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HISTORIC COASTAL NEW ENGLAND

This remarkable expedition cruise along North America's stunning east coast traces the nation's history from the Tea Party in Boston to southern plantations to the haute couture shops of West Palm and the pretty pastel buildings of Nassau. Along the way, you'll revel in spectacular fall foliage, stories of British colonization, the founding of a new nation, the old world elegance of Newport's summer homes, and the southern charm of Charleston and Savannah.



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DAY 1 / Portland, Maine, United States (Embarkation)

Arrive in Portland, Maine, and board the luxurious MS Saint Laurent. This evening, gather for cocktails and hors d'oeuvres as we embark on our cruise.

DAY 2 / Boston, Massachusetts

This morning we'll arrive in Boston and go ashore for a tour of this 250-year old city. Highlights include: Copley Square, Trinity Church, Boston Public Library, upscale Back Bay, the exclusive shops along Newbury Street, the Public Garden, the green oasis of Boston Common, and the exclusive neighborhood of Beacon Hill. Downtown, we'll pass the gold-domed Massachusetts State House and see the Old South Meeting House where the Boston Tea Party began. Across the Charles River, we'll catch a glimpse of the Old North Church where Paul Revere signaled that the British were coming. At the conclusion of the tour, you can

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choose to meander through Quincy Market and Faneuil Hall or return to the ship. On board this evening, we'll gather for a welcome reception followed by a themed dinner in the ship's main dining room.

DAY 3 / Newport, Rhode Island

Today, we'll arrive in Rhode Island and take a scenic drive through Newport's historic district with its fine examples of Colonial, Federal, and Victorian homes. We'll see Trinity Church, Redwood Library, and the Gothic Church of Saint Mary, where Jacqueline Bouvier and Senator John F. Kennedy were married. Next we'll take the famous ten-mile Ocean Drive to Bellevue Avenue to see the gorgeous summer cottages of the Vanderbilts, Astors, and Morgans. At the conclusion of our tour, you'll have the option to stay in town for independent pursuits or return to the ship for an afternoon of rest and relaxation.

DAY 4 / Sailing The Atlantic Coast

Enjoy scenic cruising along the East Coast of the United States. En route, our onboard specialists will offer presentations on the rich history of this region. Twelve of the original British colonies which later became the first states in the United States lie along the East Coast. Maine and Florida were originally settled by the French. The middle colonies (Delaware, New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania) were owned by the Dutch until they were captured by the British in the 17th century.

DAY 5 / Williamsburg, Virginia (Norfolk)

Take a drive to historic Williamsburg. Founded in 1632 as a fortified settlement on high ground between the James and York rivers, Williamsburg was the capital of the Colony of Virginia from 1699 to 1780 and the center of political events in Virginia leading to the American Revolution. Located here, the College of

William & Mary, established in 1693, is the second-oldest institution of higher education in the United States. Its alumni include three U.S. presidents, four U.S. Supreme Court justices, and four signers of the Declaration of Independence. Next, we'll continue to Jamestown Settlement, a living history village commemorating the first permanent English settlement on the North American mainland. This full-day tour includes a picnic lunch.

DAY 6 / Sailing The Atlantic Coast

Enjoy a full day of cruising en route to North Carolina. During the day, our onboard specialist will offer presentations on the history and culture of the United States Atlantic Seaboard.

DAY 7 / Wilmington, North Carolina

Today we'll tour the charming southern city of Wilmington, North Carolina. Located at the mouth of Cape Fear River, Wilmington was founded in 1739 and served as an important shipping port for goods arriving from Europe. Today, the city is known for its well-preserved Antebellum, Georgian, and Victorian homes. Cobblestone and brick-lined streets, magnolias and live oaks, mansions and old churches, the river and the railroad, the Cotton Exchange and Chandlers Wharf all recall an era of gracious southern living. The final stop on our tour is a visit to the USS North Carolina battleship. Commissioned in 1941, the ship was the first of ten to join the battle of World War II. This evening, enjoy a sumptuous dinner in the MS Saint Laurent's main dining room.

DAY 8 / Charleston, South Carolina

This morning, we'll take a drive through Charleston's old historic district with homes dating back to the 18th century. The highlight of the day is a visit to Boone Hall Plantation, which was

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used in the filming of the television miniseries North and South and the movie Gone With the Wind. Here, we'll enjoy a tour of the stately Colonial Revival plantation house and grounds, including slave quarters built from bricks that were made on the plantation in the 1800s.

DAY 9 / Savannah, Georgia

Arriving in lovely Savannah, Georgia, we'll go ashore after breakfast for a comprehensive tour of this sophisticated and charming southern city. Founded in 1733, Savannah is one of America's finest preserved cities and considered a jewel of the south. Traveling with a knowledgeable guide, we'll learn why Savannah has the distinction of being one of the largest National Urban Historic Landmarked Districts in the United States and get a true taste of authentic southern hospitality. Back on board this evening, we'll toast another historic day as we set sail for northern Florida.

