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These programs are not vacations. Every hour must be accounted for and involve meaningful interactions with Cuban people. Further restrictions pertaining to the Cuban Assets Control Regulations apply.

Participants attend a full daily schedule of activities that include lectures, roundtable discussions and break-out sessions, private performances, artistic demonstrations and interpretations, and informal conversations, all delivered by local Cubans. Speakers and guests include professors and students from the University of Havana, docents from museums, artisans and craftsmen of various trades, musicians and dancers, and local residents. They will help you gain a better understanding of the history, economics, education, health care, politics, art, architecture, and culture of Cuba.

These HAA trips to Cuba are offered only to Harvard alumni and not to the general public.

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This trip has it all for your family—amazing wildlife, extraordinary cultures, and activities for all ages, including community service exchange. Search the trees for leopards during frequent game drives led by experienced guides. Enjoy a variety of accommodations that allow young travelers to explore, play games, and let off steam outdoors. Your children will even have their own Tanzania pen pals, whom they will meet on safari. Whether it’s learning Swahili or sharing stories with newfound friends, there is something for all ages.

**Study Leader:** **Karen Kramer** is a professor of human evolutionary biology with particular interests in cooperation, parenting, and childhood. She has conducted field research for the past 20 years with the Yucatec Maya and with the Pumé, a group of South American hunter-gatherers. She also collaborates with conservation biologists and primatologists in Madagascar.

**Group Size:** Up to 25 guests
(Harvard exclusive)

**Pricing:**
- Adult: $8,495/$9,695 SINGLE
- Teen 12–15: $7,995/$9,195 SINGLE
- Child 6–11: $7,295

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This voyage takes place during the austral summer, when days are long and relatively mild, seabirds are courting, and massive icebergs are thawing into sculptures of brilliant form and color. Each day presents a new discovery. Cruise through ice-filled channels, observe crowded penguin rookeries, and view minkes, humpbacks, and orcas cavorting in the sparkling waters. *Corinthian II*’s maneuverability allows for in-depth exploration, while its fleet of Zodiac landing craft provides up-close viewing of the spectacular scenery. A team of expert naturalists and lecturers ensures a rewarding educational journey.

**Study Leader:** **Michael McElroy** is the Gilbert Butler Professor of Environmental Studies at Harvard. He studies changes in the composition of the atmosphere with an emphasis on the impact of human activity. His research explores the manner in which changes in the composition of the atmosphere affect climate.

**Ship Size:** 114 guests

**Pricing:**
From $9,995/$16,690 SINGLE

**Co-Sponsors:** American Museum of Natural History, Columbia Alumni Association, University of North Carolina

**Limited Availability**
EGYPT & JORDAN BY PRIVATE PLANE

Travel to Egypt during an exciting time in this ancient country’s history. The program features the comfort and convenience of privately chartered flights, as well as a three-night Nile River cruise. Begin with four nights in intriguing Cairo, then board a private plane to see the colossal statues of Abu Simbel and the engineering miracle of the High Dam at Aswan. Embark the splendid Nile Adventurer and set out for Luxor, the gateway to magnificent temples and tombs. Fly to St. Catherine’s Monastery, at the foot of Mount Sinai. Continue to Jordan for two nights in the stunning, rose-red city of Petra. A three-night stay in Amman includes an excursion to the magnificently preserved Roman city of Jerash.

STUDY LEADER: PAUL BERAN is the author of numerous articles and public lectures on civil society, NGOs and democratization in the Middle East, and U.S. policy in the region. At Harvard, he directs the outreach center within the Center for Middle Eastern Studies. Beran has served as a consultant on global education and development programs in Jordan, Israel, the West Bank, Egypt, Sudan, and the United States.

GROUP SIZE: 40 guests (Harvard exclusive except during Nile cruise)

PRICING: From $8,950/$11,545 SINGLE

MYSTICAL INDIA
JAN 3–20, 2013

As mystical and spiritual as it is chaotic and confounding, India is overflowing with a diversity of riches. While staying at excellent hotels, experience the country’s classic Golden Triangle: Delhi, the bustling metropolis; Agra, home of the sublime Taj Mahal; and Jaipur, the great city of the Rajput. Plus, enjoy home-hosted dinners with local families, search for elusive Bengals at Ranthambore Tiger Reserve, admire Khajuraho’s ancient temples, and absorb the holiness of Varanasi.

STUDY LEADER: SUE WEAVER SCHOPF is an associate dean at Harvard Extension School and an adviser to graduate students in the humanities. She teaches courses on English romantic poetry, Victorian poetry and nonfictional prose, modern poetry, literary criticism and theory, Western drama, Milton and Paradise Lost, Irish literature, and Orientalism in British literature and visual culture.

GROUP SIZE: Up to 24 guests (Harvard exclusive)

PRICING: From $7,038 (air and land inclusive from JFK)/$8,833 SINGLE

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Just a short flight away, Belize and Guatemala are home to natural marvels and fascinating Maya cities. Belize’s Barrier Reef, the second largest of its kind in the world, teems with marine life. Explore the Great Blue Hole, a 1,000-foot circular coral rim where stalagmites and sea creatures are vibrantly visible in the crystal-clear water. The Cockscomb Basin Wildlife Sanctuary protects the rare jaguar, venerated by the Maya. Witness the magnificent stelae of Quiriguá and explore the city of Lubaantun, built almost entirely of black slate. You can also opt for a pre-cruise excursion to two magnificent Maya sites, Tikal and Xunantunich.

STUDY LEADER: BRIAN FARRELL is a professor of biology in the Department of Organismic and Evolutionary Biology and curator of entomology at Harvard’s Museum of Comparative Zoology. He teaches courses on tropical insect biology, macroevolution, the foundations of biological diversity, and the biodiversity of Hispaniola.

SHIP SIZE: 138 guests


PRICING: From $3,795/A limited number of cabins in Categories B & C have been set aside for single occupancy at no single supplement. After that, a supplement of $895 will apply to the per-person, double-occupancy rates.
BRUNEI TO BALI ON CLIPPER ODYSSEY  
FEB 11–27, 2013

Begin this exotic journey in the sultanate of Brunei, where the ultramodern capital city of Bandar stands in contrast to picturesque ancient villages. Observe gentle orangutans in Sabah, and enjoy the traditional hospitality of the Dayak people in Kalimantan. Visit Toraja to see elaborately carved architecture and effigy-guarded cliffside graves. Glimpse the legendary dragon up close on Komodo Island. Snorkel and dive in crystal-clear waters, and search for wildlife and endemic birds by Zodiac boat and on remote island shores. The legendary beauty and thriving art scene of Bali make for a fitting finale.

