

SOUTHERN

7-NIGHT MISSISSIPPI RIVER CRUISE ABOARD THE ELEGANT *American Queen* **MEMPHIS TO NEW ORLEANS**

APRIL 23 - MAY 1, 2017

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AMERICAN QUEEN™ STEAMBOAT COMPANY **CRUISE PROGRAM INCLUDES**

- 7 nights aboard the American Queen, the largest and most opulent riverboat in the world
- 1-night pre-cruise hotel stay
- Exciting shore excursions to fascinating river towns and cities
- Attentive service from an experienced Go Next Program Manager
- All entertainment aboard the American Queen
- Daily lectures by the onboard Riverlorian
- An array of sumptuous dining options including regional cuisine by an award-winning culinary team
- Complimentary cappuccino, espresso, specialty coffees, bottled water and soft drinks
- · Complimentary wine and beer with dinner
- \$100 shipboard credit per stateroom
- Smart-casual attire throughout your voyage, no formal wear required

Awarded BEST SHORE EXCURSIONS by the World Ocean & **Cruise Liner Society** two years in a row

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Day 1 Memphis, Tennessee Arrive, overnight in hotel

Day 2 Memphis, Tennessee - Embark

Day 3 Helena, Arkansas Day 4 River Cruising

Day 5 Vicksburg, Mississippi Day 6 Natchez, Mississippi

Day 7 St. Francisville, Louisiana

Day 8 Oak Alley, Louisiana

Day 9 New Orleans, Louisiana - Disembark

DISTINGUISHED LECTURER SERIES

Gain new insights and discover fascinating perspectives on the places you'll explore from an engaging group of distinguished guest lecturers. The vast range of topics presented will enrich your travel experience and provide you with a deeper understanding of America's rich history and cultural heritage.

STATEROOM CATEGORIES

Inside Stateroom

\$1,699 \$2,699

Outside Stateroom \$3.299

Outside Stateroom with Veranda

\$3,899 \$4,199

Deluxe Outside Stateroom with Private Veranda

\$4.399

Deluxe Outside Stateroom with Veranda

\$4,499

Suites with Veranda

\$4,699

\$6.699

Suites with Private Veranda

OS \$8,199

□next EXCLUSIVE BENEFITS

- Go Next Program Manager throughout your journey
- Private Go Next reception including hot and cold canapés, wine, beer and soft drinks
- Complimentary bottle of wine in your stateroom
- Comprehensive pre-departure information including shore excursion and dining options

†Prices are per person, double occupancy (unless indicated). Gratuities and port charges are additional. Airfare and airport transfers are not included. Dates, pricing and itinerary are subject to change.

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PORTS OF CALL

Memphis, Tennessee

Perched on a bluff overlooking the Mississippi, Memphis has been welcoming steamboats since before the Civil War. Today the city abounds with Americana, from legendary Beale Street to Elvis Presley's Graceland.

Helena, Arkansas

The queen of the Arkansas Delta, Helena is filled with fascinating 19th-century architecture from before and after the legendary Battle of Helena. The Delta Cultural Center lays out Helena's antebellum roots and is also home to King Biscuit Time, the nation's longest-running blues radio program.

Vicksburg, Mississippi

Billed as the "Red Carpet City of the South," Vicksburg is a unique blend of old and new and displays its heritage with tremendous pride. The site of a dramatic siege and major turning point in the Civil War, Vicksburg is now a center of Southern hospitality with a vibrant downtown area.

Natchez, Mississippi

One of the oldest European settlements in the lower Mississippi River Valley and former capital of the state, Natchez is a charming and authentic Southern town with a rich heritage shaped by Native Americans and those of French, African, British and Spanish descent.

St. Francisville, Louisiana

With over 140 buildings and plantation homes on the National Register, this quaint town is a window to history. Here are the legacies of the Butlers, the Forts, the Barrows and the Turnbulls—families who helped build the South.

Oak Alley, Louisiana

Located in Saint James Parish, Oak Alley plantation combines architectural splendor and the natural wonder of 300-year-old oak trees. Walk its antebellum halls, spend time strolling beneath its canopy of trees, and learn about the rich history of this Southern estate.