DAY 10 / Saint Augustine, Florida (Jacksonville)

This morning, we'll set off early for a tour of St. Augustine, the oldest successful European settlement in the United States, settled 55 years before the Pilgrims landed on Plymouth Rock and 42 years before Jamestown. Here, we'll visit the oldest masonry fort in the continental United States, which began construction in 1672 when Florida was part of the Spanish Empire. Then, we'll continue to the Archaeological Park of Ponce de Leon, the original site of the city, which was explored by Juan Ponce de Leon in 1513 and settled by Pedro Menendez de Aviles in 1565. Back on the ship, we'll set sail in the afternoon for South Florida.

DAY 11 / West Palm Beach, Florida

Enjoy a private tour of the Whitehall Flagler Museum. Also known as the Taj Mahal of North America, Whitehall is a 55-room, Edwardian-style mansion featuring a Louis XIV music room and art gallery, a Louis XV ballroom, and 14 guest suites with original antique European furnishings. Next, we're off to Worth Avenue where just steps away from the breezy blue waters of the Atlantic Ocean you'll find what's rumored to be the best shopping in the world. For many years, the boutiques along this drive have been renowned for their elegant couture apparel, art, antiques, jewelry, and fine furnishings.

DAY 12 / Nassau, Bahamas (Overnight)

Late this afternoon, we'll arrive in Nassau, the capital of the Commonwealth of the Bahamas. Here, you'll enjoy free time for individual pursuits exploring the island's many sites, including the pink parliament building, the Straw Market, Bay Street boutiques, Pirates of Nassau Museum, and Cable Beach. Tonight, we'll gather for a sumptuous farewell dinner in the ship's main dining room. (B/L/D) Why Savannah has the distinction of being one of the largest National Urban Historic Landmarked Districts in the United States and get a true taste of authentic southern hospitality. Back on board this evening, we'll toast another historic day as we set sail for northern Florida.

DAY 13 / Nassau, Bahamas (Disembarkation)

After breakfast, you'll disembark the MS Saint Laurent.

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YOUR SHIP: ST LAURENT

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VESSEL TYPE:	Small Ship
LENGTH:	88m
PASSENGER CAPACITY:	210
BUILT/REFURBISHED:	2001/2015

The indisputable joy of sailing is brought to life on the MS Saint Laurent, an agile small ship that easily navigates canals and locks, tranquil bays, and hidden ports where larger ships dare not go. Onboard, fresh, modern design tips its hat to our maritime past as spacious, open-air lounges, inviting dining venues, and generous windows ensure you never miss a chance to savor the view. 105 newly refurbished staterooms provide an onboard sanctuary of comfort. Select complimentary custom-tailored shore excursions daily. Expertly trained culinary team providing exceptional dining experiences in two dining rooms—the Cliff Rock Grille and Shearwater Dining Room. All-inclusive meals and beverages, including coffee, water, soft drinks, beer, wine and cocktails (excluding premium brands). Daily cocktail hour featuring cold canapés and bar snacks one hour prior to dinner. Smart-casual attire throughout your journey—no formal attire required. Attentive service from a caring staff of 85 to ensure a remarkable journey. Informative and enriching lectures from onboard speaker. Books and board games. Nightly entertainment. Casual, English-style Seascape Tavern. The indoor Compass Lounge. Onboard salon. Boutique. Spacious sun deck area with chaise lounges. Relaxing outdoor

canopied sitting area offering panoramic views from the observation deck level with



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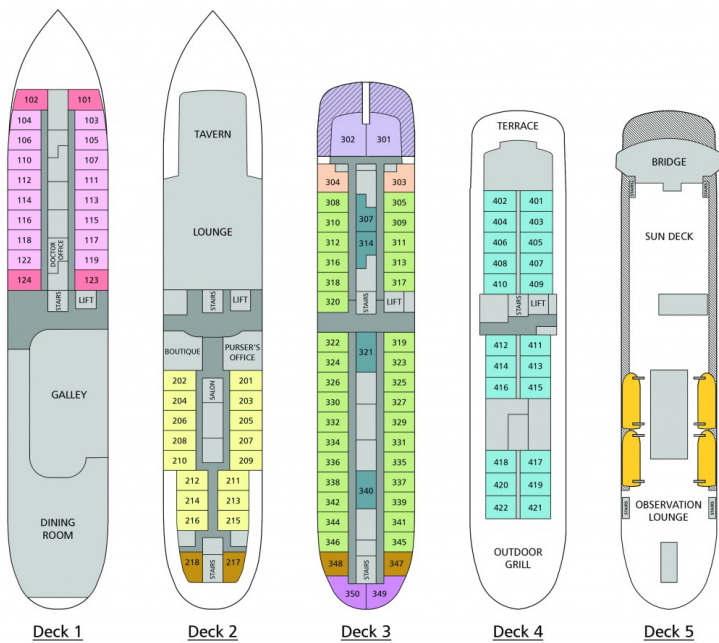
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