

# Small Ships 2020

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## Small Ship Expedition Cruising

Venture to remote destinations normally  
inaccessible to larger vessels.

## Classic Journeys

The must-visit destinations by rail or luxury coach.

## Small Group Journeys

Veer off the beaten path with no more  
than 20 guests.

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A person wearing a red jacket is seen from the side, looking out over a city from a high vantage point. The background is a bright, hazy sky with a cityscape visible in the distance. The text is centered in the middle of the image.

**All-inclusive.  
All taken care of.  
So you can Live Fully.**



A call to adventure. A yearning for the unfamiliar.  
The wonderful. The otherwise inaccessible. Defining your own luxury. Pursuing it. Chasing the horizon. Falling in love with the world all over again. Laughter. Exhilaration. Being greeted by name. Seeing through the eyes of explorers, historians and naturalists. The tranquillity of a temple. The power of a breaching whale. Hiking. Snorkelling. Skimming waterways by Zodiac. Kicking back after a long day. An ocean breeze. Local flavours. Toasting discoveries. New friends. Remembering what it's like to be curious. Being out of your comfort zone. Being surprised. Being free. Knowing the little things have been looked after so you can live fully in each and every unforgettable moment.

Extraordinary moments in travel.

Made possible every day with APT.

Who doesn't dream of being on the open water?  
Bare feet. Warm sunshine on your skin. A cool drink  
in hand. No concept of time. No crowds. Absolutely no  
worries. Whether you want a leisurely exploration filled  
with food, wine and tangerine sunsets, or something a little  
more adventurous, a small ship cruise with APT is for you.  
Simply select your destination and then head to the  
Trip Finder – you're on your way.



## The Baltics & Norwegian Fjords

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Head further north to see what's along the shores of the Baltic Sea. Mix with the effortlessly cool locals, see gilded palaces, and wander cobbled streets. A fjord-hopping voyage along Norway's west coast paints pictures of crystal-clear water, pretty farmhouses and emerald pastures. When it comes to travel moments that truly wow, very little compares to experiencing the midnight sun.

## United Kingdom & Ireland

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Crumbling castles, medieval churches and windswept beaches. History is interwoven with the present throughout the isles of United Kingdom and Ireland. Meanwhile, the Highlands of Scotland boast wild landscapes unlike anywhere else on Earth.

## South America

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Worlds away from the familiar, uncover Chilean Patagonia. Follow in the footsteps of early explorers and sailors to the ends of the Earth where nature reigns supreme. In South America, ancient Inca ruins, samba dancing and the wildlife wonderland of the Galápagos Islands makes for a truly unique trip for the adventurous at heart.

## Japan

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From ultra-fashionable Tokyo, with its Michelin-star sushi bars, bamboozling subway stations and vending machines galore, to tranquil villages along the remote coast and groves of pale pink cherry blossoms, Japan is one weird and wonderful place. Fiercely unique, there's something utterly hypnotic about the Land of the Rising Sun.

## Seychelles, Madagascar & Mauritius

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If escaping the everyday is on your mind, then a cruise around Seychelles, Madagascar and Mauritius is for you. Uncover a sun-kissed island paradise, where coral reefs, blue lagoons, steamy rainforests and curious critters greet you at every port. The swaying palm trees and cocktails on white sand beaches only add to the laid-back tropical vibe.

## The Kimberley

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Australia at its most rugged, most beautiful. Discover an ancient landscape that is truly breathtaking. From soaring ochre cliffs, to secluded gorges and thunderous cascades. With the use of Zodiacs, squeeze into isolated and hard-to-reach places that few get the chance to visit.



## The Baltics & Norwegian Fjords



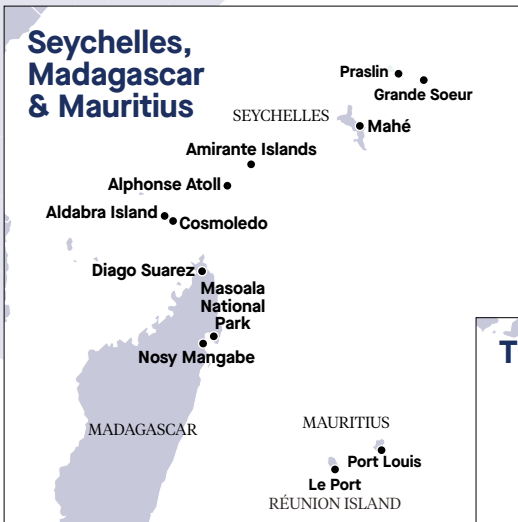
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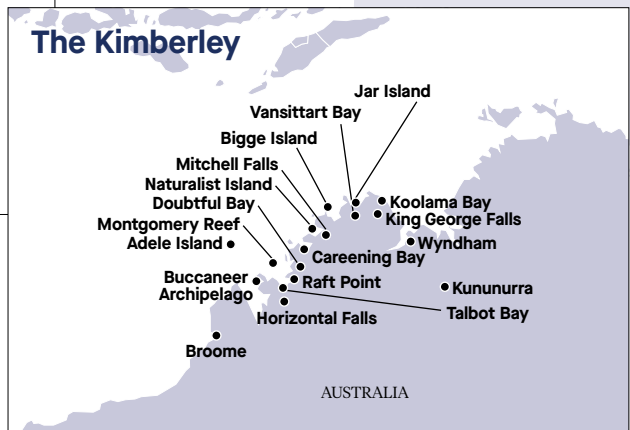
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## Seychelles, Madagascar & Mauritius



## The Kimberley



Rio de Janeiro



**Welcome to  
APT's Small Ships**





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# Travel Styles

At APT, we understand that one holiday does not fit all. So, we've created APT travel styles. A selection of ways you can see the world. Some go slow. Some go faster. And sometimes we even mix a travel style or two into the one journey, ensuring your experience is perfectly aligned with why you want to go, your interests, and your fitness level.

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## Small Ship Expedition Cruising

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Discover destinations near and far aboard an intimate, ocean-going vessel. Thanks to your ship's small size, spend less time waiting to embark or disembark and dock right in the middle of a city or town, or jump aboard a Zodiac and head for inaccessible locations. At all times, APT's friendly expedition team will be on hand to ensure your safety, comfort and, ultimately, enjoyment.

# Travel styles

## overview

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### Classic Journeys

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Combine travel styles and explore by rail or luxurious coach in addition to your cruise. On our classic journeys, visit key sights like Machu Picchu, Mt Fuji and Iguassu Falls. Enjoy time at leisure to explore the way you'd like to. Stay in the heart of South American and Japanese cities and enjoy authentic and fine dining.

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### Small Group Journeys

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Exclusively limited to just 20 guests, combine this travel style with your small ship expedition cruise and part ways with the normal tourist trail to uncover the true character of a region. With longer stays in each destination so you can fully explore each region, authentic boutique accommodation and after-hours exploration, these trips are for the most curious of travellers.

# Small Ship Expedition Cruising / 01

For those who like to make the most of every day. Small ship expedition cruising is all about venturing further, seeing more, and doing more, while also enjoying great food, wine and a little pampering along the way. We stay close to the coastline, where larger ships cannot venture, and use Zodiac vessels to reach isolated spots. Wake each morning to a new adventure – a remote isle to explore or a tiny village to discover. In the evening, kick back on board with your favourite drink and a long, decadent meal.

## **APT's Own Ships**

With our very own fleet of small ships we have the flexibility to hand-craft every element of the adventure, from each included shore excursion to an exclusive range of onboard events and even the very route we sail. Every journey is a genuinely unique experience.

## **Sail Away From the Crowds**

Bigger is not always better in the cruising world. Our ships are purposely built small, carrying a maximum of 118 guests instead of thousands so we can access shallow shorelines, remote ports or quieter towns, and incredible natural areas.

## **Your Avenue to Adventure**

Every ship carries a fleet of inflatable Zodiac vessels to get you close to the action. Some destinations, such as the Baltics, rarely require the use of Zodiacs. Others, such as the Kimberley and South America, require extensive use of them for shore landings and to reach remote locations, so you can admire the landscape from sea level.

## **Get Closer to Wildlife**

Because your small ship can hug the coastline closely, and Zodiac vessels have the ability to squeeze into hard-to-reach places, enjoy greater chances of spotting wildlife in their natural habitat.





**Above** The MS Island Sky / **Top Left** Explorations by Zodiac

# Classic Journeys / 02

These journeys reflect all the elements a luxury holiday should. And we should know, we've been perfecting the art for over 90 years. Enjoy travel by a spacious coach or train. Reservations in the world's finest properties. Included experiences to iconic and hidden sights, led by locals but without feeling like you're being herded from place to place. Fantastic dining goes without saying. And plenty of time to wander on your own.

## The Must-See Sights & Experiences

You'll be gobsmacked by the thunderous cascades at Iguassu Falls. Lost for words as you take in ancient Inca sites in the Sacred Valley. In Rio de Janeiro, you'll dine like a local with a Brazilian barbecue feast. Meanwhile in Japan, the streets of Tokyo will get your heart racing, while the silent strength of Mt Fuji will leave a lasting impression on your memory.

## A Little Luxury

Hand-selected, central and unique locations. From a stay steps away from the world's most iconic beach at the Belmond Copacabana Palace in Rio de Janeiro, to the charmed luxury of the Country Club Lima Hotel and the cosmopolitan allure of a stay in Japan's capital, these all highlight the lengths we strive to ensure your comfort.



**Above** Itsukushima Floating Torii Gate, Miyajima, Japan

# Small Group Journeys / 03

Small Group Journeys take place away from the hustle and bustle. Some lead you off the beaten track, while others head where crowds cannot. But all are only possible thanks to the limited group size of 20 guests. With each journey built around the character of the region, you will enjoy a deeper connection with the places you visit as well as the people you meet along the way.

## **It's All About You**

You'll be treated as an individual, with tailored commentary to suit your interests. There's also plenty of time to ask your tour director those burning questions you may have, as well as some time to discover new places on your terms.

## **Stay Longer, Explore More**

Longer stays in each location allow in-depth experiences. Wander historic castles, visit enchanting Scottish glens, and enjoy a tasting at a whiskey distillery. You'll also have time to explore on your own or try the local dining scene.

## **Authentic & Boutique Properties**

For your accommodation, authentic hand-picked hotels are chosen either for their one-of-a-kind settings, architectural or cultural significance, outstanding cuisine or exceptional level of service. From a special stay at the Isle of Eriska Hotel, Spa & Island, to wandering the immaculate grounds at Duisdale Isle of Skye Hotel, gain a truly unique insight into each place you visit.





# All-Inclusive Experience

In contrast to other holidays, which may see you spending weeks, months or even years researching and planning, we like to make things as easy as possible for you. When you travel with APT, everything you need and nothing you don't is included and organised. So instead of wasting time stressing about the tiny details, you can book knowing that we've got everything covered. Knowing that when you're away, we're taking care of those tiny details. It's the sort of luxury that sets you free.

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### All-inclusive. All taken care of. Always

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From the moment you depart to the moment you return, everything you need is included in the trip price you pay. Which means you're 100% free to make the most of every moment, without the hassle of wondering what it's all going to cost.

### Luxury Redefined

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Whether it's the freedom to dock right in the heart of a bustling town or hop into a Zodiac and zip off to isolated destinations, our small ship expeditions are all about the luxury of chasing your own adventure with the comfort of knowing we're always there to lend a hand.

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### Best-in-Class Fleet

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Aboard our ships, it's almost like being on your own private expedition thanks to the simple fact that we own our fleet in partnership with Noble Caledonia. From the service to the food and the itinerary itself, we have total control over every element of every journey.

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### Locally Inspired Dining

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Expect an amazing dining experience at sea, with selected meals inspired by local influences as well as a choice of wines and beers. At many ports, we're always happy to recommend some of our favourite local restaurants.

# All-Inclusive Experience

## overview

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### Personalised Service

Our staff are cheerful and attentive. They'll greet you with drinks and hot towels on re-boarding, remember your name and your favourite drink, and are always happy to chat, but also recognise when you'd prefer to be left to yourself.

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### Freedom of Choice

We understand that different travellers like different things. That's why we work with you to personalise your journey to suit your interests. Mix and match a wide selection of cultural, culinary, nature, wildlife and active experiences.



### Award-Winning Travel

Among numerous accolades, APT was voted Best Adventure Cruise Line in 2018 at the Cruise Passenger Reader's Choice Awards. We're also proud of the 98% satisfaction rating we receive from our travellers, and we are committed to maintaining it.

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### Signature Experiences

These moments will truly impress. Designed by us especially for you, Signature Experiences add that something special to your journey. It might be after-hours access to major sights or a private reservation or exclusive meal at a restaurant.

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### APT Concierge

With the APT Concierge app, you'll feel like a local wherever you are. Access a daily tour itinerary, tailor your independent discovery with local interactive maps, receive real-time messages from your APT expedition leader and utilise day-to-day travel essentials.



### Live Fully

With every detail taken care of behind the scenes, you're 100% free to be whoever you want to be. Go ashore and explore on your own. Need some time to yourself? Take a leisurely sleep-in or curl up with a good book. Every day is yours to design.



**All-inclusive.  
All taken care of.  
Always. / 01**





From the moment you leave home to the moment you return, everything you need and nothing you don't is included in the trip price you pay when booking. Which means you're 100% free to make the most of every moment, without the hassle of wondering what it's all going to cost. It's a luxuriously liberating way to travel, and once you experience it, you'll never travel any other way again.

**Here's What's on Offer on Your Small Ship Cruise:**

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| Award-winning ships                               | Spacious suites all with ocean views – many with balconies |
| Award-winning service                             | Fleet of Zodiac vessels for exploration                    |
| All sightseeing discoveries                       | Exceptional onboard dining experiences                     |
| Outstanding APT expedition team and tour director | Included onboard beverages – alcoholic and non-alcoholic   |
| Signature Experiences unique to APT               | Complimentary Wi-Fi on board                               |
| Freedom of Choice Inclusions                      | APT Concierge app  |
| Expert local guides with invaluable insight       | Return airport transfers                                   |
| Intimate expedition ship – maximum of 118 guests  | All gratuities   |



**Above** Sit out on deck on the MS Caledonian Sky / **Far Right** See Norway's fjords up close on board a Zodiac

Welcome aboard APT's small ships, the Caledonian Sky, the Hebridean Sky and the Island Sky. The advantages of cruising on these intimate vessels are numerous, from smaller group sizes on excursions to no queuing when you disembark in port. Plus, thanks to their shallow draughts, they are able to slip away from the pack, into remote coastal towns or shallow waters, providing far greater potential for real adventure.

# Best-in-Class Fleet / 02



## Each small ship has been custom made and carefully chosen to suit the destination.

### **Small in Size, Big on Comfort**

A contrast to traditional cruise ships, our small ships accommodate no more than 118 guests and have one of the highest crew-to-passenger ratio. They are equipped with the latest safety, navigation and communications equipment, as well as roll stabilisers to minimise motion.

### **Shore Excursions**

With 10 Zodiac vessels on board you'll always be within an inch of the action. Don your boots, head down to the lower deck and jump aboard with your expedition team for a ride of your life.

### **The Suite Life**

Every suite features Molton Brown amenities, ocean views, a sitting area and plenty of space. They are at least 20 square metres, which is almost twice the size of suites on other ships of a comparable size. In addition, a large number have their own balconies.

### **Leaders in Small Ship Expedition Cruising**

Our MS Caledonian Sky ship was recently awarded a 'Star Performer – Top Ten' rating in 2018 Berlitz Cruising and Cruise Guide, with special mentions to our two other 'Sky' ships. APT's position as leaders in small ship cruising continues.





**Bottom Left** Standard Suite on the MS Hebridean Sky / **Above** MS Hebridean Sky Superior Suite

### Onboard Living

The atmosphere on board is akin to being on a private yacht. Intimate, friendly and personable. Learn more about the culture and history of each location in the company of like-minded people. Enjoy a little music in the lounge or bar after dinner, and head to the top deck to keep an eye out for wildlife.

### The Best Views Wherever You Go

Picture yourself on deck taking in 360° views of the passing seascape. Sitting back on a sun lounger, sipping at a cocktail, while coastal towns, hulking fjords and green islands glide past. Dining al fresco on the Lido Deck while the sun sets. When you're on board, you have the best seat in the house to the wonders of the world.



**Above** Dine in picturesque settings / **Right** Your chef prepares dinner in front of you out on the Lido Deck

It goes without saying that food should be a highlight of your journey. Relax in great company as you enjoy breakfasts brimming with delicious choices and long, lazy lunches after a thrilling morning ashore. Finish each day with a spectacular menu, either on board or on the shore, washed down with impressive wines. There are barbecues on the deck, and sunset drinks with canapés and seriously enviable views. This is the way life should be, right?

# Locally Inspired Dining / 03



As any great celebration should, we always start with plenty of bubbly. And when it comes to food, every meal is something to look forward to.

#### **Inside Our Onboard Kitchen**

Our chefs deliver menus of an exceptional standard. While you're either sleeping or out exploring, the team are busy at work in the onboard kitchen, preparing seasonal produce, often plucked from oceans, local farms and markets, to create dishes that shine as much as each destination.

#### **Raise a Glass to Your Journey**

As part of our all-inclusive onboard lifestyle, we include all meals and drinks on board. Choose from a selection of

wine, beer, spirits, soft drinks, juices, tea and coffee which are available whenever you'd like.

#### **Alfresco Dining**

Make the most of your surroundings while cruising and dine under an open sky on your ship's Lido Deck. Join a table of four to eight other passengers and share lovingly prepared meals made fresh to order, with flavours enhanced by the crisp sea breeze.



**Above** Enjoy friendly service on board your cruise / **Far Right** Your expedition leader is full of invaluable insight

The best service goes beyond white gloves and silver platters. The crew will learn and call you by your name. They will soon know your favourite drink and whether you have coffee or tea in the morning. You too will get to know the staff and before long, it's like travelling with old friends. This is just one of the many joys of exploring the world on an APT small ship.

# Personalised Service / 04





From the bartender who knows just how you like your aperitif to your expedition team who love a chat, personalised service comes as standard.

#### **Your APT Expedition Team**

Your avenue to adventure, these professionals are leaders in their field and play a key role in every expedition. Ranging from two to 10 members, depending on the destination, they expertly guide every foray off the ship to ensure you get the most out of your adventure. Each day, the team will liaise with the captain and expedition leader to deliver a daily program that best suits weather conditions. In addition, they hold presentations, expedition briefings and cheerfully answer questions along the way.

#### **The Captain & Crew**

The captain and crew have been selected for their experience, knowledge and training. With guest numbers of a little over 100 and 75 crew members, you'll never have to go looking for assistance.

#### **Local Guides**

It takes a local to show you the places that only a resident could know about. That's why we employ local guides, because there's no one better to show you around.



**Above** Edvard Grieg private recital in Bergen

# Signature Experiences / 05



Forget cookie-cutter experiences. We focus on designing our own intimate events that are unique to a destination. Known as Signature Experiences, it might be a sushi master class with a local chef in Tokyo or a tango lesson with the locals in Buenos Aires. No matter what it is, we make sure these exclusive experiences will become some of your favourite holiday moments.

⊛ Look for the logo throughout itineraries for your Signature Experiences.

These are the experiences that you'll recount  
to your friends and family, that will linger in  
your memory for years to come.

**Russian Ballet at the Hermitage Theatre**

A visit to St Petersburg wouldn't be complete without a classic Russian ballet performance. For an evening you'll never forget, we've organised a private performance at the Hermitage Theatre, one of the oldest stages in St Petersburg located in the Hermitage Museum complex.

**Edvard Grieg Private Recital in Bergen**

Visit the former home of Norway's most famous composer, Edvard Grieg, for a private recital of his most well-known classical masterpieces.

**A Taiko Drum Performance on Sado Island in Japan**

Step onto Sado Island, a treasure trove of traditional Japanese culture. Hear the deep, rhythmic beat of the taiko drum roll across rocky coasts, quaint fishing ports and lush, green hills. During your time here, watch an exclusive live performance by the world-famous Kodo group of taiko drummers.



We might take care of all the finer details, but we leave all the exciting decisions up to you. Our Freedom of Choice concept allows you to personalise your journey according to your interests. In many destinations throughout your expedition, you can select from a range of cultural, culinary, historical and adventurous experiences. Taste your way through a local market one day and head out on a hike the next. You might feel like a guided walk through a town then opt for a more relaxing activity. It's all completely up to you. And the best part? It's all included.

Ⓜ Look for this logo throughout itineraries for your Freedom of Choice inclusions.

# Freedom of Choice / 06



There's no following the crowds.  
Take the reigns and choose how to spend  
your holiday time, just the way you'd like.

 **Culture & Heritage**

These might include anything from a guided walk through a city to a museum visit, or perhaps the chance to meet indigenous local people.

 **Gourmet Delight**

Peruse fresh food markets, visit renowned vineyards for wine tastings, head to regional farms to sample artisan fare and be introduced to the local culinary specialties.

 **Nature & Wildlife**

From wildlife-viewing excursions to guided walks through national parks, these put you in touch with nature.

 **Get Active**

Anything from cycling and hiking to more leisurely options like kayaking excursions and guided trail rides.

See pages 96-98 for a full list of Freedom of Choice inclusions in each destination.



When you arrive somewhere new, the first thing you want to do is get out there and explore. But it can be difficult to know where to even start. With our personal APT Concierge app, exclusive to APT guests, you'll feel like a local wherever you are. Wander the streets and alleyways independently. Find hidden treasures and iconic sights. And take your time on your terms, so you can live fully in each and every unforgettable moment.

Accessible via a smart phone or tablet device, APT Concierge is available to download for free on Apple and Android devices.

# APT Concierge / 07



#### **Interactive Maps**

Discover hidden gems anywhere you go and build a personal travel guide. With detailed maps available for download and offline use, continue to explore even without a Wi-Fi connection.

#### **Day-to-Day Essentials**

Enjoy a wealth of meteorological data for each city you visit, track how you are spending your holiday funds, search multiple currencies, make quick currency conversions and check the time back home. Feel prepared wherever you go!

#### **Personalised Information**

Free yourself of pages and pages of trip information – this is an easy, hassle-free way to view your personalised travel itinerary and overall central hub for all of your daily movements and journey.

#### **Real-Time Updates**

Keep abreast of the rest and receive daily updates and travel advice from your expedition leader. To ensure that you receive your real time, valuable and relevant updates, push notifications must be enabled.



Before your trip, download the free app by using your smart phone or tablet device to scan the adjacent QR Code or searching for APT Concierge in the App Store or Google Play. Find the icon on your device and tap to open.



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# Trip Finder

# Trip Finder overview

STYLE	DURATION	NAME	DESTINATION	PG
<b>The Baltics &amp; Norwegian Fjords</b>				
Small Ship Expedition Cruising	13 Days	Best of the Baltics	Stockholm to Copenhagen	46
Small Ship Expedition Cruising	15 Days	Majestic Norwegian Fjords	Tromsø to Copenhagen	48
Small Ship Expedition Cruising	27 Days	Grand Expedition Cruise	Tromsø to Stockholm	50
<b>United Kingdom &amp; Ireland</b>				
Small Ship Expedition Cruising	10 Days	British Isles Quest	London to Edinburgh	56
Small Ship Expedition Cruising + Small Group Journey	19 Days	British Isles Quest & Highlands of Scotland	London to Edinburgh	58
<b>South America</b>				
Small Ship Expedition Cruising	17 Days	Patagonia & Chilean Fjords Explorer	Santiago to Buenos Aires	62
Small Ship Expedition Cruising + Classic Journey	35 Days	Best of South America & Galapagos with Patagonia & Chilean Fjords	Guayaquil to Rio de Janeiro	64
<b>Japan</b>				
Small Ship Expedition Cruising	14 Days	Japan Coastal Discovery	Tokyo to Osaka	70
Small Ship Expedition Cruising + Classic Journey	20 Days	Japan Coastal Discovery with Tokyo & Hokkaido	Tokyo to Osaka	72
<b>Seychelles, Madagascar &amp; Mauritius</b>				
Small Ship Expedition Cruising	13 Days	Tides of the Indian Ocean	Mahé to Port Louis	76
<b>Kimberley Coast Cruising</b>				
Small Ship Expedition Cruising	10 Days	Grand Kimberley Coast	Kununurra to Broome	80
<b>Botanica World Discoveries</b>				
Small Ship Botanica Cruising	14 Days	Japanese Spring Blossoms, Gardens & Culture Cruise	Tokyo to Osaka	86
Small Ship Botanica Cruising + Small Group Journey	25 Days	Cherry Blossoms in Japan & Chinese Culture & Gardens in Spring	Osaka to Beijing	88





Above Tallinn, Estonia

# The Baltics & Norwegian Fjords

The countries of the Baltic Sea are brimming with medieval towns, Gothic architecture and wild landscapes. Fill up on art, design and cinnamon buns in Stockholm. Watch a private Russian ballet performance in St Petersburg. Go cycling in Tallinn. Meanwhile, having a small ship at our disposal gives us an even better perspective of Norway's west coast. Creep slowly into sun-filled fjords. Retrace centuries of Viking history. See the enduring light of the midnight sun. There's something new to discover every day.

# Best of the Baltics

## Stockholm to Copenhagen

Bask in the lingering summer sun as you loop the Baltic Sea. Explore cosmopolitan cities and trendy Nordic capitals, docking just a short distance from their centres. Be seduced by the medieval towers, church spires and cobbled lanes of Tallinn and Rīga, and spend blissful days on sparsely populated islands where food and nature take centre stage.

### Trip Snapshot

**Duration** 13 days, 12 nights / **Travel Style** Small Ship Expedition Cruising / **Ship** MS Hebridean Sky / **Visit** 11 places, seven countries  
**Go For** A private Russian ballet performance and Nordic gastronomy

#### Trip Overview

Day	Destination
01	Stockholm – Sweden
02	Stockholm – Sweden
03	Helsinki – Finland
04	St Petersburg – Russia
05	St Petersburg – Russia
06	Tallinn – Estonia
07	Pärnu – Estonia
08	Rīga – Latvia
09	Visby – Sweden
10	Gdańsk – Poland
11	Christiansø Island, Bornholm Island – Denmark
12	Copenhagen – Denmark
13	Copenhagen – Denmark

### Signature Experiences

- ★ Attend a private ballet performance at St Petersburg's iconic Hermitage Theatre.
- ★ Taste local produce on Bornholm Island, known for its Danish gastronomy.