STUDY LEADER: MARK VAN BAALEN is an associate in the Department of Earth and Planetary Sciences at Harvard. A geologist and astronomer by training, he has lectured on many HAA travel study programs. Mark will be accompanied by his wife, Louisa, who recently retired as director of doctoral programs at the Kennedy School of Government.

SHIP SIZE: 110 guests

CO-SPONSORS: Yale Educational Travel, Zegrahm Expeditions

PRICING: From $11,980/$16,280 SINGLE

AFRICA GRAND VOYAGE FROM CAPE TOWN TO CASABLANCA ON CORINTHIAN  
FEB 17–MAR 24, 2013

This 34-night voyage encompasses Africa’s entire coast between the Cape of Good Hope and the Strait of Gibraltar, and takes in 12 countries. Experience the many different “Africas”—of souks and bazaars, vanished empires and colonial plantations, pristine tropical islands and lush rain forests, and immense, starkly beautiful deserts. Since this is Africa, there is an astonishingly rich variety of wildlife. You will also have rare opportunities to get to know the people of Africa. Meet local leaders as well as artists and artisans, fishermen, farmers, and wildlife park rangers. Please note the voyage is available in shorter cruise segments.

SHIP SIZE: 100 guests

CO-SPONSORS: California Alumni Association, Columbia Alumni Association, Smithsonian Journeys, University of Illinois Alumni Association

PRICING: Grand Voyage from $26,995/ A limited number of cabins in Categories C & A have been set aside for single occupancy at no single supplement to the per-person, double-occupancy rates/Shorter voyage segments from $14,995

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Myanmar, often referred to as Burma, has a long way to go in terms of reforms, yet the progress it has made over the past few years has been surprising. Now is an interesting and exciting time to visit. Even with the recent developments, it seems as though you have stepped back 30 years in time. A treasure trove of cultural wonders undiscovered by the tour-bus crowd awaits exploration. Tribes nearly untouched by outside influence populate the hills, stunning empty beaches lie in anticipation of discovery, and the tinkling of temple bells evokes the ambience of an earlier age. Indeed, you may hardly believe that such a world exists outside the works of Kipling.

**EXPLORING MYANMAR: LAND OF THE GOLDEN PAGODA**
FEB 22–MAR 7, 2013

**STUDY LEADER:** To be announced

**GROUP SIZE:** 14–28 guests (Harvard exclusive)

**PRICING:** $7,995/$9,990 SINGLE

Experience the vibrant cultures, stark contrasts, and magnificent landscapes of New Zealand and Australia. Delight in the stunning vistas of New Zealand’s Queenstown, Lake Wakatipu, and the Remarkable Mountains. Marvel at the spectacular fjords of Milford Sound, and enjoy dinner with a Queenstown family in their home. Stay in the sophisticated Australian city of Sydney, renowned for its magnificent harbor setting and landmark Opera House. Learn about the Aborigines’ rich heritage at Tjapukai Aboriginal Cultural Park near Cairns, and take an exclusive four-night cruise to the Great Barrier Reef, a UNESCO World Heritage site protected under strict environmental authority.

**AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND WITH 4 NIGHTS ON CORAL PRINCESS II**
FEB 24–MAR 10, 2013

**STUDY LEADER:** Jock Phillips PhD ’78 is one of New Zealand’s leading historians. His wide-ranging interests include new ways of presenting the past. He was chief historian in the Department of Internal Affairs and Ministry for Culture and Heritage; and then concept leader in history at the Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa. He is now general editor of Te Ara, the encyclopedia of New Zealand.

**GROUP SIZE:** Up to 44 guests

**CO-SPONSOR:** University of Virginia Alumni

**PRICING:** From $4,995/$8,795 SINGLE
Savor the cosmopolitan pleasures of Buenos Aires by attending a tango performance and exploring the neighborhoods of Recoleta, La Boca, and San Telmo. At an estancia in the pampas, experience gaucho horsemanship and take part in a traditional asado, or Argentine barbecue. In the wine region of Mendoza, stroll through the Toso vineyard guided by a local wine expert. Hike on Mount Aconcagua, one of the famed Seven Summits, and soak up spectacular views of azure lakes against the soaring Andes Mountains during walks in Bariloche’s Nahuel Huapi National Park.

**STUDY LEADER:** DIANA SORENSEN is the James F. Rothenberg Professor of Romance Languages and Literatures and a professor of comparative literature at Harvard. She is a specialist in 19th- and 20th-century Latin American literature, with additional expertise in cultural theory and gender theory.

**GROUP SIZE:** Up to 28 guests (Harvard exclusive)

**PRICING:** $8,795/$10,180 SINGLE

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Aboard the deluxe, 18-cabin yacht *Sun Boat III*, explore the glorious age of the pharaohs. See the iconic pyramids in Giza, visit the stunning temples at Abu Simbel, enjoy private access into tombs of the Valley of the Kings, marvel at the Great Dam at Aswan, and view the immense riches gathered at the museums of Cairo and Luxor. Embrace the cherished legacy, both ancient and modern, that this region has bequeathed to future civilizations.

**STUDY LEADER:** TAREK SWELIM PHD ’94, a native Egyptian, is an expert on the art, architecture, and history of Egypt and the Middle East. Swelim earned his BS from Helwan University in Cairo, his MA from the American University in Cairo, and his PhD in Islamic art and architecture from Harvard University. He has been a popular guide and study leader in Egypt since 1979.

**SHIP SIZE:** 28 guests

**CO-SPONSOR:** National Trust for Historic Preservation

**PRICING:** From $8,490/$12,740 SINGLE

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HAA spring break trips are specially designed for Harvard students and alumni to travel together. The fifth annual trip uncovers Classical Greece through its most important archaeological sites. Special rates are available for Harvard students, and there are travel scholarship opportunities for current Harvard College students. Enjoy exclusive access to the Harvard Hellenic Center in Nafplion and learn about current work by Harvard students and professors. At every step of the way, Professor Gregory Nagy lends his insights and expertise.

**STUDY LEADER:** GREGORY NAGY is the Francis Jones Professor of Classical Greek Literature and a professor of comparative literature at Harvard. He also is the curator of the Milman Parry Collection of Oral Literature and the director of the Harvard Center for Hellenic Studies in Washington, D.C. Nagy is a strong proponent of the use of technology in research and teaching and is an enthusiastic supporter of the HAA’s spring break trips.

