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**80+ DESTINATIONS**

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the world with experts and fellow alumni

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INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS & SCHOLARS AT HARVARD
NEW ZEALAND FOR STUDENTS & ALUMNI

This trip is designed for Harvard students and alumni to travel together to the North and South Islands of New Zealand. Visit stunning national parks, forests, wildlife reserves, and coastlines, and get a feel for urban life in Auckland, the nation’s largest city, and Wellington, its capital. Experience a traditional Maori hangi dinner and a cruise through Milford Sound. Along the way, meet local experts and lecturers who will reveal New Zealand’s fascinating history and culture. Special rates are available for recent alumni and all Harvard University students. A diverse audience of students and alumni enlivens discussion and educational exchange.

STUDY LEADER: This trip will be accompanied by a Harvard host. Lectures will be arranged locally.

ACCOMMODATES: 15–30 guests

PRICING:
- Alumni: $3,975 DOUBLE/$4,470 SINGLE
- Harvard College students: $2,795 DOUBLE/$3,290 SINGLE
- Harvard graduate students and recent alumni: $3,495 DOUBLE/$3,970 SINGLE

BOTSWANA & ZIMBABWE SAFARI

Botswana and Zimbabwe offer some of the best safari experiences on the African continent. View lions, giraffes, and wildebeests in the Khwai Concession, on the edges of Botswana’s Okavango Delta. At the private Imbabala Concession in Zimbabwe, watch elephants drink from the river by day and search for the elusive leopard on night game drives. In the heart of Zimbabwe’s remote Hwange National Park, a wide variety of birds and other wildlife awaits, including vast herds of plains game and the predators that follow. Finish in Zimbabwe’s northwest corner, where the mighty Zambezi River forms the border with Zambia. Enjoy the majesty of the river and stunning Victoria Falls.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced

ACCOMMODATES: 12–15 guests

PRICING: $7,695 DOUBLE/$7,990 SINGLE
CARNEVALE TRADITIONS IN VENICE

Explore the history of the pre-Lenten festival of Carnevale, celebrated since at least the 15th century. Learn about the art and traditions of costume making at a famous local atelier and on a visit to the Palazzo Mocenigo textile museum. Take a private walking tour with a codega (traditional costumed guide) and decorate your own papier mâché mask before attending the Carnevale opening ceremony. Visit the iconic sights of Venice—including Basilica di San Marco, Teatro La Fenice, Museo Correr, Biblioteca Nazionale Marciana, and Gallerie dell’Accademia. Travelers will also have the option to attend a traditional masked ball and an opera performance at La Fenice.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced
ACCOMMODATES: 20–24 guests
PRICING: $4,995 DOUBLE/$5,985 SINGLE

EGYPT & JORDAN

Discover the wonders of Giza and Cairo, and enjoy lunch at the legendary Mena House before a special tour of the ancient workers’ tombs. Board the Nile Adventurer in Luxor for a four-night cruise to Aswan. During the river voyage, visit the iconic Karnak Temple; the Temple of Horus, whose reliefs retain many of their original colors; and the picturesque and unique double temple at Kom Ombo. From Aswan, fly to Abu Simbel to see the monumental temples of Ramses II and Nefertari. Continue by private plane to Jordan to explore the magnificent ruins of Petra and visit Madaba, Mount Nebo, Amman, and Jerash.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced
ACCOMMODATES: Up to 40 guests
PRICING: To be announced
EXPEDITION TO ANTARCTICA ON LE BORÉAL

Retrace the sea-lanes traveled by storied explorers Ernest Shackleton, Roald Amundsen, and Robert Falcon Scott as they sought out the final frontier of the White Continent on this extraordinary program aboard the exclusively chartered, state-of-the-art, five-star Le Boréal, one of the finest ice-class vessels plying Antarctic waters. Witness fantastically shaped icebergs, turquoise glaciers, bustling penguin rookeries, and breaching whales. Accompanied by the ship’s expert team of naturalists, board sturdy Zodiac craft for excursions ashore to observe Antarctica’s abundant wildlife.

STUDY LEADER: DAVID A. AGUILAR is the former director of public affairs and science information at the Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics (CfA). As an internationally recognized author, lecturer, astronomy expert, naturalist, and space artist, Aguilar’s expertise lies in showing our fascinating connection to the universe. As an HAA Travels study leader, he illustrates the dynamic relationship between science and the regions he visits.

ACCOMMODATES: Up to 190 guests

CO-SPONSORS: University of California, Berkeley; University of Chicago; Smithsonian Journeys; Yale University

PRICING: From $10,845 DOUBLE/$22,845 SINGLE

CRUISING TAHITI & FRENCH POLYNESIA ON PAUL GAUGUIN

During this nine-night land and sea sojourn, experience an earthly paradise—majestic volcanic peaks rising from emerald green jungles, chalk-white atolls, pristine beaches, and turquoise lagoons—that has beckoned travelers, artists, and writers for centuries. Enjoy two nights in colorful Papeete, Tahiti, and seven nights aboard the five-star Paul Gauguin, specially designed to cruise the clear aquamarine waters of the South Pacific, including the remote Tuamoto Archipelago, known for its incredible marine life and snorkeling. Most exceptionally, this splendid opportunity also includes round-trip airfare from Los Angeles.

STUDY LEADER: ROBERT DARNTON AB ’60 is an American cultural historian and academic librarian. He recently stepped down as the Carl H. Pforzheimer University Professor and University Librarian at Harvard. His specialties include 18th-century France, censorship, and the history of books. He also has a longstanding interest in electronic books, web publishing, and other new media.

ACCOMMODATES: Up to 330 guests

CO-SPONSORS: University of California, Berkeley; National Trust for Historic Preservation; Smithsonian Journeys

PRICING: From $6,225 DOUBLE/$14,925 SINGLE
(price includes airfare from Los Angeles on a limited basis)
GATEWAY TO ICELAND

This brief (just five days!) but satisfying program provides a deep appreciation of what Iceland has to offer, for all tastes and interests. In addition to its breathtaking natural beauty, Iceland is also home to world-class art museums, fabulous cuisine, and flourishing nightlife—with the long winter nights allowing for opportunities to view the spectacular aurora borealis (northern lights). You also have the opportunity to take advantage of optional tours for both traditional and offbeat attractions, including “elf-spotting,” Viking feasts, whale watching, horseback riding, lava fields, and a variety of sports and leisure activities.

STUDY LEADER: STEPHEN A. MITCHELL is a professor of Scandinavian and folklore at Harvard. A former master of Eliot House, he is currently one of the curators of the Milman Parry Collection of Oral Literature. Mitchell’s research tends to focus broadly on cultural history in northern Europe, emphasizing such areas as folklore, performance, and Old Norse literature.

ACCOMMODATES: 15–25 guests
PRICING: $2,480 DOUBLE/$3,000 SINGLE
(price includes airfare from Boston or New York)

SAN MIGUEL DE ALLENDE & COLONIAL MEXICO

For five days and nights, explore the colorful and spirited streets, plazas, markets, and homes of San Miguel de Allende, one of Mexico’s prettiest centers of creativity. Enjoy accommodations in the five-star Belmond Casa de Sierra Nevada, perhaps Mexico’s most elegant historic hotel. Discover churches, monasteries, and museums that exemplify Mexico’s former colonial glory while also going beyond the expected to find hidden cultural treasures. Meet renowned artists in their studios and tour the private workshops of master artisans. Enjoy an exclusive welcome into fascinating private homes, viewing impressive art collections and meeting the homeowners.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced
ACCOMMODATES: 18–24 guests
PRICING: $3,995 DOUBLE/$4,990 SINGLE

LAND | FEBRUARY 11–15, 2016

SAN MIGUEL DE ALLENDE & COLONIAL MEXICO

LAND | FEBRUARY 10–15, 2016
AUTHENTIC HAWAII
Experience a most amazing exploration of Hawaii’s Big Island with an exclusive stay at a private home located on Reed’s Island in historic Hilo. This charming coastal city by the bay is known for its friendly and diverse residents. Explore Hilo’s museums, shops, galleries, and restaurants, and enjoy excursions to magical waterfalls, lush gardens, and dramatic volcanic landscapes. Also visit institutions working to advance scientific understanding and preserve the rich heritage of the area, including the Mauna Kea Observatories, Imiloa Astronomy Center, and College of Hawaiian Language.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced
ACCOMMODATES: 12–20 guests
PRICING: From $3,250 DOUBLE/$4,140 SINGLE

AMAZON RIVER EXPEDITION ON ZAFIRO
Explore boundless natural diversity—from delicate orchids to transparent glass frogs and pink river dolphins, from the treetops of the lush rainforest to the depths of blackwater tributaries. Cruise beyond the confluence of the Rio Ucayali and Rio Marañón, the legendary inception of the Amazon River, where the primeval calls of birds and other wildlife echo across the rainforest and far beyond civilization to the Pacaya Samiria National Reserve, the largest wetlands refuge in the world. Take daily excursions led by English-speaking Peruvian naturalists. Also visit local villages to gain insight into the traditional way of life of the ribereños (river people).

