

# OCEANIA CRUISES®

## OPTIONAL SHORE EXCURSIONS

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### Welcome Ashore

Oceania Cruises shares your passion for new discoveries and that has led us to create an award winning program of optional shore excursions and tours that explore the world's most important historical, cultural and artistic gems. The wide variety of tour options means you may choose from the most enriching tours and adventures available in each of our ports of call. Witness natural wonders, explore man-made marvels and immerse yourself in the culture, history and cuisine of these storied destinations. Your **CASTLES & COBBLESTONES** cruise offers three pricing options that provide discounts of up to 40% when you reserve your shore excursions before your cruise.

### Shore Excursion Points of Distinction

Professional English-speaking experts to guide you through your journey. Peace of mind knowing that your excursions are monitored by the ship's staff. A staff of experienced, excursion specialists expertly plans each tour and is dedicated to maximizing your time in each port. Travel with premier, licensed and insured, tour companies aboard the best available, climate controlled luxury transportation.

### A La Carte Excursions

Individual a la carte shore excursions are available for pre-purchase. Reserving in advance gives you the peace of mind knowing that your tours have been pre-arranged and pre-reserved prior to your arrival.

### Oceania Select Excursions

While all of the shore excursions offer extraordinary experiences, some are so outstanding and so awe-inspiring that they merit special recognition. These tours are designated as Oceania Select excursions and offer unique, one-of-a-kind experiences to the passionate explorer wishing to delve even deeper into a region's culture and history.

### Oceania Exclusive Excursions

For those travelers who prefer an added measure of privacy, intimacy and flexibility, we also offer our Oceania Exclusive excursions. With a minimum participation of 10 guests, and never more than 16, these excursions benefit from a higher level of personal attention and detail only possible in small groups.

### Unlimited Passport Collection Package

For just \$1,169.00 per person, the *Unlimited Passport Collection* affords you the ultimate indulgence - the opportunity to fully experience all that a destination has to offer with UNLIMITED a la carte shore excursions throughout the voyage. You may choose from an array of excursions all for one low price at a **savings of up to 40% off a la carte prices**. As an added bonus, *Unlimited Passport Collection* guests will also receive significant discounts off *Oceania Select* and *Oceania Exclusive* excursions.

### Your World Collection Package

*Your World Collection* provides the flexibility for you to custom design a personalized, value-packed collection of excursions by allowing you to select the exact number of tours you want to take from the entire portfolio. Best of all, **you will save 25% off a la carte prices when you reserve a minimum of 5 shore excursions**.

Guests in suites and concierge-level staterooms enjoy a 60-day priority booking period prior to the 120-day online booking window. If you purchase either the *Your World Collection* or *Unlimited Passport Collections* you also receive priority confirmation of your selections. This added benefit is especially appealing if you wish to ensure that you have a place on the most popular tours in marquee cities such as Venice, Rome, St. Petersburg and Istanbul, to name a few.

All excursion packages have the added convenience of being fully refundable until sail date and must be purchased in advance of sailing to enjoy the maximum savings. Packages will be non-refundable thereafter. A la Carte tours will remain fully refundable up until 36 hours before the excursion.

### OceaniaCruises.com

OceaniaCruises.com offers a wealth of information about your cruise: learn about and purchase shore excursions, select pre- and post-cruise hotel packages, find answers to frequently asked questions, read general information about your upcoming cruise experience, and much more. You may purchase tours up until 7 days prior to your sail date. Our website safely and securely accepts credit card payments; you will automatically receive confirmation of your online purchase by email. And all shore excursions purchased online receive priority processing and guaranteed acceptance. Visit [www.OceaniaCruises.com](http://www.OceaniaCruises.com) today to pre-purchase any of these packages. Next to each tour description, you will find symbols to assist you in choosing the excursion that is right for you.

### ❖ HELSINKI, FINLAND

#### HEL-012 HELSINKI, PORVOO & COUNTRYSIDE

**Duration: 7.00 Hrs**   **Tour Price: \$399.00**



**Date: September 09, 2021 09:15 AM**

Join us on a single tour that combines Helsinki sightseeing, a visit to cobbled Porvoo, and lunch at a rural farm. Your coach journey will bring you by landmarks like Embassy Park, Market Square, Uspenski Cathedral and the Presidential Palace. You'll stop and graze the fresh produce at an open-air market and continue on past Mannerheim Street's museums, Parliament House, Finlandia Hall and the stadium that hosted the 1952 Olympics. Some 45 minutes out in the Finnish countryside is Savijarvi Farm, where your welcoming hosts will discuss their way of life and show some of the horses they breed here. They also serve delicious homemade food, which you'll soon savor in the form of a relaxed three-course lunch. Later, you'll take a step backwards in time in nearby Porvoo, founding in 1346. Enjoy a tour and free time along cobblestone streets lined with brightly painted wooden buildings and catch super-photogenic views from the Old Bridge of Porvoo. On the return drive to Helsinki you'll see its famous shipyards, and make a stop to visit what must be the city's quirkiest landmark – the underground Rock Church, carved out of solid granite and topped with what looks like a misplaced UFO.

- Enjoy a sightseeing drive through central Helsinki, taking in its many landmarks, ancient and modern.
- Visit a family-run equine farm in Savijarvi, meet the hosts and their horses, and savor a relaxed lunch.
- Tour Finland's second-oldest town, medieval Porvoo, and spend a while exploring its charms – and its shops – at your leisure.
- Visit extraordinary Tempelisaari Rock Church, blasted out of the bedrock and capped with an extraterrestrial-style saucer roof.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing; include a light raincoat or umbrella.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.

Tour includes approximately 1-hour of walking over even and cobblestone surfaces with some inclines and steps. Amount of walking and level of exertion during free time is at guests' discretion. This tour is not available for wheel chair guests and those with walking or mobility concerns are cautioned to evaluate their personal level of ability and stamina. Inside visits to the Rock Church cannot be guaranteed in the event of religious services. Weather appropriate clothing, adequate sun protection and flat comfortable walking shoes are recommended

#### HEL-013 HIGHLIGHTS & ARCHITECTURE

**Duration: 4.50 Hrs**   **Tour Price: \$209.00**



**Date: September 09, 2021 09:15 AM**

Enjoy a rolling survey of Helsinki's many architectural highlights and tour the landmark country home where several of Finland's most renowned architects lived and worked. Your panoramic drive through the Finnish capital brings you past iconic sights both ancient and contemporary. Standouts include coastal Embassy Park, the colorful open-air market and Senate Square, famed for its skyline-defining Lutheran Cathedral. Along broad Mannerheim Street, you'll admire the Parliament House, National Museum and Finlandia Hall – a futuristic 1970s masterpiece designed by Alvar Aalto. The curvaceous Kiasma art museum is another highly conceptual showstopper along the route, and a stop to visit Helsinki's quirky underground Rock Church – blasted out of solid bedrock – is a true one-of-a-kind experience. Traveling out of town and into a rural landscape of deep forests, majestic rocks and crystal water, you'll arrive at Hvitträsk. This 1902 stone and log shrine to Finnish National Romantic architecture was the shared compound of three of Finland's most renowned architects – and the boyhood home of international superstar Eero Saarinen, revered for designing signature mid-century projects like the St. Louis Arch, the TWA terminal at JFK Airport and Washington's Dulles Airport. Your tour of the building includes free time to wander its tranquil grounds.

- Enjoy a panoramic highlights tour of Helsinki's most prominent landmark buildings, some dating back centuries, others at the leading edge of modern architecture.
- Visit the Rock Church, blasted out of the bedrock and capped with an extraterrestrial-style saucer roof.
- Travel by coach through a rural Finnish landscape to Hvitträsk, the residence and studio once shared by the country's top architects.
- Tour this 1902 landmark structure, now a museum and art exhibition center, and wander its peaceful surrounding gardens.
- Learn about the boyhood life of superstar architect Eero Saarinen who grew up here, son of one of the three original builders.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing; include a light raincoat or umbrella.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.

Guests must be able to walk approximately 1.5-hours (half-mile) over even and cobblestone surfaces, some level gravel with 30 to 50 steps. Amount of walking and level of exertion during free time is at guests' discretion. Tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible wheelchair and are able to make their own way on and off transportation. Guests must be self-sufficient or if assistance is required, they should travel with a companion who can provide this. Inside visits to the Rock Church cannot be guaranteed in the event of religious services. Weather appropriate clothing, adequate sun protection and flat comfortable walking shoes are recommended.



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### HEL-014 PORVOO, CRUISE & HELSINKI

**Duration: 7.00 Hrs** **Tour Price: \$339.00**



**Date: September 09, 2021 09:15 AM**

See Helsinki's landmarks, soak up the Old World charm of Porvoo, and cruise to an elegant shoreside manor house for lunch. A panoramic city drive brings you past sights like Embassy Park, Market Square, Finlandia Hall, the Presidential Palace and Senate Square – where you'll stop to admire the iconic Lutheran Cathedral. All traces of modernity recede as you arrive in Porvoo, Finland's second oldest town, and enjoy a guided stroll through its cobbled streets lined with historic wooden buildings. After a bit of time for independent exploring, you'll board a sightseeing vessel to sail along the Porvoo River and into parts of the Gulf of Finland archipelago. Besides providing amazing views of Finland's beautiful coastline, this voyage has a more basic purpose: to bring you to Haikko Manor for lunch. First built in the 1300s as a Dominican monastery, this gulf-front manor home was a favored summer getaway of the Russian imperial family. Time permitting, you'll have a chance to wander Haikko's lush grounds after your meal. The drive back to Helsinki includes a stop to visit one of the Finnish capital's quirkiest sights – the underground Rock Church, carved out of solid bedrock.

- Settle in for a sightseeing drive through central Helsinki, taking in landmarks both ancient and modern.
- Enjoy a guided walk through medieval Porvoo, Finland's second-oldest town, and spend a while exploring its charms on your own.
- Board a sightseeing vessel for a cruise down the Porvoo River and into the Finnish archipelago.
- Disembark at elegant Haikko Manor for a delightful gulf-side meal and after-lunch garden stroll.
- Back in Helsinki, visit the Rock Church, famed for its rough stone walls and UFO-like copper roof.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing; include a light raincoat or umbrella.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.

Participants must be able to walk for approximately .75 mile over even and cobblestone surfaces, with occasional inclines and steps. Free time in Porvoo is approximately 45 30 minutes. Inside visits to the Rock Church cannot be guaranteed if religious services are underway. Entering and exiting the tour boat requires negotiating 3-5 narrow steps.

### HEL-001OE OCEANIA EXCLUSIVE - HIGHLIGHTS OF HELSINKI

**Duration: 3.50 Hrs** **Tour Price: \$299.00**



**Date: September 09, 2021 09:20 AM**

Designed for travelers who prefer an added measure of intimacy and flexibility, our new Oceania Exclusive tours limit group size to just 16 guests maximum. The Oceania Exclusive format is available on specially selected shore excursions in nearly every port we visit, around the world. Settle back for the definitive overview of Finland's marvelous capital city on this panoramic drive. The carefully chosen route winds from the harbor past Embassy Park, Senate Square, the chic Esplanadi park district and landmark-lined Mannerheim Street, among other top Helsinki locales – with stops made for you to get closer to some of the most intriguing and photogenic sights. Among the highlights seen are the gleaming white Lutheran Cathedral made famous in the movies, the stadium where the 1952 Olympics happened, a concert hall designed by celebrated Finnish architect Alvar Aalto, and one of the city's quirkiest signature buildings: the underground Rock Church. Excavated out of solid granite, its ribbed glass and copper dome roof looks rather like a UFO that took a wrong turn. At Sibelius Park, you'll stop to ponder another modernist must-see – a shimmering stainless steel monument made of hollow tubes, erected in 1967 to honor Finland's most famous composer by making music of their own as the breezes flow by. At the conclusion of your guided survey, you can choose to return to the ship or continuing exploring this never-dull city on your own.

- Take in Helsinki's most prominent sights in panoramic comfort on a guided coach drive around the city.
- See the domed cathedral and its famous steps in Senate Square, the historic Olympic Stadium, and the modern new Opera House on Töölönlahti Bay.
- Visit the Rock Church, blasted out of the bedrock and capped with an extraterrestrial-style saucer roof.
- At Sibelius Park, decide if you love or loathe the controversial steel-pipe monument built to honor Finland's most famous composer.
- Enjoy a higher level of personal attention and flexibility on this Oceania Exclusive small group tour.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing; include a light raincoat or umbrella.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.

This tour is mostly panoramic with optional walking at the stops. There is a 10-minute walk in each direction required to reach the Rock Church; guests may arrange with the guide to opt out of this portion of the tour if desired. The tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible chair, are able to make their own way on and off the coach and have an able-bodied companion to assist them. The Rock Church could be closed due to religious services. The order of sites seen and visited may vary.



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### HEL-001 HIGHLIGHTS OF HELSINKI

**Duration:** 3.50 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$119.00



**Date:** September 09, 2021 **09:30 AM**

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- Take in Helsinki's most prominent sights in panoramic comfort on a guided coach drive around the city.
- See the domed cathedral and its famous steps in Senate Square, the historic Olympic Stadium and the modern new Opera House on Töölönlahti Bay.
- Visit the Rock Church, blasted out of the bedrock and capped with an extraterrestrial-style saucer roof.
- At Sibelius Park, decide if you love or loathe the controversial steel-pipe monument built to honor Finland's most famous composer.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing; include a light raincoat or umbrella.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.

This tour is mostly panoramic with optional walking at the stops. There is a 10-minute walk in each direction required to reach the Rock Church; guests may arrange with the guide to opt out of this portion of the tour if desired. The tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible chair, are able to make their own way on and off the coach and have an able-bodied companion to assist them. The Rock Church could be closed due to religious services

### HEL-007 WALKING TOUR OF HELSINKI

**Duration:** 4.00 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$109.00



**Date:** September 09, 2021 **09:45 AM**

Get up-close to Helsinki's famous array of medieval and modern landmarks on a leisurely guided walk through the city center. You'll get to see far more detail than you would traveling the streets by vehicle. Like in Senate Square where you'll gaze up at the dazzling white Lutheran Cathedral, and at the Railway Station, another icon of Finnish National Romantic architecture opened in 1919. You'll amble along Mannerheim Street, Helsinki's main thoroughfare lined with museums, a new Music Hall and the dignified Parliament building. Re-energized thanks to a coffee and pastry from a downtown café, you'll walk on and pay a visit to one of the city's quirkiest signature buildings: the underground Rock Church. Blasted out of solid granite, its giant ribbed glass and copper dome roof looks very much like a UFO that took a wrong turn. Walking through Sibelius Park, you'll ponder another modernist must-see – the shimmering stainless steel monument made of some 600 hollow tubes, designed to honor Finland's most famous composer by making music of their own as the breezes flow by. No question, this city moves to the beat of its own unique soundtrack.

- Tour Helsinki on foot and enjoy closeup encounters with its most prominent sights.
- Stop to photograph and learn about key landmarks like the Lutheran Cathedral, Railway Station, the National Museum and House of Parliament.
- Visit the Rock Church, blasted out of the bedrock and capped with an extraterrestrial-style saucer roof.
- Stop and enjoy a freshly-brewed cup of joe and a pastry served in a downtown coffee venue.
- At Sibelius Park, decide if you love or loathe the controversial steel-pipe monument built to honor Finland's most famous composer.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.

This tour includes approximately 2-miles (3-hours) of moderate walking over mostly cobblestone and uneven surfaces. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests or those with mobility concerns, and operates during all weather conditions so participants should be prepared for the chance of rain. Inside visits to the Rock Church cannot be guaranteed if religious services are underway



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### HEL-005 BEAUTIFUL HAIKKO MANOR, NORDIC WALK & SA

**Duration: 5.50 Hrs**   **Tour Price: \$269.00**



**Date: September 09, 2021 10:00 AM**

Head out from Helsinki to beautiful Haikko Manor and Sauna for a uniquely exhilarating Finnish experience. Like much of Europe, this manor home – now a hotel– has a long history laced with both religious and royal overtones. Back in the 1300s it was a Dominican monastery, but during the era of Russian rule at the turn of the 20th century, the Imperial family came to Haikko for summer getaways. You'll be enjoying a getaway of your own here as the venue's spa equips you for a Nordic walk, arguably Finland's national sport. Sporting your set of ski poles and accompanied by an instructor, you'll head out on a bracing walk in the park-like Haikko environs. Choose the gentle route or go for the more strenuous hill walk. Afterwards, relax in the traditional cottage sauna by the sea or stroll the grounds further. Once back in Helsinki, you'll visit one of the city's quirkiest signature buildings: the underground Rock Church. Excavated out of solid granite, its ribbed glass and copper dome roof looks like a UFO that took a wrong turn. After a photo stop at Senate Square, you can opt to stay in town longer or return to the ship.

- Travel about half an hour outside Helsinki by coach to Haikko Manor, on beautiful seaside parkland.
- Make like a Finn, grab your ski poles and head out on an invigorating instructor-guided Nordic walk.
- Reward yourself afterwards with a visit to the spa's soothing sauna.
- Back in Helsinki, walk to the famous Rock Church, blasted out of the bedrock and capped with an extraterrestrial-style saucer roof.
- Sightsee around convivial Senate Square and consider staying on to explore downtown further.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing; include a light raincoat or umbrella.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.

The Nordic walking portion of the tour covers approximately 1 mile, while the Nordic hill climb is approximately 500 feet. Guests who wish to make use of the sauna should bring along a swimsuit. A 10-minute walk in each direction is required to reach the Rock Church; it also may be closed during religious services, so an inside visit is not guaranteed.

### HEL-009 KAYAKING THE FINNISH ARCHIPELAGO

**Duration: 4.50 Hrs**   **Tour Price: \$279.00**



**Date: September 09, 2021 10:00 AM**

Experience a guided paddle through the maze of tranquil islands that surround bustling Helsinki. It's an unspoiled urban archipelago where sea birds and diverse flora thrive in peaceful isolation just a few miles from the center of the Finnish capital. Enroute to your starting point, you'll get to see some of the city's most famous landmarks by motor coach – including Market Square, Uspenski Cathedral, the Presidential Palace and the impressive Finnish icebreaker fleet at dock in season. Once at the kayaking center, you'll be outfitted with all the necessary gear and receive a brief kayaking intro before settling into your stable and easy-to-handle watercraft. From there, over 300 islands floating off Helsinki await discovery. With your knowledgeable guide in the lead, you'll see a number of them and learn much about the natural and human history of this fascinating region. A stop on one of the islands affords a welcome opportunity to stretch your legs, savor a snack, and admire your scenic surroundings.

- Enjoy a panoramic tour of key Helsinki landmarks as you head for a kayaking center.
- Receive basic kayaking instruction and all proper safety gear, then set out in your stable kayak for a guided archipelago tour.
- Paddle the waters that surround Helsinki on three sides, laced with islands where birds and plants thrive in peaceful natural isolation.
- Stop off on a scenic islet to enjoy a well-deserved break to stretch your legs and savor a snack.
- Wear warm, layered clothing.
- Flat, comfortable waterproof sport shoes are recommended.

Kayaking time is approximately 2.25 hours. As this is an active excursion, it is only recommended for guests who are physically fit and free of back, neck or heart problems. Those who participate in water activities do so at their own risk and responsibility and must know how to swim, be comfortable in the water and able to cope with occasional currents. Participants must be 12 years of age or older; if under 15, must be in the company of an adult sharing a double kayak. Guests height should not exceed 6'3" and maximum weight cannot exceed 280 lbs. for single kayaks, 380 lbs. for double. A limited number of double kayaks are available on request; please advise your destination team onboard. It is recommended that guests dress in warm, layered clothing and flat, comfortable, waterproof sport shoes; raingear is also recommended. As you will get wet on this excursion, any electronic devices as well as any valuable items must be stored in a sealable, waterproof dry bag or left on board the ship. Any damage occurring to these items is the responsibility of the guests. Wildlife sightings, although likely, are not guaranteed. The operation of this excursion is dependent on prevailing weather conditions.



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### HEL-010 SPEED BOAT ADVENTURE

**Duration:** 2.50 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$439.00



**Date:** September 09, 2021 **10:00 AM**

Feel your adrenaline soar on an aquatic romp around the Helsinki archipelago and enjoy Finnish-style refreshments at a private summer cottage. It all starts just a short walk from the ship, where you'll change into special waterproof clothing and step aboard the speedboat. Your adventure begins at a gentle pace as you cruise toward the center of the city, passing Embassy Park, famous Suomenlinna fortress, the Open-Air Market and impressive docked icebreakers awaiting colder times. Get ready to hold on tight after the narrow strait of Kustaanmiekka, where your captain will throttle up for the thrill-ride portion of this experience day. Zipping along through the waters at up to 40 knots, you'll fly past large and small islands and handsome Finnish summer homes, some of which date back to the 19th century. After a time, your vessel will come ashore at a summer cottage where your host will share stories about the local history and way of life. To make for a fully Finnish experience, you'll be treated to their classic summer favorites – grilled sausages and locally brewed beer. The cruise back to the city brings yet more scenery, including a modern technology center and a sea-facing residential neighborhood.

- Don a provided waterproof outfit and flotation device in preparation for a high-speed boat ride through the Finnish archipelago.
- See some of Helsinki's top landmarks from this unique on-the-water viewpoint, including UNESCO-listed Suomenlinna island sea fortress.
- Disembark at a private summer cottage where the hosts are genial, and the refreshments are authentic local fare.
- Continue your exhilarating waterborne tour, passing picturesque scenery all the way back to the pier.
- Wear warm, layered clothing and bring along a jacket.
- Flat, comfortable waterproof shoes are recommended.

This excursion is not recommended for guests with physical limitations, as it requires embarking and disembarking a vessel that sits low in the water. Pregnant women and guests with back or neck conditions should not participate. A special waterproof outfit and flotation device will be provided. You may get wet during this excursion, so all personal electronics, cameras and valuables must be stored in a waterproof dry bag or left on board the ship. Any damage to these items is the responsibility of the guest. Wildlife sightings are not guaranteed. Operation of this excursion is dependent on weather conditions.

### HEL-GL1 HELSINKI THROUGH THE EYES OF A LOCAL

**Duration:** 4.50 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$229.00



**Date:** September 09, 2021 **10:00 AM**

Experience local life by exploring food markets and a shopping mall, sampling Finnish cuisine and then strolling a serene waterfront park. After departing from the pier, you will soon arrive at Vanha Kaupahalli, a historical market hall filled with stands of local fish, cheeses, vegetables and most every other food imaginable. As you meander about like a local, you will gain an understanding of daily life in Helsinki. Similarly, after a short tram ride to the Kamppi Shopping Centre, you will get a feel for other types of merchandise available to the residents. The mall holds a collection of stores offering Finnish fashions, handicrafts and jewelry, and you will have time visit numerous shops. You will then ride the metro to Hakaniemi Market, yet another market hall that specializes in foods and delicacies. The merchandise differs somewhat from that offered in Vanha Kaupahalli, as there are more gourmet shops. To enhance your understanding of Finnish shopping preferences, the guide will explain the foods and drink that most residents favor. To see if the local cuisine suits your palate, you will sample two traditional snacks and a popular local beverage. Cold smoked reindeer with marinated red onion, Small Finnish archipelago bread with lemon crème fraiche and salmon, and non alcoholic Rhubarb soda. To become further immersed in local life, you will stroll through waterfront Kaivopuisto Park, which is surrounded by embassies and extravagant homes. It occupies a scenic spot on the southernmost tip of Helsinki. Please note: This tour includes approximately 3.5 hours of walking/standing; there will be some inclines and cobblestone surfaces to negotiate. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and may not be suitable for those with mobility concerns who are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability. Weather appropriate clothing; sun cap; sunglasses; and flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.



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### HEL-002 SCENIC HELSINKI HARBOR CRUISE

**Duration:** 2.50 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$199.00



**Date:** September 09, 2021 **10:15 AM**

Admire the ins and outs of Helsinki harbor's delightful maze of islands as you cruise waters dotted with historical sites. This one-of-a-kind urban archipelago boasts waterfront saunas, old villas, the city zoo, and a giant icebreaker or two. Your guide will provide ample color on the region's vibrant backstory and its deep relationship to the sea. One of the most impressive of the landmarks you'll encounter during your sail is Suomenlinna, an 18th-century fortress so significant it's been designated a UNESCO World Heritage site. Built during the days when Sweden ruled Finland, this remarkable turf-covered citadel straddles several small islands and once reigned as the Baltic's most powerful sea fortress. Your waterborne harbor survey ends at an open-air market, where you'll have time to wander and graze – perhaps sampling delicious fresh berries or other locally grown produce until it's time to rejoin your coach for the trip back to the pier.

- Take to the waters of Helsinki harbor for a refreshing and enlightening exploratory cruise.
- Sail past islets and landmarks of every stripe that make up this city's unique urban archipelago.
- See Helsinki's signature island-hopping citadel, Suomenlinna, and learn about Helsinki's age-old relationship with the sea.
- Drop in at an open-air market where fresh local produce and artisan foodstuffs are ripe for the grazing.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing; include a water/windproof jacket.
- Flat, comfortable shoes are recommended.

