Ancient Traditions of the Inland Sea of Japan

Kyoto • Hiroshima • Miyajima
Matsue • Himeji • Osaka

A voyage aboard the Exclusively Chartered Small Ship Five-Star L’Austral

May 8 to 18, 2018

The Alumnae Association of Mount Holyoke College
Dear Alumnae and Friends:

*Konnichiwa!* Experience the timeless splendor of Japan and South Korea by sea and on land, the best way to see the richness of this beautiful region. During this custom-designed, nine-night itinerary, explore enthralling ports steeped in the traditions of ancient Buddhist shoguns and Samurai warriors and admire landscapes dotted with Shinto shrines, imperial castles and meticulous Japanese gardens.

Spend two nights in the enchanting city of Kyoto, its serene landscape adorned with fragrant cherry blossom trees. It was the imperial capital of Japan from A.D. 794 until the mid-19th century and has been the cultural capital of this island nation for more than 1000 years. See its historic UNESCO World Heritage-designated monuments, visit the imperial Nijō Castle and the opulent temples of Ryōan-ji and Kinkaku-ji, and stroll through the iconic, red-orange *torii* gates of the Fushimi Inari Shrine.

On board the exclusively chartered, Five-Star small ship L’AUSTRAL, featuring only 110 ocean-view Suites and Staterooms and access to ports unavailable to larger vessels, cruise for seven nights from Himeji, Japan, along the coast of the tranquil Inland Sea and South Korea. Your captivating ports of call showcase four UNESCO World Heritage sites—see the impressive 14th-century Himeji Castle complex, the largest surviving feudal structure of medieval Japan; walk through the poignant Peace Memorial Park and Museum in Hiroshima; tour the picturesque Itsukushima Shrine in Miyajima with its awe-inspiring Great Torii Gate; and in Gyeongju, South Korea, see the ancient Silla Kingdom Royal Burial Mounds and the glorious Buddhist Bulguksa Temple, which symbolizes the material expression of Buddhist utopia on Earth.

Admire the extraordinary collection of Japanese paintings and ceramic works at the acclaimed Adachi Museum of Art near Matsue, whose impeccable gardens are seen as “living Japanese paintings.” Just outside of Moji, walk through the beautiful and sacred 12th-century Akama Shrine, dedicated to the child emperor Antoku. Nearby, visit a Japanese fish market, known for its locally caught *fugu* (pufferfish), a delicacy of Japanese cuisine.

This unique itinerary is an excellent value featuring Five-Star accommodations and at least one included excursion each day, and it highlights the most beautiful and culturally fascinating ports along Japan’s Inland Sea. This program sells out quickly, so I encourage you to book now while space and Early Booking Savings are available.

Sincerely,

Nancy B. Perez
Interim Executive Director
A mysterious island nation, one of unsurpassed natural beauty and a way of life found nowhere else in the world, Japan and its fascinating culture are laden with ancient spiritual rituals, symbolism, stately ceremony and rich, storied tradition—the beginnings of which originated thousands of years ago. Tea ceremonies, Noh drama, ikebana (flower arrangement, also known as kado or “the way of the flowers”), matsuri (the many seasonal festivals of worship) and classical landscape gardens are just some of the long-held traditions an immersion into Japanese culture will unveil. Look for these different types of gardens: the paradise garden, kare-sansui (dry landscape) garden, strolling garden and tea garden, each with a different symbolic interpretation. Enjoy the opportunity to stroll the harmonious landscaping of the tranquil Koraku-en Garden near Okayama. And, perhaps silent contemplation will reveal to you the lessons of the kare-sansui rock garden at Ryoan-ji, Kyoto’s Temple of the Peaceful Dragon, founded in 1450. This garden, one of the most famous in the world, represents the ultimate expression of Zen Buddhism—legend says that only 14 of the 15 rocks in the garden can be seen at once, and only when one attains spiritual enlightenment does the final stone reveal itself.

U.S.
Tuesday, May 8
Depart the U.S. and cross the International Date Line.

Osaka, Japan/Kyoto
Wednesday, May 9
Arrive in Osaka, then transfer to beautiful Kyoto, the impeccably preserved former imperial capital of Japan. Check into the ideally located deluxe KYOTO HOTEL OKURA. The remainder of the day is at leisure.

