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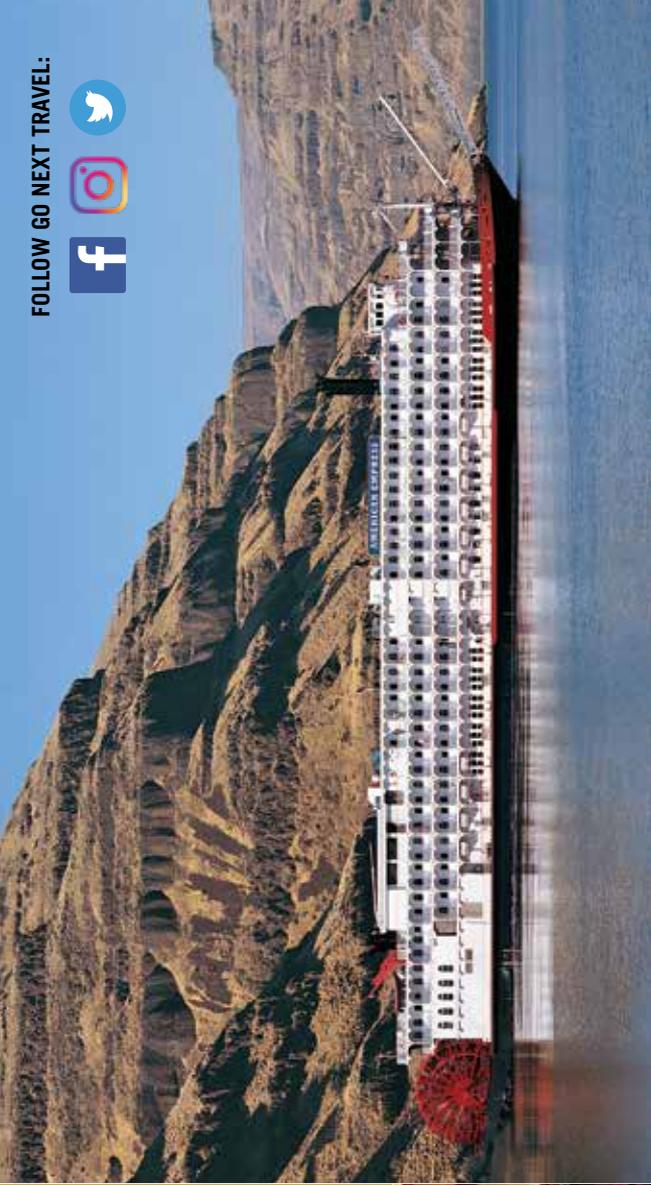
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Discover the pristine glory of the Pacific Northwest—a region of unparalleled natural bounty and spellbinding beauty—where waterfalls plunge down mossy cliffs, powerful rivers are edged by steep canyon walls, and mountains swathed in dense greenery. From Vancouver to Clarkston, cruise the mighty Columbia and Snake Rivers aboard the *American Empress*, the largest and most elegant riverboat west of the Mississippi.

Your adventure begins with a stay in Vancouver, Washington, situated just minutes from Portland, famed for its gorgeous parks, eclectic neighborhoods, and diverse culinary scene. Board the grand *American Empress*, a modern vessel that exudes the charm of a nineteenth-century riverboat, and cruise to Astoria, where splendid Victorian homes and maritime relics mingle with delightful cafés and shops. Admire the lovely scenery and small-town charm of The Dalles, and head ashore in Stevenson, your gateway to the famed Bonneville Dam and the Columbia Gorge Interpretive Center Museum. Before concluding your riverboat voyage in Clarkston, travel to Richland and explore nearby Sacajawea State Park, the site of Lewis and Clark's 1805 campsite.

This outstanding seven-night cruise includes fresh regional cuisine, beautifully appointed accommodations, and fascinating shore excursions. Reserve your spot by October 30, 2018, to receive the \$200 early booking savings per stateroom. Don't miss the opportunity to encounter the Pacific Northwest with fellow alumni.