**GROUP SIZE:** Up to 30 guests (Harvard exclusive)

**PRICING:**
- Alumni: $3,295/$3,890 SINGLE
- Harvard College student*: $1,995/$2,590 SINGLE
- Harvard graduate student*: $2,795/$3,390 SINGLE

*Must be currently enrolled as a full-time Harvard student

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**WINTER IN THE WEST: A COLORADO FAMILY GETAWAY**

**MAR 16–23, 2013**

Big ranches, blue skies, real cowboys. Gather the family for a quintessential western winter getaway at The Home Ranch, an idyllic Rocky Mountain hideaway set amid the timeless beauty of the Elk River Valley. As the legendary powder of Colorado covers the land in a blanket of white, days are spent enjoying the outdoor winter paradise. Explore the magnificent mountain ranch and beautiful aspen groves on horseback rides, snowshoe trails, cross-country ski trips, or by dogsled. Get into the true western spirit with evening activities including local music, square dancing, and a winter campfire. As a special bonus, local Olympic athletes will join the group for evening discussions.

**GROUP SIZE:** Up to 30 guests (Harvard exclusive)

**PRICING:**
- Adult: From $3,795/$4,745 SINGLE
- Child 6–17: $1,595 if sharing with two adults or one adult at the single rate
Travel into the heart of the enchanting Deep South, rooted in French, Spanish, African, and Caribbean influences. Explore the grand Antebellum plantations, historic cities, and Civil War battlefields along the Mississippi River and visit the architectural treasures and cultural sites of the Gulf Coast. Embark in New Orleans and call at Pensacola, Florida, and Mobile, Alabama, before entering the Mississippi. Encounter the Antebellum plantations of Oak Alley and Laura Plantation along the banks of the river. Farther upriver, visit the lovely towns of St. Francisville and Natchez. Go ashore at Vicksburg to see the museum dedicated to the USS Cairo, a Civil War ironclad gunboat that sank in 1862 and was recovered in 1964.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced
SHIP SIZE: 138 guests
CO-SPONSORS: National Trust for Historic Preservation, Vanderbilt Alumni Association
PRICING: From $4,995/$7,490 SINGLE

This delightful springtime voyage on the waterways of Holland and Belgium is framed by magnificent art collections, colorful gardens, and timeless towns. Between the stately townhouses and magnificent Keukenhof Gardens in The Hague and the superb Rijksmuseum in Amsterdam, call at several enchanting ports that boast some of Europe’s greatest artistic treasures. After embarkation in charming Haarlem, visit Rotterdam, Delft, Ghent, Bruges, Antwerp, and Arnhem. An optional prelude is offered in Brussels.

STUDY LEADER: ROBERT KIELY is the Donald P. and Katherine B. Loker Professor of English, Emeritus, at Harvard. He taught courses on the Victorian, modern, and postmodern novel; as well as on the English Bible and classics in Christian literature. For 26 years he and his wife, Jana Moravkova, were masters of Adams House.
SHIP SIZE: 100 guests
CO-SPONSORS: Metropolitan Museum of Art, Royal Oak Foundation, Smithsonian Journeys
PRICING: From $4,995/$5,390 SINGLE

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THE MASTERS GOLF TOURNAMENT
APR 10–13, 2013

Over the past 79 years, the Masters has become one of the most celebrated weekends in sports, where beauty, tradition, and competition (for the renowned green jacket) come together. Let the HAA be your ticket to golf’s most prestigious event, in Augusta, Ga. Attend the tournament on Friday’s “cut day,” when all the golfers are still in contention before they are pared down to the 36 or so best scorers of the first two days. Prepare for your tournament viewing with a round at the famed Bear’s Best golf course on Thursday. Fellow Harvard alumni and special hospitality privileges make this event exceptional.

GROUP SIZE: Up to 40 guests
PRICING: $3,449/$3,849 SINGLE

This trip will be accompanied by a Harvard host from the Harvard Varsity Club.

THE 139TH RUNNING OF THE KENTUCKY DERBY
MAY 2–5, 2013

The premier event of thoroughbred horse racing, the Kentucky Derby is held on the first Saturday of May each year in Louisville, Ky. Millions of spectators watch on TV, and more than 150,000 fans make the pilgrimage to see horses from all over the world compete. The HAA invites you to experience this first leg of the Triple Crown in a program that combines horse-country beauty, distillery history, and race-day wonder. On Friday, visit a working farm and tour a premium bourbon distillery. Then, on Saturday, sit on the front straight to enjoy about 10 thrilling horse races leading up to “the most exciting two minutes in sports.”

GROUP SIZE: Up to 40 guests
PRICING: $2,574/$2,984 SINGLE

This trip will be accompanied by a Harvard host from the Harvard Varsity Club.
Witness large herds of elephant in Zimbabwe’s Hwange National Park, as well as less common animals such as the white rhino, honey badger, lesser bushbaby, aardwolf, pangolin, caracal, and African wildcat. On safari in Botswana’s Okavango Delta and Linyanti Reserve, seek out an abundant variety of birds and other wildlife, including elephant, zebra, giraffe, buffalo, impala, lechwe, kudu, and bushbuck and their predators: lion, leopard, cheetah, wild dog, and spotted hyena. Marvel at the power and beauty of Victoria Falls, one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World, from both the Zambian and Zimbabwean sides.

**STUDY LEADER:** **JONATHAN LOSOS** is the curator in herpetology at the Museum of Comparative Zoology at Harvard University. His research concerns the evolution of biodiversity. Losos’s field work has taken him throughout the Caribbean and Central and South America, as well as to Australia, Madagascar, Kenya, and South Africa.

**GROUP SIZE:** Limited to 15 guests (Harvard exclusive)

**PRICING:** $10,595/$12,490 SINGLE (price includes all internal flights following arrival in Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe)

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This frontier of the western South Pacific hosts the most traditional cultures and exotic tropical landscapes in Oceania. Explore diverse landscapes, from soaring volcanic peaks to submerged craters teeming with kaleidoscopic fish. Experience the exuberant ritualistic hospitality of Melanesian and Micronesian peoples. Hike through tropical foliage in search of endemic birds, enjoy leisurely strolls along warm sandy beaches, and snorkel and dive nearly every day among fringing coral reefs populated by more than 1,400 fish species.

**STUDY LEADER:** **SCOTT EDWARDS** came to Harvard in 2003 as a professor of organismic and evolutionary biology and curator of ornithology in the Museum of Comparative Zoology, where he works to unite genomics and natural history, involving students at all levels. His interests include evolution and biogeography of birds using genetic techniques.

**SHIP SIZE:** 110 guests

**CO-SPONSORS:** American Museum of Natural History, Commonwealth Club, Zegrahm Expeditions

**PRICING:** From $10,980/$14,980 SINGLE
This specialized program caters to a variety of people with disabilities including, but not limited to, people with mobility, hearing, or visual impairments, people requiring dialysis, and people who use oxygen. Accommodations are in mobile safari camps developed to allow access to remote parts of Botswana and in deluxe lodges and five-star hotels, all well-suited to travelers with disabilities. Well-trained staff accompany the group throughout the trip, and the tour vehicles are not only appropriate to the region but are equipped with hydraulic lifts and secure wheelchair lock-down systems for those preferring not to transfer to a seat. This is a wonderful opportunity to experience what Botswana has to offer in relative comfort and ease.