Kyoto
Thursday, May 10
In timeless Kyoto, discover an ethereal setting of grand imperial castles, tranquil Zen gardens and graceful Shinto shrines that manifest Japanese culture in its purest form. Many of Kyoto’s ancient buildings and gardens are designated UNESCO World Heritage sites, including grandiose Nijo Castle, built by the shogun of the powerful Tokugawa dynasty (1603 to 1867); iconic Kinkaku-ji Temple, the famed 14th-century Temple of the Golden Pavilion, whose top two floors are adorned completely with gold leaf; and the Ryoan-ji Temple, originally an aristocrat’s villa during the Heian Period (794 to 1185), featuring a famous contemplative rock garden. Drawing inspiration from the Zen gardens of Kyoto, Apple™ co-founder Steve Jobs used Ryoan-ji Temple as a place of meditation, and its minimalistic simplicity was the guiding aesthetic principle of the company’s products. Join your traveling companions for a Welcome Reception this evening.

Kyoto/Himeji
Friday, May 11
This morning, visit the captivating Fushimi Inari Shrine, dedicated to the deity of sake and rice and one of the oldest Shinto shrines in Japan—the earliest structures were constructed in A.D. 711. Its thousands of carefully aligned, iconic, red-orange torii gates lead to the magnificent Inari Mountain.

Cover photo: Miyajima’s Great Torii Gate is thought to be the boundary between the spirit and the human worlds. Photo this page: Kyoto’s UNESCO-designated Golden Pavilion functions as a shariden, housing relics of the Buddha.
Enjoy lunch and a scenic transfer en route to the extraordinary Himeji Castle, a UNESCO World Heritage site comprising 83 buildings and the largest and best-preserved feudal castle complex in Japan. From the hilltop castle grounds, admire the elegant structures, crafted entirely of wood and dating from the 14th to 17th centuries.

Later this afternoon, embark the Five-Star L'Austral.

**Hiroshima/Miyajima**
**Saturday, May 12**
Visit Hiroshima’s compelling Peace Memorial Park, a tranquil, urban green space where the remains of the Genbaku Dome, which survived the forces of the atomic bomb, are a designated UNESCO World Heritage site and a universal symbol of peace. See the solemn Children’s Peace Monument and explore the Peace Memorial Museum, which chronicles the history of Hiroshima. Continue to the small island of Miyajima, or “Shrine Island,” and go ashore via Zodiac to tour the impressive sixth-century Itsukushima Shrine, a UNESCO World Heritage site. See its stunning vermilion Great Torii Gate, which appears to float on water during high tide. Attend the Captain’s Welcome Reception this evening.

**Hagi**
**Sunday, May 13**
Originally a small fishing port, the cultural town of Hagi was fortified by Mōri Terumoto in 1604. Walk through the old samurai quarter past its many former samurai dwellings along roads lined with original 19th-century earthen walls. Visit the early 17th-century Kikuya House, the former residence of a merchant wealthy enough to live among the samurai and one of the best-preserved examples of merchant-style architecture from the Edo Period. Tour the 17th-century Toko-ji Temple, from the Obaku School of Japanese Zen Buddhism, and see its 500 moss-covered stone lanterns honoring the Mōri clan lords. Visit the Hagi Uragami Museum, which displays over 5000 traditional woodblock prints and porcelain pieces.

**Sakaiminato for Matsue**
**Monday, May 14**
Enjoy a scenic drive through Matsue to tour the acclaimed Adachi Museum of Art. This stunning combination of Japanese art and garden design features a collection of 20th-century paintings and modern art along with six perfectly landscaped gardens, The Purification Hall, or Haraiden, of Itsukushima Shrine faces the Great Torii Gate and has been used for monthly festivals and for performing religious dances on rainy days. Walk through the elaborately decorated monuments of ancient Kyoto de.
seen through the museum's vast windows as “living Japanese paintings” and widely considered to be the best in the country.

See distinctive Matsue Castle, a feudal structure whose five-story keep is the tallest in Japan, before returning to the ship for an afternoon of cruising with onboard lectures.

Ulsan, South Korea, for Gyeongju Tuesday, May 15
Travel across South Korea’s verdant rural landscape from Ulsan to the cradle of the Silla Kingdom (57 B.C. to A.D. 935) in the historic city of Gyeongju. Visit the glorious Bulguksa Temple, a UNESCO World Heritage site and part of a religious architectural complex that represents a material expression of Buddhist utopia on Earth. The complex is divided into three areas—the Vairocana Buddha Hall, the Hall of Great Enlightenment and the Hall of Supreme Bliss—and is home to several national treasures including stone bridges and two pagodas.