Sincerely,

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Aircraft and cruise line boarding privileges are limited to persons whose full payment and signed agreement have been received by GN and whose names are on the manifest given to the carrier before departure. Improper documentation, inadequate proof of identity, inadequate proof of age for children under 2, or any other reason may result in denial of boarding privileges. The air carrier and cruise line reserve the right to decline, accept or retain any person on the flight or cruise at any time within their sole discretion. If you are denied boarding privileges, you forfeit all monies paid and will be assessed any non-recoverable costs.

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HOSTS AND LECTURERS: Advertised hosts and lecturers (if applicable) are subject to availability and may be contingent on a minimum number of travelers; therefore, they cannot be guaranteed.

NOTICES: Any complaints or claims against GN must be made in writing and received by GN within 90 days after scheduled termination of the trip. Any action or suit against GN must be commenced within 1 (one) year after scheduled termination of the trip or be forever barred.

The rights and remedies relating to cancellations and major changes prior to departure, made available under this agreement are in addition to any other rights or remedies available under applicable law. However, we offer any refunds under this agreement with the express understanding that the receipt of that refund by you waives all other remedies. While Go Next makes every effort to adhere to the specifics shown in this brochure, all information contained herein is subject to change. Go Next is not responsible or liable for typographical errors, omissions or misprints.

INSURANCE: Travel insurance is available and can provide coverage for unforeseen circumstances that could disrupt your trip. See above for details.

IF YOU CHANGE PLANS OR CANCEL, YOUR RIGHTS TO A REFUND ARE LIMITED:

The following charges will be assessed for cancellations.

If you cancel or change plans more than 170 days prior to departure, a full refund, less a \$500 per person administrative fee plus any applicable Pre- and/or Post-Cruise Program cancellation fees, is provided. Any refunds are provided only in accordance with the following schedule. Any requests for cancellation must be communicated to GN in writing. Applicable refunds, if any, will be made within 14 days after the cancellation.

CANCELLATIONS: Upon receipt of written cancellation from you, the following fees will apply:

Cruise Program cancellations received 170 days or more prior to departure, \$500 per person; 169-125 days prior to departure, 25% of total fare; 124-95 days prior to departure, 50% of total fare; 94-60 days prior to departure, 75% of total fare; 59-0 days prior to departure, 100% of total fare.

Plus any applicable GN Pre-Cruise Program Cancellation Fees:

121 days or more = \$200 per person, per program

120-61 days = \$300 per person, per program

60-0 days = no refund

HEALTH: Any physical or mental condition requiring special medical attention or equipment must be disclosed in writing to GN at the time the participant makes a reservation. GN may reject the reservation of any person who, in the opinion of GN is unfit for travel or might be a danger to themselves or incompatible with others on the trip. Participants requiring special assistance, including without limitation those who permanently or periodically use a wheelchair, must be accompanied by someone who agrees to provide the required assistance. GN reserves the right to terminate the participation of any participant whose conduct or condition materially inconveniences other participants.

THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS OF ANY KIND (INCLUDING MEDICAL EXCEPTIONS) TO THESE POLICIES. No refunds will be made for any portion of the arrangements we have made for you that are not actually utilized by you. There is no variance from these policies for the services we arrange as described in this brochure.

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September 15-23, 2019

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Reservations can also be made online at www.GoNext.com/GreatPacificNW-19

CORRESPONDENCE PREFERENCE: Email Mail

RESERVATION SELECTION:

PRE-CRUISE PROGRAM SELECTION

- Included 1-night pre-cruise Vancouver, Washington hotel stay
- Additional 1-night Go Next Willamette Valley & Portland Pre-Cruise Program
(\$499 per person, double occupancy; \$699, single) Number of participants: _____

PLEASE NOTE: Airfare and airport transfers are not included.

- I will make my own transportation arrangements. Please contact me to discuss air options.

Stateroom/Suite Category Preference: 1st choice _____ 2nd choice _____

Bed Preference: Twin (2 beds) Queen Single

All guests must travel with a government-issued photo ID.

GUEST 1: Full Name (as it appears on your government-issued photo ID)

First Middle Last Title

Preferred Name M Birth Date
(for name badge) F (MM/DD/YYYY)

GUEST 2: Full Name (as it appears on your government-issued photo ID)

First Middle Last Title

Preferred Name M Birth Date
(for name badge) F (MM/DD/YYYY)

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Mailing Address

City State ZIP

Main Phone Alternate Phone

Roomate's Name (if different from above)

Adjacency Request

OPERATOR AND PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT:

Signatures are required from each person traveling, including parent and guardian signatures for traveling minors.
I have read, received a copy of, understand, and accept the terms and conditions stated in the Operator/Participant Agreement.

