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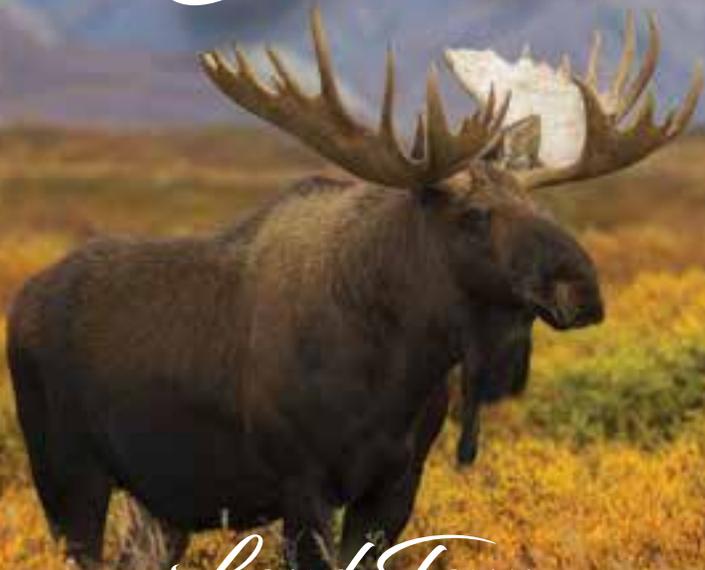


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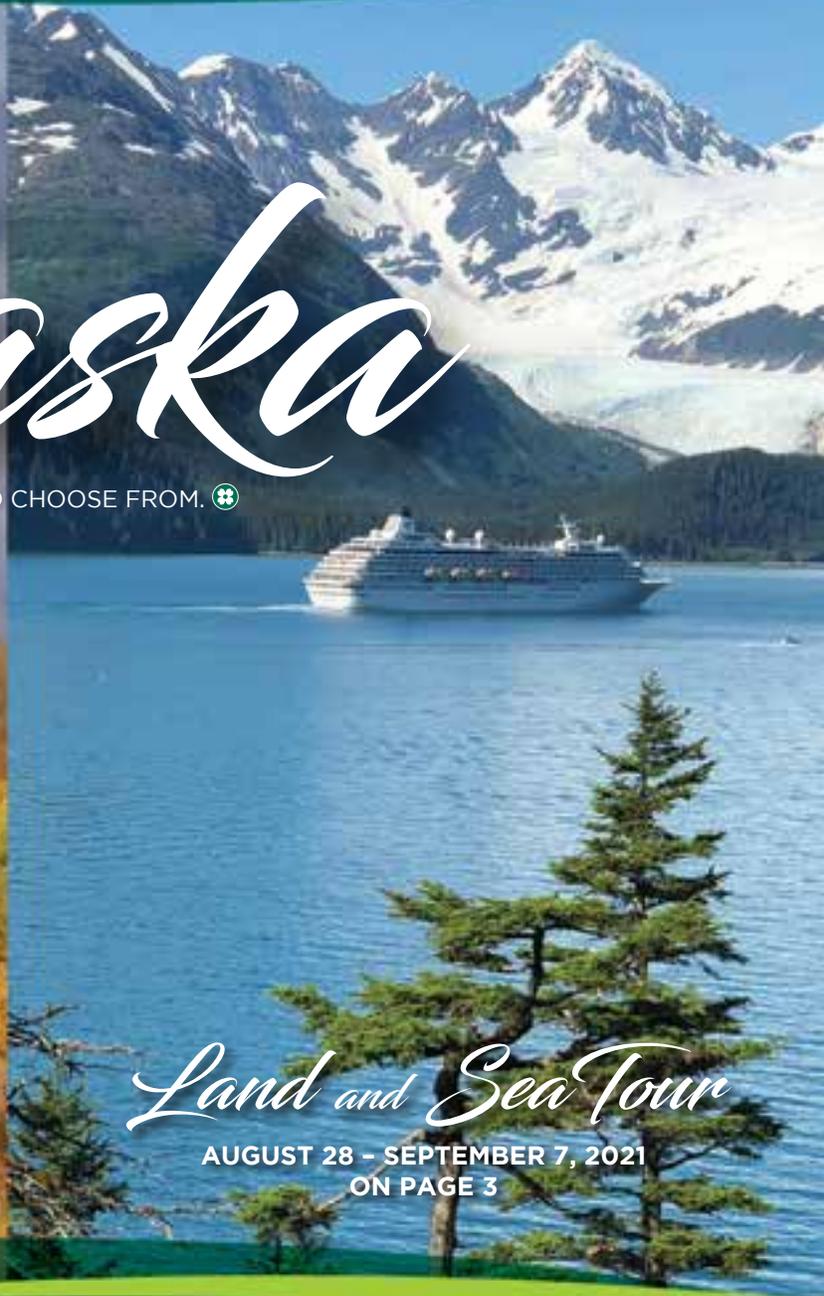
# Alaska