#### Key

- ★ Signature Experience
- 🕒 Freedom of Choice
- 🌙 Evening Departure / Overnight
- BLD Breakfast Lunch Dinner

#### Day 01: Arrive Stockholm, Embark Ship

🌙 Stretched across 14 islands linked by bridges, Stockholm is the perfect place to start our expedition. We meet you on arrival and welcome you on board your ship. Your first night starts as it should, with sparkling and a relaxed dinner. **D**

12 Nights: MS Hebridean Sky.

#### Day 02: Stockholm

Your first full day in the Swedish capital begins with a tour around the Old Town. Discover the medieval Royal Palace and visit the Vasa Museum. Afterwards, sit down for afternoon tea in the historic town of Sigtuna, the oldest surviving town in the country. **BLD**

#### Day 03: Helsinki

🕒 After skirting the coast of Finland, your ship arrives at Helsinki. You'll have the opportunity to experience the city, including a visit to Senate Square, the Rock Church and the Sibelius Monument or Suomenlinna, a World Heritage-listed fortress that is scattered across six islands. **BLD**

#### Day 04: St Petersburg

★ 🌙 Two days have been put aside for your St Petersburg discovery, and for good reason; the city is filled with incredible landmarks. You'll begin at the State Hermitage Museum then head to Catherine Palace where a walk through the adjoining gardens provides a welcome breather. A highlight of the day is a private Russian ballet performance at the theatre within the Hermitage Museum. **BLD**

#### Day 05: St Petersburg

Thankfully, our ship has remained docked in St Petersburg overnight so not only will you wake up to the gilded domes, you will also have plenty more time to explore. Head to Peter and Paul Cathedral and onto the Church on Spilled Blood before spending a relaxed afternoon at Peterhof Palace and Park. Often

described as the 'Russian Versailles', the series of palaces and leafy gardens, with their glittering fountains, is a real haven from the mostly grey city. **BLD**

#### Day 06: Tallinn

🕒 By mid morning you'll arrive in the Estonian capital. With over 1,000 years of history at your feet, there's no shortage of sights here. Visit Dome Hill, the Cathedral of Saint Mary the Virgin, the Rotermann Quarter and Freedom Square. Otherwise, take a gentle stroll with your expedition team to get your bearings. Some of you might even like to pedal through the city on a fun discovery by bicycle. **BLD**

#### Day 07: Pärnu

🕒 🌙 In the rarely visited harbour city of Pärnu, choose your sightseeing adventure. Join a guided tour to visit the Pärnu Museum before strolling about the old town. Or, drop in at a Nordic cider mill and truffle workshop to learn about the production process before having the delicious opportunity to sample the cider, and try your hand at making the truffles yourself. **BLD**

#### Day 08: Rīga

🕒 You're sure to enjoy your day in the Latvian capital. Lose yourself along cobblestone lanes and Art Nouveau architecture in the historic centre and perhaps climb to the observation platform at St Peter's Church for the best views of the city. There's also the option to explore the city by boat from along its network of canals. **BLD**

#### Day 09: Visby

🕒 The largest of Sweden's outlying islands, Gotland, is your destination today. Choose to wander through the walled town of Visby. See the wall's defensive tower, the Kruttornet, and stroll through the botanical gardens. Or, spend the afternoon at a farm, where you'll get an idea of how the local people live. **BLD**

**Day 10: Gdańsk**

You'll reach Polish shores today, with a stop at the old Hanseatic port of Gdańsk. You might slip into a kayak and paddle around the canals. Or, keep dry with a wander through the old quarter, past Solidarity Square and into the main area of the town. **BLD**

**Day 11: Christiansø Island, Bornholm Island**

On Christiansø Island, be ready to explore by choosing one of three guided walks. Afterwards, discover the once popular holiday destination, Bornholm Island, well known as a foodie's paradise, fuelled by its wild and sustainable ingredients. With this in mind, taste your way across the island, nibbling classic but delicious Nordic fare as well as some more contemporary offerings. **BLD**

**Day 12: Copenhagen**

With a full day in the cool Danish capital, begin exploring with a city tour. Visit the famous sculpture of the Little Mermaid, commemorating the fairytale written by Hans Christian Andersen. Continue to Amalienborg Palace, the famous Tivoli Gardens and the Glyptotek Art Museum. Tonight, share a special farewell dinner on board your ship. **BLD**

**Day 13: Disembark Ship, Depart Copenhagen**

With our ship in dock at Copenhagen, the time has come to depart. We say goodbye and transfer you to the airport. **B**

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Above Catherine's Palace, St Petersburg

Trip from **\$16,195** per person twin share

2020 Dates and Prices (NZ\$)	Suite	Twin From	Solo From
<b>13 Days Stockholm to Copenhagen (NOBHSC13)</b>			
July 2, 14	Porthole Suite	\$16,195	\$23,745
	Window Suite	\$18,195	\$26,745
	Balcony Suite	\$20,595	\$30,345
	Owner's Suite	\$20,945	\$33,245
	Hebridean Suite	\$23,245	\$37,845

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Low Zodiac Activity – This tour includes only limited use of Zodiacs for sightseeing or accessing ports.

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# Majestic Norwegian Fjords

## Tromsø to Copenhagen

Norway has one of the world's most beautiful coastlines, and what better way to experience it than aboard your very own intimate small ship? Plus, the region is even more attractive in summer – when meadows are greener, the sun bounces off fjord water, and waterfalls plunge from mountains that merge into blue – which is when you'll depart on this discovery.

### Trip Snapshot

**Duration** 15 days, 14 nights / **Travel Style** Small Ship Expedition Cruising / **Ship** MS Hebridean Sky / **Visit** 19 places, three countries  
**Go For** Fjords, Flåm Railway and the Lofoten Islands

#### Trip Overview

Day	Destination
01	Tromsø – Norway
02	Lofoten Islands – Norway
03	Brønnøysund, Torghatten – Norway
04	Trondheim – Norway
05	Nordfjord, Olden – Norway
06	Florø – Norway
07	Flåm, Undredal – Norway
08	Flåm, Naerøysfjord – Norway
09	Bergen – Norway
10	Rosendal, Hardangerfjord – Norway
11	Pulpit Rock, Stavanger – Norway
12	Kragerø – Norway
13	Oslo – Norway
14	Marstrand – Sweden, Skagen – Denmark
15	Copenhagen – Denmark

### Signature Experiences

- ☆ Arrive in the Lofoten Islands to experience the world's largest Viking longhouse.
- ☆ Enjoy the lush Norwegian countryside on the way to the village of Undredal.
- ☆ Visit the home of Edvard Grieg for a private recital of classical masterpieces.

#### Key

- ☆ Signature Experience
- Ⓜ Freedom of Choice
- 🌙 Evening Departure / Overnight
- BLD** Breakfast Lunch Dinner

#### Day 01: Arrive Tromsø, Embark Ship

Excitement builds as we meet you on arrival and whisk you to your ship. Kick things off with a glass of bubbly before the first of many memorable meals on board. **D**

14 Nights: MS Hebridean Sky.

#### Day 02: Lofoten Islands

☆ 🌙 Norway's west coast is without question one of the world's most beautiful destinations, and when it comes to scenery, the Lofoten Islands truly takes the cake. Cruising into the archipelago, jagged peaks jut from mirror-like fjord waters and red cottages are clustered on green banks. A highlight of your time here is the visit to the world's largest Viking longhouse, as well as a stroll beneath the midnight sun. **BLD**

#### Day 03: Brønnøysund, Torghatten

Ⓜ Head to the deck to spot the Arctic Circle monument before arriving at the town of Brønnøysund. In the distance, you might even be able to see the sun shining through the tunnel at the centre of Mt Torghatten. It's possible to walk through the tunnel, something you might like to do today. Or, explore the town with your expedition team. **BLD**

#### Day 04: Trondheim

For a change of pace, today you'll explore a larger city, Trondheim. As part of your discovery, wander around the open-air museum, which is more like a village. Explore its collection of over 80 vintage buildings, including a stave church and Sami huts. **BLD**

#### Day 05: Nordfjord, Olden

You'll want to stake your claim on the deck as the ship sails into Nordfjord to the icefields of Jostedal. There are towering mountains on both sides, glaciers, and deep valleys in shades of green you may have never before seen. Step ashore at the village of Olden, passing beautiful lakes on your way to the viewing point of Briksdal Glacier. **BLD**

#### Day 06: Florø

The archipelagos surrounding Florø lends to the picture-perfect scenery of the quaint port town. First, though, you'll visit the Sunnfjord open-air museum, made up of 25 historic buildings transported from throughout the region. Many of the log houses, you'll notice, have traditional turf roofs. Then it's onwards for a drive along the Waterfall Road. **BLD**

#### Day 07: Flåm, Undredal

🌙 Today, you'll arrive in Flåm, where an epic journey aboard the Flåm Railway awaits to take you through countryside more than 850 metres above sea level. You'll then head to the remote village of Undredal on the shores of Aurlandsfjord. There are pine forests spilling over cliffs, steep ravines with storybook houses perched right on the edge, and dandelions which wave to you from impossibly green and lush meadows. Not to mention the deep blue fjord waters which surround this picturesque village. **BLD**

#### Day 08: Flåm, Naerøysfjord

Say goodbye to Flåm this morning as you make way for your next destination. There's promise of yet more glassy waters and plunging falls today as you cruise the region's majestic fjords. And all you have to do is sit back on board your ship and take it all in. Discover World Heritage-listed Naerøysfjord, hemmed in on either side by mountains, tumbling waterfalls and emerald valleys. **BLD**

#### Day 09: Bergen

☆ 🌙 Discover the sights of Bergen, including the home of Norway's most famous composer, Edvard Grieg. Adding to the day, we've organised a private recital here, featuring a selection of Grieg's well-known classical masterpieces. There's plenty of time to explore afterwards, with the ship remaining docked here in Bergen overnight. **BLD**



**Day 10: Rosendal, Hardangerfjord**

🚶 The wonders continue with more fjords and mountains today. Dock in Rosendal to travel to the village of Sunndal. From here, you'll set out on a walk to Bondhus Lake, which is encircled by fjords and mountains. Alternatively, you might like to visit the historic Baroniet Estate Manor and Gardens. **BLD**

**Day 11: Pulpit Rock, Stavanger**

🚶 Perhaps don your walking shoes for a hike to the Pulpit Rock viewpoint. On a 604-metre high cliff, it's one of the country's most iconic lookouts, with views right over the Lysefjord. A less strenuous option is a cruise through the fjord and a walk through Stavanger. **BLD**

**Day 12: Kragerø**

At Kragerø, jump into a boat for a journey along the Telemark Canal, carved into rock over a century ago. **BLD**

**Day 13: Oslo**

Today you'll reach Norway's capital. Among many highlights is the chance to walk through Vigeland Sculpture Park and the Viking Ship Museum. Also enjoy time at the open-air Norsk Folkemuseum. It's then time to farewell Norway as your ship sails through the night. **BLD**

**Day 14: Marstrand, Skagen**

🚶 Dip into Sweden with a stop at the fishing village of Marstrand. Here, you might like to walk to Carlstens Fortress or enjoy a spot of kayaking. Later it's onto Denmark where a visit to Skagen offers the chance to either travel to the country's northernmost reaches or explore the peninsula on a guided bike tour. **BLD**

**Day 15: Disembark Ship, Depart Copenhagen**

Arrive at your final stop, Copenhagen. We say our farewells and transfer you to the airport. **B**

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Above Lofoten Islands, Norway

Trip from **\$19,395** per person twin share

2020 Date and Prices (NZ\$)	Suite	Twin From	Solo From
<b>15 Days Tromsø to Copenhagen (NOBHTC15)</b>			
June 18	Porthole Suite	\$19,395	\$28,545
	Window Suite	\$21,695	\$31,995
	Balcony Suite	\$24,445	\$36,145
	Owner's Suite	\$24,895	\$39,545
	Hebridean Suite	\$27,645	\$45,045

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# Grand Expedition Cruise

Tromsø to Stockholm

There's no better time to experience Scandinavia than in the long twilight hours of summer. A combination of our two most popular Northern Europe voyages, bask in the sublime scenery of the Norwegian fjords then stay on board to soak up the good vibes during an exploration along the shores of the Baltic Sea, including the region's cities and quiet islands.

## Trip Snapshot

**Duration** 27 days, 26 nights / **Travel Style** Small Ship Expedition Cruising / **Ship** MS Hebridean Sky / **Visit** 30 places, eight countries  
**Go For** Viking history and fjords

**Below** Undredal, Norway



## Signature Experiences

- ☆ Arrive in the Lofoten Islands to experience the world's largest Viking longhouse.
- ☆ Enjoy the lush Norwegian countryside on the way to the village of Undredal.
- ☆ Visit the home of Edvard Grieg for a private recital of classical masterpieces.
- ☆ Taste local produce on Bornholm Island, known for its Danish gastronomy.
- ☆ Attend a private ballet performance at St Petersburg's iconic Hermitage Theatre.

### Key

- ☆ Signature Experience
- 🕒 Freedom of Choice
- 🌙 Evening Departure / Overnight
- BLD** Breakfast Lunch Dinner



### Day 01: Arrive Tromsø, Embark Ship

We meet you on arrival and whisk you to your ship. Kick things off with a glass of bubbly before your first meal on board. **D**

26 Nights: MS Hebridean Sky.

### Day 02: Lofoten Islands

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### Day 03: Brønnøysund, Torghatten

🕒 Spot the Arctic Circle monument on deck before arriving at Brønnøysund. In the distance, you might even be able to see the sun shining through the tunnel at the centre of Mt Torghatten. You might like to walk through the tunnel. Or, explore the town with your expedition team. **BLD**

### Day 04: Trondheim

For a change of pace, today you'll explore a larger city, Trondheim. Wander the open-air museum, which is more like a village. Explore its collection of over 80 vintage buildings, including a stave church and Sami huts. **BLD**

### Day 05: Nordfjord, Olden

Your ship sails into Nordfjord to the icefields of Jostedal. Step ashore at Olden and head to the viewing point of Briksdal Glacier. **BLD**

### Day 06: Florø

🌙 Florø is simply picture-perfect. Visit the Sunnfjord open-air museum before a drive along the Waterfall Road. **BLD**

### Day 07: Naerøyfjord, Flåm

🌙 Today, cruise the region's majestic fjords, from Sognefjord to World Heritage-listed Naerøyfjord. Later you'll arrive in Flåm, where you'll board the Flåm Railway. **BLD**

## Trip Overview

Day	Destination	Included Highlight	Day	Destination	Included Highlight
01	Tromsø – Norway	Welcome dinner	15	Copenhagen – Denmark	Day to explore
02	Lofoten Islands – Norway	Viking longhouse visit	16	Copenhagen – Denmark	City sights
03	Brønnøysund, Torghatten – Norway	Freedom of Choice	17	Bornholm Island, Christiansø Island – Denmark	Gourmet discovery
04	Trondheim – Norway	Norwegian Folk Museum	18	Gdańsk – Poland	Freedom of Choice
05	Nordfjord, Olden – Norway	Briksdal Glacier walk	19	Visby – Sweden	Freedom of Choice
06	Florø – Norway	'Waterfall Country' drive	20	Riga – Latvia	Freedom of Choice
07	Naerøyfjord, Flåm – Norway	Flåm Railway journey	21	Pärnu – Estonia	Freedom of Choice
08	Flåm, Undredal – Norway	Visit a local village	22	Tallinn – Estonia	Freedom of Choice
09	Bergen – Norway	Private Edvard Grieg recital	23	St Petersburg – Russia	Russian ballet
10	Rosendal, Hardangerfjord – Norway	Bondhus Lake walk	24	St Petersburg – Russia	Peterhof Park and Palace
11	Pulpit Rock, Stavanger – Norway	Freedom of Choice	25	Helsinki – Finland	Freedom of Choice
12	Kragerø – Norway	Telemark Canal cruise	26	Stockholm – Sweden	Freedom of Choice
13	Oslo – Norway	Vigeland Sculpture Park	27	Stockholm – Sweden	Farewell
14	Marstrand – Sweden, Skagen – Denmark	Freedom of Choice			



**Above** Feast on fresh seafood / **Right** Fountains of Peterhof, St Petersburg, Russia

#### Day 08: Flåm, Undredal

Farewell Flåm this morning and head to the remote village of Undredal on the shores of Aurlandsfjord, a small fjord village that's famous for its production of goat's cheese. **BLD**

#### Day 09: Bergen

☼☺ In Bergen, visit the home of Norway's most famous composer, Edvard Grieg, where we've organised a private recital. Your ship remains docked here overnight. **BLD**

#### Day 10: Rosendal, Hardangerfjord

☼☺ Dock in Rosendal to travel to the village of Sunndal. From here, set out on a walk to Bondhus Lake. Or, perhaps visit the historic Baroniet Estate Manor and Gardens. **BLD**

#### Day 11: Pulpit Rock, Stavanger

☼☺ You might like to hike to the Pulpit Rock viewpoint, or choose to cruise through the fjord and a walk through Stavanger. **BLD**

#### Day 12: Kragerø

At Kragerø, jump into a boat for a journey along the Telemark Canal, carved into rock over a century ago. **BLD**

#### Day 13: Oslo

Reach Norway's capital. Walk through Vigeland Sculpture Park and the Viking Ship Museum. Visit the open-air Norsk Folkemuseum. **BLD**

#### Day 14: Marstrand, Skagen

☼☺ Stop at Sweden's fishing village of Marstrand. Here, perhaps walk to Carlstens Fortress or enjoy a spot of kayaking. Later it's onto Skagen in Denmark and travel to the country's northernmost reaches or explore the peninsula on a guided bike tour. **BLD**

#### Day 15: Copenhagen

With your ship in dock for the day, you have plenty of time to explore however you like. 13 day (NOBHCS13) guests join the tour. **BD**

#### Day 16: Copenhagen

A city tour includes the Little Mermaid sculpture, Amalienborg Palace, the Tivoli Gardens and the Glyptotek Art Museum. **BLD**

#### Day 17: Bornholm Island, Christiansø Island

☼☼ Taste your way across the island, nibbling classic Nordic fare as well as some more contemporary offerings. At Christiansø Island choose from three guided walks. **BLD**

## An Unlikely Gastronomic Hotspot



Unexpectedly, there's a tiny Danish island in the Baltic Sea with two Michelin-starred restaurants. In fact, the entire island has become known for its fantastic food scene, with a farm-to-table foraging philosophy that has transformed Nordic fare to new heights of delicious. You'll see what we mean as we whisk you across fruit orchards and forests, to berry brambles and beehives, where you'll taste some local favourites like organic beer that's been brewed over several years, succulent meats, creamy blue cheese and crispy rye crackers.

### Day 18: Gdańsk

🚣 In Gdańsk, go kayaking. Or, keep dry with a wander through the old quarter. **BLD**

### Day 19: Visby

🚶 Wander through the walled town of Visby. Or, spend the morning at a farm, where you'll get an idea of how the local people live. **BLD**

### Day 20: Riga

🚶 Wander the historic centre and perhaps climb to the observation platform at St Peter's Church. There's also the option to explore the city by boat along its network of canals. **BLD**

### Day 21: Pärnu

🚶 Perhaps join a guided tour to visit the Pärnu Museum and the old town. Or, drop in at a Nordic cider mill and truffle workshop and sample cider before trying your hand at making the truffles yourself. **BLD**

### Day 22: Tallinn

🚶 Tour the Estonian capital today. Visit Dome Hill, the Cathedral of Saint Mary the Virgin, the Rotermann Quarter and Freedom Square. Otherwise, enjoy a stroll or pedal through the city on a fun discovery by bicycle. **BLD**

### Day 23: St Petersburg

🚶🎭 Visit the State Hermitage Museum then head to Catherine's Palace for a walk through the gardens. After, watch a private Russian ballet performance at the Hermitage Museum. **BLD**

### Day 24: St Petersburg

Head to Peter and Paul Cathedral and onto St Isaac's Cathedral before spending an afternoon at Peterhof Palace and Park. **BLD**

### Day 25: Helsinki

🚶 Arrive at Helsinki. Visit Senate Square and the Sibelius Monument or Suomenlinna. **BLD**

### Day 26: Stockholm

🚶 Take a tour around the Old Town, Gamla Stan. Discover the medieval Royal Palace and visit the Vasa Museum. Afterwards, sit down for afternoon tea in the historic town of Sigtuna. Your ship docks overnight in Stockholm. **BLD**

### Day 27: Disembark Ship, Depart Stockholm

We'll transfer you to the airport this morning for your onward flight. **B**

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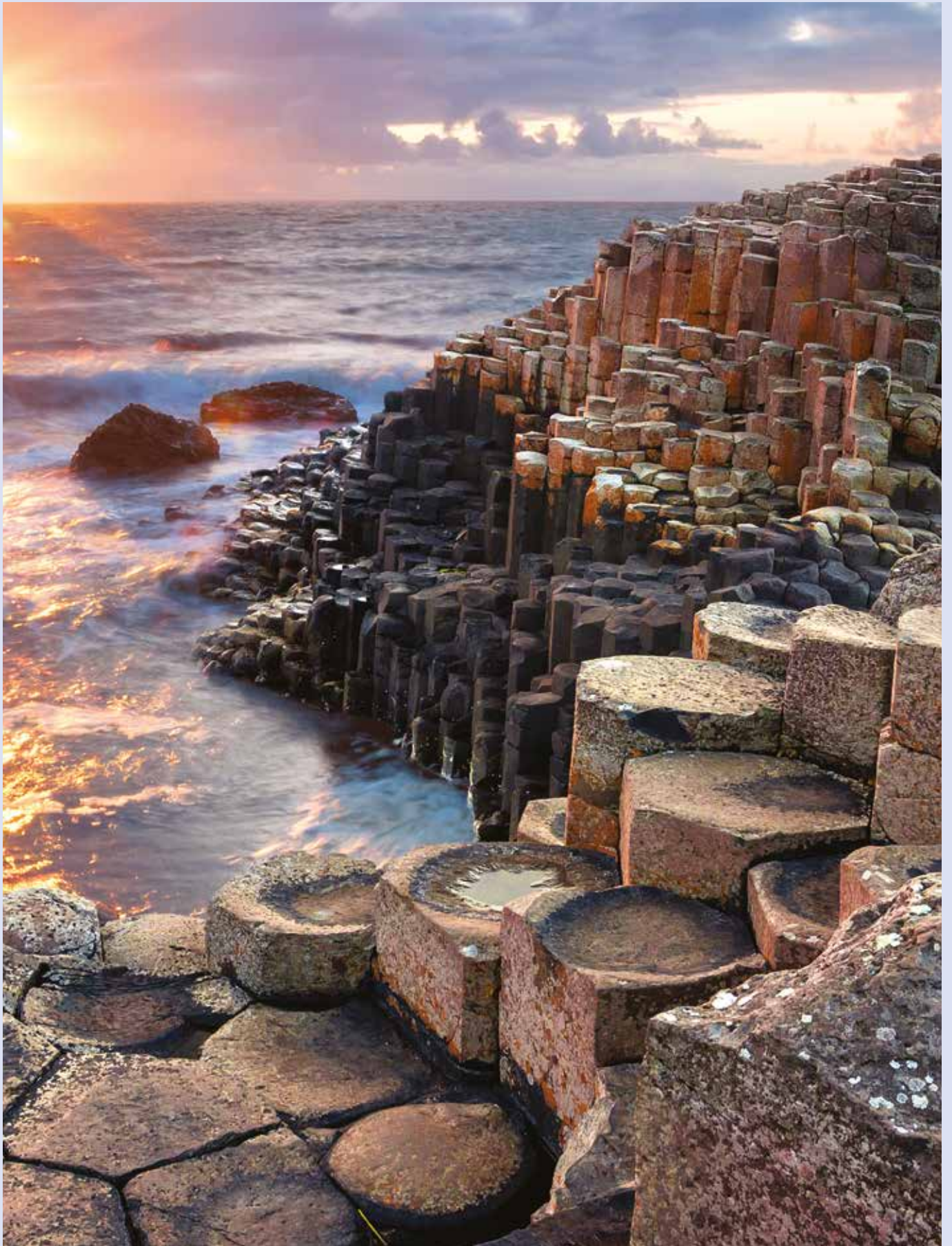
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2020 Date and Prices (NZ\$)	Suite	Twin From	Solo From
<b>27 Days Tromsø to Stockholm (NOBHTS27)</b>			
June 18	Porthole Suite	\$35,595	\$52,295
	Window Suite	\$39,895	\$58,745
	Balcony Suite	\$45,045	\$66,495
	Owner's Suite	\$45,845	\$72,795
	Hebridean Suite	\$50,895	\$82,895

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**Above** Giant's Causeway, Isle of Derry

# United Kingdom & Ireland

Medieval towns of cobblestone streets and old pubs. Craggy shores ravaged by the wind and sea. Viking history. Loch Ness. Whiskey distilleries. As our ship navigates the rugged coasts of England, Ireland and Scotland, weaving around hidden isles, uncover a different world. Where time stops and reverses, pulling you back to an era where giants roamed, oceans were wide and secret pockets of paradise still awaited discovery.

# British Isles Quest

## London to Edinburgh

A seamless blend of famous, quirky cities and remote, rugged islands. A journey steeped in history with medieval villages, Scottish kings, old castles. Zodiac excursions to hidden caves and navigating around surprisingly tropical archipelagos. This adventure is full of surprises.

### Trip Snapshot

**Duration** 10 days, nine nights / **Travel Style** Small Ship Expedition Cruising / **Ship** MS Hebridean Sky / **Visit** 11 places, four countries

**Go For** Rugged landscapes, medieval towns and Guinness

#### Trip Overview

Day	Destination
01	London – England
02	London, Plymouth – England
03	Isles of Scilly – England
04	Waterford, Kilkenny – Ireland
05	Dublin – Ireland
06	Douglas – Isle of Man
07	Belfast – Northern Ireland
08	Londonderry – Northern Ireland
09	Iona, Staffa, Lunga – Scotland
10	Oban, Edinburgh – Scotland

### Signature Experiences

- ☆ Discover the subtropical Abbey Garden on Tresco Island.
- ☆ A Zodiac gets you up close to the unique rock formations of Fingal's Cave.

#### Key

- ☆ Signature Experience
- Ⓜ Freedom of Choice
- 🕒 Evening Departure / Overnight
- BLD Breakfast Lunch Dinner

#### Day 01: Arrive London

Welcome to London! We meet you on arrival and transfer you to your hotel. Your first night is left open for you to explore this iconic city at your own pace.