This tour is mostly panoramic with limited optional walking during free time at the market. Entering and exiting the tour boat does require negotiating 3-5 narrow steps. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and those with mobility concerns are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of ability before participating.

### HEL-003 PICTURESQUE PORVOO

**Duration:** 4.00 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$129.00



**Date:** September 09, 2021 **10:15 AM**

Surrender to the wooden charms of Finland's second-oldest town, and enjoy a panoramic spin through the country's landmark-filled capital city. Your excursion to Porvoo begins with a drive through the heart of Helsinki, past its bustling open-air marketplace and architectural must-see's like the Uspenski Orthodox Cathedral, Presidential Palace and expansive Senate Square. You'll make a brief stop to admire the dazzling white Lutheran Cathedral; capped with green domes and set atop a dramatic stairway it dwarfs nearly everything else on the surrounding skyline. Some of the other marquee attractions you'll spot include the Opera House, Finlandia Hall, the National Museum, Parliament building and the Contemporary Art Museum. Arriving in Porvoo, the look and feel of everything shifts backwards in time as you begin a leisurely walking tour of this city that receiving its charter all the way back in 1346. Stroll along cobblestone streets lined with brightly painted buildings crafted with hammer and nail. Stop to admire stellar views of the historic center from the Old Bridge of Porvoo, which spans the town river. After your orientation walk, take some time on your own to explore further; colorful gardens and browse-worthy handicraft and antique shops abound.

- Settle back for a drive through central Helsinki via panoramic coach, taking in its many landmarks, ancient and modern.
- Stop for a closer view of the city's signature, green-domed Lutheran Cathedral at Senate Square.
- Take the scenic route to medieval Porvoo, where time has not moved nearly as fast as elsewhere.
- Enjoy an illuminating guided walk through Old Town, then spend a while exploring Porvoo's charms – and its shops – at your leisure.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing; include a light raincoat or umbrella.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.

This tour is mostly panoramic, with a short introductory walk in Porvoo over hilly and cobbled terrain. Amount of walking and level of exertion during free time is at guests' discretion. This tour is not recommended for wheel chair guests or those with walking or mobility concerns.



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### ❖ ST. PETERSBURG, RUSSIA

#### LED-010 MOSCOW BY HIGH-SPEED TRAIN

**Duration:** 18.00 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$1399.00



**Date:** September 10, 2021 07:30 AM

This amazing trip provides a unique opportunity to see the highlights of the Russian capital in one day. Accompanied by a St. Petersburg guide, who will accompany you throughout your trip, transfer to the St. Petersburg railway station for a 4-hour ride on a Sapsan high-speed train, in standard class. Standard class features comfortable adjustable textile seats, arm rest, folding footrest (except on table seats), audio module, and folding or window table. As a general rule there are 2-2 seats in a row, with a few 4 seats around a table. Your train may reach speeds as high as 160 miles per hour as you travel through the Russian countryside. During your train ride, relax and enjoy a boxed breakfast/snack on board. Arriving at the railway station in Moscow, you will be greeted by a local guide who will accompany you during your visit of the city. Drive to Red Square, traveling via the city center. En route, you will see how the years of communism have affected peoples' lives and the architecture of the city. From Red Square you will have an excellent view of the world-famous St. Basil Cathedral with its multi-colored, onion-shaped domes. Red Square might close on occasions without prior notice, preventing the visit, but you will have a good view from the second floor of the GUM store. During your tour, you will also take a short ride on the Moscow metro. Muscovites are justifiably proud of their metro system. Not only is it an efficient and reliable means of public transport, it is also recognized as a museum of sorts, as many of its stations are richly decorated with mosaics, crystal chandeliers and marble columns and walls. Make your way to one of Moscow's best hotels for a refreshing coffee break. This short rest period will give you a boost of energy to continue exploring the very heart of Moscow - the Kremlin. Arriving at the Kremlin, a 15th-century fortress complex located in the center of the city, you will tour the Armory Chamber. The Armory holds an amazing collection of Russian treasures, including court regalia, jewelry, coronation gowns, armor, golden carriages and some of the fabulous Easter Eggs created for the tsars by Karl Faberge. During your time here, you will also visit the stunning 15th-century Byzantine-style Assumption Cathedral, the oldest and most important church in the Kremlin. It was in this revered Cathedral that tsars were selected and crowned, decrees were read, and solemn rites celebrated. Leaving the Kremlin, you'll enjoy a panoramic drive through Moscow. Afterwards, dinner, complete with wine and Russian vodka awaits you. Following dinner, your day in Moscow ends with a transfer to the train station where you'll board your high-speed train for the return journey to St. Petersburg. \*\* Cancellation fees for this tour are as follows: 14 business days up to 3 business days prior to the tour - \$205.00 per seat. 3 business days up to 36 hours prior to the tour - \$300.00 per seat. Cancellations received within 36 hours of the tour's departure are subject to a 100% cancellation fee. Please note: This tour includes extensive walking, at times fast paced, over cobblestone surfaces and there are steps and stairs to negotiate at the venues. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests or those with mobility concerns. The most convenient restrooms available will be on the train, at the Armory Museum and at the dining venue. You may wish to obtain some rubles in St. Petersburg the day before (via bank or ATM) to make purchases in Moscow. There is also an ATM inside the G.U.M. store. Bring small denomination bills for bargaining, if desired, with street vendors. Shoulders and legs should be covered for entry into the cathedrals in Moscow. Guests participating on this organized shore excursion do not need to obtain an individual Russian visa. As the Kremlin is the official residence of the Russian President, it could close without prior notice due to state events, in addition to its official closing day on Thursdays. On these days, the visit to the Kremlin will be substituted with the New Maiden Convent (or Christ the Savior Cathedral) and a boat ride along the Moskva River. This tour has a limited capacity; therefore, it is recommended that guests pre-book as early as possible. Departure time and duration may vary, depending on train schedules. Expect heavy traffic while driving around the city. Buses are not allowed to park or stay around drop off/pick up areas and there might be waiting time. The order of sights visited may vary for logistical reasons. VERY IMPORTANT: Passport information is required to purchase all train tickets; please make sure your reservation has this information. All train tickets open for sale 120 days prior to the travel date.



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### LED-010BC MOSCOW BY HIGH-SPEED TRAIN BC

**Duration:** 18.00 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$1799.00



**Date:** September 10, 2021 07:30 AM

This amazing trip provides a unique opportunity to see the highlights of the Russian capital in one day. Accompanied by a St. Petersburg guide, who will accompany you throughout your trip, transfer to the St. Petersburg railway station for a 4-hour ride on a Sapsan high-speed train, in business class. Business class features wider adjustable leather seats, individual lighting, folding table, folding footrest, audio-video module, and power outlet. Carriage: 52 seats, configuration 2-2, folding tables. Your train may reach speeds as high as 160 miles per hour as you travel through the Russian countryside. During your train ride, relax and enjoy Wi-Fi, breakfast and drinks. Arriving at the railway station in Moscow, you will be greeted by a local guide who will accompany you during your visit of the city. Drive to Red Square, traveling via the city center. En route, you will see how the years of communism have affected peoples' lives and the architecture of the city. From Red Square you will have an excellent view of the world-famous St. Basil Cathedral with its multi-colored, onion-shaped domes. Red Square might close on occasions without prior notice, preventing the visit, but you will have a good view from the second floor of the GUM store. During your tour, you will also take a short ride on the Moscow metro. Muscovites are justifiably proud of their metro system. Not only is it an efficient and reliable means of public transport, it is also recognized as a museum of sorts, as many of its stations are richly decorated with mosaics, crystal chandeliers and marble columns and walls. Make your way to one of Moscow's best hotels for a refreshing coffee break. This short rest period will give you a boost of energy to continue exploring the very heart of Moscow - the Kremlin. Arriving at the Kremlin, a 15th-century fortress complex located in the center of the city, you will tour the Armory Chamber. The Armory holds an amazing collection of Russian treasures, including court regalia, jewelry, coronation gowns, armor, golden carriages and some of the fabulous Easter Eggs created for the tsars by Karl Faberge. During your time here, you will also visit the stunning 15th-century Byzantine-style Assumption Cathedral, the oldest and most important church in the Kremlin. It was in this revered Cathedral that tsars were selected and crowned, decrees were read, and solemn rites celebrated. Leaving the Kremlin, you'll enjoy a panoramic drive through Moscow. Afterwards, dinner, complete with wine and Russian vodka awaits you. Following dinner, your day in Moscow ends with a transfer to the train station where you'll board your high-speed train for the return journey to St. Petersburg.

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### LED-010FC MOSCOW BY HIGH-SPEED TRAIN FC

**Duration: 18.00 Hrs** **Tour Price: \$2069.00**



**Date: September 10, 2021 07:30 AM**

This amazing trip provides a unique opportunity to see the highlights of the Russian capital in one day. Accompanied by a St. Petersburg guide, who will accompany you throughout your trip, transfer to the St. Petersburg railway station for a 4-hour ride on a Sapsan high-speed train, in first class. First class seats feature wider leather seats adjustable to almost horizontal incline, individual lighting, folding table, ergonomic backrest and leg support with lean adjustment, wider armrests, comfortable headrest, individual entertainment system, power outlet. Carriage: 24+4 seats, configuration 1-2, folding tables. Your train may reach speeds as high as 160 miles per hour as you travel through the Russian countryside. During your train ride, relax and enjoy Wi-Fi, breakfast and drinks. Arriving at the railway station in Moscow, you will be greeted by a local guide who will accompany you during your visit of the city. Drive to Red Square, traveling via the city center. En route, you will see how the years of communism have affected peoples' lives and the architecture of the city. From Red Square you will have an excellent view of the world-famous St. Basil Cathedral with its multi-colored, onion-shaped domes. Red Square might close on occasions without prior notice, preventing the visit, but you will have a good view from the second floor of the GUM store. During your tour, you will also take a short ride on the Moscow metro. Muscovites are justifiably proud of their metro system. Not only is it an efficient and reliable means of public transport, it is also recognized as a museum of sorts, as many of its stations are richly decorated with mosaics, crystal chandeliers and marble columns and walls. Make your way to one of Moscow's best hotels for a refreshing coffee break. This short rest period will give you a boost of energy to continue exploring the very heart of Moscow - the Kremlin. Arriving at the Kremlin, a 15th-century fortress complex located in the center of the city, you will tour the Armory Chamber. The Armory holds an amazing collection of Russian treasures, including court regalia, jewelry, coronation gowns, armor, golden carriages and some of the fabulous Easter Eggs created for the tsars by Karl Faberge. During your time here, you will also visit the stunning 15th-century Byzantine-style Assumption Cathedral, the oldest and most important church in the Kremlin. It was in this revered Cathedral that tsars were selected and crowned, decrees were read, and solemn rites celebrated. Leaving the Kremlin, you'll enjoy a panoramic drive through Moscow. Afterwards, dinner, complete with wine and Russian vodka awaits you. Following dinner, your day in Moscow ends with a transfer to the train station where you'll board your high-speed train for the return journey to St. Petersburg. Please note: This tour includes extensive walking, at times fast passed, over cobblestone surfaces and there are steps and stairs to negotiate at the venues. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests or those with mobility concerns. The most convenient restrooms available will be on the train, at the Armory Museum and at the dining venue. You may wish to obtain some rubles in St. Petersburg the day before (via bank or ATM) to make purchases in Moscow. There is also an ATM inside the G.U.M. store. Bring small denomination bills for bargaining, if desired, with street vendors. Shoulders and legs should be covered for entry into the cathedrals in Moscow. Guests participating on this organized shore excursion do not need to obtain an individual Russian visa. As the Kremlin is the official residence of the Russian President, it could close without prior notice due to state events, in addition to its official closing day on Thursdays. On these days, the visit to the Kremlin will be substituted with the New Maiden Convent (or Christ the Savior Cathedral) and a boat ride along the Moskva River. Departure time and duration may vary, depending on train schedules. Expect heavy traffic while driving around the city. Buses are not allowed to park or stay around drop off/pick up areas and there might be waiting time. The order of sights visited may vary for logistical reasons. **VERY IMPORTANT:** All train tickets open for sale 120 days prior to the travel date. Once purchased, they are nonrefundable. Passport information is required to purchase them, please make sure your reservation has this information or we will not be able to purchase your tickets.

### LED-002 CLASSICAL ST. PETERSBURG

**Duration: 8.00 Hrs** **Tour Price: \$339.00**



**Date: September 10, 2021 07:45 AM**

This exploration of St. Petersburg begins with a picturesque drive to Catherine's Palace, the lavish summer residence of the imperial family until the time of the last tsar. Expanded and renovated, first by Peter's daughter Elizabeth and then by Catherine the Great, the palace is truly breathtaking, and you will have access to many of its most glorious areas. Highlights include the superb white marble Grand Staircase and the spectacular baroque Great Hall, an astonishing room of gilded carvings, mirrors and vast ceiling paintings. You'll also visit the Cavalier's Dining Room, set with china made for Catherine the Great, and the handsome Amber Room, a magnificent chamber decorated with ornate panels that have been recreated to match the splendor of the originals from 1709. Outside Catherine's Palace, you may stroll through the formal gardens, which are laid out geometrically and adorned with Italian marble statues and baroque pavilions. Following lunch, more highlights await you, including a visit to the fabulous Peter and Paul Cathedral, which was completed in 1733. Tsars from Peter the Great to Nicholas II are buried here, along with other members of the royal family. During a panoramic drive through the city, you will be able to see some of the city highlights such as the Aurora, the cruiser that signaled the beginning of the Bolshevik Revolution by firing a single round from its bow gun. You'll pass by landmarks such as the Church of Our Savior on Spilled Blood, St. Isaac's Cathedral, the Field of Mars and the Marble Palace and the equestrian statue of Peter the Great. Please note: We will arrange a special opening of the Catherine Palace on its day off - Tuesday and last Monday of the month. The Catherine Palace may change the exposition or close some of the halls without prior notice. Special shoe covers must be worn in the Catherine Palace. Large carry bags, umbrellas and heavy jackets must be checked before entering the Catherine Palace. No photography is allowed in the Amber Room.



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### LED-002OE OCEANIA EXCLUSIVE - CLASSICAL ST. PETERS

**Duration: 8.00 Hrs**   **Tour Price: \$459.00**



**Date: September 10, 2021 07:45 AM**

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### LED-011 CATHERINE'S PALACE IN PUSHKIN

**Duration: 4.25 Hrs**   **Tour Price: \$289.00**



**Date: September 10, 2021 08:00 AM**

Depart on your tour to one of the most splendid royal summer residences, Tsarskoye Selo, which after the revolution acquired the name of Pushkin, after Alexander Pushkin, Russia's most celebrated early 19th century poet and writer. Following an hour long drive you will tour Catherine palace which is considered to be one of the masterpieces of the world architecture. The lavish imperial palace was designed by architect Rastrelli in 1752 for Empress Elizabeth. She named it Catherine Palace in honor of her mother, Catherine I, who originally owned the estate. The stunning baroque facade is adorned with a profusion of atlantes, columns, pilasters and ornamental window framings. Rastrelli used pure gold for the exterior gilding and contemporary visitors complained that the palace blinded their eyes on sunny days. Your tour begins from the Great staircase by Monighetty which takes you to the state rooms on the first floor. The white-on-white ornamentation is relieved by the red curtains and blue oriental vases on the walls. The interior consists of a seemingly interminable succession of state-rooms, which give the impression of a golden corridor. The splendid effect of this passage way prepares you for the opulent décor of the Great Hall. Light streams into this glittering hall illuminating the mirrors, gilded carvings and the vast ceiling painting. The gold seems to flow around the room. For official receptions and balls the hall was lit with 696 candles set in sconces in front of the mirrors, ornamented in gold. Of special interest is the Amber Room of the palace that was once considered to be the "Eighth Wonder of the World". The amber wall panels were presented to Peter the Great in 1717 by King Friedrich Wilhelm. They were assembled of small pieces of amber, decorated with mouldings in amber and weighed 800 kg. The panels were too heavy to dismantle and evacuate into safety when the Second World War broke out. They were looted by the Nazi army, dispatched into Germany and never seen again. Preserved photographs and archives helped the Russian art experts to fashion thin amber pieces so that they exactly match the original in shape and color and to carve fine ornaments, thus recreating this legendary work of art. The next ruler to leave her mark on the palace was Catherine the Great, and during her reign she commissioned the Scotsman Charles Cameron to redesign the baroque interior according to her neo-classical taste. The famous Green Dining Room is considered one of his best. Cameron's restrained neo-classical style contrasts with the baroque flamboyance of Rastrelli's work. The exquisite stucco bas-reliefs sculptured by Martos were based on motives from frescoes discovered in Pompeii. The high quality restoration work is still going on in some rooms of the palace after the destructions of the last World War. Afterwards you will enjoy a short walk in the park. The 1400 acres of grounds are dotted with charming pavilions set around the central lake. The romantic landscape of the park is animated with the neo-gothic Admiralty, Chesma column, Turkish bath, Marble Bridge, Chinese pagoda, the Grotto pavilion and the Hermitage pavilion. Please note: We will arrange a special opening of the Catherine Palace on its day off – Tuesday and last Monday of the month. Special shoe covers must be worn in the Catherine Palace. Large carry bags, umbrellas and heavy jackets must be checked before entering the Catherine Palace. No photography is allowed in the Amber Room



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## OPTIONAL SHORE EXCURSIONS

### LED-001 HIGHLIGHTS OF ST. PETERSBURG

**Duration:** 3.50 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$139.00



**Date:** September 10, 2021 08:15 AM, 02:00 PM

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The ultimate overview of St. Petersburg, the city founded by Peter the Great in 1703, this tour takes in all the great landmarks. During the initial drive, you will pass the stunning, pale blue and white Baroque façade of St. Nicholas Cathedral and the Mariinsky Theater, the home of Russia's most famed ballet company. After a brief stop to photograph St. Isaac's Cathedral, whose gleaming dome is covered with 200 pounds of gold, you will drive through resplendent Palace Square, a vast open space surrounded by Italianate buildings that once housed the Tsarist ministries. Drive across the Neva River and view the Spit of Vasilievsky Island, flanked by two Rostral Columns originally lighthouses, in olden days guiding ships through the busy port of St. Petersburg. Enjoy the magnificent view of the Neva River in its widest part. From here, you can easily see the soaring golden spire of the Peter and Paul Cathedral, which lies within a fortress across the Neva River, which you will visit. In the center of the fortress is the Peter-and-Paul Cathedral, designed by the first architect of St. Petersburg Domenico Tresini. The interior of the Cathedral is light and airy, with its glittering chandeliers, pink and green Corinthian columns and an opulent gilt iconostasis. After Peter's death in 1725, the Cathedral became the burial place of the tsars. All the tombs are of uniform white marble. Especially remarkable are the tombstones over the graves of Alexander II and his wife Maria. Continuing your scenic city drive, the beautiful Field of Mars and the Marble Palace will come into sight, en route to the extraordinary Church of Our Savior on Spilled Blood a wonderful setting for more picture-taking. Returning to the ship, you will drive along the famed Nevsky Prospect, St. Petersburg's main thoroughfare. Please note: This tour includes approximately 45-minutes of walking standing at the Peter and Paul Cathedral. The tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible wheelchair, are able to make their own way on and off the coach and have an able-bodied companion to assist them. The streets and squares in the city center are subject to unexpected closures due to high-level visits, road repair works, etc.

### LED-001OE OCEANIA EXCLUSIVE - HIGHLIGHTS OF ST. PE

**Duration:** 3.50 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$279.00



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**LED-027 THE FABULOUS FABERGE MUSEUM**

**Duration: 3.00 Hrs    Tour Price: \$169.00**



**Date: September 10, 2021 08:45 AM**

**Date: September 11, 2021 01:30 PM**

Browse a collection of masterpieces made by the famed House of Fabergé, which includes bejeweled eggs created for the imperial family and countless other objects of art. After departing from the pier, you will drive to Shuvalov Palace, a magnificent architectural gem on the Fontanka River. Here, billionaire Viktor Vekselberg has placed his priceless collection of Fabergé Eggs on display for the general public. Much of the 4,000-piece collection was purchased from the estate of American newspaper magnate Malcolm Forbes. As you will discover, Shuvalov Palace is a truly fitting setting for the world's largest collection of works by the House of Fabergé, master jewelers whose clients included the Russian tsars. Included in the display are fifteen Fabergé eggs, nine of which are the famous Imperial Fabergé eggs previously owned by the Romanov family. As you stroll through the gloriously restored palace, you will see one masterpiece after another, including those once owned by the imperial family. One particularly well-known egg commemorates the coronation of Nicholas II and features a miniature carriage that is an exact replica of the one that carried the tsar during his coronation. The Hen Egg, the first in the imperial series, was created for Emperor Alexander III as a gift to his wife. It was the first Fabergé egg that was crafted from gold. Its opaque white enameled "shell" opens to reveal its first surprise – a matte yellow gold yolk. This in turn, opens to reveal a multicolored gold hen that also opens. It originally contained a tiny diamond replica of the Imperial Crown from which a small ruby pendant was suspended, but unfortunately, these last two elements have been lost. Empress Maria was so delighted by the gift that Alexander appointed Fabergé as "goldsmith by special appointment to the Imperial Crown", and commissioned another egg the next year. After that, Peter Carl Fabergé was apparently given complete freedom for future Imperial Easter Eggs, and their designs become even more elaborate. The collection of eggs are truly extraordinary and made with materials such as gold, precious gems, delicately painted enamel and even feathers at times. It is believed that even the Tsar didn't know what form they would take, the only requirement being that each contains a surprise. Following Alexander III's death in 1894, his son Nicholas II presented a Fabergé egg to both his wife, Empress Alexandra Fedorovna, and his mother, the Dowager Empress Maria Fedorovna. Eggs were made each year except 1904 and 1905 during the Russo-Japanese War. The Imperial eggs enjoyed great fame, and Fabergé was commissioned to make similar eggs for a few private clients, including the Duchess of Marlborough, the Rothschild family and the Yusupovs. A series of seven eggs were also made for the industrialist Alexander Kelch. Vekselberg's nine Imperial Easter Eggs are a portion of the 50 that are left in the world today. The museum also contains thousands other items, most of them from the House of Fabergé. Depending on where you browse, you may see imperial memorabilia, painted porcelain plates, religious icons of saints, silver cups, diamond-studded jewelry and paintings by Russian artists. Following what will surely be an unforgettable visit; you will re-board your coach and return to the pier. Please note: This tour includes approximately 90 minutes of easy to moderate walking that includes stairs to negotiate (there are no elevators). The tour is not available to wheelchair guests as the Palace is not wheelchair accessible, and not considered suitable for those with walking difficulties. Weather appropriate clothing and flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.

**LED-050 ST. PETERSBURG BY DOUBLE DECKER & SPILLE!**

**Duration: 5.00 Hrs    Tour Price: \$149.00**



**Date: September 10, 2021 09:00 AM**

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Enjoy the amazing views of the most iconic places St. Petersburg has to offer, all from the top of a double decker bus. You'll be on board your own private Hop on Hop off tour bus. Thirteen (13) different languages (Russian, English, German, French, Spanish, Italian, Chinese, Japanese, Dutch, Swedish, Finnish, Arabic & Korean) and Five (5) full stops, will help you discover the city's past and present. Don't wait for the bus, the bus will wait for you! You will have a private professional guide during the whole ride, which will be ready to assist in any questions for a deep understanding of this amazing city. Your tour includes an inside visit to the Church on Spilled Blood. Hop Off at the following Stops, walk around, take some pictures and get back on board. The bus will be waiting for you: 1. St Isaac's Cathedral 2. Spit of Vasilevskiy Island 3. Church on Spilled Blood (inside visit included) 4. Neva Embankment 5. Cruiser Aurora Please note: This panoramic St. Petersburg tour has been designed for scenic viewing from a private double-decker bus. The group departs from St. Petersburg port and stays together until the end of the tour, on the same private bus with the designated private tour guide. Tour does not operate on Wednesdays as Spilled Blood is closed. To reach the top of the double decker, participants need to negotiate a narrow staircase. This tour is not recommended for wheel chair guests or those with mobility concerns.



