# ICQ Traveler Joe Laufer's 2005 Tours

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## **RUSSIAN RIVER CRUISE—JULY 5-18, 2005**

The countdown is on for our trip to Russia. As of the date of this issue (March 1, 2005), we are 126 days from our departure from Philadelphia's International Airport. Now we have to start getting serious about the final details of our trip.

First, the important deadlines:

Wednesday, April 6 - 90 days from departure— This is the final day for anyone who has not taken the cancellation insurance to cancel and receive a full refund of the money they've paid to date. It is also the last date for anyone who has paid for the insurance to cancel and receive both the deposit paid to date AND the cost of the insurance. However, anyone who purchased the insurance can cancel right up until the day of departure and receive a full refund (less the cost of the insurance).

Friday, May 6—60 days from departure—This is the date that your balance is due at Collette Vacations. I am asking that you get it to me no later than 70 days from departure, which is April 26. I am enclosing an Invoice which reflects your balance. You may send one or more payments anytime before April 26.

Sunday, June 19-15 days from departure—
Optional pre-trip meeting at the Flying W Airport in Medford, NJ. At this meeting I will distribute the official documents for the trip, including airline tickets and other related information. It will be an opportunity to ask questions and to meet your fellow travelers. Those



"The world is a great book of which they who never stir from home read only one page." . . St. Augustine of Hippo (354 - 430 A.D.)

who live at a distance are obviously not expected to attend — I will share the information and materials in a manner we'll work out in advance.

#### Tuesday, July 5:

Time to be announced—Free hometown pickup via coach from Vincentown to Philadelphia for those opting for it. Pickup at Vincentown Firehouse. Long term free parking available at Laufers'.

Time to be announced—Departure from Philadelphia International Airport. Flight information has not been announced yet. We arrive in Moscow on the morning of Wednesday, July 6, 2005.

### CURRENCY IN RUSSIA

The Ruble is the official currency of Russia. If you would like to learn more about the Ruble, including the various coins and notes you can visit the SV Travel Agency website:

http://www.svagency.udm.ru/sv/ bank.htm

As of this writing, the exchange rate was:

\$1.00 US = 27.74 Rubles 30 Rubles= \$1.08 US

Translation: It takes lots of rubles to make a dollar! See enclosed currency exchange page.



"At our age, we've got to start taking some risks if we want to see the world. There's trouble all over."

- Ted Esteves, 71

## ITEMS AND FORMS INCLUDED WITH THIS MAILING

- Revised Brochure/Itinerary.
  - Departure is now Tuesday, July 5, 2005
- Description of m/s Litvinov, our cruise ship.
- Invoice for final payment.
  - Mandatory Guest Registration Form.

- Booklet: Important Passport and Visa Information:
   Includes Visa Application Forms (2 per passenger).
- Sample of completed Mandatory Guest Registration form.
- Sample of completed Visa application form.
- Fact Sheet: The Russian Ruble.

## WHO'S WHO ON THE RUSSIAN RIVER CRUISE?

There are 12 people in our group: 1 grandmother and grandson pair; one married couple; two pairs of lady friends traveling together; two politicians (Joe and Doug), and a Texan and Jersey girl paired by the tour director for convenience. We will be grouped with other people from around the US who have signed up for this unique Smithsonian Adventure!

- Margaret (Peg) Amico and Jay Bransfield—Mercerville, NJ Margaret and John Hoffman, Edgewater Park, NJ
- Janet Aaronson, Columbus, NJ and Corinne Lovenduski, Hainesport, NJ
- Beverly Marinelli, Lumberton, NJ and Marguerite Raser, Newton, NJ
   Judith Laufer, San Antonio, TX and Charlotte D'Autrechy-Scott, Willinboro, NJ
- Douglas W. Ghaul, Burlington, NJ and Joe Laufer, Vincentown, NJ

#### \$ 60 SURCHARGE ADDED TO INVOICE

The letter to the right is self-explanatory and describes the reasons for a change in the bottom line for your trip to Russia. All travel agencies (such as Collette Vacations) have been forced to implement this surcharge. The invoice included with this newsletter reflects this change.

We regret the need for this change, but it is part of the reality in this period of turmoil in both the travel and airline industries.

