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Jordan, the Red Sea, Egypt, and Greece
on Le Bougainville
May 5-18, 2020
with Michael McCormick,
Francis Goelet Professor of Medieval History
Join us for this epic, custom-designed, 14-day journey to the classical world’s cradle of civilization. Visit three continents, transit the Suez Canal, and experience nine magnificent UNESCO World Heritage sites. Cruise for eight nights aboard the exclusively chartered, five-star Le Bougainville, which features just 92 elegant suites and staterooms, each with a private balcony.

Stand in the shadows of the three iconic pyramids of Giza, guarded by the inscrutable Great Sphinx. Enjoy excursions to the venerated sites of the Nile Valley city of Thebes, including the magnificent Karnak Temple Complex, Luxor Temple, and specially arranged access to Queen Nefertari’s tomb in the Valley of the Queens. Follow in the footsteps of the nomadic Bedouins across Wadi Rum. View antiquities spanning 7,000 years at the venerable Egyptian Museum or experience the sublime second coming of Alexandria’s Bibliotheca.

This exclusive itinerary offers incomparable opportunities to explore antiquity and immerse yourself in the dazzling panorama of human history within the exceptional comfort and luxury of a five-star small ship.

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A LITTLE MORE TO IT
My walking shoes are laced up tight and I’m ready to keep up with my traveling companions. I look forward to getting to know them on the drives we’ll take between cities. I enjoy getting around in Zodiac rafts and 4x4 vehicles for short durations. A little mental and physical stimulation will do me good!

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

TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, MAY 5 AND 6
U.S./Amman, Jordan
Depart the U.S. for Amman. Upon arrival, check into the five-star, centrally located Fairmont Amman.

THURSDAY, MAY 7
Amman
In vibrant Amman, visit the beautiful, blue-domed King Abdullah Mosque, built in 1989. Proceed to Amman’s hilltop Citadel to explore the ruins of the Temple of Hercules and gain spectacular views of the city’s skyline. See the three-tiered Roman Amphitheater, one of the largest in the Middle East. Explore the Jordan Museum, where the Neolithic plaster statues of ‘Ain Ghazal are preserved. Attend the Welcome Reception in the hotel and enjoy dinner at leisure. (B, r)

FRIDAY, MAY 8
Amman/Jerash/Amman
In Jerash, Jordan’s most captivating Greco-Roman site, the remarkably preserved colonnaded avenues, ceremonial gates, and golden-hued temples stand in testimony to one of the most important cities of the Roman Decapolis. Marvel at the impressive, three-gated Hadrian’s Arch and walk the Sacred Way to the Temple of Artemis to admire the elaborately carved Corinthian columns. Take in the immensity and the spectacular architecture of the Forum and the 56 soaring Ionic columns enclosing the oval plaza. See the Temple of Zeus and note the intricately decorated friezes. After lunch at a restaurant in Jerash, enjoy time for individual pursuits in Amman; dinner is at leisure. (B, L)

SATURDAY, MAY 9
Amman/Wadi Rum/Petra
Depart Amman and traverse the dramatic beauty and awe-inspiring wilderness of UNESCO World Heritage-designated Wadi Rum, known as the Valley of the Moon, where millennia of desert wind has carved a deep valley through towering granite and created spectacular sandstone formations. Embark on a Bedouin jeep ride through scenic canyons amid soaring mountains, undulating sand dunes, and rocky caverns etched with prehistoric inscriptions. Transfer to Petra and check into the Mövenpick Petra, ideally located adjacent to the site’s entrance. (B, L, D)

SUNDAY, MAY 10
Petra/Aqaba
Become mesmerized by the ancient “rose-red city” of Petra, a UNESCO World Heritage site and one of the New Seven Wonders of the World. Petra’s majestic ensemble of temples, dwellings, and tombs, hewed from sandstone, holds a unique magnetism. Enter Petra through the narrow gorge known as the Siq, with its serpentine path and towering walls leading climactically to the spellbinding Khazneh (Treasury). Transfer to Aqaba and embark Le Bougainville. Join the Captain’s Welcome Reception and enjoy dinner while cruising the Red Sea. (B, L, R, D)

MONDAY, MAY 11
Hurghada, Egypt, for Luxor
Disembark the ship and travel through scenic mountains before descending into the lush Nile Valley. Arrive in Luxor and check into a Nile-view room in the Steigenberger Nile Palace Hotel. Begin your exploration of the UNESCO World Heritage-designated Ancient Thebes with a visit to Karnak Temple, one of the largest religious structures ever built. This vast complex covers more than 100 acres and 2,000 years of history. Admire the exquisite craftsmanship of the statues of King Ramses II. Walk along the dramatic “Avenue of the Sphinxes.” Continue to the Temple of Luxor and view the temple’s fascinating bas reliefs depicting scenes from pharaonic times. (B, L, D)