STUDY LEADER: To be announced
ACCOMMODATES: Up to 36 guests
PRICING: From $5,995 DOUBLE/$9,595 SINGLE
KENYA & TANZANIA

Kenya and Tanzania count among the most alluring places to be “on safari.” As you travel from grasslands to highlands and from reserves to national parks, enjoy captivating game drives, see stupendous landscapes, stay in excellent accommodations, and meet gracious local people. Park visits include Kenya’s Masai Mara and Amboseli National Park as well as Tanzania’s Ngorongoro Crater and Serengeti National Park, one of Africa’s best game-viewing sites.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced

ACCOMMODATES: 12–18 guests

PRICING: $8,796 DOUBLE/$10,091 SINGLE
(price includes airfare from Boston, New York, or Washington, D.C.)

PRIDE OF SOUTH AFRICA, NAMIBIA, BOTSWANA & ZIMBABWE ON ZAMBEZI QUEEN

From the rich multicultural heritage of the Rainbow Nation to stunning natural beauty and exotic wildlife, this program showcases southern Africa like no other. Enjoy five-star accommodations, including Cape Town’s legendary Mount Nelson Hotel, the MalaMala Main Camp in South Africa, and the all-suite Zambezi Queen river vessel. Explore Johannesburg, Table Mountain, Robben Island, Nelson Mandela’s former home in Soweto, and the Cape of Good Hope. Enjoy unparalleled game viewing at Kruger National Park, and visit thundering Victoria Falls.

STUDY LEADER: PETER DEL TREDICI retired from the Arnold Arboretum of Harvard University in 2014 after working there for 35 years as a plant propagator, curator of the Larz Anderson Bonsai Collection, editor of Arnoldia (the quarterly magazine of the Arnold Arboretum), director of living collections, and senior research scientist. He is currently an associate professor in practice at the Harvard Graduate School of Design, where he has been teaching in the Department of Landscape Architecture since 1992.

ACCOMMODATES: Up to 24 guests

PRICING: From $9,045 DOUBLE/$14,545 SINGLE
TREASURES OF JORDAN
From times biblical to Byzantine, Roman to recent, the land of Jordan has offered visitors a dazzling diversity of sights. Encounter wonders of both nature and man—enhanced by traditional hospitality and excellent lodgings. From lively Amman, head north to Ajlun to see the impressive Roman ruins of Jerash. Then head south to the rose-red city of Petra, the ancient capital of the Nabataeans. Take a sunset jeep ride through the lunar-like landscape of Wadi Rum, and enjoy excursions to biblical Bethany Beyond the Jordan and to Madaba, “City of Mosaics,” before concluding with the restorative powers of the Dead Sea.

STUDY LEADER: CARLOS E. DÍAZ ROSILLO MPP ’98, PhD ’09 is a lecturer on government at Harvard and Allston Burr Assistant Dean of Harvard College, Dunster House. His academic research focuses on presidential leadership, public policy, campaigns and elections, and comparative chief executive politics.

ACCOMMODATES: 12–24 guests
PRICING: $4,272 DOUBLE/$5,267 SINGLE
(price includes airfare from Boston, New York, or Houston)

MUST-SEE GUATEMALA
Guatemala is a charming potpourri of Maya and Spanish heritage and the contemporary world. Tour the spectacular ruins of Tikal—once the prime city of the Maya people of the Yucatán—emerging dramatically from the surrounding lowland jungle. In Antigua, see a town preserved as it was as a 16th-century Spanish colonial capital. Meander through Central America’s largest native market in Chichicastenango. Explore the country’s modern capital, Guatemala City, from its historic center to markets brimming with colorful designs and patterns passed on from generation to generation—wood, jade, textiles, clay, and metals molded by the hands of today’s Maya.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced
ACCOMMODATES: 12–24 guests
PRICING: $3,795 DOUBLE/$4,370 SINGLE
CONNECT
WITH STUDENTS
CAMBODIA SPRING BREAK FOR STUDENTS & ALUMNI
Discover Cambodia’s charm, culture, and history on a captivating spring break journey designed for Harvard students and alumni. Begin in Phnom Penh, the vibrant French colonial capital. Learn about the dark past of Pol Pot and the Khmer Rouge at the Tuol Sleng Genocide Museum and the Killing Fields of Choeung Ek. Visit a French NGO working to empower Cambodian youth. Wander through the haunting, jungle-clad temple of Ta Prohm; marvel at the delicate beauty of the carvings at Banteay Srei; and tour the celebrated Angkor Wat, one of the wonders of the ancient world, followed by cycling in the royal city of Angkor Thom. On Tonle Sap Lake, explore the floating village of Kompong Khleang.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced
ACCOMMODATES: Up to 30 guests
PRICING: Alumni: $3,300 DOUBLE/$3,500 SINGLE
Harvard College students: $2,300 DOUBLE/$3,100 SINGLE
Harvard graduate students: $2,800 DOUBLE/$3,100 SINGLE

GREECE SPRING BREAK FOR STUDENTS & ALUMNI
Uncover classical Greece through its most important archaeological sites on this annual spring break favorite designed for Harvard students and alumni. In Athens, visit the Acropolis and the Ancient Agora, and enjoy an overview of Greek history at the National Archaeological Museum and the new Acropolis Museum. Imagine the world of Homer by visiting Mycenae and experiencing the magic of the Oracle of Apollo in Delphi. Explore the mystery of Byzantium and the Eastern Orthodox Church. Enjoy exclusive access to the Harvard Hellenic Center in Nafplion, and learn about current work by Harvard students and professors.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced
ACCOMMODATES: Up to 30 guests
PRICING: To be announced
JOURNEY THROUGH THE PHILIPPINES ON CALEDONIAN SKY

The Philippine archipelago of over 7,000 islands boasts many natural wonders—soaring volcanoes and rugged mountains draped in luxuriant foliage, colorful coral reefs, extensive limestone caves, and idyllic beaches. This itinerary offers a captivating mix of Eastern and Western cultures, exceptional snorkeling and diving, and lush forests filled with a variety of endemic flora and fauna. Explore mangrove forests and scenic coastlines on numerous Zodiac boat excursions, and discover the amazing biodiversity of these isolated islands on nature hikes. A highlight is the opportunity to interact with native people whose culture is reflected in their intricate tribal dress, traditional dances, and rich folklore.

ACCOMMODATES: Up to 100 guests  
PRICING: From $14,980 DOUBLE/$20,280 SINGLE

EXPERIENCE THE MASTERS

For around 80 years, the greatest golfers and the most dedicated fans have made the pilgrimage to the perfectly manicured greens of Augusta National, the revered “Cathedral in the Pines,” to pay homage to the vision of Bobby Jones and Clifford Roberts. Let the HAA be your ticket to this venerated event for the final day of competition—when the excitement is at its peak and the world’s best golfers pull out all the stops on Sunday’s back nine. On the following day, enjoy a round of golf at the dramatic yet playable Oconee Course. Hotel accommodations at the Ritz-Carlton, Buckhead, and special hospitality privileges at the Masters make this event exceptional.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced  
ACCOMMODATES: To be announced  
PRICING: $5,995 DOUBLE/$6,990 SINGLE
BERLIN: PAST & PRESENT
Discover the art treasures of Germany’s capital city, including the Altar of Zeus and the bust of Nefertiti on Museum Island. Admire new architecture at the restored Reichstag, Hamburger Bahnhof, and the Holocaust Memorial. Attend a reception with local alumni, and visit the Sammlung Boros, a prominent private art collection housed in a former bunker. Spend a delightful day exploring the palaces of Potsdam, including rococo Sanssouci, the neoclassical Marble Palace, and Tudor-style Cecilienhof.
STUDY LEADER: To be announced
ACCOMMODATES: To be announced
PRICING: To be announced