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A NOTE FROM *Lois*

The past weeks have been challenging to all of us. One day you are enjoying the thoughts of Spring and traveling to some really fun place, and the next moment we are staying in our homes and taking precautions just to get groceries. We learned not to shake hands, or hug, but to social distance. There were so many things that we missed. Life was almost like a reality show, but none of us wanted to star in it.

Classic Groups were packed and ready to go on several tours and flights stopped or states were closing. So we did what we had to do and postponed many of our tours.

In this newsletter you will find enthusiasm for the future. We have many options both short and longer tours to think about or just to enjoy daydreaming about the possibility of returning to some fun place in the world.

It was fortunate that we have been giving out our office emails on each newsletter, so that you could easily reach anyone of us. I also found out that many of you still had my cellphone number and I was happy that you would reach out and call.

I know many of you spent the time reading, cleaning closets, cooking, baking and just relaxing. I also know that some of you are great cooks and I have enjoyed so many pictures on Facebook.

“Life is Good” and all of us in the office are ready to get you started on your dream adventure. 🍷

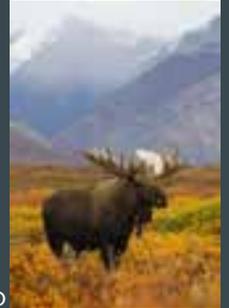
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## Alaska Land Tour

**NEW DATES** 📅 **May 21 - 30, 2021**

When you think of a spectacular Alaska vacation, what comes to mind? Witnessing glaciers calve into the sea? Riding the world-famous Alaska Railroad? Seeking out wildlife in Denali National Park? Or maybe it's cruising through the sea to watch for seals, sea otters, birds, and even whales. Whatever it is, this Alaska tour is sure to delight!



Join Classic as we board the Alaska Railroad in Deluxe Dome Service to Denali National Park, where you'll hear an exclusive presentation by a local Naturalist—a special experience! Seek out grizzly bear, caribou, moose, and more on a wilderness expedition in Denali National Park. Take a cruise on Prince William Sound and along Columbia Glacier, the second-largest tide-water glacier in North America. You'll also take a cruise of Kenai Fjords National Park to see glaciers calving into the sea and to hear the thunderous roar. Photos and videos cannot adequately capture the experience—you must witness it in person. On both cruises, be sure to watch for wildlife.

See the Trans-Alaska Pipeline Terminal near Valdez, take a sternwheeler cruise in Fairbanks, visit the home of four-time Iditarod champion Martin Buser (another out-of-the-ordinary experience), and enjoy all the scenery and majesty that only a vacation to Alaska can offer. Grab your camera and get ready for an Alaska tour that will leave you breathless and inspired—a travel experience of a lifetime.

**Call today for the detailed itinerary.** 📞



On the Cover Left...



## Alaska Land & Sea Tour

**NEW DATES** August 28 – September 7, 2021

Sailing on the Royal Princess from the port of Vancouver, this exciting trip to the Great Frontier kicks off with a 7-night cruise. Highlights include calls in Ketchikan, Skagway and Juneau as well scenic cruising in Glacier Bay National Park and at Hubbard Glacier!

Disembarking the ship in Whittier starts the second leg of this adventure as you travel north in a dome-glass rail car in search for Denali, “The Great One”. If the weather cooperates, you will views of the mountain from several areas at the Mt. McKinley Wilderness Lodge. Another unique way to view Denali is from the lodge’s treehouse, designed and built by Pete Nelson of Animal Planet’s Treehouse Masters.