SIGN HERE X _____

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DEPOSITS: A deposit of \$950 per person plus a \$300 deposit per person for the optional Pre-Cruise Program, if applicable, is due with your reservation application. Deposits may be made by check or credit card. All major credit cards are accepted. Please make checks payable to Go Next. **Full payment is required by check no later than May 29, 2019.** Reservations received after this date must be accompanied by full payment.

Please reserve _____ space(s). Enclosed is a deposit for \$ _____.

Charge my credit card for the deposit of \$ _____	
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Card Number _____	Security Code _____ Exp. Date _____

Making a deposit or acceptance or use of any vouchers, tickets, goods, or services shall be deemed consent to and acceptance of the terms and conditions stated in the applicable Operator/Participant Agreement, including limitations on responsibility and liability.



Astoria

ONBOARD INCLUSIONS

- 7-day voyage aboard the *American Empress*, with all meals included
- \$200 early booking savings per stateroom
- Services of an experienced on-site Go Next Program Manager
- Complimentary Hop-On Hop-Off Shore Excursions aboard a dedicated fleet of luxury river coaches
- Exquisite regional dishes prepared by an award-winning culinary team
- Complimentary wine and beer with dinner
- Complimentary specialty coffees, bottled water, and soft drinks
- Gracious service from a friendly staff
- Daily lectures by the Riverlorian
- Onboard entertainment
- Country club casual attire, no formal wear required

EXCLUSIVE BENEFITS

- **Included 1-night pre-cruise hotel stay** at the Hilton Vancouver Washington Hotel or similar accommodations, with breakfast, coverage of taxes, portage, and transfers to the *American Empress*
- **Private Go Next reception** including hot and cold canapés, wine, beer, and soft drinks
- Services of an experienced on-site **Go Next Program Manager**

GUEST LECTURERS



CLARK BEIM-ESCHE
Principia College

Clark Beim-Esche earned his degrees from Northwestern University. During his over 40 years of teaching at Principia College, Principia Upper School, and Lifelong Learning classes, he has presented courses on Literature, American History, Fine Arts, and Film. In 2008, he received the Mark Twain Boyhood Home Museum Creative Teaching Award. A gifted storyteller, Beim-Esche lectures nationally and internationally. He has published the book, *Calling on The Presidents: Tales Their Houses Tell*. He will present several lectures on American masterpieces including works by Frederic Remington, Albert Bierstadt, Robert Frost, and Frank Lloyd Wright.



ALEX SARAGOZA
UC Berkeley

Alex Saragoza led several tours for Cal Discoveries, including a wine and food tour of northern Spain. He presented a course on the California Wine Industry for the American Studies Program at UC Berkeley. He is an expert on the international and domestic competition facing California's vintners. He is the recipient of the 2017 Excellence in Teaching and Learning Award from the UC Berkeley affiliated Osher Lifelong Learning Institute and in 2018 he was appointed to the Distinguished Lecturer Program of the Organization of American Historians. Saragoza is professor emeritus of history in the Department of Ethnic Studies at UC Berkeley.

Travel Study Lecturers are identified well in advance of the operation of this travel program. In the event that an advertised lecturer must cancel due to unforeseen circumstances beyond our control, all reasonable efforts to identify a comparable replacement will be made and all terms and conditions pertaining to this program, including cancellation penalties, will remain in effect.

LIFE ON THE WATER

Night after night, music fills The Show Lounge, elegantly decorated with crystal chandeliers, authentic period-wallpaper, and comfortable seating reminiscent of a lumber baron's estate home. The River Grill & Bar and the Paddlewheel Lounge are meeting points for friends; and The Astoria Dining Room, reflecting the Northwest's rich Russian influence, is graced with romantic columns, sparkling light fixtures, and exquisite upholstery—the perfect backdrop to sample regional dishes.