TUESDAY, MAY 12
Luxor/Hurghada
Check out of the hotel and cruise across the Nile to the West Bank by motorboat. Framed by arid Theban hills, the sheer scale of the UNESCO World Heritage-designated Necropolis...
What is Included:

- Three nights in the Fairmont Amman
- One night in the Mövenpick Petra
- One night in the Steigenberger Nile Palace Hotel
- Eight-night cruise aboard Le Bougainvillle
- Elegantly appointed, five-star suite or stateroom
- Complimentary alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages available throughout the cruise
- Complimentary Wi-Fi access (conditions permitting)
- Expert insights from historian and archaeologist Michael McCormick
- All activities, excursions, entrance fees, and meals per detailed itinerary
- Egypt and Jordan entry visas
- Taxes and gratuities to ship personnel, guides, and drivers
- Complimentary bottled water in your accommodations and during excursions
- Services of a tour manager throughout the program
- Transfers and luggage handling abroad if your arrival(s)/departure(s) coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s)
- $200,000 emergency medical evacuation insurance

Behold the timeless Sphinx and the Great Pyramids of Giza, testament to the might of Egypt’s Old Kingdom.

is displayed throughout memorial temples built to ready each pharaoh for the next world. Descend the narrow passageways to the burial chamber of King Ramses IV and arrive at the tomb of the world’s most famous pharaoh, King Tutankhamen. Continue to the Valley of the Queens for a specially arranged visit to the best preserved, most lavish Egyptian burial site, Queen Nefertari’s tomb, where the beauty of King Ramses II’s favorite queen is captured. Transfer to the ship for dinner this evening. (B,L,D)

THURSDAY, MAY 14
Suez Canal Transit
Transit the iconic and integral 120-mile-long Suez Canal. (B,L,D)

FRIDAY, MAY 15
Alexandria or Cairo
Arrive in Alexandria and choose between a tour of the city or the UNESCO World Heritage site of Historic Cairo.

- See the Library of Alexandria’s visionary reincarnation, built in 2002. Trace the city’s history at Alexandria’s National Museum, home to a beautifully curated collection of artifacts. Visit the Catacombs of Kom El Shoqafa, Egypt’s largest Roman burial structure. Explore Qaitbey Fort, constructed on top of the remains of Lighthouse of Alexandria in 1480.
- Or, experience the grandeur of Historic Cairo and the Egyptian Museum, preserving Old, Middle, and New Kingdom artifacts, including the entire repository of treasures from boy-king Tutankhamen’s tomb. Egypt’s 14th-century Golden Age is reflected in the elegant Sultan Hassan Mosque. (B,L,D)

SATURDAY, MAY 16
Cruising the Mediterranean Sea
Enjoy a day of cruising on the azure Mediterranean Sea. (B,L,D)

SUNDAY, MAY 17
Santorini, Greece
Be on deck as the ship cruises into picture-perfect Santorini. Tour the remarkable Bronze Age ruins of Akrotiri, held intact by layers of pumice and ash for over 3,500 years. Visit the Museum of
Alumni Travels

T R I P  S A M P L I N G

Admire Athens’s spectacular Acropolis, a distillation of ancient greatness.

The Holy Land
Jerusalem • Masada • Sea of Galilee
PRE-PROGRAM OPTION
$2,895 per person, double occupancy
$4,395 per person, single occupancy
Further expand your exploration of the great civilizations to include captivating biblical, historical, and cultural sites in Israel. In fascinating Jerusalem, a holy city for three of the world’s major religions, walk in the footsteps of Jesus, see evocative religious sites, and visit the poignant Yad Vashem Holocaust Museum. Nearby, see where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found, tour UNESCO World Heritage-designated Masada, visit the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem, and enjoy an unforgettable float in the Dead Sea. Visit Nazareth, Cana, the Mount of Beatitudes, Capernaum, and the Ancient Boat Museum. Enjoy a cruise on the Sea of Galilee (weather permitting), a stop beside the Jordan River at the Yardenit Baptismal site, and a tour of a traditional kibbutz with lunch. Deluxe accommodations are for four nights in Jerusalem and two nights in Tiberias.

MONDAY, MAY 18
Athens/U.S.