A morning ride to Denali Princess Wilderness Lodge brings you to the doorstep of Denali National Park in time for an afternoon tour into the park to learn about the eco-system and a chance to see some of the famous local residents; bears, moose, caribou, wolves and Dall sheep.

The following day, you will travel to Fairbanks for a true highlight! An afternoon Riverboat Cruise down the Chena River shows Gold Rush history, Native culture and a glimpse into the colorful Alaska lifestyle of bush pilots, dog sledgers Native artisans.

**This is an adventure of a lifetime and we can’t wait to share Alaska with you!**



**NEW DATES**

## Roaming Coastal Maine

**September 19-25, 2021**

This small group experience dives right into the history and culture of the rugged

*Small Group Adventure*

coast of Maine! Your 7

day-6 night adventure includes two nights each in Portland, Bar Harbor & Rockport.

Included highlights range from an oyster shucking lesson, lobster trap pull demonstration and lighthouse viewing to wine tasting and experiencing crisp fall air and nature surrounding you in Acadia National Park!

This tour is set up for a small group and will sell out extremely fast!

**Call today to get the full itinerary!**



# 2021 WEST COAST ADVENTURE

SEATTLE TO SAN FRANCISCO

**NEW DATES**  June 25 - July 3, 2021

From the Pike Place Market to the Golden Gate Bridge, this is a great way to see the Pacific Northwest!

## HIGHLIGHTS

**Seattle:** Boeing – Future of Flight Aviation Center, Pike Place Market, Pioneer Square

**Portland:** International Rose Test Gardens, Multnomah Falls

**Oregon Coast:** Newport Aquarium, Florence Old Town & Heceta Head Lighthouse, Sand Dune buggy ride

**Eureka Area:** Rogue River jetboat, Redwood National Park, Carson Mansion

**San Francisco area:** Avenue of the Giants, Golden Gate Bridge, Twin Peaks, Fisherman’s Wharf & much more!

Plus, Scenic travel along the rugged coastline, Mt. St. Helen’s Visitor Center & a traditional salmon bake. 



**CALL TODAY FOR THE DETAILED ITINERARY.**



# MEDITERRANEAN ADVENTURE

*Featuring Israel, Turkey, Greece and Italy*

**NEW DATES**  November 5 - 22, 2021

STEP BACK INTO ANCIENT TIMES WITH THIS ADVENTURE OF A LIFETIME!

Starting with an overnight stay in Rome and a tour of the Vatican Museum before you board the ship, this trip is full of bucket list items!

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Perhaps the highlight for you will be the two, full-day ports of call in Israel! The ports of Ashdod and Haifa are your gateways to Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Galilee and Nazareth!

A stop in Turkey gives you a chance to see the ancient ruins of Ephesus, where St. Paul preached in the Great Theatre to the Ephesians and home to the ruined basilica covering the tomb of Christ’s most beloved disciple, St. John the Apostle.

With stops in Katakolon, Rhodes, Malta and Cyprus, you make your way through the Mediterranean Sea. You also make a stop in Athens for a chance to hike up the Acropolis and walk in the footsteps of the ancient Greeks to see the Parthenon.

From the map above you see that you are covering so much of the Mediterranean but it also has a few days at sea to relax and enjoy the many comforts of the Island Princess. 

## Does Your Portfolio Reflect Your Risk Tolerance?

**There are many types of risk associated with investing. Understanding each type and the effect it may have on your portfolio returns is crucial to your long-term investing success.**

When it comes to investing, many people associate risk with losing money. Investing entails different types of risk. Understanding each type -- and the potential return associated with your retirement portfolio -- can help you determine whether your investments are appropriate for your situation.

### Examining Risk and Return

Stocks historically have exhibited the highest level of market risk -- or the potential that an investment may lose money in the short term. Over long periods of time, however, stocks have outperformed both bonds and cash investments. This risk/return tradeoff may influence how you allocate your investments. For instance, consider weighting assets that you intend to keep invested for 10 years or more toward stock investments.