GROUP SIZE: Limited to 10 guests (Harvard exclusive)
PRICING: $9,995/$11,790 SINGLE

On this expansive journey from Spain to Sicily, discover a remarkable collection of sites whose history spans the centuries. Appraise the legacy of successive occupiers in Tangier, Morocco. Between the desert and the sea, experience seldom-visited places such as Tiemcen, with its striking architecture, and Oran, founded in the 10th century. In Algeria’s Cherchell, Tipasa, Djemila, and Hippo Regius, visit remarkable Roman ruins. And in Tunisia, explore Carthage, with its fascinating Roman and Phoenician remains, and the Bardo Museum, a repository of priceless mosaics.

STUDY LEADER: ROGER OWEN is the A.J. Meyer Professor of Middle East History at Harvard and a former director of the Center for Middle Eastern Studies. His recent book The Rise and Fall of Arab Presidents for Life is a timely discussion of the huge popular opposition the Middle East presidential systems engendered during the Arab Spring and the political change that ensued.

SHIP SIZE: 100 guests
CO-SPONSORS: Archaeological Institute of America, World Affairs Council of Philadelphia
PRICING: From $6,990/$8,390 SINGLE
THE RISE & FALL OF THE ROMANOVS:
FOUR HUNDRED YEARS OF DYNASTY
MAY 2–14, 2013

The ill-fated Romanov dynasty is the focus of this exceptional journey. See the Kremlin, including the Grand Kremlin Palace, admire Romanov jewels, and visit an ancestral home. Board the Golden Eagle train and awaken in Kazan, Russia’s “Third Capital.” Continue to Yekaterinburg in the Ural Mountains for visits dedicated to the final days of Tsar Nicholas and his family. Meet an anthropologist who helped excavate the royal family’s remains in the 1970s. Fly to St. Petersburg and enjoy private visits to the Hermitage and Catherine Palace. Visit Peterhof, the “Russian Versailles,” and dine at the Stroganoff Palace. Enjoy shows at the Bolshoi and Mariinsky theaters and see famous icons at onion-domed churches.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced
GROUP SIZE: Limited to 25 guests
CO-SPONSOR: Yale Educational Travel
PRICING: $11,995/$16,490 SINGLE

REMINDING THE CIVIL WAR, A VOYAGE BETWEEN SAVANNAH & RICHMOND ON YORKTOWN
MAY 5–15, 2013

In 2011, the United States began a four-year commemoration of the 150th anniversary of the Civil War. In tribute to this historic conflict, the HAA invites you on a voyage to cities and sites that will resonate with students of the Civil War. Cruise into Charleston Harbor, where the war began with the bombardment of Fort Sumter. Explore the beautiful district of Savannah, with more than 1,000 splendid examples of Federal and Regency architecture. Also, call at Petersburg, site of a 10-month-long siege in 1864–1865, and Richmond, the capital of the Confederacy—renowned today for its monuments to Confederate heroes.

STUDY LEADER: AMANDA CLAYBAUGH is a professor of English at Harvard whose scholarship focuses on the relationship between literature and history. Her first book, *The Novel of Purpose* (2007), explored how novelists responded to 19th-century reform movements such as abolitionism and temperance reform. Claybaugh also co-teaches a course on the Civil War at Harvard and is writing a book about the South Carolina Sea Islands during the Civil War and Reconstruction.

SHIP SIZE: 138 guests
CO-SPONSORS: Smithsonian Journeys, University of Oklahoma
PRICING: From $4,995/$7,490 SINGLE

TO BOOK A TRIP, CALL 800-422-1636 OR VISIT ALUMNI.HARVARD.EDU/HAA/TRAVEL
THE BRITISH ISLES ON ISLAND SKY
MAY 11–24, 2013

Discover the picturesque small ports, fascinating cosmopolitan cities, and beautiful land- and seascapes of the British Isles. Learn about British naval history at Portsmouth or delve into Jane Austen’s world in Hampshire; visit beautiful, tranquil Iona Island, the center of Irish monasticism for four centuries; and explore the university town of St. Andrews, home of golf’s mecca, the Royal and Ancient Golf Club. Join in the fun of a Dublin pub crawl, stroll the Royal Mile in Edinburgh, and admire the National Trust gardens at Loch Torridon and the fascinating Lost Gardens of Heligan in Cornwall.

STUDY LEADER: DANIEL ALBRIGHT is the Ernest Bernbaum Professor of Literature at Harvard and teaches in the English, comparative literature, and music departments. In addition to poetry readings, Albright will lecture on Virginia Woolf, Mendelssohn, Yeats, and Swift.

SHIP SIZE: Up to 99 guests

CO-SPONSORS: Stanford Travel/Study, Yale Educational Travel

PRICING: From $8,990/$13,990 SINGLE

MOROCCAN DISCOVERY
MAY 11–24, 2013

Encounter ancient ruins and sacred mosques, endless desert and storied mountains, and imposing kasbahs and spirited souks in this land of dramatic contrasts. Travel from the imperial cities of Rabat, Fez, and Marrakech to the High Atlas and vast Sahara. Open your eyes and hearts to a truly foreign land, an age-old culture, and a genuinely hospitable people.

STUDY LEADER: CHARLES G. COGAN is an associate at the Harvard Kennedy School of Government. He spent 37 years in the Central Intelligence Agency, most of them on assignments overseas. Notable appointments include chief of the Near East South Asia Division in the Directorate of Operations (the division stretches from Morocco to Bangladesh) and CIA chief in Paris.

GROUP SIZE: Up to 24 guests (Harvard exclusive)

PRICING: From $5,997 (air and land inclusive from JFK)/$7,392 SINGLE
Discover the South Korean capital of Seoul before your cruise from Busan to Osaka, Japan. Call at Matsue and Hagi to explore castles and temples. Visit Hiroshima, famously the first city destroyed by a nuclear weapon but now recognized for its promotion of peace. Stroll in Ritsurin, one of Japan’s finest gardens; see the celebrated arts centers on the islands of Naoshima and Teshima; enjoy a private tour of the Isamu Noguchi Garden Museum; and conclude in lovely Kyoto. Along the way, visit studios of renowned potters and attend private tea ceremonies and performances of traditional music and dance.

STUDY LEADERS: THEODORE C. BESTOR is a professor of anthropology at Harvard and a specialist on contemporary Japanese society and culture, focusing much of his research on Tokyo. His wife, VICTORIA BESTOR, is an associate of the Edwin O. Reischauer Institute of Japanese Studies and the executive director of the North American Coordinating Council on Japanese Library Resources.