The Astoria Dining Room

ASTOUNDING SCENERY

Experience the Pacific Northwest, where diverse landscapes intertwine to form an incredibly gorgeous scene. Here nature reveals her beauty and range—from lofty waterfalls flanked by emerald forests to staggering, vertical canyon walls. Carved by dramatic landslides, volcanic upheavals, and raging floods thousands of years ago, these rugged lands provide some of the most astounding scenery in America. From the decks of the *American Empress*, discover this renowned region in perfect elegance and ease, as scenes of unspoiled natural glory unfold one by one.



Multnomah Falls

OPULENT COMFORT

The *American Empress* is a breathtaking combination of modern comfort and Victorian charm. All suites and staterooms feature a flat-screen TV, mini refrigerator, and coffeemaker, along with extravagant bedding and fine linens and luxury hotel-style service. Take in resplendent scenery as you enjoy a quiet respite in your stylish suite or deluxe stateroom, designed with all the comforts of home. Life aboard the *American Empress* flows at your pace, according to your taste.



D Stateroom

RIVER CRUISE ITINERARY

SEPT 15 PORTLAND, OREGON/ VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON

Fly into Portland and make your way to Vancouver. Enjoy a one-night stay at the Hilton Vancouver Washington, or arrive a day earlier and enhance your travel experience with the Go Next Willamette Valley and Portland Pre-Cruise Program, featuring an additional hotel night and two days of unique sightseeing opportunities.

SEPT 16 VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON Depart 6pm

Enjoy the morning at leisure in Vancouver. Embark on your river cruise aboard the *American Empress* in the afternoon.

SEPT 17 ASTORIA, OREGON Arrive 3am-Depart 5pm

Where the Columbia River meets the Pacific Ocean, you'll find Astoria. The "Little San Francisco" has a downtown studded with cafés and whimsical shops, maritime relics, and steep hillside blanketed in sprawling Victorian homes.

Included Excursion Begin with a stop at the Astoria Riverwalk, overlooking the Columbia River and flanked by shops, cafés, and historic canneries. Continue to some of the city's renowned historic attractions, including the nineteenth-century Flavel House, the Heritage Museum, and the Astoria Column.

SEPT 18 STEVENSON, WASHINGTON Arrive 8am-Depart 5pm

The laid-back town of Stevenson offers lovely riverfront parks, pubs, antique stores, and art galleries, while the nearby Columbia Gorge Interpretive Center Museum brings to life 15,000 years of geological and regional history.

Included Excursion Explore boutiques and local specialty shops. Then visit the Columbia Gorge Interpretive Center Museum to learn about the incredible geological forces that shaped this astounding region. Continue to the Bonneville Dam, the first dam built on the Columbia River.

SEPT 19 THE DALLES, OREGON Arrive 9am-Depart 6pm

Once known as the end of the Oregon Trail, The Dalles rests on a crescent bend of the Columbia River and welcomes visitors with its picturesque backdrop of forests, orchards, and high desert.

Included Excursion Stop at the famed Wasco County Courthouse, the first courthouse west of the Rocky Mountains; the Fort Dalles Museum, showcasing unique military and pioneer remnants; the downtown shopping district; and the Columbia Gorge Discovery Center and Museum.

SEPT 20 SCENIC RIVER CRUISING

SEPT 21 RICHLAND, WASHINGTON

Arrive 4pm (Sept 20)–Depart 5pm (Sept 21)

The Tri-Cities metropolitan area, situated on the Yakima, Columbia, and Snake Rivers, is known for its outdoor recreation and natural and scenic attractions—including Sacajawea State Park, where Lewis and Clark and their Shoshone Indian guide camped in 1805. Nearby you'll find Washington's Red Mountain AVA (American Viticultural Area), a small winegrowing region.

Included Excursion Visit Sacajawea State Park and its interpretive center, the Franklin County Historical Society and Museum, the REACH Museum, and the Pasco Farmer's Market, offering hand-crafted goods and locally-grown produce.

SEPT 22 CLARKSTON, WASHINGTON Arrive 11am

Situated in the beautiful Lewis-Clark Valley are the sister cities of Lewiston, Idaho, and Clarkston, Washington. Founded in the nineteenth century as a way-station for travelers bound for the Idaho goldfields, Clarkston is the famed gateway to Hells Canyon, North America's deepest river gorge.