RIVER | APRIL 10–18, 2016
DUTCH & FLEMISH LANDSCAPES ON AMAPRIMA
Cruise along Dutch and Flemish waterways as tulips and daffodils unfurl in a riot of colors. Admire architecture by Rem Koolhaas and Renzo Piano in Rotterdam, and explore Delft, birthplace of Vermeer. Discover the dikes and farms of Zeeland and the 16th-century tapestries of Middelburg’s Zeeuws Museum. Visit the Cathedral of St. Bavo in Ghent, and view Michelangelo’s Madonna and Child in medieval Bruges. In Antwerp, tour the house of Peter Paul Rubens and the cathedral where his great altarpiece Descent from the Cross is displayed. From Arnhem, drive through picturesque countryside to visit the celebrated Kröller-Müller Museum. Conclude in Amsterdam with a tour of the Rijksmuseum.
STUDY LEADER: THOMAS FORREST KELLY PhD ’73 is the Morton B. Knafel Professor of Music at Harvard. Kelly is the author of First Nights: Five Musical Premieres—which is also the basis for an upcoming online course through HarvardX, the University’s online learning initiative.
ACCOMMODATES: Up to 130 guests
CO-SPONSORS: Metropolitan Museum of Art, Princeton University, Yale University
PRICING: From $4,995 DOUBLE/$4,995 SINGLE (no single supplement on certain cabin categories)
JAPAN BY SEA: LAND OF THE RISING SUN ON CALEDONIAN SKY

Discover a Japan that few visitors see, venturing beyond the bustle of Tokyo and Kyoto to the tranquil historic and artistic quarters of Kanazawa and Hagi, and the island worlds of Miyajima and Sado. Excursions highlight both age-old traditions—with visits to sacred temples and shrines, celebrated gardens and castles, and private cultural performances—as well as cutting-edge modernity, evident at I. M. Pei’s Miho Museum and the Mori Tower and Roppongi Hills district of Tokyo. During exclusive events, hear about a geisha’s life in Kyoto, enjoy ancient court music and dance at a Shinto shrine on Miyajima, and watch a private performance of the world-famous Kodo drummers on Sado Island.

STUDY LEADERS: HARVEY COX PhD ’63 is the Hollis Research Professor of Divinity at Harvard, where he has taught since 1965. He will be accompanied by his wife, NINA TUMARKIN PhD ’75, a professor of history at Wellesley College.

ACCOMMODATES: Up to 96 guests

CO-SPONSORS: Archaeological Institute of America, National Trust for Historic Preservation, Yale University

PRICING: From $9,990 DOUBLE/$16,490 SINGLE

ELBE RIVER CRUISE: PRAGUE TO BERLIN ON SWISS RUBY

The Elbe River traverses a land filled with captivating treasures—enticing cities, terraced vineyards, fortress-crowned crags, and the spectacular gorges of Saxon Switzerland. This itinerary captures both the broad sweep and the fine details of these treasures: Wenceslas Square, ground zero of the Velvet Revolution; the Wittenberg church where Martin Luther posted his 95 Theses; historic Jewish synagogues and cemeteries; World War II memorials; Meissen’s porcelain workshop; Dresden’s Green Vault; and Potsdam’s whimsical Sanssouci.

STUDY LEADER: ROBERT J. KIELY PhD ’62 is the Donald P. and Katherine B. Loker Professor of English emeritus at Harvard. He served terms as associate dean of undergraduate education and chair of the English department. In addition, he and his wife, Jana Moravkova MTS ’79, PhD ’94, were masters of Adams House from 1973 to 1999. On this program, Kiely will speak on Luther, Lohengrin, and the Americans in Berlin before World War II.

ACCOMMODATES: Up to 72 guests

CO-SPONSORS: MIT, Stanford University

PRICING: From $5,595 DOUBLE/$10,715 SINGLE
HOUSES & GARDENS OF NORTHERN IRELAND: DUBLIN, LOUGH ERNE & BELFAST

Explore the historic houses and stunning gardens of Ireland and Northern Ireland. In Dublin, see the award-winning urban garden of writer Helen Dillon, Lodge Park Garden, and the National Gallery. Enjoy lunch at Castle Leslie, nestled in 1,000 acres of countryside. Visit Castle Coole, a neoclassical mansion set in a wooded park, and the house and gardens of Killyreagh. Dine at Crom Castle—on the shores of Lough Erne—historic seat of the earls of Erne for over 350 years. Explore Oakfield Park, a beautifully restored 18th-century Georgian deanery, and Baronscourt, one of Northern Ireland’s great Georgian houses. Conclude in Belfast to tour Ballywalter Park, Mount Stewart, and Grey Abbey.

STUDY LEADER: PATRICK BOWE is a Dublin-based landscape designer and architectural historian. The author of several garden-themed books, he is also a sought-after lecturer both in Ireland and abroad. He has accompanied a number of previous Harvard tours to rave reviews.

ACCOMMODATES: 15–25 guests

PRICING: $6,995 DOUBLE/$8,690 SINGLE

CRUISING THE RIVIERAS OF FRANCE, SPAIN & ITALY ON TERE MOANA

Cruise for seven nights from Rome to Barcelona aboard Tere Moana. This unique itinerary immerses you in the dynamic history, inimitable art and culture, and sun-drenched landscapes of the French and Italian Rivieras and islands. Visit several UNESCO World Heritage sites, including Carcassonne. Explore Corsica’s fortified town of Bonifacio and Sardinia’s dazzling Costa Smeralda. Visit Florence and the Cinque Terre. Along the Côte d’Azur, enjoy excursions in Monte Carlo, Marseille, and Nice. Rome pre-cruise and Barcelona post-cruise options are offered.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced

ACCOMMODATES: Up to 88 guests

CO-SPONSORS: National Trust for Historic Preservation, Yale University

PRICING: From $6,295 DOUBLE/$11,695 SINGLE
VILLAGE LIFE IN DORDOGNE

Experience the provincial character of Dordogne for one full week in Sarlat-la-Canéda, one of the most beautiful and well-preserved medieval villages in France. Stay in the family-owned Plaza Madeleine Hôtel, formerly a grand 19th-century townhouse. Discover the region’s charming villages, medieval castles, and prehistoric treasures through specially arranged excursions, including the medieval pilgrimage site of Rocamadour and the fascinating prehistoric cave paintings of Rouffignac and Cap Blanc—all part of UNESCO’s World Heritage list—and the perfect replica cave art of Lascaux II.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced

ACCOMMODATES: 12–36 guests

PRICING: Approximately* $4,495 DOUBLE/$5,195 SINGLE

*TENTATIVE PRICING

JEWELS OF THE WESTERN MEDITERRANEAN: ROME TO MÁLAGA ON SEA CLOUD II

Experience the majestic coasts of Italy and Spain aboard the elegant Sea Cloud II. From the Roman port city of Civitavecchia, set sail for Corsica to explore picturesque Porto-Vecchio. Step ashore on Sardinia to tour medieval Alghero before continuing to Menorca, Spain, a UNESCO biosphere reserve. Spend a day in Palma de Mallorca to visit its magnificent cathedral, and discover the Pilar and Joan Miró Foundation, designed by Rafael Moneo of the Harvard Graduate School of Design. In Valencia, admire works by Velázquez and Goya at the Museo de Bellas Artes, and tour the National Ceramics Museum. Conclude with visits to the fabled Alhambra Palace and Generalife in Granada.

STUDY LEADER: JAMES SIMPSON is the Donald P. and Katherine B. Loker Professor of English at Harvard. His interests include late medieval and early modern Western European literature and the cultural disciplines of revolutionary evangelical modernity. He plans to lecture on Napoleon’s influence and the works of Virgil and Cervantes.

ACCOMMODATES: Up to 90 guests

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

PRICING: From $7,995 DOUBLE/ $7,995 SINGLE (no single supplement on certain cabin categories)
SPAIN & PORTUGAL ON SEA CLOUD II

Follow in the wake of the ancient Spanish and Portuguese mariners aboard the beautiful Sea Cloud II, soaking up the rich history of the Iberian Peninsula. Begin in Granada for an introduction to the region’s Moorish heritage at the incomparable Alhambra Palace, then embark in Málaga, transit the Strait of Gibraltar, and visit Seville, Lisbon, and Porto. Experience the grandeur of the great pilgrimage cathedral at Santiago de Compostela and the cutting-edge design of Bilbao’s Guggenheim Museum. Learn about the strategic importance of these cities, enjoy the rhythms of fado and flamenco, and sample outstanding wines and distinctive regional cuisines.

STUDY LEADER: MICHAEL MCELROY is the Gilbert Butler Professor of Environmental Studies at Harvard. His writing covers topics such as planetary atmospheres, stratospheric ozone, the chemistry of the troposphere, changes in biogeochemical cycles, and factors underlying both natural and human-induced changes in the global climate.