**Stay:** Mayfair London or similar.

#### Day 02: London, Plymouth, Embark Ship

The morning is off to an exciting start. Fuel up on breakfast before we transfer you to your ship, the MS Hebridean Sky, in Plymouth. Take some time to settle in to your spacious suite, or head out on deck to watch the scenery drift by. Tonight, gather with your crew and fellow travellers to celebrate the journey ahead with a welcome dinner. **BLD**

**Eight Nights:** MS Hebridean Sky.

#### Day 03: Isles of Scilly

☆ Wake up to the aquamarine waters and white sand beaches of the Isles of Scilly, an unexpected tropical delight in the middle of the Celtic Sea. It's within this archipelago off the coast of Cornwall that you discover Tresco Island. Here, you'll have the chance to disembark and explore. There's no shortage of picture-perfect landscapes; see rocky outcrops and pristine beaches while you're here. It's then time to visit Abbey Gardens for a guided tour. More than 20,000 species of exotic plants flourish in this historic garden, which was established in the 1830s. **BLD**

#### Day 04: Waterford, Kilkenny

Set your sights on the southeastern coast of Ireland this morning. We drop anchor in Waterford, a city famous for Waterford Crystal, world-renowned flint glass. Set your feet on solid ground and hop on a coach to Kilkenny. This is the heart and soul of medieval Ireland, and it's yours to enjoy with free time. Walk along cobbled lanes and discover hidden passages, perhaps explore Kilkenny Castle, built over a millennia ago. Or, delve into the town's famous craft scene and peruse ceramics, jewellery,

candles, stone carvings and more, all lovingly made by hand. Return to your ship for lunch, before your exploration continues. It's time to visit the House of Waterford Crystal, and learn about the process and history of glass making which began in 1783. **BLD**

#### Day 05: Dublin

Ⓜ🕒 Discover cobbled streets, classic pubs, medieval castles and cathedrals. Dublin has it all, and we're making a beeline for it. The morning is yours to shape. You might like to visit the world-famous Guinness Storehouse which has been brewing Guinness since 1759. Or, join a sightseeing tour across the city. Perhaps your interest lies in ancient castles, in which case you may like to visit Malahide Castle and Gardens. The oldest parts of the castle date back to the 12th century. Alternatively, tour Trinity College and see the ninth-century Book of Kells in the Old Library. **BLD**

#### Day 06: Isle of Man

Arrive on the Isle of Man. Travel to Tynwald Hill in the little village of St John's, and onwards to the west coast town of Peel. Discover castle ruins while exploring on your own. This afternoon, perhaps enjoy time to explore Douglas. Or, take the electric mountain railway to Snaefell, the highest point on the island. On a clear day, you might see the coastlines of England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales. **BLD**

#### Day 07: Belfast

Ⓜ Northern Ireland calls. In Belfast, step back in time with a visit to the Titanic Museum, to learn the story of this famous ship's creation in the early 1900s. The afternoon presents the freedom to spend it how you wish. Perhaps discover Belfast's history through a guided Black Cab tour of its many sites. Or, visit St George's Market, which has been running since 1604. Sample fresh produce, talk to the friendly vendors, listen to live music and browse the unique souvenirs. **BLD**



**Day 08: Londonderry**

🚚🚢 Officially named Londonderry, coined by locals as Derry, we berth here this morning. See the famous walls which wrap around the city. These are the only ones in Ireland which still remain intact. Head out to the Giant's Causeway, a World Heritage-listed natural wonder. Over 40,000 basalt columns create rugged stepping stones into the Atlantic Sea. You are then free to craft your own afternoon. You may like to learn the history and artistry behind concocting the perfect Irish coffee with a connoisseur. Or, simply take time to explore Derry independently. **BLD**

**Day 09: Iona, Staffa & Lunga**

🚚🚢 Our adventure brings us to the Isle of Iona, off the western coast of Scotland. More than 40 Scottish kings, as well as kings from around the world, are buried here amid the island's tranquillity and natural beauty. With time to explore, you might like to visit Iona Abbey, one of the oldest Christian religious centres in western Europe. Or take things slow and go for a wander along the beach. It's back on board and onwards to the striking Isle of Staffa. Weather permitting, hop into a Zodiac for a closer inspection of the famous Fingal's Cave. See the curious hexagonal rock formations of the cave which open up to a 70-metre tall cavern. Your final stop today is Lunga, home to grey seals, razorbills, kittiwakes and puffins. **BLD**

**Day 10: Oban, Disembark Ship, Depart Edinburgh**

Your ship draws closer to the horseshoe bay of Oban, where you will disembark after breakfast. We transfer you to Edinburgh airport for your onward flight. **B**

**Combine with Highlands of Scotland**

Combine your British Isles Quest cruise with our Highlands of Scotland trip. Please see pages 58-59 for details.



Above Fingal's Cave, Isle of Staffa

Trip from **\$10,995** per person twin share

2020 Date and Prices (NZ\$)	Suite	Twin From	Solo From
<b>10 Days London to Edinburgh (NOBHLE10)</b>			
May 4	Porthole Suite	\$10,995	\$15,995
	Window Suite	\$12,095	\$17,645
	Balcony Suite	\$13,645	\$19,945
	Owner's Suite	\$13,845	\$21,695
	Hebridean Suite	\$15,395	\$24,795

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# British Isles Quest & Highlands of Scotland

## London to Edinburgh

After a gallivant across the British Isles, head inland and delve into the wild landscapes and fascinating history of the Scottish Highlands by coach and rail. From windswept beaches, the Loch Ness monster and single malt whiskey, to clashing clan battles, castles and antique steam trains, the untamed moors of the Highlands beckon explorers far and wide.

### Trip Snapshot

**Duration** 19 days, 18 nights / **Travel Style** Small Ship Expedition Cruising + Small Group Journey / **Ship** MS Hebridean Sky  
**Visit** 22 places, four countries / **Go For** Loch Ness and Giant's Causeway

#### Trip Overview

Day	Destination
01	London – England
02-09	British Isles Expedition Cruise
10	Oban, Isle of Eriska – Scotland
11	Isle of Eriska, Glencoe – Scotland
12	Isle of Eriska, Fort William, Mallaig, Isle of Skye – Scotland
13	Isle of Skye – Scotland
14	Isle of Skye, Loch Ness, Inverness – Scotland
15	Inverness, Ullapool – Scotland
16	Cairngorms National Park, St Andrews – Scotland
17	St Andrews – Scotland
18	St Andrews, Fife, Edinburgh – Scotland
19	Edinburgh – Scotland

#### Day 01: Arrive London

Welcome to London! We meet you on arrival and transfer you to your hotel. Your first night is left free for you to explore London at your own pace.

Stay: **Mayfair London** or similar.

#### Days 02-09: British Isles Quest Cruise

See pages 56-57 for details of your British Isles Quest cruise. **BLD**

Eight Nights: MS Hebridean Sky.

#### Day 10: Disembark Ship, Oban, Isle of Eriska

⊛ Disembark your ship in the horseshoe bay of Oban where we'll be waiting for you to board a coach bound for the picturesque Isle of Eriska. The Isle of Eriska derived its name from the surge of Norse invasions in the 10th century. We have planned a very special stay for the next two nights on your very own private island. Tonight, savour a gourmet experience at the hotel's fine dining restaurant. **BD**

Two Nights: Isle of Eriska Hotel, Spa & Island.

#### Day 11: Isle of Eriska, Glencoe

Today you'll visit one of the most enchanting glens in Scotland, Glencoe. Here you'll discover rolling green hills, cosy pubs serving the finest Scotch whiskey and a steam train featured in the Harry Potter films. See the famous mountain range, the Three Sisters. Discover deep gorges and crashing waterfalls. Learn about the Glencoe Massacre which took place in this area in 1692. Return to your island for another fine dining experience. **BD**

#### Day 12: Isle of Eriska, Fort William, Mallaig, Isle of Skye

Today you'll stop in the picturesque town of Fort William where you'll admire magnificent mountain scenery and evergreen forests. On your way to the bustling ferry port town of Mallaig, take a photo stop opportunity at Glenfinnan Viaduct. Mallaig is the perfect spot to stretch your legs. Stroll around the harbour, chat with the locals, or sit and watch the fishing boats bob in the harbour. A ferry takes you onwards to the Isle of Skye. **BD**

Two Nights: Duisdale Isle of Skye Hotel.

#### Day 13: Isle of Skye

Wake up to soaring mountains and sparkling lochs, rugged sea cliffs and expansive moors. Isle of Skye certainly boasts stunning scenery. A tour includes the Dunvegan Castle and Gardens, home to the MacLeod Clan for 800 years. Aboard your coach, drive along dramatic Trotternish Ridge. Make sure to have your camera at the ready to snap the jagged peaks and unique rock formations. **BD**

#### Day 14: Isle of Skye, Loch Ness, Inverness

Witness the drama of Scotland's landscapes as we travel to Inverness. Pass the immense mountain range of the Five Sisters of Kintail. Legend tells of five sisters who turned into mountains waiting for five Irish princes who vowed to come to Scotland to join the sisters in marriage. Continue along the peninsula of Knoydart, stopping en route at the famous viewpoint over Loch Garry for captivating views. You'll also visit Loch Ness and hear all about the mysteries surrounding the famous loch. Your day ends in Inverness, capital of the Highlands. **BD**

Two Nights: Inverness, Ness Walk Hotel.

### Signature Experiences

- ⊛ Discover the subtropical Abbey Garden on Tresco Island.
- ⊛ A Zodiac gets you up close to the unique rock formations of Fingal's Cave.
- ⊛ Stay in a traditional Scottish Baronial style mansion on your very own private island and savour a fine dining experience.

#### Key

- ⊛ Signature Experience
- ⊛ Freedom of Choice
- BLD** Breakfast Lunch Dinner

**Day 15: Inverness, Ullapool**

Begin your day with a tour of the picturesque fishing port of Ullapool, nestled on the shores of Loch Broom. Wander amid the whitewashed cottages that are dotted along the harbourfront and drink in the pristine surrounds. **B**

**Day 16: Inverness, Cairngorms National Park, St Andrews**

Ⓜ What better way to kick off your day's explorations than with a tasting at a local whiskey distillery? Learn about the production process while enjoying a sample. Afterwards, venture into the heart of the Highlands to Cairngorms National Park. As the largest national park in the UK, you may stumble across castles, gardens, mountains, ancient native trees, lochs and cascading waterfalls, as well as local wildlife. Spend the rest of your afternoon exploring the park. Hop back in your coach and continue to St Andrews. For dinner, feast on simple and delicious Italian food at La Cucina, or order high quality pub fare at St Andrews Bar & Grill. **BD**

Two Nights: Fairmont St Andrews.

**Day 17: St Andrews**

The seaside town of St Andrews has certainly made a name for itself thanks to its medieval streets, a historic university and famous golf courses. This morning, join a walking tour around the town, passing the University of St Andrews and its immaculate grounds, the colleges of St Mary's and St Salvatore's and the Museum of the University of St Andrews. The rest of the day is yours to spend at leisure. **B**

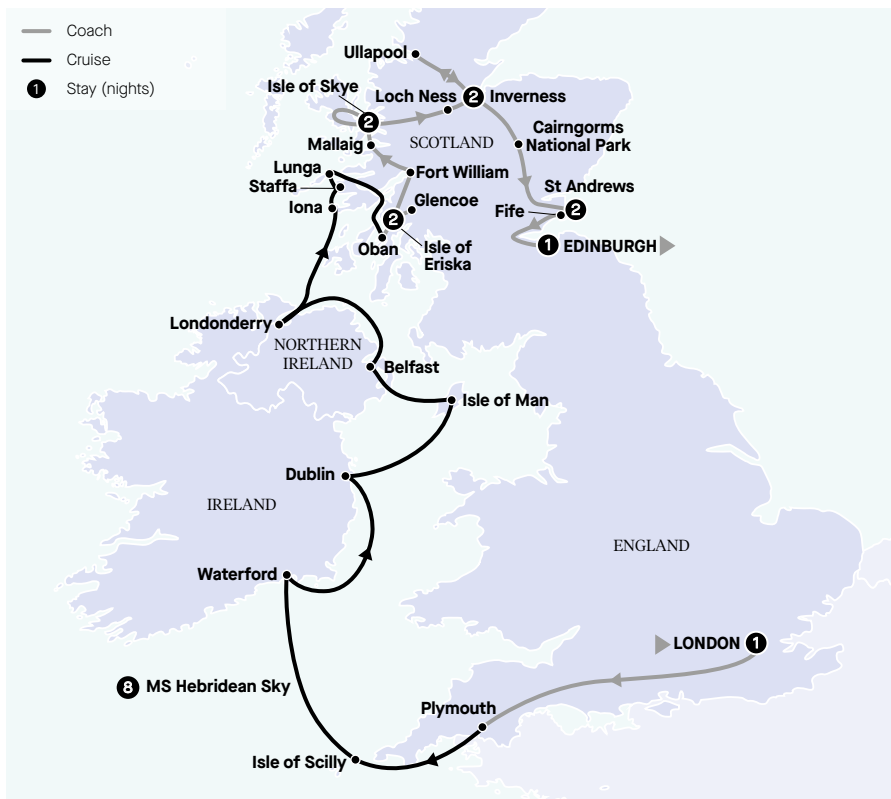
**Day 18: St Andrews, Fife, Edinburgh**

After breakfast it's time to head on the road again with Edinburgh in your sights. On the way make a stop at the fishing village of Crail. Take a wander through the Dutch-style cottages, cobblestone lanes, quaint churches while breathing in the briny sea air. You also call in at Fife before continuing on to your final stop at the cool and quirky Edinburgh. **BD**

Stay: The Principal Edinburgh Charlotte Square.

**Day 19: Depart Edinburgh**

Your trip ends after breakfast with a transfer to the airport. **B**



Above Isle of Skye, Scotland

Trip from **\$20,945** per person twin share

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<b>19 Days London to Edinburgh (NOBHLE19)</b>			
May 4	Porthole Suite	\$20,945	\$29,995
	Window Suite	\$22,045	\$31,645
	Balcony Suite	\$23,595	\$33,945
	Owner's Suite	\$23,795	\$35,695
	Hebridean Suite	\$25,345	\$38,795

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**Above** Guanaco, Torres del Paine National Park

# South America

Discover a place where the pause button has been pressed. Where nature has been left to its own devices, pre-Inca civilisations have outlasted modern cities and travellers are virtually unheard of. As we venture to the bewitching coast of Ecuador where the wild wonders of the Galápagos Islands await, and traverse the frosty wilderness of Chilean Patagonia, you'll be wowed by the wildlife-rich national parks, rainforests and electrifying cultures.

# Patagonia & Chilean Fjords Explorer

## Santiago to Buenos Aires

Prepare to witness some truly astounding landscapes on a voyage to the end of the earth. Your days will be filled with thrilling outdoor escapades, navigating glittering blue lakes, hiking winding hillside trails to glaciers and meeting some of the four-legged residents that are lucky enough to call this spectacular place home.

### Trip Snapshot

**Duration** 17 days, 16 nights / **Travel Style** Small Ship Expedition Cruising / **Ship** MS Island Sky / **Visit** 14 places, two countries  
**Go For** Torres del Paine National Park and fjords

#### Trip Overview

Day	Destination
01-02	Santiago – Chile
03	Santiago, Puerto Montt – Chile
04	Puerto Montt, Vicente Perez Rosales National Park – Chile
05	Chiloé Island – Chile
06-12	Chilean Fjords, Punta Arenas, Torres del Paine National Park – Chile
13	Cape Horn – Chile
14	Ushuaia, Buenos Aires – Argentina
15-17	Buenos Aires – Argentina

### Signature Experiences

- ☆ Tour the colourful Historic Quarter of Valparaíso and take a funicular ride.
- ☆ Cruise Otway Bay in search for colonies of Magellanic penguins.
- ☆ Delve into the vast wilderness of Torres del Paine National Park.
- ☆ In Buenos Aires, dinner is accompanied by a tango performance.

#### Key

- ☆ Signature Experience
- ☺ Evening Departure / Overnight
- BLD Breakfast Lunch Dinner

#### Day 01: Arrive Santiago

We meet you on arrival in Santiago and transfer you to your hotel.

Two Nights: Santiago, Mandarin Oriental Hotel or similar.

#### Day 02: Santiago

☆ In the seaside city of Valparaíso, tour the Historic Quarter which includes a funicular ride with sweeping views over the city. 14 day (NOBISB14) guests join the tour. **BL**

#### Day 03: Santiago, Puerto Montt, Embark Ship

☺ Today, fly to Puerto Montt where we'll be waiting to take you to your ship. Tonight's welcome dinner is the perfect way to kick off the adventure. **D**

11 Nights: MS Island Sky.

#### Day 04: Puerto Montt, Vicente Perez Rosales National Park

Puerto Montt, gateway to Chile's lakes district, is the last main town in the region. Today, your sights will be set on the surrounding countryside. Head out of the city to Vicente Perez Rosales National Park to see its three snow-capped volcanoes. At the Petrohué River, watch rapids crashing through lava channels creating a series of thundering waterfalls. Return to the ship via Puerto Varas, perched on the shores of Llanquihue Lake with a backdrop of the Osorno volcano. **BLD**

#### Day 05: Chiloé Island

Having cruised through the night, you'll open your curtains to Chiloé Island's colourfully painted palafitos, or stilt houses, cheerfully crammed together at the water's edge. Your foray ashore today takes you through dense forest, which covers much of the island, to Castro, one of the oldest towns in the Americas. Here, you will see the colourful stilt houses up close, as well as the wooden cathedral of St Francis and the historic old quarter. **BLD**

#### Days 06-12: Chilean Fjords, Punta Arenas, Torres del Paine National Park

☆ This is what you've been waiting for. For the next seven days, you'll be cruising amid some of the country's most amazing landscapes. The exact route will be managed by your captain and expedition leader, and is largely dictated by weather and ocean conditions. The route will take in many mountains, glaciers, fjords, islands, lakes and waterfalls, with many shore landings made possible thanks to the fleet of Zodiac vessels on board.

As the ship moves along the coast in a southbound direction, keep your eyes peeled for the ripples of dolphins and whales, whilst overhead, the sky will be alive with sea birds. While you're cruising, we recommend heading to the upper deck to enjoy the scenery and marine life out in the fresh air.

From the port of Punta Arenas, you'll travel out to Otway Bay, where a large colony of Magellanic penguins returns each year to mate. This is now a protected area and the colony numbers are thought to be around 10,000. Slip into Zodiacs and motor towards the beach where they reside.

Navigate the Kirke Narrows, a channel leading between forested shores. It is so narrow it can only be sailed at low tide. While cruising, look for Andean condors and turkey vultures.

Dropping anchor at Puerto Natales, head ashore for a full-day expedition to South America's largest and arguably most beautiful national park, Torres del Paine. The vast, uninhabited wilderness area is a montage of jagged mountains, golden plains and glistening ice fields. Most famous, though, are its burning sunrises over The Towers of Paine range. There are large numbers of wildlife here too. Look out for herds of guanacos (a smaller version of the llama), rheas, Patagonian hares, foxes and an array of birds. Your expedition team will guide you through this otherworldly landscape, showing you as much as they can over the course of the day. **BLD**

### Day 13: Cape Horn

You'll soon be nearing the southernmost tip of South America and indeed the planet. Today, your ship will make its way through the Beagle Channel and around Cape Horn, one of the best-known maritime landmarks in the world. Magellan was the first European visitor here in 1530 and prior to the opening of the Panama Canal it was an important staging post. Weather permitting, you'll use Zodiacs to land on the cape itself and enjoy a walk to the monument. Later in the day, cruise back through the Beagle Channel. Here the mountains, still partly unmapped, drop as sheer, densely wooded cliffs into the channel and six glaciers flow from 2,500-metre Mt Darwin into the sea. Keep watch for penguins, dolphins and South American sea lions in the channel. **BLD**

### Day 14: Ushuaia, Disembark Ship, Buenos Aires.

Farewell your ship at the world's southernmost city, Ushuaia, where you will disembark. We'll be waiting to transfer you to the airport for your included flight to Buenos Aires. **BD**

Three Nights: Buenos Aires, Park Hyatt or similar

### Day 15: Buenos Aires

14 day (NOBISB14) guests depart after breakfast. Your first full day in Buenos Aires begins with a tour of the city's oldest barrio. Explore the colourful houses of La Boca, wander the tree-lined streets of Palermo and stroll through La Recoleta Cemetery. Enjoy dinner and a colourful tango show. **BD**

### Day 16: Buenos Aires

Perhaps cruise the Paraná Delta at the island town of Tigre. Or, discover Parisian charm on walking tour. Lovers of music and architecture may prefer to visit Teatro Colón. **B**

### Day 17: Depart Buenos Aires

After breakfast, we will say our goodbyes and transfer you to the airport for your onward travel arrangements. **B**

#### Combine Your Journey with Best of South America & Galápagos

Combine your Patagonian & Chilean Fjords Cruise with our Best of South America & Galápagos trip. Please see pages 64-67 for details.

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Above Torres del Paine National Park, Patagonia

Trip from **\$20,995** per person twin share

2020 Dates and Prices (NZ\$)	Suite	Twin From	Solo From
<b>17 Days Santiago to Buenos Aires (NOBISB17)</b>			
November 3	Porthole Suite	\$20,595	\$29,395
	Window Suite	\$22,245	\$31,845
	Balcony Suite	\$23,195	\$33,245
	Owner's Suite	\$24,895	\$37,995
	Island Suite	\$27,195	\$42,595
<b>14 Days Santiago to Buenos Aires (NOBISB14)</b>			
November 4	Porthole Suite	\$18,795	\$26,845
	Window Suite	\$20,445	\$29,295
	Balcony Suite	\$21,395	\$30,695
	Owner's Suite	\$23,095	\$35,445
	Island Suite	\$25,395	\$40,045

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# Best of South America & Galápagos with Patagonia & Chilean Fjords

Guayaquil to Rio de Janeiro

A tour for those who want a little more of South America. More wildlife with giant tortoises and orange-beaked toucans. More nature with the thunderous Iguassu Falls and Maras salt mines. More culture and history with ancient Inca ruins and samba dancing. This in addition to your Patagonia cruise will leave you completely captivated by South America.

## Trip Snapshot

**Duration** 35 days, 34 nights / **Travel Style** Small Ship Expedition Cruising + Classic Journey / **Ship** MS Island Sky

**Visit** 21 places, five countries / **Go For** Galápagos Island explorations, Machu Picchu and the Devil's Throat at Iguassu Falls

**Below** Iguana on the Galápagos Islands, Ecuador





## Signature Experiences

- ☆ Head to a private hacienda to experience Peruvian live music and dance.
- ☆ See a demonstration of traditional South American weaving.
- ☆ Board the Inca Rail to Machu Picchu.
- ☆ Discover Moray archaeological site and the Maras salt mines.
- ☆ Tour the colourful Historic Quarter of Valparaíso and take a funicular ride.
- ☆ Cruise Otway Bay in search for colonies of Magellanic penguins.
- ☆ Delve into the vast wilderness of Torres del Paine National Park.
- ☆ In Buenos Aires, dinner is accompanied by a tango performance.

### Key

- ☆ Signature Experiences
- Ⓜ Freedom of Choice
- 🌙 Evening Departure / Overnight
- BLD** Breakfast Lunch Dinner



### Day 01: Arrive Guayaquil

Welcome to the port city of Guayaquil in Ecuador, coined the gateway to the Galápagos Islands. We'll meet on arrival and transfer you to your hotel.

Stay: Hilton Colon Guayaquil or similar.

### Day 02: Guayaquil, Galápagos Islands, Embark Ship

Your quest to South America's wildlife hub begins this morning with a flight to Baltra Island, the heart of the Galápagos Islands. On arrival, we'll transfer you directly to port to board your vessel for exploration, Yacht La Pinta. Spirits are at an all time high as you set sail to your first stop, South Plaza Island. Step ashore to sandy coasts teeming with land iguanas and barking sea lion colonies. You'll have the chance to navigate your way across prickly-pear cactus and rocky cliffs on a guided nature walk. **BLD**

Four Nights: Yacht La Pinta.

### Day 03: Galápagos Islands

Your second day among the Galápagos Islands is off to a cracking start with a Zodiac ride directly onto the shores of Santa Fe. Head out on a nature walk, keeping on the look out for Santa Fe land iguanas, sea lions and circling hawks. Afterwards, the chance to swim or snorkel is available, or you might like to ride a glass-bottomed boat. After time for lunch, journey inland to Cerro Colorado and visit the breeding centre for giant tortoises. **BLD**

### Day 04: Galápagos Islands

Your first stop for today is San Cristóbal, the easternmost island in the Galápagos archipelago. Once on land, follow the trail up hill and be rewarded with panoramic views of the shoreline. You may be able to spot colonies of sea lions, or the red ballooning chest of a frigatebird. Head back to the beach, where you may like to cool off in the ocean with a dip, or bask on the sand. After lunch on board, take a Zodiac to Cerro Brujo's white coral beach. **BLD**

### Day 05: Galápagos Islands

Ⓜ Come ashore to the lava landscapes of Punta Suarez. Keen birdwatchers will delight in a nature walk, where there is the chance to spot blue-footed boobies, swallow-tail gulls and Hood mockingbirds. Later this afternoon, a Zodiac transfers you to the white, coral beach of Gardner Bay. Here you have the choice to go for a swim, snorkel, hop in a kayak, embark on a short walk in search of wildlife, or simply spend time on the beach. **BLD**

### Day 06: Galápagos Islands, Disembark Ship, Guayaquil

It's time to leave this wildlife utopia. Disembark in Santa Cruz Island and visit the Charles Darwin Research Station. Learn about the conservation efforts and studies conducted to preserve the archipelago's status as a wildlife haven. From Santa Cruz Island, take a ferry back to Baltra Island before a short return flight to Guayaquil. Dinner tonight is at your hotel. **BD**  
Stay: Hilton Colon Guayaquil or similar.

### Trip Overview

Day	Destination	Included Highlight	Day	Destination	Included Highlight
01	Guayaquil – Ecuador	Welcome	12-13	Cusco – Peru	Walking tour of Cusco
02	Galápagos Islands – Ecuador	Embark Ship	14-15	Santiago – Chile	Valparaíso funicular ride
03-05	Galápagos Islands – Ecuador	Galápagos Islands Cruise	16-26	Expedition Cruise	Patagonia and Chile's fjords
06	Galápagos Islands, Guayaquil – Ecuador	Disembark Ship	27-29	Buenos Aires – Argentina	Historic tour
07-08	Lima – Peru	Private hacienda	30	Iguassu Falls – Argentina	See the Devil's Throat
09-10	Sacred Valley – Peru	Maras salt mines	31	Iguassu Falls – Brazil	Jet Boat Ride Safari
11	Machu Picchu – Peru	Inca Rail	32-35	Rio de Janeiro	Sunset cable car ride



Above Machu Picchu, Peru

#### Day 07: Guayaquil, Lima

With a new day comes a chance to discover a new country. Fly later this evening to Peru's capital city. 29 day (NOBILR29) guests join the tour. **B**

Two Nights: Lima, Country Club or similar.

#### Day 08: Lima

☼ This morning, explore the World Heritage-listed Historic Centre of Lima. Here, you'll see the Convent of Santo Domingo, as well as a mix of bright colonial facades and Inca temples among a cluster of high rises. Later, arrive at a private hacienda for live music and dance. Feast on a local lunch before a Peruvian Paso horse show, where you will witness the elegant rhythms of the horses' four-beat gait, which is unique to this breed of horse. **BL**

#### Day 09: Lima, Sacred Valley

☼ Fly to Cusco, where a coach whisks you to Chinchero in the Sacred Valley. In this small Andean village, see a demonstration of South American weaving. This taste of traditional culture is sure to be a highlight on your trip. **BD**

Two Nights: Sacred Valley, Tambo del Inka, Luxury Collection by Starwood or similar.

