



*Cross-Culture
Journeys*

Romantic Provence & Burgundy River Cruise with Nice & Monaco

with **Diane Rehm**

September 19–30, 2012

Post-Tour Extension: Parisian Holiday
September 30–October 3, 2012

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AIRFARE**

Book and pay by March 31, 2012 and
receive FREE airfare*

*Airline ticket taxes and airport fees additional



Average temperature and precipitation ranges during your trip (in degrees Fahrenheit)

City	High	Low	Precipitation
Nice	75	62	2.51"
Avignon	75	56	2.59"
Lyon	68	52	2.57"
Paris	65	53	0.65"

Romantic Provence & Burgundy River Cruise with Nice & Monaco

September 19–30, 2012 • 12 days, 10 nights

Parisian Holiday Post-Tour Extension:
 September 30–October 3, 2012 (3 additional days & nights)

Arrive in Nice, where the Mediterranean light and the long curve of the Baie des Anges inspired such artists as Matisse and Dufy. Enjoy the sunlit cities of the Côte d'Azur before you board the *Viking Europe* in Avignon for a relaxed eight-day river cruise. Sail up the Rhône and Saône Rivers as the landscape unfolds before you, from the lavender fields and ochre hills of Provence to Burgundy's vineyards and villages. Disembark each day for a closer look at such sites as the Papal Palace in Avignon, the Gallo-Roman arena in Arles and the Renaissance mansions of Old Lyon. Partake of the celebrated cuisine, and sample the renowned Burgundy wines. This region offers a feast for all the senses! After disembarking in Chalons-sur-Saône, you may fly home from Lyon or extend your trip with a three-day visit to Paris.



A message from Diane Rehm

I invite you to join me and other travelers on this river journey through a land beloved for its beauty and its bounty. Wherever we live, reminders of this part of France are with us—in paintings and photographs of villages and fields of lavender, in beloved books and films, in savory dishes and prized wines. On this river cruise up the Rhône and Saône we will take in the beauty of these surroundings and explore the interplay of tradition and change that sustains them.

The trip begins in Nice, by the bay we know through the colorful vision of Matisse and Dufy. After several days on the Côte d'Azur, we'll board the *Viking Europe* for a tranquil river cruise, passing the



landscapes that inspired Cezanne, van Gogh and Monet. Along with this visual feast come some of the world's most renowned wineries and one of the great regional culinary traditions. The route is also a cruise through history, from the Roman Arena at Arles to the Papal Palace at Avignon to the Renaissance townhouses of Lyon.

There's a satisfying rhythm to this kind of touring—a rhythm that allows you to absorb your experience deeply. The river and the landscapes flow by, inviting observation, and each day's expedition delves into history, art, production and custom more closely. There will be time to relax on board with a good friend or a good book, and to gather for group discussions of subjects pertinent to the trip or the season.

I look forward to meeting and talking with you aboard the *Viking Europe* as we discover firsthand the many pleasures of the Rhône Valley. To reserve now, while a range of cabins options is available, make your call to Cross-Culture Journeys at 800-491-1148.

Diane Rehm
Host/Executive Producer
The Diane Rehm Show



Wednesday, September 19

DEPART U.S.

Depart the U.S. on your overnight flight to Nice, France.

Thursday, September 20

ARRIVE NICE • TRANSFER TO HOTEL • WELCOME DINNER

Arrive at Nice International Airport and transfer to your hotel close to the Boulevard des Anglais. Along this famed seaside boulevard you will see landmarks, including the turreted Hotel Negresco, which figure in paintings of Matisse, Dufy and other artists who loved this city. Take a walk along the beachfront promenade, or relax in one of the blue chairs that line the shore. This evening, enjoy the Welcome Dinner. **WD**

