Explore
THE MIGHTY
Saint Lawrence
Seaway

AN EXPEDITION CRUISE THROUGH
CANADA’S HISTORIC GATEWAY

JUNE 4-16, 2020
Accompanied by Peter Albert
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College of Environmental Design
Dear Alumni and Friends of Cal,

Join us for an exceptional journey to experience the remarkable history, charming coastal towns, and extraordinary natural beauty that make up the Saint Lawrence Seaway. Part of an area historically known as “New France,” this vital waterway with its picturesque islands is home to a boundless variety of wildlife under the sea and on land.

Begin in Quebec City—one of the oldest settlements in North America and whose Old Town is a UNESCO World Heritage Site—before embarking upon the Ocean Endeavour for 10 days cruising the seaway, with extensive time to explore the area during Zodiac excursions, an optional sea kayaking adventure, and various shore landings.

While on board, keep a keen eye out for whales and other marine animals—this seaway is the second most popular place in the world to see blue whales. During on-shore excursions, venture into glorious national parks and scenic wilderness areas to spot for a vast array of bird species and a plethora of other wildlife.

Go Bears!
Cal Discoveries Travel Team

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A time-honored tradition since 1969, Cal Discoveries Travel creates learning opportunities for thoughtful travelers. Join great minds on our world-class journeys.

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What to expect: These trips often travel by motor coach, ship, or train. Touring days may include full-day motor coach excursions or extended periods of standing and walking during city tours, museum visits, and/or outdoor activities. Travelers should be able to board transportation, walk over sometimes-uneven terrain, and climb a few flights of stairs, occasionally without handrails or assistance. Elevators are not always available. Outings last 2–4 hours most days.

Suitable for: Travelers who are able to comfortably walk two to four miles, or 4,600–6,900 steps, each day.

Free Expedition Library
AN EARLY RESERVATION BONUS

 Reserve your space by October 4, 2019 to receive the FREE Orbridge Expedition Library we’ve assembled for this program.

This exclusive gift is to thank you for joining us early. Guests who reserve after the specified date may purchase libraries. Call for details.

Orbridge takes seriously the responsibility to minimize our global environmental impact. Starting in 2019, we will annually plant 100,000 trees in U.S. State Forests with afforestation needs as an on-going initiative among our evolving sustainability efforts.
Day 1: En Route from U.S. / Arrive in Quebec City, Quebec, Canada (R)
Welcome reception, evening at leisure
Overnight: Fairmont Le Château Frontenac

Day 2: Quebec City / Tadoussac – Embarkation (B,L,D)
Panoramic city tour, welcome dinner
Overnight: Ocean Endeavour

Day 3: Saguenay Fjord National Park (B,L,D)
Exploration and wildlife spotting: fin, minke, blue, and beluga whales; various bird species
Overnight: Ocean Endeavour

Day 4: Saint Lawrence River (B,L,D)
History discussion, panoramic sightseeing, Zodiac excursion (weather-permitting)
Overnight: Ocean Endeavour

Day 5: Forillon National Park / Gaspé (B,L,D)
Gaspé Peninsula, Grand-Grave National Heritage Site
Overnight: Ocean Endeavour

Day 6: Île Bonaventure National Park / Percé (B,L,D)
Percé Rock, park exploration, wildlife viewing: sea birds, seals, and 50,000 nesting pairs of Northern Gannets
Overnight: Ocean Endeavour

Day 7-8: Gulf of Saint Lawrence (B,L,D)
Local expert lecture, marine life viewing, complimentary photography lesson
Overnight: Ocean Endeavour

Day 9: Prince Edward Island (B,L,D)
Anne of Green Gables Heritage House
Overnight: Ocean Endeavour

Day 10: Magdalen Islands, Quebec (B,L,D)
Leisure time for hiking, beach walks, town exploration
Overnight: Ocean Endeavour

Day 11: The South Coast / Newfoundland (B,L,D)
Zodiac excursions (weather-permitting)
Overnight: Ocean Endeavour

Day 12: Saint-Pierre and Miquelon / Flight to St. John’s (B,L)
French Territory visit, leisure time
Overnight: Delta Hotels St. John’s

Day 13: St. John’s / Depart for U.S. (B)
(R = Reception, B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner)

Activity Level: We expect that guests be sure-footed on stairs and ramps, and be comfortable managing landings on various terrain and boarding small vessels—both from shore and the ship’s deck. Ship staff will assist guests during each landing. Off the ship, a fair amount of walking on varying terrain is to be expected. It is our expectation that guests on this program are able to walk a mile on uneven and slippery terrain at a moderate pace, get in and out of a motor coach, and walk up a flight of stairs without assistance.
Program Highlights

• Explore the unique history of New France.

• Enjoy thorough educational content provided by onboard naturalists, guides, and experts—at an impressive 7:1 guest-to-guide ratio.

• See hundreds of thousands of seabirds nesting at Bonaventure Island.

• Admire music, dancing, and storytelling with expert local cultural guides.

• Spot for the 13 species of cetaceans found in the Gulf—ideally sighted at this time of year—including fin, minke, humpback, and blue whales.

• Cruise Percé Rock by Zodiac for unbeatable views.

• Discover the rich cultural heritage and stunning red sandstone cliffs of the Magdalen Islands.

• Visit three provinces and the French island of Saint-Pierre.