#### Day 10: Sacred Valley, Moray, Maras

☼ Head to the round terraced fields of Moray archaeological site, believed to have been used by the Incas as an agriculture research station. Take lunch with a view overlooking the Andes Mountains. It's then onto the Maras salt mines, a cluster of salt pans along the slope of a mountainside, once used by the Incas. **BL**

#### Day 11: Sacred Valley, Machu Picchu

☼ It's time to tick off that bucket list destination today. The Inca Rail awaits to take you to Machu Picchu. Take a guided tour of this ancient 15th-century Inca citadel, only discovered by the outside world in 1911. **BLD**  
Stay: Machu Picchu, Sumaq Hotel or similar.

#### Day 12: Machu Picchu, Cusco

The Mapi train returns you to the Sacred Valley, where a coach awaits to take you to Cusco. **BD**

Two Nights: Cusco, JW Marriott Hotel or similar.

#### Day 13: Cusco

☼ Take a guided-walking tour of Cusco. See the Plaza de Armas, Koricancha and Cusco Cathedral. For Peruvian flavours, dine at Barrio Veciche. Or, have lunch at the MAP Cafe. **BL**

#### Day 14: Cusco, Santiago

It's a new day, and we've got our sights set on Chile. In Santiago, the afternoon is all yours. 22 day (NOBISR22) guests join the tour. **B**

Two Nights: Santiago, Mandarin Oriental Hotel or similar.

#### Day 15: Santiago

☼ In the seaside city of Valparaíso, take a tour of the Historic Quarter which includes a funicular ride with sweeping views over the city's colourful buildings. **BL**

#### Day 16: Santiago, Puerto Montt, Embark Ship

☺ Fly to Puerto Montt today, where your expedition ship awaits to take you through Patagonia and the fjords of Chile. **BD**

11 Nights: MS Island Sky.

#### Days 17-26: Expedition Cruising

See pages 62-63 for details of your cruise. **BLD**

#### Day 27: Ushuaia, Buenos Aires

Disembark in Ushuaia where we transfer you to the airport for your flight to Buenos Aires. **B**

Three Nights: Buenos Aires, Park Hyatt or similar.

**Day 28: Buenos Aires**

☼ Take a tour of the city's oldest barrio. Explore the colourful houses of La Boca, wander the tree-lined streets of Palermo and stroll through La Recoleta Cemetery. Enjoy dinner and a colourful tango show tonight. **BD**

**Day 29: Buenos Aires**

☼ Perhaps cruise the Paraná Delta at the island town of Tigre. Or, discover Parisian charm on walking tour. Lovers of music and architecture may prefer to visit Teatro Colón. **B**

**Day 30: Buenos Aires, Iguassu Falls**

Fly to the Argentinian side of Iguassu Falls. Here, ride the Rainforest Ecological Train to a series of walkways to view the falls. Get a close look at the thunderous Devil's Throat. **BD**

Two Nights: Iguassu Falls, Hotel das Cataratas or similar.

**Day 31: Iguassu Falls**

☼ Head to the Brazilian side of the falls today. Walk between viewing platforms, discovering over 275 waterfalls. You might join a Jet Boat Ride Safari along the cascades, or take a helicopter ride over the falls. **B**

**Day 32: Iguassu Falls, Rio de Janeiro**

At Parque das Aves, see native South American birds of every colour, from rainbow parakeets, to orange-beaked toucans and fuchsia flamingoes. Later, fly to samba-shaking Rio de Janeiro. **B**

Three Nights: Rio de Janeiro, Belmond Copacabana Palace or similar.

**Day 33: Rio de Janeiro**

Head to Corcovado where the iconic Christ the Redeemer statue stands looking over the city. At sunset, ride a cable car to the top of Sugarloaf Mountain for panoramic views. Dinner is a local Brazilian barbecue. **BD**

**Day 34: Rio de Janeiro**

☼ This morning you might like to explore Guanabara Bay on a schooner boat cruise. Or, join a colonial walking tour around the city. **B**

**Day 35: Depart Rio de Janeiro**

After breakfast be transferred to the airport. **B**

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Above Christ the Redeemer, Rio de Janeiro

Trip from **\$42,095** per person twin share

2020 Dates and Prices (NZ\$)	Suite	Twin From	Solo From
<b>35 Days Guayaquil to Rio de Janeiro (NOBGR35)</b>			
October 21	Porthole Suite	\$42,095	\$58,345
	Window Suite	\$43,745	\$60,795
	Balcony Suite	\$44,695	\$62,195
	Owner's Suite	\$46,395	\$66,945
	Island Suite	\$48,695	\$71,545
<b>29 Days Lima to Rio de Janeiro (NOBILR29)</b>			
October 27	Porthole Suite	\$32,795	\$45,595
	Window Suite	\$34,445	\$48,045
	Balcony Suite	\$35,395	\$49,445
	Owner's Suite	\$37,095	\$54,195
	Island Suite	\$39,395	\$58,795
<b>22 Days Santiago to Rio de Janeiro (NOBISR22)</b>			
November 3	Porthole Suite	\$26,695	\$37,745
	Window Suite	\$28,345	\$40,195
	Balcony Suite	\$29,295	\$41,595
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Above Tokyo, Japan

# Japan

There's no place like Japan for a dose of the unfamiliar. Women clad in kimono scurry past chatting on mobile phones, centuries-old wooden temples are shadowed by skyscrapers plastered in neon advertisements and sushi is delivered to you via conveyor belt. Cruising along the coast, you'll discover cities that never sleep and islands where the futuristic pace of the mainland seems miles away. Pick up the catch of the day at famous seafood markets, wander in circles around mazes of crooked streets and sip green tea in carefully arranged gardens.

# Japan Coastal Discovery

## Tokyo to Osaka

On this journey, you'll experience the buzz of the big cities but also the traditions entrenched in secluded coastal villages and outlying islands. From World Heritage-listed temples to Zen gardens and national parks, discover a slightly more wild side of Japan that few travellers touch on. You'll also dip into South Korea to experience yet another exciting culture of the region.

### Trip Snapshot

**Duration** 14 days, 13 nights / **Travel Style** Small Ship Expedition Cruising / **Ship** MS Caledonian Sky / **Visit** 15 places, two countries  
**Go For** Oki Islands, castles and temples

#### Trip Overview

Day	Destination
01	Tokyo – Japan
02	Tokyo, Niigata – Japan
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07	Hagi – Japan
08	Masan, Haeinsa – South Korea
09	Ulsan, Gyeongju – South Korea
10	Ube – Japan
11	Miyajima, Hiroshima – Japan
12	Uno-Ko – Japan
13	Himeji – Japan
14	Kobe, Osaka – Japan

### Signature Experiences

- ✪ Listen to the rhythmic beat of taiko drums from a world-famous Kodo group during your time on Sado Island.
- ✪ Discover World Heritage-listed Gyeongju, on South Korea's southern shores.
- ✪ Visit one of South Korea's three great temples, Haeinsa Temple.

#### Key

- ✪ Signature Experience
- 🕒 Freedom of Choice
- 🌙 Evening Departure / Overnight
- BLD** Breakfast Lunch Dinner

#### Day 01: Arrive Tokyo

We meet you on arrival and transfer you to your hotel. There's time to step out to explore some of the city.

**Stay:** Conrad Tokyo or similar.

#### Day 02: Tokyo, Niigata, Embark Ship

Enjoy a real taste of Tokyo today as you head into the bustling Shibuya district, home to two of the world's busiest railway stations. While lively crowds are all part of the experience here, you'll find a restful haven at Meiji Shrine, which is surrounded by forest. Also visit Tokyo's oldest temple, Sensoji, located in the Asakusa district, and the Imperial Palace Plaza among other key sights. Then, farewell the neon-lit city as you board a bullet train and race towards Niigata. Here, your ship is waiting with drinks and dinner to welcome you aboard. **BLD**

**12 Nights:** MS Caledonian Sky.

#### Day 03: Sado Island

✪ Worlds away from Tokyo's skyscrapers, Sado Island is remote and quiet, offering a much needed breath of fresh air. Aside from the temples and fishing villages, the island is best-known for the world-famous Kodo group of taiko drummers, which you'll experience today during a live performance. Onwards, see the traditional Edo-period homes in the village of Shukunegi and ride in the traditional tarai-bune boats used for abalone fishing. **BLD**

#### Day 04: Kanazawa

Today, taste your way through 'Kanazawa's Kitchen', the city's beloved Omicho Market. After lunch back on board, head out and see if you can spot geisha as you take a walk through the Higashi Chaya Gai area. Just two original geisha teahouses remain here today, the others have been converted into restaurants or souvenir shops. You'll also have the chance to visit Kenroku-en Garden and Kanazawa Castle. **BLD**

#### Day 05: Oki Islands

🕒 When you think of Japan, it's somewhat hard to picture anything but busy streets and bullet trains, but the Oki Islands couldn't be further from this. The spectacular archipelago is classed as a UNESCO Global Geopark, with rugged coastlines, ancient forests and beautiful beaches. From your base at Nishinoshima, opt to cliff walk along the coast, or explore the island on a panoramic tour. **BLD**

#### Day 06: Matsue

🕒 Back on the mainland, Matsue is the next stop. Explore the castle and its grounds and watch a samurai performance, then cruise along the castle's moat. Or, head to the town of Daisen for a hike through the forests around Mt Daisen. Reconvene in the afternoon for a visit to Yuushien Garden, the region's largest Japanese-style garden. **BLD**

#### Day 07: Hagi

Your ship arrives in Hagi this morning. Step off for a tour. See ancient temples and samurai homes. Walk through streets lined with merchant houses to the ruins of Hagi Castle in Shizuki Park. Head back on board for lunch before free time this afternoon. **BLD**

#### Day 08: Masan, Haeinsa

✪ 🌙 Wake up to South Korean shores. You'll experience an entirely new culture today in Masan, from where you'll travel to the Haeinsa Temple. One of the country's three great temples, here you'll learn about ancient Buddhist traditions that date all the way back to AD802. Enjoy more typical Korean cuisine over lunch before a wander through the lively fish market back at Masan. **BLD**

#### Day 09: Ulsan, Gyeongju

✪ 🌙 Discover the World Heritage-listed city of Gyeongju. Try typical Korean fare over lunch and watch a traditional dance performance. The afternoon is yours to explore. **BLD**

**Day 10: Ube**

From the port of Ube, your first stop today is the five-storied Pagoda of Rurikoji Temple. As you wander through the surrounding park, you'll wonder how this magnificent structure has stood the test of time since 1442. Later, at the Fujigochi Tea Plantation, you'll see where the local Ono Tea is produced. The rolling green countryside is indeed a beautiful sight in itself. **BLD**

**Day 11: Miyajima, Hiroshima**

🏯 Spend the first half of your day on Miyajima Island, famous for its 'Floating Torii Gate' and deer that roam along the shoreline nibbling crackers from tourists. It's then on to Hiroshima. It's impossible to visit Hiroshima without visiting the Peace Memorial Park. See the cenotaph, and the A-Bomb Dome before entering the museum. If you'd rather stretch your legs, choose to hike up to Sandankyo Gorge. **BLD**

**Day 12: Uno-ko**

🏯 Little compares to the serenity of a classic Japanese garden, and Koraku-en is ranked among Japan's top three best. Wander along the trails, leading you past ponds, cherry trees and plum trees. At the tea garden, sample matcha green tea, a specialty of the region. Continue to Kurashiki and explore the old merchant quarter and canals. Finish the day at the Ohara Museum of Art, where you'll view rare works by Matisse, Picasso and Renoir. **BLD**

**Day 13: Himeji**

Venture inside the walls of World Heritage-listed Himeji Castle, one of the few remaining feudal-era fortresses. Later, at the Koko-en Japanese garden, stroll across bridges arching over koi-filled ponds. After lunch back aboard your ship, enjoy a free afternoon to relax or explore a little more. **BLD**

**Day 14: Kobe, Disembark Ship, Osaka**

Awaking in Kobe this morning means it's time to say goodbye to your ship. You'll be transferred to the airport at Osaka where the journey comes to an end. **B**

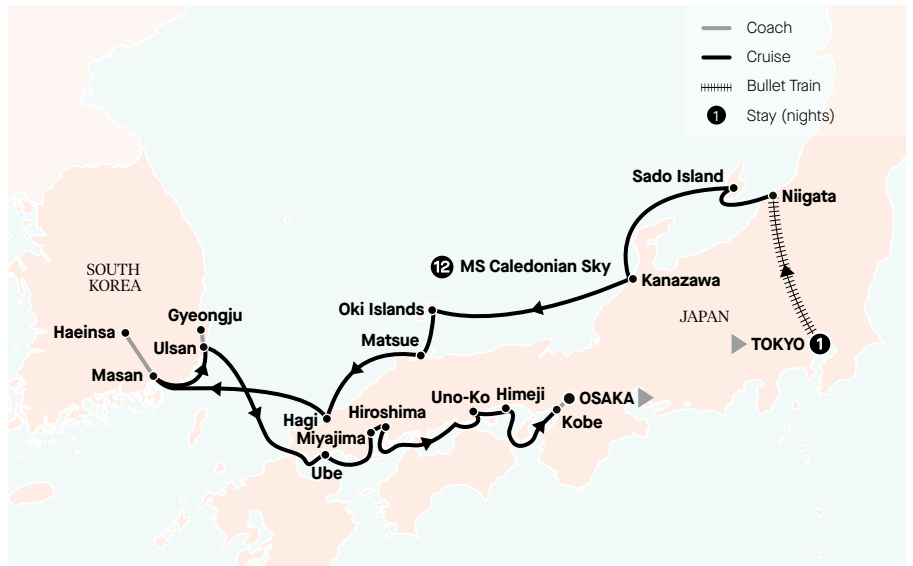
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**Above** Taiko drummer, Sado Island

Trip from **\$18,495** per person twin share

2020 Date and Prices (NZ\$)	Suite	Twin From	Solo From
<b>14 Days Tokyo to Osaka (NOBCTK14)</b>			
April 27	Porthole Suite	\$18,495	\$26,995
	Window Suite	\$19,495	\$28,495
	Balcony Suite	\$22,445	\$32,945
	Owner's Suite	\$25,095	\$40,195

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# Japan Coastal Discovery with Tokyo & Hokkaido

## Tokyo to Osaka

Adding to our popular expedition cruise along Japan's coast, this journey also includes an extended three-night discovery of Tokyo and four nights in Hokkaido, the country's northernmost island. You'll have plenty of time to get to know Japan's most famous city intimately, including a trip out to Mt Fuji, before heading up north to Hakodate and Sapporo.




### Trip Snapshot

**Duration** 20 days, 19 nights / **Travel Style** Small Ship Expedition Cruising + Classic Journey / **Ship** MS Caledonian Sky  
**Visit** 19 places, two countries / **Go For** Mt Fuji, sushi making and Sapporo





#### Trip Overview

Day	Destination
01	Tokyo – Japan
02	Tokyo – Japan
03	Tokyo, Hakone – Japan
04	Tokyo, Hakodate – Japan
05	Hakodate, Sapporo – Japan
06	Sapporo – Japan
07	Otaru, Sapporo – Japan
08	Sapporo, Niigata – Japan
09	Sado Island – Japan
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17	Miyajima, Hiroshima – Japan
18	Uno-ko – Japan
19	Himeji – Japan
20	Kobe, Osaka – Japan

#### Key

-  Signature Experience
-  Freedom of Choice
-  Evening Departure / Overnight
- BLD** Breakfast Lunch Dinner


### Signature Experiences

-  Make sushi with a chef in Tokyo.
-  See a taiko drum show on Sado Island.
-  Discover World Heritage-listed Gyeongju, on South Korea's southern shores.
-  Visit one of South Korea's three great temples, Haeinsa Temple.

#### Day 01: Arrive Tokyo

We meet and transfer you to your hotel. There's time to head out on your own before dinner. **D**  
**Three Nights:** Conrad Tokyo or similar.

#### Day 02: Tokyo

 Sink your teeth into Tokyo today, visiting Meiji Shrine, Sensoji Temple and the Imperial Palace Plaza. Later, learn the art of sushi making during a lesson with a chef. There are three types to make, which you'll then eat for lunch. Enjoy free time afterwards. **BL**

#### Day 03: Tokyo, Hakone

Spend most of the day out of the city in Fuji-Hakone-Izu National Park, home to the instantly recognisable Mt Fuji. On the way to Hakone, stop in at Honma Yosegi Museum. The journey then takes you along the Hakone Skyline road to the Hakone Open-Air Museum. On a clear day, you might see Mt Fuji along the way. **BL**

#### Day 04: Tokyo, Hakodate

Make the trip north to Hakodate aboard a bullet train. After arriving, head straight for Fort Goryokaku, then ascend the ropeway to the top of Mt Hakodate. The views of the city while the sun is setting are not to be missed. **B**  
**Stay:** La Vista Hakodate Bay or similar.

#### Day 05: Hakodate, Sapporo

Visit volcanic Lake Toya in Shikotsu-Toya National Park and look for the steady trail of white smoke from Mt Usu. Enjoy the local cuisine before travelling to Sapporo. **BL**  
**Three Nights:** JR Tower Hotel Nikko Sapporo or similar.

#### Day 06: Sapporo

Get to know Sapporo, taking in the Clock Tower, Hokkaido Shrine and more. After lunch, you'll appreciate a visit to the Sapporo Beer Museum, which includes tastings. **BL**


#### Day 07: Otaru, Sapporo

Travel to Otaru where you'll take a guided tour of the canal area. Visit a whisky distillery, one of the country's most celebrated, before returning to Sapporo for the night. **BL**

#### Day 08: Sapporo, Niigata, Embark Ship

Fly to Niigata, where your ship is waiting with drinks and dinner to welcome you aboard. **BD**  
**12 Nights:** MS Caledonian Sky.


#### Day 09: Sado Island

 Experience a live performance from Sado Island's world-famous Kodo group of taiko drummers. See the Edo-period homes in the village of Shukunegi and ride in the tarai-bune boats used for abalone fishing. **BLD**

#### Day 10: Kanazawa

Taste your way through Omicho Ichiba Market before visiting Kenroku-en Gardens. After lunch, see if you can spot geisha as you take a walk through the Higashi Chaya Gai area. **BLD**

#### Day 11: Oki Islands

 The Oki Islands are blessed with rugged coastlines and ancient forests. From Nishinoshima, the day is yours to explore. **BLD**



**Day 12: Matsue**

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**Day 13: Hagi**

Arrive in Hagi in time for a tour. Walk through streets lined with merchant houses to the ruins of Hagi Castle in Shizuki Park. **BLD**

**Day 14: Masan, Haeinsa**

🌟🌙 Wake up to South Korean shores. You'll experience an entirely new culture today in Masan, from where you'll travel to the Haeinsa Temple, one of the country's three great temples. Back at Masan, wander through the lively fish market. **BLD**

**Day 15: Ulsan, Gyeongju**

🌟🌙 Another day in South Korea brings you to the city of Gyeongju. Try typical South Korean fare over lunch and watch a traditional dance performance. **BLD**

**Day 16: Ube**

From Ube, your first stop is the five-storied Pagoda of Rurikoji Temple. Later, at the Fujigochi Tea Plantation, see where the local Ono Tea is produced. **BLD**

**Day 17: Miyajima, Hiroshima**

🏯 You'll spend the first half of the day on Miyajima Island. It's then onto Hiroshima where you may choose to visit the Peace Memorial Park or hike up to Sandankyo Gorge. **BLD**

**Day 18: Uno-ko**

🌙 Visit the tea garden of Koraku-en and try matcha green tea. Continue to Kurashiki and explore the old merchant quarter and canals. Finish the day at the Ohara Museum of Art. **BLD**

**Day 19: Himeji**

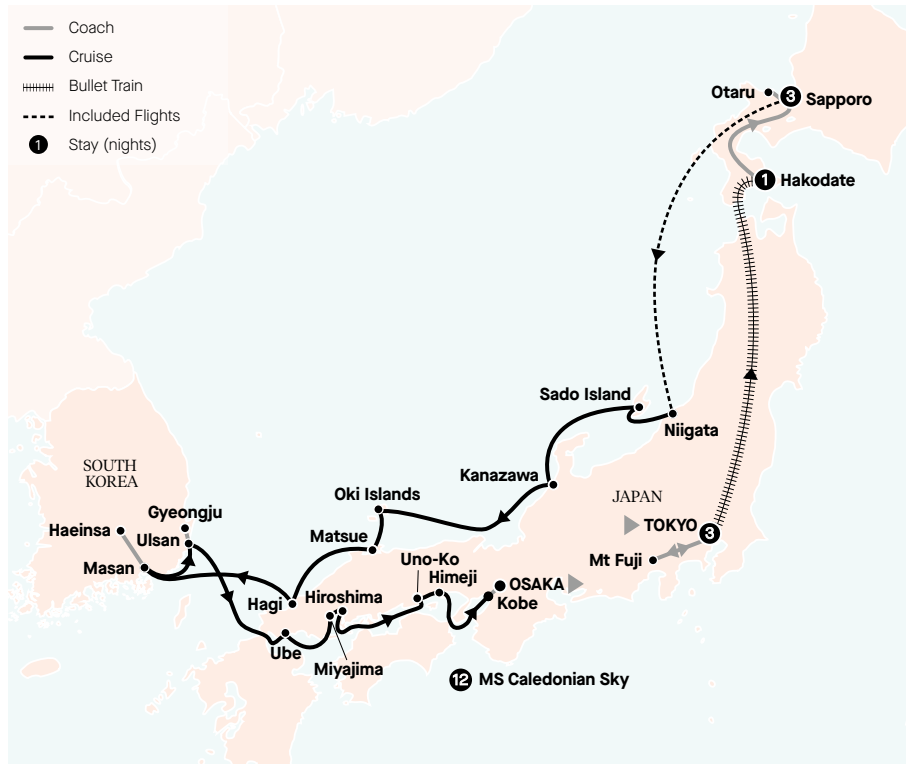
Venture inside the walls of World Heritage-listed Himeji Castle. Later, at the Koko-en Japanese garden, stroll across bridges arching over koi-filled ponds. **BLD**

**Day 20: Kobe, Disembark Ship, Osaka**

At Kobe, you'll be transferred to Osaka airport where the journey comes to an end. **B**

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Above Mt Fuji, Hakone

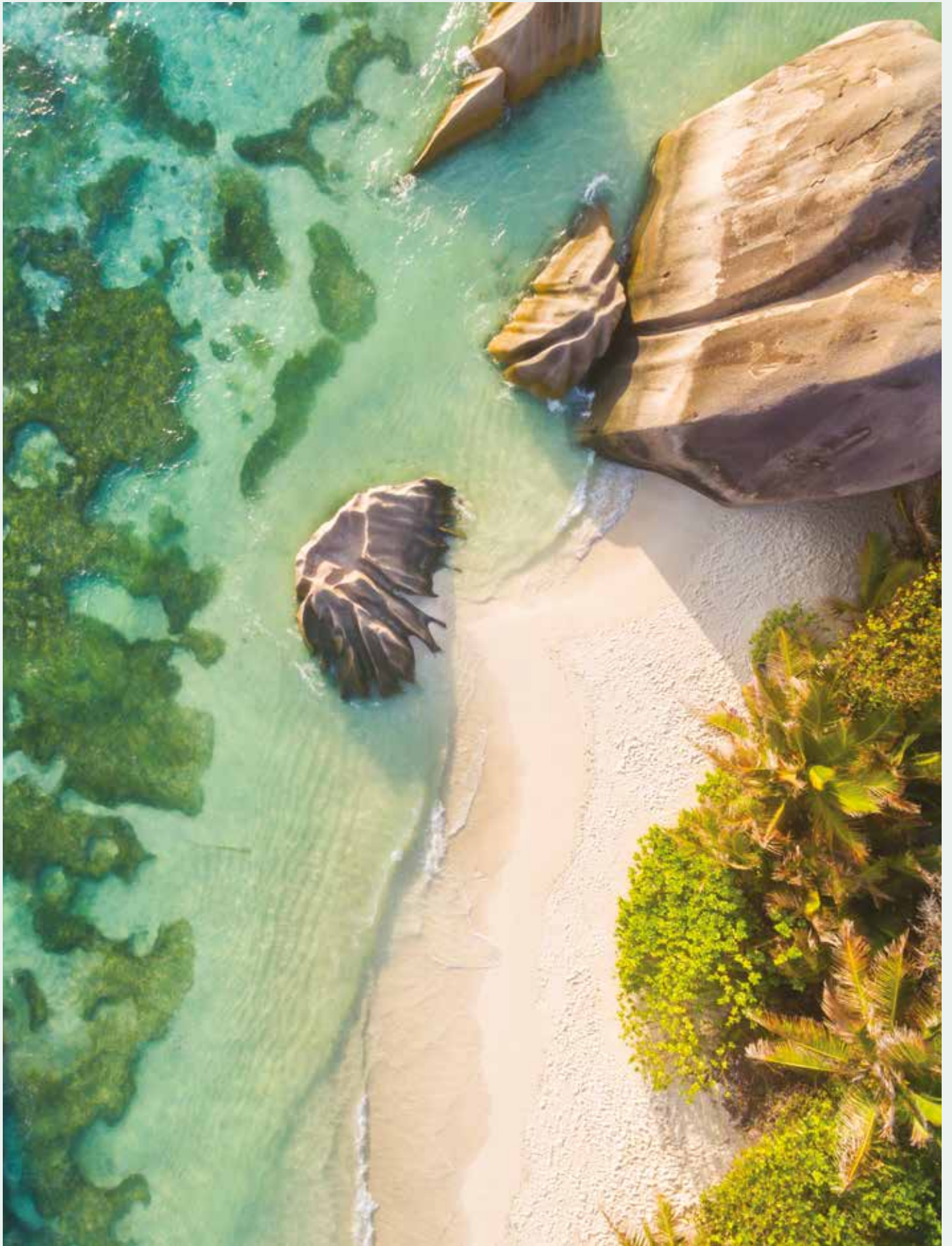
Trip from **\$29,945** per person twin share

2020 Date and Prices (NZ\$)	Suite	Twin From	Solo From
<b>20 Days Tokyo to Osaka (NOBCTK20)</b>			
April 21	Porthole Suite	\$29,945	\$43,695
	Window Suite	\$30,945	\$45,195
	Balcony Suite	\$33,895	\$49,645
	Owner's Suite	\$36,545	\$56,895

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**Above** The shorelines of Seychelles

# Seychelles, Madagascar & Mauritius

Marooned in the Indian Ocean, the islands of Seychelles, Madagascar and Mauritius are the very definition of paradise on Earth. Drag yourself away from the dazzling beaches to go searching the jungles for chameleons, boa constrictors and the elusive lemur. Float in lagoons of astounding clarity and share walking paths with giant tortoises. Climb dormant volcanoes, snorkel around the world's largest atoll and watch the sun set between the gnarled limbs of baobab trees.