Included Excursion Stop at the Nez Perce National Historical Park, the First Territorial Capitol Interpretive Center, the Bridablik/Schroeder House built in 1906, and Lewiston's Nez Perce County Historical Society and Museum

SEPT 23 CLARKSTON, WASHINGTON/ SPOKANE, WASHINGTON

Disembark 8am

Disembark in Clarkston and transfer to Spokane for your return flight home. Transfers to the Spokane airport are an additional cost. Flights should be scheduled to depart from Spokane after 11:45am.

Note: If you are interested in an optional Premium Choice Tour of Spokane, your return flight should be scheduled to depart from Spokane after 3:30pm.

Premium Choice Tours will also be offered in each port of call for an additional charge.

All port times are approximate. Itinerary, hotel, and shore excursions are subject to change.



Hells Canyon

The Greatest Value

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LUXURY SUITES WITH VERANDA Discovery & Frontier Decks 410 sq. feet	LS	\$10,099	\$9,999
SUITES WITH VERANDA Vista View Deck 310 sq. feet	A	\$7,499	\$7,399
SUPERIOR VERANDA STATEROOMS Vista View, Discovery & Frontier Decks 210 sq. feet <i>**Stateroom 403 offers additional square footage in lieu of private veranda.</i>	B	\$6,599	\$6,499
DELUXE VERANDA STATEROOMS Discovery & Frontier Decks 180 sq. ft.	C	\$4,899	\$4,799
SINGLE OUTSIDE VERANDA STATEROOMS Frontier Deck 160 sq. feet	CS	\$6,899	\$6,799
VERANDA STATEROOMS Vista View Deck 150 sq. ft.	E	\$4,799	\$4,699
OUTSIDE STATEROOMS WITH WINDOW Explorer Deck 180 sq. feet	D	\$4,099	\$3,999

*Fares are per person, double occupancy, and reflect the \$100 early booking savings per person (\$200 per stateroom) if booked by October 30, 2018. Onboard meals, refreshments, and entertainment are included. Airfare and airport transfers are not included. **Port charges of \$189 per person and gratuities are additional.**



The Dalles



PRE-CRUISE PROGRAM

Discover the highlights of the Willamette Valley and Portland that you might otherwise miss. This carefully crafted program includes two days of specially arranged sightseeing tours, professional guides, and exceptional concierge support from an on-location Go Next Program Manager.

WILLAMETTE VALLEY & PORTLAND

Pre-Cruise Program

SEPT 14–16

\$499 per person, double occupancy

- 1 additional night at 4-star Hilton Vancouver Washington or similar accommodations, with breakfast
- Full-day tour of the famous Willamette Valley, including visits to two unique wineries and lunch
- Half-day tour of historic Portland
- Transfers from hotel to riverboat, with related luggage handling

HIGHLIGHTS:

Check-in to the four-star Hilton Vancouver Washington for a restful evening. In the morning, trek from the city for a full-day tour of the gorgeous Willamette Valley, a lush countryside with quaint farmhouses, rustic cottages, and prosperous wineries. The next day, tour historic Portland, a trendy eco-friendly city with a unique topography of rivers and bridges.

This tour involves a moderate amount of walking.

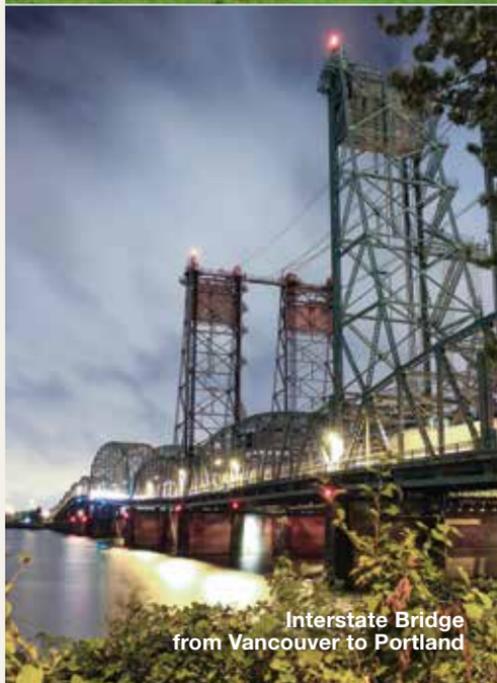
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Portland



Willamette Valley



Interstate Bridge
from Vancouver to Portland