• What’s Included: 1 night hotel accommodations in Quebec City prior to embarkation and 1 night hotel accommodations in St. John’s after disembarkation; 10 nights accommodations aboard the recently renovated Ocean Endeavour; a welcome reception in Quebec City, 12 breakfasts, 11 lunches, and 10 dinners; 24-hour self-service coffee and tea facilities onboard; all unique activities and excursions detailed in the 13-day itinerary; admission and transportation to all locations listed on the itinerary; all port fees; full guiding services of onboard naturalists and expert guides; Nikon camera instructional program onboard; your own expedition jacket to keep; gratuities to Orbridge Expedition Leader, drivers, porters, and Quebec City and St. John’s hotel housekeeping staff and wait staff for included meals; and airport transfers for guests arriving and departing during the suggested times.
Onboard Accommodations

The Ocean Endeavour is the perfect vessel for expedition cruising. Outfitted with 20 Zodiaks, advanced navigation equipment, a top deck observation room, and stabilizers, she is designed to provide guests with remarkable sailing experiences throughout the Saint Lawrence Seaway.

Recently upgraded in 2016, this 449-foot vessel offers the comforts of a boutique hotel including modern interior spaces with three lounges, a gym, spa, ample exterior deck featuring lounge chairs, heated swimming pool, two saunas, hot tub, plus well-designed staterooms for a restful night’s sleep after a full day of exploration.

During leisure time, visit the cozy library featuring a rich selection of reference books on the region, take a yoga class, or schedule a revitalizing massage at the spa.

Stateroom amenities: closets, TV, work desk and chair, bathrobes, and en suite bathroom with shampoo, shower gel, and hair dryer.
FAIRMONT LE CHÂTEAU FRONTENAC (subject to change)
Nestled in the heart of Old Quebec—a UNESCO World Heritage Site—this enchanting resort will seduce you with its breathtaking views of the Saint Lawrence River and the architecture of the old fortified city.

DELTA HOTELS ST. JOHN’S (subject to change)
Ideally situated steps away from Mile One Centre, George Street, and Cape Spear Lighthouse, this welcoming waterfront property features recently-renovated guest rooms with all the modern comforts of home.
Optional Pre-Tour
Québec City

Enjoy additional time exploring Quebec City—one of North America’s oldest settlements—featuring guided touring through Old Town, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Leisurely stroll the colorful cobblestone streets, admiring the colonial architecture and palpable historic atmosphere of this vibrant, stylish city.

Pre-Tour Itinerary (subject to change)

Day +1: En Route from U.S. / Arrive in Quebec City, Quebec, Canada
Afternoon and evening at leisure
Overnight: Fairmont Le Château Frontenac

Day +2: Québec City (B)
Guided hotel tour, guided panoramic tour:
Upper and Lower Town, walled city,
Parliament Hill, Plains of Abraham, Dufferin Terrace, Place Royale, and The Petit Champlain borough
Overnight: Fairmont Le Château Frontenac

Day +3: Quebec City / Main Program Begins (B)
Leisure time, join guests on main program

What’s Included

• Two nights accommodations at the Fairmont Le Château Frontenac (shown below) or similar, with breakfast each morning
• Guided architectural and history tour of Fairmont Le Château Frontenac
• Guided panoramic city tour
• Gratuities to local guide, hotel housekeeping staff, wait staff for included meals, drivers, and porters
• Private group airport transfer for guests arriving at the suggested times
St. Lawrence Seaway
JUNE 4-16, 2020
Quebec City Pre-Tour: June 2-4, 2020

Secure your reservation now with a deposit charged to the credit card below, or with an enclosed check payable to: Orbridge LLC.

GUEST INFORMATION:

Guest #1 Name (Title/Salutation): ___________________________  Cal Class Yr: ___________________________  D.O.B.: ___________________________
Name (as preferred on badge): ___________________________________________________________
Email: _____________________________________________  Phone: ___________________________
Primary Phone: ___________________________  Cell Phone: ___________________________
Guest #2 Name (Title/Salutation): ___________________________  Cal Class Yr: ___________________________
Name (as preferred on badge): ___________________________________________________________
Email: _____________________________________________  Phone: ___________________________
Address: _____________________________________________________________
City: ___________________________________________  State: _______  Zip: ___________________________

DEPOSIT:

# _________ guests joining optional excursion ($695/person) = ___________________________
# _________ guests joining pre-tour ($500/person) = TOTAL DEPOSIT: $ ___________________________

OPTIONAL SEA KAYAKING EXCURSION

# _________ guests joining optional excursion ($695/person) = ___________________________

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Date: ___________________________

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Special Alumni Rate: **Save more than $800 per couple**
When you reserve by October 4, 2019**

Accompanied by UC Berkeley Enrichment Lecturer Peter Albert

Peter Albert is a transportation/urban planning professor with the College of Environmental Design at the University of California, Berkeley. His graduate-level classes focus on the integration of urban design, planning and transportation in cities across the globe. Mr. Albert has over 30 years of transportation/urban planning and design in the private and public sectors, including serving as the Director of Planning for the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency, with a focus on the integration of transportation planning with economic development. Mr. Albert also oversaw the Station Area Planning Division for the San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District (BART) and long-range planning for the San Francisco County Transportation Authority and the San Francisco Planning Department. Mr. Albert earned a Masters of Urban and Regional Planning from San José State University, and a Bachelor of Architecture degree and Minor in French Language from Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, including an exchange year at the Université de Montréal.

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