Friday, September 21

CITY TOUR OF NICE • MATISSE MUSEUM

Enjoy a morning city tour of Nice. Walk through the old town ("Vieux Nice") and along the tree-lined boulevards. The Cours Saleya Flower Market should be in full swing, and you will stop at other historic sites along the way. After time for lunch, leave for the Matisse Museum, located on a hill in a garden setting. The museum holds works that Matisse and his heirs gave to the City of Nice, his home for some 45 years. In the collection are drawings, sculpture, paintings and other works by the artist, which are on view

along with artifacts and special exhibits. Then return to your hotel, take a seaside stroll along the Promenade des Arts if you wish, and have dinner on your own. **B**

Saturday, September 22

MONACO • NICE

Close to Nice is the tiny Principality of Monaco. Within the boundary of this city-state, less than one square mile in area, are the Royal Palace and an extensive botanical garden along a seaside cliff. Along with the famed Casino, Monte Carlo is the home of the Opéra de Monte-Carlo, the architect Charles Garnier's scaled-down replica of his great Paris Opéra, and a central harbor filled with impressive yachts. Enjoy a guided tour of Monte Carlo, choose a place for lunch on your own, perhaps with a harbor view, and enjoy some time for independent touring before your return to Nice. For dinner on your own, you could explore the restaurant possibilities of convivial Vieux Nice. **B**

Sunday, September 23

AIX-EN-PROVENCE • AVIGNON • EMBARK VIKING EUROPE • CAPTAIN'S RECEPTION

We will visit Aix-en-Provence on the way to Avignon. Tour the stately, tree-shaded central boulevard, the Cours Mirabeau, and some of the nearby historic squares.

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Note the statue of King René, the city's beloved 15th-century ruler who holds a position of honor at the head of the Cours Mirabeau. Have lunch in Aix and continue to Avignon, where your ship will be docked on the Rhône close to the city walls. After boarding, you may explore the city's Old Town independently or join a "welcome walk" through its medieval streets. Return to the ship for the captain's reception and Welcome Dinner, knowing that you will return to Avignon on your northward journey after tomorrow's visit to Arles. **B/L/D**

Monday, September 24

ARLES

Arrive in Arles during breakfast and disembark for a walking tour. Experience the city's vibrant colors and the striking quality of the light that inspired van Gogh and other artists. The architectural highlights of this city range from impressive Roman ruins, including Les Arènes, an arena that seats 20,000 spectators and is still in use, to Romanesque monuments such as the Church of Saint-Trôphime. Return to the ship for lunch, and take the afternoon to explore more of the city's history, byways, shops and cafés on your own. Your Program director will be glad to help you with your plans. Return

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Private airport-hotel transfers (if purchasing trip with airfare and arriving with group)
- Seven nights aboard the award-winning *Viking Europe*
- Three nights accommodations at First Class hotel in Nice
- Twenty-five meals: 10 breakfasts, 7 lunches, 8 dinners
- Wine, beer and soft drinks with lunches and dinners on board
- Tours and excursions as described in the itinerary, including:
 - City tour of Nice
 - Visit to Matisse Museum
 - Tour of Monte Carlo and other sites in Monaco
 - Walking tour of Aix-en-Provence
 - Walking tour of historic sites in Arles
 - Walking tour of Avignon
 - Guided visit to Palais des Papes
 - Guided evening walk in Viviers
 - Tour of Tain l'Hermitage
 - Walking tour of Vienne
 - City tour of Lyon with guided visit to Basilica of Notre Dame and walking tour through Vieux Lyon
 - Guided tour of Hôtel Dieu in Beaune, and wine tasting
- Talks and other onboard events related to regional culture
- Three discussions with public radio host/producer Diane Rehm
- Services of a Cross-Culture tour manager
- Services of guides leading small groups on land excursions
- Travel by private air-conditioned motorcoach throughout the trip
- Pre-departure materials with country information, reading lists and packing suggestions
- Port charges
- Luggage handling for one bag per person
- Hotel and restaurant taxes and service charges

Paris Post-Tour

- Three additional nights accommodations at First Class hotel
- Three additional breakfasts
- Transfer by private air-conditioned coach or by train from Chalon to Paris

