TREASURES OF THE MISSISSIPPI & THE GULF COAST

Aboard the American-Flagged, 138-Guest Yorktown

November 30 – December 11, 2012
Antebellum structures, with more than 1,000 buildings on the National Register. We will visit some of these magnificent buildings and explore the town’s fascinating history. (B, L, D)

Tuesday, December 4 • BATON ROUGE | ST. FRANCISVILLE | BATON ROUGE, Louisiana
From the capital city of Baton Rouge, visit at tranquil St. Francisville, set on a hill overlooking the Mississippi River. Founded by Spanish Capuchin monks, the town retains more than one hundred of its 18th- and 19th-century houses and buildings, including grand and small plantations. We will visit some of these sites as we explore this quaint town then return to Baton Rouge for a tour of the Old State Capital Museum. (B, L, D)

Wednesday, December 5 • HOUMAS HOUSE
Built in the early 1800s, the large Greek-Revival mansion of the Houmas House Plantation and Gardens is surrounded by lush acres of gardens, ponds, and a majestic live oak alley. During the late autumn when we will be visiting, the gardens are blanketed with the colors of the harvest season. Stroll through these exquisite grounds and tour the restored mansion. (B, L, D)

Thursday, December 6 • LAURA PLANTATION | OAK ALLEY PLANTATION
The only plantation that retains its original slave cabins, the Laura Plantation was the location where Alcée Fortier recorded the tales of Br’er Rabbit in the 1870s. Explore the homes of the owners and the slaves, as well as the lovely grounds. Continue to Oak Alley Plantation, with its breathtaking one-quarter-mile canopy of live oaks that lead from the Mississippi to the entrance of the elaborate Greek-Revival mansion. (B, L, D)

Friday, December 7 • WEST SHIP ISLAND and HORN ISLAND, Gulf Islands National Seashore, Mississippi
Considered the jewel of the Gulf Islands National Seashore, Horn Island is a 13-mile-long isle with lagoons that attract over 280 bird species as well as pine and palmetto forests. Of all the Gulf Islands, West Ship is the most historic of these barrier islands. (B, L, D)

Saturday, December 8 • PENSACOLA, Florida
Pensacola is a beautiful Deep South city with a rich historic past. Visit the 19th-century buildings of Historic Pensacola Village and the Naval Aviation Museum, one of the largest in the world with over 150 restored aircraft including an A1 Triad (1911), the U.S. Navy’s first aircraft. Alternatively, travel to Fort Barrancas, with fortifications dating to 1797 and trails overlooking Pensacola Bay. (B, L, D)
Sunday, December 9 • MOBILE, Alabama
Yorktown docks in the graceful city of Mobile, whose strategic location at the mouth of the Mobile and Tensaw Rivers attracted French and Spanish explorers. Our tour of Mobile will focus on its historic landmarks and sites, which include Fort Condé, originally built in 1711, the Condé-Charlotte Museum, the Bragg-Mitchell Mansion, and the magnificent Bellingrath Gardens and Home, beautifully set along the Fowl River. (B, L, D)

Monday, December 10 • NEW ORLEANS, Louisiana
Spend the day on a walking tour, of New Orleans’s French Quarter, or Vieux Carré, the 80-block area that is the geographical and spiritual heart of the city. Admire the old architecture that line the Quarter’s narrow streets and passageways. You will also have free time to explore what some call the “most unique” city in America. Overnight aboard ship. (B, L, D)

Tuesday, December 11 • NEW ORLEANS | DISEMBARK
Disembark in the morning for return flights. (B)

Program Inclusions
- 11-night cruise aboard the 138-guest Yorktown
- Enrichment program of lectures and discussions by onboard study leader Dr. Patrick Lloyd Hatcher
- Concerts from accompanying jazz trio
- Complete program of tours and excursions
- Welcome and farewell cocktail receptions aboard ship
- All meals aboard ship, including house wine, beer, and soft drinks with lunch and dinner
- Professional Travel Dynamics International tour staff
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- Port and embarkation taxes
- Gratuities to guides and drivers

NOT INCLUDED: Airfare; transfers; luggage and trip cancellation insurance; alcoholic beverages other than wine and beer with lunch and dinner; personal expenses such as laundry, telephone calls, faxes, and e-mail service; and gratuities to shipboard personnel

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Onboard Enrichment Program
The breadth of American heritage we encounter on this voyage is vast. In a series of lectures and discussions, Enrichment Lecturer Dr. Patrick Hatcher will share with us his wide experience and knowledge of American history as we journey along the beautiful shores of the Deep South. Dr. Hatcher will be accompanied by Professor James Robertson, Civil War expert, and a trio of accomplished jazz musicians, who will also provide onboard musical entertainment.

