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SAIL UNDER MIDSUMMER SKIES TO SCANDINAVIAN AND BALTIC CITIES, WITH THEIR MARVELOUS MIX OF MEDIEVAL AND MODERN. FOLLOWING AN OVERNIGHT IN LIVELY HELSINKI, EMBARK THE ELEGANT *SEA CLOUD II*

and sail to Tallinn, Estonia for a visit to a 13th-century church. Navigate the picturesque Stockholm archipelago for an overnight call in the Swedish capital, and step ashore at tiny Visby, Gotland to walk among the medieval ruins. Admire the Art Nouveau district of Riga, Latvia, before an excursion to Vilnius, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Call at the historic port of Gdansk, Poland, before concluding in Copenhagen. Highlights include exclusive concerts in Tallinn and Riga. You may wish to explore the region further during an optional prelude in Helsinki or St. Petersburg, or an optional postlude in Copenhagen.

We are offering a special enticement to join our "In the Wake of the Vikings" voyage, immediately following this program, from July 11 to 21. Guests who book both cruises will receive back-to-back incentives of \$1,250 per person per cruise, a savings of \$5,000 per couple. This offer includes a private car and driver for a half day in Copenhagen . For additional information call 800-422-1636 or visit alumni.harvard.edu/travel.

On the front cover: Rooftops, Tallinn. Above: Helsinki waterfront, Finland

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Michael McCormick, historian and archaeologist of the late Roman Empire and early medieval Europe, is Francis Goelet Professor of Medieval History at Harvard University. He has authored the prize-winning monograph: *Origins of the European Economy* (Cambridge University Press, 2002) and, most recently, *Charlemagne's Survey of the Holy Land* (Dumbarton Oaks-Harvard University Press, 2011). He is senior editor of the Digital Atlas of Roman and Medieval Civilizations (http://darmc.harvard.edu/), a free, online atlas created chiefly by his undergraduate students. He currently codirects the excavation of a late Roman settlement in eastern France, and chairs the Initiative for the Science of the Human Past, a new Harvard research and teaching

network that brings together colleagues and students from all divisions of the University to explore and promote natural scientific approaches to the past. Professor McCormick has chaired the FAS Standing Committees on Archaeology and Medieval Studies. Both Harvard undergraduates and alumni prize his dedication to lively teaching inspired by pioneering research.

OPTIONAL PRELUDE IN HELSINKI

June 27-30, 2018

Experience the exquisite architecture and art of Helsinki; discover the city's cultural highlights, including the superb collections of the Ateneum; and enjoy walking tours of this lively capital. Spend a full day in medieval Turku, on Finland's southwest coast. Visit Hvitträsk, once the home of architects Eliel Saarinen and Armas Lindgren, before embarking Sea Cloud II. Accommodations are at the historic Hotel Kämp. Travel by high speed train to join fellow participants for the included one-night stay before embarking the ship on July 1.

OPTIONAL PRELUDE IN ST. PETERSBURG June 26-30, 2018

Spend three nights in this vibrant city, founded by decree of Peter the Great in 1703. Before it is open to the public, tour the incomparable Hermitage, where 400 rooms in five adjacent palaces contain nearly all schools of Western art. Enter Catherine Palace before public hours to view the exquisitely restored Amber Room and stroll in the formal gardens. Explore Peter and Paul Fortress, the Fabergé Museum, and the State Russian Museum and attend a White Nights Festival performance. Travel by high speed train to join fellow participants in Helsinki for the included one-night stay before embarking the ship on July 1.

OPTIONAL POSTLUDE IN COPENHAGEN July 11–13, 2018

Disembark Sea Cloud II in charming Copenhagen, beginning with a visit and private breakfast at the stunning new opera house by architect Henning Larsen. Explore the Glyptotek, a fascinating museum in the city center, as well as Louisiana, a modern art museum on the coast north of the city. Visit Rosenberg Castle, built in the Dutch Renaissance style in the early 17th century. There will also be free time to explore Copenhagen's many delights on your own. Abundant street life, shopping along the Strøget, and strolling through Tivoli Gardens are just the beginning!

LAND/CRUISE RATES From \$8,995 per person, double occupancy

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Stay one night in Helsinki to discover the city's cultural highlights, including the superb collections of the Ateneum
- Attend a private concert at St. Nicholas Church in Tallinn, Estonia
- Spend an afternoon in medieval Visby, on the Swedish island of Gotland
- Overnight on board to visit the Royal Armory and discover a 17th-century warship at the Vasa Museum
- Enjoy an exclusive organ performance at the Dome Cathedral in Riga, Latvia





Sea Cloud II (left) and Gamla Stan, Stockholm (right)

FRIDAY, JUNE 29 U.S. DEPARTURE

Depart the U.S. on an overnight flight to Helsinki, Finland.

SATURDAY, JUNE 30 HELSINKI FINLAND

Arrive Helsinki, Finland's vibrant capital by the sea and check in at the Hotel Kämp. Gather in the late afternoon for a welcome reception.

SUNDAY, JULY 1 HELSINKI/SEA CLOUD II

Following breakfast, explore the bustling market, Eliel Saarinen's striking train station, the unique Rock Church, and the great cathedral on Neoclassical Senate Square. See Finland's finest collection of national and foreign art during a tour of the Ateneum. Enjoy lunch and time at leisure before embarking the ship in the afternoon. Set sail for Tallinn in the early evening.

