



# SOUTHERN CULTURE & CIVIL WAR

7-NIGHT MISSISSIPPI RIVER CRUISE ABOARD THE *AMERICAN QUEEN*  
MEMPHIS TO NEW ORLEANS  
JUNE 2-10, 2018



*New!* DISTINGUISHED LECTURER SERIES

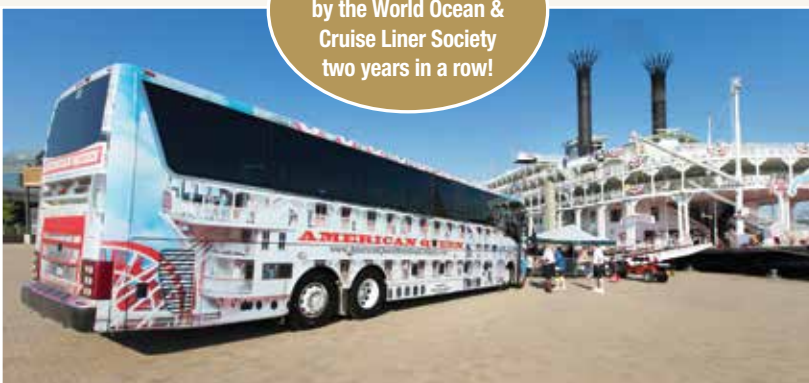


 **AMERICAN QUEEN®**  
**STEAMBOAT COMPANY**  
Uniquely American River Cruises®

## CRUISE PROGRAM INCLUDES

- 7 nights aboard the *American Queen*, the largest and most opulent riverboat in the world
- 2-night pre-cruise hotel stay
- Exclusive tour of Shiloh National Military Park
- 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
- 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!



## ITINERARY

- Day 1 Memphis, Tennessee  
Arrive, overnight in hotel
- Day 2 Memphis, Tennessee  
Overnight in hotel
- Day 3 Memphis, Tennessee – **Embark**
- Day 4 Greenville, Mississippi
- Day 5 Vicksburg, Mississippi
- Day 6 Natchez, Mississippi
- Day 7 St. Francisville, Louisiana
- Day 8 Baton Rouge, Louisiana
- Day 9 Nottoway, Louisiana
- Day 10 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.

## 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

## STATEROOM CATEGORIES†

<i>Inside Stateroom</i>	
E	\$2,499
SI*	\$3,499
<i>Outside Stateroom</i>	
D	\$4,399
<i>Outside Stateroom with Veranda</i>	
C	\$4,699
B	\$4,999
SO*	\$6,499
<i>Deluxe Outside Stateroom with Private Veranda</i>	
A	\$5,199
<i>Deluxe Outside Stateroom with Veranda</i>	
AA	\$5,399
<i>Suites with Veranda</i>	
AAA	\$5,699
FS	\$6,999
LS	\$7,699
<i>Suites with Private Veranda</i>	
OS	\$9,499
*Single occupancy	

†Prices are per person, double occupancy (unless indicated).  
Port charges are additional.

Airfare and airport transfers are not included.  
Dates, pricing, and itinerary are subject to change.



## 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.

### *Greenville, Mississippi*

The heart and soul of the Mississippi Delta, this pleasant town is characterized by its plentiful museums, gardens, and authors; local legend says that Greenville water grows writers. Situated near Indianola, the birthplace of blues musician B.B. King, Greenville beckons with its own colorful attractions, including the new Trop Casino and E.E. Bass Auditorium & Cultural Center.

### *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 the past. Here are the legacies of the Butlers, the Forts, the Barrows, and the Turnbills—families who helped build the South.

### *Baton Rouge, Louisiana*

Boasting a storied past and vibrant present, Baton Rouge lives up to its motto, "Authentic Louisiana at Every Turn." The capital city's unique political history is reflected in a collection of memorable landmarks, from the elegantly furnished Old Governor's Mansion to the imposing neo-Gothic Old State Capitol.

### *Nottoway, Louisiana*

Between Baton Rouge and New Orleans lies one of the South's most magnificent plantation homes, Nottoway. Showcasing three floors, sixty-four bedrooms, twelve hand-carved Italian marble fireplaces, and twenty-two soaring exterior columns, this extravagant mansion was constructed with 365 doors and windows—an opening for each day of the year.

### *New Orleans, Louisiana*

Experience some of the best of New Orleans, from the traditional Southern oaks and Spanish moss of City Park to the French Quarter's legendary Bourbon Street and Jackson Square.