# Tides of the Indian Ocean

## Mahé to Port Louis

Get ready for a new and utterly unforgettable take on island hopping. While there will be plenty of time to relax on the beach, it's really all about the wildlife here. Scoot around isolated islands swathed in jungle looking for parrots, frogs and giant tortoises. And dive into warm waters teeming with life. Plus, you'll hardly spot another soul on your travels.

### Trip Snapshot

**Duration** 13 days, 12 nights / **Travel Style** Small Ship Expedition Cruising / **Ship** MS Caledonian Sky / **Visit** 10 places, four countries  
**Go For** Giant tortoises, snorkelling and white sand beaches

#### Trip Overview

Day	Destination
01	Mahé – Seychelles
02	Praslin, Grande Soeur – Seychelles
03	Amirante Islands – Seychelles
04	Alphonse Atoll – Seychelles
05	At Sea
06	Aldabra Atoll – Seychelles
07	Cosmoledo – Seychelles
08	Diego Suarez – Madagascar
09	Nosy Mangabe – Madagascar
10	Masoala National Park – Madagascar
11	At Sea
12	Le Port – Réunion Island
13	Port Louis – Mauritius

### Signature Experiences

- ☆ Take a nature walk in the Amirante Islands with the island's conservation team in search for rare wildlife.
- ☆ Discover the crystal clear waters of the Aldabra Atoll while keeping an eye out for giant tortoises.
- ☆ Aboard a Zodiac, head out to the perfect snorkelling spot in Cosmoledo.
- ☆ At Nosy Mangabe, keep your eyes trained to the treetops for a glimpse of black and white ruffed lemurs.

#### Key

- ☆ Signature Experience
- Ⓜ Freedom of Choice
- BLD Breakfast Lunch Dinner

#### Day 01: Arrive Mahé, Embark Ship

Mahé, the tropical capital of the Seychelles, welcomes you today. There's hardly a more beautiful place to begin the adventure. We'll meet you at the airport and take you to the ship, moored in the island's spectacularly blue waters. Toast to your amazing setting, before tonight's dinner on board. **D**

12 Nights: MS Caledonian Sky.

#### Day 02: Praslin, Grande Soeur

Wake this morning at the island of Praslin, the second-largest island of the Seychelles. Explore World Heritage-listed Vallée de Mai Nature Reserve via its winding paths through high canopied palm forests, home to the extremely rare coco de mer palm. Meet back at the ship and enjoy lunch as it sails to Grande Soeur. This idyllic uninhabited island boasts white, sandy beaches and flourishing tropical forests. You may like to spend your time meandering along some of the many walking paths, keeping an eye out for giant tortoises, or making the most of the warm turquoise waters with a swim or snorkel. **BLD**

#### Day 03: Amirante Islands

☆ The 28 islands in the Amirante group were discovered by Vasco de Gama in 1501 and are considered to be some of the most pristine in the world. Spend time on Desroches Island enjoying nature walks with your onboard naturalist and the island's conservation team in search of giant tortoises and nesting turtles. Snorkellers have the chance to swim over vibrant coral gardens. **BLD**

#### Day 04: Alphonse Atoll

Directly south from our last stop are the three islands in the Alphonse group, where dazzling white beaches are lined with vibrant green forest. Here you might see tortoises, scurrying crabs and an array of bird species. Go snorkelling in the circular lagoon and walk across the island's meandering tracks. **BLD**

#### Day 05: At Sea

Head to the sun deck to relax and enjoy the tropical scenery as your ship makes its way to the stunning Aldabra Atoll. **BLD**

#### Day 06: Aldabra Atoll

☆ Awake just off Aldabra Atoll today. Drifting around the atoll by Zodiac, you'll be amazed by the clear seas bursting with life. You'll most likely be able to see right to the ocean floor. Once your feet are on the sand, stroll along the shoreline looking out for frigate birds, coconut crabs and giant tortoises which are a common sight here. If you're lucky, you might be able to see the extremely rare white-throated rail, the last surviving flightless bird in the western Indian Ocean. **BLD**

#### Day 07: Cosmoledo

☆ Open your curtains to Cosmoledo, where a ring of twelve jungle-covered islands circle a spectacular lagoon. Today you will have the chance to explore a number of the islands via Zodiac. As an important bird and biodiversity area, you might be able to spot the three species of booby found in the Seychelles. Also look for sooty terns and great frigate birds. A real highlight is the opportunity to plunge into the warm water from the edge of your Zodiacs for an exciting snorkelling adventure in the open water. After lunch, your ship heads towards Madagascar. **BLD**

#### Day 08: Diego Suarez

Ⓜ It's the wildlife that brings travellers to Madagascar. And with good reason. The island is home to some truly strange species, many of which can only be found here, a result of the island breaking away from Africa more than 80 million years ago. At Diego Suarez, walk through Mount Amber National Park, weaving through the humid rainforest looking for lemurs, chameleons and endemic birds including parrots. Or, you may prefer to discover the city with a guide. **BLD**

### Day 09: Nosy Mangabe

🌀 Arriving at the tiny island of Nosy Mangabe, you have 520 hectares of virgin rainforest to explore. The area has been an important research centre since the mid-1960s when several aye-ayes and lemurs were released into the forest. Thanks to the Zodiacs, we are able to land on the beach from where we will set off into the forest. Scan the foliage carefully for chameleons and lizards, and look towards the treetops for black and white ruffed lemurs. There are some interesting bird species to spot, including the Madagascar buzzard, kingfisher and paradise flycatchers. **BLD**

### Day 10: Masoala National Park

Step ashore at Antongil Bay to reach Madagascar's largest protected area, Masoala National Park. Push through a tangle of vines, ferns, orchids and towering palisander trees on the trail of chameleons, the red-ruffed lemur, the red-fronted brown lemur and the ring-tailed mongoose. Frogs are abundant and will be easy to spot, especially the brightly coloured mantella frogs. Afterwards, cool off with a dip back at the beach before meeting your ship. **BLD**

### Day 11: At Sea

As your ship sails away from Madagascar, you have time to rest and enjoy time on board your ship. **BLD**

### Day 12: Le Port

🌀 Arrive at Réunion Island, officially a part of France. Interestingly, if you were to make the 11-hour plane trip here from Paris, you would enter the country as a domestic passenger. Choose to descend into the central highlands. Enjoy views from the Nez des Boeufs mountain and see the Piton de la Fournaise crater. Sample creole fare at lunch before visiting La Cité du Volcan museum. Or, explore a vanilla plantation in St Andre and enjoy some free time in St Denis. **BLD**

### Day 13: Disembark Ship, Depart Port Louis

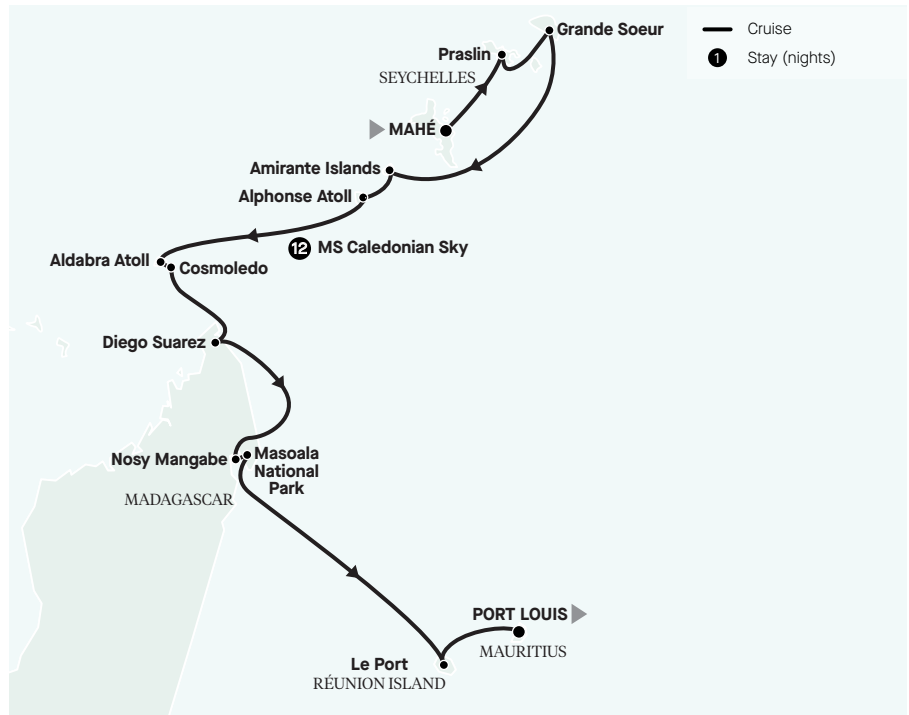
Your adventure comes to an end in the capital of Mauritius. We'll transfer you to the airport for your onward flight. **B**

#### Extend Your Journey

Spend two extra nights after your cruise in Mauritius. Enquire for details (NOBCMP15).

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Above Glimpse a giant tortoise

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<b>13 Days Mahé to Port Louis (NOBCMP13)</b>			
November 29	Porthole Suite	\$16,595	\$24,145
	Window Suite	\$17,595	\$25,645
	Balcony Suite	\$20,545	\$33,695
	Owner's Suite	\$23,195	\$37,345

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**Above** Horizontal Falls

# Kimberley Coast Cruising

Vast, remote and timeless, the ancient waters of the Kimberley Coast will enthrall even the most seasoned travellers. Climb aboard Zodiacs to navigate through pristine nature reserves and step ashore on secluded islands. Catch sight of the 12-metre tide as it ebbs at Horizontal Falls. See Indigenous stories of creation brought to life on ancient cave walls. And as each day draws to a close, watch the sun sink below the Indian Ocean, soaking the horizon in a mesmerising amber glow.

# Grand Kimberley Coast

Kununurra to Broome

What better way to explore the secluded gorges and sprawling reefs of the Kimberley's rugged coastline, than aboard your very own intimate small ship? Venture out on daily Zodiac excursions to remote locations that are typically inaccessible to most travellers and explore coastal areas teeming with marine life.

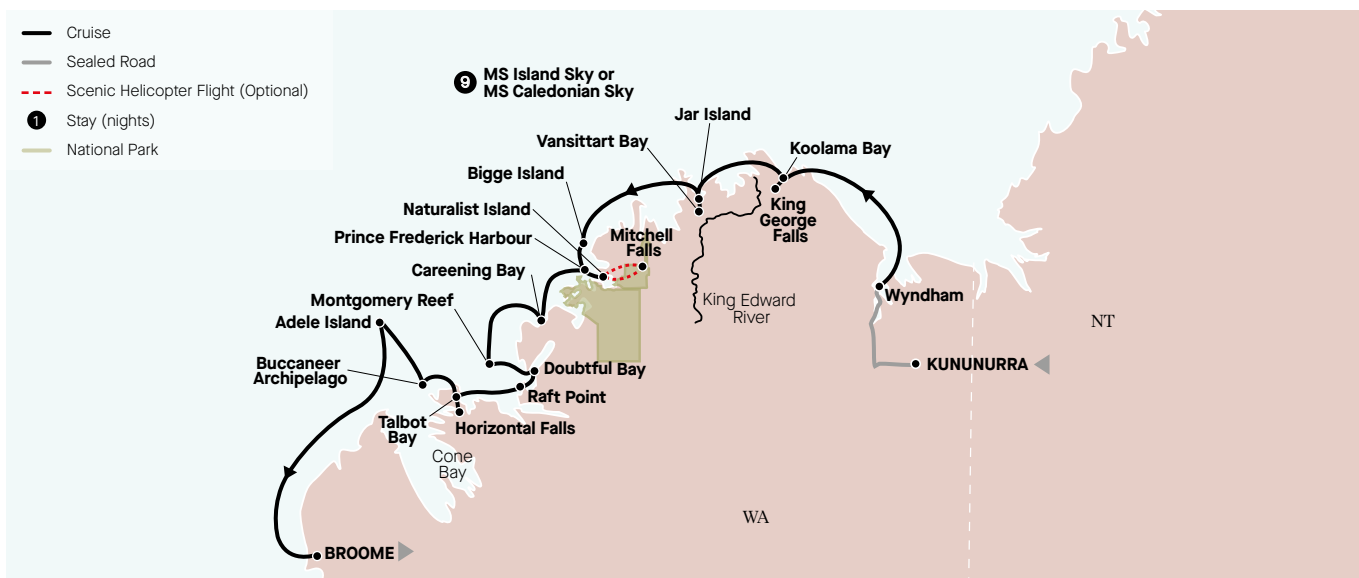
## Trip Snapshot

**Duration** 10 days, nine nights / **Travel Style** Small Ship Expedition Cruising / **Ship** MS Caledonian Sky/MS Island Sky / **Visit** 18 places  
**Go For** Adventure, Zodiac excursions and remote coastal scenery

**Below** The MS Caledonian Sky







## Signature Experiences

- ☆ Hop aboard a Zodiac to discover King George Falls.
- ☆ See the ancient Indigenous rock art of Bigge Island.
- ☆ Witness Montgomery Reef rise from the sea as the tide changes.
- ☆ Take a high-powered fast boat ride through Horizontal Falls.

### Key

- ☆ Signature Experience
- BLD Breakfast Lunch Dinner

### Day 01: Arrive Kununurra, Wyndham, Embark Ship

From Kununurra transfer to Wyndham, where you will be welcomed on board your ship. A relaxed dinner this evening allows you the chance to meet your fellow travellers and sets the tone for the next nine nights on board. **D**

Nine Nights: MS Island Sky or MS Caledonian Sky.

### Day 02: Koolama Bay, King George River and Falls

☆ Wake this morning as your ship cruises into Koolama Bay. Hear how this harbour was renamed following the Japanese bombing of the MV Koolama in 1942. Next, it's on to King George River. Join your expedition team and jump aboard a Zodiac to meander through the river's gorge system, passing hidden mangrove-fringed coves and soaring red cliffs. Anticipation builds as your Zodiac approaches King George Falls, plunging 80 metres over a towering sandstone cliff. Edge closer to this epic cascade and learn how it turns to a raging torrent during the monsoonal wet season. **BLD**

### Day 03: Vansittart Bay, Jar Island

An intriguing exploration of Vansittart Bay awaits today. Join your expedition team and set out across the bay's vast salt flats to view the wreckage of a US Air Force C-53 that crash

landed on the beach during World War II. Later, step ashore at Jar Island and see examples of mysterious Bradshaw (Gwion Gwion) paintings, dating back some 20,000 years. **BLD**

### Day 04: Bigge Island

☆ Discover Bigge Island today, known for its Indigenous rock art created by the Wunambal people. In caves throughout the island, see examples of first contact art depicting European tall ships dating from the 15th to 18th century. Having been repainted annually for the past 5,000 years, it is thought to be the oldest continuous sacred painting tradition on the planet. **BLD**

### Day 05: Prince Frederick Harbour, Hunter River, Mitchell Falls

Your expedition ship arrives at Prince Frederick Harbour today, home to soaring red cliffs and mangroves. With its extreme tides and pristine ecosystems, the harbour is home to a wide variety of wildlife, including saltwater crocodiles and mudskippers. Keen birdwatchers should keep an eye out for kingfishers, egrets, herons and white-bellied sea eagles. It's time to jump aboard your Zodiac vessels for an exploration of the Hunter River and Naturalist Island. As your day of discovery draws to a close, you might choose to set out on a helicopter flight and view the natural spectacle of Mitchell Falls from above (own expense). **BLD**

## Trip Overview

Day	Destination	Included Highlight	Day	Destination	Included Highlight
1	Wyndham	Embark ship	7	Montgomery Reef, Doubtful Bay, Raft Point	Montgomery Reef Zodiac exploration
2	Koolama Bay	King George River & Falls	8	Talbot Bay, Horizontal Falls	Horizontal Falls high-powered boat ride
3	Vansittart Bay, Jar Island	World War II aircraft wreckage	9	Buccaneer Archipelago, Adele Island	Adele Island exploration
4	Bigge Island	Indigenous rock art	10	Broome	Broome exploration
5	Prince Frederick Harbour, Hunter River	Mangrove wildlife cruise			
6	Careening Bay	Prince Regent Reserve			



Above King George River and Falls / Right Adele Island exploration

#### Day 06: Careening Bay, Prince Regent Reserve, St George's Basin

Reach Careening Bay today, home to the historic Mermaid Boab Tree. It was here in 1820 that Lieutenant Phillip Parker King used the area's massive tides to beach his damaged ship, the HMC Mermaid. During this time, King's carpenter carved the ship's name into a boab tree that overlooks the bay. Continue on to Prince Regent Nature Reserve, only accessible by boat. Explore this protected area and see why it is recognised as a national biodiversity hotspot. Next, it's on to the untouched coastal area of Hanover Bay. While you're here, you might like to hop aboard your Zodiac for an enthralling visit to St George's Basin. If the tide allows, perhaps catch a glimpse of a saltwater crocodile, among other marine life. **BLD**

#### Day 07: Montgomery Reef, Doubtful Bay, Raft Point

⊛ Excitement builds this morning as you join your expedition team for an in-depth exploration of Montgomery Reef by Zodiac. Witness the reef rise out of the ocean as the tidal waters cascade rapidly into the surrounding channels.

Keep an eye out for unique bird life and turtles who may pop their heads up from time to time. Then, leave this natural phenomenon behind and cruise through Doubtful Bay, a hotspot for whale watching during the season. Later, step ashore at Raft Point to visit an ancient Wandjina rock art site. When available, you'll be joined by a local Indigenous guide. **BLD**

#### Day 08: Talbot Bay, Horizontal Falls

⊛ Today your ship cruises through to Talbot Bay, known for its epic 12-metre tides that create an astonishing natural spectacle, the Horizontal Falls. Subject to tidal conditions, set out on a thrilling ride through the falls aboard a high-powered fast boat. Hold on tight as your boat skims across Talbot Bay to the mouth of the falls before making its way through the churning waters. The adventure continues as you jump aboard your Zodiac vessel for an exploration of Cyclone Creek. See dramatic folding in the rock formations as you navigate through the creek, accompanied by your expedition team member. **BLD**

### An Intriguing Natural Wonder



Tucked away in Talbot Bay, just north of Derby, lies one of the most powerful natural spectacles you could possibly imagine. The bay is separated from the ocean by two narrow strips of rugged ochre cliffs, and during the highest tides, up to one million litres of water rush through the gaps every second. This creates one of the largest regular tidal changes in the world – the Kimberley's Horizontal Falls.

**Day 09: Buccaneer Archipelago, Adele Island**

There's promise of yet more turquoise waters today as your ship arrives in the Buccaneer Archipelago, home to more than 800 islands. Cruise to Adele Island and join your expedition team member for an exploration of this remote coastal area by Zodiac. The island is surrounded by Adele Reef, teeming with an array of coral and marine life, including reef sharks and stingrays. Back on board, toast the end of an epic adventure during a farewell dinner. Then, take in the amber glow of a Kimberley sunset for the last time as your ship sets sail towards Broome. **BLD**

**Day 10: Disembark Ship, Depart Broome**

Arriving into Broome this morning means it's time to say goodbye to your ship. You'll set out on a fleeting exploration of this historic pearling town before being transferred to the airport later this afternoon. **B**



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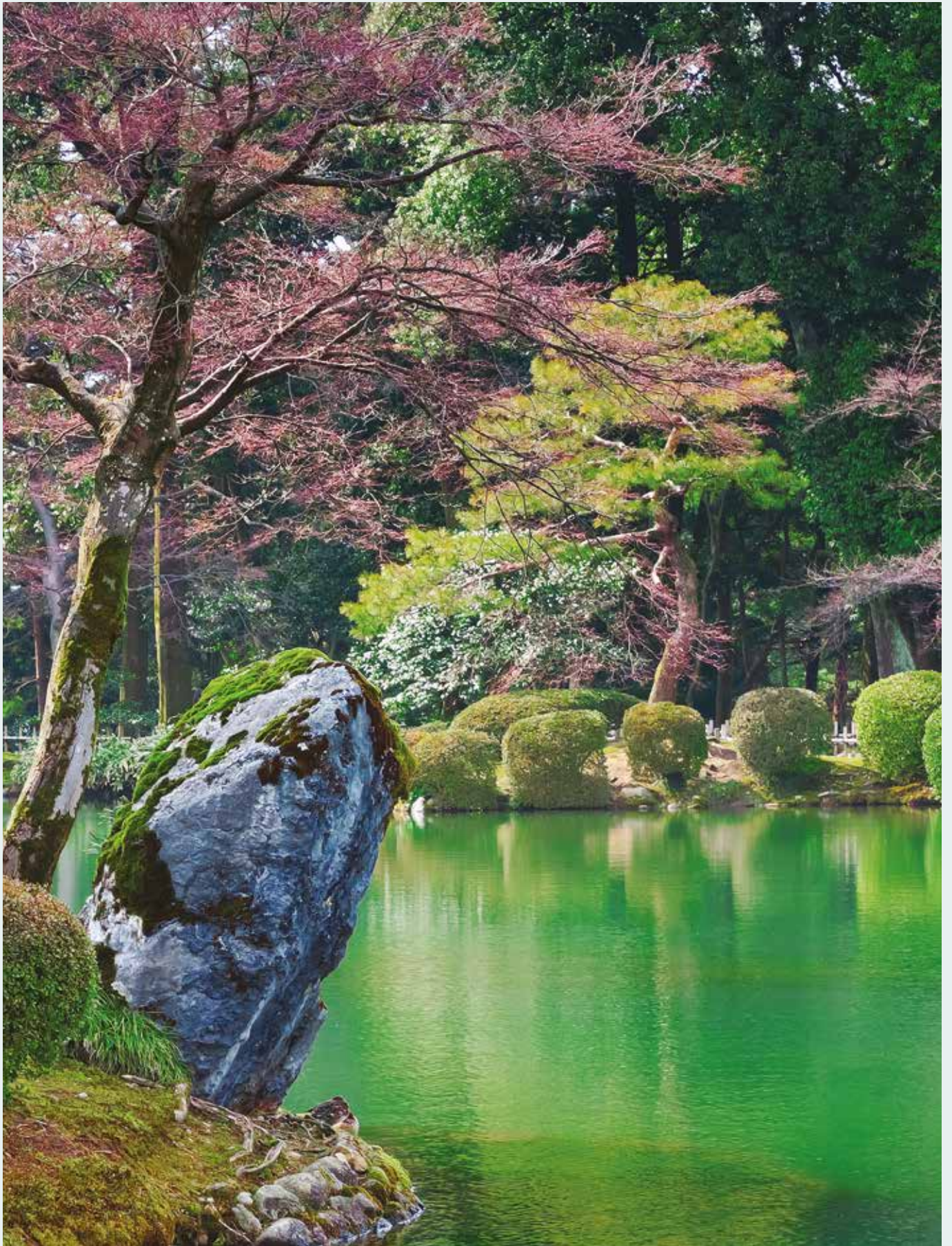
Trip from **\$12,345** per person twin share

2020 Dates and Prices (NZ\$)	Suite	Twin From	Solo From
<b>10 Days Kununurra to Broome (GKKCW10)</b>			
May 23	Porthole Suite	\$12,345	\$17,695
June <b>1</b> , 10, <b>19</b>	Window Suite	\$13,895	\$19,995
July 6, <b>15</b> , 18, <b>27</b>	Balcony Suite	\$16,195	\$23,495
August 1, 5, <b>10</b> , <b>14</b> , 19, 23	Owner's Suite	\$18,045	\$27,395
	Island Suite*	\$18,945	\$30,895

Please note: Bold date indicates itinerary operates in reverse (GKKCB10). Prices are based on Standard Suite (Forward) Porthole Suite; Superior Window Suite; Deluxe Balcony Suite; Owner's Suite; and Island Suite\*. \*The Island Suite is only available on the MS Island Sky. See pages 106-107 for terms and conditions.

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**Above** Kenroku-en Garden, Kanazawa, Japan

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# Japanese Spring Blossoms, Gardens & Culture Cruise

## Tokyo to Osaka

During the first flourish of spring, anchor to explore ancient castles, shrines and peaceful Japanese gardens. Enjoy bursts of colour from tree peonies, Japanese azaleas and peach blossoms.

### Trip Snapshot

**Duration** 14 days, 13 nights / **Travel Style** Small Ship Botanica Cruising / **Ship** MS Caledonian Sky / **Visit** 12 places, two countries  
**Go For** Japan's early spring blooms and Japanese gardens at their height of bloom

#### Trip Overview

Day	Destination
01	Tokyo – Japan
02	Tokyo, Kanazawa – Japan
03	Kanazawa, Kenroku-en Garden – Japan
04	Yuushien Garden, Matsue – Japan
05	Hagi – Japan
06	Ulsan – South Korea
07	Dejima Island, Nagasaki – Japan
08	Yakushima Island – Japan
09	Uwajima – Japan
10	Hiroshima, Miyajima Island – Japan
11	Okayama, Koraku-en Garden, Kurashiki – Japan
12	Takamatsu, Ritsurin Park – Japan
13	Kobe, Kyoto – Japan
14	Kyoto, Osaka – Japan

#### Day 01: Arrive Tokyo

Welcome to Japan! Leave Narita International Airport by 10am, or depart the Imperial Hotel at 11.30am and set off on an afternoon of discovery as you step out to explore some of the sights, including the Imperial Palace East Gardens, and the Meiji Shrine and grounds. **L**  
**Stay:** Tokyo, Imperial Hotel.

