermal landscapes of southern Iceland, from the steaming mineral waters of the Blue Lagoon to the legendary sites of the Golden Circle. Take a guided nature walk in the forests of Heidmork Nature Reserve, and learn the secrets of Icelandic cuisine during a cooking class.

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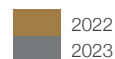


Smithsonian Journeys Expert

Peter Bobrowsky—archaeologist and geologist with 40 years of experience working as a consultant, scholar, teacher, and researcher across the globe.

Smithsonian Journeys Calendar 2022–2023

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Northern Europe

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Iceland Voyage: Land of Fire and Ice	15	C	8												
Adventure in Iceland	16	L	11												
Cruising the Norwegian Fjords	17	C	8												
Scottish Isles and Norwegian Fjords Voyage	18	C	8												
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Celtic Voyage: The Hebrides and the Irish Sea	20	C	7												
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Cruising the Historic Cities of the Baltic Sea	22	C	8												
The Emerald Isle	23	L	13												
Classic Mystery Lover's England	24	SP	9												
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England's Lake District NEW!	26	ST	9												
County Clare	28	ST	9												
Hiking Scotland's Hebrides and Highlands	65	A	10												
Hiking the Emerald Isle	65	A	11												

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Normandy	29	ST	9												
A River Cruise of Provence	30	C	9												
A Seine River Cruise	31	C	9												
Treasures of the Alps	31	L/T	10												
Art Meets Science in Switzerland	32	SP	9												
Voyage Through Europe	33	C	14												
A Danube River Cruise	34	C/L	15												
Holiday Markets	35	C/L	11												
Great European Journey	36	C/T	11												
Old World Europe	37	L	16												
Living in France	45	ST	23												

Southern Europe

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Southern Italy and Sicily	40	L	15												
Italy's Amalfi Coast	40	ST	9												
The Italian Riviera NEW!	41	ST	9												
Highlights of Italy	42	L	16												
The Genius of Michelangelo	43	SP	9												
Living in Italy	44	ST	23												
Living in Spain NEW!	45	ST	23												
Italy's Lake District	46	ST	9												
Northern Italy	47	L	15												
Italy's Apulia	47	ST	9												
Pearls of Croatia and Slovenia	48	L	15												
Across Northern Spain and Portugal	52	L	17												
Spain's Andalusia	53	ST	9												
Barcelona	53	ST	9												
Treasures of Southern Spain and Portugal	55	L	15												
Portrait of Portugal	56	C/L	12												
Cruising Southern Spain and Portugal	57	C	8												
Cruising from Morocco to Spain's Andalusian Coast NEW!	57	C	8												
Cruising the Dalmatian Coast and the Ionian Sea	58	C	8												
A Circumnavigation of Sicily NEW!	59	C	8												
Cruising the Greek Islands of the Southern Aegean	60	C	8												
Classical Greece	61	L	14												
Walking the Camino de Santiago	64	A	11												
Hiking Along the Italian Riviera	64	A	9												

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The Northern Rockies	71	L	11												
Treasures of Yosemite	72	L	7												
Bryce, Zion, and the Grand Canyon	72	L	10												
Yellowstone in Winter NEW!	73	L	6												
Yellowstone and the Tetons	73	L	7												
Pueblo Culture and History	74	L	8												
Hiking Canyon Country in Utah and Colorado NEW!	74	A	7												
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Astronomy and Natural Wonders of Hawai'i	75	SP	9												
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