Scottish Isles & Norway’s Fjords
on Le Champlain
May 30-June 7, 2020
with historians Lizabeth Cohen and Herrick Chapman
Across the mist-enshrouded peaks and hauntingly beautiful glens of Scotland to the unsurmounted natural beauty of Norway’s mighty fjords, the legacies of Viking and Celtic clans are entwined in each civilization’s rich cultural traditions and compelling archaeological heritage.

Trace the cultural crossroads of Nordic and Scottish civilizations during the best time of year, when the weather is mild and the days are long—a rare voyage accomplished only aboard a small ship cruising into smaller ports where larger vessels cannot venture. Join us on this monumental journey and experience some of the world’s most unspoiled landscapes and hallowed archaeological sites, with opportunities to visit up to five UNESCO World Heritage sites.

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A LITTLE MORE TO IT

Many of the cities and towns being visited were founded centuries ago, and the terrain is rugged. Therefore, a fair amount of walking along narrow cobblestone streets, stone floors or uneven and/or slippery terrain and climbing several flights of stairs (some without railings) is to be expected. Walking excursions often cover distances of at least one mile/1.6 km and are approximately three hours in length. Please be advised that the ship may either dock in port or tender ashore by small boat.

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Schedule by Day

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, MAY 30 AND 31
U.S. / Glasgow, Scotland
Depart the U.S. for Glasgow where the indelible mark of Viking conquest still permeates the culture, and embark the five-star Le Champlain. (D)

MONDAY, JUNE 1
Fort William / Scottish Highlands
The Scottish Highlands and their striking scenery have inspired countless folktales and storytellers with their enchanting and mysterious allure. Begin your day in bucolic Glenfinnan; view the Glenfinnan Viaduct, immortalized by the Hogwarts™ Express in the Harry Potter film series, and see the Glenfinnan Monument, commemorating the Jacobite Highlanders that Bonnie Prince Charlie rallied against King George II in 1745.

Stop along the Caledonian Canal to view Neptune's Staircase, an incredible feat of engineering when it was built in the early 1800s and the longest staircase lock in Britain. Travel across heather-covered moors and through the starkly beautiful Cullin Mountains en route to the scenic capital of Portree, situated along the unforgettable coastline of ethereal Isle of Skye. (B,L,D)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3
Kirkwall, Orkney Islands
This morning, the director and head archaeologist of the Ness of Brodgar site, Nick Card, will provide his keen insights about this impressive ancient compound that lies outside of Kirkwall. Mr. Card’s research and fieldwork are internationally regarded, both in the archaeology field and by the popular press. The Ness of Brodgar excavations were named the Current Archaeology Research Project of the Year in 2011 and were featured in a cover article of National Geographic in 2014.

Steeped in Viking heritage, the largest Orkney Island, known as Mainland, has been designated a UNESCO World Heritage site for its concentration of prehistoric treasures defined as the Heart of Neolithic Orkney. Nearly 1,000 years before Giza’s pyramids were built and over 500 years before Neolithic humans raised Stonehenge, Stone Age inhabitants of this archipelago, dating from 3200 B.C., erected the Ness of Brodgar, a mysterious compound rivaling the scale of the Acropolis, demonstrating advanced technological prowess and Neolithic “artistry.” Walk among the nearby stone monoliths of the Ring of Brodgar, raised more than 4,000 years ago in the patterned circle of a henge.

See the ceremonial Stones of Stenness en route to the settlement of Skara Brae, where more than 5,000 years ago, it was inhabited by an early Orcadian culture known for decorative arts and sophisticated craftsmanship. Thousands of years later, the Vikings established the port town of Kirkwall on Mainland, leaving behind the towering 12th-century St. Magnus Cathedral, known as the “Light of the North.”

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Hear the classically haunting sounds of a Scottish bagpiper as you reboard the ship. This evening, a Scottish storyteller weaves traditional tales that have been handed down for generations.

THURSDAY, JUNE 4
Lerwick, Shetland Islands
Explore the Shetland Islands, declared a Global Geopark by UNESCO for their geologically diverse landscapes and seascapes carved by prehistoric ice. Here, nature's colors and textures endlessly shift, and clamoring gannets and puffins crowd the dramatic rock cliffs.

Dock in Lerwick, Shetland’s capital, and journey to the island’s southernmost point, scanning the verdant landscape for Shetland’s famous ponies grazing on the grass-covered knolls.

Visit Jarlshof, a pending UNESCO World Heritage site deemed the zenith of prehistoric architectural achievement in Northern Europe. Multi-period remains span over 4,000 years of human history, including late-Neolithic stone houses, a Bronze Age village, an Iron Age broch and wheelhouse, Norse longhouses, a medieval farmstead, and a 16th-century laird’s house.

FRIDAY, JUNE 5
Cruising the Norwegian Fjords, Norway / Flaam Railway
Norway’s fjords and islands offer some of Europe’s most profoundly beautiful coastal scenery. Cruise majestic Sognefjord passing traditional farmsteads and villages flanked by soaring mountains and glaciers.

This afternoon, board the Flaam Railway, one of the world’s most scenic train rides. This masterpiece of Norwegian engineering—the steepest standard-gauge railway track in Europe, spirals 2,835 feet—travels 13 dramatic miles through 20 tunnels to Myrdal’s mountaintop station. Watch as snowcapped mountains, cascading waterfalls—including the awe-inspiring Kjofossen—and intriguing hamlets unfold along the world-renowned Bergen Line.