#### Day 02: Tokyo, Kanazawa, Embark Ship

From Tokyo, a bullet train sweeps you north to Kanazawa. A thriving centre of the arts, it's a great place to pick up lacquerware, Kutani-style pottery, and hand-painted silk. Meet your ship at the port and celebrate your impending adventure over a welcome dinner. **BLD**

**11 Nights:** MS Caledonian Sky.

#### Day 03: Kanazawa, Kenroku-en Garden

You'll spend the morning at the Omicho Market, finding everything from flowers to fish and local handicrafts. Later, visit the famed Kenroku-en Garden, ranked among the country's top gardens. Wander beneath blushing arbours, over bridges and along serene pathways. Later, immerse yourself in local culture with a visit to Higashi Chaya Gai Geisha District, where traditional forms of the town remain, tracing back to the samurai era. Here, see many of the city's famous hand-crafted items. **BLD**

#### Day 04: Yuushien Garden, Matsue

Your ship arrives at Matsue, known as the 'Town of Water', which nestles by a scenic lake and lagoon. The highlight of your visit is Matsue Castle. Known as the 'Black Castle', it is one of only a few wooden medieval castles remaining in Japan today. Admire the graceful exterior, then take the opportunity to explore the interior, from where you can enjoy views of Lake Shinji. Continue to Yuushien Garden, full of colour and blossom, famous for growing ginseng and peonies. **BLD**

#### Day 05: Hagi

Arrive at Hagi, one of Japan's most beautiful castle towns. Stretch your legs with a walk through the lovely old streets, the ruins of Hagi Castle, Shizuki Park and on to Tokoji Temple. Japan's revolution began here in Jokamachi's old samurai residential quarter, where you will tour a samurai's home. Also stop at a Daisho temple, located on Mt Mison on the island of Itsukushima. Inside, you will find a flame that is said to have been burning for 1,200 years. **BLD**

#### Day 06: Ulsan

For a change of scenery, dock in Ulsan in South Korea for a full-day discovery of Gyeongju. As the ancient capital of the Shilla dynasty, Gyeongju's heritage dates back to the first millennium. Stroll through some of the excavated monuments, temples, tombs and pagodas, and explore the National Museum. At lunch, sample Korean delicacies followed by a cultural performance of traditional dance. **BLD**


#### Day 07: Dejima Island, Nagasaki

It's back over to Japan today with a stop at Nagasaki, the second city destroyed by an A-bomb in World War II. Tour the Peace Memorial Park, Atomic Bomb Museum and Glover Garden. Spend time at Dejima Island, built during the Edo period to house Portuguese Christian missionaries and prevent the propagation of their religion. **BLD**

#### Day 08: Yakushima Island

Welcome to the island of Yakushima, named Japan's first World Heritage-listed site in 1993. Yakushima is famous in botanical circles for many great garden plants, including dwarf plants that have evolved to grow smaller than their mainland cousins. Your discovery includes a walk through Yakusugi Land, a nature park populated by a number of the island's ancient cedar trees, such as the Buddhasugi, Futagosugi and Sennensugi. **BLD**

#### Key

-  Freedom of Choice
- BLD** Breakfast Lunch Dinner

### Day 09: Uwajima

🚢 Arrive in Uwajima, situated deep inside the saw-toothed coast of Uwajima Bay. Today, choose from two experiences. Visit a pearl farm or explore Uwajima Castle. Both conclude with a jaunt through the Tensha-en Garden. **BLD**

### Day 10: Hiroshima, Miyajima Island

Arrive in Hiroshima to visit the Peace Memorial Park. The park is dotted with memorials, including the cenotaph that contains the names of all the known victims of the A-bomb. Continue on to Miyajima to see the 'Floating Torii Gate'\*, the giant camphor wood gates at the entrance to the Shinto shrine. Go ashore to explore the World Heritage-listed Itsukushima Jinja Shrine, founded in the sixth century. **BLD**

### Day 11: Okayama, Koraku-en Garden, Kurashiki

Dedicate your morning to the Koraku-en Garden, one of Japan's most significant gardens. You'll no doubt be amazed by the classic Japanese teahouse with views over the garden. Continue to Kurashiki to discover its old merchant quarter and 17th-century wooden warehouses. **BLD**

### Day 12: Takamatsu, Ritsurin Park

Dock at Takamatsu on Shikoku, the smallest of the four main Japanese Islands. Journey over the Seto-Ohashi Bridge and visit Kinashi Bonsai Town. Next, visit Ritsurin Park, a 350-year-old garden famous for its spring colours and Chrysanthemum Moon pavilion. Tonight, enjoy a farewell dinner on your ship. **BLD**

### Day 13: Kobe, Disembark Ship, Kyoto

At Kobe, we will take you from the ship to Kyoto. The former Imperial capital of Japan is now ranked as one of the world's most liveable cities. Visit Ginkakuji temple and see the spring colours from the Philosopher's Walk. **BLD**

Stay: Kyoto, Okura Hotel or similar.

### Day 14: Kyoto, Depart Osaka

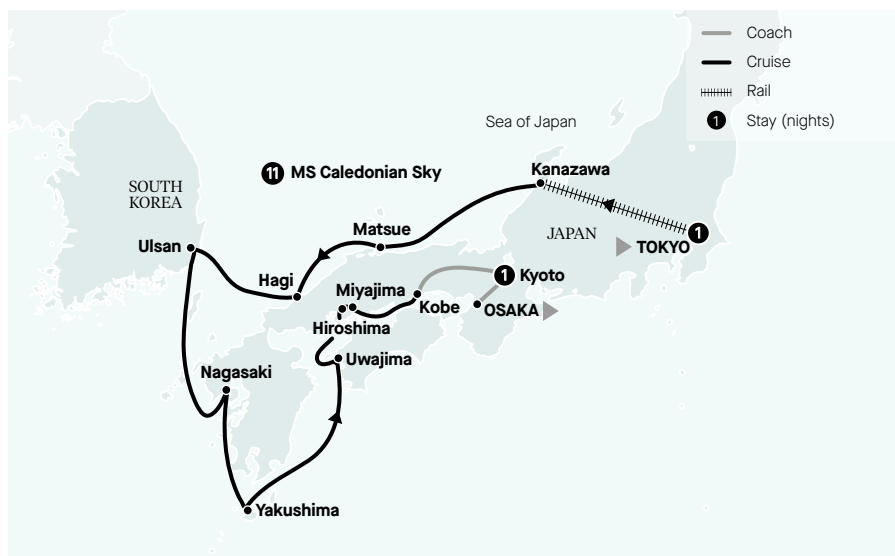
After breakfast, we transfer you to Osaka airport by shuttle bus. Alternatively, choose to stay on in Kyoto with Botanica's three-day extension. **B**

#### Kyoto Three-Day City Stay

Extend your stay in Japan after your cruise. Explore the cultural capital, Kyoto with your Botanical guide. Enquire for details.

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Above Peonies in Yuushien Garden, Matsue

Trip from **\$19,795** per person twin share

2020 Date and Prices (NZ\$)	Suite	Twin From	Solo From
<b>14 Days Tokyo to Osaka (BTJP14)</b>			
April 6	Porthole Suite	\$19,795	\$23,095
	Window Suite	\$22,190	\$25,790
	Balcony Suite	\$24,090	\$28,890
	Owner's Suite	\$24,390	\$32,090

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# Cherry Blossoms in Japan & Chinese Culture & Gardens in Spring

## Osaka to Beijing

As the soft pink hues of the cherry blossom trees colour the landscapes, venture along Japan's historic shores, exploring castles, gardens and temples. Cruise the Yangtze in China and see Chinese gardens come into bloom, while stopping in South Korea along the way.


### Trip Snapshot

**Duration** 25 days, 24 nights / **Travel Style** Small Ship Botanica Cruising + Small Group Journeys / **Ship** MS Caledonian Sky  
+ Sanctuary Yangzi Explorer / **Visit** 20 places, three countries / **Go For** Cherry blossoms, ancient Chinese gardens, local culture and cuisine

#### Trip Overview

Day	Destination
01	Osaka, Kyoto – Japan
02	Okayama, Koraku-en Garden, Kurashiki – Japan
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07	Ulsan – South Korea
08	Hagi – Japan
09	Matsue, Yuushien Garden – Japan
10	Kanazawa, Kenroku-en Garden – Japan
11	Kanazawa, Tokyo – Japan
12	Tokyo – Japan, Shanghai – China
13	Shanghai, Yu Garden – China
14	Shanghai, Jinxi, Suzhou – China
15	Suzhou, Humble Administrator's Garden – China
16	Yichang – China
17	Xiling Gorge, Three Gorges Dam Project – China
18	Shennong Stream, Wu Gorge, Qutang Gorge – China
19	Fuling – China
20	Chongqing, Xi'an – China
21	Xi'an – China
22	Xi'an, Beijing – China
23-25	Beijing – China

#### Key

-  Freedom of Choice
- BLD** Breakfast Lunch Dinner

#### Day 01: Arrive Osaka, Kyoto, Embark Ship

Your adventure begins right away on arrival in Osaka with a transfer to Kyoto. Visit the famous Kyoto temple, Ginkakuji, and see cherry blossoms from the Philosopher's Walk. **LD**

10 Nights: MS Caledonian Sky.

#### Day 02: Okayama, Koraku-en Garden, Kurashiki

Explore Koraku-en Garden, recognised as one of the Three Great Gardens of Japan. Continue on to discover the canal town of Kurashiki. **BLD**


#### Day 03: Takamatsu, Ritsurin Park

At Takamatsu, visit Kinashi Bonsai Town and Ritsurin Park, a 350-year-old garden. **BLD**

#### Day 04: Hiroshima, Miyajima Island

A visit to the Peace Memorial Park precedes a visit to the iconic "Floating Torii Gate"\*. **BLD**

#### Day 05: Uwajima

 Perhaps visit a pearl farm or explore Uwajima Castle. Both conclude with a jaunt through the Tensha-en Garden, a typical example of Japanese-garden style in the samurai era. **BLD**

#### Day 06: Nagasaki, Dejima Island

Explore Nagasaki Peace Memorial Park, Atomic Bomb Museum and Glover Garden. **BLD**

#### Day 07: Ulsan

Your day is dedicated to an excursion to Gyeongju and its tombs, temples and rock carvings. **BLD**

#### Day 08: Hagi

Tour a samurai's home and visit the Daisho Temple, the resting place of the two first Mori daimyo (pre-modern lords). This temple is located on Mt Mison, a holy mountain. **BLD**

#### Day 09: Matsue, Yuushien Garden

Visit Matsue Castle and Yuushien Gardens, famous for its ginseng and peonies. **BLD**

#### Day 10: Kanazawa, Kenroku-en Garden

Kanazawa is a thriving centre of the arts, known for its lacquerware, collectable pottery of the Kutani style, gold-leaf workmanship and delicate hand-painting of silk for kimonos and Noh theatre dramas. The Kanazawa Castle ruins and the famed Kenroku-en Garden steals the show today. **BLD**

#### Day 11: Kanazawa, Tokyo

A bullet train sweeps you to Tokyo where an afternoon of sightseeing awaits, including the Meiji Shrine and its spacious grounds.

Stay: Tokyo, Imperial Hotel. **BL**

#### Days 12: Tokyo, Shanghai

Fly to Shanghai and enjoy a welcome dinner for your first night in China. **BD**

Two Nights: Shanghai, Fairmont Peace Hotel.

#### Day 13: Shanghai, Yu Garden

A cruise along the Huangpu River ends with a wander through the ancient Yu Garden. **BLD**

#### Day 14: Shanghai, Jinxi, Suzhou

China's tranquil watertowns of Jinxi and Suzhou await your discovery today. Uncover quiet canals, arching bridges and traditional Chinese architecture. **BLD**

Two Nights: Suzhou, Hyatt Regency.

#### Day 15: Suzhou, Humble Administrator's Garden

Visit the Humble Administrator's Garden. Tonight we go to the Night Garden of Fisherman's Net and hear traditional Suzhou music. **BLD**



### Day 16: Yichang

See the Azalea Flower Show and visit Tiger Hill Park. It's then time for a flight to Yichang to board the Sanctuary Yangzi Explorer. **BLD**

Four Nights: Sanctuary Yangzi Explorer.


### Day 17: Xiling Gorge, Three Gorges Dam Project

Today, you'll cruise through the spectacular Three Gorges region. **BLD**

### Day 18: Shennong Stream, Wu Gorge, Qutang Gorge

Enjoy a traditional long boat ride, before a cruise through the dramatic vistas of the Wu and Qutang gorges. **BLD**

### Day 19: Fuling

 It is up to you how you'd like to spend today. The choice is yours whether to visit the 816 Underground Project or the White Crane Ridge Underwater Project. **BLD**

### Day 20: Chongqing, Disembark Cruise, Xi'an

You'll disembark in Chongqing today and head to the zoo, where you will see cuddly giant pandas. Fly to Xi'an. **BLD**

Two Nights: Xi'an, Shangri-La Hotel.

### Day 21: Xi'an, Terracotta Army

Visit the world-famous Terracotta Army and see some of the best-preserved sculptures from an exclusive lower viewing platform. Spend the afternoon at the Museum of Qin. **BLD**

### Day 22: Xi'an, Beijing

Fly to China's capital. This afternoon, visit Tiananmen Square and the Forbidden City. **BLD**

Three Nights: Beijing, Regent Hotel.

### Day 23: Beijing, Great Wall of China

Explore one of the best-preserved parts of the Great Wall of China. Board a cable car and enjoy panoramic views of the wall. **BL**

### Day 24: Beijing

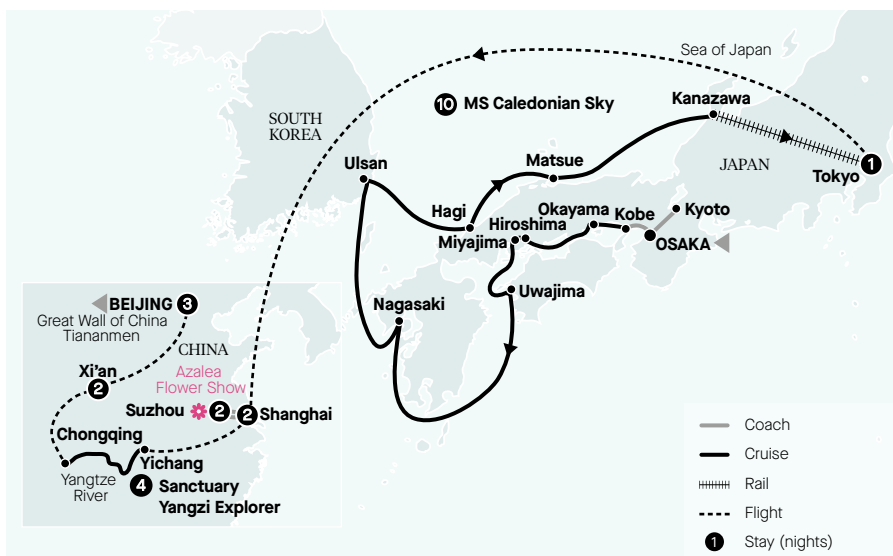
Visit the lakes, gardens and temples within the Summer Palace. This evening, enjoy a Peking duck farewell dinner. **BLD**

### Day 25: Depart Beijing

We'll transfer you to the airport for your flight. **B**

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Above Japanese cherry blossoms

Trip from **\$24,245** per person twin share

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<b>25 Days Osaka to Beijing (BTJPCN25)</b>			
March 28	Porthole Suite	\$24,245	\$29,945
	Window Suite	\$26,440	\$32,340
	Balcony Suite	\$28,240	\$35,540
	Owner's Suite	\$28,640	\$38,540
<b>12 Days Osaka to Tokyo (BTJP12)</b>			
March 28	Porthole Suite	\$17,595	\$20,345
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	Balcony Suite	\$21,590	\$25,940
	Owner's Suite	\$21,990	\$28,940

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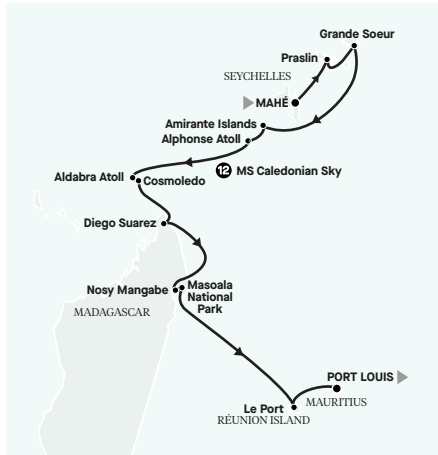


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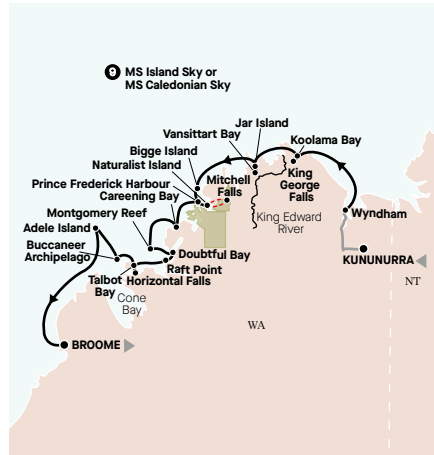
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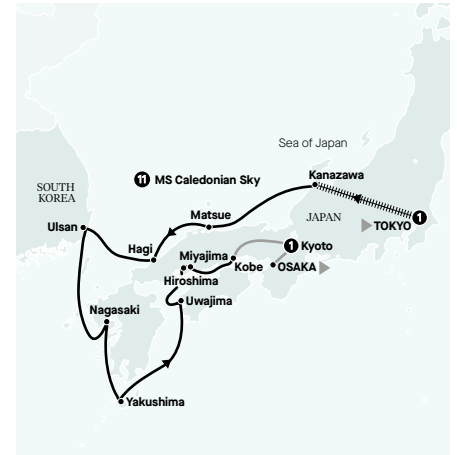
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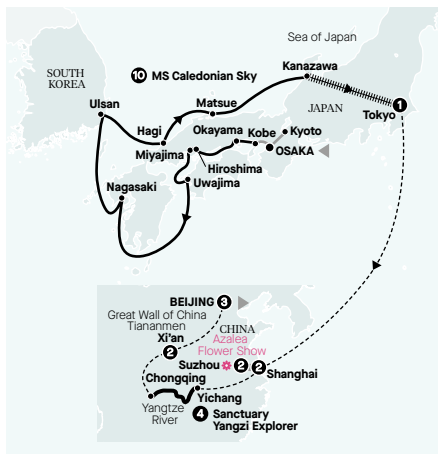
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### Helsinki (Finland)



#### City Tour

Take a tour of Helsinki, which includes Senate Square, the Rock Church and the Sibelius Monument, an abstract sculpture dedicated to the world famous Finnish composer Jean Sibelius.



#### Suomenlinna Fortress

Explore Suomenlinna Fortress which dates back to the Swedish Naval era in the 18th century. This World Heritage-listed sea fortress has been controlled at times by the Swedes, Russians and Finns.

### Tallinn (Estonia)



#### Walking Tour

On a walking tour of Tallinn visit Dome Hill to admire views over the Old Town's rooftops to the Baltic Sea. Continue to the Cathedral of Saint Mary the Virgin, the Rotermann Quarter and Freedom Square.



#### Bicycle Tour

Join your expedition team for a cycling tour from Tallinn Old Town and take in parts of the modern city including the Presidential Palace, Song Festival Grounds and World War II Memorial.

### Pärnu (Estonia)



#### City Tour

Gain an in-depth look at the city with a guided tour. Explore sights such as the Pärnu Museum, the Red Tower, Tallinn Gate, Pärnu Town Hall and St Catherine's Church, while learning about their history.



#### Cider Mill & Truffle Making Workshop

Visit a local artisan cider mill, where you'll learn all about the production process before sampling the brew yourself. Then, it's time to get hands on with a truffle-making workshop run by a local.

### Rīga (Latvia)



#### Canal Tour

Experience the Latvian capital from a different angle as you take to the city's network of canals. Enjoy fresh air and the city's sights as you cruise past parks, gardens, bastions and historic monuments.



#### Walking Tour

Take a guided stroll around the city, admiring the Art Nouveau architecture. Learn about the recent soviet history and discover how life in the Latvian capital has changed since independence.

### Visby (Sweden)



#### Walking Tour

Explore the World Heritage-listed walled town of Visby on Gotland Island. On a guided walking tour, you'll see the Kruttornet, a 12th-century tower, as well as the Botanical Gardens.



#### Farm Tour & Visby Old Town

Head to Graute Farm to learn about life on a local sheep property. Then sample fragrant saffron pancakes and visit the Old Town to explore the historic city walls.

### Gdańsk (Poland)



#### City Tour

On a guided morning tour of Gdańsk, explore streets steeped in maritime history. Enjoy a visit to the historic Old Town as well as the 'Crown of Gdańsk', St Mary's Church.



#### Kayak Tour

Explore Gdańsk from a different perspective on a guided kayak tour in the centre of town where the Motława River flows. This tour is designed for beginners, so everyone can enjoy themselves.

### Christiansø Island (Denmark)



#### Walking Tour

Christiansø and Fredriksø are ideal spots for nature lovers. Learn about the flora and fauna in the area and visit the local gardens as you head out on a guided nature walk.



#### Christiansø Fortress

Take a tour of the 17th-century island fortress and learn of the siege of the island in 1808. This Danish naval outpost served as a stronghold in the central Baltic Sea for close to two centuries.

### Torghatten (Norway)



#### Choice of guided walks

With a guide, embark on a walk to Norway's iconic landmark. Make your way up the 160-metre long carved tunnel, and hear about the geological history as well as the legend which surrounds the mountain.



#### Brønnøysund Town Tour

Explore Brønnøysund on a guided tour with your expedition team. See the local church and learn about the history of the area.



## Stavanger (Norway)



### Pulpit Rock

Hike to Pulpit Rock for unforgettable views over Lysefjord. Listed as one of the top-10 lookouts in the world, this gigantic granite cliff towers some 600 metres over the fjord below.



### Lysefjord Cruise and Stavanger Walk

Enjoy a cruise around Lysefjord before disembarking in Stavanger to explore the Old Quarter and Canning Museum. Wander among hundreds of wooden houses that date to the turn of the 18th century.

## Skagen (Denmark)



### Skagen Tour and Sandworm

Travel to Denmark's most northerly point at Grenen and board the Sandworm ride to the end of the finger of sand – the point between the Kattegat and the Skagerak seas.



### Walking Tour & Skagen Museum

Visit the Skagen Museum and see the traditional houses featuring red roofs, yellow walls and white 'laces'. Learn about the artist's colony that formed an interesting chapter of local history.

## United Kingdom & Ireland

### Dublin (Ireland)



### City Tour

Get closer to the heart of Dublin with a guided tour of its beloved sights. During your time on this tour you will delight in the chance to visit the world-famous Guinness Storehouse.



### Guinness Storehouse

Explore the seven floors of interactive experiences at the Guinness Storehouse, which unveil Ireland's rich history and brewing heritage. You'll also enjoy a tour and tasting at the Jameson Distillery.



### Malahide Castle & Gardens

Visit one of the oldest castles in Ireland, parts of which date back to the 12th century. You'll also enjoy a wander across the adjoining garden and immaculately kept grounds.



### Trinity College

Delve into over 400 years of history on a guided tour through Trinity College. Walk down cobbled roads across the college to the magnificent Old Library, where the Book of Kells sits on display.

### Belfast (Northern Ireland)



### Black Cab Tour

Unveil Belfast's political past on a Black Cab tour. Discover the city's famous street art, from murals which tell the story of Belfast's tumultuous history, to more recent wall art which livens up the city.



### St George's Market

Discover Belfast's oldest and most delicious attraction. Wander stalls selling freshly caught seafood, crisp vegetables, melt-in-your-mouth fudge, as well as an array of antiques and metalwork.

## Londonderry (Northern Ireland)



### Irish Coffee

Uncover the history and art of crafting the perfect Irish coffee. Using locally distilled and bottled Irish whiskey, and with the help of an Irish coffee connoisseur, sample your efforts.



### Independent Exploration

This is your chance to explore Londonderry at your own pace. Wander along the 17th-century walls, glimpse into the town's history through its colourful murals, and cross the iconic Peace Bridge.

## South America

### Cusco (Peru)



### MAP Cafe

Enjoy a unique dining experience at one of Cusco's finest restaurants, the famous MAP Cafe. Located in the Museum of Pre-Columbian Art, feast on locally sourced, traditional dishes.



### Ceviche Barrio

Dining at Ceviche Barrio is all about fresh and clean flavours to match a modern chic interior design. Try Peru's most iconic seafood dishes served in contemporary style.

### Buenos Aires (Argentina)



### Parisian Walking Tour

Discover the surprising Parisian charm which flows throughout Buenos Aires. On this insightful walking tour, enjoy the chance to visit the Plaza San Martin, Plazoleta Pellegrini plus many more.



### Tigre Cruise

Head to the island town of Tigre and hop on a cruise over the rivers and canals of the Paraná Delta, where you may gain glimpse at stilt houses, local life as well as colourful tropical birds.



### Teatro Colón (Opera House)

Lovers of music and architecture will enjoy the chance to explore one of the world's greatest concert venues, including the 'Hall of Gold'.

### Iguassu Falls (Brazil)



### Jet Boat Ride Safari

Step aboard an exhilarating Jet Boat Ride Safari which takes you right up close to the thundering cascades of Iguassu Falls.



### Helicopter Ride

Experience the stunning panoramas of Iguassu Falls from a different perspective up in the air during a thrilling 10-minute helicopter ride.

## Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)



### **Schooner Boat Cruise**

Cruise across Guanabara Bay on a schooner. Navigate the 130 islands scattered across the bay, admiring Sugar Loaf Mountain, mountainous coastal scenery as well as the Rio city skyline.



### **Colonial Walking Tour**

Take a guided walking tour through the streets of Rio de Janeiro and uncover the history behind its charm, from the colourful colonial houses to the stock exchange building of Casa Franca-Brasil.

## Japan

### Oki Islands



### **Cliff Hike**

For breathtaking panoramic views over the Oki Islands, join a guided cliff hike. Trek through fields of wildflowers and rolling grasslands to the rocky cliffs that mark the islands' highest point.



### **Panoramic Island Tour**

Begin at the picturesque Yurahime shrine, before heading up to Akao Lookout for sweeping views across the island. Finish your tour at Kuroki Goshō, the former residence of an exiled emperor in 1332.

### Matsue



### **Matsue Castle**

Visit one of Japan's last remaining feudal castles. Completed in 1611, it is still in its original wooden form. Explore its walls, moats and turrets in addition to the pristine surrounding gardens.



### **Mt Daisen Nature Hike**

Ascend Mt Daisen on a hike. Follow the wooden boardwalk up the volcanic mountain, through beech forest and alpine shrubbery, where panoramic views await at the peak.

### Hiroshima



### **Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park**

Visit the site where the atomic bomb was dropped in Hiroshima. Once the commercial hub of the city, this space has since been reserved as a sombre reminder of the importance of peace.



### **Sandankyo Gorge Hike**

Trek past bubbling streams, deep gorges and moss-covered cliff faces at Sandankyo Gorge. Wake up your leg muscles with a hike, taking the time to sit and soak up the serenity.

## Seychelles, Madagascar & Mauritius

### Diego Suarez (Madagascar)



### **City Tour**

Discover the city centre of Diego Suarez, with its charming colonial buildings, panoramic viewpoints looking out onto the bay, and lively market selling everything from handmade crafts to fresh fruit juice.



### **Mount Amber National Park**

Venture deep within Mount Amber National Park to its lush rainforest where exotic wildlife including lemurs, chameleons and rainbow-bright parrots reside. If you're lucky, you may catch a glimpse.

### Le Port (Réunion Island)



### **Central Highlands**

Uncover the central highlands, where you'll admire views from the Nez des Boeufs and see the Piton de la Fournaise crater. After a creole lunch in a local restaurant, visit the 'Cite du Volcan' museum.



### **Vanilla Plantation & St Denis**

Learn the secrets to vanilla farming at the Vanilla Bourbon plantation, from planting the seed to processing the vanilla pods. You'll also visit the protected forest where the vanilla is grown.