FREE TRAVEL BROCHURES
Russian National Tourist Offices
130 West 42nd St., #412
New York, NY 10154
212-575-3431

Fax: 212-575-3434 Email: info@rnto.org

#### Collette Vacations 162 Middle Street, Pawtucket RI 02860 401-728-3805

November 11, 2004

Joe Laufer's ICQ Tours ' 9 Smith Court Vincentown, NJ 08088

Joe Laufer

Re: 107656, Russian River Cruise

Dear Valued Client:

Increases in oil rates have caused skyrocketing fuel costs which you may have already noticed at your gas stations and in your oil bills. Unfortunately, these increases have also impacted air travel.

Airlines have implemented an increase in fuel taxes due to these increased rates. This increase affects travel to most Collette destinations, as well as internal flights within our tour programs. Collette Vacations is obligated to add/or increase the fuel surcharges associated with our tour packages. Your new fuel surcharge is \$60pp, which is additional to existing air/fuel taxes you have already been charged. This surcharge has been added to your group.

In the event oil rates stabilize and the airlines reverse the fuel surcharges, Collette will remove the charge from your invoice.

We sincerely appreciate you choosing Collette Vacations and wish you a wonderful trip to Russia.

Best Regards, Collette Vacations

#### TRAVEL WEBSITES ON RUSSIA

http://www.geographia.com/russia

Very comprehensive—describes points of interest; interactive maps, history. http://www.moscowcity.com

Has a good section on the attractions of Moscow.

http://www.travelinrussia.com/russia-travel-guide.htm#top

Practical information about preparing for travel in Russia & having a good visit. http://travel.yahoo.com/p-travelguide-191501791-russia vacations

Very comprehensive—lots of links to everything you want to know about Russia

Travel's triple reward:

ANTICIPATION

REALIZATION

REMEMBRANCE

ICQ Traveler

## FILLING OUT YOUR VISA APPLICATION

#### Quick summary:

- Read all the directions in the booklet and the entire application form before you start filling
  it out.
- Peruse the "model" completed form I've enclosed to assist you (on purple paper).
- Complete 2 (two) forms for each passenger. (It should take about 1 hour to complete all the paperwork).
- Fill out BOTH the Visa Application Form (in duplicate for each passenger) AND the Visa Order Form (single copy only).
- On the Visa Order Form, calculate cost and include check.
- Include your Passport with the Visa Application. Make sure your passport is signed in the
  appropriate place and valid for at least six months beyond date of return. Don't worry,
  they'll return your passport to you.
- Don't forget to send 2 (two) passport size photos for the Visa.
- Do not send the application before May 6 (60 days before departure) nor after June 10 (to give enough time for the return of your visa and passport before departure).
- Send the completed forms, payment, pictures and passport directly to "Express Visa Service, Inc." via Federal Express, as directed.

## FILLING OUT THE MANDATORY GUEST REGISTRATION FORM

#### Quick summary:

- This is a requirement of the new BORDER SECURITY ACT for international travel precipitated by the 9-11 terror attack.
- Peruse the "model" completed form I've enclosed to assist you (on yellow paper).
- Complete the form, referring to your PASSPORT for the requested information.
- . The "Departure Date" (July 6) refers to the CRUISE SHIP, not our Philadelphia departure date.
- Send the form to me, Joe Laufer, in the enclosed envelope. Do this at your earliest convenience. I will check it and forward it to Collette Vacations.

## SHORT TAKES....

## SPECIAL NEEDS FORM

The enclosed special needs form is being sent in case any of you require special assistance in accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act.

The form indicates what Collette can and cannot do.

If you need special consideration with the airline, you are advised to contact the airline directly — once we get the flight information.

If you have a need, return the form to me by April 26 so I can get it to Collette Vacations before MAY 6.

## **DEPARTURE DATE CLARIFICATION**

Materials initially provided by Collette Vacations had conflicting dates of departure.

The actual date of departure from Philadelphia International Airport is <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>July 5</u>. We arrive in Moscow on Wednesday morning, July 6, and board our cruise ship on that date. Our flight home is on Monday, July 18.

See dated itinerary on goldenrod paper inserted in the corrected Collette flyer enclosed.

### CRUISE SHIP INFORMATION

I have enclosed a copy of the deck plan for our cruise ship, the m/v Litvinov. We are Category 4, the cabins coded in light green color on the chart. Most of these cabins are located on the Main Deck. There are also six Category 4 cabins on the Upper Deck.

All cabins are OUTSIDE cabins with a large picture window.



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## Looking for suggestions for travel destinations in 2006

You'll find enclosed a blue sheet entitled "Discover the World with Collette Vacations" which lists Collette's escorted vacation packages.

78 destination packages are listed, including 40 in the US and Canada, 23 in Europe, and 15 in other parts of the world, including Asia, Australia and South America.

