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ANTEBELLUM SOUTH

NEW ORLEANS TO MEMPHIS

WITH AMERICAN QUEEN STEAMBOAT COMPANY ON THE AMERICAN QUEEN

9 DAYS / 8 NIGHTS ~ APRIL 5 - 13, 2020



A TASTE OF THE TRUE SOUTH - Memory flows deep and sentiment eddies and swirls along the Lower Mississippi River. Experience authentic Southern culture as you journey through living history and soak in the romantic spirit of the Antebellum era. Fertile cotton fields, vast sugar cane plantations and imposing pillared mansions will transport you back in time, as will the Civil War battlefields.

Day 1: Hotel Stay - New Orleans, LA

Enjoy your complimentary stay at the Hilton New Orleans Riverside. The evening is yours to get self-acquainted with the many treasures of New Orleans.

The Hospitality Desk will be located in the hotel for your convenience between 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. It is there that the friendly staff can assist with everything from general questions about your upcoming voyage to reserving Premium Shore Excursions. An American Queen Steamboat Company representative, as well as a local representative, will be readily available to provide you with dining, entertainment, and sight-seeing suggestions so that you may maximize your time in New Orleans.



Day 2: New Orleans, LA

Departure 5:00 PM

Today is the big day! Spend your last day here in the city of New Orleans before embarking on an unforgettable journey!

The official Voyage Check-in will be open between 9:00 AM and 12:00 PM located in the Pre-Cruise Hotel. During this fast and easy procedure, American Queen's representatives will arrange your transfer to the vessel and answer any questions you might have. The process is simple and will have you back to exploring in no time and, if you think of any more questions, the Hospitality Desk will be at your service until 3:00 PM, when the complimentary boat transfers will begin!

After you are comfortably aboard the vessel, wave "Au Revoir" to New Orleans as you set off on an incredible adventure up the Mighty Mississippi!



Day 3: Nottoway Plantation, LA

Nottoway is the South's largest, most glorious remaining antebellum mansion, with a rich history dating back to 1859. In a fabulous location along the Great River Road, this White Castle of the South transports visitors back to an era of glory and grandeur. Set among a natural backdrop of vibrant gardens and 200-year-old oak trees, the mansion boasts three floors and 64 bedrooms, and flaunts an incredible 22 white square columns. The most popular room among guests is the White Ballroom, which is painted entirely in white with elaborate gold décor throughout. Rooms are trimmed in custom plaster frieze made from Spanish moss, clay, plaster and mud, and are all original to the house. And as if that weren't enough, this immaculate mansion was constructed with 365 openings – one for each day of the year. Nottoway Plantation captivates all with a brilliant blend of true Southern hospitality, history and mystery.

Day 4: St. Francisville, LA

Established in 1809, St. Francisville is the oldest town in the Florida Parishes. Below where St. Francisville is located currently, was a settlement called Bayou Sara in the 1790's. When this



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settlement was destroyed by flooding and fires, many of the structures and artifacts were hauled up the bluff into St. Francisville where they are still standing. The town is referred to as “two miles long and two yards wide,” but that definitely doesn’t mean they have nothing to offer! With over 140 buildings on the National Register, 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.

Day 5: Natchez, MS

This charming river town was founded in 1716, making it the oldest city on the Mississippi. The city is known for its elegance, hospitality and impressive preservation of history – found on every street corner. Enjoy the unique shops, restaurants, museums and historical homes, all of which contribute to Hugh Bayless’ book “The 100 Best Towns in America.”

Day 6: Vicksburg, MS

Vicksburg perfectly blends Southern culture and heritage with exciting modern attractions. Described as the key to the South by President Abraham Lincoln, this Southern town carries a history unlike any other Civil War city. Vicksburg was founded in 1811 and grew as a vital river port city. It was a major component to the Civil War and carries much of the history within the town. Today, Vicksburg is a popular spot for tourists to learn about the battles of the city, taste the cuisine, visit the many museums and pick out the perfect souvenir.

Day 7: Port of the Mississippi Delta / Greenville, MS

The Mississippi Delta is more than a geographical region. It is a way of life - a true cultural experience based around agriculture, music and history. These small river towns have been the inspiration for authors, musicians and artists for centuries. Lower Mississippi River voyages include a unique glimpse into a Port of the Mississippi Delta.

Day 8: River Cruising

Relax on deck with a copy of Huckleberry Finn or another imaginative selection borrowed from the ship’s revered Mark Twain Gallery, enjoy some quiet time in the Ladies' Tea Parlor, or recruit your fellow guests for an exciting board game in our Gentlemen's Card Room. For a remarkable one-of-a-kind experience, take a guided tour of the American Queen's Engine Room to explore the inner workings of the classic, steam-powered vessel. There is always plenty to do between dawn and dusk on the river!

Day 9: Memphis, TN

Arrival 8:00 AM

Enjoy Memphis at your leisure or consider a Post-Cruise Premium Shore Excursion with airport transfer.

What’s Included:

- One night pre-cruise, hotel stay with transfer to your ship
- Filtered/bottled water and soft drinks
- Select wine and beer at dinner
- All meals onboard the ship
- All included Hop-on Hop-off shore excursions
- All onboard entertainment
- Wi-Fi/Internet access onboard the ship

Inside Cabin Category	[\$Your Price]
Outside Cabin Category	[\$Your Price]
Balcony Cabin Category	[\$Your Price]
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Rates are per person double occupancy and include roundtrip airfare from [your air city], cruise, pre-night, port charges, government fees, taxes, and transfers to/from ship. AMERICAN QUEEN STEAMBOAT COMPANY HAS ADVISED THAT ALL AIR PRICES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AND ARE NOT GUARANTEED UNTIL FULL PAYMENT HAS BEEN RECEIVED.

PASSPORT OR REAL ID ARE REQUIRED FOR AIR TRAVEL AFTER OCTOBER 2020

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. Final payment is due by November 6, 2019. **Those who book early get the best prices and the best cabin locations.**

American Queen charges a \$250 per person administration fee for any cancellations/changes up to 121 days prior to departure.

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