ACCOMMODATIONS LIST

CITY	ACCOMMODATIONS	RATING (Hotel & Travel Index)
Nice	Hôtel Elysée Palace (or equivalent)	First Class
Avignon to Chalon	<i>Viking Europe</i>	Superior First Class equivalent
Paris	Crowne Plaza Paris République (or equivalent)	First Class



to the ship for dinner, and watch the changing scene through the panoramic windows as the ship departs. **B/L/D**

Tuesday, September 25

AVIGNON • VIVIERS

Set out on a guided walking tour of Avignon.* Stroll through the historic center, stopping at the picturesque Pont d'Avignon, which once spanned the Rhône, and walking to the Place de l'Horloge. Avignon, sometimes called the "City of Popes," was home to seven popes during the schism that divided the Roman Catholic Church in the 14th century. The imposing Gothic Palais des Papes served as papal residence, church and fortress. You will have a guided tour of the palace, followed by lunch aboard the *Viking Europe*. Enjoy an afternoon exploring Avignon at leisure, or join an optional tour to Châteauneuf-du-Pape, visiting the vineyards, viewing the surrounding countryside, and tasting the famed wine.

Have dinner aboard while the ship cruises upstream to Viviers, a quaint town in a mountain setting. Join your Program Director for an evening stroll through Viviers'

Old Town with its medieval and Renaissance buildings before retiring for the night. **B/L/D**

Wednesday, September 26

TOURNON • TAIN L'HERMITAGE

After a scenic morning cruise and lunch aboard, disembark in Tournon and head to Tain-l'Hermitage, a commune known for its wine and gourmet chocolate. During a guided tour of the area, learn about the region's winemaking traditions and sample some of the famed Côtes-du-Rhône, which include the Hermitages and the Crozes-hermitages. The chocolate manufacturer Valrhona is also based here and has a shop and a school for chocolatiers. Pay a visit to the Musée de Tain-l'Hermitage, which features 20th-century art housed in a grand 16th-century townhouse. Return to the ship in Tournon for dinner and the night. **B/L/D**

Thursday, September 27

VIENNE • LYON

This morning take a walking tour of Vienne, a beautiful riverside town whose Roman and medieval past is still much in evidence. Visit the Temple of Augustus and Livia,

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the Roman amphitheater, and the Gothic Cathedral of St. Maurice. You will have time to discover more of this charming riverside town on your own before returning to the ship for lunch and an afternoon departure. Later this afternoon you reach Lyon, a remarkable 2,000-year-old city in the heart of France with a long and distinguished tradition of high-quality textile production and of culinary excellence. Enjoy time for independent touring before dinner aboard. Your ship remains docked overnight, so you may disembark for an evening stroll. **B/L/D**

Friday, September 28

LYON

Enjoy a city tour of Lyon* this morning. Begin with a drive to the top of Fourvière Hill for amazing views of the city. Continue with a guided visit to the Basilica of Notre Dame and drive through town past the magnificent St. Jean Cathedral and the Palais de Justice. Then take a walking tour through the cobbled streets of Lyon's Old Town (Vieux Lyon), with time to explore the shops or sample some of the cuisine for which the city is world-famous. Return to your ship for an afternoon departure toward Burgundy. **B/L/D**

Saturday, September 29

BURGUNDY WINE TOUR • BEAUNE

After breakfast, take a scenic drive along France's Burgundy wine route through Pommard, Volnay and Meursault. Arrive in Beaune, the wine capital of Burgundy and the site of France's major wine auction. This walled city dates from pre-Roman times. Enjoy a guided tour of the beautiful Hôtel Dieu, founded in 1443 as a hospice and now a repository for a large collection of tapestries, furniture and paintings including a major work by Roger van der Weyden. You will have opportunity to learn about local viticulture and enjoy a wine tasting at one of Beaune's famous cellars. You may also encounter the large weekly food market. Return to your ship, which is docked in Chalon-sur-Saône. After lunch on board, disembark to explore this charming town on the bucolic Saône River. **B/L/D**

Sunday, September 30

CHALON-SUR-SAÔNE • DISEMBARK • RETURN TO U.S.

