

HISTORIC MISSISSIPPI RIVER CRUISE

Starting and concluding in the lively city of New Orleans, this remarkable journey honors the festive culture and deep roots of a region where music speaks universally, and history is evident at every twist and turn of the river. Experience comfort aboard our latest ships as you explore captivating port cities, including Natchez, showcasing a distinct mix of African, British, and French influences, as well as Baton Rouge, the heart and core of Louisiana.

Indulge in genuine Cajun and Creole dishes, reflecting the diverse backgrounds of the residents. Visit grand homes and significant sites filled with stories, guided by experts who offer a behind-the-scenes look.

While cruising, enjoy the attentive service of our crew or unwind in your spacious cabin, soaking in the serene river scenery.



ITINERARY

Day 1 - New Orleans, LA

Welcome to New Orleans, celebrated globally for its endless nightlife, live music, and distinctive cuisine that mirrors its background as a blend of French, African, and American cultures. This lively city is an ideal starting point for your historic river journey. Check into your hotel and prepare for an enchanting exploration of this city. Wander down avenues shaded by trees, enjoy a carriage tour through the French Quarter, ride a streetcar to the beautiful Garden District, or explore the famous National World War II Museum.



Every Mississippi itinerary includes a Hotel Stay, ensuring a smooth transition to boarding the ship and exploring the surrounding locale. On the cruise's morning, gather in the hotel lobby, and we will take you to the ship to start your cruise. All your bags will be transferred directly from the hotel and placed in your cabin aboard the ship, making the beginning of your river experience seamless and worry-free.

Day 2 - Cruising the Historic Mississippi River

Board your ship and receive a warm greeting at our Welcome Reception. This is the perfect opportunity to meet your fellow travelers and enjoy the scenic views as you spend the afternoon cruising along the majestic Mississippi, a river woven into the fabric of American history and culture. Delight in the entertainment provided by onboard performers, who will bring to life the music that originated from the river itself, encapsulating the soul and spirit of the regions it touches.

Day 3 - Oak Alley, LA / Houmas House, LA

As your river journey continues, two standout landmarks in Louisiana await: Oak Alley and Houmas House.

Oak Alley is celebrated for its striking avenue of centuries-old oak trees leading to a majestic historical home, offering a window into the grandeur and complexity of the South's past. This remarkable site, with its verdant tunnel of oaks and impressive architecture, serves as a living museum to the area's architectural and agricultural heritage.

Houmas House, known as "The Sugar Palace," reveals the opulence spawned by the sugar cane economy in the 19th century. Encircled by exquisite gardens and water features, this estate provides insight into the lavish lifestyles of its previous occupants, along with the stories of those who labored on the grounds.

Visiting these locations offers a journey through the architectural splendor and layered history of Louisiana's river road estates, painting a vivid portrait of the bygone era that sculpted this distinctive region.

Day 4 - Baton Rouge, LA

Named for an ancient landmark, Baton Rouge's French title from 1699 translates to "red stick" and mirrors the city's extensive history. As the capital of Louisiana, it resonates with the stories of notable figures who have left their mark here, especially Governor and Senator Huey P. Long. Delve into his impactful career at the Old State Capitol Museum, built in 1852, and make a stop at Long's 1932 State Capitol building, a striking edifice of granite and marble.

Wander through the famous downtown districts, taking in the flourishing art, architecture, and natural beauty along the way. For those seeking to explore further, consider a narrated boat excursion through a Louisiana swamp, offering a unique glimpse into the area's natural landscape.

Day 5 - Natchez, MS/ Vicksburg, MS

In Natchez, elegant residences gleam like gems on elevated land overlooking the river, with roots tracing back to a 1716 French stronghold. The town's grand 19th-century homes, spared by the Civil War, preserve a rich collection of pre-war architecture. Each building tells a unique story, creating a downtown that embodies southern charm and hospitality. Visitors can tour historic townhouses, explore a working cotton estate, and enjoy the scenic river views from the bluff.

Meanwhile, Vicksburg, known as "The Gibraltar of the West," played a pivotal role in the Civil War, a story vividly recounted at the Vicksburg National Military Park. The siege and fall of Vicksburg in 1863 marked a strategic Union victory, emphasized by President Lincoln's declaration, "Vicksburg is the key..." Guided tours at the park detail the military strategies and human stories that shaped this critical battle. Exploring Vicksburg provides a profound connection to American history, complemented by the scenic beauty of the Mississippi River.

Day 6 - St. Francisville, LA

St. Francisville, a storied cotton port has the best view from the high banks over the river. This picturesque town traces its origins to the early 19th century, a time when it flourished under Spanish rule in West Florida before American settlers claimed it, weaving it into the fabric of the United States.

St. Francisville invites you to wander through its history, whether you prefer to venture alone or join one of many engaging guided tours. Explore the Historic



District, where grand mansions stand as testaments to the town's past wealth and elegance, surrounded by eclectic boutique stores. The landscape shifts from towering cottonwoods to majestic oaks, their limbs draped in the ethereal beauty of Spanish moss, creating a scene that captures the essence of the South's timeless allure.