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### LED-014 METRO RIDE AND SHOPPING

**Duration:** 4.50 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$199.00



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The St. Petersburg subway that is called Metroin Russian is certainly worth a visit. The first plans to build a metro in St. Petersburg were drawn in 1899, but were not implemented due to the outbreak of WWI and then the Revolution of 1917. In 1941, 8 years after the Moscow metro was opened, construction work began on the Leningrad metro, but a few months later the U.S.S.R. was forced to enter WWII. Following the war, the construction work resumed and the first metro line (from Avtovo to Ploschad Vosstania) was opened on November 15, 1955, linking all the five railway stations of the city. From the moment it opened it was acclaimed as one of the best in the world, not only because of its efficiency and cleanliness, but also for its architecture. Today, it is the quickest, safest, most reliable and comfortable means of travel. Most of the stations are equipped with escalators and the older stations are richly decorated with polished granite, marble of various colors, stainless steel, bronze, aluminum, synthetic materials, glass, various mosaics, bas-reliefs and sculptures. The new stations are mostly simple and modern in design, but not less impressive. Each station has its own unique design. The St. Petersburg Metro is also the deepest subway in the world with some stations located more than 100 meters underground. Following a thirty minute metro ride, a short transfer will bring you the main street of St Petersburg and certainly one of the most well-known streets in Russia - Nevsky Prospect. Since the 18th century it has been the very center of this bustling, rapidly growing city. The street is lined with some of St. Petersburg's most impressive buildings, including beautiful palaces, theaters and churches, but no doubt Nevsky prospect is known as the main shopping area for the citizens and guests of St. Petersburg. Approximately three hours of free time will be provided for you to experience the unique opportunity of absorbing the local atmosphere of this street. Upon arrival to Nevsky prospect you will have an orientation briefing with your guide who will advise of the meeting time and place for rejoining your tour group, then you are free to shop, take pictures or simply browse. Perhaps explore the famous Gostiny Dvor - the city's biggest department store. The two-storied yellow-and-white building of Gostiny Dvor is familiar to all the locals due to its prime downtown location, along with having the reputation of being one of the world's first shopping malls occupying a whole city block.14 You also won't want to miss this chance to visit the Passage, an elite department store which opened its doors to customers for the first time at the end of the 19th century and was one of the first of its kind in Russia. The name Passage came from a vast gallery between Nevsky Avenue and Italienskaya Street which provided the main passage through the mall. Passage today is not only a part of St.Petersburg's historical heritage, but also a prosperous contemporary business enterprise. More than 10,000 customers visit it daily. Currently, it is the largest center of boutique trade with an established professional team, traditions and outstanding reputation. Nearby is the newer Grand Palace with rows of Italian and French couture boutiques and an expensive chocolate shop. Another must-stop on a stroll along Nevsky Prospect is Eliseevsky Grocery Store, once an impressive showcase for an ambitious family business. The stunning interior of the store had seen some rough times but fortunately, has been recently restored to its full art-deco magnificence. The store itself offers a huge variety of delicatessen items to suite many tastes. There is a charming coffee-shop located right in the middle of the Store where you can comfortably relax and enjoy actual American-style cupcakes. Other sites to visit or view include Dom Knigy (The House of Books), numerous jewelry stores, fur stores, street art vendors, and a large variety of cafes & restaurants. Your day will surely become an unforgettable experience for you. Please note: Walking on this tour is mainly at the guests' discretion during free time. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and those with mobility concerns are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability. Weather appropriate clothing; sun cap; sunglasses; and flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended. Photography and video are prohibited in the metro stations and on the metro itself. Your free time on Nevsky Prospect is non-guided and expenses incurred during free time are at guests' discretion. Guests should be aware that the areas visited on this tour are very crowded.



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### LED-009 YUSUPOV PALACE AND CANAL CRUISE

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The Yusupov family line goes back at least as far as the Romanovs'. Crimean merchants of Tartar extraction, the family's wealth rivaled that of the Tsar himself, with some believing the Yusupovs to be richer. Fortunately there was always an heir apparent in the family dynasty, and the palace was almost continuously expanded and reconstructed during the family's ownership. As a favorite of Felix Yusupov, the palace was decorated lavishly exemplifying his wealth and eccentric lifestyle. It was in the Yusupov Palace that Prince Felix conspired to kill Rasputin, a man whom he regarded as a threat to the future of the Russian Empire. A peasant who had gained extraordinary control over the tsar's family through his alleged supernatural powers, Rasputin was killed at the Yusupov Palace and as part of this tour, the murder will be recreated in the cellar. Following your visit at the Palace, you will board a local boat for a relaxing cruise along some of St. Petersburg's loveliest waterways, passing under several beautiful, ornate bridges. One of the most spectacular sights along the way is the onion-domed Church of Our Savior on Spilled Blood, a church so elaborate it took almost 25 years to build. A cruise along the Moika and the Fontanka Rivers is another chance to appreciate history and splendid architecture of this beautiful city. In the beginning the city's bridges were usually known by their color: Red, Blue, Green. The Blue Bridge at 328 ft. wide is the widest. The area around the Moika River boasted a number of riverside mansions and was one of the city's most fashionable addresses. Your cruise along the Moika has you passing such notable landmarks as St. Isaac Cathedral, a famous gambling club that Pushkin, the eminent Russian poet, described the club in his novel "The Queen of Spades". Also seen is a group of yellow buildings that form the Teachers' Training University. At the time of Catherine the Great it used to house the orphanage instituted by the empress. Before leaving the Moika, you'll pass by the Stroganov Palace, a baroque masterpiece of Rastrelli. Count Stroganov who owned the palace in the late 18th century was the president of the Academy of Arts and a noted collector. The Stroganovs amassed their huge fortune through the monopoly they held on salt, which came from mines in their vast territories in the north. Your boat cruises under the Choir Bridge, which takes its name from the Choir Hall located nearby and then turns onto the Fontanka or Fountain River. Its name goes back to the early 18th century when the water of the river used to feed the fountains of the Summer Gardens. On the right bank of the Fontanka stands the Summer Palace of Peter the Great. Peter had his rooms on the ground floor and his wife's rooms on the first floor. The Summer Gardens and the Summer Palace used to be the center of the city's social life. On the left bank you'll see the former Law School which counts Peter Tchaikovsky as one of its first graduates. Continuing on, you'll pass the "Salt Town" - a former warehouse for storing salt which dates back to the 18th century. The present day building was erected in 1870 for an All-Russia industrial exhibition. Further along, St. Panteleimon's Bridge across the Fontanka is Russia's first chain bridge. It is decorated with double-headed eagles perched on laurel wreaths. At this point, your boat turns back onto the Moika River where you will see the Engineers' Castle built for Paul I. The castle originally had drawbridges and moats since Paul was afraid of assassination. Unfortunately, soon after moving in he was killed by a group of his courtiers. On the right is the Swan Canal leading into the Neva. It is named after swans that were once drawn to its peaceful waters. Next is the Field of Mars square. It used to be a military parade ground for Russian troops. One of the last landmarks you will see is considered one of the most beautiful churches in St. Petersburg - the Church of the Spilled Blood. This marvelous Old Russian-style church was built on the spot where Emperor Alexander II was assassinated on March 1, 1881. Built in 1883-1907, the church is designed in the spirit of the sixteenth and seventeenth century Russian architecture, inspired particularly by St. Basil Cathedral in Moscow's Red Square. The best Russian painters, masters of stone carving, ceramic and enamel took part in the decoration of the Church and it is truly magnificent. Following your canal ride, you'll transfer by coach directly back to the pier. Please note: This tour includes approximately 90 minutes of moderate to strenuous walking/standing and includes a significant number of steps to negotiate. The palace does not have elevators and the canal boats are not wheelchair accessible. Depending upon the tidal rise and fall, there are times participants will have to access the boat via duck boards. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and not considered suitable for those with walking difficulties. Weather appropriate clothing; sun cap; sunglasses; sunscreen; and flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended. For security reasons, guests must be seated in the upper deck of the boat when passing under bridges. The boat route may vary.



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## OPTIONAL SHORE EXCURSIONS

### LED-022 GRAND DUKE VLADIMIR PALACE & DOSTOEVSKY

**Duration:** 3.50 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$109.00



**Date:** September 10, 2021 01:45 PM

During your approximately 45-minute journey to the palace, get a feel for the grand side of the city as you view its most spectacular sights and its splendid historical center. Pass the famous Winter Palace, a stunning structure built as the official winter home of the Romanovs. Today, the elaborate Rococo-style building is part of the vast Hermitage Museum complex. Arriving at the Grand Duke Vladimir Palace, begin your visit to one of the most impressive of Russia's estates. Built for Prince Vladimir as a coming-of-age gift from his family, the palace is perfectly preserved. During its role as one of the major centers of Russian cultural life, the residence was filled with precious art collections, which are now housed in the Hermitage Museum. During your guided tour, admire the marble staircase leading to the Crimson Drawing Room, the palace dining rooms and the Oak Room, boasting numerous pictures representing Russian fairy tales. After your visit to this extraordinary palace, proceed to the museum dedicated to an extraordinary man, Fyodor Dostoevsky. A contemporary of Prince Vladimir, Dostoevsky led a completely different life amid completely different surroundings. In his writings such as "Crime and Punishment," "The Idiot," "The Possessed," and "Brothers Karamazov," Dostoevsky described people who belonged not to royal society, but to the working class and the ranks of the poor. Pay a visit to the last apartment of the famed writer located at Kuznechny Lane, #5. Dostoevsky moved to the apartment with his family in 1878 and lived here until his death in 1881. The residence consists of six rooms, a hall and a kitchen. Of particular interest is the writer's study, where he wrote "Brothers Karamazov" and part of his Writer's Diary. Inspired by Dostoevsky's life and home, rejoin your motor coach and return to your ship. Important Notes: This is a specialized excursion, partially focusing on the life and work of Fyodor Dostoevsky. As this excursion involves extensive walking and stair climbing, it is not recommended for guests with walking difficulties. It is recommended that guests dress in warm, layered clothing and wear flat, comfortable shoes. The order of sights visited may vary.

### LED-013 JEWISH HERITAGE OF ST. PETERSBURG

**Duration:** 3.00 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$209.00



**Date:** September 10, 2021 02:00 PM

What better way to delve into St. Petersburg's rich Jewish heritage than in the synagogues? This intriguing tour visits two of the most outstanding, starting with the more than 100-year-old, Moorish-designed Big Choral Synagogue, one of the largest in Europe. Today, the Synagogue is a center of Jewish culture and education in St. Petersburg. As a special treat, you will have a unique opportunity to hear a concert performed by the Synagogue cantor and other Jewish musicians during your visit. Your tour also includes a stop at the nearby Small Synagogue, which is used for everyday services. Continuing on, you will next make your way to Theater Square, which is closely associated with Anton Rubinshtein, the esteemed Jewish composer and pianist who established The Conservatoire, the oldest Russian school of music. Many outstanding figures of the musical world were educated within its walls, including violinist David Oistrakh and master cellist Mstislav Rostropovich. Drive by the Peter and Paul Fortress, the city's very first structure, which was soon converted from a fortress into the main political prison of the Russian Empire. Peter the Great's son, Prince Alexis; writers Fyodor Dostoevsky and Maxim Gorky, and Leon Trotsky were all prisoners here. Crossing the Palace Bridge, you will pass the St. Petersburg State University and the Academy of Fine Arts, a famous educational establishment where well-known Russian-Jewish painters such as Isaac Levitan and Marc Chagall were educated. Please note: Men are required to wear kipas (yamas) when entering the Synagogues. If you do not have one, they are available at the entrance. The order of the sites viewed or visited may vary.



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### LED-008 GRAND IMPERIAL EVENING OF THE TSARS

**Duration: 5.50 Hrs    Tour Price: \$389.00**



**Date: September 10, 2021 06:30 PM**

Relive the luxury of the 18th-century Imperial Russian court on an evening visit to one of the most amazing Royal Palaces. Following a 17-mile journey south, you will be greeted by Royal Guards in front of the lavish Catherine Palace. The palace's stunning aqua blue and white facade that stretches 984 ft. in length, is adorned with a profusion of atlantes, columns, pilasters and ornamental window framings. This summer residence is renowned for its splendid interior with the finest of furnishings and china. Once inside the palace you will view an exhibition of the Romanovs' portraits and private rooms before entering the Golden Suite of Rooms where the world famous Amber Room is located. The Amber Room of the palace was once considered to be the "Eighth Wonder of the World". The amber wall panels were presented to Peter the Great in 1717 by King Friedrich Wilhelm. The original panels were too short for the high ceilings in the Catherine Palace but Rastrelli found a simple solution. He set 24 narrow pilasters faced with mirrors between the panels and installed a canvas frieze above them painted to match the amber. The panels were made of small pieces of amber, decorated with moldings in amber and weighed 800 kg. The panels were too heavy to dismantle and evacuate to safety when the Second World War broke out and they were looted by the Nazi army, dispatched to Germany and never seen again. Preserved photographs and archives from the time helped Russian art experts to fashion thin amber pieces so that they exactly match the original in shape and color, thus recreating the legendary work of art. Once again, the eye is mesmerized and blinded by the wealth and warmth of the amber tones, from lemony yellow to a deep red. You will then proceed to the Grand Hall where you will be served a glass of Russian sparkling wine to the sounds of classical music. The arrangement of large windows and mirrors in the spaces of wall between them, as well as the multiple reflections in the mirrors, gilded carvings and the vast ceiling painting - all combine to create the illusion of infinite space. As in days gone by, Catherine II will mix with her honored guests while the orchestra provides musical accompaniment. Following the reception you will descend the Main staircase with your fellow Oceania Cruises guests to the courtyard where the pageantry continues. The Imperial Guards will parade to the music and a carriage will arrive with a courtly couple that will dance one last time before departing. Next, a short transfer by coach will take you to the Imperial Carriage Museum. Here, enjoy a guided inspection of the 23 coaches by well-known Russian and Western European masters of the 18th and 19th centuries, that once carried Russia's highest nobility. Afterwards, you will proceed to a local restaurant, where you will be treated to traditional Russian cuisine and a performance by a Russia folkloric group. When your exciting and magical evening comes to a close, you will return to the pier where your ship awaits.

The dinner is a set meal dependent upon the restaurant venue used. Vegetarian meal requests should be made with the Destination Services Desk. The tour is not wheelchair accessible.



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## OPTIONAL SHORE EXCURSIONS

### LED-021 MUSICAL EVENING AT THE HERMITAGE

**Duration:** 3.75 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$299.00



**Date:** September 10, 2021 **06:45 PM**

Since the time of Catherine the Great, the Staterooms of the Winter Royal Residence in St. Petersburg were opened for evening musical receptions organized by the Tsarina for her friends and foreign guests. She called the rooms for these receptions "hermitage" - a place where she could forget about state affairs and the hardships of being a monarch. Catherine the Great would send her invitations to smart, talented people who could amuse Her Majesty with interesting conversation and share a cup of coffee with her. She would also take advantage of this time to show them the latest purchases for her rapidly growing collection of European paintings and treat her guests to some beautiful music - another fashion of the time. During these evening musical parties, Catherine the Great transformed herself into a gracious and hospitable lady, who conducted without ceremony. This enchanting evening tour offers you the unique opportunity of visiting the Hermitage Museum at night, where you are able to revive Catherine the Great's exquisite tradition of the 18th century and enjoy the Museum's beautiful collections on your own, avoiding the usual crowds. A coach transfer brings you from the pier directly to the Hermitage Museum where upon arrival, your guide will take you up the Jordan staircase, striking in its splendor with glimmering golden stucco and the dazzling whiteness of the marble statues. Upon reaching the upper landing, you will walk through the Winter Palace's superb staterooms: the Field-marshal's Hall, Small Throne Room meant to commemorate Peter the Great and his deeds, the Emblem Hall with its vast gilded columns, the Gallery of 1812 displaying portraits of Russian military heroes of the Napoleonic war, and the Hall of St. George - fitted in Cararra marble and gilt bronze. The floor parquet is made up of 16 varieties of wood and is a mirror reflection of the ceiling motif. Next, you will proceed to the Small Hermitage and find yourselves in the Pavilion Hall with its slender marble columns supporting an elegant gallery and 28 scintillating cut-glass chandeliers. A real gem in the Hermitage collection is the famous Peacock Clock. Housed in a glass cage made by a celebrated English clockmaker in the middle 18th century, it was presented to Catherine II by her favorite, prince Potyomkin. The "clock" represents a peacock on a gilded tree branch (completed with gilded leaves), an owl in a cage, and a rooster. Continuing on, you will enter the Old Hermitage, which houses the 13th - 16th century Italian art collection. On display here are two paintings by Leonardo Da Vinci: the Madonna with a Flower and the Litta Madonna; an early work by Rafael - the Connestabile Madonna, and a later work by him - the Holy Family. The Crouching Boy piece found here is the only work by Michelangelo in Russia. However, the Venetian school of art dominates, with Judith by Giordione and an array of works by Titian, such as Repentant Mary Magdalene, Danae and St. Sebastian. Following your tour of the Hermitage, a small champagne party will refresh you before being treated to a concert of classical music performed by the State Hermitage Orchestra. Afterwards, you will rejoin your coach for the transfer back to the pier. Please note: This tour includes approximately 90 minutes of moderate walking/standing plus numerous stairs to negotiate. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and not considered suitable for those with mobility concerns. Country club casual clothing and flat, comfortable walking shoes are suggested. Guests must remain within their organized, guided group. Flash photography is not permissible in areas with paintings. New security regulations require that all visitors to the Hermitage Museum go through metal detectors before entering. Tour participants who have implants that cannot go through metal detectors, must carry a medical ID card or other medical documentation; otherwise, access to the museum will be denied.

### LED-007 AN EVENING OF RUSSIAN BALLET

**Duration:** 4.00 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$269.00



**Date:** September 10, 2021 **07:00 PM**

St. Petersburg is very famous for its rich theatrical life. Like the city itself, the art of Russian classical ballet having absorbed foreign traditions, created its own prominent world-renowned style. Russian rulers and aristocracy took a deep interest in ballet, encouraging and supporting construction of theaters in St. Petersburg. In old times, the nobility often used to have their own private theaters in their estates. Today, this northern capital has a large number of exquisite 19th century theatrical buildings. There are more than 100 theaters in the city, and every day dozens of them give performances. Ballet is an integral part of Russian cultural tradition. Few cities in the world can boast such an incredible cultural heritage, and this tour affords you the opportunity to experience it. Arriving at one of St. Petersburg's historical theaters, you will be provided with a ballet program and escorted to your seats. Soon the curtain will go up and you will enjoy one of the greatest romantic ballets of all times such as Swan Lake, performed by a professional ballet company and accompanied by a live orchestra. During the performance, you will no doubt be deeply moved by a timeless love story told in the mysterious language of classical dance. Russian sparkling wine and mineral water will be served during the intermission. Following the performance, you will be transferred directly back to the ship. Please note: While every attempt is made to secure lower level, center seats or seats together with your traveling companion(s), seating location is not guaranteed. Theaters used are: Alexandrinsky, Mikhailovsky and Hermitage. Ballet performance: Swan Lake by the Tchaikovsky Ballet Company of St. Petersburg. The exact theater and performance can vary on each date and cannot be confirmed until approximately 30 days prior to the performance. Taking pictures is prohibited during the ballet performance. Smart casual clothing is recommended. The tour is not suitable those with walking or mobility concerns as theaters have stairs with as many as 60 steps to negotiate. Alexandrinsky and Mikhailovsky theaters are equipped with an elevator, however, guests must have a collapsible wheelchair and be able to make their own way on and off transportation. Guests must be self-sufficient or if assistance is required, they should travel with a companion who can provide this. Other theaters are NOT equipped with an elevator and are NOT wheelchair accessible.



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### LED-012 EVENING OF RUSSIAN SONG & DANCE

**Duration:** 3.50 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$199.00



**Date:** September 10, 2021 07:15 PM

Russia is an immense and vast land which stretches from Asia all the way to Europe. Russian folkloric dance, just like folkloric dance forms from many other countries, is a mixture of traditional music and dances done in villages and cities, on the streets and in ceremonial situations, in parties and celebrations, combined with classical movement forms such as ballet, modern dance, and sometimes gymnastics or acrobatics. By mixing these genres, dances are created which use the stories, music, and costumes of different regions of Russia, yet which have integrated aesthetic styles which are popular on the international stage with varied audiences. Arriving at the theater, a large troupe of talented singers, dancers, and musicians will enthrall you with their performance. By means of music, dance and songs you will become acquainted with the treasure of Russian folk art and its cultural traditions. Accompanied by the orchestra of Russian folk instruments, you will hear world-famous songs and dancers will present their mastery in the kaleidoscope of folk bright costumes. Enjoy a glass of Russian sparkling wine and mineral water during the intermission. Following the evening's performance, you will be transferred directly back to the pier and your awaiting ship. Please note: Photo and video fees are not included in the tour price. Photo is Euro 3.00 pp (approx \$4.00) and video is Euro 10.00 (approx. \$13.00 pp). Smart casual clothing is recommended. The performance is not exclusive to Oceania guests.

### LED-005 PETER THE GREAT'S GRAND PALACE - PETERHO

**Duration:** 5.00 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$339.00



**Date:** September 11, 2021 08:00 AM

Peterhof, the magnificent residence of Peter the Great, lies in the flat, forested countryside outside of St. Petersburg. It features a commanding view of the sea down a Marine Canal that allowed the tsars to sail between Peterhof and the Gulf of Finland. Inside the main palace, you will see a wealth of spectacular sights, such as the intricately gold-gilded main staircase, the opulent Throne Room adorned with royal portraits, a fabulous exhibit of Russian porcelain, the royal bedchamber, furnished with a huge Turkish sofa from Catherine the Great, and Peter's oak study, which has survived unaltered from the original design. Lavish period furniture, chandeliers and paintings are throughout the residence. Following your interior tour of the palace, a guide will escort you through the gorgeous Peterhof Gardens, which features both French and English influences, and is punctuated with ornamental ponds and cascading fountains. Afterwards, you will re-board your coach and make the drive back to the pier. Please note: This tour includes approximately 2 hours of moderate to strenuous walking that includes negotiating steps as well as gravel and cobblestone surfaces. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and may not be suitable for those with mobility concerns who are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability. Layered clothing; an umbrella; sun cap; sunscreen; and flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended. Photos and video are prohibited within the palace. The fountains in the lower garden are subject to maintenance without prior notice.



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### LED-015 HERMITAGE AND GOLD ROOM

**Duration: 4.00 Hrs**   **Tour Price: \$329.00**



**Date: September 11, 2021 08:30 AM**

No visit to St. Petersburg would be complete without a tour of the world-famous Hermitage Museum – the “Crown Jewel” on the museum list in St. Petersburg. Founded in 1764 as a private museum of Catherine the Great to which only she and her closest courtiers had access, today it is Russia's largest art museum that houses an astounding collection of art. The collection occupies four buildings: the Winter Palace, former official residence of the imperial family, the Small Hermitage, the only custom-built museum which served as Catherine's retreat from the bustle of the court, the Old Hermitage and the New Hermitage opened to public in 1852. The Jordan staircase is the grand entrance to the Winter Palace. It will strike you with its splendor, the glimmer of the golden stuccowork and the dazzling whiteness of the marble statues. Reaching the upper landing, you'll walk through the Winter Palace superb staterooms: the Field-marshal's Hall, the Small Throne Room meant to commemorate Peter the Great and his deeds, the Emblem Hall with its vast gilded columns, the Gallery of 1812 displaying portraits of Russian military heroes of the Napoleonic war, and the Hall of St. George fitted in Cararra marble and gilt bronze. The floor parquet made up of 16 varieties of wood is a reflection of the ceiling motif. Next, you will proceed to the Small Hermitage and find yourself in the Pavilion Hall with its slender marble columns supporting an elegant gallery and twenty-eight scintillating cut-glass chandeliers. A real gem in the Hermitage collection is the famous Peacock Clock in a glass cage made by a celebrated English clockmaker in the middle 18th century and presented to Catherine II by her favorite, prince Potyomkin. The "clock" represents a peacock on a gilded tree branch (completed with gilded leaves), an owl in a cage, and a rooster. Continuing on, your tour moves from one building into another via covered galleries. Thus, you enter the Old Hermitage which is devoted to the 13th – 18th century Italian art collection. Here on display are two paintings by Leonardo Da Vinci: the Madonna with a Flower and the Litta Madonna, an early work by Rafael – the Connestabile Madonna and a later work by him the Holy Family. The Crouching Boy is the only work by Michelangelo in Russia. The Venetian school of art dominates with Judith by Giordgione and an array of works by Titian: Repentant Mary Magdalene, Danae and St. Sebastian. Walking through the ensemble of buildings, you will marvel at the seemingly endless exhibitions. While it is not possible to view all of the art work and exhibits during your visit, dependent upon the volume of visitors this day and time permitting, you might see Leonardo da Vinci's "The Little Madonna," "Abraham's Sacrifice" by Rembrandt, and a Scythian gold stag from the 2nd century B.C. The grand culmination of your tour is a visit to the restored Gold Room. It contains an amazing collection of archeological finds, including Scythian and Greek gold, numerous royal gifts, and a fabulous collection of Western European jewelry made by the most prominent jewelers of the time. Please note: Although the Hermitage has two elevators, they are not near the tour route, plus there are several steps at the entrance and to access the gold room with no lift; therefore, this tour is not available for wheelchair guests and not recommended for those with walking or mobility concerns. Some halls of the Hermitage Museum may be closed due to restoration works or exhibitions; therefore, some of the collections may not be available to visitors. The local operator arranges an early opening one-hour before the museum opens to the general public, but cannot be guaranteed for all visits. Large bags, umbrellas, water bottles, high heels and heavy jackets are not allowed. New security regulations require that all visitors to the Hermitage Museum go through metal detectors before entering. Tour participants who have implants that cannot go through metal detectors, must carry a medical ID card or other medical documentation; otherwise, access to the museum will be denied.