Bonds carry their own risks -- credit risk, or the possibility that a bond issuer could default on interest and principal payments; and interest rate risk, the chance that rising interest rates could cause a bond's price to fall. Ascending interest rates historically have influenced the prices of bonds more directly than the prices of stocks. When short-term rates are on the rise, investors may sell older bonds that pay a lower rate of interest -- causing their prices to fall -- in favor of newly issued bonds that pay higher interest rates. On the plus side, bonds historically have exhibited less short-term volatility than stocks, although past performance is no guarantee of future results.

It's also important to look at cash investments, such as 3-month Treasury bills, from a vantage point of risk and return. Although Treasury bills typically experience a low level of volatility, they may be subject to inflation risk -- or the possibility that their returns may not keep pace with the rising cost of goods and services. For this reason, you may want to use cash investments for short-term situations when you expect to access your money within 12 months or less.



### Putting Risk in Perspective

Because all investments entail risk, you may want to review your mix of stocks, bonds, and cash investments with an eye toward creating a risk/return profile that is appropriate for your situation. Owning different types of assets may increase your chances of experiencing the benefits associated with each, while mitigating the corresponding risk. Your retirement portfolio won't be risk free, but you will have the confidence of knowing that you've done what you can to manage a potential downside.

**Curious if your portfolio matches your risk tolerance?  
Contact us today to schedule your portfolio review.**



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**NEW**

April 17-26, 2021



**Cruise along the peaceful Danube River through Hungary, Slovakia, Austria & Germany while unpacking only once!** This fascinating itinerary allows you to discover some of Central Europe’s most splendid capitals and charming towns in luxury and at a leisurely pace!

Sailing out of Budapest, this timeless river cruise offers guided sightseeing with highlights of the vibrant Hungarian capital. Enjoy great views of the impressive Parliament Building before you make your way to Bratislava, the capital of Slovakia, where you’ll enjoy a guided walk through the delightful Old Town and visit Gothic St. Martin’s Cathedral. Vienna, Austria, known as the “City of Music”, makes an immediate impression with its lavish Habsburg Imperial Palace and neo-renaissance Vienna Opera House.

Enjoy magnificent views as you sail through the picturesque wine region of the Wachau Valley, with stops for a guided walk in Durnstein, a visit of the impressive Benedictine Abbey of Melk and a tasting of renowned local wines.

In Linz, walk around the Hauptplatz, Austria’s largest medieval square, which forms the center of the city. Passau, Germany, the “City of Three Rivers” is uniquely located where the Inn, Ilz and Danube Rivers converge. See its maze of narrow cobblestone streets lined with beautiful Patrician houses, and marvel at St. Stephen’s Cathedral, a masterpiece of baroque architecture.

Upon disembarking the boat, you will enjoy a tour of southern Bavaria and overnight in Munich before the flight home.

Overnight in Munich and return flights home the following day. 



**NEW DATES** 

## CAPE COD & ISLANDS OF NEW ENGLAND

**September 9-16, 2021**

One of the most requested trips in the last year or so has been a tour in the New England & Cape Cod area. You asked for it and we listened, the trip is set for early September.

Highlighted by multiple night stays on Cape Cod and in Providence, R.I., and including tours in Boston, Cape Cod, Martha’s Vineyard, Nantucket and much more!

**We are still putting the final touches on this one, but the itinerary will be ready when the newsletter hits your mailbox, so call today to get the details on this very popular trip!** 



# SCOTTISH HIGHLANDS – Edinburgh to Glasgow September 8-18, 2021



**Discover the Scotland the locals know...** Scotland's history and culture take center stage as you explore medieval cities, rugged highlands and seaside villages on this 10 day tour. From Edinburgh, up to the Orkney Islands and around the northwest coast to Isle of Sky and ending in Glasgow, you will get a look at the Scotland that most know, but also a chance to get off the beaten path to see a very different version that only the locals get to experience! If you have watched the Outlander Series, you will be seeing all of that amazing scenery. Itinerary is complete so call or stop by for full details. 📞