### Freedom of Choice™ – Notes

Please refer to itinerary pages to determine which sightseeing activities apply to your chosen itinerary. Due to venue closures on some dates, some options may not be available as listed. Minimum and maximum numbers may apply on some activities for them to operate.

# Glossary

## Clarifying the intricacies of a small ship expedition cruise with APT.

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#### **Adaptors & Electricity**

The electrical outlets in the suites and public areas aboard all ships are 110V – two flat pin (US style). There is a 220V outlet for electric shavers in the bathroom, but this outlet does not have sufficient wattage for most appliances.

The use of personal hairdryers (there is a hairdryer in your suite), clothing irons, curling tongs, etc. in your cabin is strictly forbidden as they may damage the ships' electrical system. Outlets can charge phones, tablets, camera batteries etc; however you will need to bring an adaptor.

#### **Allergies**

If you have a food allergy or another condition that needs to be managed on tour, please advise your booking agent as soon as possible, as well as your hotel manager or expedition team upon arrival, as most suppliers require advance notice to accommodate this. In some cases you might be asked to fill out a form.

#### **Air Conditioning & Heating**

All suites on board our small ships have climate control.

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#### **Bedding Configuration**

All suites on all ships can be configured as either double or twin share. Your preference will be noted at the time of booking. Hotels do not guarantee bedding configuration.

#### **Beverages**

Aboard your cruise, coffee and tea are available free of charge throughout the day and during meals. A reusable steel water bottle is provided to you in your cabin for use during your cruise.

A selection of complimentary alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages are also available all day throughout your cruise. French Champagne, premium spirits and selected wines are offered at an additional cost. During land journeys, complimentary water, tea and coffee are offered during included meals. Complimentary alcoholic beverages may also be included with your dinner.

#### **Bridge**

One of the unique things about being on an expedition small ship is having access to the bridge. The captain and officers of the ships operate an open bridge policy that allows passengers onto the bridge at most times, but please note that this is a working area and access may sometimes be restricted during arrival and departure from port and during times of complicated navigation and unforeseen weather conditions. It is at the captain or bridge officer's discretion that the bridge will be opened.

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#### **Cabin Entertainment**

Each cabin is equipped with satellite TV (when the signal is available) offering access to shows and movies on demand.

#### **Currency**

The currency used on board is Great British Pounds (GBP). For your convenience, all purchases and paid services on board are billed to your shipboard account. You will receive a total that can be paid with cash or credit card. The ship does not accept payment by Diners Club cards, prepaid Visa or MasterCard Debit cards, EFTPOS, Travelex cards, Cash Passports or travellers cheques. Local currency on shore will vary depending on the countries visited. The Euro is the official currency in most Western European countries. Other currencies include United Kingdom: Great British Pound (GBP); Norway: Krone (NOK); Sweden: Krona (SEK); Denmark: Krone (DKK); Russia: Ruble (RUB); Poland: Zloty (PLN); Japan: Yen (JPY); Mauritius: Rupee (MUR); Seychelles: Rupee (SCR). In South America all countries have their own currency. Due to the availability of some local currencies it is advisable to have US dollars in some destinations. For more information ask at time of booking. For the most up-to-date exchange rate, please check with your bank.

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#### **Dining**

All meals on board your cruise are included. Meals are served in the dining room in open seat dining. No table reservations can be made in the main restaurants. Casual alfresco dining is also available (weather permitting). Vegetarian and gluten-free options are available – please notify APT of any special dietary

requirements when making your booking. On land journeys, a full buffet breakfast is included each day. Selected lunches and dinners are also included as indicated on itinerary pages.

## **Dress Code**

The dress code is relaxed. Light, comfortable clothing is ideal for during the day, but smart casual clothing for evenings on board the ship is recommended. You may wish to bring something a little dressier for the welcome and farewell dinners and any special events, however there will be no black tie or formal evenings. Layers are a good option to cover a range of temperatures and to suit changing conditions. Waterproof clothing is highly recommended to protect from sea spray, rain and other weather conditions. Comfortable footwear is imperative, as some excursions involve walking steps or ramps to embark/disembark. For wet landings on expedition cruises you will require shoes that can get wet (eg. rubber sandals or reef shoes). Please note flip flops or thongs are not suitable. If your sightseeing includes churches, monasteries, synagogues or mosques, dress casually, but keep your clothes clean and ensure sufficient body cover (for example cover your shoulders and wear trousers or a knee-length dress).

## **e**

### **Elevator**

An elevator is located on all ships and services all decks.

### **Expedition Team**

To ensure you get the most out of your adventure, all cruises are led and organised by our outstanding onboard expedition team. These hand-picked experts are specialists in their field. They include naturalists, historians and ecologists whose passion is to share their knowledge and enthusiasm with you.

## **f**

### **Freedom of Choice Inclusions**

Freedom of Choice Inclusions are included as indicated throughout itineraries. Minimum and maximum group numbers may apply on some activities. Due to poor weather and/or venue closures on some dates, some options may not be available as listed. For your convenience, most options will be booked while on tour with your expedition leader, who will be able to provide you with further information. If your first choice of option is unavailable, you may be asked to choose an alternative. See pages 96-98 for details.

## **g**

### **Gratuities**

Gratuities are included for all cruise staff, local guides and drivers on all small ship expedition cruises and land journeys. Gratuities cannot be redeemed for a cash refund.

## **h**

### **Hairdresser & Beauty Salon**

Massage and hair styling services are available by appointment at guest's own expense.

### **Hotels**

The official check-in time at hotels is 3pm local time but where possible, the hotel will try to have your room available earlier. If your flight arrives in the morning, luggage can be dropped off at the hotel before check-in and delivered to your room.

You will be required to present a credit card upon check-in to cover incidentals. If you do not have a credit card, a cash deposit in local currency may be required. Amounts differ for each hotel. Normal check-out times vary, but are usually at 11am or noon. If you have an afternoon or evening flight, most hotels have a luggage room to store your luggage until you depart for the airport.

### **Housekeeping**

Our housekeeping staff will attend to your suite twice daily – once during the day and again with a turndown service in the evening. Reception can be contacted 24 hours a day for any additional housekeeping requests.

## **i**

### **Internet & Wi-Fi**

All ships have Wi-Fi available in most areas. The lounge also has computers with internet available for your use. Internet access on board the ship is not guaranteed at all times due to the nature of satellite communications, which are subject to disruption from weather and obstructions. Connection speeds are slower than onshore. There are no printers available.

## **l**

### **Language**

The official language used by APT staff worldwide is English. All staff, crew and local guides speak fluent English. For your convenience, all guided tours, announcements and lectures will be presented in English.

### **Laundry**

Laundry services are available on board and price lists will be available in your suite. Clothes cannot be dry-cleaned on board. Self-service laundry facilities are not available on board. For safety reasons, it is not permitted to use an iron in your suite.

### **Library**

Our ships have a collection of books and games available for guests to borrow free of charge.

## Lido Deck

The Lido Deck aboard all ships offers casual style alfresco dining.

## Lounges

All ships feature two large, comfortably furnished lounge areas. Lounge names, size and configuration vary between ships. See pages 102-104 for details.

## Luggage

As a general rule, airlines permit passengers in economy class to take one piece of luggage that does not exceed 160cm (63 inches), or weigh more than 20kg (44 pounds). We advise you to contact your airline carrier or travel agent for specific information prior to departure, as size and weight limitations may vary. Each passenger is entitled to take one piece of luggage on your cruise that does not exceed the above specifications. Please limit your hand luggage to one bag that fits under your aircraft seat or in the overhead compartment.

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### Medical

All ships have an onboard doctor and infirmary. Passengers are responsible for all charges that result from visiting either the onboard medical practitioner or a local medical facility.

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### Overnight or Late Departure

Represented by the ⌚ symbol, ships will stay in port either overnight or for late departures.

## p

### Physical Fitness

APT small ship tours are not physically demanding but do require a reasonable level of health and fitness. The nature of these cruises requires regular embarkation/disembarkation of Zodiacs for shore access, as well as wet landings on occasion, dependant on your itinerary. Passengers must be able to step in and out of smaller vessels, climb ramps and steps. Some tours visit remote areas and feature activities with varying degrees of difficulty, therefore it is vital to select a tour with an activity level suited to your health and fitness. Walking tours are often on uneven ground (such as cobblestones) and may include steep inclines. You should be able to stand on your feet for an extended period of time to visit museums, attractions and other sites, as well as when checking in for flights and cruises and at Customs and Immigration.

## r

### Reception

Each ship's reception area is staffed 24 hours a day.

## s

### Shore Excursions

Participation in shore excursions is at your discretion. If you would like to explore independently, your expedition leader can make suggestions of places to visit. You must make sure to return to the ship before it departs. For independent exploration of St Petersburg a Russian visa will need to be obtained prior to your cruise.

### Signature Experiences

Signature Experiences are included for all guests on APT small ship holidays as indicated in itineraries.

### Smoking

Smoking is not permitted anywhere inside any of our ships, including on balconies in your suite. Smoking is only permitted in designated outdoor areas. The same policy applies for electronic cigarettes.

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### Telephone

All suites are equipped with a telephone. It can be used to call between suites as well as from ship to shore. As the telephone system functions via satellite there may be times, depending on routing, when the phones are out of range. Please note additional charges apply.

### Travel Insurance

Travel Insurance is not included in your holiday package. You must purchase comprehensive travel insurance at the time of booking that includes (without limitation) coverage for medical expenses, evacuation, loss of luggage, cruise and land content and airfare charges that may occur due to cancellation, disruption, loss of deposit or strikes.

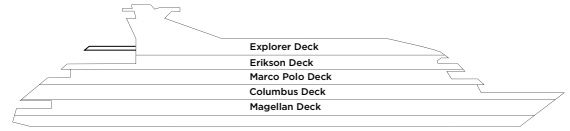
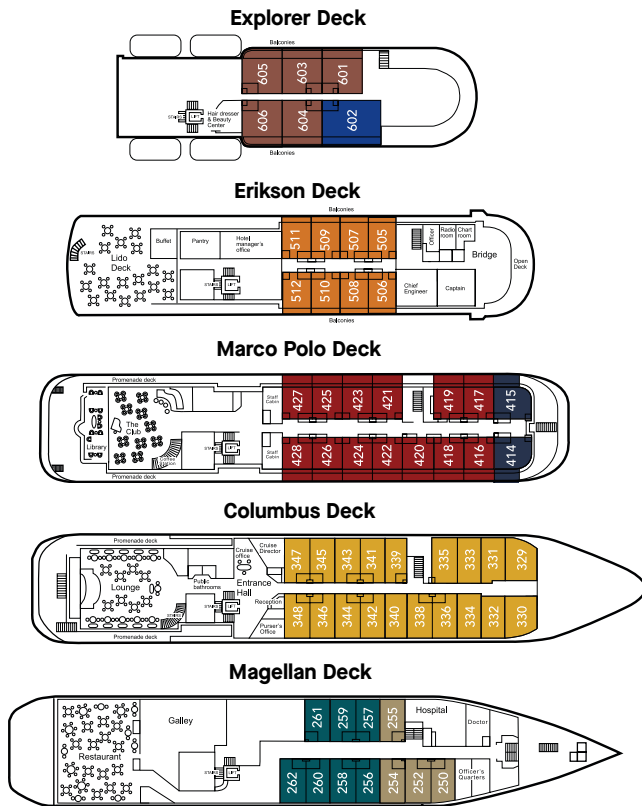
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### Zodiacs

Zodiacs are versatile, inflatable boats, used for some shore transfers and excursions. They are a unique platform for observing wildlife and enjoying landscapes from sea level on expedition cruises. They also provide a fast and safe way of going ashore in remote locations. The use of Zodiacs will be dependent on your cruise itinerary, see the Zodiac rating on the trip notes of each itinerary, represented by the Ⓜ symbol.

# Deck & Suite Plans

## MS Island Sky



### Suite Categories

- Island Balcony Suite
- Owner's Balcony Suites
- Deluxe Balcony Suites
- Corner Balcony Suites
- Premium Balcony Suites
- Superior Suites
- Standard Suites
- Standard Suites (Forward)

### Technical Data

#### Ms Island Sky – Refurbished 2017

• Length: 90.6m • Width: 15.3m • Tonnage: 4,200 • Maximum Cruising Speed: 12 Knots • Crew: 75 • Guest Capacity: 118



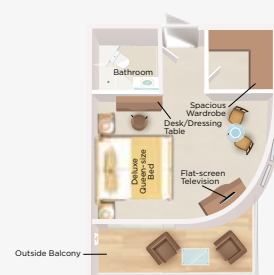
**Magellan Deck**  
Category: Standard & Standard (Forward) Suites  
21 square metres/226 square feet



**Columbus Deck**  
Category: Superior Suite  
22 square metres/237 square feet



**Marco Polo Deck**  
Category: Premium Balcony Suite  
25 square metres/269 square feet



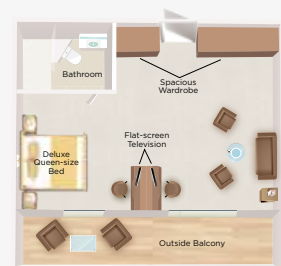
**Marco Polo Deck**  
Category: Corner Balcony Suite  
27 square metres/291 square feet



**Erikson Deck**  
Category: Deluxe Balcony Suite  
24.9 square metres/268 square feet



**Explorer Deck**  
Category: Owner's Balcony Suite  
30.5 square metres/322 square feet



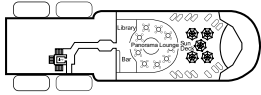
**Explorer Deck**  
Category: Island Balcony Suite  
41.9 square metres/462 square feet

Please note: dimensions include balcony. Deck and suite plans are indicative only and may vary slightly.

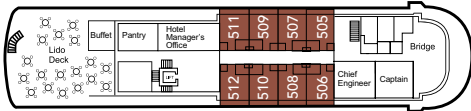
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## MS Caledonian Sky

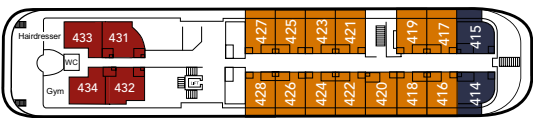
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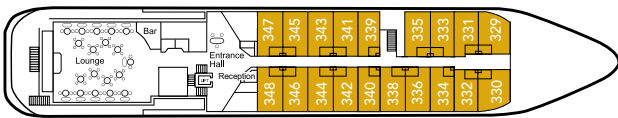
### Bridge Deck



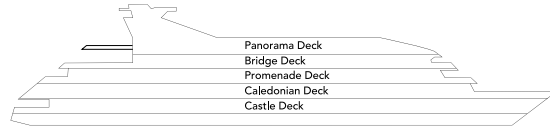
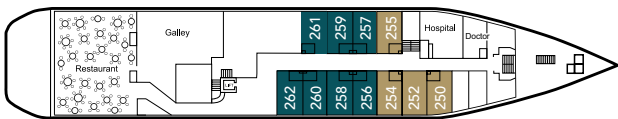
### Promenade Deck



### Caledonian Deck



### Castle Deck



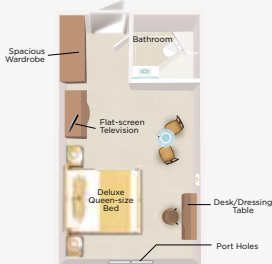
### Suite Categories

- Owner's Corner Balcony Suites
- Premium Balcony Suites
- Deluxe Balcony Suites
- Premium Suites
- Superior Suites
- Standard Suites
- Standard Suites (Forward)

### Technical Data

#### MS Caledonian Sky – Refurbished 2018

• Length: 90.6m • Width: 15.3m • Tonnage: 4,200 • Maximum Cruising Speed: 12 Knots • Crew: 75 • Guest Capacity: 114



#### Castle Deck

Category: Standard & Standard (Forward) Suites  
22.7 square metres/244 square feet



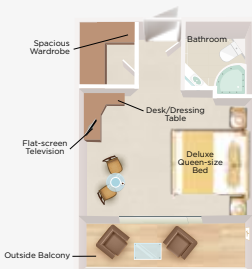
#### Caledonian Deck

Category: Superior Suite  
21.6 square metres/233 square feet



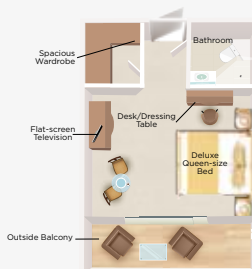
#### Promenade Deck

Category: Premium Suite  
20.2 square metres/217 square feet



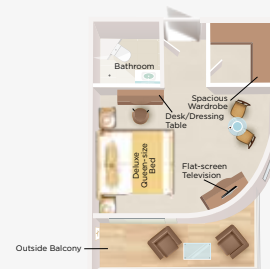
#### Bridge Deck

Category: Deluxe Balcony Suite  
24.2 square metres/260 square feet



#### Promenade Deck

Category: Premium Balcony Suite  
25.8 square metres/278 square feet



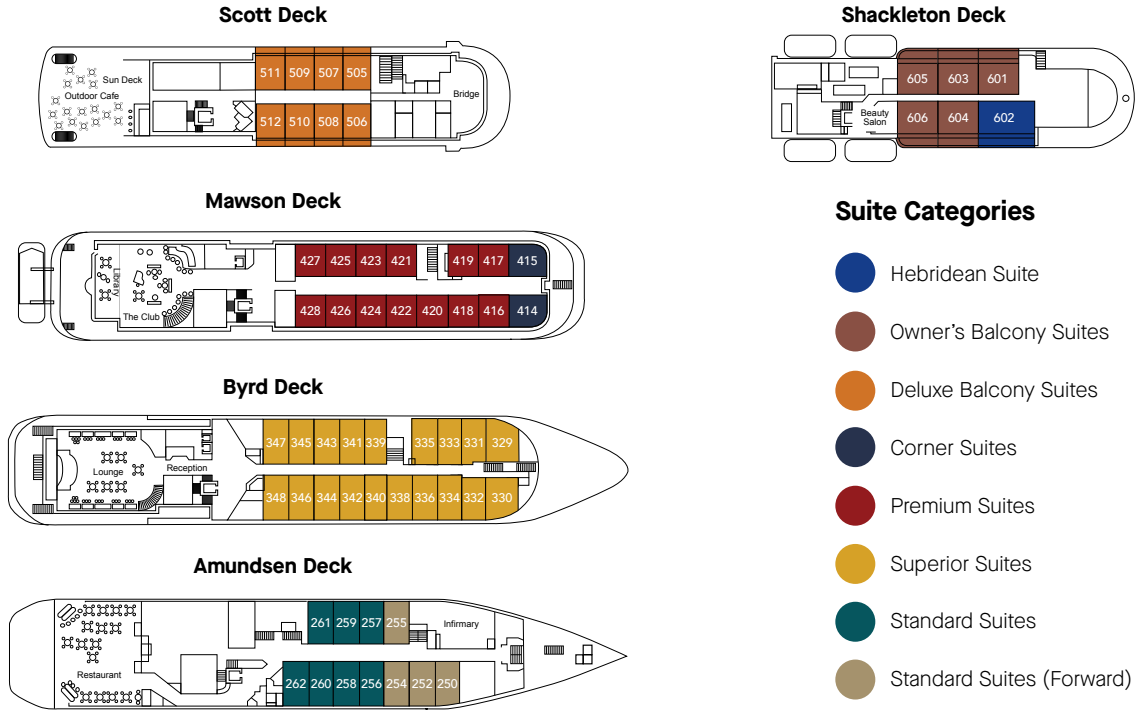
#### Promenade Deck

Category: Owner's Corner Balcony Suite  
34.2 square metres/368 square feet

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# Deck & Suite Plans

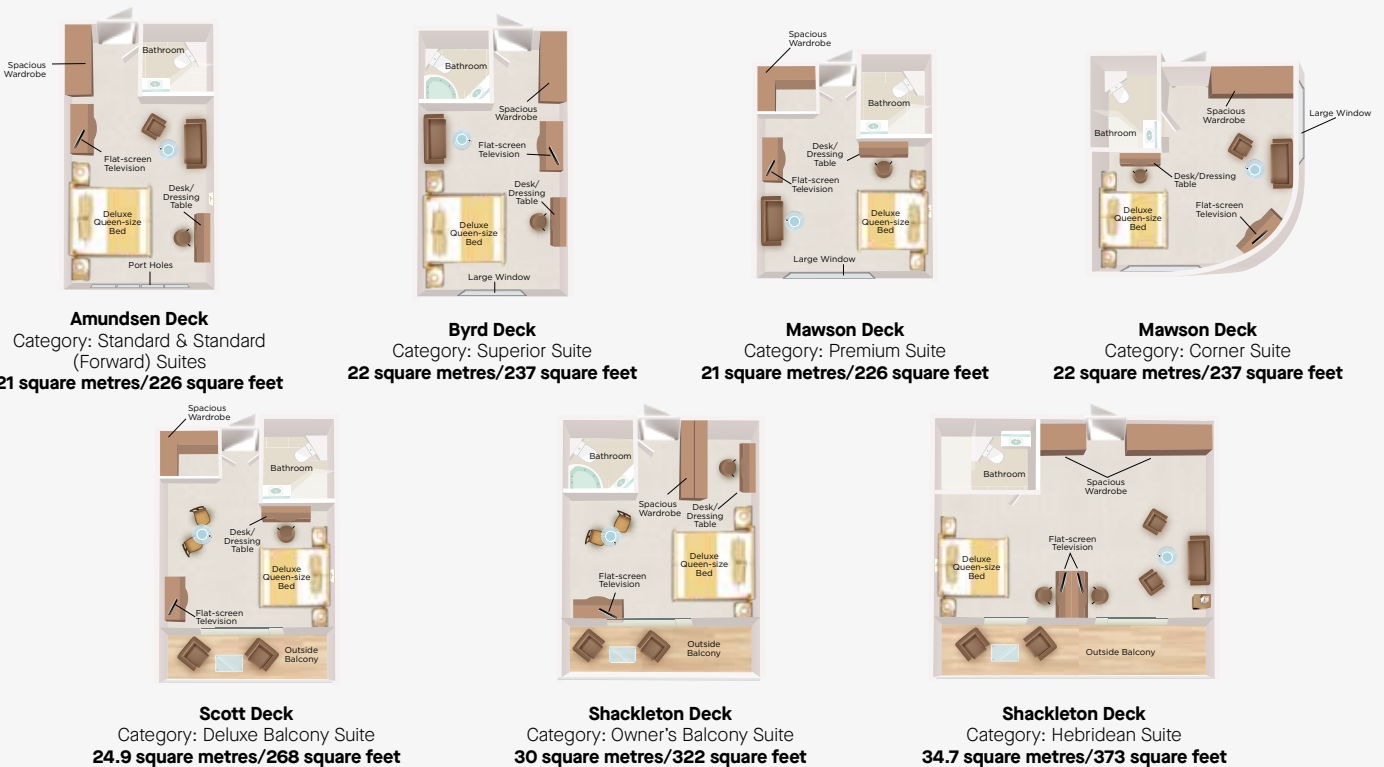
## MS Hebridean Sky



### Technical Data

#### Ms Hebridean Sky – Refurbished 2016

• Length: 90.6 m • Width: 15.3 m • Tonnage: 4,200 • Max. Cruising Speed: 12 Knots • Crew: 70 • Guest Capacity: 118



Please note: dimensions include balcony. Deck and suite plans are indicative only and may vary slightly.





# General Information & Conditions

The following terms and conditions ("booking conditions") form the basis of your contract with Australian Pacific Touring Pty Ltd (APT, 'we' or 'our'). Please read them carefully as they set out your and our respective rights and obligations. By asking us to confirm your booking, we are entitled to assume that you have had the opportunity to read and have read these booking conditions, that you agree to them and that you agree to them applying to your holiday arrangements that you book with us and which we agree to make, provide or perform (as applicable) as part of our contract with you. References in these booking conditions to your 'holiday package' are references to the tour or cruise package you have booked with APT. References to 'excursions' are references to short trips or tours included as part of your holiday package.

## Governing Law

These booking conditions are governed by the law in force in Victoria, Australia.

## BEFORE YOU BOOK

### Prices - Deposits - Discounts - Payments

Prices listed in this brochure are valid at the time of publication but are subject to change. They may be varied by advertising or special offers, or changed after the publication date for any reason, including without limitation, to cover changes in government taxes and charges, exchange rate variations, fuel surcharges, airline charges, a force majeure event or other material increases by suppliers. The most up to date pricing may be found on our website - [www.aptouring.co.nz](http://www.aptouring.co.nz). Prices will be confirmed at time of booking and honoured for up to seven days. Once the security deposit is paid the price will be guaranteed. A \$1,000 security deposit per person, per holiday package is required within seven days of receipt of booking confirmation. For all South America tours, a \$1,500 security deposit per person, per holiday package is required within seven days of receipt of booking confirmation. Deposit requirements may vary when booking a special offer. Final payment of the balance of your holiday package price is due 100 days prior to departure unless otherwise stated in the terms of a special offer. APT reserves the right to cancel any ticket or booking or to refuse to carry any passenger where payment has not been received by APT within the specified time. All fares and charges are in New Zealand currency. Payment in full is required at time of booking for reservations made less than 100 days before departure from Australia or New Zealand. If APT is unable to confirm your reservation, all monies will be refunded.

### Travelling with Minors

Children under eight years of age are not recommended on Small Ship cruises. Children under 18 years of age must be accompanied by an adult and share their accommodation with an adult.

### Included in Holiday Package Price

All coach and cruise travel as per your itinerary, accommodation, airfares if indicated in individual itineraries, gratuities, airport transfers on the first and last day of the tour as indicated on your itinerary, sightseeing, meals, admissions, port charges and the services of an Expedition Leader as stated in the itineraries. Complimentary beverages are only served during the cruise portion of your trip - this does not include French champagne, premium spirits, or selected wines. Complimentary beverages are not available during your city stay excursions or on land tours.

### Arrival/Departure Transfers

Arrival transfers are included on the first day of your holiday package or with pre-tour accommodation booked through APT. Return transfers are included on the last day of your holiday package or with post-tour accommodation booked through APT. All flight information must be provided to APT 60 days prior to your departure date, if this information is not received we are unable to guarantee the transfer/s. No refund will be given for any unused transfers. If you miss your pre-arranged transfer/s you are responsible for making your own way to the destination.

### Not Included in Holiday Package Price

Airfares, airport taxes, laundry, passport and visa fees, food not on the regular table d'hôte menu, drinks may or may not be included as indicated in your itinerary, excess baggage, fuel surcharges, optional excursions and gratuities not specified in your itinerary.

### APT Tour Director

The services of an APT tour director are included in all South America itineraries. Galápagos Islands cruises will not include an APT tour director/cruise director if minimum numbers are not met.