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### LED-004 THE HERMITAGE, A WEALTH OF ART AND HISTOR

**Duration:** 3.75 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$199.00



**Date:** September 11, 2021 **08:45 AM**

No visit to St. Petersburg would be complete without a tour of the world-famous Hermitage Museum – the “Crown Jewel” on the museum list in St. Petersburg. Founded in 1764 as a private museum of Catherine the Great to which only she and her closest courtiers had access, today it is Russia’s largest art museum that houses an astounding collection of art. The collection occupies four buildings: the Winter Palace, former official residence of the imperial family, the Small Hermitage, the only custom-built museum which served as Catherine’s retreat from the bustle of the court, the Old Hermitage and the New Hermitage opened to public in 1852. The Jordan staircase is the grand entrance to the Winter Palace. It will strike you with its splendor, the glimmer of the golden stuccowork and the dazzling whiteness of the marble statues. Reaching the upper landing, you’ll walk through the Winter Palace superb staterooms: the Field-marshal’s Hall, the Small Throne Room meant to commemorate Peter the Great and his deeds, the Emblem Hall with its vast gilded columns, the Gallery of 1812 displaying portraits of Russian military heroes of the Napoleonic war, and the Hall of St. George fitted in Carrara marble and gilt bronze. The floor parquet made up of 16 varieties of wood is a reflection of the ceiling motif. Walking through the ensemble of buildings, you will marvel at the seemingly endless exhibitions. You will proceed to the Small Hermitage and find yourself in the Pavilion Hall with its slender marble columns supporting an elegant gallery and twenty-eight scintillating cut-glass chandeliers. Continuing on, your tour moves from one building into another via covered galleries. Thus, you enter the Old Hermitage which is devoted to the 13th – 18th century Italian art collection. Proceed from here into the New Hermitage, a 19th century building first opened for public in 1852. The Spanish collection features all Spain’s golden age leading artists from El Greco to Murillo, Zurbaran, Velasquez and Goya. The Hermitage is also very proud of its vast Rembrandt collection and there are also over 40 works by Rubens. Upon leaving the museum, re-board your coach for the return transfer to the pier. Please note: This tour includes approximately 2.5-hours of moderate walking/standing plus numerous stairs to negotiate (approximately 120 steps). The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and not considered suitable for those with mobility concerns. Some halls of the Hermitage Museum may be closed due to restoration works or exhibitions; therefore, the order of the sites viewed or visited may change, and some of the collections may not be available to visitors. When possible, the local operator will try to arrange an early opening one-hour before the museum opens to the general public, but there is no guarantee that will be the case. Large carry bags, umbrellas and heavy jackets must be checked before entering the Hermitage museum. New security regulations require that all visitors to the Hermitage Museum go through metal detectors before entering. Tour participants who have implants that cannot go through metal detectors, must carry a medical ID card or other medical documentation; otherwise, access to the museum will be denied.



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Next, you will proceed to the Small Hermitage and find yourself in the Pavilion Hall with its slender marble columns supporting an elegant gallery and twenty-eight scintillating cut-glass chandeliers. A real gem in the Hermitage collection is the famous Peacock Clock in a glass cage made by a celebrated English clockmaker in the middle 18th century and presented to Catherine II by her favorite, prince Potyomkin. The "clock" represents a peacock on a gilded tree branch (completed with gilded leaves), an owl in a cage, and a rooster. Continuing on, your tour moves from one building into another via covered galleries. Thus, you enter the Old Hermitage which is devoted to the 13th – 18th century Italian art collection. Here on display are two paintings by Leonardo Da Vinci: the Madonna with a Flower and the Litta Madonna, an early work by Rafael – the Conestabile Madonna and a later work by him the Holy Family. The Crouching Boy is the only work by Michelangelo in Russia. The Venetian school of art dominates with Judith by Giordgione and an array of works by Titian: Repentant Mary Magdalene, Danae and St. Sebastian. Proceed from here into the New Hermitage, a 19th century building first opened for public in 1852. The Spanish collection features all Spain's golden age leading artists from El Greco to Murillo, Zurbaran, Velasquez and Goya. The Hermitage is proud of its vast Rembrandt collection. Within a short period of time Rembrandt produced the dramatic Abraham's Sacrifice, the gentle Flora and the brilliant Descent from the Cross. You will find here his psychological portraits including the stunning Old Man in Red. One of his last works was The Return of the Prodigal Son painted with an emotional depth unseen before. There are also over 40 works by Rubens that include religious subjects, such as The Descent from the Cross, and scenes from classical mythology - Perseus and Andromeda, as well as landscapes. Another world famous painting is a subtle and poetical portrait of Infanta's Maid. Walking through the ensemble of buildings, you will marvel at the seemingly endless exhibitions. You might see Leonardo da Vinci's "The Little Madonna," "Abraham's Sacrifice" by Rembrandt, and a Scythian gold stag from the 2nd century B.C. Upon leaving the museum, you will walk through the Palace Square, passing the red-granite Alexander Column, a monument that commemorates Russia's victory over Napoleon before re-boarding your coach for the return transfer to the pier. Please note: This tour includes approximately 2.5-hours of moderate walking/standing plus numerous stairs to negotiate (approximately 120 steps). The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and not considered suitable for those with mobility concerns. 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### LED-025 RIVER,CANALS & SPILLED BLOOD CATHEDRAL

**Duration: 3.50 Hrs Tour Price: \$169.00**



**Date: September 11, 2021 09:00 AM**

Cruise past some of St. Petersburg's most iconic buildings, under beautiful bridges, historical places and some of the city's most fashionable addresses; and marvel at the magnificent beauty of the Spilled Blood Cathedral during your visit. St. Petersburg is built around a network of canals and rivers, with a total length of about 186 miles. They contribute to the city's unique atmosphere, creating a glittering mirror in which the golden domes and fairytale palaces of St. Petersburg are reflected. A cruise along the Moika and the Fontanka Rivers is another chance to appreciate the history and splendid architecture of this amazing city. Following your canal cruise, you will visit one of the most beautiful churches in St. Petersburg - the Church on Spilled Blood. This marvelous Old Russian-style church was built on the spot where Emperor Alexander II was assassinated on March 1, 1881. Built in 1883-1907, the church is designed in the spirit of the sixteenth and seventeenth century Russian architecture, inspired particularly by the St. Basil Cathedral in Moscow's Red Square. The best Russian painters, masters of stone carving, ceramic and enamel took part in the decoration of the Church. The construction of the church was almost entirely funded by the Imperial family and thousands of private donors. The church stands out for its complicated and picturesque outline, as well as its rich and multicolored decor. Both the interior and exterior of the church are decorated with an incredibly detailed and mind-boggling, 75,000 square feet of mosaics. The mosaics were designed and created in Frolovs' workshop to the originals done by the most prominent Russian artists of the day: Vasnetsov, Nesterov, Riabushkin and Vrubel. These mosaics are far from being ordinary; their surfaces were left unpolished, so that they reflect sunlight, which impresses visitors to present day. Inside the Cathedral the very spot of the assassination is marked with a marble Shatrovsky Cen, a monument to Alexander. Please note: There are a significant number of steps to negotiate on the boat pier and dependent upon tidal rise and fall, there are times when guests may have to walk across duckboards to embark the boat. This tour is not available for wheel chair guests and not recommended for those with walking or mobility concerns. Weather appropriate clothing, adequate sun protection and flat comfortable walking shoes are recommended. The boat's route may vary due to technical reasons, e.g. high-water level, bridge repairs etc. Flash photography is not allowed inside the Spilled Blood Cathedral. Please note that from June 11th through July 14th, the visit of the Spilled Blood Cathedral will be replaced with St. Isaac's Cathedral.

### LED-GL2 MATRYOSHKA PAINTING MASTER CLASS

**Duration: 4.00 Hrs Tour Price: \$199.00**



**Date: September 11, 2021 09:00 AM**

Learn to paint your own version of Matryoshka nesting dolls in a hands-on class and then enjoy a traditional Russian tea party with home-made delicious Russian pastry. At first a transfer will take you to a souvenir salon where your workshop will take place. The wooden dolls have been wildly popular since 1900, when they won the bronze medal in the World Exposition in Paris. A set of these iconic Russian souvenirs typically contain seven dolls of decreasing size, each one identically painted and nesting inside another. Each folk-art doll depicts a young peasant woman bundled up, her head covered with a babushka. Matryoshka means "little matron," and the dolls are said to represent motherhood and family. While at the salon, you will learn how to paint your own set of dolls in a hands-on class. The paints, brushes and a comfortable work station will be provided, as well as expert supervision of a professional artist. Feel free to paint your dolls to look traditional or take a more creative approach. Young women aren't always depicted in Russian nesting dolls. Politicians such as Vladimir Putin and fairytale characters are also commonly represented. When finished painting your Matryoshka nesting dolls, the set will be your souvenir to take home. To complement the experience, enjoy some time together at a table around a real Russian samovar and help yourself to tasty hand-made Russian pies and pastry. Finally take a short transfer to a local souvenir store where will have a chance to look for a perfect souvenir to take home. Please note: The tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible wheelchair, and are able to make their own way on and off the vehicle and have an able-bodied companion to assist them. This tour has a limited capacity; therefore, it is recommended that guests pre-book this tour as early as possible. Weather appropriate clothing; sun cap; sunglasses; and flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.



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### LED-024 PETERHOF PARKS & FOUNTAINS WITH TRAIN RID

**Duration:** 4.50 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$139.00



**Date:** September 11, 2021 **09:15 AM**

Take a coach ride bound for Peterhof Palace via the new districts of St. Petersburg, the countryside and the former Grand Dukes' residences. Once at Peterhof, you'll begin a guided tour of the 300-acre Lower Park with its system of fountains. The elaborate system includes four cascades as well as 174 fountains, with the Samson Fountain considered the most impressive fountain complex in the world. During your tour, you'll view the Marine Canal, the Monplaisir Palace and Monplaisir Garden with its statues and fountains, including the statues of Peter the Great, the Sun Fountain and the Roman Fountains. The most impressive is the Grand Cascade with its central figure of Sampson opening the jaws of the lion. Several trick fountains designed by Peter the Great himself are of special interest. They include the Bench Fountains, the Oak Tree and the Umbrella. Having passed along the Monplaisir Alley, you'll find yourself near the Chessboard Cascade, where the excursion train will be waiting to take you across another area of the park and to the neighboring park of Alexandria. Along the way, you'll view the Cottage Palace, the Farmer's Palace, the Gothic Chapel and other places of interest. You'll also enjoy an approximate 30-minute ride on the miniature train. Important Notes: Guests must be able to walk approximately 1.25 miles over gravel paths, cobblestones and even surfaces with approximately 200 steps. Please be aware that the Peterhof fountains are subject to maintenance work without advance notification. No interior visit to the Peterhof Palace will be made on this tour. This tour will operate in all weather conditions so participants should take appropriate weather gear (jacket or umbrella) with them. Due to the walking involved in this tour, it is not recommended for guests with walkers or wheelchairs. As heavy traffic can occur along the route to/from Peterhof Palace, guests should expect delays and tour interruptions due to it. As a result, the total time spent at Peterhof might be impacted. This is beyond the control of the local agent and/or cruise line.

### LED-019 REVOLUTIONARY ST. PETERSBURG

**Duration:** 4.00 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$169.00



**Date:** September 11, 2021 **01:30 PM**

St. Petersburg is known as the cradle of the Russian revolution and being the country's capital, it had always attracted all kinds of revolutionary movements and activities and witnessed all the turning points of the Russian history. This tour provides you with a fascinating opportunity to look at the history of St. Petersburg from a different perspective. A transfer from the pier through the city center brings you to your first stop, the Memorial Apartment of Sergey Kirov, the head of the Leningrad party organization from 1926 to 1934. Kirov was very popular in the Soviet Union and his acquired power and influence nearly rivaled Stalin's. In 1934 he was assassinated by a young party member, Leonid Nikolayev, who was later shot, along with 13 suspected accomplices. Stalin, claiming that a widespread conspiracy of anti-Stalinist communists planned to assassinate the entire Soviet leadership, used the assassination as a pretext to institute the Purge trials in which prominent Bolsheviks were accused of conspiracy to remove Stalin from power. In 1956, Nikita Khrushchev suggested that it was Stalin himself who had engineered Kirov's assassination. Kirov's apartment gives a good insight into the life and death of this highly interesting individual. The flat is located in a regional government building and has some very nice furniture and bearskins. Several personal items are also on display here, such as the cap Kirov was wearing when he was assassinated, complete with bullet holes, and his shirt with cut-marks around the heart. Doctors who had rushed to the scene of the assassination gave him injections and mouth-to-mouth resuscitation in an attempt to revive him. They labored for two hours before finally concluding that he had died instantly as a result of being shot through the head. From Kirov's Museum, you will next travel to the Museum of Russian Political History which is housed in the former mansion of famous Russian ballerina Matilda Kshesinskaya. In February 1917, it became the seat of the Council of Soldier's and Worker's Deputies. It was here in April 1917 that Lenin gave his famous political speech from the balcony of the mansion. The speech is known in history as the April Thesis - a program of peaceful transition from the bourgeois democratic revolution to the socialist one. Your tour of the mansion includes a visit to an exhibition on the revolution of Russia and its Politics. Afterwards, you will travel back to the pier where your tour concludes. Please note: This tour includes approximately 90 minutes of moderate walking/standing; however, there are many stairs to negotiate at each venue and no elevators. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and not considered suitable for those with mobility concerns. Weather appropriate clothing and flat, comfortable walking shoes are suggested.



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### LED-GL1 BEHIND THE SCENES OF MARIINSKY THEATRE

Duration: 4.00 Hrs Tour Price: \$259.00



Date: September 11, 2021 01:30 PM

Follow the curator of the legendary Mariinsky Theatre on a private behind-the-scenes tour and then linger over a cup of tea with a ballerina as she shares stories of her life as a dancer. After departing from the pier, you will enjoy a picturesque drive through St. Petersburg to the Mariinsky Theatre, a grand venue for the performing arts that can trace its history back to 1783. The neoclassical theatre is masterfully designed and surprisingly large, as it has repeatedly been renovated and added onto over the centuries. Upon arriving, you will meet the curator, who will guide you into areas that are typically off limits to the general public. Depending on the day, your insider's tour could reveal the inner workings of the stage, the grandeur of the royal box and the costume storage rooms. Along the way, the curator may explain set design or how the many workshops operate. The curator will also regale you with stories about the history of the theatre as Russia's primary ballet and opera venue. You may also hear intriguing details about the lives of the most famous dancers and singers that have performed here, and composers whose works have premiered at the Mariinsky Theatre. Afterwards, you will enjoy a cup of tea and a Russian pastry with a ballerina in a nearby restaurant. While the ballerina will certainly share her personal life story, you are welcome to ask questions about her experiences on and off the stage. Please note: This tour includes approximately 2 hours of walking/standing; there are no elevators at Mariinsky theatre. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and may not be suitable for those with mobility concerns who are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability. Casual, weather-appropriate clothing and comfortable, flat walking shoes are suggested Please note: This tour includes approximately 1.5 hours of walking/standing; there will be some steps to negotiate. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and may not be suitable for those with mobility concerns who are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability. Weather appropriate clothing; sun cap; sunglasses; and flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.



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### LED-006 ST. PETERSBURG CATHEDRALS

**Duration: 3.25 Hrs**   **Tour Price: \$199.00**



**Date: September 11, 2021 01:45 PM**

St. Petersburg is situated on the banks of the Neva River and the numerous islands of its delta. The rich architecture and history of St. Petersburg comes alive as your coach travels along the bustling avenues and embankments of the city. The St. Isaac Square in the very center of the city is dominated by the magnificent St. Isaac Cathedral (1818 – 1858) designed by French architect August Montferrant. The Cathedral is named after St. Isaac of Dalmatia whose Saint's Day (May 30) coincides with Peter the Great's birthday. The vast and opulent interior covers 4 000 sq m (43 000 sq ft). Inside the church is filled with hundreds of impressive 19th century works of art. The iconostasis is of white marble with gilding and mosaic icons. Three rows of icons surround the Royal Gate flanked by two lapis columns and ten columns of malachite. The central iconostasis door is open revealing a stain glass window. Above the doors is Klodt's gilded sculpture, Christ in Glory. The icons in the church are 19th century design, executed in a virtuoso mosaic technique, with stones of thousands of tints laid out in such a smooth manner that only from a short distance the mosaic appears to be paintings. The interior of the dome, painted by famous Russian master Carl Brullov, depicts the "Virgin surrounded by Saints". The silver dove, hanging in the cupola, is a symbol of the Holy Spirit. Some 100 kg of pure gold went into gilding the huge dome. The décor of the church was most expensive. The architect used Russian rose marble, gray marble from Finland, green from Genoa, yellow from Sienna; the floors are finished in Russian, Italian and French marble. 14 colored marbles and 43 other types of semiprecious stones and minerals were used for the decoration of the Cathedral. On the St. Isaac Square you will also see a monument to Nicholas the First, the St. Petersburg Legislative Assembly and famous Hotel Astoria. We continue into the Kazan Cathedral located on the main street Nevsky Prospect, which attracts the attention of every visitor by its stately view, and elegant proportions of the dome and colonnades. The building of the Kazan Cathedral on Nevsky Prospect immediately attracts your attention. It encircles a small square with a double row of beautiful columns forming an impressive colonnade. Constructed by Russian architect Andrei Voronikhin in 1801-1811, the Kazan Cathedral is an outstanding example of the early 19th-century Russian architecture. During the tour of the Cathedral you will learn the details of the construction, as, for example, that gigantic Corinthian columns of the colonnade are not monolithic, being composed from stone blocks, brought from special stone-pits near Gatchina; see wonderful low reliefs at the end of the colonnade and learn interesting facts about these sculptural works accomplished to the Biblical subjects by sculptors Martos and Prokofiev. In the niches of the Northern portico you will also see unique bronze sculptures, among them – statues of Alexander Nevsky and prince Vladimir who adopted Christianity for Russia. Bronze doors of the northern portico bearing ten multi-figure compositions are of special interest; these doors are exact copies of the Florence Baptistry doors, accomplished in the 15th century by Lorenzo Ghiberti and highly appreciated by Michelangelo, who compared them to the Heavens' doors. Inside the cathedral your attention will be drawn by 56 red granite monolithic columns and multicolored Karelian marble mosaic floor. Famous Russian artists, Kiprensky and Borovikovsky, participated in the cathedral's interior decoration. You will learn that after the victory over Napoleon in 1812 this cathedral became the pantheon of Russian glory, here war trophies and keys of the cities taken by the Russian troops are still kept. Field-marshal Mikhail Kutuzov, whose statue may be seen in front of the cathedral, is buried here. Statue of Barclay de Tolli, Kutuzov's predecessor on the post of the commander-in-chief, also adorns the yard in front of the cathedral; both statues were accomplished by sculptor Orlovsky. The cathedral was named after a "miracle-making" icon of Our Lady of Kazan, which the church housed till the early 1930s. The Bolsheviks closed the cathedral for services in 1929, and from 1932 it housed the Museum of History of Religion and Atheism, which displayed numerous pieces of religious art and served anti-clerical propaganda purposes. After the dissolution of the Soviet Union regular services were resumed in the cathedral. And since 2004 the famous icon of Our Lady of Kazan is back in the Cathedral attracting thousands of believers who wish to worship it. Today it is one of the most famous and important St. Petersburg temples, where the highest rank orthodox liturgies take place. The coach approaches one of the main landmarks of St. Petersburg – the Church of Resurrection on Spilled Blood. The Church on the Spilled Blood is probably the only building in the city that stands out so much in its architectural and spatial environment with its silhouette, composition, and rich decor. This marvelous Russian-style multicolored, onion-domed church was built on the spot where Emperor Alexander II was assassinated on March 1, 1881. After assuming power in 1855 in the wake of the disastrous defeat of Russia in the Crimean war against Britain, France and Turkey, Alexander II initiated a number of reforms. In 1861 he freed the Russian serfs (peasants, who were almost slaves). Within the first half of his reign military, judicial and urban reforms were undertaken and Russia became truly a capitalist country. However, in the second half of his reign Alexander II was no longer keen on continuing reforms. After a series of attempts on his life, including an explosion in the Winter Palace and the derailment of a train, Alexander II was assassinated by revolutionaries, who threw a bomb at his royal carriage. Emperor Alexander III decided to build a church at the spot where his father was mortally wounded. Constructed in 1883-1907, the church is designed in the spirit of sixteenth- and seventeenth century Russian architecture, inspired particularly by St. Basil Cathedral on the Red Square in Moscow. The construction of the church was almost entirely funded by the Imperial family and thousands of private donators. The church stands out for its complicated and picturesque outline, as well as rich and multicolored decoration. Both the interior and exterior of the church is decorated with incredibly detailed mind-boggling 7000 square meters of mosaics, designed and created in Frolov's workshop to the originals by the most prominent Russian artists of the day: Vasnetsov, Nesterov, Riabushkin and Vrubel. These mosaics are far from being ordinary; their surface was left unpolished, so that they reflect sunlight, which impresses visitors to present day. Inside the cathedral the very spot of the assassination is marked with a marble Shatrovsky Cen, a monument to Alexander. The facades are faced with glazed shaped brick and ceramic tiles as well as decorated with mosaic panels. In the decor of interiors Italian marbles and Russian semiprecious stones are used. Five cupolas of the church, some 1000 square meters in area are covered with jewelry enamel. The belfry is decorated with mosaic coats-of-arms of cities and regions of the Russian empire. The church is interesting as a kind of an architectural accent in classical surroundings. After the October Revolution of 1917 the church met the sad fate of most churches in the country: it was closed for services in the late 1920s, then briefly used for an exhibition of revolutionary propaganda and soon started to fall into decay, being deprived of adequate maintenance. Several times it was suggested that the church be torn down, for it stood as an "inappropriate" symbol of Christianity amidst the largely atheistic country. It is by a true miracle that the church was saved. In 1970 a long careful restoration began, which has lasted for over 25 years. Since August 1997 guests of the city can once again see this jewel in the crown of St. Petersburg in its stunning beauty. Please note: Order of sites visited may vary. The tour is not recommended for those with walking or mobility difficulties. Please note that from June 11th through July 14th, the visit of the Spilled Blood Cathedral will be replaced with St. Nicolas Naval Cathedral.



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### LED-003 CANAL CRUISE AND SHOPPING

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**Date:** September 11, 2021 **02:00 PM**

St. Petersburg is built around a network of canals and rivers, with a total length of about 186 miles. They contribute to the unique atmosphere creating a glittering mirror in which the golden domes and fairytale palaces of the city are reflected. A cruise along the Moika and the Fontanka Rivers is another chance to appreciate history and splendid architecture of this beautiful city. In the beginning the city's bridges were usually known by their color: Red, Blue, Green. The Blue Bridge at 328 ft. wide is the widest. The area around the Moika River boasted a number of riverside mansions and was one of the city's most fashionable addresses. One such mansion on the Moika is the Yusupov Palace that belonged to one of the wealthiest families in Russia. It is famous for being the murder scene of Rasputin, the Siberian peasant who exerted his malign influence over the Russian court. Your cruise along the Moika has you passing such notable landmarks as St. Isaac Cathedral, a famous gambling club that Pushkin, the eminent Russian poet, described the club in his novel "The Queen of Spades". Also seen is a group of yellow buildings that form the Teachers' Training University. At the time of Catherine the Great it used to house the orphanage instituted by the empress. Before leaving the Moika, you'll pass by the Stroganov Palace, a baroque masterpiece of Rastrelli. Count Stroganov who owned the palace in the late 18th century was the president of the Academy of Arts and a noted collector. The Stroganovs amassed their huge fortune through the monopoly they held on salt, which came from mines in their vast territories in the north. Your boat cruises under the Choir Bridge, which takes its name from the Choir Hall located nearby and then turns onto the Fontanka or Fountain River. Its name goes back to the early 18th century when the water of the river used to feed the fountains of the Summer Gardens. On the right bank of the Fontanka stands the Summer Palace of Peter the Great. Peter had his rooms on the ground floor and his wife's rooms on the first floor. The Summer Gardens and the Summer Palace used to be the center of the city's social life. On the left bank you'll see the former Law School which counts Peter Tchaikovsky as one of its first graduates. Continuing on, you'll pass the "Salt Town" - a former warehouse for storing salt which dates back to the 18th century. The present day building was erected in 1870 for an All-Russia industrial exhibition. Further along, St. Panteleimon's Bridge across the Fontanka is Russia's first chain bridge. It is decorated with double-headed eagles perched on laurel wreaths. At this point, your boat turns back onto the Moika River where you will the Engineers' Castle built for Paul I. The castle originally had drawbridges and moats since Paul was afraid of assassination. Unfortunately, soon after moving in he was killed by a group of his courtiers. On the right is the Swan Canal leading into the Neva. It is named after swans that were once drawn to its peaceful waters. Next is the Field of Mars square. It used to be a military parade ground for Russian troops. One of the last landmarks you will see is considered one of the most beautiful churches in St. Petersburg - the Church of the Spilled Blood. This marvelous Old Russian-style church was built on the spot where Emperor Alexander II was assassinated on March 1, 1881. Built in 1883-1907, the church is designed in the spirit of the sixteenth and seventeenth century Russian architecture, inspired particularly by St. Basil Cathedral in Moscow's Red Square. The best Russian painters, masters of stone carving, ceramic and enamel took part in the decoration of the Church and it is truly magnificent. Following your canal ride, there will be an opportunity for shopping at some local souvenir stores and a break to enjoy a complimentary cup of tea or coffee before transferring back to the pier. Please Note: This tour is not wheelchair accessible. There can be from 5 to 10 steps to negotiate at the boat pier. Canal boats are NOT wheelchair accessible. Depending on tidal rise and fall there are times when guests may have to walk across dockboards to embark the boat. Boat ride route may vary due to technical reasons, e.g. high water level, bridge repairs etc. Canal routing may vary; routing can be changed to the Neva River if tidal conditions do not permit entry to the canals. Due to the security reasons it is necessary to be seated on the upper deck of the boat when passing under the bridges.