After breakfast, disembark and transfer to the Lyon airport for your return flight. **B**

Post-Tour Extension: Parisian Holiday September 30–October 3, 2012

Sunday, September 30

BEGIN THE PARIS POST-TOUR EXTENSION

Disembark this morning and travel to Paris with a stop en route. Arrive in Paris, settle into your hotel, and take the rest of the day to revisit your favorite spots, discover new ones, and choose from the array of restaurants the city has to offer. **B**

Monday, October 1

PARIS: WALKING TOUR OF ÎLE DE LA CITÉ • TIME AT LEISURE OR OPTIONAL GUIDED VISIT TO LOUVRE

This morning, enjoy a guided walking tour of the Île de la Cité,* the island in the Seine that may have been where Paris was founded. On one point of the island is Notre Dame Cathedral, where you may gaze upward at the splendid rose windows within, and at the gargoyles without. See the Church of Sainte Chapelle, built by King Louis IX in the 13th century and richly adorned with stained glass windows. Your afternoon and evening are for visiting Paris on your own. You may devote time to one or more of the great museums, such as the Pompidou Center with its modern art, the Musée d'Orsay, a Bell Époque railway station filled with Impressionist masterpieces, or the new Musée du Quai Branly. You could tour historic neighborhoods such as the Marais, or view the panorama of Paris from the Eiffel Tower. You might also join an optional guided visit to the Louvre, home of Leonardo's *Mona Lisa*, the *Winged Victory of Samothrace*, and vast numbers of paintings covering several thousand years. In the evening enjoy dinner at a restaurant of your choice. **B**



Tuesday, October 2

PARIS: A DAY FOR INDEPENDENT TOURING

You have a full day to explore more of the "City of Light." Stroll through Montmartre or along the Seine, tour the venerable opera house now called the Palais Garnier, visit shops and galleries, or choose from the many renowned smaller museums devoted to individual artists. Sample traditional Parisian or regional cuisine, or the burgeoning repertory of more exotic and fusion dishes. In the evening you might take a boat ride along the Seine to enjoy the iconic buildings and lovely bridges by night. **B**

Wednesday, October 3

RETURN TO U.S.

After breakfast, check out of your hotel and proceed to Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport for your return flight. **B**

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Tour Code: RSFC		FREE AIR* JFK or EWR	Add on to free airfare* from JFK or EWR		
Cabin Category	Cruise and Land only		ATL, BOS, IAD, PHL	ORD, DFW, DTW HOU, MIA	DEN, LAX, PHX SFO, SEA, SLC
E	\$4,795	\$4,795	+ \$200	+ \$300	+ \$400
D	\$5,295	\$5,295	+ \$200	+ \$300	+ \$400
C	\$5,395	\$5,395	+ \$200	+ \$300	+ \$400
B	\$5,595	\$5,595	+ \$200	+ \$300	+ \$400
A	\$5,795	\$5,795	+ \$200	+ \$300	+ \$400

Economy plus upgrade from \$1,695 additional
 Business class upgrade from \$3,995 additional
 First class upgrade from \$6,995 additional
 Single supplement: 100% of cruise & air cost, minus \$400
 Paris Extension single supplement: \$349 additional

If arranging airfare independently, deduct \$300. Call for prices from other departure airports.

Paris Post-Tour Extension September 19–October 3, 2012
 (Tour Code: RSFE) \$750 per person double occupancy

Limited Time Offer—book and pay in full by March 31, 2012 to receive free airfare from New York!

*Airline ticket taxes, fuel surcharges and governmental fees, subject to change, of approximately \$595 (Economy, Economy plus) of \$895 (Business class, First class) will be invoiced separately. Taxes and fees may be higher for departures from terminals outside the NYC area.