# HAWAIIAN ISLANDS

## 15 days of Paradise

**Roundtrip from Los Angeles  
February 24-March 11, 2021**

This amazing cruise offers an intoxicating mix of island adventures and carefree cruising. You'll venture to four dazzling islands – including a full day and late evening in Honolulu to see the sights and experience the famed nightlife. And there's so much to do while you are at sea, like enjoying live entertainment, world-class cuisine, island inspired activities and endless ocean views! Another perk is that you avoid the hassles of a long flight... you sail roundtrip out of L.A. Immerse yourself in the Aloha Spirit while at sea with activities like fresh flower lei workshops, learn the hula dance or how to play an ukulele! **All this and so much more.** 📞



**April 8-17, 2021**

Enjoy a warm weather getaway in early April to escape the snow and cold. We will travel to San Antonio and South Padre Island and learn to make Enchiladas and Margaritas, learn about Sea Turtles, Migratory birds and dolphins.

We will spend the first night in Dallas where we will lunch and tour Southfork Ranch and enjoy lunch, tour the Sixth Floor Museum and the John F. Kennedy Memorial.

We will spend three nights in San Antonio enjoying a city tour, shopping at El Mercado, touring the Missions, Scenic cruise along the River Walk, and visit the institute of Texas Cultures.

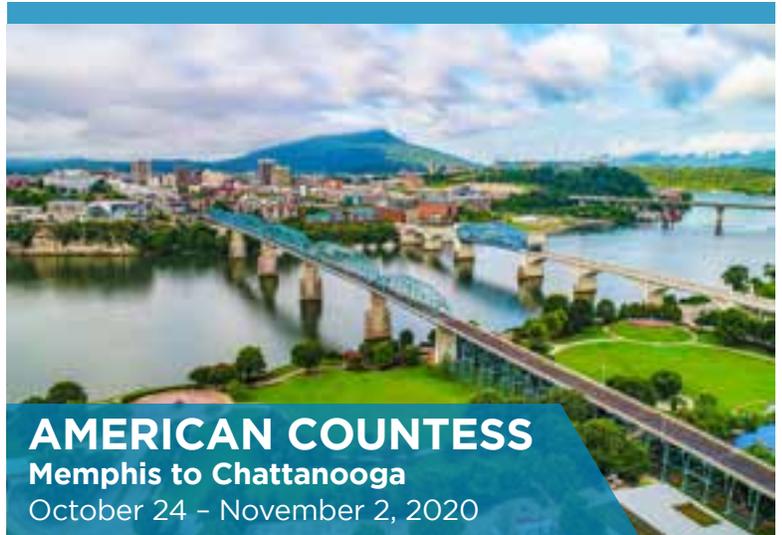
Then three nights on South Padre Island enjoying the seashore and warm ocean breezes, stop at the South Padre Island Visitors Center, Beach time and Whale Watch Sunset Cruise, Bird Watching and Nature Center and a visit to the Sea Turtles.

We will stop in Waco, Texas to visit Magnolia Market, the Silo, some of the houses of Fixer Upper and the scenes from the show.

This motorcoach tour has so much to offer but best of all we know you will love the warmer weather down south..🌴



**Call for a complete itinerary.**



**AMERICAN COUNTESS**

**Memphis to Chattanooga**

October 24 - November 2, 2020

**The latest addition to the fleet of authentic paddlewheelers is the American Countess and the newest on the U.S. rivers.** With four decks, including a Sun Deck and 123 comfortable, inviting staterooms in four categories, this lovely paddlewheeler will become a home away from home in this 10 day itinerary that we have combined a land and river tour. Starting with a motorcoach trip to Memphis and overnighing before we board our home for the seven nights. Cabins feature a sleek and modern design that will provide guests with the perfect place to relax after enjoying an included excursion or an evening Broadway-caliber performance presented in The Theater onboard.

The award-winning culinary team takes full advantage of each region's diverse bounty of fresh, local ingredients to fashion authentic dishes, our gracious staff charms guests with friendly, courteous attention to their needs in the Grand Dining Room. A more casual atmosphere is offered in the River Grill.

The Card Room provides a perfect spot for guests to mingle with fellow travelers and newfound friend. It's also a joy to browse for souvenirs in the Gift Shop with which to remember your treasured journey.