Visit Gyeongju National Museum, which houses priceless archaeological and historical artifacts. Enjoy a specially arranged Korean lunch and a traditional dance performance. Visit the Royal Burial Mounds at Tumuli Park where, in 1974, the 43-foot-high Cheonmachong (Heavenly Horse) Tomb, dating from the fifth century, was excavated, revealing over 10,000 royal treasures inside.

Moji, Japan Wednesday, May 16
Visit the impressive Akama Shrine, built in 1191 and dedicated to the child emperor Antoku. Then, stroll through the Karato Ichiba Fish Market, specializing in the delicacy of locally sourced fugu (pufferfish). Market-goers gather here to enjoy sushi and sashimi bento, while professional chefs come to purchase the freshest seafood to prepare time-honored recipes in their restaurants.

Enjoy the Captain’s Farewell Reception on board this evening.

Uno Thursday, May 17
From the port of Uno, participate in one of two included excursions. Enjoy a scenic drive to the lovely town of Kurashiki, which translates to “storehouse village,” one of the best-preserved mercantile towns in Japan—its distinctive black and white latticed buildings remain from the 17th-century Edo Period. Visit the old merchant quarter and walk among the traditional kara (granary) buildings beside small, tranquil canals framed by languid weeping willows. Or, choose to visit the famous Koraku-en Garden, one of the Three Great Gardens of Japan, situated on the outskirts of Okayama. Commissioned by Lord Ikedo in 1686, it is a classic strolling garden graced with bamboo groves; pine, plum and cherry trees; and tea bushes.

Osaka/U.S. Friday, May 18
Disembark in Osaka and continue on the Kanazawa Post-Program Option, or transfer to the airport for your return flight to the U.S.
Five-Star Small Ship
MS L’AUSTRAL

Small Ship, State-of-the-Art Design
The exclusively chartered L’AUSTRAL represents the newest generation of Five-Star small ships, featuring only 110 Suites and Staterooms, distinctive French sophistication and complimentary Wi-Fi throughout the ship.

Elegantly Appointed Suites and Staterooms, 95% with Private Balconies
Each air-conditioned, deluxe Stateroom and Suite (200 to 484 square feet) features a private bathroom with shower, luxurious Five-Star hotel amenities and minibar with complimentary beverages; most have two twin beds that convert into one queen bed. Enjoy accommodation amenities including individual climate control, satellite flat-screen television, safe, full-length closet, writing desk/dressing table, plush robes and slippers.

Chic and Casual Dining
International and regional cuisine is served in the stylish, spacious Le Coromandel dining room in single, unassigned seatings; alfresco in the casual Le Rodrigues Restaurant; or from 24-hour room service. Complimentary alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages are available throughout the cruise. Continental and buffet breakfasts, buffet lunch, afternoon tea and a four-course dinner are served daily. Wine is served with lunch and dinner.

Spacious Public Areas/
World-Class Service and Facilities
In keeping with the low passenger density, the public areas are spacious and inviting, and they can accommodate all passengers comfortably. Enjoy views from the Panoramic Lounge; nightly entertainment in the Main Lounge; and lectures, cultural performances or film screenings in the state-of-the-art theater. There is a library, Internet salon, Sun Deck with open-air bar, swimming pool, beauty salon, spa, Turkish bath-style steam room, full range of fitness equipment, two elevators and an infirmary staffed with a doctor and a nurse. The highly trained and personable, English-speaking, international crew provides attentive service.

Respect for the Environment
The state-of-the-art propulsion system and custom-built stabilizers provide an exceptionally smooth, quiet and comfortable voyage. By design, the ship is energy efficient and environmentally protective of marine ecosystems and has been awarded the prestigious “Clean Ship” designation due to its advanced eco-friendly features, a rarity among ocean-cruising vessels. The ship has two tenders and 10 Zodiaks.
In Kyoto, Japan
◆ Two nights in the deluxe KYOTO HOTEL OKURA.
◆ Full buffet breakfast each morning.
◆ Welcome Reception.
◆ Tour of the impressive UNESCO World Heritage-designated Nijo Castle, built by a powerful shogun of the Tokugawa dynasty.
◆ Visit to the magnificent UNESCO World Heritage-designated temples of Ryoan-ji and Kinkaku-ji.
◆ Tour of the iconic Fushimi Inari Shrine to see its thousands of beautiful vermilion torii gates.