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Viking Europe

DECK PLAN

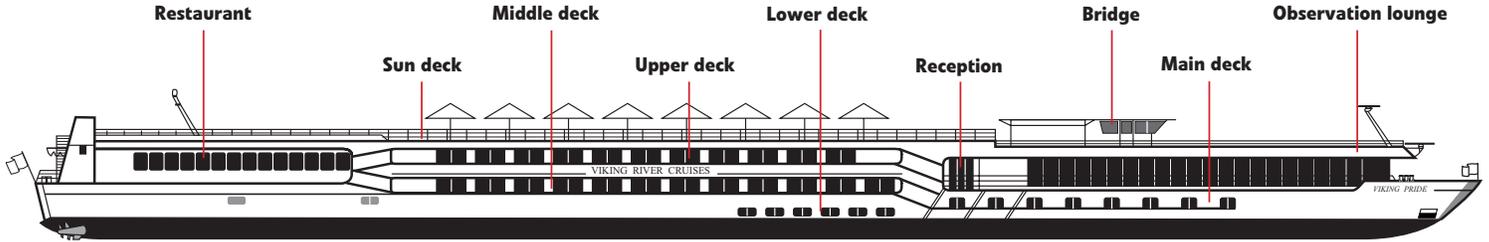
Deluxe A

Deluxe B

Deluxe C

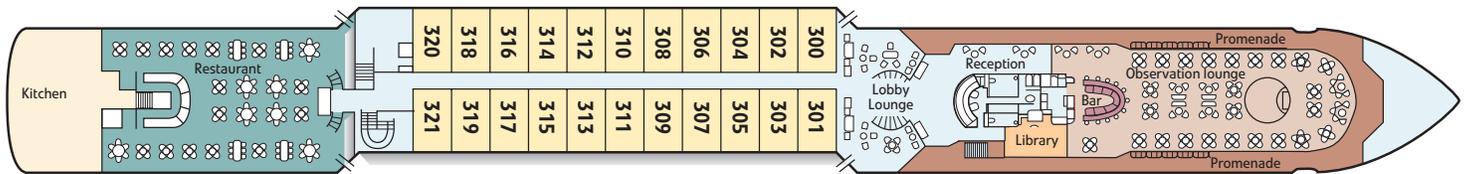
Deluxe D

Standard E



Upper deck

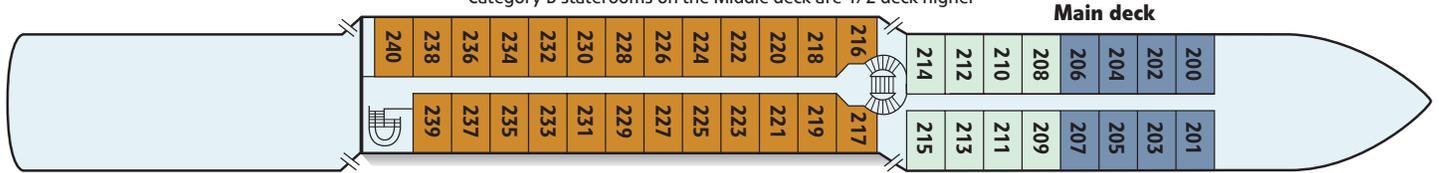
Category A staterooms on the Upper deck are 1/2 deck higher and separate from the public areas.



All staterooms on the Upper deck have a large picture window that opens.

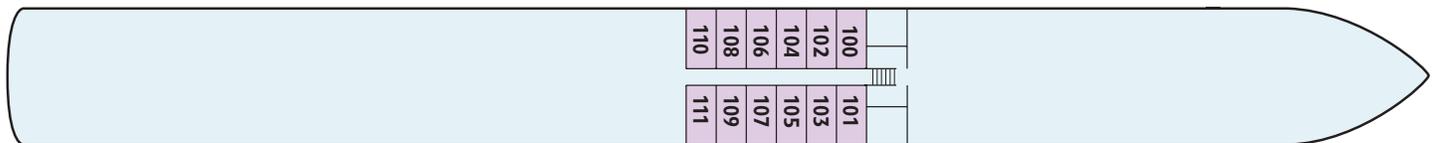
Middle deck

Category B staterooms on the Middle deck are 1/2 deck higher



All staterooms on the Middle deck have a large picture window that opens. All staterooms on the Main deck have a large picture window.