ACCOMMODATES: Up to 76 guests

CO-SPONSORS: National Trust for Historic Preservation, Stanford University, Yale University

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

MOROCCAN DISCOVERY

From imperial cities to the High Atlas Mountains and vast Sahara desert, discover ancient ruins, sacred mosques, imposing kasbahs, and spirited souks. Visit Meknes, a UNESCO World Heritage site, and the Roman ruins of Volubilis on your way to Fez, with its fascinating medina, also a UNESCO World Heritage site. Take a sunset excursion to the sand dunes at Merzouga. Visit Ouarzazate in the snow-topped mountains, and stop at Aït Benhaddou, another UNESCO World Heritage site, where kasbahs are so tightly packed they appear as one. Spend three nights in Marrakech, an intersection of Berber, African, Mediterranean, and Asian cultural and artistic influences, before concluding in Casablanca.

STUDY LEADER: SUE WEAVER SCHOPF is an associate dean and lecturer at Harvard Extension School and advisor 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.

ACCOMMODATES: 12–24 guests

PRICING: Approximately* $6,179 DOUBLE/$7,674 SINGLE
(price includes airfare from Boston, New York, or Washington, D.C.)

*CERTIFIED PRICING

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CRUISE | MAY 17–29, 2016

AIRFARE INCLUDED
INSIDE THE RUSSIAN SPACE PROGRAM
Enter the once highly classified world of Russian space travel as a privileged guest. Explore Star City, outside of Moscow, the premier training facility for cosmonauts and foreign astronauts heading for manned space flights. Next, journey to the arid steppe of Kazakhstan and the remote desert launch site of Baikonur Cosmodrome. Witness the manned launch of the Soyuz spacecraft on its way to relieve the crew of the International Space Station, enjoying unparalleled access to VIP viewing areas and briefing sessions. If you’ve ever dreamed of space travel, this is your chance to see it up close and personal.

STUDY LEADER: Leading this co-sponsored tour is the Smithsonian Institution’s CATHLEEN LEWIS, curator of International Space Programs and Spacesuits, specializing in Soviet and Russian programs, at the National Air and Space Museum. Her current research is on the history of Russian fascination with the idea of human spaceflight.

ACCOMMODATES: 12–24 guests
CO-SPONSOR: Smithsonian Journeys
PRICING: $14,995 DOUBLE/$16,170 SINGLE

THE DESERT KINGDOMS OF PERU
Explore some of Peru’s major archaeological sites and less-visited spots. Begin with Lima’s colonial and pre-Columbian treasures, and enjoy an excursion to the National Reserve of Lachay and the Sacred City of Caral-Supe, the oldest city in the Americas. Travel to Paracas to fly over the mysterious Nazca Lines, and visit the Ballestas Islands, known for marine birds and sea lions. Journey along Peru’s northern coast to explore Chiclayo and Trujillo, where the pre-Inca culture of the Moche flourished. Other highlights include Peruvian Paso horses at a private hacienda and opportunities to sample delicious Peruvian cuisine. You can continue to Machu Picchu on an optional post-trip extension.

STUDY LEADER: JEFFREY QUILTER is the William and Muriel Seabury Howells Director of the Peabody Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology and senior lecturer in archaeology at Harvard. Trained as an anthropological archaeologist, Quilter has focused much of his career on the early societies of Peru. Recently, an early interest in issues of the origins and nature of complex societies has shifted to focus on viewing social and environmental changes over long periods of time.

ACCOMMODATES: 14–30 guests
PRICING: $6,595 DOUBLE/$7,590 SINGLE
PROVENCE TO NORMANDY: THE WATERWAYS OF FRANCE ON AMADEUS FLEET

This 12-day journey along France’s Rhône, Saône, and Seine Rivers takes place aboard an exclusively chartered deluxe riverboat from the Amadeus fleet. Highlights include Burgundy, Provence, Normandy, and the TGV high-speed train from Lyon to Paris. The itinerary features several UNESCO World Heritage sites and a full-day excursion to the historic D-Day beaches of Normandy. Visit Provençal Arles, the famous Pont du Gard, and a Beaujolais vineyard for a private wine tasting. Enjoy a panoramic tour of Paris, visit Monet’s home and gardens in Giverny, and tour the Museum of Impressionism. Marseille pre-cruise and Mont Saint-Michel/Saint-Malo/Chartres post-cruise options are offered.

STUDY LEADER: SUSAN RUBIN SULEIMAN PHD ’69 is the C. Douglas Dillon Professor of the Civilization of France and professor of comparative literature at Harvard. Suleiman is the author or editor of numerous books and articles on contemporary literature and culture, and she has also published poetry and autobiographical works.

ACCOMMODATES: Up to 145 guests
CO-SPONSORS: Smithsonian Journeys, Tufts University
PRICING: Approximately* $5,295 DOUBLE/$9,995 SINGLE
*TENTATIVE PRICING

MONGOLIA: LAND OF THE BLUE SKY

One of the most sparsely populated countries in the world, Mongolia retains its awe-inspiring natural beauty along with its well-preserved nomadic culture. Featuring magnificent natural wonders such as the Gobi Desert, as well as historical highlights such as the ruins of Karakorum, the 13th-century capital of the Mongol Empire, this trip offers a special opportunity to travel back in time to the land of Genghis Khan and hospitable nomads. Discover the amazing scenery, endemic wildlife, ancient history, and cultural traditions of Mongolia on this adventure-packed journey.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced
ACCOMMODATES: 13–15 guests
PRICING: $6,895 DOUBLE/$8,045 SINGLE
Explore Cuba with the Harvard Alumni Association! Take advantage of a rare opportunity to visit this Caribbean island nation, which has been virtually closed to travelers for over half a century. On these people-to-people programs, experience intriguing and varied interactions with Cuban people and come away with a deeper understanding of Cuba’s history, where it is today, and where it might be in 10 years.

APRIL 1–11, 2016 | CUBA IN DEPTH
APRIL 27–MAY 2, 2016 | EXPLORING HAVANA
OCTOBER 14–19, 2016 | EXPLORING HAVANA
HIMALAYAN KINGDOMS: TIBET, NEPAL & BHUTAN

Your journey to Tibet, the “rooftop of the world,” begins with a flight from Beijing to Lhasa, where colorful prayer wheels, exotic bazaars, golden Buddhas, and iconic chortens abound. 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 to trek to the sacred Taktsang Monastery, which clings 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: MARK VAN BAALEN AB ’66, PhD ’95 is a lecturer on earth and planetary sciences at Harvard. He and his wife, Louisa, who recently retired from Harvard Kennedy School, have been privileged to lead numerous HAA excursions to distant lands. On these trips, he lectures on the natural history of the regions being visited and paints a broader picture of human interaction with the environment, now and in the past.

ACCOMMODATES: 15–35 guests
PRICING: $11,990 DOUBLE/$14,890 SINGLE

IN THE WAKE OF THE VIKINGS ON LE BORÉAL

Take a unique voyage to Scotland’s rarely visited Inner Hebridean, Orkney, and Shetland Islands and Norway’s majestic coastal fjords. From Glasgow, Scotland, to Copenhagen, Denmark, travel in the wake of early Viking explorers, cruising into ports accessible only to smaller ships. Highlights include three UNESCO World Heritage sites, the Jacobite steam train journey in the Scottish Highlands, Eilean Donan Castle near Kyle of Lochalsh and Dunvegan Castle on the Isle of Skye, a special presentation by a local archaeologist in the Heart of Neolithic Orkney, and a tour of Bryggen in Bergen, Norway. Glasgow/Edinburgh pre-cruise and Copenhagen post-cruise options are offered.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced
ACCOMMODATES: Up to 200 guests
CO-SPONSORS: To be announced
PRICING: Approximately* $5,195 DOUBLE/$12,595 SINGLE
*TENTATIVE PRICING
ADRIATIC SEA & DALMATIAN COAST ON ISLAND SKY

Depart Venice to savor the Adriatic shores of Italy, Croatia, Albania, and Montenegro aboard Island Sky. Discover Roman archaeology in Croatia’s Pula, and delight in picture-perfect Hvar, island of lavender and sun. In Split, visit the estate of famed sculptor Ivan Meštrović, and take in the ruins of Diocletian’s Palace. Back in Italy, admire the baroque cathedral of charming Otranto before motoring into the countryside for a locavore dinner partnered with tarantella music. Experience Butrint’s ruins on Albania’s southern coast, and cruise into the dramatic Bay of Kotor to explore the old Montenegrin capital of Cetinje.