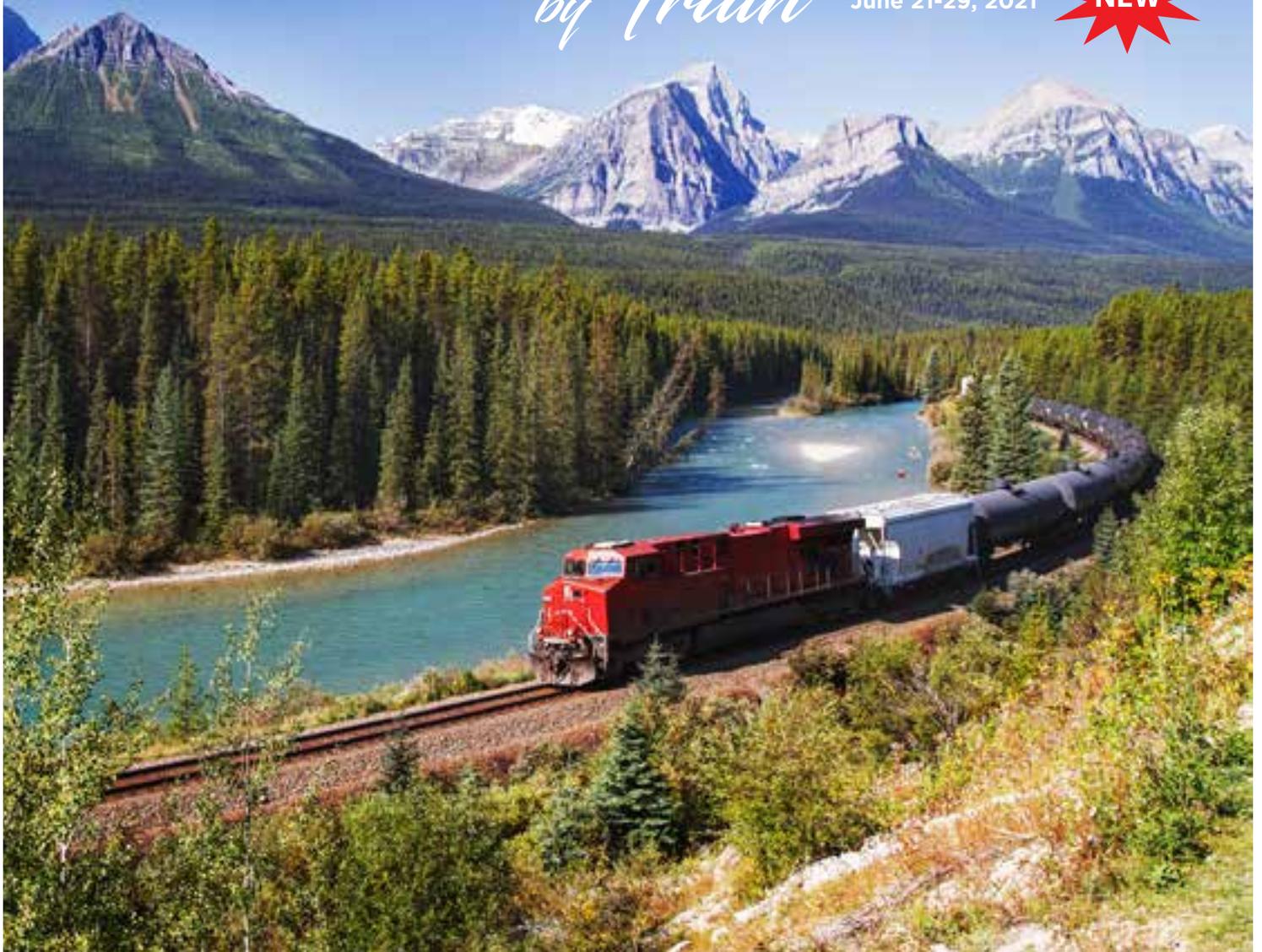
On this itinerary, you will learn how the rivers of the South were of great strategic value as both a transportation and communication route during the Civil War. Experience authentic Southern culture as you journey through living history and explore the legacy of the Civil War, both onboard and in ports of call. Distinguished guest speakers will be onboard to captivate you with astounding Civil War style as you take a journey that you will never forget.