Lower deck



Water-level staterooms have half-height picture windows.



STATISTICS

Launched: 2001

Gross tonnage: 1942

Length: 375 feet

Beam: 37.4 feet

Draft: 4.75 feet

Passenger decks: 4

Passengers: 150, in 75 staterooms

Crew: 40

Ship's registry: Germany

DESCRIPTION

Viking Europe, a ship built for cruising European rivers, features a well-designed layout of public areas and a wraparound promenade deck perfect for enjoying the passing scenery. The ship accommodates just 150 guests in spacious staterooms, most with windows that open. The restaurant offers regional dishes using fresh local ingredients, served in a casually elegant environment with panoramic windows. The cruise experience is enriched with onboard talks and other events that illuminate the regional culture. *Viking Europe* has been highly rated by travelers in the *Condé Nast Traveler* readers' poll of Best Small Ships, and promises a relaxed and gracious voyage along the waterways of France.



CABIN CATEGORIES

Deluxe Stateroom (A)

Features

- Stateroom size: 170 sq. ft.
- Hotel-style beds with optional twin-bed configuration
- Panoramic window (*can be opened*)
- Private bathroom with shower and premium bath products
- Bathrobe and slippers available upon request
- Telephone, safe, hair dryer & bottled water replenished daily
- Individual climate control
- Space under bed for storing suitcases
- Roomy wardrobe with wooden hangers
- Voltage: 220V and 110V in stateroom
- TV with premium entertainment package including: CNBC, CNN, Fox News, ESPN, National Geographic, MGM Movies, Sky Cinema, videos on demand and "View From the Bridge"

Deluxe Stateroom (B)

Same layout and features as A

Deluxe Stateroom (C)

Same layout as A

Features

- Stateroom size: 170 sq. ft.
- Hotel-style beds with optional twin-bed configuration
- Large window (*cannot be opened*)
- Private bathroom with shower and premium bath products
- Bathrobe and slippers available upon request
- Telephone, safe, hair dryer & bottled water replenished daily
- Individual climate control
- Space under bed for storing suitcases
- Roomy wardrobe with wooden hangers
- Voltage: 220V and 110V in stateroom
- TV with premium entertainment package including: CNBC, CNN, Fox News, ESPN, National Geographic, MGM Movies, Sky Cinema, videos on demand and "View From the Bridge"

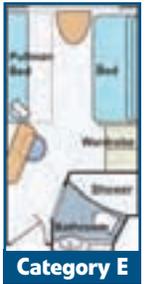
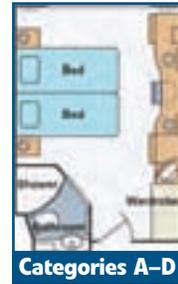
Deluxe Stateroom (D)

*Same layout as A
Same features as C*

Standard Stateroom (E)

Features

- Stateroom size: 120 sq. ft.
- Sofa & Pullman beds
- Half-high picture window (*cannot be opened*)
- Private bathroom with shower and premium bath products
- Bathrobe and slippers available upon request
- Telephone, safe, hair dryer & bottled water replenished daily
- Individual climate control
- Roomy wardrobe with wooden hangers
- Voltage: 220V and 110V in stateroom
- TV with premium entertainment package including: CNBC, CNN, Fox News, ESPN, National Geographic, MGM Movies, Sky Cinema, videos on demand and "View From the Bridge"





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A deposit of \$1,000 per person is required to confirm your reservation. Pre- and post-tour extensions require an additional deposit of \$250 per person, per program. The applicable deposit is being paid by:

- the enclosed check for \$ _____
- my credit card for \$ _____

(If paying by credit card, please complete the credit card information at right)

Traveler One

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

STATE _____ ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____

BUSINESS PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

Traveler Two

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

STATE _____ ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____

BUSINESS PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

Preferred departure city:

TRAVELER ONE _____

TRAVELER TWO _____

I/we would like to request an upgrade on our flights:

- Economy Plus Business Class First Class

- Check here if you would like to purchase the program on a land-only basis.

