







# AMERICAN QUEEN® ★ AMERICAN EMPRESS® ★ AMERICAN DUCHESS<sup>™</sup> ★ AMERICAN COUNTESS<sup>™</sup> [YOUR GROUP NAME] PRESENTS NEW ORLEANS TO MEMPHIS MISSISSIPPI RIVER CRUISE WITH AMERICAN QUEEN STEAMBOAT COMPANY ON THE AMERICAN QUEEN 9 DAYS / 8 NIGHTS ~ MARCH 12 – 20, 2023

The Lower Mississippi River has stories to share -a legacy that flows from Memphis to the Gulf of Mexico. Embark on more than just a cruise, and return with more than memories: experience, understanding, an enlightened perspective. Let us introduce you to the American South – what it has been and what it has become. A new chapter awaits around each river bend.

# Day 1: Hotel Stay - New Orleans, LA

Enjoy your complimentary stay at the pre-cruise hotel. The evening is yours to become acquainted with the city. Our Hospitality Desk will be located in the hotel, and our friendly staff can assist with everything from general questions about your upcoming voyage to reserving premium experiences. Both American Queen Steamboat Company and local representatives will be readily available to provide you with dining, entertainment and sightseeing options to maximize your time here.

# Day 2: New Orleans, LA

New Orleans's Creole, Cajun and other diverse residents blended to develop art, cuisine, music and general culture unlike any other in the United States. Uncover the treasures of the city as you indulge in iconic cuisine spiced with the cultural flavors of the city's past, explore the unique sites and attractions lining the historic streets as seen in the famous French Quarter or admire the beauty in the stunning Garden District or City Park.

#### Day 3: Nottoway Plantation, LA

American Queen Steamboat Company features an exclusive port at Nottoway Plantation. While the boat is docked, visit the sugarcane estate – the largest standing antebellum mansion in the South. Nottoway Plantation is an intricate building with impressive detail. Original furnishings mingle with era-appropriate antiques to create an atmosphere that does justice to the home's original ambiance. It is fascinating history and luxurious aesthetic packaged in Southern hospitality – an experience that you will not want to pass up.

# Day 4: St. Francisville, LA

St. Francisville today is a testament to the lifestyle of a bygone era, with its plethora of charming antebellum-period homes and striking architecture. With over 140 buildings on the National Register of Historic Places, beautiful plantation homes nestled in the rolling countryside and bustling Main Street shops, this quaint town situated on the bluffs of the Mississippi River has a style all its own. **Included Excursion: St. Francisville Hop-On Hop-Off Tour** 

#### Day 5: Natchez, MS

It seems as if history fell asleep and awoke unscathed by the changing of times in this magical port. This charming river town was founded in 1716, making it the oldest city on the Mississippi River. It's known for its elegance, hospitality and impressive preservation of history – found on every street corner. Enjoy the unique shops, restaurants, museums and historic homes, all of which inspired Hugh Bayless to include Natchez in his book "The 100 Best Towns in America." **Included Excursion: Natchez Hop-On Hop-Off Tour** 

#### Day 6: Vicksburg, MS

Vicksburg perfectly blends Southern culture and heritage with exciting modern attractions. As a major battle site during the Civil War, this Southern town carries a history unlike any other. Learn

about the historic conflicts of the city, taste its cuisine, visit the many museums and pick out the perfect souvenir. **Included Excursion: Vicksburg Hop-On Hop-Off Tour** 

# Day 7: Greenville, MS

On the banks of the Mighty Mississippi River is Greenville, a wellspring of music, literature, adventure, imagination, and history and plain old fun. A city that has inspired greatness from Native Americans to cotton barons, Pulitzer-Prize winners, Civil Rights leaders, musicians, poets and inventors. Discover for yourself that there's more than meets the eye in this land of rich customs and folklore, creativity and physical beauty that make up one of America's most unique destinations.

# **Day 8: River Cruising**

Watch small river towns and lush landscapes slowly become lost in the horizon as sunlight plays upon the deck. Take hold of a literary classic, curl up on a plush chair in a cozy corner and relish in the moment of tranquility. Experience the fulfillment that river cruising offers.

# Day 9: Memphis, TN

Memphis has a plethora of places to visit and things to do for all guests. Embrace the city that has been coined not only the home of the blues but also the birthplace of rock 'n' roll. Boogie on down to Beale Street – alive with quirky places to indulge in some Southern barbeque, purchase souvenirs for friends and family (or a little something for yourself) and sip on a Blue Suede Tini. As one of the most famous music destinations in the world, Memphis is a melodious port for our guests to experience.

# What's Included:

<ul> <li>One (1-night) pre-cruise hotel st vessel</li> <li>Filtered water and soft drinks</li> <li>Select wine and beer at dinner</li> </ul>	ay witl	n transfer to the	<ul> <li>All meals on board the vessel</li> <li>All included Hop-On Hop-Of</li> <li>All onboard entertainment</li> <li>Wi-Fi/Internet access on board</li> </ul>	f shore exc	
Inside Cabin Category	E	\$[Your Price]	Balcony Cabin Category	C	\$[Your Price]
Outside Cabin Category	D	\$[Your Price]	Balcony Cabin Category	B	\$[Your Price]

Rates are per person double occupancy and include roundtrip airfare from [your air city], pre-night, cruise, port charges, government fees, taxes, and transfers to/from ship. AIR PRICES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AND WILL BE TICKETED ONCE YOUR GROUP IS PAID IN FULL. FLIGHTS ARE NON-REFUNDABLE ONCE TICKETED.

# PASSPORT OR REAL ID ARE REQUIRED FOR AIR TRAVEL PROOF OF COVID VACCINE IS REQUIRED TO SAIL

**DEPOSIT POLICY:** An initial deposit of \$[based on your price] per person double occupancy or \$[based on your price] per person single occupancy is required in order to secure reservations and assign cabins. <u>Final payment is due by October</u> <u>12, 2022</u>. Those who book early get the best prices and the best cabin locations.

American Queen Steamboat Company charges a \$250 per person administration fee for any cancellation/changes up to 121 days prior to departure. Additional penalties apply within 120 days.

FOR RESERVATIONS OR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT [YOUR NAME] ~ [YOUR PHONE NUMBER]

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