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### ❖ TALLINN, ESTONIA

#### TLL-010 GLACIER MEMORIES: A NATURE RESERVE WALK

**Duration:** 5.00 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$149.00



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The nature reserve lies approximately one hour from the pier. On arrival, begin your trek, which will take you over a wood-planked walkway and through different types of forest for a look at some of the area's 50 lakes and diverse plant life. You will also have a chance to follow your experienced guide across the mossy bogs and learn about the region's natural history. Concluding your pleasant three-hour walk, enjoy a picnic lunch and return to your ship. Please note: This excursion is recommended for guests who are physically fit. Some parts of the boardwalk may be slightly underwater, especially after a rain, and therefore may be slippery. However, the walkway will remain passable. It is recommended that guests dress in warm, layered clothing and wear flat, comfortable walking shoes or boots. Guests should also bring raingear in case of inclement weather. The order of sights visited may vary. This excursion will operate in all weather conditions. (Walking distance is approximately 3½ miles.)

#### TLL-013 NOBILITY IN THE PAST & FARMERS TODAY

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Tallinn boasts one of the finest medieval Old Towns in all of Northern Europe. Enjoy the view from your coach as you pass the Old Town wall with its towers from the 13th through 15th centuries, followed by the National Opera House and Freedom Square. You're headed to Toompea Hill (Dome Hill), originally the seat of the ruling bishops, then of the Teutonic Order and later of the Baltic German nobility. Today Toompea is the site of the Parliament of Estonia and many historical landmarks such as the Long Hermann Tower, the Russian Orthodox Church of St. Alexander Nevsky, the Lutheran Dome Church (St. Mary's Cathedral) with its 100 Coats of Arms, and the House of the Estonian Knighthood. As you stroll through the narrow cobblestone lanes and blind alleys of the former nobility district, you will pass by some gorgeous city palaces that once belonged to noblemen. Before rejoining your coach, you will stop at a viewpoint to take in the magnificent vistas of the Lower Town's red rooftops and soaring church steeples. Next, you will visit Saue Manor, a nobleman's country home. Saue holds the title of the most beautiful and valuable estate complex in the Baltic. Although the manor was first mentioned in the 16th century, it was the Major Friedrich Herman von Fersen who founded the Saue Manor House as it is today. Enjoy a glass of sparkling wine while you listen to stories about the house. Next you will visit Esko Farm, a family-operated farm specializing in rearing dairy cows. The farm was established in 1991 with only eight cows, and there are now more than 100, which are milked to produce cheese and curds for sale to bakeries and restaurants in Tallinn. In 2003 Esko was awarded a medal for the high quality of its dairy products, and the family welcomed the President of Estonia for a visit. Before you head back to the ship, you'll have the chance to taste the farm's fresh produce. Please note: This tour includes active walking over cobblestone surfaces and includes stairs. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and not considered suitable for those with mobility concerns.



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## OPTIONAL SHORE EXCURSIONS

### TLL-005OE OCEANIA EXCLUSIVE - TALLINN & OLD TOWN

**Duration: 3.50 Hrs**   **Tour Price: \$269.00**



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Oceania Exclusive Tour For those travelers who prefer an added measure of intimacy and flexibility, we are pleased to offer our new Oceania Exclusive tours. With a minimum of 10 guests and a maximum capacity of just 16 guests, each tour benefits from a higher level of personal attention and the added flexibility and agility that come from traveling in a small group. Oceania Exclusive tours are available for a specially selected number of tours in almost every port we visit, in every corner of the world. Departing from the pier, begin with a scenic drive around the Old Town, which offers magnificent views of the medieval city walls. See the watch-towers, graceful spires and winding, cobbled streets. Visit the Russian Orthodox Church, inaugurated in 1900 and filled with a stunning array of superb icons and the 13th century Gothic style Dome Cathedral. View the exterior of the Castle which is now the seat of Estonia's parliament. Built on a cliff, the Upper Town provides superb vantage point from which to view the red-gabled roofs and spires of the Lower Town. Your tour continues down Long and Short Leg Streets to the Lower Town. See the apothecary, which opened in 1422, the Great Guild House, Blackheads Brotherhood House and the 15th century Gothic Town. Enjoy some free time on the grounds of the Dominican Convent at a colorful market, St. Catherine's arts and crafts center, before rejoining your coach and returning to the pier. Please note: This tour includes approximately 2 hours of moderate walking, including inclines, uneven surfaces, at times over cobblestones and some steps to negotiate (approximately 20), plus any additional walking at the guests' discretion during free time. This tour is not considered suitable for wheelchair guests or those with mobility concerns. Comfortable walking shoes are recommended. Order of sights visited may vary and the itinerary may be reversed. Cafés and shops may insist on Euro currency and US dollars may not be accepted.

### TLL-006 UPPER TOWN & KADRIORG PALACE

**Duration: 4.50 Hrs**   **Tour Price: \$89.00**



**Date: September 12, 2021 08:30 AM**

Enjoy discovering Tallinn's Old Town, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and fabulous Kadriorg Palace on this tour that showcases some of Tallinn's most charming attractions. Commencing at the pier, you will first make the short drive by coach into the heart of Tallinn's colorful Old Town, where ancient walls and tower gateways can be seen. Leaving your coach behind, you will enjoy a guided walking tour which begins at Tall Hermann Tower and proceeds a short distance up Toompea Hill to Palace Square. Here, you can visit the Alexander Nevsky Cathedral, which dominates the city skyline, and houses numerous gold icons and mosaics inside. Next, you will continue along Tallinn's medieval cobbled streets where you might see the Gothic Dome Church, also known as St. Mary's Cathedral. Before rejoining your coach, you will make your way to a scenic viewpoint which offers some great views over the Lower Town rooftops. A 30-minute drive from Old Town brings you to impressive Kadriorg Palace, built in 1718 by Peter the Great in honor of his empress wife Catherine I. Its magnificent scale is enhanced by its setting on several levels, with upper and lower gardens in contrasting styles. The Swan Pond in the Lower Garden is a truly a visual delight. Kadriorg means "Catherine's valley" in Estonian, although the palace was seldom visited by the Tsarina. Since the Russian revolution, the ornate palace rooms have been used as an art museum, and following a closure in recent years, Kadriorg has reopened in its former glory. After viewing highlights of the European art on display here, you will make your way outside for a pleasant stroll through the Lower Garden. Afterwards, you will re-board your coach and transfer back to the pier where your tour concludes. Please note: This tour includes just over three hours of active walking over uneven and cobblestone surfaces. There are some steps and stairs to negotiate. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and not considered suitable for those with mobility concerns. Weather appropriate clothing; sun cap; sunglasses; and flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.

### TLL-011 TALLINN - CITY OF CONTRASTS

**Duration: 4.00 Hrs**   **Tour Price: \$89.00**



**Date: September 12, 2021 08:30 AM**

This tour reveals the many contrasting faces of Tallinn, its differing nature and styles of life. Begin your tour with a drive to Lower Old Town where you will visit Town Hall Square. Afterwards, rejoin your coach, and make your way to Song Festival Ground, which gradually changes into an area of neat and lovely private houses from the '50s in the Kose-Pirita district. To have a more realistic understanding of Estonian peasant life in the 19th and 20th centuries, you will also visit the Viimsi Open Air Museum, which displays buildings from a former fish farm. Before returning to the pier, you will have a coffee break in a boat-shaped restaurant on the beautiful Estonian seaside. Please note: This tour includes active walking over cobblestone surfaces and includes stairs. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and not considered suitable for those with mobility concerns.



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### TLL-001OE OCEANIA EXCLUSIVE - HIGHLIGHTS OF TALLIN

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### TLL-004 GOTHIC TREASURES OF TALLINN

**Duration: 4.00 Hrs** **Tour Price: \$169.00**



**Date: September 12, 2021 08:45 AM**

Discover Tallinn on a walking tour that focuses on some the treasures of the Lower Town such as the Master's Courtyard and the Holy Spirit Church, as well as some other interesting spots. Your tour begins with a leisurely drive that circles the Old Town, offering excellent views of the ancient city wall. Follow your guide on a walking tour that starts in Upper Town at the Kiek in de Kõk Cannon Tower. As you stroll the narrow and winding cobbled streets, admire the castle, now the seat of Estonia's Parliament, and the Alexander Nevsky Cathedral, before walking through the Danish King's Garden down to the Town Hall Square, the heart of the Lower Town. The stunning 15th-century building is one of the best-preserved Gothic Town Halls in Europe and has been at the center of Tallinn's life for six centuries. Visit the 14th-century Holy Spirit Church; this radiantly white church with its distinctive octagonal tower stands just off Town Hall Square. The elaborate painted clock on its façade is Tallinn's oldest public timepiece, dating to the late 17th century. Throughout medieval times it remained the primary church of the common folk. After the Reformation, it was here the first sermons were ever given in the Estonian language (as opposed to German). Continue your walking tour of the Lower Town and see the Wheel's Well with its mysterious history, the Great Guild, the Holy Ghost Church, the 15th-century Apothecary Shop and numerous medieval merchants' homes. You will also view the Masters' Courtyard of medieval architecture and cozy atmosphere. It remains as it was centuries ago, when people appreciated the work of craftsmen, who put their heart and soul into everything they made. Here, you can find several arts and crafts workshops. Enjoy some free time here to browse the shops or explore a bit further on your own. Please note: This tour includes over 3-hours of walking, including inclines, uneven surfaces, at times over cobblestones and some steps to negotiate plus any additional walking at guests' discretion during free time. Tour is not considered suitable for wheelchair guests or those with mobility concerns. Comfortable walking shoes are recommended. Cafés and shops may insist on Euro currency and US dollars may not be accepted. Guided visit of the Holy Ghost Church will not be possible during religious services; in this case, your guide will provide commentary from the outside and you will enter on your own.



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### TLL-005 TALLINN & OLD TOWN

**Duration: 3.50 Hrs**   **Tour Price: \$169.00**



**Date: September 12, 2021 08:45 AM**

Enjoy a walk through Old Town with visits to St. Mary's and Alexander Nevsky Cathedrals, with some time for shopping at St. Catharine's Passage. Begin with a scenic drive around the Old Town, which offers magnificent views of the medieval city walls. See the watch-towers, graceful spires and winding, cobbled streets. Start your walking tour in the Upper Town. Built on a cliff, it provides superb vantage point from which to view the red-gabled roofs and spires of the Lower Town. View the exterior of the castle which is now the seat of Estonia's parliament. Visit Alexander Nevsky Cathedral; this richly decorated Russian Orthodox Church, inaugurated in 1900, is filled with a stunning array of superb icons. You will also visit St. Mary's Cathedral (Dome Church) standing at the center of Toompea hill. The church, of great historical value, has served as a burial place for the nobility since the 13th century and has an impressive interior. Your walking tour continues down Long and Short Leg Streets to the Lower Town. See the apothecary, which opened in 1422, the Great Guild House, Blackheads Brotherhood House and the 15th century Gothic Town. Enjoy some free time on the grounds of the Dominican Convent at a colorful market, St. Catherine's arts and crafts center. Please note: This tour includes approximately 2.5-hours of walking, including inclines, uneven surfaces, at times over cobblestones and some steps to negotiate, plus any additional walking at the guests' discretion during free time. This tour is not considered suitable for wheelchair guests or those with mobility concerns. Comfortable walking shoes are recommended. Cafés and shops may insist on Euro currency and US dollars may not be accepted." Guided visit of churches will not be possible during religious services; in this case, your guide will provide commentary from the outside and you will enter on your own.

### TLL-001 HIGHLIGHTS OF TALLINN

**Duration: 4.00 Hrs**   **Tour Price: \$129.00**



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A drive from the harbor takes you through the city center and along the main street passing Estonia's modern and elegant 19th-century buildings. As you approach the Old Town, you'll get fascinating views of the medieval city wall with its fairy-tale turrets. The walking portion of your tour begins at the Nun's Gate in the Lower Town. Strolling through the old streets, you'll see the beautiful medieval guild houses, the Gothic Town Hall and the charming 15th-century Apothecary. Continuing on, you'll see beautiful Kadriorg Park which was commissioned by Peter the Great. Admire the architecture of the Baroque Palace and enjoy the lovely restored gardens, a small replica of Versailles. You'll next make your way to the Song Festival Ground where national song festivals are held. Up to 30,000 singers participate during these festivals. Following a brief visit to the interesting ruins of the 15th century St. Brigit's Convent, you will drive back to the city, past the famous Estonian Russalka monument and the summer residence of Count Orlov. Please note: Streets in Tallinn's Old Town are cobblestones, and extra care should be taken. This tour includes approximately 2 hours of walking. Flat-soled shoes are recommended. This tour is not considered suitable for wheelchair guests or those guests with mobility concerns. Order of sights visited may vary and the itinerary may be reversed. Cafés and shops may insist on Euro currency and US dollars may not be accepted.

### TLL-003 PANORAMIC TALLINN

**Duration: 3.00 Hrs**   **Tour Price: \$109.00**



**Date: September 12, 2021 09:15 AM**

Your tour begins with a scenic drive through the cultural heart of Tallinn. View the Tall Herman Tower (from the outside), one of the three remaining towers of the Knights of the Sword Castle. From the base of the nearby cannon tower, enjoy a wonderful view of the churches and towers of Tallinn's Upper Town. Continue on through Kadriorg Park, a true highlight with its charming Baroque ensemble that was designed as a summer residence for Peter the Great. Visit the Song Festival Ground, a natural amphitheater that hosts Estonia's national song festivals. Next, drive through a beautiful residential area drowned in greenery to the popular Pirita beach. From here it's on to the lovely St. Birgit's Convent, an outstanding monument of the 15th-century limestone architecture. As you make your way back to the pier, you'll drive past the summer residence of Count Orlov and the delightful statue of Russalka, Estonia's mermaid, on the sea coast. Please note: This tour includes approximately 50 minutes of optional easy walking, and 15 steps to negotiate. The tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible wheelchair, are able to make their own way on and off the coach, and have an able-bodied companion to assist them. Those with mobility concerns are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability. Order of sights visited may vary and the itinerary may be reversed. Weather appropriate clothing; sun cap; sunglasses; and flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended. Cafés and shops may insist on Euro currency and US dollars may not be accepted.



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### TLL-007 OLD TALLINN & SECRET TUNNELS

**Duration:** 4.00 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$129.00



**Date:** September 12, 2021 **09:15 AM**

Explore Tallinn's Upper Town and its enigmatic secret tunnels during this fascinating half-day excursion that focuses on Tallinn's historic past. Your tour begins with a drive to Old Town, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and more specifically, the area known as Upper Town. Upon arrival, you will commence a guided walking tour that will take you along Pikk Street up to Toompea Hill where you can view the Estonian Parliament House and the Alexander Nevsky Cathedral. Next, you will proceed to visit the city walls' cannon tower - Kiek in de Kök, meaning "peek into the kitchen" in Low German. Dating back to 1475, the tower has been renovated many times throughout its colorful history. Continuing on, your tour will bring you to the mysterious network of passages and tunnels that were built beneath the town's bastions during the 17-18th centuries. The original mission of the passages was to hide and protect the town's ammo and other equipment from its enemies. During the Cold War years they were designated as a nuclear defense shelter. Following your intriguing visit to the tunnels, you will make your way to Lower Town where you will see the War of Independence Victory Column, which was opened in 2009 as a memorial for those who fell during the Estonian War of Independence. Lastly, you will proceed along Harju Street to view the exterior of the Gothic Town Hall before being afforded some free time to relax or browse the shops. Rejoining your guide, you will then be escorted to Mere Boulevard where your coach awaits to transport you back to the pier. Please note: This tour includes approximately three hours of active and sometimes strenuous walking over uneven and cobblestone surfaces. There are numerous steps and stairs to negotiate. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests or those with mobility concerns. Warm clothing is suggested as the temperature in the tunnels is between 48 degrees Fahrenheit. Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.

### TLL-012 TALLINN OLD TOWN WITH BEER TASTING

**Duration:** 4.00 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$169.00



**Date:** September 12, 2021 **09:15 AM**

Your tour begins with a drive to Toompea Hill. From here, you will then walk to the Palace Square and view the Toompea Castle, and visit the Russian Orthodox Alexander Nevsky Cathedral, home to golden icons and mosaics. Continue along Tallinn's cobbled streets to view the Gothic St. Mary's Cathedral. Afterwards, you will visit a scenic viewpoint. Next, you will descend Short Leg Street to the Lower Old Town and Wheel's Well. In one of the Old Town restaurants, you will learn about beer making and taste three different beers with lunch. After that, continue to the heart of Tallinn - the Town Hall Square for short photo stop before returning to the port. Please note: This tour includes active walking over cobblestone surfaces and includes stairs. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and not considered suitable for those with mobility concerns.



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❖ **RIGA, LATVIA**

**RIG-001 TURAIDA AND SIGULDA**

**Duration: 5.50 Hrs    Tour Price: \$129.00**



**Date: September 13, 2021 10:15 AM, 01:15 PM**

Leave cosmopolitan Riga behind as you travel through lush Latvian forest to explore a picturesque river town known for its castles, caves and romantic legends. Every bustling capital city needs a leafy, rural getaway within reach, a place where locals and visitors can relax in primal nature, preferably with hills involved. The hilly setting in Sigulda, some 30 miles outside Riga city limits, is scenic enough to earn this region the nickname of "Latvia's Switzerland." You'll soon see how well the name fits – especially from the high tower of partially-restored Turaida Castle, a cylindrical brick stunner built in 1214 by the crusading Livonian Brothers of the Sword. You'll also see Sigulda Castle, slightly older and more ruined by time – yet eternally atmospheric. Under an ancient linden tree in Turaida's churchyard, you'll encounter the grave of the Rose of Turaida, young heroine of a 17th-century tale of passion so potent, newlyweds still place flowers here in tribute to enduring love. The waters that flow from natural springs within another riverside landmark you'll visit, vast Gutman's Cave, have endurance properties of their own – drinking them is said to be life-prolonging. And a sculpture park nearby keeps Latvian folklore alive and well.

- Enjoy an extremely scenic hour-long coach ride to the area known as Latvia's Switzerland.
- See Turaida Castle, Sigulda Castle and Kropotkin's Manor House – renowned for its competition-grade bobsled track.
- Visit the linden tree marking the grave of the Rose of Turaida, whose untimely rendezvous with murder in 1620 has never been forgotten.
- Admire the sandstone majesty of Latvia's largest cavern, where the spring water is said to reverse time.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.

This tour involves approximately 2.5 hours of moderate walking and several steps. The tour is not recommended for wheelchair guests and those with mobility concerns are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of ability before participating.

**RIG-GL1 DISTRICT'S OF RIGA**

**Duration: 4.00 Hrs    Tour Price: \$199.00**



**Date: September 13, 2021 10:15 AM**

Mingle with local Latvians by traveling on the train and public buses to several waterfront districts where you will meander about the attractive downtowns. After departing from the pier, you will soon arrive at the train station, where you will board a train bound for Vecaki, a northern district on the Gulf of Riga. As an introduction to the area, you will meander through Vecaki while the guide describes its history and nearby fortifications that date to the Napoleonic Wars. Despite its strategic importance by the Daugava River, Vecaki is better known for its beaches, where you will pause for photos. Most of the beach-goers will be from Riga, as Vecaki offers one of the closest and most popular stretches of sand to Latvia's capital. You will then board a public bus and travel toward the nearby district of Vecmilgravis. During the ride, you will enjoy a genuine slice of daily life. Upon arriving in Vecmilgravis, you will take an enlightening tour of its downtown. Along the way, the guide will point out buildings constructed during the time that the Soviets occupied Latvia. Like several neighboring Baltic countries, Latvia gained its independence from the Soviet Union in 1991. The most historical building in Vecmilgravis is the White Church. Built near the water during the late 18th century, the wooden Lutheran church features a tower that local fishermen have long used as a lighthouse of sorts to help them navigate. Please note: This tour includes approximately 2.5 hours of walking/standing; there will be some steps and cobblestone surfaces to negotiate. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and may not be suitable for those with mobility concerns who are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability. Weather appropriate clothing; sun cap; sunglasses; and flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.



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### RIG-GL2 VISIT TO THE LOCAL FARMHOUSE

**Duration:** 5.00 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$249.00



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Visit a rural farm and tour the fields with the owners, who will be quite willing to discuss how farming and life has changed since Latvia's independence from the Soviet Union. After departing from the pier, you will settle in for a leisurely and wonderfully scenic drive into the countryside. As you will notice, this portion of Latvia is mostly flat lowland with some hills and numerous rivers draining into the sea. Much of the land is ideal for farming. During the Soviet era, collective farming was practiced, in which government-owned farms banded together to grow crops. Starting in 1991, when Latvia gained its independence from the Soviet Union, farms could be privately owned again. You will visit a typical Latvian farm and tour the fields with the owners. You can expect it to be an eye-opening experience, as your hosts explain how farming has changed over the past few decades. This particular farm grows an abundance of raspberries and strawberries, as the conditions in this part of Latvia are quite favorable for both crops. Growing berries became even more widespread following the Soviet era because the farmers could directly reap the benefits. You may have the opportunity to pick your own berries in the fields and enjoy them while lingering over a cup of tea with the owners of the farm. Feel free to ask them about their lives before and after Soviet rule. Please note: This tour includes approximately 2 hours of walking/standing; there will be some sand, inclines and cobblestone surfaces and a few steps to negotiate. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and may not be suitable for those with mobility concerns who are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability. Weather appropriate clothing; sun cap; sunglasses; and flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.

### RIG-005 CHARMING RIGA - THE PEARL OF THE BALTIC

**Duration:** 3.50 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$119.00



**Date:** September 13, 2021 **10:30 AM, 02:45 PM**

By coach and on foot, get to know Latvia's fast-evolving capital, over 800 years old and new all over again since independence. Today it's the Baltic States' largest city – a cultural center of world rank, member of the EU and home to a UNESCO-listed trove of architectural treasures left behind by the Germans, Swedes and Russians who ruled Latvia for centuries. A drive along the boulevards of Riga's town center will envelop you in "Jugendstil" – a romantic and intricate German Art Nouveau building style that predominated here into the early 20th century. You'll also see Riga's more contemporary side and have an encounter with statuesque "Milda," holding aloft her three golden stars for all the world to see atop the city's iconic Freedom Monument. A venture on foot into the cobbled, narrow lanes of Old Town brings you face to face with a trio of landmark medieval churches, a pair of handsome Guild Houses, and the city's oldest surviving dwellings, the so-called "Three Brothers." On a square in the epicenter of it all, massive Dome Cathedral stands guard over all who pass. Its mix of Romanesque, Gothic and Baroque styles, accumulated over eight centuries, is quintessential Riga.

- Enjoy a coach and walking tour of Riga and see more picturesque landmarks than you can count.
- Drive along grand boulevards lined with some 800 magnificent German Art Nouveau buildings.
- Tour cobbled Old Town on foot, a UNESCO-listed showplace for medieval and later buildings.
- See guild houses, churches of every size and style, ancient houses and one very sizable cathedral.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen if needed.

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- Wear weather-appropriate clothing.
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### RIG-002 RIGA - JEWISH HERITAGE TOUR

**Duration: 4.00 Hrs** **Tour Price: \$129.00**



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Be immersed in the profound and moving Jewish history that has been lived in Riga, long a multicultural melting pot. This tour visits numerous important sites and memorial places, including the site of the former Great Synagogue built in 1868, once the city's largest and most beautiful synagogue. On July 4, 1941 it was deliberately torched with hundreds of Jewish worshipers inside. Today, a solemn gray stone marker with the inscription "Magen David" stands where the tragic event took place. The Old Jewish Cemetery was where Riga's Jews were buried from 1725 until 1941, when it was incorporated into the ghetto – and became a communal grave for large numbers of those killed in 1941. You'll stop to visit where the cemetery stood; the site was destroyed after the war and is now a memorial park. In the outskirts of Riga, you'll stand before a tombstone memorial where the Rumbula massacre took the lives of some 25,000 Jewish victims from all over Europe in just a few days during the reign of Nazi terror. Visits to the New Ghetto Museum and Old Town's magnificent Art Nouveau synagogue, a rare war survivor, end the tour on a more uplifting note.

- Tour key sites throughout Riga where dramatic events touched the lives of not only Latvia's Jews but thousands of others from around the Baltic.
- Visit memorials where the Great Synagogue stood until a fateful July day in 1941, and in Rumbula forest outside town, where thousands were massacred later that same year.
- See the Jewish Hospital, open to those in need of care regardless of nationality or religious belief.
- Experience poignant historical exhibits at the New Ghetto Museum and tour Riga's only still-functioning synagogue – a lavishly designed building that outlived both the Nazi and Soviet eras.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour involves approximate 2 hours of walking over mostly flat terrain, along with cobblestone surfaces at times. Tour is not suitable for wheelchair guests and those with mobility concerns are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of ability before participating. The order of sites visited may vary.