- I/we would like to also reserve the post-tour Paris extension *(additional deposit of \$250 per person applies).*

I/we would like to request a cabin upgrade:

- Deluxe D Deluxe C Deluxe B Deluxe A

- I wish to share a room or cabin with:

- I prefer a single room, at additional cost.

- I would like to share a twin room, if a roommate is available. I understand that my single supplement will be refunded if a share is found. Shares are not guaranteed.

- I authorize Cross-Culture to charge the applicable deposit per person, per program or segment of combination programs to the following credit card:

CREDIT CARD NUMBER _____

EXPIRATION DATE _____ SECURITY CODE _____

(Our bank requires the embossed digits plus the last three digits printed in the signature box on the back of your card)

CARD HOLDER'S NAME (as it appears on the credit card) _____

SIGNATURE—TRAVELER ONE _____

SIGNATURE—TRAVELER TWO _____

By making a deposit and enrolling in a Cross-Culture travel program, I am indicating that I have read and understand and agree to the General Terms and Conditions included in this package and on our website(s).

Please send a copy of the most recent Cross-Culture catalog(s) to the person(s) whose name and address I have written below. I understand that I am eligible for a referral bonus if the names provided are not already on Cross-Culture's mailing list.

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Cross-Culture Terms & Conditions

Reservation, deposit requirement & final payment schedule

The quickest and best way to make a reservation is to call us at 1-800-491-1148 between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday. You may also request a reservation online at www.ccjourneys.com or www.smallshiptravel.com. Early registration is strongly recommended for the following reasons: Group size is limited (24 on Cultural and Family Journeys; 20 on President's programs); we use small-ship cruise lines with a small number of cabins—choice cabins ALWAYS sell out quickly; single accommodations are subject to availability; some trips require additional preparation time and airlines restrict seat inventory.

The following are the deposit requirements:

- Land tours: \$500 per person, per program
- Small-ship cruises: \$1,000 per person, per program
- Pre or post-tour extension: \$250 per person, per program
- Privately chartered cruise have varying and specific payment schedules as listed below:

PRIVATE CHARTER PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

- Initial deposit: \$1,000
- Second payment: 50% of the cruise price at 225 days prior to departure
- Final payment: 180 days

Your deposit can be charged to a MasterCard or Visa credit card or paid by check. If you make your reservation after the final payment date, payment in full will be required at the time of the booking. Final payment for land tours is due at least 95 days prior to departure. Make your check payable to "Cross Culture Journeys" and send it to: 12 White Pine Road, Amherst, MA 01002. The final payment for small-ship cruises is due at least 120 days prior to departure. If final payment is not paid when due, Cross Culture reserves the right to regard the reservation as cancelled. If the trip is fully booked when we receive your deposit, we will return your payment, or with your authorization, we will retain your deposit and place your name on a priority waiting list in case other participants cancel.

Cancellations and refunds

If it becomes necessary for you to cancel your trip (or any portion thereof), you must notify Cross Culture in writing, by e-mail, or by fax immediately. The effective date of your cancellation will be the date that we receive your notification. Cross Culture will assess a cancellation charge to cover loss of nonrefundable advance payments we may have made on your behalf to including, but not limited to: ground operators; cruise lines; airlines; government agencies; communication expenses; and the loss of time. The cancellation charge applies regardless of the reason for cancellation, such as State Department travel warnings. Cancellation charges per person are as follows:

For All Tours (including Pre/Post Tour Extensions)

Days prior to departure	Charge
95 days or more:	\$250 (plus \$125 for extensions)
94–65 days:	50% of tour price
64–46 days:	75% of tour price
45 days or fewer:	100% of tour price (no refund)

Any changes to reservation: \$150 administrative fee

For Cruises (including Pre/Post Tour Extensions)

Days prior to departure	Charge
120 days or more:	\$500 (plus \$125 for extensions)
119–90 days:	50% of cruise price
89–61 days:	75% of cruise price
60 days or fewer:	100% of cruise price (no refund)