SHIP SIZE: 100 guests

CO-SPONSORS: Metropolitan Museum of Art, National Trust for Historic Preservation, Smithsonian Journeys, Smith College

PRICING: From $7,995/$9,995 SINGLE

Discover the fascinating regions of Catalonia in Spain and the French provinces of Roussillon, Languedoc, and Provence, each with its own distinct dialect and culture. In Tarragona, see well-preserved Roman ruins and medieval monuments; and travel along the Costa Brava to see ancient Greek and Roman cities and enchanting medieval villages. At Ceret, view an exceptional collection of artworks by Matisse, Braque, and other modern masters. Explore Carcassonne, one of the finest medieval towns in Europe. Immerse yourself in the landscapes of Provence that inspired Van Gogh and Picasso, and wander through some of the world’s finest art galleries.

STUDY LEADER: PATRICE HIGONNET is the Robert Walton Golet Professor of French History at Harvard. He was born in Paris and educated at Harvard and Oxford, as well as in France. He has published on many historical themes ranging from 17th- and 21st-century art, 18th-century diplomacy, 19th-century French deputies, American nationalism, French immigrants to America, French rural life, and the Vichy years (1940–1944). Most recently, Higonnet has returned to an examination of the French Revolution.

SHIP SIZE: 100 guests

CO-SPONSORS: Association of Rice Alumni, Stanford Travel/Study

PRICING: From $6,990/$8,390 SINGLE

TO BOOK A TRIP, CALL 800-422-1636 OR VISIT ALUMNI.HARVARD.EDU/HAA/TRAVEL

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THE BALKANS UNVEILED
MAY 23–JUN 7, 2013

Discover the gorgeous mosaic formed by seven fascinating Balkan countries. Begin in Serbia’s elegant capital, Belgrade, with the powerful walls of the Kalemegdan Fortress rising from urban surroundings. Continue through Macedonia, visiting the Old Stone Bridge in Skopje, built by Mehmed the Conqueror in the mid-15th century. In Kosovo, Europe’s youngest country, find the old Ottoman Imperial Mosque of Pristina. Explore ancient and modern Albania, with its sense of enterprise and excitement, and the beautiful coast of Montenegro. Visit UNESCO-listed Dubrovnik, where lunch is served in a private home, and meet with a Bosnian War survivor in Sarajevo before ending in Croatia’s lively capital, Zagreb.

STUDY LEADER: DAVID ELMER is an associate professor of the classics at Harvard University and associate curator of the Milman Parry Collection of Oral Literature, a world-renowned archive of South Slavic oral traditions. He received his PhD in comparative literature from Harvard University in 2005. His research focuses on ancient Greek literature and on Bosnian, Croatian, and Serbian epic traditions. In 2011, he was the recipient of the Roslyn Abramson Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching.

GROUP SIZE: Up to 30 guests
(Harvard exclusive)

PRICING: $9,995/$11,570 SINGLE

SILK ROAD ODYSSEY: CENTRAL ASIA (THE FIVE ‘STANS)
MAY 28–JUN 16, 2013

Rediscover the fabled sites of Silk Road commerce and their modern incarnations on this survey of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, and Turkmenistan. The Uzbekistan cities of Samarkand, Bukhara, and Khiva, with their rich histories and Persian architecture, are still vital today, anchoring a region that is experiencing renewed international interest. Also, tour the modern cities of Almaty, Kazakhstan; Ashkabad, Turkmenistan; and Bishkek, the Kyrgyz capital.

STUDY LEADER: LAURA ADAMS has been studying national identity in the Soviet Union and post-Soviet Central Asia since 1988. She teaches in the sociology department and the expository writing program at Harvard and is a faculty associate at the Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies, where she co-chairs the program on Central Asia and the Caucasus.

GROUP SIZE: Up to 25 guests
(Harvard exclusive)

PRICING: $9,995/$11,990 SINGLE
HIMALAYAN KINGDOMS: TIBET, NEPAL & BHUTAN
MAY 31–JUN 14, 2013

Your journey to the “rooftop of the world” begins in Beijing before you fly to Tibet, where colorful prayer wheels, exotic bazaars, golden Buddhas, and iconic chortens are ubiquitous. Next, view the Himalayas and famed Mount Everest by air en route to Kathmandu, Nepal’s capital. See splendid stupas, pagodas, and palaces that reflect the city’s nearly 2,000-year history. From there, fly to Bhutan, a country that strictly limits the number of visitors each year. Trek to the sacred Taksang Monastery—clinging to the side of a cliff 10,000 feet above the valley below—enjoy colorful Bhutanese folk dances, and explore the spectacular winter fortress Punakha Dzong.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced
GROUP SIZE: Up to 35 guests
(Harvard exclusive)
PRICING: $9,990/$12,180 SINGLE

MONGOLIA: LAND OF THE BLUE SKY
JUN 1–15, 2013

This journey provides a quintessential glimpse of Mongolia’s ancient history, nomadic way of life, and dramatic landscapes. Begin in the bustling city of Ulaanbaatar, and explore the mountains, forests, and wildflowers of Hustain Nuruu National Park, where you can spot the only truly wild horses left on the planet. Continue overland to the former site of Kharakhorum, the 13th-century capital of the Mongol Empire, and nearby Erdene Zuu Monastery. Conclude with an exploration of the diverse ecosystems of Mongolia’s legendary Gobi Desert.

STUDY LEADER: MARK ELLIOTT is the Mark Schwartz Professor of Chinese and Inner Asian History and is among the few historians in the United States trained in the use of Manchu-language sources. His teaching interests focus on the long relationship between the Chinese heartland and the peoples living in the territories of the steppe frontier. He has taught courses on the Silk Road and on the “conquest” dynasties of China, including the Mongol Yuan dynasty, and is an experienced tour leader.

GROUP SIZE: Up to 15 guests
(Harvard exclusive)
PRICING: $6,795/$7,795 SINGLE

TO BOOK A TRIP, CALL 800-422-1636 OR VISIT ALUMNI.HARVARD.EDU/HAA/TRAVEL
SHORES OF IBERIA: MALAGA TO BILBAO ON SEA CLOUD II
JUN 2–14, 2013

Aboard the beautiful Sea Cloud II, soak up the rich history of the Iberian Peninsula. Granada’s incomparable Alhambra Palace and beautiful Generalife Gardens are the perfect introduction to the region’s Moorish heritage. Transit the Strait of Gibraltar to visit Seville, cruise to the great pilgrimage city of Santiago de Compostela, and disembark in Bilbao to explore the cutting-edge design of Frank Gehry’s iconic Guggenheim Museum. Along the way, visit Lisbon, to learn about the historic importance of the intrepid Portuguese sea explorers during the Age of Discovery and enjoy the rhythms of Portugal’s soulful fado, and Porto, for a taste of genuine port.