STUDY LEADER: MICHAEL MCCORMICK, historian and archaeologist of the late Roman Empire and early medieval Europe, is Francis Goelet Professor of Medieval History at Harvard. He has authored Origins of the European Economy—a prize-winning monograph on the transformations of Mediterranean shipping and communications networks in Roman and medieval times—and, most recently, Charlemagne’s Survey of the Holy Land.

ACCOMMODATES: Up to 96 guests
CO-SPONSORS: Archaeological Institute of America, Stanford University
PRICING: From $5,995 DOUBLE/$8,995 SINGLE

THE LOWER DANUBE: MEDIEVAL TO MODERN (VIENNA TO BUCHAREST) ON ROYAL CROWN

From Vienna, Austria, the celebrated city of music, cruise along the lower Danube River to grand Bucharest, Romania. Call at Bratislava, Slovakia, and Budapest, Hungary, to tour stunning palaces. See an equestrian demonstration in Kalocsa, Hungary, known for its colorful folk art. In lively Belgrade, Serbia, tour the Kalemegdan Fortress and the Serbian Orthodox Temple of St. Sava. Cruise through the awe-inspiring Iron Gates, where the Danube narrows as it winds through a series of magnificent cliff-lined gorges between Serbia and Romania. In Vidin, Bulgaria, explore the fortress of Baba Vida, built by the Bulgars in the 10th century. And visit the attractive city of Veliko Tarnovo, the former capital of Bulgaria.

STUDY LEADER: MICHAEL SHINAGEL PhD ’64 served as dean of continuing education and University extension at Harvard from 1975 to 2013. He served as master of Quincy House from 1985 to 2001. He is currently lecturing in English at the College and the Extension School.

ACCOMMODATES: Up to 94 guests
CO-SPONSORS: Metropolitan Museum of Art, National Trust for Historic Preservation, Yale Educational Travel
PRICING: From $5,995 DOUBLE/$8,990 SINGLE
CLASSICAL HIGHLIGHTS OF CHINA

This tour of the highlights of China combines wondrous insights into Chinese culture with fine hotel accommodations and culinary delights—sure to create memories that will last a lifetime. In colorful Beijing, marvel at the grandeur of the Forbidden City, and hike the Great Wall at Mutianyu. In Xian, the Qin dynasty comes alive with Emperor Qin Shi Huang’s life-size Terracotta Warriors. Cruise the Yangtze River through breathtaking scenery. Tour Immigration Village, see the magnificent Lesser Gorge Danninghe, and come face-to-face with the spectacular Three Gorges Dam at Sandouping. Delve into the cosmopolitan ambience of Shanghai, one of the fastest-changing cities in the world.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced
ACCOMMODATES: 15–40 guests
PRICING: $4,795 DOUBLE/$6,285 SINGLE

WATERWAYS OF THE TSARS ON VOLGA DREAM

See Moscow’s highlights prior to embarking the elegant Volga Dream to cruise Russia’s scenic waterways. Discover Uglich, with its five-domed Church of the Transfiguration, and Yaroslavl, the oldest city on the Volga. Cross Lake Beloye, formerly known as the “tsar’s fishing grounds,” to Goritsy. Tour the Kirillo-Belozersky Monastery, with its 13th-century Cathedral of the Assumption, and continue to the Ferapontov Monastery, a UNESCO World Heritage site with magnificent frescoes. Explore the magical architecture of Kizhi Island, and stop at the village of Mandrogi. Disembark in St. Petersburg, the vibrant city of islands, canals, bridges, and pastel-colored palaces.

STUDY LEADER: CAROL SAIVETZ is a research associate at Harvard’s Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies. She also teaches Russian foreign policy in the Security Studies Program at MIT. Her most recent publications analyze Russia’s foreign policies—including energy policies and reactions to EU and NATO expansion.
ACCOMMODATES: Up to 109 guests
CO-SPONSORS: Metropolitan Museum of Art, National Trust for Historic Preservation, Yale Educational Travel
PRICING: From $5,995 DOUBLE/$5,995 SINGLE (no single supplement on certain cabin categories)
FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT’S AMERICA
Covering a great swath of the American Midwest, this one-of-a-kind itinerary covers many of Frank Lloyd Wright’s must-see masterpieces, providing an excellent opportunity to study the architect’s life and work, as well as his context within the wider architectural world of the 20th and 21st centuries. Begin in Illinois with several days uncovering the best of Chicago and Oak Park, including exciting new works by Renzo Piano and Frank Gehry. Take a day trip to Wisconsin to discover great buildings in Milwaukee and Racine. Finally, fly to the resurgent city of Pittsburgh for a look at its cultural renaissance and a special grand finale at Wright’s iconic Fallingwater.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced
ACCOMMODATES: 20–30 guests
PRICING: $3,995 DOUBLE/$4,790 SINGLE

MOAB, UTAH
The stunning natural landscape of Moab, Utah, is truly a spectacle to behold. During this five-day, four-night multisport adventure, see famed arches and towers and turbulent rivers carving through timeless sandstone cliffs. From river rafting to hiking to jeep safaris, from canyoneering to scenic flights across the rugged terrain of southern Utah, there are activities for everyone. Explore Canyonlands National Park, Arches National Park, and Dead Horse Point State Park. See ancient petroglyphs, prehistoric ruins, and petrified dinosaur tracks. Accompanied by an experienced guide each day, enjoy the best that this amazing region has to offer.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced
ACCOMMODATES: Up to 35 guests
PRICING: To be announced
SYMPHONY ON THE BLUE DANUBE ON AMADEUS SILVER II

Visit five countries and several UNESCO World Heritage sites on this journey to the cultural centers that inspired classical music’s great masters. This combination of river and land travel includes three nights in Prague, Czech Republic, and a seven-night cruise on the legendary Blue Danube from Passau, Germany, to Budapest, Hungary, aboard the deluxe Amadeus Silver II, launched in 2015. The itinerary has been carefully orchestrated to include private classical music performances and guided excursions featuring Austria’s magnificent Melk Abbey, delightful Salzburg, storybook Dürnstein, imperial Vienna, and Slovakia’s medieval Bratislava. Berlin pre-trip and Budapest post-trip options are offered.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced

ACCOMMODATES: Up to 145 guests

CO-SPONSORS: MIT, National Trust for Historic Preservation, Smith College

PRICING: Approximately* $4,995 DOUBLE/$8,795 SINGLE

*TENTATIVE PRICING

THE BALTIC’S AMBER COAST ON SEA CLOUD II

Embark Sea Cloud II in St. Petersburg, Russia, and set sail for vibrant Helsinki, Finland. Explore the bustling market, Eliel Saarinen’s striking train station, and Finland’s finest art collection at the Ateneum. Enjoy a private concert in Tallinn, Estonia. Dock in Stockholm, Sweden, and visit Drottningholm Palace, modeled after Versailles. Continue to Visby on the island of Gotland to explore medieval ruins and botanical gardens. In Riga, Latvia, admire medieval churches and art nouveau architecture, then sail to Klaipeda, Lithuania, or drive to Vilnius and spend the night in its Old Town, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Enjoy a leisurely day at sea before disembarking in Copenhagen, Denmark.

STUDY LEADER: TIMOTHY J. COLTON PhD ’74 is the Morris and Anna Feldberg Professor of Government and Russian Studies and chair of the Department of Government at Harvard. His current research is on political parties and electoral development in Russia, political leadership, and Russia’s relations with its neighbors. He is also American co-chairman of the working group on the future of U.S.-Russia relations.

ACCOMMODATES: Up to 90 guests

CO-SPONSORS: Metropolitan Museum of Art, Yale University

PRICING: From $9,995 DOUBLE/$9,995 SINGLE (no single supplement on certain cabin categories)
FAMILY GALÁPAGOS ON SANTA CRUZ II

The Galápagos Islands are a paradise of diverse landscapes and an amazing array of wildlife species. Most of the animals have never learned fear of humans, enabling astonishing up-close encounters. With pristine beaches, plentiful sea turtles, playful sea lions, and rocky reefs, the Galápagos offers unforgettable snorkeling and swimming experiences. In addition to your Harvard study leader, this family adventure is enriched by a team of passionate and knowledgeable naturalist guides. Participate in interactive learning activities for children of all ages and excursions the entire family will enjoy.

STUDY LEADER: Warren M. Zapol, Reginald Jenney Professor of Anesthesia at Harvard Medical School, has led many trips for Harvard, including to the Galápagos, Arctic, and Antarctic. His research on the physiology of mammalian breathing includes extensive field study of the evolutionary adaptations of seals. Zapol has been actively involved in science policy as a member of the National Academy of Medicine, the U.S. Polar Board, and the U.S. Arctic Research Commission, among other organizations.