Disembark and continue on the Classical Greece Post-Program Option or transfer to the airport for your return flight to the U.S. (s)

LAND & RAIL

BUDAPEST AND CENTRAL EUROPE ON GOLDEN EAGLE DANUBE EXPRESS (WITH NEW YEAR’S IN VIENNA) DEC 28, 2019–JAN 5, 2020 JEFFREY FRIEDEN

VILLAGE LIFE IN DORDOGNE MAY 14–22, 2020

CRUISES

EXpedition to antarctica on Le Boreal JAN 15–28, 2020 JAMES SALZMAN

SOUTHERN AFRICA ADVENTURE ON ZambeZi Queen MARCH 12–28, 2020 LEEANNE & ALFONSO ALONSO

ancient empires: Rome to Malta on Le Bougainville MAY 24–JUN 1, 2020 DANIEL DONOHUE

SCOTTISH ISLES & norWAY’S fjords on Le Champlain MAY 30–JUN 7, 2020 LIZABETH COHEN & HERRICK CHAPMAN

cruising alaska’s glaciers & the inside passage on Le Soleal JUL 29-AUG 5, 2020 HARVEY FINEBERG & MARY WILSON

trade routes of coastal iberia on Le Jacques Cartier OCT 3-11, 2020 ALLEN CALLAHAN

rivers & lakes

SPRINGTIME IN PROVENCE & BURGUNDY ON AMADEUS Provence MAY 6–14, 2020 RICHARD THOMAS

PASSEX OF THE DANUBE RIVER ON AMADEUS Silver II (Featuring Bavaria & The Oberammergau Passion Play) JUN 21-JUL 1, 2020

DANUBE RIVER: VIENNA TO THE BLACK SEA ON AMADEUS Queen OCT 4-16, 2020 THOMAS FORREST KELLY

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egYpt & the Nile on Sanctuary Nile Adventurer DEC 27, 2019-JAN 6, 2020 MISSY HOLBROOK

Greece Family odyssey: the peIonnes on running on waves JUN 18-27, 2020 JAMES SIMPSON

Prehistoric Thera and conclude this captivating Cycladic excursion in the picturesque town of Fira. Enjoy lunch and time on your own in this elevated village or descend by aerial cable car to enjoy lunch aboard the ship.

Attend the Captain’s Farewell Reception this evening. (b,l,r,d)

Details will be provided with your reservation confirmation.
LE BOUGAINVILLE, launched in 2019, ushers in a new generation of five-star small ships, combining revolutionary design and a new standard of luxury. Dock in smaller ports inaccessible to larger ships.

The newest addition to the Ponant “clean ship” fleet, an important environmental certification among ocean-cruising vessels, LE BOUGAINVILLE is energy efficient and eco-friendly, protecting fragile marine ecosystems while providing a comfortable voyage.

Each of the 92 five-star staterooms and suites (up to 484 square feet) features a private balcony. Grand Deluxe Suites have a bay window and spacious private terrace. Accommodations offer two twin beds or one queen bed, private bathroom with shower, individual climate control, and luxurious hotel amenities.

Enjoy views from the indoor-outdoor lounges and educational lectures or film screenings in the state-of-the-art theater. Relax in the spa, sauna, or the infinity-style swimming pool. The ship has a beauty salon, a fitness room, and three elevators.

Dine indoors or alfresco on international and regional cuisine in the stylish restaurant, at the casual pool deck grill, or from 24-hour room service. Meals include continental and buffet breakfasts, buffet lunch, afternoon tea, and four-course dinner.

The highly trained, English-speaking crew are personable and attentive; the ship has a medical center staffed with a doctor and nurse.

**Rates Per Person**

**BASED ON DOUBLE OCCUPANCY**

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**Suite with expansive sliding glass door, private balcony (limited availability)**

**Deluxe Suite** $14,610

**Prestige Suite** $15,610

**Privilege Suite** $15,910

**Grand Deluxe Suite** $17,610

**Owner’s Suite** $18,110

Taxes and gratuities to ship personnel are included.
TERMS & CONDITIONS

TOUR COST INCLUSIONS: Taxes; Jordan and Egypt entry visas; all transfers and baggage handling abroad for all participants whose arrival(s)/ departure(s) coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s); all activities, excursions, entrance fees, accommodation, and meals per detailed itinerary; complimentary alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages throughout the cruise; gratuities to ship personnel, local guides, and drivers; tour manager throughout; $200,000 emergency medical evacuation insurance.

TOUR COST EXCLUSIONS: International airfare from the U.S.; baggage charges on aircraft; local departure air taxes; associated local taxes, airport facility taxes and federal inspection fees not listed in the “Inclusions” section; transfers and baggage handling to/from airport on day(s) of arrival and/or departure if you are arriving earlier or later than and/or departing earlier or later than the scheduled group transfer(s); passport fees; visas and fees for obtaining visas (excluding Jordan and Egypt entry visas); personal expenses such as laundry, telephone calls, and Internet access unless otherwise specified; accident/sickness, trip cancellation, and baggage insurance; gratuities to hotel personnel; optional sightseeing excursions; meals and alcoholic beverages not listed in the “Inclusions” section; and all other services not specifically mentioned in the “Inclusions” section.

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