SATURDAY, JUNE 6
Bergen
Founded on a Viking settlement in 1070 and the Norwegian capital during the 12th and 13th centuries, Bergen was an important part of the Hanseatic League’s trading empire from the 14th to mid-16th centuries. The city’s illustrious past can be glimpsed in the beautifully preserved gabled buildings of Bergen’s Bryggen (the old wharf), a UNESCO World Heritage site surrounded by lushly carpeted hills and fjords. Stroll the grounds of Trolldhaugen, the summer home of famed Norwegian composer Edvard Grieg. Visit the reconstructed Fantoft Stavkirke, a traditional 12th-century wooden stave church.

Enjoy the afternoon at leisure before the Captain’s Farewell Reception this evening.

SUNDAY, JUNE 7
Bergen / U.S.
Disembark in Bergen and continue on the Wonders of Norway Post-Cruise Option or transfer to the airport for the return flight to the U.S.

What is Included:
- Seven-night cruise aboard the Le Champlain
- 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 historians Lizabeth Cohen and Herrick Chapman
- All activities, excursions, entrance fees, and meals per detailed itinerary
- Taxes and gratuities to ship personnel, guides, and drivers
- Complimentary bottled water in your suite or stateroom 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

Ruins at Jarlshof evoke thousands of years of civilization, from the Neolithic to the Middle Ages.
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Trip Sampling

Details will be provided with your reservation confirmation.

Scotland’s Cultural Capitals

PRE-CRUISE OPTION
$1,295 per person, double occupancy
$1,895 per person, single occupancy

Explore two of Scotland’s great cities and their histories of fascinating clans, medieval knights, and royal and religious intrigue. During your tour of Glasgow, visit its 12th-century cathedral, the only medieval church in mainland Scotland to survive the reformation of 1560, and the captivating St. Mungo Museum. In Edinburgh, discover the UNESCO World Heritage-designated Old Town, a labyrinth of medieval passageways, the Royal Mile and the neoclassical New Town, laid out in the 18th century. Explore imposing Edinburgh Castle, a powerful national symbol dating to the 12th century with curving ramparts that define the city’s romantic silhouette. Spend two nights in the ideally located, five-star Sheraton Grand Hotel.

Wonders of Norway • Copenhagen

POST-CRUISE OPTION
$2,795 per person, double occupancy
$3,395 per person, single occupancy

Immerse yourself in majestic Norwegian landscapes and traditional Scandinavian culture on this unique and exclusive five-night journey. Experience the majesty of the Norwegian highlands and ride through the stunning scenery of Europe’s highest mountain plateau on the Bergen Railway. In vibrant Oslo, visit the stately Opera House and the unique Vigeland Sculpture Park. In the Danish town of Roskilde, visit its 12th-century, Gothic-style cathedral, a UNESCO World Heritage site, and explore the fascinating Viking Ship Museum. Enjoy an exclusively chartered cruise along Copenhagen’s idyllic canals to see Christiansborg Palace, the Old Stock Exchange, Amalienborg Palace, and view the “Little Mermaid” statue. Accommodations are for four nights in comfortable hotels and one night aboard an award-winning Seaways ferry from Oslo to Copenhagen.

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 ZAMBEEZ QUEEN MARCH 12 – 28, 2020 Leanne & Alfonso Alonso

Ancient Empires: Rome to Malta on LE BOUGAINVILLE MAY 24– JUN 1, 2020 Daniel Donoghue

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

Island Life: Greek Islands on LE BOUGAINVILLE OCT 8-16, 2020

RIVERS & LAKES

Springtime In Provence & Burgandy (Lyon to Lyon) on AMADEUS PROVENCE MAY 6-14, 2020 Sue Schopf

Passage Of The Danube River on AMADEUS SILVER II (Featuring Bavaria & The Oberammergau Passion Play) JUN 21-JUL 1, 2020

Great Journey Through Europe: The Rhine River and Switzerland JUL 17–27, 2020 Christie Macdonald

Danube River: Vienna To The Black Sea on AMADEUS QUEEN OCT 4–16, 2020 Thomas Forrest Kelly

FAMILY ADVENTURES:

Egypt & The Nile (A Family Adventure) on Sanctuary Nile Adventurer DEC 27,2019 – JAN 6, 2020 Missy Holbrook

Greece Family Odyssey: The Peloponnesse on RUNNING ON WAVES JUN 18–27, 2020 James Simpson

Japan Family Adventure (Tokyo, Kyoto & Hiroshima) JUN 27 – JUL 8, 2020 Ted Gilman

Enjoy a phenomenal journey through the verdant, mountainous fjordlands of Norway aboard the Flåm Railway, first proposed in 1871.

Life on Board: Enjoy sweeping views from the lounges, which open to the outdoors, and lectures, cultural performances, or film screenings in the state-of-the-art theater. Relax in the spa and sauna or the Sun Deck’s infinity-style swimming pool. There is a beauty salon, fitness room, and there are three elevators. Complimentary Wi-Fi access is available (conditions permitting).

Elegant Suites and Staterooms, 100% with Private Balconies: 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, individual climate control, private bathrooms with a shower, and luxury hotel-style amenities.

Respect for the Environment: A new addition to the Ponant “Clean Ship” fleet, an important distinction among ocean-cruising vessels, Le Champlain is energy efficient and eco-friendly, protecting fragile marine ecosystems.

Chic and Casual Dining: Dine indoors or alfresco on international and regional cuisine served in the stylish, spacious indoor-outdoor restaurant, at the casual pool deck grill, or from 24-hour room service. Daily meals include continental and buffet breakfasts, buffet lunch, afternoon tea, and four-course dinner.

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

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**Rates Per Person**

**BASED ON DOUBLE OCCUPANCY**

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Or by FAX: 617-496-4011

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Category Preference

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Extension Program

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