

## The Small Cruise Ship Collection

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## CHESAPEAKE BAY EXPLORATION

The Chesapeake Bay is alive with history and culture. From the vibrant harbor of Baltimore, you will travel to Yorktown, Williamsburg, and Jamestown, known as the "Historic Triangle." In Yorktown, visit monumental battlefields and authentic colonial homes. Stroll through the narrow streets of a Colonial Williamsburg, and listen for unique native accents thought to be nearly unchanged since the days of the first English colonists. In Jamestown, learn about this first permanent English settlement in the Americas. Discover why Crisfield, once a small fishing village is now considered "The Crab Capital of the World," and sail on an authentic skipjack in Cambridge. Take a trolley tour through the charming streets of Annapolis and hear amazing stories about its 350-year history from our local expert guide. Please Note: Some departures are only 7 days long, please contact us for more details.



### ITINERARY

Day 1 Baltimore, MD

Baltimore is a great maritime city, alive with excitement, colonial history and a busy harbor scene. Explore its history aboard the decks of celebrated ships and on the cobblestone streets of the charming waterfront Inner Harbor, or visit Fort McHenry, where Francis Scott Key was inspired to pen "The Star-Spangled Banner".

Day 2 Yorktown / Williamsburg, VA

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Step back in time in a town that transformed the history of a nation. Yorktown is known for its monumental battlefields, authentic colonial homes, and storied past. Discover museum exhibits, recreated Continental Army camps and restored homes from the 1700's. Also visit Colonial Williamsburg, once the political and economic center of the Virginia Colony, today the world's premier living history site.

#### Day 3 Crisfield, MD / Tangier, VA

Settled in 1608 by Capt. John Smith, the charming island of Tangier retains many customs and much of the appearance of an earlier era. Stroll through the delightful village, crab shanties, shops and unique homes on a personalized guided walking tour of the "blue crab capital of the world."

#### Day 4 Cambridge, MD

Cambridge is an authentic Chesapeake town known for its rich history, beautiful buildings, and vibrant arts scene. Sail on an authentic skipjack or visit the Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge and see the diverse wildlife and shorebirds that inhabit the area. End your day with a special tea party hosted in the historic LaGrange Plantation.

#### Day 5 Oxford, MD

Founded in 1683, Oxford is a charming, tree-lined and coastal village, one of the oldest towns in America. Today, the town invites guests to discover a rich maritime history, with houses dating back to the late 1600s, historically fascinating museums, and the original Oxford-Bellevue Ferry.

#### Day 6 St. Michaels, MD

Stroll along the waterfront of St. Michaels, or peruse the charming gift shops and boutiques on tree-lined Talbot Street.

Docking at the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum, once a famed shipbuilding village, the quiet enchantment, exciting past and romantic atmosphere of this restored town will give you a glimpse of what life was like in the 1800's.

#### Day 7 Annapolis, MD

This 18th Century port pleasingly preserves its colonial American charm, showcasing its magnificent architecture and is home to the United States Naval Academy, a National Historic Landmark. With city streets boasting thousands of historic buildings in several different architectural styles, Annapolis is often called a "museum without walls."

#### Day 8 Baltimore, MD

Spend your day visiting Baltimore, one of America's finest cities. A number of excursions are available for you and your travel group, many related to Baltimore's deep maritime history. Make sure you tour the Baltimore Aquarium and Civil War Museum as well.

#### Please Note:

We do not guarantee departure point, termination point or any intermediate stop. Itineraries, schedules, routes, ships, and staterooms are always subject to change at any time without notice due to weather conditions, availability of docks, shoaling, river conditions, operation of locks, mechanicals, or any other reason. The times and dates of departure and arrival are also subject to change.

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## YOUR SHIP: INDEPENDENCE

<b>YOUR SHIP:</b>	<b>Independence</b>
<b>VESSEL TYPE:</b>	<b>Coastal Cruise Ship</b>
<b>LENGTH:</b>	
<b>PASSENGER CAPACITY:</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>BUILT/REFURBISHED:</b>	<b>2010</b>

The Independence is equipped with the largest staterooms in the industry with most suites featuring private balconies. Featuring the latest in navigation and safety technology, the Independence is fully stabilized, allowing American Cruise Lines to reach even more fascinating destinations in smooth comfort. Complete with an exercise area and putting green, the Independence offers guests a relaxed and casual atmosphere. Independence Amenities and Features: Complimentary wi-fi, Elevator access to all decks of the ship, Many lounges offer an atmosphere for every mood, Grand dining room accommodates all guests together, Open-air exercise area with views of passing scenery, Satellite tv and dvd player in all staterooms, Spacious staterooms are the largest on any cruise ship, Hotel-size private bathrooms with a full set of amenities, Private balconies, Twice daily stateroom service, Putting green on the top deck, Individual climate control, Evening entertainment focuses on music and history, Built in the USA, All american crew, Complimentary cocktail hour each evening, Onboard historians and naturalists, Culinary program featuring locally sourced ingredients, Personalized service, Open picture window



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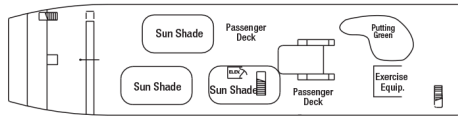


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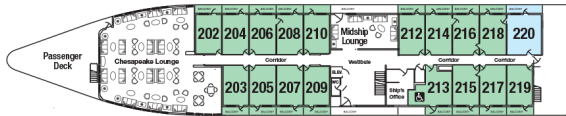
4TH DECK



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## PRICING

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