STUDY LEADERS: VERENA CONLEY and her husband, TOM CONLEY, are professors of Romance languages and literatures at Harvard. Verena has been traveling to the Iberian peninsula since childhood. She teaches courses on cultural exchange between Africa, Spain, and Portugal. Tom has taught courses that deal with Iberian cinema at both Harvard and in the Department of Spanish and Portuguese at the University of Minnesota. Tom and Verena are co-masters of Kirkland House.

SHIP SIZE: Up to 76 guests

CO-SPONSORS: Stanford Travel/Study, Yale Educational Travel

PRICING: From $7,990/$9,990 SINGLE

EXPLORING ICELAND
JUN 8–18, 2013

Visit an astonishing land of massive glaciers and rumbling volcanoes, bubbling mud holes and powerful waterfalls, hugely abundant bird life—and just 300,000 people. It’s a land where the sun doesn’t set for six splendid weeks. Encounter the stupendous Snaefellsnes Peninsula. Travel to Lake Myvatn and discover the mud flats, lava fields, and lunar-like volcanic craters that make up this beautiful national park. Visit the amazing “Glacial River Canyon” National Park, and walk to jaw-dropping Dettifoss, Europe’s most powerful waterfall and Iceland’s “Niagara.”

STUDY LEADER: To be announced

GROUP SIZE: Up to 24 guests (Harvard exclusive)

PRICING: From $5,398 (air and land inclusive from BOS or JFK)/$6,293 SINGLE
CROATIA’S IDYLLIC ISLANDS & Dalmatian Coast
ON CORINTHIAN
JUN 19–27, 2013

On this lovely Adriatic seaborne idyll, discover striking beauty, the contrast of remains left by many cultures, and the architectural and artistic excellence of monuments, both famed and less known. Begin in Croatia exploring the medieval splendors of Dubrovnik. Next, visit Kotor in Montenegro, reached through southern Europe’s only fjord, before returning to Croatia and Korcula Island, caressed by gentle breezes and graced with Venetian spires. Tour the ancient city of Split and the lovely seaside town of Mali Lošinj. Stroll through the lavender-scented lanes of Hvar, which is quietly becoming the Adriatic’s newest Riviera.

STUDY LEADER: PETER W. GALBRAITH AB ’73, KSG ’78 served as the first U.S. ambassador to Croatia and has held senior positions in the U.S. government and the United Nations. Galbraith was actively involved in the Croatia and Bosnia peace processes. Currently, he is the senior diplomatic fellow at the Center for Arms Control and Non-Proliferation, where his work focuses on Iraq, the greater Middle East, and conflict resolution and post-conflict reconstruction, specifically in the Balkans, Indonesia, Iraq, India/Pakistan, and Southeast Asia.

SHIP SIZE: 100 guests
CO-SPONSOR: Stanford Travel/Study
PRICING: From $5,990/$7,190 SINGLE

TANZANIA SAFARI & RWANDA GORILLA TREKKING
JUN 11–22, 2013

Experience East Africa’s most rewarding wildlife viewing destinations. Begin in northern Tanzania at a private nature refuge. Then, continue into the sprawling Serengeti plains in search of lion, leopard, elephant, giraffe, gazelle, buffalo, zebra, wildebeest, and more. Spend a day exploring the remarkable Ngorongoro Crater floor, a tiny wildlife utopia that hosts thousands of animals. From there, take a flight to the mist-shrouded forest of Rwanda in search of the mighty mountain gorilla. It is a unique privilege to observe these fascinating creatures interact, play, groom, and eat in their natural habitat.

STUDY LEADER: DANIEL E. LIEBERMAN is department chair of human evolutionary biology at Harvard. He studies the fossil record of human evolution to determine why the human body looks and functions as it does. He is especially interested in when, how, and why early hominins first became bipeds and then became exceptional as long-distance endurance runners.

GROUP SIZE: 7–16 guests (Harvard exclusive)
PRICING: $10,995/$12,495 SINGLE

Limited gorilla permits available. Book early!

TO BOOK A TRIP, CALL 800-422-1636 OR VISIT ALUMNI.HARVARD.EDU/HAA/TRAVEL
Wander through Istanbul’s scented bazaars, explore ancient Crusader castles and crumbling ruins, and spend four days meandering along the sparkling Mediterranean Coast on a gulet, Turkey’s traditional wooden yacht. Activities such as kayaking, sailing, swimming, snorkeling, and hiking get the whole family involved. Historical explorations into Turkey’s past and warm encounters with its delightful people allow you to feel the ancient magic of this exotic land.

**STUDY LEADER:** **JOHN “JAY” ELLISON** is a lecturer on Near Eastern languages and civilizations at Harvard University. In addition, he is an associate dean at Harvard College, and secretary of the administrative board.  

**GROUP SIZE:** Up to 30 guests  
( Harvard exclusive)  

**PRICING:**  
Adult: $6,995/$1,900 SINGLE  
Teen 12–17: $6,895/$1,900 SINGLE  
Child 6–11: $6,695

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In Beijing, witness the spectacular imperial architecture of the Forbidden City and visit the renowned Great Wall of China. Children will fly kites at the Temple of Heaven and observe the dedicated students at the Beijing Martial Arts Academy. In Xian, the Qin dynasty emerges before your eyes with Emperor Qin Shi Huang’s Terracotta Warriors. In Chengdu, visit the Giant Panda Breeding Center and learn about the latest effort to breed and protect the endangered species. Cruise the Yangzi through breathtaking scenery. Finally, soak in the unrivaled cosmopolitanism of Shanghai, the most modern city in China.

**STUDY LEADER:** **EREZ MANELA** is a professor of history at Harvard University. He teaches courses on modern international history and the history of the United States in the world. His interests include the evolution of international society and international orders; colonialism, nationalism, and decolonization; modernization and development; the roles of international organizations; and the history of global health.  