I am looking for suggestions for destinations and the time of the year you prefer to travel in 2006.

When you return your materials to me in the enclosed envelopes, you are invited to return the blue sheet with preferred destinations circled and ranked 1 to 5 — "1" being of high interest and "5" being lower interest.

On the blank reverse of the sheet, indicate the time of year you prefer to travel.

Be sure to sign your name on the sheet before returning it.

## RICK STEVES TALKS ABOUT MOSCOW AND ST. PETERSBURG

Travel guru Rick Steves, of PBS fame, wrote a book called "Rick Steves' Baltics & Russia". Here's his take on Moscow:

"Moscow encapsulates all that's good and all that's bad about Russia. Like the country, its vast size threatens to overwhelm you and swallow you up. You feel small under the press of its weighty buildings, starchy food, grime, and pollution. Among the sprawling tenement buildings and "Stalin Gothic" skyscrapers, one can still find brilliant golden domes and reminders of Czarist days. But the Soviet penchant for gigantism forces the visitor to search out these glimpses of Russia's past like flowers in a field of tall grass.

"Moscow lacks the inherent beauty of St. Petersburg, but visitors here will feel as though they are in a place where things are happening furiously. Some days Moscow will leave you mentally and physically exhausted, wondering why you decided to go there and when the plane is leaving. Other days, though, you almost like it.

"The city is huge. Rides around the center can take an hour. And the contradictions that pervade its society take you on an emotional roller coaster. Russians will bump, shove, and yell at you in a bakery line, and then smile and offer you everything they have in their kitchen when you dine at their apartments. The cramped and crumbling apartments constructed by Brezhnev are so unattractive that even the simplest church seems incredibly beautiful. Moscow's nouveau riche streak around in their mud-splattered Mercedes and BMWs, while young mothers stand along babushka selling everything from dried fish to a used pair of boots. For many Russians life is a game of survival, and during these times of awkward steps towards a market economy, the rules seem to change every day.

"Russophiles are evenly split between those who prefer Moscow and those who would choose nowhere else but St. Petersburg. Regardless of how or whether it charms you, Moscow is an exciting city to visit."

Next Newsletter: Rick Steves' take on St. Petersburg.

## The Russian Ruble:

Coins: 1 Copeica 1 Rubel Banknotes: 5 Rubles (very rare!)

5 Copeicas 2 Rubles 10 Rubles 10 Copeicas 5 Rubles 50 Rubles 50 Copeicas 10 Rubles (very rare!) 100 Rubles

> 500 Rubles 1000 Rubles

The Ruble in U.S. Dollars: (2/26/05)

RUB	USD	RUB	USD	RUB	USD
10 =	= 0.36	100	= 3.60	1000 =	36
20 =	= 0.72	150	= 5.41	2000 =	72
, 30 =	= 1.08	200	= 7.21	3000 =	108
40 :	= 1.44	250	9.01	4000 =	144
50 :	= 1.80	300	= 10.81	5000 =	180
60 =	= 2.16	350	=12.61	6000 =	216
70 :	= 2.52	400	= 14.41	7000 =	252
80 =	= 2.88	450	=16.22	8000 =	288
90 :	= 3.24	500	=18.02	9000 =	324
OANDA.com		600	=21.62		
FXCheatSheet for Travelers		700 = 25.23		Interbank rate	
© 1997-2005 by OANDA,		800 = 28.83		Russian Rouble (RUB)	
Corp. http://www.oanda.com		900 = 32.43		US Dollar (USD) February 26, 2005	

Put it into your wallet before you travel..

## The Dollar in Russian Rubels: (2/26/05)

USD	RUB	USD	RUB	USD	RUB
1 =	27.74	10	= 277.40	100	) = 2774
2 =	55.48	15	= 416.10	200	) = 5548
3 =	83.22	20	= 554.80	300	) = 8322
4 =	110.96	25	= 693.50	400	=11096
5 =	138.70	30	= 832.20	500	=13870
6 =	166.44	35	= 970.90	600	=16644
7 =	194.18	40	=1109.60	700	=19418
8 =	221.92	45	=1248.30	800	=22192
9 =	249.66	50	=1387.00	900	=24966
OANDA.com FXCheatSheet for Travelers		60	=1664.40		
		70 =1941.80		Interbank rate	
© 1997-2005 by OANDA,		80 =2219.20			ollar (USD)
Corp. http://www.oanda.com		90 =2496.60		Russian Rouble (RUB) February 26, 2005	

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For up-to date conversion rates go to Oanda.com: http://www.oanda.com/convert/cheatsheet

For illustrations of Russian Coins and Banknotes: Svezhy Veter Travel Agency web page: <a href="http://www.sv-agency.udm.ru/sv/bank.htm">http://www.sv-agency.udm.ru/sv/bank.htm</a>

## m.s. Litvinov

The beautiful Litvinov is the best ship in Russia, other than the Tolstoy. Built in 1991, she is the last and most modern of the German-built river cruise ships.

