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Uniquely American River Cruises

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GRAND AMERICAN TOURS PRESENTS
COLUMBIA AND SNAKE RIVER

SPOKANE (CLARKSTON) TO PORTLAND (VANCOUVER, WA)
WITH AMERICAN QUEEN STEAMBOAT COMPANY ON THE AMERICAN EMPRESS
9 DAYS / 8 NIGHTS ~ AUGUST 22 – 30, 2021



The natural world is alive here – unlike anywhere else on earth – and through historic sites and locks and dams, it flows. Sea lions sunbathe on buoys as the distant horizon unblankets the sky to reveal its snow-capped mountains. There is a powerful melody that combines the whistle of wind through tree branch, waterfall crash and birdsong from above. Crystal waters and plunging cliffsides captivate the eye; serenity and relaxation capture the spirit.

Day 1: Hotel Stay – Spokane, WA

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: Clarkston, WA

Nestled at the union of the Snake and Clearwater Rivers in southeast Washington, Clarkston is the gateway to North America's deepest gorge – Hells Canyon – on the Snake River. Picturesque vistas, year-round mild climates and a deep history make this scenic inland port a desirable stop. Spend the day enjoying Clarkston, Washington and neighboring Lewiston, Idaho while tracing the legacy of the journey of Meriwether Lewis and William Clark – for whom the cities are named.

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Day 4: Richland, WA (Tri-Cities)

Step off the boat directly into a perfectly polished park, and take a short stroll to downtown shops, eateries and attractions. Incorporated in 1910, Richland remained a small agricultural community until it was acquired by the U.S. Army for the site of the Hanford Engineer Works – used to produce plutonium during World War II and the Cold War. Today, the historic B Reactor and other important historic venues are part of the Manhattan Project National Historic Park. This and many other intriguing locations are offered as part of your experience in Richland.

Day 5: The Dalles, OR

At the end of the overland Oregon Trail, The Dalles holds a unique place in history as a jumping-off spot for pioneers, soldiers, gold miners, adventurers, gun-slingers, floozies and scallywags. The Dalles, although a part of the Oregon High Desert, features a long growing season and a relatively warm climate that supports the growing of grapes. As a result, the region is home to a wine scene unlike any other in Oregon. Visitors will be pleased to see the rolling hills speckled with vineyards.



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Fares quoted are in U.S. dollars, are per person and do not include government taxes and fees, port charges, gratuities, airfare, insurance, personal expenditures or transportation costs incurred while traveling to and from embarkation ports. Promotional fares and amenities are capacity-controlled, may vary by sailing and category of accommodations and may be withdrawn without notice. The *American Queen*, *American Empress*, *American Duchess* and *American Countess* are operated by American Queen Steamboat Operating Company LLC; are regularly inspected by the U.S. Coast Guard; are of American registry; and employ American officers, crew and staff.

Day 6: Stevenson, WA

Stevenson embraces the adventurer – with hiking trails, hot springs and local wineries, a visitor is sure to find plenty to do. Opportunities for educational enlightenment abound within the Columbia River Gorge Interpretive Center and at Bonneville Dam. Consider a stop downtown to visit restaurants, cafés and small locally owned shops in which reside treasures of the Pacific Northwest.

Day 7: River Cruising

There is always plenty to do between dawn and dusk on the river, and today is the perfect day to enjoy the many public spaces and activities available on board. Gaze at beautiful landscapes and small river towns as you mingle with fellow guests and discuss the unique aspects of river life.

Day 8: Astoria, OR

Astoria is known to be the oldest American settlement west of the Rocky Mountains. There is no doubting the richness of the history grounded in this Columbia River town. For thousands of years, the Clatsop Tribe inhabited the lands. Today, you can climb to the top of the Astoria Column – wrapped in depictions of history – look out over the landscape toward the Pacific Ocean and watch your model wooden airplane glide through the air to its rest below.

Day 9: Vancouver, WA (Portland)

A suburb of Portland, Oregon, Vancouver, Washington, has taken on a distinctive identity of its own. Located in an ideal spot among Mount St. Helens, the Columbia River Gorge and the Pacific Coast, Vancouver boasts a newly renovated waterfront and an abundance of activities, scenic landscapes and historic attractions for all to enjoy.

What's Included:

- One (1-night) pre-cruise hotel stay with transfer to the vessel
- Filtered water and soft drinks
- Select wine and beer at dinner
- All meals on board the vessel
- All included Hop-On Hop-Off shore excursions
- All onboard entertainment
- Wi-Fi/Internet access on board the vessel

Balcony Cabin Category C \$4,425

****1 FREE FOR EVERY 13 PAYING PASSENGERS, THE 14th GOES FREE!****

Rates are per person double occupancy and include pre-night, cruise, port charges and government fees.
(Airfare is additional. Please call for details.)

DEPOSIT POLICY: An initial deposit of \$600 per person double occupancy or \$1,200 per person single occupancy is required in order to secure reservations and assign cabins. Final payment is due by March 22, 2021. **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.

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