ACCOMMODATES: 15–28 guests/Ship size: 90 guests

PRICING:
Adults: From $8,055 DOUBLE/$11,370 SINGLE
Teens (12–17 years old): From $7,450
Children (6–11 years old): From $6,990

ULTIMATE TANZANIA SAFARI: EXPLORING THE CRADLE OF HUMANKIND

On this unique safari, follow the evolution of humankind where it happened, from our closest living relatives among the apes to early hominins to modern humans—all while observing some of Africa’s most impressive wildlife. Begin by tracking chimpanzees in the remote Mahale Mountains. Then traverse the game-filled Serengeti Plain, stopping at Olduvai Gorge, where many key fossils of early hominins and their stone tools were discovered. Continue to the arid shores of Lake Eyasi, where one of the world’s last hunter-gatherer tribes survives. Visit the seminomadic pastoralist tribes of the Maasai Steppe. Complete your journey in the rural and urban environments of contemporary Tanzania.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced

ACCOMMODATES: 10–14 guests

PRICING: $11,995 DOUBLE/$14,995 SINGLE
CASTLES & PRIVATE COLLECTIONS OF THE CELTIC ISLES ON SEA CLOUD II

Tour storied strongholds, exotic gardens, and romantic estates. Begin with the classic sites of Edinburgh, Scotland, before embarking Sea Cloud II in Leith. Admire the castles of Aberdeen and Invergordon, then sail to the Orkney Islands to explore remarkable prehistoric monuments. Return south to Inverewe, a subtropical oasis that blooms year round. Travel by Zodiac boat to the Isle of Staffa for a walk in Fingal’s Cave, and visit Iona, a pilgrimage site where the Book of Kells was created. Stop for an afternoon in Northern Ireland before concluding in Dublin, featuring an exclusive visit with a distinguished horticulturist and a tour of the National Gallery of Ireland.

STUDY LEADER: CATHERINE MCKENNA PhD ’76 is the Margaret Brooks Robinson Professor of Celtic Languages and Literatures at Harvard, specializing in the literature and legends of the Celtic-speaking peoples of Ireland, Scotland, Wales, Brittany, and Cornwall. She is currently working on a book on the cult of Saint Brigid of Ireland.

ACCOMMODATES: Up to 90 guests

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

PRICING: From $9,995 DOUBLE/$9,995 SINGLE (no single supplement on certain cabin categories)

SANTA FE: ART & LANDSCAPE IN THE CITY OF ENCHANTMENT

In Santa Fe, New Mexico, distinctive adobe buildings and undulating landforms create the chiaroscuro light and shadow so adored by Georgia O’Keeffe. Long seen as a mecca for artists and craftsmen, Santa Fe’s galleries showcase exceptional art, including the work of Native American artisans. This custom tour is offered during the exciting Spanish Market, one of the city’s best-loved festivals. Visits to art studios and private homes, as well as private openings of art museums and O’Keeffe’s house at Abiquiu, complement the region’s natural beauty. Sample a wide-ranging taste of Santa Fe’s cuisine, and attend a performance at the Santa Fe Opera.

STUDY LEADER: JOHN STEWART AM ’72, EdD ’94, senior preceptor in music emeritus at Harvard and a lecturer at Harvard Extension School, is a composer and music theorist. At Harvard, he taught courses in harmony, counterpoint, composition, and musicianship for over 25 years. Stewart grew up in New Mexico and worked with the Santa Fe Opera Company in the 1960s, including Stravinsky’s 80th birthday festival in 1962. He plans to lecture on opera as well as other cultural and historical aspects of New Mexico.

ACCOMMODATES: 20–30 guests

PRICING: $3,295 DOUBLE/$3,990 SINGLE
PASSAGE OF LEWIS & CLARK ON AMERICAN EMPRESS

From verdant forests and magnificent mountains to breathtaking gorges and sparkling waterfalls, experience the majesty of the Pacific Northwest while cruising the Columbia and Snake Rivers aboard American Empress. Begin in Spokane and then cruise to Clarkston, where rich Native American culture springs to life at the nearby Nez Perce National Historical Park. Follow in the footsteps of Lewis and Clark and their legendary Shoshone guide to Sacajawea State Park, delve into the pioneer history of The Dalles, and tour the Columbia Gorge Interpretive Center Museum in Stevenson. Visit the small town of Astoria, the oldest city west of the Rockies, before concluding in Portland.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced
ACCOMMODATES: 203 guests
CO-SPONSORS: Smith College, University of Virginia, Washington and Lee University, Williams College
PRICING: From $3,999 DOUBLE/$7,998 SINGLE

FIVE NIGHTS IN VIENNA

Immerse yourself in Vienna, an elegant city of music and arts on the Danube, during a five-night stay at the Hotel Bristol. Delve into imperial history at Hofburg Palace, for many centuries the center of the Habsburg Empire, and magnificent Schönbrunn Palace. Visit the Lower and Upper Belvedere to admire works by Schiele, Klimt, and other artists, and stroll through the Kunsthistorisches Museum, housing an unrivaled collection of old masters. Savor traditional specialties in Vienna’s fine restaurants and renowned cafés. Other highlights include a backstage tour at the Wiener Musikverein, home of the Vienna Philharmonic, and a visit to the Spanish Riding School.

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ACCOMMODATES: To be announced
PRICING: $4,795 DOUBLE/$5,765 SINGLE
THE HOLY LAND: ISRAEL & PALESTINE
Explore the biblical, archaeological, and cultural heritage of the stunning lands of Israel and Palestine. Begin in Jerusalem, with its unique interplay of Jewish, Christian, and Muslim cultures. Visit Bethlehem, at the edge of the Judean Desert, to see the Church of the Nativity. Travel through the Jordan Valley to ancient Capernaum, where Jesus studied and preached, and historic Tiberias, built on the Sea of Galilee by King Herod Antipas. Discover the beautiful and mountainous Golan Heights, and visit Rosh Pina, an early Zionist settlement. Conclude in vibrant Tel Aviv on the sun-drenched Mediterranean coast. Meetings with distinguished guests enhance this fascinating journey.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced
ACCOMMODATES: 15–25 guests
PRICING: Approximately* $7,995 DOUBLE/$9,745 SINGLE

*TENTATIVE PRICING

SILK ROAD ODYSSEY: THE FIVE ‘STANS
Trace the path of the great camel caravans along the Silk Road, admiring the vaulted portals of the mosques and madrassas, their domes adorned with sky-blue ceramic tiles. Explore five UNESCO World Heritage sites, including the historic Old Towns of the fabled Uzbek oases. Wander the fabulous bazaars, and step into the past on the streets of Silk Road trade centers crowned with complex Persian architecture. Learn about ongoing renovations with a Bukharan architect, converse with students at the Samarkand State Institute of Foreign Languages, discuss current affairs with guests from the U.S. embassy in Uzbekistan, and meet with representatives of a Tajik NGO.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced
ACCOMMODATES: 12–30 guests
PRICING: $8,995 DOUBLE/$10,370 SINGLE
LEGENDARY TURKEY

Begin in Istanbul, Turkey’s cultural and spiritual heart, with visits to the legendary Blue Mosque, Hagia Sofia, and Topkapı Palace—one of the world’s richest museums. Visit the stunning site of Pergamum, and spend a full day in the classical city of Ephesus, home to the grand Library of Celsus, the exquisite terrace houses of Roman history, and a 25,000-seat amphitheater. Cruise the magnificent Turquoise Coast for four delightful days, relaxing and discovering hidden coves, quaint fishing villages, and remote ruins. Conclude in coastal Antalya, including a visit to the Archaeological Museum and an excursion to the Roman ruins of Perge, with its awe-inspiring stadium and theater.