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## OPTIONAL SHORE EXCURSIONS

### RIG-003 PANORAMIC RIGA

**Duration:** 2.50 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$109.00



**Date:** September 13, 2021 **10:45 AM, 02:00 PM**

Settle back in your comfortable panoramic coach seat for a comprehensive introductory tour of the Latvian capital's top sights. The photo opportunities will be plentiful in this scenic and cosmopolitan city filled with impressive architectural gifts left behind by Germans, Swedes, Soviets and others over the centuries. Modern architecture, too, finds a welcome home among the cobblestones in this timelessly cool cultural center. Waves of prosperity have always been a thing here, with building booms dating back to medieval times – and leading to Riga's well-deserved designation as a UNESCO World Heritage site. Be on the lookout for ornate 19th- and early 20th-century "Jugendstil" buildings sporting Art Nouveau styling and enough gargoyles to give anyone nightmares for a month. Cobbled Old Town's skyline is a sea of church spires when viewed in panorama from the opposite bank of the River Daugava. The 14th-century Powder Tower stands as last vestige of the ancient defensive walls, City Hall Square is all classic formality, and a stop at the Freedom Monument provides a vivid sense of Latvia's pride in its hard-won independence. Since 1935, statuesque "Milda" has held aloft her three golden stars for all the world to see.

- Enjoy a rolling survey of Riga, largest city in the Baltic States – and certainly one of the most scenic.
- Admire countless landmarks left behind over centuries by the cultures who have thrived here.
- Tour picturesque Old Town, a UNESCO-listed showplace for medieval and Art Nouveau-era buildings.
- Cross the River Daugava for magnificent panoramic views from the opposite river bank.
- Stand before the majestic Freedom Monument, built in 1935 after Latvia first won independence.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing.
- Flat, comfortable shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen if needed.

This relaxed tour does not require any significant walking, just getting on and off the coach for photo stops.

### RIG-003OE OCEANIA EXCLUSIVE - PANORAMIC RIGA

**Duration:** 2.50 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$269.00



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- Enjoy a higher level of personal attention and flexibility on this Oceania Exclusive small group tour.
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### ❖ COPENHAGEN, DENMARK

#### CPH-001 CASTLES OF NORTH ZEALAND

**Duration:** 5.00 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$189.00



**Date:** September 15, 2021 09:30 AM

See how the Danes go for Baroque in a big way on this excursion into the beautiful North Zealand landscape, Denmark's answer to the Riviera. Sweeping seaside panoramas on one side, impressive manor homes and castles on the other...a person could get used to this life. You'll have a chance to see how they lived it in the 1600s as you tour one of North Zealand's most splendid former residences, Frederiksborg Castle, now the National Museum of History. It's spread across three islands, sports a fabulous garden, and contains Denmark's most important artwork collection. The castle's seriously ornate chapel houses the Compenius Organ, built in 1610 and the world's oldest still in use. Later in this journey, you'll drop by the Danish Royal Family's summer palace in the charming village of Fredensborg. This Italian Baroque stunner was built in the early 1700s and is used for state dinners. You'll use it as the perfect backdrop for photos of your travels.

- Just outside Copenhagen, explore the region that Danish pleasure-seekers and royals have always been drawn to.
- Travel across a landscape defined by seaside panoramas and handsome manor homes.
- Tour 400-year-old Frederiksborg Castle, a Dutch Renaissance showplace spread across three islets, and see the collection of world-class artworks within.
- Visit regal Fredensborg Palace, much used by the Royal Family and for state visits and galas.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing; include a light raincoat or umbrella.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

#### CPH-007 A TOUR OF TWO KINGDOMS - DENMARK TO SWEI

**Duration:** 7.00 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$269.00



**Date:** September 15, 2021 09:30 AM

Enjoy a comprehensive tour of the best of Copenhagen and Malmö in a single day, traveling by panoramic coach. The great boundary- and culture-crossing Oresund Bridge makes it possible. Your journey begins on the Denmark side with top Copenhagen must-sees like the world-famous Little Mermaid statue, Amalienborg Palace, residence of the Royal Family, and charming seafront Amaliehaven Park. Other highlights include Christiansborg Castle, now home to the Danish Parliament, Town Hall Square, Tivoli Gardens, the Black Diamond, and the Old Stock Exchange with its Dragon Spire from 1625. Then, it's off to Sweden and Malmö, where you'll see things like historic Pildammsparken, a large park created for the 1914 Baltic Expo, and Malmö Castle – built in 1436, it's the oldest Renaissance castle in Scandinavia. In the modern Western Harbor district, you'll crane your neck to see the Turning Torso apartment tower, tallest building in Sweden. You'll also see the city's three main squares, including colorful Lilla Torg – where you'll break for some free time to browse its shops or find lunch at one of its charming outdoor cafés. Once the sights are all seen, you'll cross back to Denmark and the pier.

- See the top sights of Copenhagen, Denmark and Malmö, Sweden in the same day.
- Settle back and enjoy the tour via panoramic coach with frequent photo stops.
- Cross from Denmark to Sweden and back via the country-hopping Oresund Bridge.
- See dozens of landmarks important to both cultures and learn their backstories and histories.
- Enjoy free time for lunch and/or shopping in Malmö's charming Lilla Torg (Little Square).
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing; a light raincoat or umbrella is always handy.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour involves a limited amount of walking, mostly optional at photo stops and during free time in Malmö at midday. Guests with mobility concerns are cautioned to evaluate their personal level of ability and stamina.



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## OPTIONAL SHORE EXCURSIONS

### CPH-008 CHRISTIANSBORG PALACE & TIVOLI GARDENS

**Duration: 4.00 Hrs** **Tour Price: \$179.00**



**Date: September 15, 2021 10:00 AM**

This enjoyable tour will take you to Christiansborg Palace and some outside strolling through world-famous Tivoli Gardens. Copenhagen has been the Denmark's Royal city for many centuries – and has accumulated more than its share of castles, palaces and Crown Jewels during that span. The Palace was built by Bishop Absalon in 1167. Christiansborg is the city's first fortress and was once the home of the Royal Family. You will visit the Royal Reception rooms, used by the Danish Queen when she receives foreign ambassadors and visiting heads of state. Beautiful tapestries are displayed in the Great Hall. These French tapestries took ten years to weave and were given to the Queen as a gift for her 50th birthday. Drive through the heart of Copenhagen, seeing the Royal Theatre and Town Hall Square, on your way to world-famous Tivoli Gardens, the fairytale gardens and theme park which opened its gates in 1843. There will be time provided here to stroll through the park and admire the romantic lakes, pavilions, flower decorations and vivid life of the Danes.

- Enjoy a tour of iconic Christiansborg Palace which is the seat of the Danish Parliament.
- Sashay awhile through world-famous Tivoli Gardens that date back to 1843 – and simpler times.
- On your drive through town, see Copenhagen landmarks like the Royal Theatre, Town Hall Square, Amalienborg Palace and the famous Little Mermaid statue.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing; include a light raincoat or umbrella.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

Should Christiansborg Palace be closed, due to official functions or state visits, you will visit Rosenborg Castle instead. Tour involves approximately 90 minutes of moderate walking/standing and a considerable number of steps to negotiate at the palace (approximately 90). This tour is not available to wheelchair guests and is not recommended for those guests with mobility concerns. Flat, comfortable walking shoes are suggested. Camera and video photography are not permitted in the palace as well as handbags, camera bags, jackets, umbrellas and/or backpacks. The tour price only includes the entrance fee to Tivoli Gardens and does not include any rides or special attractions. Guests electing to extend their stay at Tivoli will need to find their own transportation back to the ship, at their own expense.

### CPH-008OE OCEANIA EXCLUSIVE - CHRISTIANSBORG PAL

**Duration: 4.00 Hrs** **Tour Price: \$299.00**



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## OPTIONAL SHORE EXCURSIONS

### CPH-003 SCENIC COPENHAGEN BY SEA

**Duration:** 2.00 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$129.00



**Date:** September 15, 2021 **10:15 AM**

See Copenhagen from an ideal vantage point: aboard a private canal boat plying its many scenic waterways and passing its showiest landmarks. Your adventure begins even before you're afloat, with a stop by the city's most beguiling icon, the bronze Little Mermaid perched on her famous rock along the shoreline. Then it's time to climb aboard and cruise gently through Copenhagen's waterways. Colorful homes and businesses cluster around the canals, always hubs of activity. Along the route, you'll pass the granite-and-copper-clad Christiansborg Palace, situated on its own tiny islet. Its foundations date back to 1167 and today it's home of the Danish Parliament. Nearby is the Old Stock Exchange, its trademark spire formed by entwined dragons' tails. The colorful old gabled buildings along Nyhavn quay are photogenic, and Christianshavn's narrow canals are wonderfully atmospheric. The waterways widen substantially toward Copenhagen harbor, where your vessel will eventually make its way to the end of this enthralling – but brief – grand tour.

- Encounter Copenhagen's top landmarks from its most uncongested of settings: its waterway network.
- Soak up a full helping of city color in just two hours of shore time.
- See landmarks like Christiansborg Palace, the Old Stock Exchange and, of course, the Little Mermaid.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing; include a light raincoat or umbrella.
- Flat, comfortable, non-slip shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

### CPH-005 TIVOLI GARDENS & CANAL CRUISE

**Duration:** 4.00 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$179.00



**Date:** September 15, 2021 **10:15 AM**

First tour the waterways and sights of Copenhagen by private canal boat (an easy walk from the ship), then soak up some historic fun with a visit to Tivoli Gardens. The city's 850-year history will come alive in landmarks as you glide gently along its canal network and see icons like the beloved bronze Little Mermaid statue, perched on her harborside rock since 1913; and majestic Christiansborg Palace, a seat of Danish power for over 800-years. The Old Stock Exchange sports a signature spire formed by entwined dragons' tails, while the gable-roofed buildings along Nyhavn quay show off their bright colors. Christianshavn's canals are narrow and wonderfully atmospheric, while the striking Black Diamond library building shimmers in its angular black granite-and-glass skin. A brief coach transfer brings you to this town's true historic playground, Tivoli Gardens. Here you'll have time on your own to do as you please. Maybe take a thrill ride on Denmark's largest roller coaster in the amusement area, or a relaxing stroll through pleasure gardens that date back to 1843 – and simpler times.

- Encounter Copenhagen's top landmarks from its most uncongested of settings: its waterway network.
- Spend your shore time wisely, soaking up the city color in a brief amount of time.
- See landmarks like Christiansborg Palace, the Old Stock Exchange and, of course, the Little Mermaid.
- Back on dry land, enjoy free time at famed Tivoli Gardens, Copenhagen's classic place to play and relax since the 19th century.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing; include a light raincoat or umbrella.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

### CPH-002 LEISURELY HIGHLIGHTS OF COPENHAGEN

**Duration:** 2.00 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$119.00



**Date:** September 15, 2021 **10:30 AM**

Acquire an excellent introduction to Copenhagen and its 850-year history on a panoramic driving tour of this scenic capital's most essential sites. Among the highlights you'll pass and learn about are the brightly painted quays of Nyhavn and stately Amalienborg Palace, the Royal Family's winter residence safeguarded by bearskin-capped Royal Guards. Other top sights include historic Tivoli Gardens amusement park, the Old Stock Exchange with its unusual spire formed by entwined dragons' tails, and granite-and-copper Christiansborg Palace, situated on its own tiny island and now home of the Danish Parliament. But the city's most enduring – and endearing – icon is its beguiling Little Mermaid. This life-size bronze figure, inspired by Hans Christian Andersen's famous fairy tale, has been seated on her rock along Copenhagen's shoreline since 1913. You'll likely be inspired yourself after this relaxed two-hour survey of Copenhagen's landmark beauty.

- In just two hours, get a thorough sense of Copenhagen's landmarks and long history.
- Encounter a long list of must-see sights as you travel this scenic capital by coach.
- Finish the tour where you started, conveniently at the cruise pier.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing; include a light raincoat or umbrella.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour is panoramic in nature with limited optional walking at stops made. The tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible wheelchair, are able to make their own way on and off the coach and have an able-bodied companion to assist them. Those with mobility concerns are cautioned to evaluate their personal level of ability and stamina before participating.



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## OPTIONAL SHORE EXCURSIONS

### CPH-004 ROYAL HIGHLIGHTS OF COPENHAGEN

**Duration: 3.00 Hrs** **Tour Price: \$179.00**



**Date: September 15, 2021 10:30 AM**

Enjoy a rolling panoramic excursion through Copenhagen, taking in its most notable sights with a special accent on its Royal landmarks. Perched on her trademark rock not far from the pier, the bronze Little Mermaid is perhaps Copenhagen's most iconic symbol. She's not royalty but she's much beloved. Christiansborg Castle has accumulated over 800 years of history as Denmark's royal power base; these days it's home to the Danish Parliament. A stop at its impressive granite-and-copper exterior promises a magnificent photo or two. The Old Stock Exchange sports a trademark spire formed by entwined dragons' tails. The colorful gable-houses along Nyhavn quay house vibrant outdoor cafés and taverns, while famed Tivoli Gardens and the master-painted works at Glyptek Art Museum offer their own vibrant colors. But the real sparkle – in this case, Denmark's precious crown jewels – resides within Dutch Renaissance-style Rosenborg Castle, built for King Christian IV in 1607. His crown and a hefty gem-studded sword are among the top treasures safeguarded here. Their Highnesses moved out of Rosenborg in 1710, leaving the interiors excellently preserved..

- Tour Copenhagen panoramically and be introduced to many of its top landmarks – royal and otherwise.
- Call on Christiansborg or Rosenborg, two of the city's most significant castles with regal heritage.
- See colorful Nyhavn harbor, Tivoli Gardens, the Old Stock Exchange, and the beguiling Little Mermaid.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing; include a light raincoat or umbrella.
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### CPH-004OE OCEANIA EXCLUSIVE - ROYAL HIGHLIGHTS OF

**Duration: 3.00 Hrs** **Tour Price: \$269.00**



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## OPTIONAL SHORE EXCURSIONS

### CPH-009 HIGHLIGHTS OF HISTORIC ROSKILDE

**Duration: 4.00 Hrs** **Tour Price: \$179.00**



**Date: September 15, 2021 01:00 PM**

Tour a renowned Viking Ship Museum and UNESCO-listed cathedral where 38 Danish monarchs have been laid to rest. Roskilde is famous among rockers for its annual music fest, but it's nearly as famous to history buffs. Situated in a natural fjord-end harbor, Vikings long ago saw this as an ideal spot for a town and trading center. We know this by virtue of the five superb Viking longboats discovered sunken in the fjord by an underwater expedition in 1962. Now recovered and spectacularly displayed at the Viking Ship Museum, you can view them up-close and appreciate how amazingly preserved they are at over a thousand years old. A film provides details on the excavation, and if you're of a mind to discover your own inner Viking, costumes and a life-sized ship model are at your disposal. The visit to Roskilde Cathedral presents a vivid, but different, chapter in Denmark's history. Back in the 10th century, this city was proclaimed the new capital, and by the 1200s, this Gothic structure was completed using the hottest new building material of the day, bricks. More than 3 million of them, along with the tombs of many monarchs since, are contained within these ancient walls.

- Travel 30 minutes from Copenhagen by coach to ancient Roskilde, Denmark's capital for 400 years.
- Visit the Viking Ship Museum where five miraculously well-preserved longboats are on display.
- Learn how these sunken vessels were recovered from beneath Roskilde harbor, over a thousand years after they last sailed.
- Tour UNESCO-listed Roskilde Cathedral, the first Gothic church ever built of brick. While there, pay your respects to 38 past Danish monarchs buried in this landmark.

- Wear warm, weather-appropriate clothing; include a light raincoat or umbrella.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

The order of sites viewed or visited may vary.

### CPH-011 COPENHAGEN HIGHLIGHTS & DRAGOR VILLAGE

**Duration: 4.00 Hrs** **Tour Price: \$149.00**



**Date: September 15, 2021 01:00 PM**

Survey modern Copenhagen's top sights by coach then travel to a coastal village founded long ago by Dutch farmers growing veggies for the King. Time spent in cozy Dragor feels much like time spent in the 16th century – very little has changed since then in this cozy village dominated by yellow houses with red roofs along cobblestone streets leading to a picture-perfect harbor front. Back in those days, the Netherlands was a more agriculturally advanced nation than Denmark, so the King imported 24 farming families here to Dragor to produce food for the hungry Royal household. They and their descendants stayed put for three centuries, leaving only for weekly trips to the Amagertorv market in Copenhagen. Your guided walk through their unspoiled hamlet is capped off with a coffee stop at the local café. And your panoramic spin through 21st-century Copenhagen delivers an ideal intro to the city, passing key landmarks like Town Hall Square, Tivoli Gardens, the New Carlsberg Glyptotek art museum and the Old Stock Exchange, with its trademark spire of twisted dragons' tails. Royal must-sees like Christiansborg Castle and Amalienborg Palace are also duly seen.

- Enjoy a panoramic tour of central Copenhagen with stops for photos at select landmarks.
- Travel outside the city to tiny coastal Dragor, where you'll arrive in the 16th century.
- Discover this town's fascinating story as you walk cobbled lanes lined with charming Dutch-style cottages and wander a picturesque little harbor.
- Sip a coffee at the local café and imagine life here as a proud farmer growing carrots for the King.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing; include a light raincoat or umbrella.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

Guests must be able to walk approximately a half-mile over both even and cobblestones surfaces. There will be some steps to negotiate. Time permitting, approximately 20 minutes for shopping and browsing will be made available while in Dragor. The order of sites viewed or visited may vary.



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### CPH-014 DANISH DESIGN & ARCHITECTURE

**Duration: 4.00 Hrs** **Tour Price: \$179.00**



**Date: September 15, 2021 01:00 PM**

If you love modern Danish style, this tour of Copenhagen's most notable design and architectural highpoints is for you. Traveling the city by coach and on foot, you'll encounter the best work done over recent decades, by design legends like architectural superstar Arne Jacobsen, Jorn Utzon of Sydney Opera House fame, and Henning Larsen who recently completed the Danish Design Center. The Paustian House furniture center, for example, represents Utzon's elegant solution to a challenging site on the waterfront. The crisp Bauhaus lines of the Bellavista and Soholm row house complexes are vintage Jacobsen, still in high demand years later. You'll see the new wing of the National Gallery, artfully attached to the old. Larsen's stunning Danish Design Center. The Royal Library building dubbed the Black Diamond for its angular black granite-and-glass skin. The old Holmen naval base area that bustles with exciting new life and avant-garde construction projects. And an absolute bucket-lister: The Radisson SAS Royal Hotel, designed top to bottom in 1959 style by Jacobsen, right down to the knives and forks inside. If time and access allow, we'll venture in and have a look at room 606, whose décor remains exactly as it was in 1960.

- Get your fill of the very best in modern Danish design and architecture on an expertly guided tour.
- See and learn about major projects by legends like Arne Jacobsen, Jorn Utzon and Henning Larsen.
- Travel the city by coach and on foot, stopping frequently for photography and close-up viewing.
- Time permitting, enjoy an inside visit to Jacobsen's landmark 1959 Radisson SAS Royal Hotel, a living shrine to midcentury modern design.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing; include a light raincoat or umbrella.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

Guests must be able to walk for approximately 1 mile over flat surfaces, and negotiate up to 15 steps. The tour is not recommended for wheelchair guests or those with mobility issues. Time permitting, a brief 10-minute interval for shopping may be available during the tour. The order of sites viewed or visited may vary.

### CPH-017 WALKING TOUR OF COPENHAGEN

**Duration: 3.00 Hrs** **Tour Price: \$69.00**



**Date: September 15, 2021 01:30 PM**

Get an excellent up-close introduction to Copenhagen by walking its streets and squares with a seasoned guide leading the way. This has been Denmark's capital city since 1417 and it's got the old-world landmarks to prove it. At the same time, wonderful modern architectural must-see's are seamlessly and generously mixed in. Starting out from the pier, you'll follow the scenic harbor and pass the iconic Little Mermaid statue, inspired by H.C Anderson's fairytale of the same name and considered the symbol of Denmark. Soon the modern, elegant green-space known as Amaliengarden appears, with the Queen's Palace of Amalienborg standing regally behind it. The old sailors' quarter, Nyhavn, is easily recognized by the brightly painted gabled houses lining its quay, and the boisterous outdoor cafés and bars scene underway. Across King's New Square, discover the medieval section of Copenhagen, a warren of cobblestone streets and lovingly restored half-timbered houses. Majestic Christiansborg Castle, clad in granite and copper, has been at home on its own islet for some 800 years; today it's home to the Danish Parliament. After these and many other sights are seen, you'll be shuttled back to your ship.

- Experience the atmosphere of Copenhagen in the best way – walking its streets, encountering Copenhageners on their way from one place to another.
- Escorted by your guide, learn the stories behind many of the landmarks along this well-planned route.
- Cover must-see's like Amalienborg Palace, Nyhavn, Christiansborg Castle and the Little Mermaid.
- Investing a modest amount of shore time, walk away with a solid feel for this unique city.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing; include a light raincoat or umbrella.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour includes extensive walking, approximately 4 miles (3 hours) over both even surfaces and cobblestone streets. There will be some steps and inclines to negotiate. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests or those with mobility concerns and participants should be in good physical condition. This tour will operate in all weather conditions. One beverage per person will be served at one of the local taverns/cafes in Nyhavn at the direction of the guide.



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### CPH-GL1 OS-COPENHAGEN THROUGH THE EYES OF A LOI

Duration: 4.00 Hrs Tour Price: \$259.00



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Bicycle through the flat enchanting streets of Copenhagen, eventually stopping at a brew pub, where you will experience local life by sampling several beers and Danish cuisine. After departing from the pier, you will bicycle through the generally flat streets of Copenhagen, an excellent way to experience local life. Copenhagen was named the world's first official Bike City, and the bicycle culture is deeply ingrained. Bikes are so prevalent that there are supposedly more of them than people, so you will be in good company bicycling. You will start by following a path to the 17th-century pentagram-shaped Citadel, which still serves as a military barracks. From here, you will enjoy a panoramic view of Winston Churchill Park, one of Copenhagen's revered urban oases. Continuing on, you will pedal past brightly colored houses lining charming narrow streets and pause every so often for photos. For an even closer look into daily life, you will stop in a popular microbrewery located in a 17th-century building. The brew pub is a wonderful setting to absorb the local ambiance as if you were a resident. You will be served a selection of several beers to sample, along with Smørrebrød. These beloved open-face sandwiches are considered a national dish and can be as simple as a slice of buttered bread or bread topped with layers of ingredients such as smoked herring, eggs and apples. Afterwards, you will visit a supermarket that sourced many of the ingredients. Please note: This tour includes approximately 2 hours of moderate Biking; there will be some inclines and cobblestone surfaces to negotiate. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and may not be suitable for those with mobility concerns who are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability. Comfortable weather appropriate clothing; sun cap; sunglasses; and flat, comfortable walking/sports shoes are recommended.



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### ❖ BERLIN (WARNEMUNDE), GERMANY

#### WAR-003 THE STREETS & CANALS OF BERLIN

**Duration: 12.50 Hrs Tour Price: \$409.00**



**Date: September 16, 2021 06:30 AM**

Settle in for a scenic drive across the German countryside to tour Berlin by coach and river cruise, with free time to add your own discoveries to the agenda. Many of the symbols in this reunited capital city still pack a powerful punch, like the monumental Brandenburg Gate, walled off with barbed wire from 1961 until East and West were reunited in 1990. Another classic Berlin icon is the Unter den Linden, the fashionable avenue of aristocratic old Berlin. Lined with stately linden trees, it stretches from the Brandenburg Gate to Alexanderplatz, once the heart of socialist East Germany. A stop at the East Side Gallery invites you to contemplate the messages embellishing a section of the actual Berlin Wall on which artists were invited to express themselves in paint. Midday brings free time to seek lunch on your own before regrouping for a cruise along the River Spree, where you'll pass must-see landmarks like the Reichstag and Charlottenburg Palace, large enough to hold several other palaces within its baroque walls. Additional free-range time for exploring Berlin at your leisure follows before the coach return to Warnemunde pier.

- Enjoy a comfortable panoramic drive through northern Germany and into its capital city.
- Survey Berlin's top landmarks by coach, including Brandenburg Gate and historic Unter den Linden.
- Encounter a section of the Berlin Wall painted by artists' expressing the power of freedom.
- Board a tour boat for a gentle cruise on the city's River Spree, bordered by signature landmarks.
- Lunch on your own and enjoy independent time for exploring as much or little as you choose.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing.
- Flat, comfortable shoes are recommended.

This tour includes approximately 3 hours of coach travel each way to Berlin. The tour includes little scheduled walking; that done during free time is at guests' discretion. There are 15 steps involved in boarding both the coach and boat. The order of sites visited may vary. An official escort will be in the coach to provide some orientation information for use during self-guided intervals. This tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible chair, are able to make their own way on and off the coach and have an able-bodied companion to assist them. Those with mobility concerns are cautioned to evaluate their personal level of ability before participating. Not all shops accept credit cards or USD; bringing along some Euros is recommended. Most shops are closed on Sundays.