Transfer from Kyoto to Himeji, including lunch.

On board the exclusively chartered Five-Star small ship L’AUSTRAL
◆ Seven-night cruise from Himeji, Japan, with port calls at Hiroshima, Miyajima, Hagi, Sakaiminato for Matsue, Moji, Uno for Kurashiki or Okayama, and Osaka, Japan; and Ulsan for Gyeongju, South Korea.
◆ Elegantly appointed, Five-Star Suite or Stateroom, each with a private bathroom.
◆ Captain’s Welcome and Farewell Receptions.
◆ Complimentary alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages are available throughout the cruise.
◆ All meals—early continental breakfast, buffet breakfast, buffet lunch, afternoon tea and dinner—throughout the cruise, featuring fine international and regional cuisine, served at single, unassigned seatings.
◆ Wine is served with lunch and dinner.
◆ Complimentary Wi-Fi throughout the ship.
◆ Guided visit of the stunning grounds of Himeji Castle, a UNESCO World Heritage site and the world’s finest surviving example of 17th-century Japanese castle architecture.
◆ Visit to Hiroshima’s compelling Peace Memorial Park, a UNESCO World Heritage site, with a tour of the Peace Memorial Museum.
◆ Excursion to Miyajima (“Shrine Island”) to tour the UNESCO World Heritage site of sixth-century Itsukushima Shrine and see its iconic Great Torii Gate.
◆ Walking tour of Hagi’s old samurai quarter featuring visits to the early 17th-century Kikuya House and Toko-ji Temple.
◆ Visit to the Hagi Uragami Museum to see the famous craftsmanship of traditional woodblock arts.
◆ Excursion to the acclaimed Adachi Museum of Art featuring Japanese modern art and perfectly landscaped gardens known as “living Japanese paintings.”
◆ Excursion from Ulsan, South Korea, to historic Gyeongju, the cradle of the Silla Kingdom and a UNESCO World Heritage site, with visits to Bulguksa Temple, the Gyeongju National Museum and the Royal Burial Mounds at Tumuli Park; lunch is included.
◆ Tour of Moji, featuring visits to the Akama Shrine, dedicated to 12th-century child emperor Antoku, and the Karato Ichiba Fish Market, specializing in fugu.
◆ Excursion to the famous Koraku-en Garden, a classic Japanese strolling garden completed in 1700.

Enhanced Travel Services
◆ Transfers and luggage handling abroad for participants whose arrival(s)/departure(s) coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s).
◆ All excursions and visits, as outlined above, with experienced local guides.
◆ Gratuities to local guides and drivers on included excursions and transfers.
◆ Complimentary bottled water in your accommodations and on included excursions.
◆ Hospitality desk in the hotel and aboard ship.
◆ The services of experienced Gohagan & Company Travel Directors throughout the program.
◆ Travel document wallet, name badge and pre-departure information.
◆ Complimentary use of a state-of-the-art audio headset for each participant during guided excursions.
◆ Automatic $250,000 flight insurance policy for each participant ticketed on flights by Gohagan & Company.
Ex route to Kyoto aboard the Shinkansen bullet train, admire majestic Mt. Fuji, Japan’s highest mountain, in the distance.

**Iconic Tokyo**

**Pre-Program Option**

Begin your journey in Japan’s vibrant and iconic capital city of Tokyo. Beneath the layers of thriving business districts, amid the contemporary architectural achievements and a wellspring of Japanese pop culture, you will find venerable wooden houses fronted by bonsai trees and shrines wreathed in incense smoke—the inherent cultural core of this historic city. Explore Tokyo’s most important Shinto shrine—the Meiji Shrine—and the magnificent East Garden and Plaza of the Imperial Palace. Enjoy a full-day excursion to Hakone to view the tallest peak in Japan—the iconic Mt. Fuji—a UNESCO World Heritage site. Experience a high-speed transfer aboard the legendary Shinkansen bullet train to charming Kyoto. Accommodations are for three nights in the prestigious Five-Star ANA INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL TOKYO.