### Flights Within South America

Economy flights within South America and airport taxes are included in the price as stated in each itinerary. The internal flights must be booked by APT and based on passengers flying with LATAM airlines on the international ticket. Surcharges will apply if flying with another international carrier or on a ticket using Frequent Flyer or loyalty points. Airport taxes are an estimate only and are subject to change without notice. Internal air prices are valid at the time of publication.

### Choosing Your Holiday

The holidays contained within this brochure are for departures between 1 January 2020 and 31 December 2020. To maximise your enjoyment of your APT holiday and to ensure that it lives up to your expectations it is important that you choose the right holiday package for you. Our brochures contain limited information, however, there is more information online at [www.aptouring.co.nz](http://www.aptouring.co.nz) and our qualified staff are available to discuss your options.

### Gratuities

Have been included for all services as indicated in the itinerary on all APT Tours and Cruises and cannot be redeemed for a cash refund.

### Hotels

Hotel rooms in Europe are often smaller than those in Australia and New Zealand. In more remote places, hotel standards may not be quite as high as in major centres. APT endeavours to utilise the most suitable accommodation available in each destination to ensure that passengers enjoy high levels of cleanliness, comfort and service. The hotels listed in this brochure will be used on almost all holiday packages, however, if a change is necessary for any reason, APT will

endeavour to ensure that alternative accommodation is of an equivalent standard to those shown. Hotel rooms are generally not available for check-in before 3pm and require check-out by 11am.

### Twin or Double Rooms

Accommodation in all hotels, regardless of the rating, is in standard rooms (sometimes named superior/deluxe) based on twins or doubles unless otherwise stated (not guaranteed).

### Solo Travellers

A limited number of single rooms/suites/cabins may be available by request at time of booking your cruise/holiday package. Single rooms/suites/cabins are not available on certain cruises. Single rooms/suites/cabins are usually smaller than standard twin or double rooms and often only have one single bed.

### Cruising - Cabin/Suite/Stateroom Selection

APT will make every effort to assign specific cabin numbers or locations on the ship if requested. If this is not possible, APT reserves the right to make changes to cabin assignment, within the category booked, without prior notice.

### Wi-Fi Internet

Wi-Fi internet is available and included aboard your ship, however APT cannot guarantee the consistency of the service throughout your cruise.

### Passengers Needing Special Assistance

APT welcomes passengers with disabilities or special needs however, please note the following:

1. Any disability or medical condition requiring special attention must be reported to APT at the time of booking including all important information relating to your health, mobility and fitness which may affect your partial or total participation in the cruise or tour. This information is also crucial to allow APT to ensure the tour you have chosen is suitable and meets your needs. Any changes to health, mobility and fitness must also be reported to APT as soon as possible and prior to departure. Where possible APT will make reasonable adjustments to the tour to accommodate your special needs however, it cannot do so if the adjustment required would be unreasonable in all of the circumstances, including if such adjustments would affect your safety and/or the safety and/or enjoyment of other passengers.

2. If you require special assistance or care (such as pushing a wheelchair, assistance with dressing or assistance with walking), you must travel with a companion capable of providing the required assistance or care. Please be aware that APT does not provide personal assistance. APT is unable to assist any passenger with walking, dining, boarding or disembarking any transportation vehicles (including cruise ships and trains). To safely participate in embarkation and disembarkation you must be able to do so without the need for special assistance. You must also be able to do so without unreasonably impacting other passengers' safety and/or enjoyment.

3. While APT will make reasonable efforts to accommodate the special needs of disabled passengers, it is not responsible for any denial of services by any third party entities it has travel arrangements with, such as carriers, hotels, trains, restaurants or other independent suppliers, or for any additional associated expenses charges by those parties.

4. Please note coaches and minibuses are not equipped with wheelchair ramps. APT ships often sail through remote areas that do not have convenient docking facilities. In such circumstances it will be necessary for passengers to negotiate temporary gangplanks and uneven surfaces. If the crew decide that it is not safe for a passenger to negotiate such operations they may require passengers to stay on board. Cabin doors and restrooms may not be wide enough to allow access by standard wheelchairs. Wheelchairs and walkers cannot be carried on coaches, due to space limitations. For safety reasons, passengers in wheelchairs cannot be carried on ramps in ports where the cruise ship is at anchor.

### Health & Fitness

A good level of fitness and health is required to participate on APT's holiday packages. In some destinations there are extensive sightseeing excursions by foot which may include climbing of stairs. Mobility is needed to board and disembark coaches, ocean cruise ships, tender boats and zodiacs. We recommend you see the doctor and dentist before travelling. It is your responsibility to advise APT of any pre-existing medical conditions that may affect the normal conduct of a holiday package and the enjoyment of other passengers. A Health, Fitness & Mobility Questionnaire will be provided and requested to be completed at the time of booking if you advise of any health, fitness or mobility issues. APT is not liable for any injury, illness, or loss of enjoyment which could have been reasonably prevented had we been made aware of a pre-existing condition and been provided an opportunity to review it. We will not be responsible for any costs associated with cancellation penalties or the return of passengers from a tour, and a refund for lost touring cannot be claimed. If choosing a land tour in Peru, you will visit high altitude in Cusco. Vaccinations are required for travel to some parts of South America and Africa. This is the passenger's responsibility. Passengers are required to consult their GP to determine which vaccinations are required.

### Visa and Passports

All passengers must have a valid passport that is valid for at least six months after the holiday package return date. Passengers must consult with the appropriate consulates to ensure that they have any applicable visas for countries included in the holiday package prior to departure. Passengers are solely responsible for meeting necessary passport and visa entry requirements and paying all associated costs. APT cannot obtain group visas on your behalf. APT is not responsible for delays or missed portions of the holiday package resulting from incorrect travel documents or visas. APT arrange group Russian visas for scheduled St Petersburg touring only. Any further own arrangements in St Petersburg will require passengers to arrange their own Russian visa prior to travel.

### Shore Excursions

The timing of the shore excursions on all Small Ships will differ slightly for each departure. They are intended as a guide only and are subject to change without notice. It is not possible for large coaches to be used for some city sightseeing. Many towns and cities will be visited by way of walking tours and accordingly, a reasonable level of fitness is required. For Small Ship cruising, clients must be able to climb ramps and step onto smaller boats for some ship embarkation/disembarkations. Expedition cruising holidays require several wet landings, whereby feet and legs may be fully immersed in water during embarkation and disembarkation of Zodiacs.

### Freedom of Choice™ & Signature Experiences

Minimum and maximum group numbers apply on some Freedom of Choice excursions. If your first choice of Freedom of Choice is unavailable you may be asked to choose an alternative.

### Public Holidays/Festivals

Virtually all countries have public holidays, religious or otherwise. The festivities may temporarily disrupt your vacation and some religious holidays may result in a reduction of facilities and entertainment.

### Superdeals, Fly Deals and Special Offers

Conditions Apply. For full terms and conditions relating to any Superdeal, Fly Deal or Special Offer on your booking, please go to: [www.aptouring.co.nz/specialdeals](http://www.aptouring.co.nz/specialdeals)

### Other Special Offers

Special Deals and Special Offers other than those advertised in the brochure may be promoted by APT after the brochure is released. These new special deals/offers do not apply to existing bookings unless otherwise stated.

## BOOKING & PAYING FOR YOUR HOLIDAY

### Airfares

Air travel is arranged with independent airlines. APT will arrange air travel as advertised in connection with your holiday package. All airfares are subject to flight and booking class availability. Airfares will be booked and ticketed upon receipt of your deposit to avoid price or tax increases. Airport taxes vary for each departure point and routing of airline. Airline schedules are subject to change without notice. Once air tickets are issued, airline amendment and/or cancellation fees apply and, in some cases, are non-refundable. Name changes and voluntary date and schedule changes will incur fees. APT is not liable for delays or disruptions of air travel. Once tickets are issued APT will have no other liability and will not be responsible for refunding the cost of any services booked in conjunction with the flights. Flying outside of the tour date range or re-routing your flight itinerary may incur additional surcharges. While we endeavour to accommodate your airline seating requests, these are never guaranteed and are subject to change at the airline's discretion.

### Out of Date Range Flights

If airlines have not published their schedule at the time this brochure was printed or at the time of booking, APT will estimate the cost of airfares connected with your holiday package. When the airline releases flight inventory and airfares, APT will confirm seats and pricing to you by sending you an updated invoice. Once flights have been confirmed by you and payment has been received APT will issue your ticket/s.

### APT Deposit Cancellation Peace of Mind

Applicable when an upfront fee of \$95 per person is paid with your deposit. The holiday package can be cancelled prior to the final payment date and your deposit will be retained as an APT holding credit to be used for future bookings. If Deposit Cancellation Peace of Mind is claimed, monies held must be used on a future cruise or tour and cannot be redeemed against the original cruise or tour departure date. Deposit held in credit will exclude fees imposed by third parties, including but not limited to air travel, rail travel and hotels. When booking airfares through APT (including when taking advantage of a special offer that includes air travel), standard airline cancellation fees will apply. In some cases, airfares will be non-refundable. In the event of cancellation, these fees will be deducted from the deposit paid, and therefore the credit being held. APT Deposit Cancellation Peace of Mind applies to new bookings only and is only valid up until 100 days prior to travel. After three years, unused credit funds will incur the original cancellation conditions as per brochure. This does not replace travel insurance, which you are required to purchase at the time of booking.

### Travel Insurance

For your protection you are required to purchase comprehensive travel insurance at the time of booking that includes (without limitation) coverage for the cost of your holiday package, medical expenses, loss of luggage, cruise and land content and airfare charges that may occur due to cancellation, impossibility of performance or other frustration, disruption, loss of deposit or strikes.

### Travel Information and Documents

After booking you will receive an invoice with all important information relevant to your holiday package. We strongly recommend you check the details carefully and read the included information. Please ensure that you check your flight timings carefully on your tickets, particularly early morning departures. Approximately 21 days before departure you will receive your e-ticket together with your final itinerary. However, in the case of late bookings, charges or late payment, tickets may be emailed to you.

### Special Requests

Where a special request (e.g. diet, room location, twin or double bedded room, a particular facility at a hotel, flight seat requests and/or particular meals) is an important factor in your choice of holiday, you must advise us when your booking is made. APT will pass your request onto the hotel, airline or other supplier but cannot guarantee that it will be accommodated. APT will also pass on any dietary requests to the airline but we strongly recommend that you check directly with the airline once your tickets have been issued. The provision of any special request does not constitute a term of your contract with us. Confirmation that a special request has been noted

or passed on to the supplier or the inclusion of the special request on your confirmation invoice or any other documentation is not confirmation that the request will, or can, be met. Unless and until specifically confirmed, all special requests are subject to availability.

#### Credit Card Surcharges

If you pay APT by credit card credit card surcharges of between 1% and 3% will be added your tour price.

#### IF YOU WANT TO CHANGE OR CANCEL YOUR HOLIDAY

##### Changes or Additions to Your Holiday

If you want to change any part of your holiday arrangements after the invoice has been issued, we will do our best to make the change, but it may not be possible. Any request for changes must be made in writing by the person who made the original booking, or his or her travel agent. If it is possible to make the change, it will be subject to an administration charge and payment of any further costs incurred as a result of the change.

##### Cancellation Policy

For all holiday packages in this brochure, the following APT cancellation fees will apply:

Days of Notice	Fee Per Person
100 days or more	Loss of deposit
99-61 days	50% of holiday package price
60 days or less	100% of holiday package price

All cancellations must be received in writing by APT and are not effective until this notification has been received. If your holiday has commenced, 100% of the full holiday package price is charged. There is no refund for unused services or if portions of the holiday package are missed. Additional cancellation fees may also be charged in respect to accommodation reserved outside the holiday package dates. These cancellation fees are in addition to any fees that may be levied by APT and your travel agent (if any). You acknowledge that the amounts estimated under the Cancellation Policy are reasonable and represent a genuine pre-estimate of APT's loss and are otherwise reasonably necessary to protect the legitimate interests of APT. If you request changes after APT has issued your documents, APT may charge you an administration and processing fee of \$70 per person in addition to any applicable cancellation fees.

##### Force Majeure

Force Majeure means the occurrence of an event that is beyond APT's reasonable control and which could not have been reasonably prevented by APT, which includes, but is not limited to: (a) war, armed conflict, criminal damage, riot, civil strife, industrial dispute, terrorist activity or the threat of any such acts; (b) natural disaster (including but not limited to flooding, fire, earthquake, landslide), adverse weather conditions, high or low water levels; (c) nuclear or other industrial accident causing environmental pollution or contamination; or (d) change in law, meaning, enactment, amendment (including repeal) in the law or administration of any law in Australia or any jurisdiction or territory relevant to the booking contract, which includes changes in statute, regulation, determination, by-law, declaration, licence and the common law as applicable from time to time.

##### Termination of Booking Contract or Change of Travel Arrangements Due to Force Majeure

If APT, in its reasonable opinion, considers that any Force Majeure event prevents APT (whether directly or through its employees, contractors, subcontractors and agents) from lawfully or safely providing any products or services subject of the booking contract with you, APT may immediately by written notice: (a) terminate the booking contract (in whole or in part); or (b) change your travel arrangements as reasonably practicable to ensure your safety and invoice you for any additional costs.

##### Limitation of Liability in the Event of Force Majeure

In the event that APT cancels or changes your travel arrangements in any way due to a Force Majeure event, APT will not be liable to you in contract, tort, statute or restitution for any loss (including, but not limited to, loss of deposit or purchase price and loss of enjoyment), damage, costs, charges, expenses or injury resulting from or in connection with (whether directly or indirectly): (a) the cancellation or change to your travel arrangements; or (b) the Force Majeure event. APT is not liable to refund any part of the deposit or purchase price paid by you if APT subsequently changes or cancels your travel arrangements in connection with a Force Majeure event.

Force Majeure events are unpredictable and beyond APT's control. As you are required to purchase travel insurance to adequately protect yourself against these risks, your policy needs to respond to these risks. You acknowledge and accept that these terms are reasonably necessary to protect the legitimate interests of APT based on expected non-recoverable costs and expenses to be incurred by APT, including but not limited to overhead expenses and works or services performed personally by APT, leading up to the commencement of the holiday package, alternatively prior to the Force Majeure event.

##### Cancellation of Ticketed Airfares

An APT cancellation fee of \$70 per person applies for ticketed airfares, in addition to any airline cancellation fees that are applicable.

##### Changes to Ticketed Airfares

If you wish to amend the date or routing on your ticketed air booking, an APT amendment fee of \$30 per person for the first change and \$85 for any subsequent changes will be charged in addition to airline change fees and additional taxes that are applicable. If, for any reason, a name change to a ticketed Airfare is required, a \$125 per person name change fee will apply for every change in addition to any applicable airline fees.

#### IF WE NEED TO CHANGE OR CANCEL YOUR HOLIDAY

If we change or cancel your holiday before your departure, APT endeavours to provide you with all the services confirmed to you at the time of your booking. However, we plan arrangements a long time in advance of your departure date using independent suppliers such as airlines, hotels etc., over whom we have no direct control. On occasions changes do have to be made, and APT reserves the right to cancel or amend holiday packages/excursions accordingly. All tours require a minimum number of bookings in order to be financially viable and to have a pleasant group atmosphere. In the event adequate numbers cannot be achieved, it may be necessary to cancel a scheduled departure and offer the nearest possible alternative date (or a refund of the monies paid for arrangements made by APT).

#### Brochure Accuracy

APT has endeavoured to ensure that the information given in this brochure about accommodation, itineraries etc., is correct to the best of its knowledge at the time of going to print. However, advertised descriptions, facilities and prices may change after publication. We recommend that you confirm the details of your chosen holiday package at the time of booking. Additionally, flight times, carriers and routes in the brochure are given for guidance only as there may be changes. Final details will be shown on your tickets. Holiday packages or excursions may change or be different from those described in the brochure as a result of local conditions, weather conditions, annual events, change of government policy or similar. APT will endeavour to notify you of any significant changes prior to your departure.

#### Flight Changes

The flight timings shown in our brochure, on our website and detailed on your confirmation invoice are for guidance only and are subject to alteration and confirmation. Flight timings are set by airlines and affected by events outside our control. Scheduled and charter flight timings, and days of operation are also subject to change at any time. APT will advise you of any significant changes as soon as it is informed by the airline. Minor timing changes will be shown on your flight tickets. Any change in the identity of the airline, flight timings or aircraft type (if advised) will not entitle you to cancel or change to other arrangements without paying any applicable cancellation fees except where specified in these booking conditions.

#### ON HOLIDAY

##### Noise and Vibration

You acknowledge and accept that some noise and vibration may be experienced on ocean cruise vessels and that APT is not liable to you for any such noise or vibration.

##### Docking Position

Ocean cruise vessels dock both in port, and off shore at anchor. The use of local tenders or Zodiacs may be required to reach the shore.

##### Local Purchases

APT is not responsible for any items you may purchase locally i.e. jewellery/furniture etc. You acknowledge that you are solely responsible for any import duty or freight costs.

##### Personal Belongings & Lost Items

For security reasons valuables should be kept to a minimum and packed in your hand luggage along with your medicines, camera, film, electrical or battery-operated appliances, as well as basic essentials such as a change of clothing and toiletries. It is your responsibility to look after your property at all times and you must ensure you are adequately covered by comprehensive travel insurance in the event of any loss.

##### Disruption to Cruising & Itinerary Arrangements

Itineraries are subject to alteration without notice and are intended as a guide only. Deviations to the planned cruise/itinerary and hotels are possible due to road, sea or weather conditions, strikes or other reasons beyond our control, although every effort will be made to keep them as they are shown in the brochure and final documents. Should conditions render cruise/land touring routes unsafe for navigation, APT reserves the right to provide alternative services including, but not limited to, accommodation on the docked ship and/or substitute ground arrangements. The nature of Small Ship cruising is that you will take advantage of opportunities as they occur to enhance your cruise – this may impact other itinerary inclusions. The Captain and Expedition Leader will take responsibility for decision making in this regard. No refund is available under these circumstances. We recommend you take out comprehensive travel insurance that includes coverage of events such as these as we will not be liable for any direct or indirect costs that you incur as a result of such an event or other factor beyond our control happening. Additionally, you are not entitled to any refund for any alterations to your itinerary that are caused or contributed to by any flood or water-related events or such other events which are beyond our control. APT can give no guarantee as to exact arrival and departure times for carriers and operators used by APT on the tour and APT will not be liable for failure to make connections with any other services or attractions beyond its control. If accommodation listed becomes unavailable, we reserve the right to substitute hotels with alternative accommodation of a similar standard. For a group to operate and to provide an enjoyable group atmosphere, a minimum number of participants is required. If a minimum number of passengers cannot be achieved on the escorted touring and cruising packages, it may be necessary to cancel a scheduled departure and to offer the nearest possible alternative or to offer a package as a non-escorted alternative. The decision to operate a tour is usually made four to eight weeks prior to departure. Due to the remote nature of expedition cruising, it is unlikely that the available infrastructure will be comparable in standards to that used in other APT destinations. APT will do all possible to source the best available resources.

##### Changes Due to Weather

Sometimes due to elements beyond APT's control, it may be necessary to make alterations to your itinerary. This may be due to sea conditions or weather events onshore that impact land touring. The Captain will retain ultimate authority for determining the well-being of passengers.

##### Data Protection Policy

Any personal information (including sensitive information and health information) that APT obtains and retains from you or about you is necessary for our business purposes. Our Privacy Policy details why we collect this information, who we may disclose it to (including overseas recipients), and the main consequences if we do not collect it. Our Privacy Policy also contains information about how you may seek access to, or correction of, the personal information held about you, and our complaint resolution procedures. Our Privacy Policy is available at [www.aptouring.co.nz/privacy](http://www.aptouring.co.nz/privacy) or by request to us. By providing personal or sensitive information to us, you are agreeing to the terms of our Privacy Policy.

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

##### Limitation of Liability

1. Our holiday packages include the services of independent providers, such as hoteliers, airlines, cruise companies and other operators, who are not agents, servants or employees of APT. Although we take care in selecting the independent service providers and the optional excursions conducted by some independent service providers, APT is not responsible for the conduct of the independent service providers, their servants and

agents or for any ramifications of that conduct. Optional excursions may, depending on your holiday package, include activities such as climbing, exploring, bike riding, swimming and snorkelling. You accept and assume the risk involved with these activities.

2. If, in the opinion of any representative of APT, your mental or physical condition, or general behaviour is such as to affect your own health and safety, render you incapable to care for yourself, cause you to become a hazard to yourself or other passengers or result in you becoming objectionable to other passengers or staff, you will not be permitted to embark or continue on the whole or any part of the holiday package. Abuse or harassment of any kind toward crew, contracted suppliers or other guests may result in immediate removal from the tour or cruise. APT is not liable to you for any costs associated with such decision and you will not be refunded for any part of the holiday package.

3. APT accepts no responsibility for any death, injury, illness, loss (including loss of enjoyment), damage, detention, delay (including mechanical breakdown) beyond its control.

4. Any term, condition or warranty express or implied by statute or otherwise in respect of the holiday packages contained in this brochure are excluded to the full extent permitted by law. Nothing in these booking conditions excludes, restricts or modifies the application of the Competition and Consumer Act 2010 (Cth) as amended, consolidated, supplemented or replaced.

5. To the full extent permitted by law, APT's liability arising under or in connection with these booking conditions:

(a) is limited to the re-supply of the products or services or the payment of the cost of re-supply of the products or services to you; and (b) excludes liability for any indirect or consequential losses suffered by you or any third party, howsoever caused, including but not limited to pure economic loss or any special, extraordinary or punitive damage to you or any other party.

6. Your travel agent will forward deposits and other payments to us on your behalf, but your travel agent is not our agent for the purpose of receipt of monies. Receipt of deposits and subsequent payments by the travel agent does not constitute receipt of those monies by us and the travel agent has no authority expressed or implied to receive monies on our behalf. There is no liability on the part of APT in respect to any monies paid to your travel agent unless and until APT notifies you (by way of a booking confirmation advice or payment receipt advice) that monies have been received by APT. APT reserves the right to cancel any ticket or booking or refuse to carry any passenger where payment has not been received by APT within the specified time.

##### Responsible Service of Alcohol

All staff and service providers are trained in the responsible service of alcohol and are obligated by law to refuse service to any guest who, in their reasonable opinion, appears to be or is intoxicated, or behaves in an aggressive or offensive manner.

##### Medical Assistance

There is a doctor on board all of our ships. If you require further medical attention, local medical services can be contacted immediately. You are responsible for all charges that result from a visiting a medical facility. APT is not responsible for the type or quality of the medical services you may receive.

##### APT Club

Details including the full range of benefits and conditions may be viewed on our website at [www.aptouring.co.nz/APTClub/MemberBenefits](http://www.aptouring.co.nz/APTClub/MemberBenefits).

##### Smoking

For other passengers' comfort there is no smoking on coaches or ocean cruise ships, except in designated areas.

##### Service Enquiries

If a problem occurs during your holiday you should, in your own interests, advise your Expedition Leader so that steps can be taken to resolve the matter. If you remain dissatisfied, any complaint must be made in writing to APT within 30 days.

##### Luggage Limits

Each passenger is entitled to take one piece of luggage that does not exceed 160cm (62 inches) or weigh more than 20kg (44 pounds). Dimensions for checked baggage are calculated by adding together the width, height and depth of the piece of baggage. An extra charge will be imposed to cover portage handling of any additional luggage. Your Expedition Leader or airline will advise you of the exact additional charge. All luggage is at "owner's risk". In South America, downsizing to an overnight bag is required for the train journey to Machu Picchu.

##### Maps Within This Publication

Note that maps may not be to scale. Accuracy is also limited by available space and are designed to provide an indication

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# Your Small Ship



## Open Bridge / 01

As is the joy of small ship cruising, we offer the opportunity to visit the Captain and Officers on the Bridge to check the progress of the vessel. This is our Open Bridge Policy.



## Lounges & Bar / 02

In addition to the main lounge there are bars and lounges where you can wind down including The Club which features the main bar where the resident pianist may play a tune.



## Lido Deck / 03

Breathe in the fresh air as you dine al fresco on the Lido Deck. Located at the rear of the ship, in warm weather there is no better place to dine or enjoy a relaxing drink.



## Elegant Restaurant / 04

From your ship's elegant restaurant to casual al fresco dining, an enticing range of flavours are sure to be an ongoing highlight throughout your small ship journey.



## Porthole Suites / 05

These comfortable suites feature multiple portholes which look out onto sea views, an ensuite bathroom with a shower, as well as a spacious wardrobe.



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**Large Window Suites / 06**

In addition to the porthole suite amenities, large picture windows fill your suite with natural sunlight while providing access to ever-changing scenery.



**Balcony Suites / 07**

In these suites, step out onto your very own private balcony and enjoy the natural scenery as it unfolds before you. These suites vary in size, so select the option that best suits you.



**Zodiac / 08**

Land ashore or venture out on a Zodiac to explore the landmarks and hidden gems on your expedition cruise. What's more, our smaller group sizes allow a more tailored discovery.



## Expedition Team

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Get the most out of your adventure with a knowledgeable team made up of historians, naturalists, marine biologists and photographers, who offer daily briefings and an invaluable understanding of each place.

# All-Inclusive Experience

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## Best-in-Class Fleet

Our MS Caledonian Sky ship was recently awarded a 'Star Performer – Top Ten' rating in 2018 Berlitz Cruising and Cruise Guide, with special mentions to our two other 'Sky' ships

## Locally Inspired Dining

Selected meals are inspired by local influences as well as a choice of wines and beers

## Personalised Service

One of the best parts of a small ship cruise is the personal service you receive. With a high crew-to-guest ratio, staff on board are dedicated to catering to your every need

## Signature Experiences

Signature Experiences have been carefully designed by APT to help you experience certain destinations in greater depth than the average traveller

## Freedom of Choice

Our Freedom of Choice concept allows you to personalise your journey with a choice of experiences in select destinations

## APT Concierge

Our Concierge app features a GPS system with interactive maps highlighting points of interest

## Luxury Redefined

Our small ship expeditions are all about the freedom to dock right in the heart of a bustling town or hop into a Zodiac and zip off to isolated destinations

## Award-Winning Travel

APT was voted Best River Cruise Operator from 2015 to 2018 and Best Adventure Cruise Line in 2018 by the Australian Federation of Travel Agents

## Live Fully

With every detail taken care of behind the scenes, you're 100% free to be whoever you want to be

All-Inclusive.  
All taken care of.  
So you can Live Fully.



LUXURY TRAVEL



Robert and Geoff McGeary, and Louise Tandy (nee McGeary)

## Proudly Australian Owned

It has been a privilege to welcome so many guests aboard APT's award-winning journeys, and a joy to see those guests fall in love with each new experience the world presents. For many years, the unique spirit of our family-owned and operated company has set us apart – 2020 will be no exception. So it is with great pleasure that I invite you to Live Fully with APT.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Geoff McGeary'.

**Geoff McGeary OAM**  
APT Company Owner

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