#### WAR-004 BERLIN ON YOUR OWN

**Duration: 12.50 Hrs Tour Price: \$199.00**



**Date: September 16, 2021 06:30 AM**

This non-guided tour is the perfect option for independent-minded travelers who relish the adventure of exploring at their own pace and with their own agenda. You'll depart Warnemunde pier by coach with your escort, traveling through northern Germany to arrive in central Berlin in about 3 hours' time. On arrival at the drop-off location, you'll have approximately 6 hours in town to do, see and savor whatever most captures your imagination. While this is to be a self-directed day, your escort will be available for a time to equip you with a Berlin map and provide information about places you may want to visit while in the city. They will also confirm the time and place to rendezvous later for the return journey. Keep in mind that museum and attraction hours vary by day and season, and that meal or admission costs incurred during this visit are your responsibility. At the appointed time and location, you'll rejoin your coach for the transfer back to Warnemunde. Plan this step wisely: those who run late for pickup must then make their own way back to the ship, at their own expense.

- Express your independence and keen traveler instincts by creating your own day in Berlin.
- Begin with a coach transfer to a convenient spot in the city center, accompanied by your escort.
- Make use of your escort's local knowledge to help get your day's itinerary sorted out.
- Once oriented, head out and spend a marvelous 6 hours or so exploring this multifaceted capital city.
- Be sure to return for pickup at the pre-set time and place for the return trip to Warnemunde.
- Wear layered, weather-appropriate clothing; perhaps include a light raincoat or umbrella.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

Amount of walking and level of exertion on this independent tour are at guests' discretion. No guide services are included, only transportation to and from Berlin. An official escort will be on the coach and will provide city maps and limited information about places to visit while in town. Not all shops or restaurants accept credit cards or USD; bringing along some Euros or visiting a bank ATM on arrival is recommended. For most calls, drop off point is the Hilton Hotel Gendarmenmarkt; your Destinations Team will advise of any changes.



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### WAR-005 OS-THE BERLIN EXPERIENCE

**Duration: 12.50 Hrs Tour Price: \$409.00**



**Date: September 16, 2021 06:30 AM**

Enjoy an exceptionally scenic drive to Berlin, where you'll be introduced to top landmarks as you survey the city by coach. Many symbols in this reunited capital still pack a powerful punch, like the monumental Brandenburg Gate, walled off with barbed wire from 1961 until the divided city was reunified in 1990. Another must-see is the Unter den Linden; a fashionable, tree-lined avenue of aristocratic old Berlin that stretches from Brandenburg Gate to Alexanderplatz in what was once the heart of socialist East Germany. At the East Side Gallery, you'll contemplate a section of the actual Berlin Wall embellished with messages painted by artists, both famous and obscure. Encounter other sights that serve as poignant reminders of Berlin's earlier divided-city years as you visit Checkpoint Charlie – the infamous Cold War crossing point featured in so many spy stories – and feel the postwar era come alive at the Allied Museum and Tempelhof Airlift Memorial in the old American Sector. Midday brings free time for lunch on your own before traveling to more attractions like the Reichstag and new Memorial for the Victims of War and Dictatorship. Some more free time for shopping precedes the coach return to Warnemunde.

- Enjoy a comfortable panoramic drive through northern Germany and into its capital city.
- Encounter classic Berlin landmarks like the Brandenburg Gate, Reichstag and Unter den Linden.
- See a section of the old Berlin Wall embellished by artists expressing the power of freedom.
- Stop at iconic Cold War sites including Checkpoint Charlie and the Allied Museum.
- Savor free intervals for lunch and for shopping on your own in this exciting, cosmopolitan city.
- Wear layered, weather-appropriate clothing.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour includes approximately 3 hours of coach travel each way to Berlin. Some easy-to-moderate walking is involved at the stops, plus any done at guests' discretion during free time. There are steps involved in boarding the coach. The order of sites visited may vary. An official escort will be in the coach to provide orientation information for use during self-guided intervals. While not recommended, this tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible chair, are able to make their own way on and off the coach and have an able-bodied companion to assist them. Those with mobility concerns are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of ability before participating. Credit cards or USD are not always accepted; bringing along some Euros is recommended.

### WAR-005OE OE - THE BERLIN EXPERIENCE

**Duration: 12.50 Hrs Tour Price: \$669.00**



**Date: September 16, 2021 06:30 AM**

Designed for travelers who prefer an added measure of intimacy and flexibility, our new Oceania Exclusive tours limit group size to just 16 guests maximum. The Oceania Exclusive format is available on specially selected shore excursions in nearly every port we visit, around the world. Enjoy an exceptionally scenic drive to Berlin, where you'll be introduced to top landmarks as you survey the city by coach. Many symbols in this reunited capital still pack a powerful punch, like the monumental Brandenburg Gate, walled off with barbed wire from 1961 until the divided city was reunified in 1990. Another must-see is the Unter den Linden; a fashionable, tree-lined avenue of aristocratic old Berlin that stretches from Brandenburg Gate to Alexanderplatz in what was once the heart of socialist East Germany. At the East Side Gallery, you'll contemplate a section of the actual Berlin Wall embellished with messages painted by artists, both famous and obscure. Encounter other sights that serve as poignant reminders of Berlin's earlier divided-city years as you visit Checkpoint Charlie – the infamous Cold War crossing point featured in so many spy stories – and feel the postwar era come alive at the Allied Museum and Tempelhof Airlift Memorial in the old American Sector. Midday brings free time for lunch on your own before traveling to more attractions like the Reichstag and new Memorial for the Victims of War and Dictatorship. Some more free time for shopping precedes the coach return to Warnemunde.

- Relax on a comfortable panoramic drive through northern Germany and into its capital city.
- Encounter classic Berlin landmarks like the Brandenburg Gate, Reichstag and Unter den Linden.
- See a section of the old Berlin Wall embellished by artists expressing the power of freedom, and visit iconic Cold War sites including Checkpoint Charlie and the Allied Museum.
- Savor free time for lunch and for shopping on your own in this exciting, cosmopolitan city.
- Enjoy a higher level of personal attention and flexibility on this Oceania Exclusive small group tour.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour includes approximately 3 hours of coach travel each way to Berlin. Some easy-to-moderate walking is involved at the stops, plus any done at guests' discretion during free time. There are steps involved in boarding the coach. The order of sites visited may vary. An official escort will be in the coach to provide orientation information for use during self-guided intervals. While not recommended, this tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible chair, are able to make their own way on and off the coach and have an able-bodied companion to assist them. Those with mobility concerns are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of ability before participating. Credit cards or USD are not always accepted; bringing along some Euros is recommended.



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### WAR-006 ECHOES OF THE PAST - JEWISH HERITAGE

**Duration:** 12.50 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$269.00



**Date:** September 16, 2021 **06:30 AM**

After a drive through the north German countryside, which is interspersed with heaths and moors, you will arrive in Berlin, with a photo stop at the Holocaust Memorial before continuing to the Jewish Museum. Inside the spectacular zinc-plated building, which architect Daniel Libeskind calls a symbol of hope, the exhibits showcase an emotional journey through 2,000 years of German-Jewish life. Following free time for lunch at the museum's in-house cafe, you will see many of Berlin's other most poignant sites. They include the historical city center around the fashionable avenue Unter den Linden, the restored Brandenburg Gate, and the Reichstag, Germany's parliament house. During the day, you will also visit the haunting Topography of Terror, an open-air photography exhibition located on the former site of Nazi Germany's Gestapo and SS headquarters. Before saying goodbye to Berlin, you'll stop for photos at Charlottenburg Palace. Please note: Travel time to/from Berlin is approximately 3-hours each way. Tour includes approximately 90-minutes of walking/standing at the venues visited. Additional walking and level of exertion during free time and photo stops are at guests' discretion. Tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible wheelchair and are able to make their own way on and off transportation. Guests must be self-sufficient or if assistance is required, they should travel with a companion who can provide this. An official escort will be in the coach to/from Berlin and you will meet your guide on arrival. It is suggested to bring Euros as not all shops accept US currency or credit cards. Most shops are closed on Sundays.

### WAR-016 THE ROYAL ROUTE - BERLIN TO POTSDAM

**Duration:** 12.50 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$309.00



**Date:** September 16, 2021 **06:30 AM**

This scenic excursion first visits Berlin, then travels the classic route of the Prussian Emperors to tour historic Potsdam. It begins with a three-hour jaunt to Berlin, much of it across pastoral heath and moorland. Once in the city, your panoramic drive includes highlights like Gendarmenmarkt square, the majestic Victory Column, the Reichstag, and famously tree-lined Unter den Linden, running between Brandenburg Gate and Lustgarten Park. To set the stage for royal splendors to come, you'll also see the city palace restoration and imposing Berlin Cathedral, where the Hohenzollern Royal Family rests. Then it's on to Potsdam – summer getaway of kings and emperors – via Royal Route No.1, the first Prussian Highway. Along the way, you'll cross the Bridge of Glienicke, famously used for exchanging spies during the Cold War. Soon, you'll find yourself squarely in history at Cecilienhof Palace, site of the 1945 Potsdam Conference where Truman, Churchill and Stalin engineered the division of postwar Germany. Following free time for lunch on your own, you'll tour another famous kingly palace, Sanssouci, nestled atop six terraced vineyards and ranked as one of Europe's premier Rococo buildings. A leisurely stroll through Potsdam's café- and shop-filled Dutch Quarter rounds out this marvelous day.

- Settle into the scenery on a leisurely drive through rural northern Germany and into Berlin.
- Take in many of Berlin's most famous sights on an orientation spin through this landmark-filled capital.
- Travel the famed Prussian Highway to Potsdam – where German royals got away from it all in summer.
- Visit Cecilienhof Palace, venue of the 1945 Potsdam Conference, and sumptuous Palace Sanssouci, with its terraced vineyards.
- Enjoy lunch on your own in Potsdam and take some time to wander the lively Dutch Quarter.
- Wear layered, weather-appropriate clothing; include a light raincoat or umbrella.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour includes approximately 3 hours of coach travel each way to Berlin/from Potsdam and includes over 1.5 hours of walking/standing on flat, as well as stone, gravel and cobbled surfaces, inclines and some steps. Additional walking and level of exertion during free time are at guests' discretion. To avoid congestion, the order of sights visited may vary. An official escort will be in the coach to/from Berlin and you will meet your guide on arrival. It is suggested to bring Euros as not all shops accept US currency or credit cards. Most shops are closed on Sundays. The Cecilienhof Palace is closed on Mondays; guests will visit the Neue Palais instead.



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### WAR-GL1 LOCAL COLORS, LOCAL FLAVORS

**Duration: 12.00 Hrs** **Tour Price: \$289.00**



**Date: September 16, 2021 06:30 AM**

Become immersed in the culture of Berlin leading up to World War II and how it has radically changed, turning Germany's capital into a progressive and eco-friendly city. After departing from the pier, you will settle in for a lengthy drive of more than three hours to Berlin, a capital city so spectacular that it makes the journey well worth the time. Your immersion into the culture will begin at the Bavarian Quarter, where you will see an art installation of signs that spell out former Nazi laws against the Jews. The signs are unsettling and dehumanizing and depict just how cruelly Jews were treated during that dark period. Continuing on, you will next see the former Tempelhof Airport, an absolutely massive structure that was built as a symbol of Nazi power. It was later used in the Berlin Airlift, a post-war Allied effort that airlifted a staggering amount of supplies to West Berlin to counter the Soviets, who had restricted ground traffic. The tour will next focus on present-day Berlin, a juxtaposition that will show just how different the city has become since the end of World War II. Following free time at a trendy market hall, where you may enjoy lunch on your own, you will visit Klunkerkranich, a rooftop garden bar that offers extraordinary views of the city. As you will be thinking green, you will next see Prinzessinnengarten, an ingenious project that has turned an urban wasteland into a green garden oasis; the transformation is amazing. Please note: Travel time to/from Berlin is approximately 3-hours each way. This tour includes approximately 2.25 hours of walking/standing on level, cobblestones, gravel and sand surfaces, with a few steps to negotiate at all sites. Tour is not available for wheel chair guests and not recommended for those with walking or mobility concerns. An official escort will be in the coach to/from Berlin and you will meet your guide on arrival. It is suggested to bring Euros as not all shops accept US currency or credit cards. As the Market Hall is closed on Sundays, the tour will instead include a visit to famous Mauerpark flea market including opportunities for having an independent lunch at self-service stands.

### WAR-011 FAIRY TALE CASTLE SCHWERIN

**Duration: 5.50 Hrs** **Tour Price: \$279.00**



**Date: September 16, 2021 08:15 AM**

You are cordially invited to join us on a scenic 90-minute coach journey to an even more scenic destination, one of Germany's most romantic castles. Castle Schwerin sits on its own island in the lake of its namesake town, the capital of Mecklenburg. You'll first see it from a relaxing lake cruise, then by guided tour as you enter this truly spectacular royal residence, topped with more decorative towers and turrets than even the most audacious French chateau. Touring this museum-like former home of the Dukes of Mecklenburg, you'll gain many insights into the life of Pomeranian royalty – and it wasn't modest. Intricate wood carvings, fine silk wallpapers and masterfully painted ancestral portraits are everywhere. While the structure dates back only to the mid-1800s, Schloss Schwerin evokes a time that is far older – and has a fantasy style that's pure Baroque-era splendor. Once your castle tour is completed, take some free time in Schwerin city center before the return to Warnemünde pier. Perhaps you'll browse for mementos of your visit or simply find an inviting place to sit back and relax while nibbling on a local specialty – accompanied by beer, of course. This is Germany, after all.

- Travel by coach across pastoral inland Mecklenburg to its famous capital city of Schwerin.
- From the waters of a placid town lake, view Castle Schwerin set romantically on its own island.
- Enjoy a guided inside tour of the castle, a fairytale residence that demonstrates just how sumptuously a royal family can live.
- Spend free time in Schwerin, browsing the shops or sampling the menu of an inviting eatery or beer garden.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour includes some 3 hours of round-trip coach travel and 1 hour of moderate walking at the castle, with approximately 60 steps to negotiate. The tour is not recommended for wheelchair guests and those with mobility concerns are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of ability before participating. Credit cards or USD are not always accepted; bringing along some Euros is recommended. Most shops are closed on Sundays.



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### WAR-001 AMAZING ROSTOCK

**Duration:** 3.50 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$149.00



**Date:** September 16, 2021 **09:00 AM**

Amble through 800 years of maritime history on a guided Rostock walk that also includes a brewery stop and free time for independent exploration. This lively harbor and university city along the Warnow River has been a power player in shipbuilding and fishing ever since the heyday of the Hanseatic League – and despite heavy damage in WWII still has the buildings to prove it. Your stroll through the city center provides encounters with ancient towers, imposing fortifications, gabled houses from the 15th century and inspiring churches and abbeys, foremost of which is Marienkirche, a true Gothic stunner. During your free time here, you might browse the shops of picturesque New Market Square in the heart of old town, or stop in at the city's signature medieval monastery, now home to a cultural history museum. And your reward for all this walking around? That visit to a Rostock brewery complex, where you'll be invited to sample fresh-brewed German beer along with its ideal accompaniment, a salty pretzel.

- Enjoy a guided Rostock walk that brings you past landmark buildings dating back to Hanseatic times.
- Spend free time exploring further or window-shopping in vibrant New Market Square.
- Visit a local brewery and sample their delicious wares. With a pretzel, of course.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour includes approximately 2 hours of moderate walking over mostly flat surfaces but with some cobblestones and steps involved. Not all shops accept credit cards or USD; bringing along some Euros is recommended. Guided visit of St. Mary's will not be possible during religious services; in this case, your guide will provide commentary from the outside and you will enter on your own. It is suggested to bring Euros as not all shops accept US currency or credit cards. All shops are closed on Sundays. As tour visits a place of worship, please wear non-revealing, conservative attire that covers knees and shoulders.

### WAR-012 MEDIEVAL FLAVORS OF ROSTOCK

**Duration:** 3.50 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$199.00



**Date:** September 16, 2021 **09:00 AM**

Discover the many Middle Age charms of Rostock on a delightful guided walk that visits key town landmarks, then takes you to a church tower high above them all. The coach transfer from Warnemunde provides views of the suburbs of this Hanseatic harbor city before arriving in Rostock city center, where you'll embark on your leisurely stroll. Among the diverse highlights encountered will be the venerable University of Rostock, the gardens of Holy Cross Convent, the vibrant shopping mile known as Kropelin Street, the old library and the evocatively playful Fountain of Joy. At picturesque New Market Square, you'll have a chance to admire Rostock's very pink Town Hall and St. Mary's Church, a true Gothic stunner. Free time in town allows for making more discoveries on your own before reboarding the coach for a short hop to St. Peter's, oldest of the town's three principal churches. Its rebuilt 360-foot tower is equipped with a modern elevator for a smooth ride up to an observation level that offers amazing bird's-eye views over all of Rostock. A champagne reception awaits you here and your excursion concludes with an interesting studio demonstration of antiquated blueprinting.

- Experience Rostock's medieval landmarks up-close on a guided walk through its historic district.
- Ascend to the top of St. Peter's Church by elevator for high-altitude views over the city.
- Enjoy a champagne reception and a visit to a blueprint studio that keeps the old techniques alive.
- Travel to and from Rostock by coach, gaining perspective on this Hanseatic port's 800-year history.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.

This tour includes approximately 2 hours of walking over mostly flat surfaces. Guests not wishing to use the elevator at St. Peter's Church may reach the top via climbing 196 steps. The tour is not recommended for wheelchair guests and those with mobility concerns are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of ability before participating. Credit cards or USD are not always accepted; bringing along some Euros is recommended. All shops are closed on Sundays. As tour visits a place of worship, please wear non-revealing, conservative attire that covers knees and shoulders.



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### WAR-013 OS - BEHIND THE IRON CURTAIN

**Duration:** 4.50 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$299.00



**Date:** September 16, 2021 **09:00 AM**

Get a candid look at weaponry and vehicles that Germany and Russia used during World War II and the Cold War, and enjoy a panoramic drive through the city of Rostock. Enjoy a picturesque drive to Putnitz, tucked away in a remote forest. Here you will visit a technology museum housed in a former air force base. The exhibitions are contained in three hangars, each one dedicated to type of Soviet and Eastern Bloc vehicles. The museum's curator will accompany you through the hangars while describing the collection. Hangar One contains military vehicles such as Panzers, which are armored tanks that Germany produced until the end of World War II. You will even have the opportunity to be a passenger in a Panzer and experience the sheer power of these heavily armed weapons. Other attractions include motorcycles, police cars, helicopters and former Russian government limousines. Browsing the vehicles and aircraft and then watching a S-IL truck demonstrate its missile-launching capabilities will provide great insight into the mindsets of wartime Germany and Cold War communist Russia. After the guided visit, you will have some free time to explore further on your own. Later, you will drive into nearby Rostock, a city known for its characteristic deep-red brick buildings from Hanseatic times. Here, enjoy an orientation drive before heading back to the port. Please note: This excursion is not available to wheelchair guests and not considered suitable for those with mobility concerns. It is recommended that guests dress in warm, layered clothing.

### WAR-008 MECKLENBURG COUNTRYSIDE & NARROW-GAUGE

**Duration:** 4.50 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$199.00



**Date:** September 16, 2021 **02:00 PM**

Take a drive into Germany's pastoral Mecklenburg district and ride the narrow-gauge rails to a classic seaside resort once favored by Dukes, Kaisers and Tsars. This road and rail voyage brings you through some of the country's most sparsely populated terrain, a delightful marshland dotted with traditional villages and what seem to be thousands of pristine lakes. In the town of Bad Doberan, tucked between ancient beech forests and the Baltic Sea, you'll encounter several medieval treasures including a 700-year-old Cistercian abbey considered one of the Baltic region's finest Brick Gothic buildings. Stepping off the coach at the Molli train station, you'll climb aboard a historic narrow-gauge steam train for a true ride back in time. Your destination is Heiligendamm, Germany's oldest seaside resort, founded in 1793 as the summer residence of the local royalty. It feels royal still, with its line of sprawling white shorefront hotels and mansions. After a time, you'll head for refreshments and homemade German cake at a restaurant along the central beach promenade in Kühlungsborn – another spa town just up the coast, with its own grand buildings and even grander stories.

- Travel into the Mecklenburg countryside – a place of beech forests, marshes, lakes and the sea.
- Pass scenic villages en route to Bad Doberan, home to a very famous medieval abbey.
- Board the Molli train for an unforgettable narrow gauge, steam-powered voyage to the coast.
- Step off in the seaside resort town of Heiligendamm, long the playground of the privileged.
- Enjoy cake and refreshments along the promenade in neighboring seaside Kühlungsborn.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour includes a small amount of moderate walking, with high steps involved in boarding the coach and train. The order of sites visited may vary. Credit cards or USD are not always accepted; bringing along some Euros is recommended. Most shops are closed on Sundays.



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### WAR-017 PANORAMIC ROSTOCK & RIVER CRUISE

**Duration:** 4.00 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$159.00



**Date:** September 16, 2021 **02:00 PM**

Travel by coach to Rostock for a panoramic drive, a guided walk through town, a microbrewery visit and a relaxing river cruise back to Warnemunde. Your rolling journey through Rostock brings you past top sights including University Square, where students have gathered for centuries. But soon, you'll leave the coach behind and stroll into the heart of this ancient Hanseatic city. A refreshing walk through the gardens of Holy Cross Convent leads to sprawling New Market square and its impressively pink, baroque town hall. Soon you'll reach St. Mary's Church, the icon of Rostock. An inside visit reveals one very engaging reason why it's so renowned: a complex and decorative astrological clock that dates from the 1470s and doesn't miss a beat. Twice each day, a procession of apostles emerges from doors high atop the clock to parade around Jesus in celebration of the hour. Having worked up something of a thirst on your trek through town, the stop at a local microbrewery will be a welcome one. Enjoy a beer-tasting and light snack before making for the local dock, where a river boat will be waiting to convey you back to Warnemunde via the scenic, watery route.

- Travel to Rostock by coach and enjoy a panoramic survey of key sights including University Square.
- Take to the city-center streets on foot for a guided walk with stops at several important landmarks.
- Visit St. Mary's Church, a medieval stunner adored for the astrological clock that towers above its altar.
- Stop in at a Rostock microbrewery and sample their liquid wares accompanied by a light snack.
- Board a cruise boat at the nearby dock and enjoy a relaxing return to Warnemunde by river.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing; include rain jacket or umbrella.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour includes approximately 2 hours of walking/standing, some over cobblestones and with steps involved at the brewery. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and those with mobility concerns are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of stamina before participating. Guests must be 21 years of age to take part in the beer tasting. As tour visits places of worship, please wear non-revealing, conservative attire that covers knees and shoulders. It is suggested to bring Euros as not all shops accept US currency or credit cards. All shops are closed on Sundays.



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### ❖ MALMO, SWEDEN

#### MLM-001 PANORAMIC MALMO

**Duration: 3.00 Hrs**   **Tour Price: \$49.00**



**Date: September 17, 2021 09:00 AM, 01:00 PM**

Take in spectacular old and new sights alike as you tour Malmö by coach and take a walk in famous cobbled Lilla Torg. This city is a treasure-trove of both medieval landmarks and contemporary architecture that pushes the edge of design. Some highlights seen in Malmö range from the ultramodern City Library to Malmöhus Castle – a Renaissance-era fortress that's been a royal party palace, a prison, and is now a museum. St. Peter's Church is an early Brick Gothic stunner, while sprawling Pildamsparken is a serene green corridor created for the 1914 Baltic Expo. Crane your neck to take in the graceful 90-degree twist of the Turning Torso apartment tower, tallest skyscraper in Sweden, and take some time on foot in Lilla Torg square to drink in the lovely cobblestone ambiance of its 16th-century buildings full of vibrant shops and cafes. This multifaceted city is nothing if not scenic.

- Settle back and enjoy a well-curated tour of Malmö highlights via panoramic coach.
- View must-see medieval landmarks like Malmöhus Castle and St. Peter's Church.
- See modern icons like the Turning Torso and glass-walled Malmö City Library.
- Enjoy a leisurely walk in Lilla Torg, a colorful square lined with burgher's houses and bustling cafes.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour includes about an hour of moderate walking, including along cobblestone streets and with some steps involved. The tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible chair, are able to make their own way on and off the coach and have an able-bodied companion to assist them. Those with mobility concerns are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of stamina before participating. Guests should bring local currency (Swedish Krona) or use credit cards for any purchases while in Sweden.

#### MLM-003 BEST OF COPENHAGEN

**Duration: 6.00 Hrs**   **Tour Price: \$149.00**



**Date: September 17, 2021 09:30 AM**

Drive over the Oresund Strait to Denmark to experience the big-city fairytale charm of Copenhagen and its most famous landmarks. You'll travel by coach across the sleek, culture-crossing Oresund Bridge and head straight for a tour of one of Copenhagen's most emblematic and opulent attractions: Rosenborg Castle. This former summer retreat for Denmark's royal family now houses a museum that traces the history of the monarchy and carefully shows off its greatest treasures, the Danish crown jewels. Later on, spend a delightful hour of free time strolling historic Tivoli Gardens, a gorgeous park where a vast range of dining venues offer tempting lunch options, no matter what your taste in cuisine. Afterwards, rejoining your coach and guide, you'll make for Amalienborg Palace and a guided walk of the palace grounds. A showplace of 17th-century Danish Rococo architecture, this four-palace complex remains the queen's primary residence, safeguarded by bearskin-capped Royal Guards. But wait: no Copenhagen visit can be called complete without a photo stop at the iconic Little Mermaid statue. Sculpted over a century ago as the embodiment of Hans Christian Andersen's 1837 fairytale character, she remains the city's must-see symbol. She may not be royal, but she reigns.