STUDY LEADER: Werner Sollors

ACCOMMODATES: 12–24 guests

PRICING: Approximately* $5,192 DOUBLE/$6,187 SINGLE

(price includes airfare from Boston or New York)

*TENTATIVE PRICING

CELEBRATING CERN & ITER: GENEVA & AIX-EN-PROVENCE

Begin in Geneva, Switzerland, discovering the European Organization for Nuclear Research (CERN). Other highlights include visits to the United Nations and the physics laboratories of the University of Geneva and a special look at Swiss watchmaking. Continue to southern France with a stop at the European Synchrotron Radiation Facility (ESRF) in Grenoble, perhaps the world’s finest center for the study of x-ray radiation. While in Aix-en-Provence, explore the site of ITER, a large-scale scientific experiment focused on the viability of fusion as an energy source. The trip is complemented by visits to a winery, a local artist’s home, and walking tours through these beautiful cities.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced

ACCOMMODATES: 20–30 guests

PRICING: $6,295 DOUBLE/$7,890 SINGLE
COLOMBIA: BOGOTÁ & CARTAGENA
Start in the engaging capital city of Bogotá. Explore the streets of the historic La Candelaria neighborhood, with its restored colonial houses and neoclassical cathedral. See the pre-Columbian collection of the Gold Museum and the voluptuous caricatures at the Botero Museum. Visit the Salt Cathedral of Zipaquirá and the 16th-century village of Usaquén. Fly to Colombia’s major port, Cartagena. Take a walking tour of the walled city, and enjoy a cooking demonstration by a local chef with tastings at authentic dining spots. Join in salsa lessons, view artwork by local artists, and tour areas of Cartagena that have been captured in or transformed by the literary works of Gabriel García Márquez.

STUDY LEADER: MARK VAN BAALEN AB ’66, PhD ’95 is a lecturer on earth and planetary sciences at Harvard. He and his wife, Louisa, who recently retired from Harvard Kennedy School, have been privileged to lead numerous HAA excursions to distant lands. On these trips, he lectures on the natural history of the regions being visited and paints a broader picture of human interaction with the environment, now and in the past.

ACCOMMODATES: 14–28 guests
PRICING: $5,995 DOUBLE/$7,025 SINGLE

TRADUN ROUTES OF COASTAL IBERIA ON LE LYRIAL
This unique nine-day voyage showcases the coastal jewels of the Iberian Peninsula between Barcelona, Spain, and Lisbon, Portugal. Explore historic and enchanting Seville, and visit Portugal’s lesser-traveled Algarve region and Spain’s regal city of Granada. Stand on the top of the Rock of Gibraltar to see the Pillars of Hercules spanning the Strait of Gibraltar. Call on two of the enchanting Balearic Islands—Ibiza and Palma de Mallorca. Enjoy stunning scenery and visit three UNESCO World Heritage sites while cruising ancient Mediterranean and Atlantic trade routes aboard the exclusively chartered, five-star small ship Le Lyrial. Barcelona pre-cruise and Lisbon post-cruise options are offered.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced
ACCOMMODATES: Up to 200 guests
CO-SPONSORS: Columbia University, Georgetown University, National Trust for Historic Preservation
PRICING: Approximately* $3,995 DOUBLE/$11,195 SINGLE
*TENTATIVE PRICING
EASTERN TURKEY, GEORGIA & ARMENIA

Begin among the folded hills of eastern Turkey’s Anatolian plateau, rich with the traces of early civilizations. Explore the relationship between Turkey and Armenia at Akhtamar Island, where a 10th-century Armenian church sits on Turkish land. Continue along the Black Sea coast to exuberant Georgia, where the wine grape may have first been cultivated and where guests are welcomed at tables laden with some of the finest food and wine on earth. In Armenia, the world’s first Christian country, visit stone churches from the first millennium, and admire the country’s oldest art form—the sculpted stone khachkar crosses that dot the green hillsides.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced
ACCOMMODATES: 12–18 guests
PRICING: $8,995 DOUBLE/$10,590 SINGLE

BLACK SEA ON ISLAND SKY

Embark from Istanbul aboard the deluxe Island Sky to explore the Black Sea, along whose shores the fortunes of ancient empires waxed and waned. Call on historic cities in Turkey, Georgia, Ukraine, and Bulgaria: Amasya, home to classical Ottoman mansions; Trabzon, outpost of the fourth-century Sumela Monastery; Batumi, with its renowned botanical garden; Tbilisi, featuring notable houses of worship, an impressive fortress, and the blue-tiled Orbeliani Baths; Odessa, with the famous Potemkin Steps; and Varna, resting place of magnificent Scythian gold treasures now housed in the Varna Archaeological Museum. In between, enjoy colorful dance and music, and sample delicious local cuisines.

STUDY LEADER: DAVID A. AGUILAR is the former director of public affairs and science information at the Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics (CfA). As an internationally recognized author, lecturer, astronomy expert, naturalist, and space artist, Aguilar’s expertise lies in showing our fascinating connection to the universe. As an HAA Travels study leader, he illustrates the dynamic relationship between science and the regions he visits.

ACCOMMODATES: Up to 96 guests
CO-SPONSORS: Archaeological Institute of America, Stanford University
PRICING: From $8,990 DOUBLE/$13,490 SINGLE

CRUISE | SEPTEMBER 25–OCTOBER 6, 2016

LAND | OCTOBER 2016
DISCOVER ETHIOPIA

Discover Ethiopia, a country of striking natural beauty and rich history. Begin in Addis Ababa with a briefing at the U.S. embassy. Fly north to the majestic Blue Nile, whose source is considered sacred by the Ethiopian Orthodox Church, and watch the waters plunge down towering cliffs at Tis Issat Falls. Walk among gelada baboons in the breathtaking Simien Mountains. Visit Gondar, Ethiopia’s 17th-century capital, and Axum, the center of the legendary empire of the Queen of Sheba. Marvel at the remarkable rock-hewn churches in Lalibela, then travel to the southern Omo region, where more than two dozen indigenous tribes have lived isolated from the outside world for millennia.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced
ACCOMMODATES: 8–14 guests
PRICING: $8,995 DOUBLE/$10,680 SINGLE

DISCOVERING EASTERN EUROPE

Experience a generous overview of five very different nations: Poland, Hungary, Austria, Slovakia, and the Czech Republic. Begin in Poland’s capital, Warsaw, with the faithfully rebuilt Old Town and a guided visit to Auschwitz-Birkenau. Tour the Wieliczka Salt Mine, a UNESCO World Heritage site, in Krakow. Explore Budapest, Hungary, with comprehensive touring and time on your own, and view the scenic Danube Bend. In Vienna, Austria, attend a classical music performance, and enjoy a visit to majestic Schönbrunn Palace. Continue to old-world Bratislava, Slovakia, and dine at the restaurant of a local family. Travel to the Czech Republic and enjoy a tour of elegant Prague.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced
ACCOMMODATES: 12–24 guests
PRICING: Approximately* $5,797 DOUBLE/$6,992 SINGLE
(price includes airfare from Boston or New York)
*TENTATIVE PRICING
THAILAND, LAOS & CAMBODIA

This journey goes off the beaten path—encompassing remote hill tribe villages, rural life, traditional ceremonies and performances, river border crossings, jungle-covered ruins, and temples and pagodas. Recently built dirt roads take you deep into the countryside, and footpaths lead you to outlying villages, lost temples, and the remnants of ancient civilizations. Ten years from now, many of these remote areas will be forever changed by the rapid encroachment of global modernity, so this program offers perhaps the best chance to visit secluded hill tribes that still practice traditional ways of life that have endured for thousands of years in the farthest reaches of Southeast Asia.

STUDY LEADER: Peter K. Bol is the Vice Provost for Advances in Learning and the Charles H. Carswell Professor of East Asian Languages and Civilizations at Harvard. As vice provost, he is responsible for HarvardX, the Harvard Initiative in Learning and Teaching, and research that connects online and residential learning.

ACCOMMODATES: 10–18 guests
PRICING: $11,695 double*/$14,055 single*
*Includes all internal flights

LAND | OCTOBER 7–21, 2016

INSIDER’S PATAGONIA

Experience the beauty of Patagonia while enjoying some of the best accommodations in the region. Begin in Buenos Aires and the Tigre delta before heading to San Carlos de Bariloche. Stay at the legendary Llao Llao Hotel in the heart of Nahuel Huapi National Park and the spectacular Lake District, where you can enjoy hikes through ancient forests surrounded by clear waters. Continue to Los Glaciares National Park to view the staggering Perito Moreno Glacier, and take a boat across Lake Argentino to Estancia Cristina, with striking views of the Upsala Glacier. From there, cross the border to Chile and visit Torres del Paine National Park. Conclude in Santiago with a day at a winery.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced
ACCOMMODATES: To be announced
PRICING: To be announced

LAND | OCTOBER 8–23, 2016
ANCIENT WONDERS OF SICILY ON SEA CLOUD II

Embark Sea Cloud II in Naples, Italy, and sail through the Aeolian Islands to Palermo. Marvel at the glittering mosaics of the ninth-century Palatine Chapel before driving to Monreale to tour its magnificent Norman cathedral. Step ashore at Trapani to view the splendid Greek temple and theater in nearby Segesta, then sail to Porto Empedocle and continue to Agrigento to see the ruins of the Valley of the Temples. In Syracuse, explore the well-preserved Greek and Roman theaters, see Caravaggio’s The Burial of St. Lucy, and enjoy a private reception at the palazzo of Barone Beneventano. Discover lovely Noto, a town of baroque treasures set amid olive trees, before disembarking in Valletta, Malta.