**Kanazawa’s Cultural Landscape**

**Post-Program Option**

Step back in time in the remarkably well-preserved city of Kanazawa, dating from the early 16th century. Visit Kenroku-en Garden, one of the Three Great Gardens of Japan, created in the kaiyu (many pleasures) style for the enjoyment of feudal lords who lived in its 16th-century castle; the Higashi Chaya district with historic teahouses where geisha once lived; and the Nagamachi samurai district. Experience the art of Washi papermaking, a centuries-old Japanese handcrafting tradition, noted on UNESCO’s Intangible Cultural Heritage list. Enjoy an excursion to the UNESCO World Heritage site of historic Shirakawa-go and the village of Ogimachi, famous for its traditional gassho-zukuri (praying hands) farmhouses—a reference to the shape of the roofs. Travel to Tokyo by Shinkansen bullet train. Accommodations are for two nights in the deluxe ANA CROWNE PLAZA KANAZAWA and for one night in the Five-Star ANA INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL TOKYO. Pre- and Post-Program Options are available at additional cost. Details will be provided with your reservation confirmation.

Ogimachi, the largest village of Shirakawa-go—a UNESCO World Heritage site—is home to dozens of well-preserved, centuries-old gassho-zukuri farmhouses.
LAND/Cruise Tariff excluding taxes*

Per person, based on double occupancy

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Deluxe Suite

Ocean-view, expansive floor-to-ceiling sliding glass door onto private balcony, shower and sitting area with sofa. Deck 6, Mahé. (limited availability)

Prestige Suite II

Two-room, ocean-view, expansive floor-to-ceiling sliding glass door onto two private balconies, one and a half bathrooms, separate tub and shower, sitting room with sofa, table and four chairs and writing desk. Deck 6, Mahé. (limited availability)

Prestige Suite I

Two-room, ocean-view, expansive floor-to-ceiling sliding glass door onto large private balcony, two bathrooms with showers, large sitting area with sofa, two closets, writing desk and dressing table. Deck 5, Bengal. (limited availability)

Owner’s Suite

Two-room, ocean-view, expansive floor-to-ceiling sliding glass doors onto two private balconies, one and a half bathrooms, separate tub and shower. Deck 5, Bengale, midship. (limited availability)

ANCIENT TRADITIONS OF THE INLAND SEA OF JAPAN

Reservation Form

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Title  Full Name (exactly as it appears on your passport)  Class Year

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Street Mailing Address (no P.O. Box number please)

City  State  ZIP Code

Telephone: (Home)  (Mobile)

Email Address (Business)

Preferred Name(s) on Badge(s)  Tour No. 140-05/08/18-068

Program reservations require a deposit of $800 per person and $200 per person Iconic Tokyo Pre-Program Option and/or $200 per person Kanazawa’s Cultural Landscape Post-Program Option. By reserving and depositing on this program, I/we agree to the Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Binding Arbitration Agreement as printed on the outside back cover of this brochure.

Enclosed is my/our check(s) for $__________ as deposit. Make checks payable to Thomas P. Gohagan & Company.

I/we authorize you to charge my/our deposit of $__________ to:

Visa  MasterCard

Card Number  Exp. Date

Signature as it appears on credit card

All FINAL PAYMENTS are required to be made by check or wire transfer by February 2, 2018.

Please make my/our reservation(s) in Stateroom Category:

1st Choice  2nd Choice

Double occupancy (two twin beds),  Double occupancy (one queen bed),

Single accommodations.

I am reserving as a single but prefer to share accommodations and will allow you to select my roommate (shares cannot be guaranteed).

Kanazawa’s Cultural Landscape Post-Program Option

Double at $1425 per person.  Single at $725 per person.

I am reserving as a single but prefer to share accommodations and will allow you to select my roommate (shares cannot be guaranteed).

I/We want to book my/our air from

(If in departure city) to and from Osaka, Japan, at additional cost to be advised.1

Economy Class  Upgraded Economy  Business Class  First Class

Note: Airfare is subject to change and availability and is nonrefundable.