Day 7 - New Orleans, LA

Welcome to New Orleans, where jazz fills the air, and every street corner has a story to tell. Wander through the French Quarter, where charming balconies and hidden courtyards invite you to sit, sip, and people-watch to your heart's content. Savor some beignets at Cafe du Monde and indulge in a bowl of gumbo or a po' boy sandwich, because in New Orleans, there's no such thing as too much good food. And don't forget to explore the fascinating exhibits at The National WWII Museum, where history comes alive in the heart of this vibrant city. From the sounds of jazz to the rich flavors of Creole cuisine, New Orleans promises an unforgettable experience.

Day 8 - New Orleans, LA

Disembark in the city doesn't just claim jazz; it lives it. After eight days of cruising along the historic Mississippi River, our journey has concluded. Filled with lasting memories and a new appreciation for the river's history. As we disembark for the last time, the Mighty Mississippi and the serene landscapes we've encountered offer a quiet goodbye.

Please note:

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VESSEL TYPE:

LENGTH:

PASSENGER CAPACITY:

BUILT/REFURBISHED:

Fleet of Small Ships

American Cruise Lines offers the newest fleet in America, each ship accommodating just 90 to 180 guests. We offer 6 unique ship styles, including a new class of Patriot Class, Coastal Cats, Classic Paddlewheelers, Constellation Class Ships, Independence Class, and the only modern American Riverboats. We have become the industry leader by continuing to introduce new and innovative ships each year, with the most diverse fleet in the country.

These new ships, built at Chesapeake Shipbuilding in Maryland, are a testament to premier nautical engineering and safety equipment, as well as state-of-the-art navigation. On board a sophisticated aesthetic, an unprecedented level of comfort, the largest staterooms globally, with full private balconies where indicated, and modern accommodations including high-speed internet powered by Starlink.

Our fleet allows us to provide a genuine and customized exploration of areas inaccessible to large ships and crowds, and to explore each region in the most meaningful way possible. With land never out of sight allowing for more time to savor the scenery. Our small ship river cruises offer a more intimate look

at American cities from charming small towns to gracious southern ports.

American Riverboats | 180 Guests

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- Operates along the U.S. Rivers
- Multiple Dining Venues
- Sophisticated and Modern Decor
- Outdoor Walking Track and Fitness Center
- Multi-Story Glass Atrium

- Unique Bow Ramp for Easy Boarding
- Elevator Access to All Passenger Decks

Coastal Cats Cruise Ships | 100 Guests

American Eagle - American Glory - American Liberty - American Legend

- Shallow Draft for Inland Exploration
- Modern Interior Design
- Multiple Dining Venues
- Bow Observation Area for Scenic Viewing
- Sun Deck with Walking Track
- Activity / Tender Platform
- Fitness Center

- Elevator Access to Each Deck

Constellation Class Coastal Ships | 170 Guests

American Constellation - American Constitution

- Traditional Bow for Coastal Travel
- Main Deck Restaurant with 270° Views
- Sun Deck with Shaded Lounge Area
- Entertainment Lounge



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 - Elevator Access to All Passenger Decks
- Paddlewheelers | 180 Guests
- American Heritage - American Splendor - American Pride - American West
- Classic Paddlewheel Aesthetic
 - Glass-Enclosed Restaurant
 - Open Seating Dining
 - Three Distinct Guest Lounges
 - Cozy Study Enclave
 - Fitness Center
 - Elevator Access to All Passenger Decks
- Independence Class Coastal Ships | 90 Guests
- American Independence - American Spirit - American Star
- Traditional Bow for Coastal Travel
 - Main Deck Restaurant with 270° Views
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- Patriot Class Coastal Ships | 125 Guests
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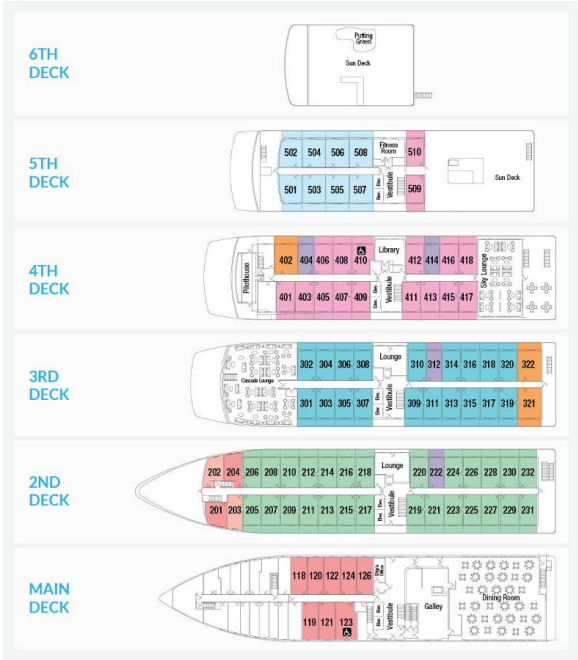
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