- Cross from Sweden to Denmark and back via the country-hopping Oresund Bridge.
- Be introduced to many of Copenhagen's most famous landmarks – royal and otherwise.
- Tour Rosenborg Palace and be dazzled by the Danish crown jewels and royal regalia.
- Visit renowned Tivoli Gardens park with an hour of free time to stroll and lunch on your own.
- Enjoy a guided walk in Amalienborg Palace gardens and a photo opp with the Little Mermaid.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing; include a light jacket and umbrella.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour includes some 2 hours of moderate walking plus any additional walking done at guests' discretion during Tivoli Gardens free time. There are cobblestone surfaces and narrow, winding staircases to negotiate. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests or those with walking difficulties. Participants must bring along their passports on this boundary-crossing tour. Depending on time of year, if Tivoli Gardens is closed, Carlsberg Brewery will be visited instead. Guests should bring local currency (Swedish Krona) or use credit cards for any purchases while in Sweden.



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### MLM-002 MALMO AND TROLLENAS CASTLE

**Duration: 6.00 Hrs    Tour Price: \$149.00**



**Date: September 17, 2021    10:00 AM**

Admire the architectural icons in and around Malmö on this panoramic tour that includes a visit to a private castle and free-range time in Lilla Torg Square. Trollenas Castle sits in a state of red-brick dignity on parkland north of the city and has been owned by just two families since the 14th century. You'll enjoy a meandering tour of its spectacular interior. Later on the agenda, Lund Cathedral is just as remarkable though less plush. This formidable Romanesque landmark sports twin towers and an intricate clock that has been tracking the minutes, days and celestial bodies continuously since 1424. Back in Malmö proper, top sights range from the ultramodern City Library to Malmöhus Castle, a Renaissance-era fortress that's been a royal party palace, a prison, and is now a museum. St. Peter's Church is an impressive Brick Gothic stunner, while you'll have to crane your neck to take in the 90-degree twist of the Turning Torso, Sweden's tallest skyscraper. Midway through the tour, you'll take to the cobbled streets on foot for a guided walk to see City Hall and visit café-lined Lilla Torg Square, the perfect spot to graze for lunch on your own and perhaps some shopping.

- Tour splendid Trollenas Castle, maintained by just two private families over for the last 7 centuries.
- Be introduced to a long list of top Malmö and Lund architectural highlights via panoramic coach.
- View must-see medieval landmarks like Lund Cathedral, Malmöhus Castle and St. Peter's Church.
- See modern icons like the Turning Torso and glass-walled Malmö City Library.
- Enjoy a walking tour in Lilla Torg Square, with time to shop and lunch on your own in its terraced cafés.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour includes approximately 2 hours of moderate walking, including along cobblestone streets and with some steps involved. The tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible chair, are able to make their own way on and off the coach and have an able-bodied companion to assist them. Those with mobility concerns are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of stamina before participating. Guests should bring local currency (Swedish Krona) or use credit cards for any purchases while in Sweden.



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## OPTIONAL SHORE EXCURSIONS

### ❖ OSLO, NORWAY

#### OSL-001 PANORAMIC OSLO

**Duration: 3.00 Hrs    Tour Price: \$119.00**



**Date: September 18, 2021 10:30 AM, 02:30 PM**

Take a seat and enjoy a thorough overview of Oslo on this relaxed coach tour that introduces you to the Norwegian capital's most notable sites. Chief among them is Akershus, the city's signature fortress built in 1299 but updated considerably since then. Pass the Akershus Fortress which dates back to the 13th century, the famous Oslo Opera House and the brand-new Munch Museum, currently under construction. You get a glimpse of the so-called Barcode-area, the latest addition of office buildings, as well as the new library and many apartment houses in the area of Bjørvika. Passing through the inner-city tunnel you will further on see the Royal Palace, built in the first half of the last century and the residence of the Royal Family. Drive by Vigeland Sculpture Park before beginning the climb up Holmenkollen Hill, sight of the former world-famous ski jumping arena. On clear days the view over the town and the Oslofjord is simply amazing. Leaving Holmenkollen you will pass through residential areas back to the fjord and to the peninsula of Bygdøy, home of many well-known museums. After a photo stop along the fjord, your tour will conclude with a scenic drive up the Hill of Ekeberg for a fantastic view of the harbor, the fjord with its many islands and a large part of the town that stretches out in the valley below you. A scenic drive along the shoreline brings you back to the pier.

- Sightsee the length, breadth and heights of Oslo by comfortable panoramic coach.
- See the city's most iconic avenues, buildings, parks, palaces – even its Olympic-grade hilltop ski jump.
- Leave the tour with a clear feel for this sprawling capital's character and sustainable approach to city living.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing; include a light windbreaker or jacket.
- Flat, comfortable shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour is panoramic in nature with limited optional walking at any stops made. The tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible chair, are able to make their own way on and off the coach and have an able-bodied companion to assist them. Those with mobility concerns are cautioned only to participate to the extent of their personal stamina and ability. The order of sites viewed or visited may vary.

#### OSL-013 HADELAND GLASS WORKS & VIKING SHIPS

**Duration: 7.00 Hrs    Tour Price: \$269.00**



**Date: September 18, 2021 10:30 AM**

Gain perspective on Norway's artistry, history and scenery on a single tour that combines visits to a glassblowing factory and a museum of Viking ships with lofty Oslo views from atop Holmenkollen hill. It all starts with a drive through central Oslo, passing landmark sights like City Hall, the National Theater and the Royal Palace. Once out on the scenic Bygdøy peninsula, you'll drop in at the Viking Ships Museum, where remarkably well-preserved longships unearthed after 1,100 years buried in peat are on display. The condition and craftsmanship of these ancient vessels is something incredible to see. Something else incredible is the transformation you'll have the opportunity to watch as expert glassblowers at the Hadeland Glassworks demonstrate their skill at turning lumps of glowing, molten glass into graceful finished shapes. Founded in 1762, Hadeland is the oldest industrial company still operating in Norway – and their in-house museum showcases carefully selected pieces that represent their most impressive work from over the last 250 years. After enjoying lunch served in their restaurant, be sure to browse their tempting gift shops. Back in Oslo, a trip up to the Holmenkollen hill viewpoint delivers unbeatable views down over the city and its fjord.

- Visit the Viking Ships Museum, where ancient, intact longboats showcase the Vikings' daring initiative and shipbuilding skills.
- Tour Norway's oldest industrial company, a glassmaker that's been perfecting its craft since 1762.
- Watch skilled glassblowers transform molten glass into beautiful finished works.
- Enjoy lunch served at the glassworks' in-house restaurant and browse its museum and gift shops.
- Catch huge Oslo views from a hilltop viewpoint and see iconic city landmarks from the comfort of your coach seat.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing; include a light raincoat or umbrella.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.

This tour includes over 2-hours of walking/standing. Additional walking during free time is at guests' discretion. Tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible wheelchair and are able to make their own way on and off transportation. Guests must be self-sufficient or if assistance is required, they should travel with a companion who can provide this. This tour involves driving through several tunnels.



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## OPTIONAL SHORE EXCURSIONS

### OSL-015 OSLO BY LAND & SEA

**Duration: 3.50 Hrs** **Tour Price: \$129.00**



**Date: September 18, 2021 10:30 AM, 11:00 AM**

Explore Norway's enchanting capital city from two contrasting transport modes – motorcoach and sailboat – and discover they're both the best way to see it. You'll start out on a panoramic spin through the cosmopolitan city center, taking in stunning landmarks like the marble-and-glass Oslo Opera House and winding through the Bjørvika neighborhood. For spectacular views of Oslo and its surrounding fjord, nothing beats a trip up to the ski jump venue atop Holmenkollen Hill. The site's been in use for over 100 years, but the new world-class steel tower was built in 2010 for international ski jumping competitions. Once you've filled your camera with postcard-perfect photos from up here, you'll head to a quay on the Bygdøy Peninsula. There you'll take a deck seat aboard a historic motor sailboat for some thrilling waterborne sightseeing. Cruising through the Oslofjord, you'll have scenic encounters with the ruins of an island monastery built by English monks in the 12th century and tidy Dyna lighthouse, clad in crisp white clapboard and perched on a reef in the fjord. Before arriving back at the cruise pier, you'll pass several beaches, the twin brick towers of City Hall, and Oslo's signature medieval landmark, Akershus Castle.

- Travel through central Oslo by panoramic coach, pausing for photos and awe at key landmarks like the Oslo Opera House and Holmenkollen Ski Jump.
- Take to the waters of Oslo's beautiful fjord aboard an open-deck motor sailor for a whole other perspective on the city.
- Glide past evocative sights like the ancient monastery ruins on Hovedøya island, charming wooden Dyna lighthouse, and Akershus Castle – stronghold of Norway's rulers for centuries.
- Wear layered, weather-appropriate clothing.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour involves limited walking, mainly at guests' discretion during the stops. The tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible chair, are able to make their own way on and off the coach and touring vessel, and have an able-bodied companion to assist them. Those with mobility concerns should carefully evaluate their personal level of stamina before participating. Tour sequence may vary.

### OSL-001OE OCEANIA EXCLUSIVE - PANORAMIC OSLO

**Duration: 3.00 Hrs** **Tour Price: \$269.00**



**Date: September 18, 2021 11:00 AM, 03:00 PM**

Designed for travelers who prefer an added measure of intimacy and flexibility, our new Oceania Exclusive tours limit group size to just 16 guests maximum. The Oceania Exclusive format is available on specially selected shore excursions in nearly every port we visit, around the world. Take a seat and enjoy a thorough overview of Oslo on this relaxed coach tour that introduces you to the Norwegian capital's most notable sites. Chief among them is Akershus, the city's signature fortress built in 1299 but updated considerably since then. Pass the Akershus Fortress which dates back to the 13th century, the famous Oslo Opera House and the brand-new Munch Museum, currently under construction. You get a glimpse of the so-called Barcode-area, the latest addition of office buildings, as well as the new library and many apartment houses in the area of Bjørvika. Passing through the inner-city tunnel you will further on see the Royal Palace, built in the first half of the last century and the residence of the Royal Family. Drive by Vigeland Sculpture Park before beginning the climb up Holmenkollen Hill, sight of the former world-famous ski jumping arena. On clear days the view over the town and the Oslofjord is simply amazing. Leaving Holmenkollen you will pass through residential areas back to the fjord and to the peninsula of Bygdøy, home of many well-known museums. After a photo stop along the fjord, your tour will conclude with a scenic drive up the Hill of Ekeberg for a fantastic view of the harbor, the fjord with its many islands and a large part of the town that stretches out in the valley below you. A scenic drive along the shoreline brings you back to the pier.

- Sightsee the length, breadth and heights of Oslo by comfortable panoramic coach.
- See the city's most iconic avenues, buildings, parks, palaces – even its Olympic-grade hilltop ski jump.
- Leave the tour with a clear feel for this sprawling capital's character and sustainable approach to city living.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing; include a light windbreaker or jacket.
- Flat, comfortable shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat and sunglasses as needed.
- Enjoy a higher level of personal attention and flexibility on this Oceania Exclusive small group tour.

This tour is panoramic in nature with limited optional walking at any stops made. The tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible chair, are able to make their own way on and off the coach and have an able-bodied companion to assist them. Those with mobility concerns are cautioned only to participate to the extent of their personal stamina and ability. The order of sites viewed or visited may vary.



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## OPTIONAL SHORE EXCURSIONS

### OSL-005 HIGHLIGHTS & VIGELAND SCULPTURE PARK

**Duration: 4.00 Hrs**   **Tour Price: \$169.00**



**Date: September 18, 2021 01:00 PM**

A panoramic drive around the inner center of Oslo takes you past the Akershus Fortress which dates back to the 13th century, the famous Oslo Opera House and the brand-new Munch Museum, currently under construction. You get a glimpse of the so-called Barcode-area, the latest addition of office buildings, as well as the new library and many apartment houses in the area of Bjørvika. Passing through the inner-city tunnel you will further on see the Royal Palace, built in the first half of the last century and the residence of the Royal Family. Arriving at the Vigeland Sculpture Park, you can see many of the 200 sculptures that are arranged over the Park's 80 acres, all created by Gustav Vigeland. Making the sculptures even more interesting is that the artist never explained his works, leaving the interpretation to each beholder. Leaving Vigeland you will drive to the Holmenkollen Ski Jump for great views of Oslo. After a photo stop, you return through residential areas back to town where a short walk takes you to the City Hall. Enjoy a guided tour of this iconic building, well-known for the Nobel peace-prize ceremony every year in December.

- Be introduced to many of Oslo's signature sights on a panoramic highlights drive.
- See the city's busiest boulevards, oldest fortress, grandest palace, tallest building and more.
- Take a relaxed walk through famous Vigeland Sculpture Park, filled with the dramatic – and enigmatic – works of a single, prolific Norwegian artist.
- Visit City Hall, where the Nobel Peace Prize is awarded annually and the murals are, well, enormous.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing; include a light windbreaker or jacket.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour includes approximately 1.5 hours of walking and standing. It is available to wheelchair guests who utilize a collapsible chair, are able to make their own way on and off the coach and have a companion to assist them. Those with mobility concerns are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of ability before participating. The order of sites viewed or visited may vary. On occasions when City Hall is closed to visitors, free time near the harbor will be substituted. Venues in the area include the Nobel Peace Center, the Astrup Fearnley Art Museum and the shops at Aker Brygge mall.

### OSL-007 NOBEL PEACE CENTER & WALKING TOUR

**Duration: 3.00 Hrs**   **Tour Price: \$129.00**



**Date: September 18, 2021 01:00 PM**

This guided walk will give you a close-up taste of Norway's capital city landmarks and bring you inside one of world's most universally significant venues. Begin with a walk along the harbor front. While walking the scenic route to and from this tour's primary destination, you'll encounter landmark sights like the National Theater and the 173-room, buttercup-yellow Royal Palace set regally atop a hill, surrounded by lush parkland. You'll pass the University of Oslo along the nightlife-friendly main street known as Karl Johans gate, and the Ibsen Museum along aptly-named Henrik Ibsen's gate. After a time, you'll arrive at the Nobel Peace Center for an inspiring inside visit. Opened in 2005, the Peace Center's mission is in perfect accord with the spirit of Alfred Nobel's legacy: to shed light on small as well as large-scale conflicts. Permanent and changing exhibits explore the world-improving work accomplished by Nobel laureates and the story behind the prize. You will also walk through the Akershus fortress dating back to the 13th century and from where you have great views of the Oslo harbor and fjord.

- Set out into Oslo on foot with your guide; it's an ideal way to get to know this vibrant city.
- Pause to admire landmarks like the Royal Palace, National Theater and Ibsen Museum.
- Tour inside the Nobel Peace Center and be profoundly inspired by the exhibits and history on display.
- Walk through Oslo's signature Akershus Fortress, once a medieval castle and royal residence.
- Wear layered, weather-appropriate clothing; include a light raincoat or umbrella.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour includes approximately 3 hours of moderate walking and is not available to wheelchair guests or those with mobility concerns.



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### OSL-008 HADELAND GLASS WORKS

**Duration: 4.50 Hrs** **Tour Price: \$169.00**



**Date: September 18, 2021 01:00 PM**

Enjoy a scenic fjord-side drive across rural Norway to visit a venue where fine glass and crystal objects have been produced by hand since 1762. The coach journey to the town of Jevnaker skirts the shoreline of a lake dotted with tiny islands and is itself a thing of beauty. But the day's most impressive beauty will be revealed during your Hadeland tour, when you'll have the opportunity to watch expert glassblowers demonstrate their skill at transforming glowing, molten glass into beautiful shapes. They've had plenty of practice: this "factory" is the oldest industrial company still operating in Norway. A glass museum here showcases carefully selected pieces that represent the best of Hadeland's designs from over the last 250 years, and other exhibits trace the evolution of Norwegian glassmaking from its earliest days. You'll learn about how glass is made, formed and finished – and gain insights on this common but essential material's deep connections to the culture. Altogether, you'll spend about 90 minutes at the glassworks "village," a picturesque complex on the banks of yet another lovely lake, then head back to Oslo and your waiting ship.

- Settle back in a comfortable coach seat for a 90-minute spin along a fjord and into rural Norway.
- Tour the oldest industrial company in Norway, a glassmaking "factory" that's been perfecting its craft since 1762.
- Watch skilled glassblowers transform blobs of molten glass into graceful finished pieces.
- Learn about how glass is made, formed and finished – whether for everyday uses or as fine art.
- Browse the extensive collection at Hadeland's in-house museum of glass history and artistry.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing; include a windbreaker or light jacket.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.

This tour includes approximately 90-minutes of walking and standing. Tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible wheelchair and are able to make their own way on and off transportation. Guests must be self-sufficient or if assistance is required, they should travel with a companion who can provide this. This tour involves driving through several tunnels.

### OSL-016 HIKE ALONG THE AKERSELVA RIVER

**Duration: 4.00 Hrs** **Tour Price: \$89.00**



**Date: September 18, 2021 01:30 PM**

Travel by Oslo Metro to the northern reaches of town, then enjoy a relaxed hike down the shaded banks of the Akerseiva River and through scenic urban parklands. It's a slightly downhill trek of just over four miles, beginning up in the Nydalen neighborhood along walking paths that trace this historic river as it runs from Lake Maridalsvannet, pristine source of the city's drinking water, to the Oslofjord. Rambling at a very comfortable pace, you're bound to spot other walkers, bicyclists and anglers; the river is quite popular among Oslo's locals. Many of them live, work and play along the Akerseiva – in loft-style apartments, modern offices and trendy shops that occupy converted industrial buildings that once hummed with activity along these banks in the 19th and 20th century. During the walk, you'll pass several historical textile mills, spillways and statues honoring those who labored at these former factories. Breathe in the fresh, clean air and drink in the wonderful scenery as you meander through leafy woodlands and green spaces that happen to pass through the very center of Oslo. By the walk's end, you'll be right back where you began – at the cruise pier.

- Walk with your guide to a "T-bane" metro station for the ride up to Nydalen in Oslo's northern outskirts.
- Pick up a riverside trail that winds gently downhill, tracing the picturesque banks of the Akerseiva.
- Hike about 4 miles in as many hours, moving at a relaxed pace through woodlands and parks beloved by Oslo's locals.
- Pass by historic mills and converted industrial buildings that today house lofts, offices and shops.
- Be on the lookout for white-throated dippers, Norway's national bird.
- Wear layered, weather-appropriate clothing; include a water/windproof jacket.
- Flat, comfortable walking or hiking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour includes approximately 3.5 hours of moderate walking over a distance of nearly 4.5 miles. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests or those with mobility concerns. Participants should be in good physical condition.



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## OPTIONAL SHORE EXCURSIONS

### OSL-002 OSLO'S MARITIME HIGHLIGHTS

**Duration:** 3.50 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$199.00



**Date:** September 18, 2021 **02:00 PM**

Begin with a drive around the inner center of Oslo. You will pass the Akershus Fortress which dates back to the 13th century, the famous Oslo Opera House and the brand-new Munch Museum, currently under construction. Get a glimpse of the so-called Barcode-area, the latest addition of office buildings, as well as the new library and many apartment houses in the area of Bjørvika. Passing through the inner-city tunnel you will further on see the Royal Palace, built in the first half of the last century and the residence of the Royal Family. Next, it's on to the Bydøy peninsula. Once the King's private property, today it is partially designated as a museum area. Stop to visit the famous Viking Ships Museum. The ships on display here are very well-preserved and serve as an excellent example of the Viking period's daring initiative and ship building craftsmanship. There is also a collection of household implements found during the excavations of the ships. Continue on to the Kon Tiki Museum, housing the original balsa raft used by Thor Heyerdahl and his five companions. In 1947, their voyage took them from Peru to Polynesia, crossing 1,864 miles of ocean. You will also find the papyrus-boat RA II with which Thor Heyerdahl used to successfully cross the Atlantic Ocean in 1970. A good selection of documentary material is also on display. You will also pay a visit to the Fram Museum. The Fram was built by Colin Archer in 1892 to explore the Polar Regions. It was used in expeditions of the Arctic and Antarctic regions by the Norwegian explorers, including Roald Amundsen during his expedition of 1910-11. From Bygdøy you will drive along the harbor with its many pleasure boats and have a glimpse of the charming Oscarshall Castle, the summer residence of the Swedish/Norwegian King Oscar I.

- Travel by coach to Bygdøy, passing Oslo sights like the National Theater, the Royal Palace and attractive residential neighborhoods.
- Explore the Viking Ships Museum and its ancient, intact longboats that showcase the Vikings' daring initiative and shipbuilding skills.
- Visit the Kon Tiki Museum and see the famous vessels Thor Heyerdahl used to prove that ancient, simple cultures could cross vast oceans – and survive.
- Tour the Fram Museum and see the majestic wooden ship of the same name, used by Roald Amundsen's for his 1911 conquest of the South Pole.
- Return via the harbor road and see Oscarshall, King Oscar I's romantic 19th-century summer castle.
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing; include a light windbreaker or jacket.
- Flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
- Bring a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen as needed.

This tour includes approximately 2.5 hours of walking, with a considerable number of steps involved. Although all museums are wheel chair accessible, The Fram ship is not, and its visit requires managing several stairs. Tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible wheelchair and are able to make their own way on and off transportation. Guests must be self-sufficient or if assistance is required, they should travel with a companion who can provide this.

### OSL-014 A COLD WELCOME DRINK AT THE ICE BAR

**Duration:** 1.50 Hrs **Tour Price:** \$119.00



**Date:** September 18, 2021 **02:00 PM, 04:00 PM, 06:00 PM**

Take a spin out into Oslo's famously cool night scene to visit a bar where everything is made from solid blocks of ice, including the walls, furniture – even the glass you'll drink from. To keep things frozen, this place is kept very, very cold – but the Arctic-grade gear provided when you enter will keep you warm and comfy as you sip your pre-dinner cocktail at the ice bar. All around you, carved ice sculptures and artistic illumination create a bar environment like no other. Even in this town long-known for its playfulness, this is an incredibly fun – and, at the same time, sophisticated – experience. By the way, "Skål" is the most common toast phrase in Norway. And if your teeth chatter as you're saying it, all the better.

- Ride into the Oslo evening by coach, taking in the bustling activity and landmark sights along Carl Johan Street.
- Step off and enter a unique bar where everything is made from ice – from the walls to your seat to the decorations.
- Suit up for comfort in the warm polar-region gear provided and step into a seriously cool world.
- Enjoy an expertly made pre-dinner cocktail at an all-ice bar counter, served in an all-ice glass. No additional ice usually required.
- Wear snazzy, weather-appropriate clothing for the Oslo night.
- Flat, comfortable footwear is recommended.
- Don't bother with sunglasses and sunscreen on this tour.

Tour involves approximately 1-hour of walking/standing and a few steps. This tour is not available for wheel chair guests and not recommended for those with walking or mobility concerns.



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### What is Included?

#### Transportation:

Licensed and insured late-model coaches, mini-vans and/or automobiles, watercraft and other modes of transportation are utilized.

#### Meals and Refreshments:

Meals and/or refreshments are included only when indicated in the tour description.

#### Guides:

Licensed, English-speaking local guides accompany all tours.

#### Entrance Fees:

Tours include all required admission fees where applicable.

### What Should I Wear?

When taking a shore excursion, comfortable walking shoes, loose comfortable clothing, sunglasses, a hat and sunscreen are suggested. You may consider bringing an umbrella, raincoat, sweater or jacket. And don't forget your camera!

### Cancellations and Refunds:

- Tours operate rain or shine.
- Tours require minimum participation levels to operate so please sign up as early as possible. Tours may be cancelled if minimum participation levels are not met.
- In order to ensure quality guides and sufficient transportation, we must provide the tour operator with passenger counts at least 36 hours in advance.
- Unlimited Passport Collection and Your World Collection packages are fully refundable prior to embarkation of your cruise. Unlimited Passport Collection and Your World Collection packages that are cancelled after embarkation will incur a 100% cancellation fee.
- A la carte tours are fully refundable until 36 hours in advance of the tour. A la carte tours cancelled less than 36 hours in advance of the tour will incur a 100% cancellation fee.
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- No refunds or credits will be given for individual Your World Collection tours not taken, unless the tours are cancelled by Oceania Cruises.

### Prices, Itineraries and General Information:

- All pre-reserved shore excursions will receive priority confirmation over those booked onboard.
- The discount of up to 25% off a la carte excursion prices that is offered with the Your World Collection is subject to a minimum number of excursions that must be purchased. This minimum is based on the number of port days on your cruise.
- Shore excursion prices are subject to change to meet unexpected cost increases or currency fluctuations. Once excursions have been purchased, pricing is guaranteed and not subject to change.
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