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# DEAR ALUMNI AND FRIENDS,

Experience the South and the magic of Mardi Gras with an included two-night pre-cruise stay before an incredible Mississippi voyage aboard the *American Queen*. Begin your journey in New Orleans—visit the National WWII Museum and take an exclusive tour of the "Big Easy" during Mardi Gras. Take in the Saint Louis Cathedral, traverse Esplanade Avenue, and see St. Louis Cemetery, then get an insider's look into the float builders of Mardi Gras. Board the *American Queen* and sail to St. Francisville, a quaint but influential town celebrated for its more than 140 buildings and plantation homes on the National Register of Historic Places. In Natchez, a quintessential southern town full of antebellum architecture, see one of the oldest post-European settlements in the Lower Mississippi River Valley. Then, discover Vicksburg, the "Red Carpet City of the South," which radiates southern hospitality and was the site of a dramatic siege during the Civil War. Travel to Baton Rouge, Louisiana's capital, and spend the day exploring the LSU Museum of Art or the USS *Kidd*, a retired WWII destroyer. Before returning to New Orleans, cruise the famed Mississippi to the Nottoway Plantation to tour the largest antebellum plantation house in the South.

This outstanding seven-night cruise includes fresh southern cuisine, shore excursions, and beautifully appointed accommodations. Reserve your spot by September 17, 2019 to receive the two-night pre-cruise hotel stay with the tour of New Orleans as well as the \$300 early booking savings per person. Don't miss the opportunity to experience the South aboard the *American Queen*.

Sincerely,

Terin Walters '05

Assistant Vice President of Development and Communications

K-State Alumni Association

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# SPACE IS LIMITED. BOOK NOW!

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### TRAVEL INSURANCE

We strongly suggest purchasing travel insurance. Travel insurance information will be sent to you by the K-State Alumni Association with your confirmation letter.

# OPERATOR/PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT

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INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL (IF APPLICABLE): All persons must also present a passport with at least six months validity beyond their return date when boarding. Improper documentation, inadequate proof of identity, inadequate proof of age for children under 2, or any other reason may result in denial of boarding privileges. The air carrier and cruise line reserve the right to decline, accept, or retain any person on the flight or cruise at any time within their sole discretion. If you are denied boarding privileges, you forfeit all monies paid and will be assessed any non-recoverable costs.

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INSURANCE: Travel insurance is available and can provide coverage for unforeseen circumstances that could disrupt your trip.

**HOSTS AND LECTURERS (IF APPLICABLE):** Advertised hosts and lecturers are subject to availability and may be contingent on a minimum number of travelers; therefore, they cannot be guaranteed.

NOTICES: Any complaints or claims against GN must be made in writing and received by GN within 90 days of scheduled termination of the trip. Any action or suit against GN must be commenced within 1 (one) year of scheduled termination of the trip or be forever barred.

The rights and remedies relating to cancellations and major changes prior to departure, made available under this agreement, are in addition to any other rights or remedies available under applicable law. However, 6N offers any refunds under this agreement with the express understanding that the receipt of that refund by you waives all other remedies.

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**GOVERNING LAW, VENUE, AND JURISDICTION:** This agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Minnesota. Claims arising under this agreement shall only be brought in a court of competent jurisdiction in the State of Minnesota.

REFUNDS AND CANCELLATIONS: If you change plans or cancel, your rights to a refund are limited. Any requests for cancellation must be communicated to GN in writing. Applicable refunds, if any, will be made within 14 days of the cancellation.

HEALTH: Any physical or mental condition requiring special medical attention or equiriment must be disclosed in writing to GN at the time the participant makes a reservation. GN may reject the reservation any person who, in the opinion of GN, is until for travel or might be a danger to themselves or incompatible with others on the trip. Participants requiring special assistance, including without limitation those who permanently or periodically use a wheelchair, must be accompanied by someone who agrees to provide the required assistance. GN reserves the right to terminate the participation of any participant whose conduct or condition materially inconveniences other participants.

There are no exceptions of any kind (including medical exceptions) to these policies. No refunds will be made for any portion of the arrangements we have made for you that are not actually utilized by you. There is no variance from these policies for the services we arrange as described in this brochure.

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IN ADDITION TO THE PRECEDING GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS, THE FOLLOWING SUPPLIER-SPECIFIC TERMS AND CONDITIONS ALSO APPLY:

# AMERICAN QUEEN STEAMBOAT COMPANY

AQSC'S LAND PACKAGES/SHORE EXCURSIONS: Tours are operated in the various ports of call by American Queen Steamboat Company (hereinafter AQSC) or local tourist service companies contracted by the cruise line. They are not under the control of GN. Cancellation penalties may differ from the cruise-program-related penalties. AQSC may modify the cruise itinerary up to and during the voyage.