**GROUP SIZE:** Up to 40 guests  
( Harvard exclusive)  

**PRICING:**  
Adult: $5,995  
Child (17 and younger): $5,795; triple accommodations are also available/$1,585 SINGLE SUPPLEMENT
LEWIS & CLARK IN MONTANA & IDAHO: AN EPIC AMERICAN JOURNEY  
JUN 26–JUL 3, 2013

Retrace part of Lewis and Clark’s 1804–1806 expedition, when the Corps of Discovery undertook to map the American West from St. Louis to the Pacific Ocean. Explore key spots where they made discoveries, encountered Native Americans, and camped. Experience the stunning natural beauty and grandeur of Montana’s and Idaho’s vast landscapes. Discover the Lolo Trail on foot or horseback, and then soak in the soothing pools at Lolo Hot Springs. Learn about the area’s rich natural history, and observe the antelope, deer, eagles, and ospreys that inhabit the region. Conclude at the C.M. Russell Museum, which celebrates the life and art of this renowned portrayer of the American West.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced  
GROUP SIZE: Up to 26 guests  
(Harvard exclusive)  
PRICING: $4,390/$4,890 SINGLE

GREAT LAKES GRAND DISCOVERY: A VOYAGE TO THE FIVE INLAND SEAS ON YORKTOWN  
JUL 29–AUG 8, 2013

More than 50 years ago, the Great Lakes were the busiest waterway in the world and North America’s treasured summer destination. Continue that tradition by setting forth from vibrant Toronto. Venture through Lake Ontario and transit the Welland Canal to visit Niagara Falls before entering Lake Erie. Stop in transitioning Detroit and cruise Lake Huron to explore beautiful Mackinac Island, a Victorian-era haven. On the shores of Lake Michigan, visit the lovely town of Manistique. After transiting the Soo Locks, enter Lake Superior, the largest and deepest of the Great Lakes. Enjoy the impressive Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore and revel in the pristine beauty of the Keweenaw Peninsula before reaching Duluth.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced  
SHIP SIZE: 138 guests  
CO-SPONSOR: Stanford Travel/Study  
PRICING: From $4,995/$5,990 SINGLE
SRI LANKA: ISLAND OF SERENDIPITY
AUG 7–24, 2013

Explore this land of ancient ruined cities and jungle highlands, with an interior landscape largely dominated by the brilliant green of rounded tea bushes. Begin in Colombo before traveling up-country to the spectacular monument of Sigiriya and the ancient capitals of Anuradhapura and Polonnaruwa. Pass through terraced rice fields to Kandy, home of the Temple of the Tooth. Admire the undulating green hills of lush tea plantations at the British hill station of Nuwara Eliya. At Galle, home to the Dutch for many years, discover a peaceful arcaded town with a magnificent fort.

STUDY LEADER: ANNE MONIUS, professor of South Asian religions at Harvard, specializes in the religious traditions of India and how literary culture reconstructs the history of religions in South Asia. Her work focuses on the ways in which aesthetics and ethics define religious identity and community in South Asia, as well as the creative and productive encounters among competing sectarian religious communities.

GROUP SIZE: Up to 20 guests
(Harvard exclusive)

PRICING: $7,295/$9,290 SINGLE

SCANDINAVIAN SUMMER SOJOURN:
SWEDEN, DENMARK & NORWAY
AUG 11–24, 2013

Experience the alluring capital cities as well as the country towns and pristine fjords, lakes, glaciers, and mountain scenery of Scandinavia on this comprehensive program. Travel by deluxe motor coach, train, and ferry on this exploration of Viking ships, stave churches, rural farmhouses, beech forests, and stunning fjords, as well as sleek modern architecture. Highlights include stays at a charming pastoral manor house in Sweden, and the historic Kviknes Hotel along a remote arm of one of Norway’s most scenic fjords.

STUDY LEADER: STEPHEN MITCHELL, professor of Scandinavian and folklore at Harvard, was trained in anthropology and Scandinavian literature at the University of California, Berkeley, Lunds Universitet in Sweden, and the University of Minnesota. His research focuses on cultural history in northern Europe.

GROUP SIZE: Up to 34 guests
(Harvard exclusive)

PRICING: $8,695/$10,495 SINGLE (as of August 2012; rates and dates may change slightly)
ICELAND: FIVE-DAY IMMERSION
SEP 13–17, 2013

 Spend five action-packed days in Iceland, with two nights in Reykjavik and two nights in western Iceland. View great colonies of puffins and other sea birds. Visit spectacular waterfalls in a 4x4 vehicle, and strap on crampons for a walk along a glacier. Stand along the edge of the two tectonic plates of the Great Atlantic Rift, and explore an active geothermal field of hot springs, bubbling mud, and geysers. Also, ride on Viking horses, meet with Icelandic farmers and artisans, sample local cuisine, and enjoy traditional music. Conclude with a relaxing visit to the Blue Lagoon, a mineral-rich geothermal pool in the middle of a lava field.

STUDY LEADER: DAVID AGUILAR is the director of communications and public affairs at the Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics. He is the popular host of Harvard’s Observatory Nights and sci-fi film series. Aguilar is the author and illustrator of several astronomy books, including 11 Planets: A New View of the Solar System (National Geographic).

GROUP SIZE: To be announced

PRICING: $3,195/$3,645 SINGLE

Based in Washington and Richmond, this custom-designed study tour recounts the great turning points of the Civil War, remembering the stories of generals both triumphant and star-crossed; offering specialized visits to iconic battlefields; and tracing the tribulations, triumphs, and tragedies of Abraham Lincoln. The tour includes not only famous battlefields (Bull Run, Antietam, Fredericksburg, and Gettysburg), but also sites with social and political meaning (Lincoln’s summer cottage, the site of former slave markets in Washington, D.C., the Confederate White House, and the arsenal in Harpers Ferry where John Brown was captured).

STUDY LEADER: To be announced

GROUP SIZE: To be announced

PRICING: To be announced

TO BOOK A TRIP, CALL 800-422-1636 OR VISIT ALUMNI.HARVARD.EDU/HAA/TRAVEL
Circumnavigate the fascinating island of Sicily and explore its ancient Greek and Roman splendors. Embark in Malta and sail to Syracuse, one of the most important cities in antiquity, to see its well-preserved theaters. Admire the cathedral built on the ruins of the Temple of Athena on beautiful Ortygia Island. Stroll through lovely Noto, and tour the Valley of the Temples in Agrigento. Walk among the antiquities of Segesta, then continue to Palermo to admire golden mosaics and visit the magnificent Norman cathedral in Monreale. Disembark in Catania. Optional extensions to Malta and Taormina are available.

**STUDY LEADER:** To be announced

**SHIP SIZE:** 75 guests

**CO-SPONSORS:** Metropolitan Museum of Art, National Trust for Historic Preservation

**PRICING:** From $5,995/$6,745 SINGLE

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Begin your journey in Istanbul, Turkey’s cultural and spiritual heart, with visits to the legendary Blue Mosque, Hagia Sophia, and Topkapi Palace, one of the world’s richest museums. Spend a day at Turkey’s nonpareil classical city, Ephesus. Among its treasures are the grand Library of Celsus and a 25,000-seat amphitheater with excellent acoustics and splendid views. Cruise the exquisite Turquoise Coast for four delightful days, relaxing and discovering hidden sights, quaint fishing villages, and remote ruins.

**STUDY LEADER:** MARTIN PUCHNER is the Byron and Anita Wien Professor of Drama and of English and Comparative Literature. He received his PhD from Harvard and taught for 12 years at Columbia before returning to Harvard, where he now works on 20th-century and contemporary literature. He has served as general editor of the Norton Anthology of World Literature and is at work on a book about travel and world literature.