I/We will make my/our own air arrangements.
**RELEASE OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND BINDING ARBITRATION AGREEMENT**

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Gohagan cannot be held responsible for any injury, loss, death, inconvenience, delay, or damage to person or property in connection with the provision of any goods or services, whether resulting from, but not limited to, acts of God or force majeure, acts of government, acts of war or civil unrest, inspiration or revolt, bites from or attacks by animals, insects or pests, strikes or other labor activities, criminal or terrorist activities of any kind or the threat thereof, sickness or epidemics or the threat thereof, the lack of availability of or access to medical attention or the quality thereof, overbooking or downgrading of accommodations, mechanical or physical failure of airplanes, vessels, or other means of transportation, or for any failure of any transportation mechanism to arrive or depart timely or safely.

In the event of a “discounted” reservation, Gohagan reserves the right to substitute motorcoach transportation using buses, vans or other transportation mechanism at any time, without notice, due to adverse weather conditions, mechanical or other failure of transportation, or for any cause beyond the control of Gohagan. Gohagan is not responsible therefor and is not required to compensate passengers under any condition.

Gohagan reserves the right to substitute ship(s) for any reason whatsoever; if so, its sole responsibility is to refund monies paid by the participant to Gohagan. However, Gohagan is not, however, required under any condition to provide free air transportation to or from the place of embarkation.

Gohagan reserves the right to cancel any itinerary or trip for any reason including, but not limited to, acts of God, force majeure, acts of any government, imposition of new governmental taxes or other conditions beyond the control of Gohagan. If due to weather, flight schedules or other uncontrollable factors, you are required to spend an additional night(s), you will be responsible for any and all costs associated with such additional night(s), including, but not limited to, additional airfare and associated local taxes, airport facility and security taxes and baggage charges on aircraft; local departure air/airport tax(es); accident/sickness, trip cancellation, and baggage insurance; personal expenses such as laundry, telephone calls and Internet access; any transportation mechanism to arrive or depart timely or safely.

If due to weather, flight schedules or other uncontrollable factors, Gohagan makes any changes in the itinerary or program; or cancels the trip. Gohagan reserves the right to substitute ship(s) for any reason whatsoever; if so, its sole responsibility is to refund monies paid by the participant to Gohagan. However, Gohagan is not, however, required under any condition to provide free air transportation to or from the place of embarkation.

By forwarding of deposit, acceptance of terms and conditions, and/or participation in any trip, you agree to the terms and conditions herein and accept the terms contained in this Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Binding Arbitration Agreement.

**PHYSICAL ACCESSIBILITY:** All programs require physical accessibility of participants and assume an understanding that may require special medical attention or physical assistance. Travelers requiring assistance must travel with a companion who will be responsible for handling equipment. Travelers must be able to embark or disembark motorcoaches alone or with minimal assistance from your travel companion. Travelers must be capable of maintaining use of all self-help thresholds without assistance. Travelers requiring assistance must travel with a companion who will be responsible for handling equipment and associated costs.

**DISCOUNTED RESERVATIONS:** Discounts, apply only to those reservations received in the offices of Gohagan by October 10, 2017. In the event a “discounted” reservation must be cancelled, no “replacement” reservation can be substituted at the discounted rate. A replacement reservation is a new reservation and can be substituted only at the full-fare tariff. Cancellation penalties may apply.

Maiko, apprentice geiko, are recognized by their kanzashi (hair ornaments) and colorful kimonos.

**CANCELLATIONS:** Cancellations for all or any part of the trip including PrePost Program(s) reservation(s) will not be effective until received in writing in the offices of Gohagan. Should you have to cancel, the following terms will apply: reservation cancellation(s) are subject to a $200 ($50 PrePost Program(s)) per person administrative fee from the time of booking through 120 days prior to departure; from 95 through 119 days prior to departure, ($800) ($200 PrePost Program(s)) per person; from 60 through 94 days prior to departure, 70% of the published full regular tariffs; cancellations 39 days or less prior to departure, a no-show, or early return from the trip will result in forfeiture of 100% of the published full regular tariffs. In addition, any applicable airline cancellation fees, optional excursion cancellation fees and administrative fees may apply.

**TRAVEL INSURANCE:** We strongly recommend that you purchase trip cancellation insurance. In the event that you must cancel your participation in a travel program, trip cancellation insurance may be the only source of reimbursement. Trip cancellation insurance is available through Gohagan and others for comprehensive coverage of such expenses in conjunction with events due to illness or accident, and damaged or lost luggage. We will send you an application upon receipt of your reservation.

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