ADVANCE TRAVEL INFORMATION: U.S. citizens or permanent residents of the U.S. traveling exclusively inside U.S. borders do not need a passport or visa for travel. Homeland Security laws require that all guests travel with government-issued photo identification (ID) (such as a driver's license) at all times. ID must be presented at the time of check-in. Guests without proper ID will be denied boarding. AQSC is required to provide all guests' ID information including ID number, expiration date, and place of issue to the Coast Guard and/or other government entities prior to the vessel's departure. Guests must provide this information to AQSC in advance. Travel documents will not be released until received. Canadian citizens or permanent residents of Canada entering the U.S. are required to bring their passports. For other nationalities, passports are required to enter the U.S. It is your responsibility to check with your local U.S. embassy/consulate to confirm visa requirements and to obtain the proper visa/U.S. alien card (green card).

FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION PROTECTION: Under Public Law 89-777, the FMC requires vessels having berth or stateroom accommodations for 50 or more passengers and which embark passengers from U.S. ports to maintain acceptable evidence of financial responsibility to indemnify passengers for nonperformance of transportation. AQSC maintains an escrow agreement to protect passenger payments for water transportation. This escrow agreement has been reviewed and approved by the Federal Maritime Commission.

### CRUISE PROGRAM CANCELLATION FEES:

121 days or more = \$350 per person 120-75 days = 50% of total fare 74-45 days = 75% of total fare 44-0 days = 100% of total fare, no refund

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# AN UNFORGETTABLE JOURNEY

There has never been a better way to rediscover the American South than aboard the *American Queen*, the only authentic overnight paddlewheel steamboat in the United States. Travel the fabled waters of the mighty Mississippi and experience the history and grand adventure unique to the steamboating tradition.

# **INCLUSIONS**

- 7-day voyage aboard the *American Queen*, with all meals included
- \$300 early booking savings per person
- Complimentary Hop-On Hop-Off Shore Excursions aboard a dedicated fleet of luxury river coaches
- Exquisite regional dishes prepared by an award-winning culinary team
- Complimentary wine and beer with dinner

- Complimentary specialty coffees, filtered water, and soft drinks
- · Gracious service from a friendly staff
- Daily lectures by the Riverlorian, your onboard history and culture expert
- Professional showboat-style entertainment, dances nightly, and calliope concerts
- Smart-casual attire throughout your voyage; no formal wear required

# **GO next EXCLUSIVE BENEFITS**

- Included 2-night pre-cruise hotel stay at Hilton New Orleans Riverside or other similar accommodations, with breakfast, coverage of taxes, porterage, and transfers to the American Queen
- Included New Orleans "Big Easy" and WWII Museum tours
- Private Go Next reception including hot and cold canapés, wine, beer, and soft drinks
- Services of an experienced on-site Go Next Program Manager



# LIFE ON THE WATER

Discover America's scenic riversides on a journey aboard the 417-passenger *American Queen*, the largest, most opulent riverboat in the world. In the evening, music fills the two-deck-tall Grand Saloon, a stunning replica of the famed Ford's Theatre. Showboat-style cabaret acts and old-fashioned radio shows add variety and charm to the nightly lineup. During the day, the Riverlorian, your onboard historian, offers lectures and river lore. The Ladies' Parlor and Gentlemen's Card Room are choice meeting spots for new friends, and the Engine Room Bar is a great place to have a nightcap and listen to jazz, bluegrass, or rock and roll.

# SOUTHERN HOSPITALITY

The culinary team aboard the *American Queen* creates plates inspired by the classics of America's South, utilizing the freshest of the season's offerings from stops along the way. The award-winning chefs on board lend their expertise to your unique dining experience. Indulge in the elegance of the J.M. White Dining Room, or satisfy your appetite at any hour of the day at the Front Porch Café as you sample delicious creations, from pork loin stuffed with andouille sausage to corn fritters and bourbon pecan pie.

# **CLASSIC LUXURY**

Welcome aboard the *American Queen*, a breathtaking combination of modern comfort and Victorian charm. All suites and staterooms aboard the *American Queen* feature flat-screen televisions, extravagant bedding, fine linens, and luxury hotel-style service. Sip sweet lemonade and relax on the open verandas as the riverfront landscapes unfold before you. Enjoy a quiet respite in your suite or stateroom, designed with all the comforts of home. Life aboard this ship moves at your pace and according to your taste.



# RIVER CRUISE ITINERARY

## FEB 15 NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

Arrive in New Orleans and independently make your way to the hotel. Your journey begins with a two-night hotel stay at the Hilton New Orleans Riverside. Experience New Orleans, from the traditional southern oaks and Spanish moss of City Park to the French Quarter's legendary Bourbon Street and Jackson Square. Celebrate this city's melting pot of culture, music, and epicurean delights.

### FEB 16 NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

Set out on a tour of the "Big Easy" with Mardi Gras World as you see some of the most celebrated sites of New Orleans. Make your way down St. Charles Avenue as you follow along the country's oldest streetcar line; take in the Saint Louis Cathedral, traverse Esplanade Avenue, and see St. Louis Cemetery. Your tour will conclude with a visit to the studios of Blaine Kern and his team of master float builders—get an insider's look into what makes Mardi Gras spectacular.

# FEB 17 NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA Depart 5PM

Before embarking on your river cruise aboard the *American Queen*, pay a visit to the National WWII Museum, designated by Congress as the country's official museum of the Second World War.