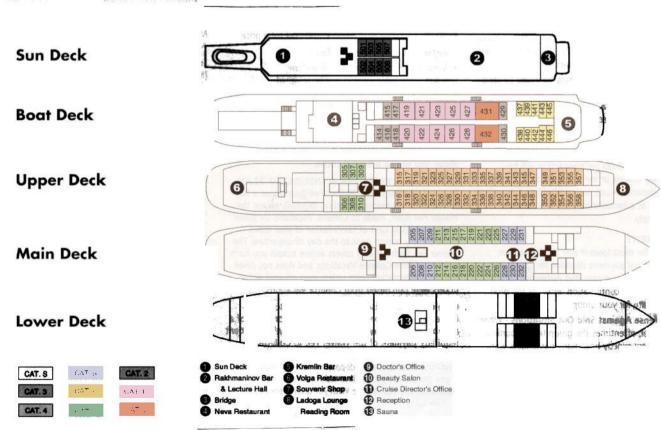
The Litvinov is the only ship in Russia with cabins on the Sun (top) Deck. She has two restaurants, allowing one seating dining. All cabins are outside, spacious, with many amenities, including a large picture window, refrigerator, and private bathroom with shower.

The Litvinov was completely refurbished in 2002. The ship is provisioned with Western-style amenities, and the crew and experienced Cruise Director are trained to cater to the needs of American travelers. You'll appreciate the convenience of English language only, onboard and during shore excursions. The Litvinov is non-smoking, except for the Sun Deck and outside walkways.



## m/v Litvinov

## Russian River Cruise



## Russia River Cruise

Tue. 05 Day 1: Overnight Flight

Today board your overnight flight en route to Moscow, Russia.

Wed. 06

Day 2: Moscow, Russia - Ship **Embarkation** This morning you arrive in Moscow, the grand capital of Russia and its

most dynamic city. Transfer to your floating hotel, the m/v Litvinov. The balance of the day is at leisure to relax on board and get acquainted with the ship, your crew and fellow passengers. (D)

Thur. 07

Day 3: Moscow

Moscow is one of the largest cities in the world and home to more than 9 million people. This morning enjoy a sightseeing tour of Moscow including many historic and famous landmarks from the world-famous Red Square to the spectacular rainbow-colored St. Basil's Cathedral, impressive Tverskaya Street and more. afternoon is free to explore

an optional tour of the famous Moscow Metro, where each station is a living museum of marble statuary, mosaics and crystal chandeliers, or explore Moscow further on your own.

independently. You may opt to take

(B, L, D)Fri. 08

Day 4: Moscow This morning, visit the 15th century

Explore the priceless Kremlin. collection of imperial treasures in the Armory Museum, which now houses a world-famous collection of Faberge Eggs. This afternoon visit the Tretyakov Art Gallery, which features a magnificent collection of Russian icons as well as the largest collection of Russian art in the world. Tonight, enjoy a performance of a famous Russian folklore ensemble on board. (B, L, D)

Sat. 09

Day 5: Moscow - Cruising

Today is a free day to explore independently or choose an optional tour to Sergiev Posad, the seat of the Patriarch of the Russian Orthodox Church. Sergiev Posad, an enchanting medieval town, formerly known as Zagorsk, is buried in the greenery of many parks and gardens. Its Trinity Monastery, founded 600 years ago, is breathtaking and possibly the grandest of all Russian monasteries. Later this afternoon, set sail and cruise through the Moscow Canal, 80 miles of unforgettable scenery - from wide

villages. (B, L, D)

Sun. 10 Day 6: Uglich As you approach the delightful and picturesque Golden Ring city of Uglich, be on deck for a lovely view and panorama of the magnificent architectural monuments. Your walking tour includes the historic Transfiguration Cathedral, with its exhibition of valuable icons, and the blue domed Church of Prince Dimitry on the Blood. Continue cruising in the evening. (B, L, D)

lakes to narrow passageways, from

pastoral countryside to picturesque

TUESDAY, JULY 5, 2005 MONDAY, JULY 18, 2005

> Itinerary annotated With July days and dates

Mon. 11 Day 7: Yaroslavl Arrive this morning in Yaroslavl.