Any changes to reservation: \$150 administrative fee

For Privately-Chartered Cruises (including Pre/Post Tour Extensions)

Days prior to departure	Charge
216 days or more:	\$500 (additional \$125 for pre/post tour extension)
215–181 days:	25% of cruise price
180–151 days:	50% of cruise price
150–121 days:	75% of cruise price
120 days or fewer:	100% of cruise price (no refund)

Any changes to reservation: \$150 administrative fee

Name changes are considered a cancellation, and the above-listed charges apply. If you are a no-show, if you cancel your trip after the departure date, or if you leave a trip already in progress, you will not receive any refund for any unused portion of your trip.

Note: Air refunds, if any, are determined by the individual airlines.

Cross-Culture, may, in order to take advantage of schedules and competitive pricing, purchase airlines tickets in advance. These tickets are non-refundable within 95 days of departure.

Tour pricing & inclusions

Tour prices quoted are guaranteed through December 31, 2012, and include accommodations based on double occupancy; airfare from your gateway city (when purchasing tour with airfare), meals, performances, admissions and scheduled group excursions as noted in the itinerary, hotel taxes, airport transfers for group flights, baggage handling for one bag per person, services of a Cross-Culture Travel Guide (if applicable), gratuities to hotels (does not include gratuities for the guide and driver or for shipboard staff), restaurants, and local guides (does not include gratuities for the guide and driver). Please note that air upgrades, airline taxes, fuel surcharges, departure fees, governmental fees and port charges are subject to change.

NOT INCLUDED IN YOUR TOUR PRICE

Passport and visa fees; airfare from your hometown to your gateway city; airline and governmental taxes, fees and surcharges; personal expenses such as telephone, communication charges, laundry, beverages, room service, and meals not specified; excess baggage fees, departure, airport and port charges (which will be listed as separate items on your invoice; independent transfers when purchasing a land-only package; gratuities to program guide and driver, and to shipboard staff, optional activities or shore excursions; flights connecting two or more programs and cancellation, travel and health insurance.

PASSPORTS & VISAS

A valid passport is required for all Cross-Culture programs. A visa may be required for some of our programs. As we continue to add new destinations, it is your responsibility to check with the appropriate country for their visa requirements. Cross-Culture is not responsible in any way for providing you with information related to passport and/or visa requirements. Cross-Culture does not accept any responsibility in your failure to secure the necessary documentation for your trip.

HEALTH & WALKING

Participants in all Cross-Culture programs should be in good physical condition and prepared to enjoy walking, often over uneven cobblestones. We ask you to appraise your own capabilities honestly. And, we ask that you be considerate of the other group members and do not delay the scheduled group activities. We do not provide assistance if you require the use of a wheelchair or have other personal needs; in such cases a companion who will assist you must accompany you. Cross-Culture reserves the right to decline to accept or retain any participant should such person's health or department impede the operation of the trip or enjoyment of any other participant. If Cross-Culture decides not to retain a participant during the trip, Cross-Culture assumes no financial responsibility for any unused portion of the tour or for any incidental charges therein.

TRAVEL INSURANCE

WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT YOU PROTECT YOURSELF AND YOUR INVESTMENT IN CASE YOU HAVE TO CANCEL OR INTERRUPT YOUR VACATION. This coverage will offset cancellation charges in the event of illness before or during your trip. Trip Cancellation/ Interruption, Medical Expense/Emergency Assistance, Baggage and Personal Effects, and Baggage/Travel Delay are some of the benefits of the Preferred Benefits Travel Insurance. Details and an insurance application will be sent along with your confirmation packet.

PHOTOGRAPHY ON TOUR

Cross-Culture reserves the right to take photographs or video during the operation of any tour or part thereof, and to use the resulting images or video for promotional purposes. By booking a reservation with Cross Culture, you agree to allow your image to be used for such purposes, without compensation. If you prefer that your image not be used, you must identify yourself to the guide at the commencement of the tour.

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