**GROUP SIZE:** Up to 28 guests (Harvard exclusive)

**PRICING:** From $5,292 (air and land inclusive from JFK)/$6,287 SINGLE
**PRAGUE TO PARIS WITH A MAIN & RHINE RIVERS CRUISE ON RIVER CLOUD II**
**OCT 9–22, 2013**

Explore romantic old-world villages, beautiful vineyards, rolling hills, and cities emblematic of a rapidly transforming Europe. Cruise from Nuremberg to Strasbourg on the Main and Rhine rivers, and continue to Paris aboard the TGV, France’s high-speed train. Observe the rebirth of Prague since the fall of the Iron Curtain; tour Nuremberg’s courthouse; and explore Strasbourg, where important decisions about Europe’s future are made. Throughout the program, visit several UNESCO World Heritage sites, and enjoy a variety of private musical performances in memorable settings.

**STUDY LEADER:** To be announced  
**SHIP SIZE:** 75 guests  
**CO-SPONSOR:** Yale Educational Travel  
**PRICING:** From $8,995/$13,495 SINGLE

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**ISRAEL: EXPLORING THE HOLY LAND**
**OCT 13–24, 2013**

Begin in Tel Aviv with visits to UNESCO’s “White City,” the Yitzhak Rabin Center, and the Museum of Art, plus a U.S. Embassy briefing. Beyond Tel Aviv, discover Herod’s Caesarea, tour the city of Megiddo, and drive into the Golan Heights. Stroll among the art studios in the spiritual center of Kabbalah, stop at the Mount of Beatitudes and explore Beit She’an. Continue to Jerusalem to visit the Mount of Olives, the Ophel Archaeological Gardens, and the Old City. Spend an afternoon at Yad Vashem, home of the Holocaust History Museum. Then head to the fortress of Masada, followed by a visit to the Dead Sea. Visit the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem, before returning to Jerusalem to see the Dead Sea Scrolls at the Israel Museum.

**STUDY LEADER:** SUSAN KAHN is a lecturer on Near Eastern languages and civilizations at Harvard University. Born and raised in Cambridge, Mass., Kahn earned an MA in Middle Eastern studies and a PhD in social anthropology from Harvard. Her research interests include anthropology of the Middle East, medical anthropology, kinship studies, and animal studies.  
**GROUP SIZE:** 24 guests (Harvard exclusive)  
**PRICING:** $7,995/$9,785 SINGLE

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**TO BOOK A TRIP, CALL 800-422-1636 OR VISIT ALUMNI.HARVARD.EDU/HAA/TRAVEL**
Vietnam and Cambodia—old French Indochina—are culturally linked, striking a balance of communism, capitalism, Buddhism, bygone colonialism, and feudalism. Yet they are remarkably distinct, offering a richness and diversity of cultural treasures, natural beauty, and some of the kindest and friendliest people you’ll find anywhere. Explore urban neighborhoods that crackle with energy, as well as temples, shrines, lavish tombs, and ancient forbidden cities. Cruise through the Mekong Delta, stopping at remote hamlets, and up the Mekong River into Cambodia, ending at the legendary Khmer capital of Angkor, on a par with the pyramids of Egypt as a testament to the greatness of a continent’s lost empire.

STUDY LEADER: CAROLINE REEVES is a research associate at the Fairbank Center for Chinese Studies at Harvard, which facilitates interdisciplinary training and research on East Asia. A Boston native, Reeves received a BA in history and a PhD in East Asian languages from Harvard. Her expertise lies in world history, and she has published and lectured on topics such as global food flows, health care, genocide, and the global spread of the International Red Cross Movement.

GROUP SIZE: 14–24 guests (Harvard exclusive)

PRICING: $9,995/$14,590 SINGLE

AN INSIDER’S ROME

OCT 25–NOV 2, 2013

Mingle with figures from the art world at the Palazzo Doria Pamphilj. Enjoy a walking tour of medieval Rome, and visit family palazzi, including the Palazzo Colonna. Explore the Borghese Gallery, a veritable shrine of the High Renaissance and early baroque, and the Protestant Cemetery, evocative burial place of Anglo-American artists and poets, such as Keats and Shelley. Visit the Vatican Gardens on a specially arranged tour, and explore Rome’s churches. Spend a day in Tivoli to see a lovely late-Roman villa and the charming Villa d’Este.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced

GROUP SIZE: To be announced (Harvard exclusive)

PRICING: $7,995/$9,680 SINGLE
INDIA’S HOLY RIVER GANGES ON BENGAL GANGA
DEC 30, 2013–JAN 17, 2014

From high in the Himalayas, the holy Ganges River flows 1,500 miles to the Bay of Bengal through areas Western visitors have rarely seen. During a nine-day riverboat journey from Kolkata to Simaria, enjoy a panoply of Muslim and colonial-era architecture, Hindu culture, Buddhist temples, the daily rituals of village life, and beautiful, unspoiled countryside. Visit metal craftsmen at work in the village of Matia, ancient centers of learning at Bateswarthran and Nalanda, a sanctuary for the endangered Ganges river dolphin, and the “Bodhi Tree,” where Gautama first attained enlightenment to become Buddha. End in Varanasi, India’s oldest city and a religious center for Hindus, Buddhists, and Jains.

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GROUP SIZE: 15–28 guests (Harvard exclusive on land portion; Bengal Ganga may take up to 44 passengers)

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The story of an amazing public health project that has grown out of a recent HAA trip

David R. Priest AB ’90 returned from the January 2012 trip “India’s Holy River Ganges” deeply troubled by the extreme state of rubbish pollution the HAA group observed. In response, Priest, a physician, partnered with Vishnu Singh of the Bengal Ganga and founded the Green Village Zero Rubbish Project. The concept is a cash-for-trash scheme in which villagers collect the rubbish in their homes and villages and are paid for it in cash by weight. The program also includes a strong ecological educational component, as well as recycling and composting. The villagers gain “admission” to the program by committing to plant five trees at their home or school.

For the pilot project, Priest and Singh selected the quaint village of Bateswarthran on the banks of the Ganges. The villagers embraced the project enthusiastically. In just six cash-for-trash days after the June 2012 launch, they collected more than three tons of materials. The town center is now essentially free of garbage.

Priest and Singh are now working on what to do with the accumulated materials. They are also hoping to expand the concept to other villages. Priest believes the concept is scalable, and that once they have honed the model, they can apply it widely, perhaps throughout the developing world.

“IT’S THE CLEANEST I’VE EVER SEEN A VILLAGE IN INDIA. THE CONCEPT WORKS. PEOPLE ARE REALLY RESPONDING TO THE PROJECT. I SAW THEIR ENTHUSIASM LIVE, IN ACTION.”

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