### FEB 18 RIVER CRUISING

# FEB 19 ST. FRANCISVILLE, LOUISIANA Arrive 8AM-Depart 1PM

Celebrated for its more than 140 buildings and plantation homes on the National Register of Historic Places, this quaint town supplies guests a window to the past. Here are the legacies of the Butlers, the Forts, the Barrows, and the Turnbulls—families who helped build the South.

Included Excursions The Hop-On Hop-Off river coach takes you to attractions including Royal Street, Old Market Hall, the West Feliciana Historical Society Museum, and Grace Episcopal Church.

# FEB 20 NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI Arrive 8AM-Depart 5PM

Natchez, former capital of the state, is one of the oldest post-European settlements in the Lower Mississippi River Valley. Explore this quintessential southern town with a rich cultural heritage.

Included Excursions Your excursions in Natchez include the Rosalie Mansion, Natchez Visitor's Center, William Johnson House Museum, Magnolia Hall, Stanton Hall, the Museum of African American History & Culture, and King's Tavern and Charbonneau Distillery.

# FEB 21 VICKSBURG, MISSISSIPPI Arrive 8AM-Depart 5PM

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 in the Civil War, Vicksburg is now a center of southern hospitality with a vibrant downtown area.

**Included Excursions** The luxury river coach stops at the Church of the Holy Trinity, Anchuca Mansion, the Old Court House Museum, and the Lower Mississippi Museum.

# FEB 22 BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA Arrive 12PM-Depart 5PM

Named by French explorer Sieur D'Iberville, Baton Rouge, the capital of Louisiana, has a rich cultural history. The city is home to Louisiana's capitol building—the tallest in the United States. Spend the day exploring the LSU Museum of Art or the USS *Kidd*, a retired WWII destroyer.

Included Excursions Your experience includes the USS Kidd Veterans Memorial, Capitol Park Museum, Louisiana's State Capitol, the LSU Museum of Art, and the LSU Rural Life Museum.

# FEB 23 NOTTOWAY PLANTATION, LOUISIANA

### Arrive 8AM-Depart 6PM

Near White Castle, Louisiana lies one of the South's most famous plantations, the Nottoway Plantation House. Showcasing three floors, sixty-four bedrooms, twelve handcarved Italian marble fireplaces, and twentytwo soaring exterior columns, this extravagant mansion was constructed with 365 doors and windows—one for every day of the year.

**Included Excursion** Walk through the halls of the Nottoway Plantation, a Greek-Revival and Italianate-style mansion. Explore the lush grounds and gardens.

# FEB 24 NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA Arrive 8am

Disembark in the morning and bid farewell to the *American Queen*.

**Note:** Return flights should be scheduled to depart after 10:30<sub>AM</sub>. If you are interested in an optional Premium Choice Tour of New Orleans, your return flight should be scheduled to depart after 2<sub>PM</sub>.

Premium Choice Tours will also be offered in each port of call for an additional charge.

All port times are approximate. Itinerary and shore excursions are subject to change.



# The Greatest Value

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OWNER'S SUITES • EXCLUSIVE VERANDA  Promenade Deck 348 sq. ft. with exclusive 690 sq. ft. veranda		\$8,099	\$7,799
LUXURY SUITES • VERANDA Promenade & Texas Decks 353-363 sq. ft.		\$6,899	\$6,599
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<sup>\*</sup>Fares are per person, double occupancy, with the exception of SD and SI (single categories), and reflect the \$300 early booking savings per person if booked by September 17, 2019. Onboard meals, refreshments, and entertainment are included. Airfare and airport transfers are not included. **Port charges of \$199 per person and gratuities are additional.** 

<sup>\*</sup>Single occupancy



# **DECK PLAN**

OS Owner's Suites

LS Luxury Suites

DS Deluxe Suites

JS Junior Suites

PS Paddlewheel Staterooms

**A** Deluxe Outside Staterooms

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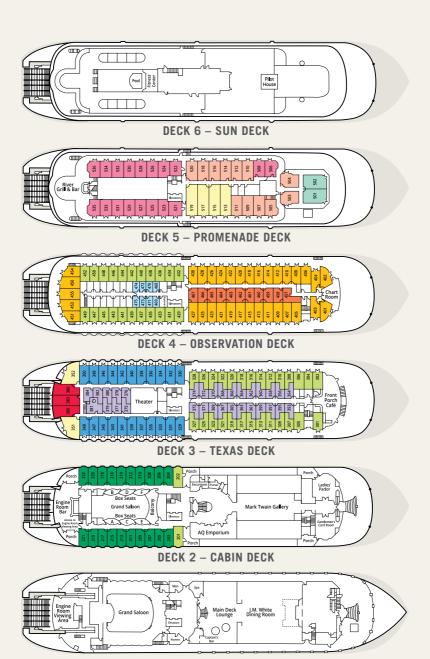
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Triple staterooms are available upon request.



# DECK 1 - MAIN DECK

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<sup>\*</sup>Indicates single stateroom.