STUDY LEADER: WILLIAM GRANARA is the Professor of the Practice of Arabic on the Gordon Gray Endowment, director of Modern Language Programs, and director of the Center for Middle Eastern Studies at Harvard. Granara specializes in the history and culture of Muslim Sicily.

ACCOMMODATES: Up to 90 guests

CO-SPONSORS: Metropolitan Museum of Art, National Trust for Historic Preservation, Yale Educational Travel

PRICING: From $6,995 DOUBLE/$6,995 SINGLE (no single supplement on certain cabin categories)

MYSTICAL INDIA

Mystical and spiritual, chaotic and confounding—India overflows with riches. While staying at excellent hotels, travel the classic Golden Triangle: bustling Delhi; Agra, home of the sublime Taj Mahal; and Jaipur, great city of the Rajput. Search for elusive Bengal tigers at Ranthambore National Park, and spend three days absorbing the holiness of Varanasi.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced

ACCOMMODATES: 12–24 guests

PRICING: Approximately* $5,753 DOUBLE/$7,048 SINGLE

(price includes airfare from Boston or New York)

*TENTATIVE PRICING
AN INSIDER’S ROME

Begin your discovery of the Eternal City at the Pantheon, and explore nearby Santa Maria sopra Minerva, Rome’s only Gothic church. Visit the Ara Pacis Museum, and see Palazzo Sacchetti. Tour houses of worship to see the masterpieces inside, including Michelangelo’s Moses at the church of San Pietro in Vincoli. Admire the Sistine Chapel on a visit to the Vatican, and see works by Titian and Caravaggio at the Borghese Gallery. Spend a day in the countryside, with lunch and a wine tasting at a villa in Frascati. Conclude with an excursion to magnificent Hadrian’s Villa and the recently restored Villa d’Este.

STUDY LEADER: HARVEY COX PhD ’63 is the Hollis Research Professor of Divinity at Harvard, where he has taught since 1965. He chaired the Department of Religion and Society and taught in the religious studies program and in the moral reasoning division of Harvard’s Core Curriculum.

ACCOMMODATES: 15–25 guests

PRICING: Approximately* $7,995 DOUBLE/$9,680 SINGLE
*TENTATIVE PRICING

SOUTHERN AFRICA ODYSSEY

On this journey of astonishing beauty and supreme adventure, experience the magnificence of four contrasting nations: South Africa, Zimbabwe, Botswana, and Namibia. In southern Africa, diversity reigns from ocean to mountains, from desert to plains, and from waterfalls to extraordinary wildlife. Marvel at the spectacular Victoria Falls, with its 300-foot-deep gorge and thundering spray. Set off on an elephant-back safari through the bush, followed by a rhino safari in open-top vehicles. Rise with the sun to see the world’s highest crested dunes at Sossusvlei, their red-orange hues constantly changing in the early morning light.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced

ACCOMMODATES: 12–24 guests

PRICING: Approximately* $9,245 DOUBLE/$10,840 SINGLE
(price includes airfare from Boston or New York)
*TENTATIVE PRICING
FACES OF MELANESIA ON CALEDONIAN SKY
Visit idyllic islands and isolated villages to witness time-honored traditions and ceremonies, including hypnotic drumming, melodic bamboo panpipes, and elaborately costumed dancers. Snorkel or dive over pristine coral reefs teeming with fish beneath the warm sapphire waters. Search for striking endemic birds—including the Solomon Islands sea eagle, buff-headed coucal, and Melanesian megapode—amid the lush tropical vegetation. You may also join an optional pre-voyage extension to discover the fascinating cultures of Papua New Guinea.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced
ACCOMMODATES: Up to 100 guests
CO-SPONSOR: Zegrahm Expeditions
PRICING: From $13,980 DOUBLE/$13,980 SINGLE (no single supplement)

INSIDER’S CHINA: ANCIENT VILLAGES TO DYNAMIC BOOM
From the metropolitan and modern to the rural and historic, China must be experienced by today’s global citizen. This insider’s exploration is bookended by two of China’s most cosmopolitan and rapidly evolving cities: Shanghai and Hong Kong. Learn about the contemporary expectations for this growing nation while also touching upon the history, natural beauty, and cultural diversity of Guizhou and Guangxi. These beautiful regions of southern China are home to ethnic tribes that remain unchanged by the modern boom.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced
ACCOMMODATES: 15–30 guests
PRICING: $7,895 DOUBLE/$10,245 SINGLE
TANZANIA FAMILY SAFARI

This family safari heads deep into the wilds of northern Tanzania, where you’ll experience world-class wildlife viewing, exhilarating nature walks, and intimate encounters with tribal culture. Start in Tarangire National Park, where herds of elephants browse among massive thousand-year-old baobab trees. Next, head into the Ngorongoro highlands for a community service project and some rest and relaxation at a luxurious eco-resort. Venture into the Ngorongoro Crater, then travel to the Serengeti Plain, home to millions of migrating animals and large prides of lions. Finish your safari with night wildlife drives and guided walks at a 12,000-acre private nature refuge.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced
ACCOMMODATES: 8–18 guests
PRICING: Adults: $8,995 DOUBLE/$9,990 SINGLE
Teens (12–15 years old): $8,395
Children (6–11 years old): $7,895

ARAB GULF STATES: GULF OF OMAN & PERSIAN GULF ON ISLAND SKY

Explore a fascinating crossroads of modernity and tradition aboard the all-suite Island Sky, visiting mosques, souks, educational institutions, historical sites, and art museums that reflect the region’s past and present. Start among the dazzling skyscrapers of the United Arab Emirates, a business and cultural hub of the Middle East, including a jaunt up the tallest building in the world. Continue to Qatar, which has taken a prominent geopolitical role in the region. Visit Saudi Arabia’s Aramco oil compound, or gaze upon a renowned collection of Islamic art and calligraphy during an optional excursion in Bahrain. Finish the cruise with Oman’s compelling cultural and natural attractions.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced
ACCOMMODATES: Up to 94 guests
CO-SPONSORS: Archaeological Institute of America, National Trust for Historic Preservation, Princeton University, Stanford University
PRICING: From $8,995 DOUBLE/$14,995 SINGLE

CRUISE | NOVEMBER 29–DECEMBER 9, 2016
DECEMBER 24, 2016–JANUARY 2, 2017

LAND FAMILY DECEMBER 24, 2016–JANUARY 2, 2017

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STUDY LEADER: To be announced
ACCOMMODATES: 8–18 guests
PRICING: Adults: $8,995 DOUBLE/$9,990 SINGLE
Teens (12–15 years old): $8,395
Children (6–11 years old): $7,895
A JOURNEY INTO ANTIQUITY: EGYPT & THE NILE

Celebrate the New Year in one of the oldest places in the world. Discover the wonders of Cairo and Giza, including a special visit to the workers’ tombs. Fly to Abu Simbel by private plane to admire the monumental temples of Ramses II and Nefertari, then board the Nile Adventurer in nearby Aswan for a three-night cruise to Luxor, exploring splendid temples at Kom Ombo and Edfu en route. In Luxor, visit the Valley of the Queens and the Valley of the Kings, and discover the colossal, lesser-known Temple of Ramses III at Medinet Habu. Return to Cairo for two days to see the Coptic Museum, Sultan Hassan Mosque, and Ben Ezra Synagogue.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced
ACCOMMODATES: Up to 40 guests
CO-SPONSOR: Metropolitan Museum of Art
PRICING: To be announced

NEW YEAR’S GALÁPAGOS ON ORIGIN

Ring in the New Year on a seven-night cruise to the spectacular outer islands of the Galápagos aboard the brand-new premium-class yacht Origin. Begin in Quito, Ecuador, rich with pre-Columbian and colonial heritage. Savor the culture and history of the Andean highlands, marked by snow-capped mountains, sweeping plains, and artisan villages. Then fly to the Galápagos, where you will enjoy daily excursions ashore among the abundant wildlife and striking volcanic formations, led by expert naturalist guides. Venture out in a kayak, or swim or snorkel among sea turtles and playful sea lions. On Zodiac boat rides, watch for dolphins, whales, and rays, and frigate birds and boobies diving for fish.

STUDY LEADER: To be announced
ACCOMMODATES: To be announced
PRICING: To be announced
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