Cal Enrichment Lecturer
Dr. Patrick Hatcher earned his PhD. in history at U.C. Berkeley, where he taught in both the History and Political Science Departments. He is currently the Kiriyama distinguished Fellow at the University of San Francisco's Center for the Pacific Rim. Dr. Hatcher appears often on San Francisco Bay Area television as an international relations new analyst. He is a popular Cal Discoveries lecturer who has led previous Cal trips.

Additional Study Leader
James Robertson, Alumni Distinguished Professor of History Emeritus at Virginia Tech, has received every major award possible in the field of Civil War History. Professor Robertson's lectures during our voyage will reflect on the enduring importance of the Civil War in our national consciousness.

Jazz Trio
Professor Bill Messenger studied musical composition at The Peabody Institute of Johns Hopkins University under Louis Cheslock. Professor Messenger has accompanied many nationally known performers and has played in ragtime ensembles, swing bands, Dixieland bands, and modern jazz groups.

Joe Ercole studied with the renowned jazz teacher Charlie Banacos at the Berkelee School of Music. He also composes and produces, working with music legends such as Bill Withers, Stanley Turrentine, John Sebastian, and Christina Aguilera.

Tim Camp, or “Slim Man”, studied trumpet, piano, and guitar from an early age, eventually signing with Motown Records as a songwriter. J.D. Considine of Rolling Stone has described the Slim Man style as “a near perfect example of how jazz and soul can be combined as pop.”

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Tour Highlights
• Sail to some of the best historical, cultural, and natural sites of the Gulf Coast and Mississippi River In comfort aboard the 138-guest Yorktown.
• Tour grand southern plantations, including Houmas House Plantation and Gardens, Oak Alley plantation, and the Creole-style Laura Plantation.
• Explore New Orleans’ French Quarter on a walking tour, appreciating its romantic French colonial architecture, native jazz music, and irresistible charm.
• Immerse yourself in history at Vicksburg, the Confederate stronghold besieged by General Ulysses S. Grant, and Helena, site of a historical 1863 battle.
• Enjoy an educational program of lectures and discussions led by your onboard study leader, as well as a series of concerts from a talented jazz trio.

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The Yorktown is the perfect vessel for relaxed and convivial exploration of America's great coastal waterways. Built in Florida in 1988 specifically for coastal cruising and certified by the U.S. Coast Guard, the Yorktown flies the American flag and is staffed by friendly and experienced American officers and crew. At 257 feet long and 43 feet wide with a draft of 8 feet, the Yorktown is able to maneuver in secluded waterways and visit small ports that are inaccessible to larger vessels. And Yorktown's American registry makes it possible to operate domestic itineraries unavailable to foreign-flag ships. In addition to a large sun deck, the Yorktown boasts a spacious lounge for social gatherings and lectures as well as quiet space for private conversation. The ship's cuisine, served in a dining room large enough to accommodate all guests at once, emphasizes American regional culinary traditions and specialties. Both the lounge and dining room are surrounded by large picture windows that afford unobstructed views of the passing scenery. Accommodating 138 guests in 69 exterior cabins, the Yorktown enjoys an atmosphere of warm and relaxed informality that endears it to repeat and new guests alike.

Cruise & Land Rates

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<td>Superior outside cabins with walk-out balcony, queen bed, and private bathroom. Cabins S77-S80</td>
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NO SINGLE SUPPLEMENT

A limited number of cabins in Categories C-A have been set aside for single occupancy at NO SUPPLEMENT. Once these cabins are filled, cabins for single occupancy may be available at the applicable supplement.
Payment Schedule: A deposit of $750 per person is required to reserve your space on the tour. For your convenience, you may charge your deposit to your American Express, Visa, Discover, or MasterCard. Final payment is due 90 days prior to the departure date. Payment schedules for your deposit and final payment will be assessed a penalty equal to 50% of the total program cost per person. Cancellations received within 60 days of departure are subject to a 100% cancellation penalty.

Cancellations & Refunds: All cancellations must be subject to a $300 per person administrative fee. Cancellations received 91-120 days prior to the departure date will be assessed a penalty equal to 50% of the total program cost per person. Cancellations received within 60 days of departure are subject to a 100% cancellation penalty.
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Cal Discoveries Travel, 1 Alumni House, Berkeley, CA 94720-7520.  
You may fax this registration form to: 510.642.6100.  
Enclosed is my check or credit card no. for $_______($750 per person) as a deposit to hold _____ place(s) on Treasures of the Mississippi & the Gulf Coast. I understand that final payment is due ninety (90) days prior to departure and is payable by check only.  
- AmEx  - Discover  - Visa  - MasterCard  
No. ___________________________  Exp. _________  3- or 4-Digit Security Code _________  
Please select cabin category in order of preference:  
S___ AA__ A__ B__ C__ D__ E__  
- Twin Beds  - Double Bed  
- Single Occupancy  - Share (cannot be guaranteed)  
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