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MONDAY, JULY 2 TALLINN, ESTONIA

Arrive early in Tallinn, Estonia's enchanting capital, whose spires and turreted medieval walls have survived since the

days of the Hanseatic League.
Drive to Castle Hill for a visit
to the 13th-century Toom Church
and then continue to the
picturesque Lower Town whose
narrow cobbled streets are lined
with galleries and shops.
Following a private concert at
St. Nicholas Church, return to
the ship for lunch as you sail
to Sweden. Tonight the captain
hosts a welcome reception
and dinner.

B,L,R,D

TUESDAY, JULY 3 STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN

Enjoy the view from the deck this afternoon as Sea Cloud II navigates the vast Swedish archipelago on approach to Stockholm. This evening you may wish to dine ashore as Sea Cloud II remains docked in Stockholm overnight.

B,L,D



Vasa Museum, Stockholm

WEDNESDAY, JULY 4 STOCKHOLM

A morning walking tour through the Old Town (Gamla Stan) is followed by a visit to City Hall, an iconic red brick structure where the annual Nobel Prize banquet is held. Continue to the Royal Armory, the oldest museum in Sweden, containing many artifacts of Swedish military history and royalty, including splendid costumes and glittering carriages. After lunch on board visit the Vasa, a 17th-century warship, recovered from the bottom of Stockholm's harbor. Sea Cloud II sails in the evening, cruising past colorful summer homes and watercraft. B.L.D

THURSDAY, JULY 5 VISBY, SWEDEN

This afternoon arrive in Visby, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Towers, gabled mansions, the Visborg Castle, and ruins of medieval churches recall this walled town's fascinating history. See the Cathedral of Santa Maria, walk in the Botanical Garden, and visit the Gotlands Fornsal Museum before sailing in the evening.

FRIDAY, JULY 6 AT SEA

Today is devoted to sailing aboard the magnificent *Sea Cloud II* as she crosses the Baltic to Latvia. Observe the ship's crew as they practice the art of trimming the sails by hand and attend lectures in preparation for upcoming visits.

B,L,D



Art Nouveau architecture, Riga

SATURDAY, JULY 7 RIGA, LATVIA / VILNIUS. LITHUANIA

Step ashore in Riga to admire superb Art Nouveau architecture and the historic Old Town, dotted with handsome medieval spires and ancient churches. At the impressive Dome Cathedral, attend a private performance on one of Europe's finest pipe organs. Following lunch, Sea Cloud II departs for Klaipeda. Alternatively, you may wish to join an optional overland excursion to Vilnius, Lithuania, with an overnight stay at the Radisson B,L,D Blu Royal Astorija Hotel.

SUNDAY, JULY 8 VILNIUS / KLAIPEDA, LITHUANIA

Those on the optional land excursion to Vilnius will spend a morning exploring its medieval Old Town, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. See the Radziwill Palace, Gediminas Castle, St. Anne's



Church, the synagogue, and the former Jewish ghetto. After lunch, drive to the port city of Klaipeda, whose fortifications reflect 700 years of German rule, to join the awaiting Sea Cloud II.

B,L,D

MONDAY, JULY 9 GDANSK, POLAND

This morning call at Gdansk, one of Poland's oldest cities. Walk through the Highland Gate, the official start of the "Royal Route." Explore St. Mary's Street, one of the city's most enchanting streets, which leads from St. Mary's Church to the Long Embankment, passing richly ornamented houses which were once owned by prosperous merchants.

TUESDAY, JULY 10 AT SEA

Spend a leisurely day at sea as you cruise to Denmark. Enjoy the company of fellow guests or simply relax in the Baltic summer sunlight. This evening, celebrate your voyage at the captain's farewell reception and dinner.

B,L,R,D



Clock, St. Mary's Church, Gdansk

WEDNESDAY, JULY 11 COPENHAGEN, DENMARK / U.S. RETURN

After morning disembarkation, transfer to the airport for flights home, or remain in Copenhagen for the optional postlude.

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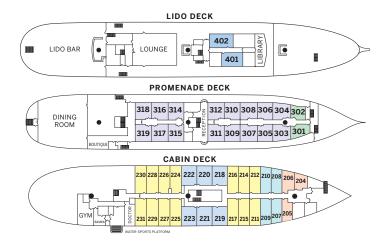
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A Deluxe Cabin on Cabin Deck (left) and Owner's Suite (right)

SEA CLOUD II AMENITIES Five-star dining; gracious lounge and Lido Bar; mahogany-paneled library; gym; water-sports platform; air conditioning (individual cabin settings); marble bath; direct-dial telephone; safe; TV; radio; 220V current; bathrobes.

TOUR COST INCLUSIONS One night at Hotel Kämp, Helsinki; ten nights accommodations aboard *Sea Cloud II*; all meals during cruise; thoughtfully selected wines and beer complement lunches and dinners; open bar throughout the cruise; bottled water and coffee/tea with all meals; enrichment program of lectures; escorted sightseeing and entrance fees for visits; airport/hotel group transfers for those on suggested flights; porterage; taxes and service; gratuities to local guides and drivers; \$200,000 emergency medical assistance and evacuation insurance.

TOUR COST EXCLUSIONS Airfare; passport fees; meals not specified; personal items and expenses; airport transfers for those not on suggested flights; baggage in excess of one suitcase; trip insurance; optional St. Petersburg or Helsinki prelude and optional Copenhagen postlude; optional Vilnius excursion (\$500 per person) any other items not specifically mentioned as included.

OPTIONAL PRELUDE HELSINKI \$TBA per person. Single supplement \$TBA. Includes three nights at Hotel Kämp, breakfast daily, one lunch, and one reception. Sightseeing as noted.

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OPTIONAL POSTLUDE COPENHAGEN \$TBA per person. Single supplement \$TBA. Includes two nights at Hotel D'Angleterre, breakfast daily, two lunches, and one reception. Sightseeing as noted.

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