Founded in 1010 by Grand Prince Yaroslavl the Wise of Kiev, the city stretches for miles along confluence of the Volga and Kotorosi Rivers. Yaroslavl has always been considered one of Russia's most beautiful cities with its wide tree-lined streets and attractive parks. On your tour, visit the exquisite Church of Elijah the Prophet, a masterpiece of local architecture, richly adorned with 17th century frescoes, and the ancient 12<sup>th</sup> century Transfiguration Monastery with murals depicting St. John's apocalyptic visions. In the afternoon continue your journey northward, cruising through the vast Rybinsk Lake. (B, L, D) Tue. 12 Day 8: Goritsy

Enjoy breathtaking scenery as you sail north through White Lake, once known as the "Tzar's fishing grounds," and through the Volga-Baltic Canal. At mid-morning arrive in Goritsy, a peaceful farming community, for a walking tour and visit to the well-preserved, fortress-

like Kirill Belosersk Monastery. In afternoon, continue sailing the northward. (B, L, D)
Wed, 13
Day 9: Lake Onega & Kizhi Island Cruise through Lake Onega, the second largest lake in Europe and one of the world's purest. Arrive this

afternoon on Kizhi Island located at the northern end of Lake Onega. Kizhi is renowned for its open-air museum, fascinating buildings of northern wood architecture including the remarkable Church of the Transfiguration. The spectacular church is more than a match for the colorful splendor of Moscow's St. Basil's Cathedral. Its

22 shimmering domes in three tiers

are the ultimate in Russian fairy-tale

architecture, restored to provide an authentic glimpse of the past. (B, L, D)Thur.14

Day 10: Svir River & Svir Stroy Cruise through the 139-mile Svir River, which connects Lake Onega with Lake Ladoga. Pause for a few hours in Svir Stroy a quaint riverside settlement, dotted with stone cottages. Enjoy time to wander ashore for a close look at a typical rural settlement and enjoy the countryside. Continue cruising along the southern shores of Lake Ladoga before entering the Neva River. Enjoy the Captain's dinner

tonight. (B, L, D) Day 11: St. Petersburg

Sail along the Neva River to St. Peter the Great's Petersburg, magnificent creation and one of the St. Petersburg Moscow

loveliest of European cities. Your morning tour of this fabled city of canals and Northern Lights will take you to Palace Square, the historic heart of St. Petersburg, and along Nevsky Prospect, the city's main boulevard lined with shops and

monumental St. Isaac's Cathedral, Admiralty Tower and other great buildings that stand as monuments to the extravagant splendors of Imperial

restaurants.

You'll see

Russia. (B, L, D)
Sat. 16
Day 12: St. Petersburg This morning enjoy a guided tour through the world-famous Hermitage

Museum, the crown jewel of St. Petersburg, located in the Winter Palace, former home of the tzars.

There is no museum which rivals the Hermitage in size, grandeur and holdings, including masterpieces by Da Vinci, Rembrandt, Rubens and Picasso. The afternoon is free for

individual pursuits. Enjoy time for personal sightseeing or optional tours such as a canal cruise (weather permitting) through St. Petersburg's

river ways and canals. This optional provides cruise a wonderful opportunity for visitors to appreciate this beautiful city from a different vantage point. Your private boat will navigate the Moika and Fontanka

rivers - the main city's waterways in Peter the Great's time, and Imperial Russia's most fashionable addresses. As you relax on board, take in the magnificent sight of the pastel colored mansions and palaces of the nobility and the Royal Family. This evening

you may enjoy an optional ballet performance. (B, L, D) Sun. 17 Day 13: St. Petersburg Today take an excursion to Tsarskoye

Selo (formerly Pushkin) to see the Catherine Palace. incomparable Construction began on the palace in 1744 and after years of embellishment and reconstruction, it reached its current Baroque grandeur of elegant blue, white, and gold perfection. This afternoon take an optional excursion to Peterhof, the magnificent palace

Finland. The construction of Peterhof was begun in 1714 by Peter the Great who dreamed of creating his own Versailles. The highlight of Peterhof is the elaborate system of fountains and gardens. (B, L, D)

built by Peter the Great as his summer

home on the shores of the Gulf of

Mon. 18

Day 14: St. Petersburg - Disembark Ship - Tour Ends Disembark this morning and transfer to the airport. (B)

## 

## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

California Coast 8 days, 10 meals

San Francisco Getaway 5 days, 6 meals

Pacific Northwest & California 9 days, 11 meals

National Parks 13 days, 20 meals

Arizona & Utah Canyon Country 8 days, 13 meals

Sunny Southwest 8 days, 12 meals

ays, 6 meals cific Northwest

> Copper Canyon Adventure 9 days, 18 meals

**Deserts, Canyons &** 

Casinos

8 days, 8 meals

San Francisco &

Lake Tahoe

7 days, 7 meals

The Trails of the Ozarks 9 days, 13 meals

Branson Musical Getaway 5 days, 6 meals Music Cities — Memphis, Branson & Nashville 8 days, 12 meals

Smoky Mountains 8 days, 11 meals

New Orleans & the Deep South 8 days, 12 meals

New Orleans Getaway 5 days, 6 meals

San Antonio Getaway 5 days, 7 meals Georgia & South Carolina 8 days, 12 meals

Mackinac Island & the Great Lakes 10 days, 16 meals

Mackinac Island & Niagara Falls 7 days, 10 meals

New York City 4 days, 2 meals

Heritage of America 9 days, 12 meals

Washington, D.C. 4 days, 5 meals Colonial Williamsburg 5 days, 6 meals

Islands of New England 8 days, 12 meals

New England Foliage 8 days, 13 meals

Discover Boston 5 days, 6 meals

New England Back Roads 8 days, 11 meals

New England & Canada 9 days, 13 meals Hawaiian Panorama: Oahu, Kauai, Hawaii & Maui 13 days, 18 meals

Hawaiian Adventure: Oahu, Kauai & Maui 11 days, 15 meals

A Grand Alaskan Adventure 10 days, 16 meals

Canadian Rockies & Alaska 13 days, 29 meals

Northbound or Southbound Tour Cruises Six 12- & 13-day

## CANADA

Montréal & Québec City 5 days, 7 meals

Canada's Atlantic Coast 10 days, 15 meals New England & Canada 9 days, 13 meals

Atlantic Coastal Experience 10 days, 13 meals The Best of Eastern Canada 9 days, 12 meals

Canadian Rockies Train Tour 9 days, 14 meals Canadian Rockies 8, 10 & 11 days

## EUROPE

French Impressions featuring Paris, Provence & the French Riviera 11 days, 16 meals

Netherlands, Belgium & Paris 11 days, 15 meals

France: Remembrance & Royalty 11 days, 16 meals Discover the French Riviera 9 days, 12 meals

Imperial Cities — Prague, Vienna & Budapest 11 days, 16 meals

Journey Through Britain & Ireland 15 days, 23 meals English Countryside 8 days, 10 meals

British Landscapes: England, Scotland & Wales 10 days, 14 meals

London & Paris 8 days, 10 meals

Shades of Ireland 10 days, 15 meals Alpine Countries – Switzerland, Germany & Austria

13 days, 19 meals

Discover Austria
8 days, 10 meals

Alpine Explorer with the Glacier Express 11 days, 16 meals Discover Switzerland 9 days, 11 meals

Rhine River Cruise 11 days, 18 meals

Central & Eastern Europe 14 days, 21 meals Spectacular Scandinavia

11 days, 21 meals

Italian Vistas 12 days, 18 meals

Reflections of Italy 10 days, 13 meals

Rome & the Amalfi Coast 9 days, 11 meals

Spain & Portugal 15 days, 22 meals Sunny Portugal — Estoril Coast & Algarve 10 days, 15 meals

Greece 11 days, 22 meals

## AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND

Australia & the Outback plus New Zealand 20 days, 27 meals Natural Riches of New Zealand 19 days, 26 meals The Best of Australia & New Zealand 26 days, 37 meals The Reef, the Rock and the Opera House 14 days, 15 meals Australian Wonders & the New Zealand Islands 15 days, 21 meals Journey to the South Pacific 19 days, 27 meals

## ASIA

The Kingdom of Thailand 14 days, 23 meals China & the Yangtze River 15 days, 38 meals Best of China 13 days, 29 meals Beijing City Stay 8 days, 13 meals

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## AFRICA

South Africa: Safaris to Vineyards 14 days, 21 meals Across the Plains of Africa 13 days, 25 meals

## SOUTH AMERICA - COSTA RICA - ANTARCTICA

Antarctica, Argentina & Brazil 17 days, 32 meals Discover South America 15 days, 22 meals Costa Rica 9 days, 17 meals