A great addition for this tour is a night in Nashville after disembarking in Chattanooga plus a night performance at the Grand Ole Opry. 🌴

**From the lush green Pacific coast of Vancouver, board VIA Rail's The Canadian for a once-in-a-lifetime overnight train journey.** Relax in the dome car and experience panoramic views of snow-capped mountains, glacial lakes, rushing rivers and the sheer unspoiled wilderness of Canada. Arrive in Jasper and see the dramatic Maligne Canyon and its picture perfect lake. Journey along the unforgettable Icefields Parkway. Marvel at Athabasca. Feel like royalty while overnighing at the fabulous Chateau Lake Louise and Fairmont Banff Springs. Discover the natural beauty of Moraine Lake and the powerful Bow Falls. Experience a day on a ranch in the Alberta plains, complete with a wagon ride in search of buffalo and a BBQ lunch in the great outdoors. End your journey in cosmopolitan Calgary. Discover the natural beauty only found in the Canadian Rockies. 🌿

# Canadian Rockies

*by Train* June 21-29, 2021 





## **Ireland** *Highlights of the Emerald Isle* April 24-May 2, 2021

From the Irish people's sparkling wit and inviting pub culture to the isle's incredible emerald landscapes, this small country packs quite a punch.

Get to know this beautiful island on a tour of its leading cities and natural wonders, from the rocky limestone plateau called the Burren to the Cliffs of Moher which rise 700 feet above the Atlantic Ocean.

A special inclusion on this tour is Dingle, a small port town known for its rugged scenery, trails and sandy beaches. "You don't get to Dingle by accident; it is on the way to nothing but itself..." Pushed out towards the bay by a modest set of mountains, Dingle town is arguably one of the island's more charming towns.

A visit to Ireland would not be complete without a visit to Blarney Castle to kiss the legendary Blarney Stone. Discover the town of Cobh, once a launch site for ships bound for North America. You will visit the Heritage Centre, which tells the story of Irish emigration over the past 150 years. In Dublin, you will step inside St. Patrick's Cathedral, Ireland's largest church.

**All this and so much more on this Irish Getaway in the Spring. Call for the complete itinerary. 📞**



## **SOUTH AFRICA**

Cape Town to  
Kruger National Park  
& Victoria Falls

**October 21-November 2, 2021**

Bustling cities and safari landscapes collide on Africa's southern tip. Cape Town offers up colorful architecture and a vibrant culture. In Soweto, learn about the country's history and apartheid struggle. Unbelievable natural scenery and vantage points dot the way from Kruger National Park to Johannesburg. Then fly to Zimbabwe where natural wonders and native cultures await. Day by Day, this is an incredible trip with adventure around every corner.





Wondrous wildlife, stunning landscapes – this African nation has it all.

Kenya’s landscapes are teeming with animals of all spots and stripes, from speedy cheetahs to majestic herds of zebras. On this thrilling Kenya tour, you’ll see them all in some of the country’s most spectacular settings. Travel from towering Mount Kenya to the wild expanses of the Masai Mara to witness the drama of the bush unfolding around you.

*Small Group Adventure*

Highlights will be the Giraffe Manor, Karen Blixen Estate, Aberdare National Park, Great Rift Valley, Lake Nakuru National Park, Masai Mara, Amboseli National Park. On this trip you’ll walk for 45 minutes daily across mostly flat terrain. You will be traveling in a 4 x 4 land cruiser safari vehicle across some paved roads, some unpaved trails and some dirt paths. You will have an expert tour director and a local sight -seeing guide. You will have 10 nights in great hotels handpicked by Go Ahead Tours. 🍷

**CALL FOR A COMPLETE ITINERARY.**



**When you think of an Eastern Europe vacation, what comes to mind?** Perhaps its visiting old churches and seeing historical sites that been standing for many centuries. Perhaps it’s visiting cities bombed in World War II and restored to their former splendor. Or maybe you think of learning about the countries’ rich histories? If so, this Best of Eastern Europe tour includes all of that and more! 🍷

**HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE**

**Berlin**

Kaiser Wilhelm Memorial Church, Brandenburg Gate, Holocaust Memorial

**Budapest**

Mathias Coronation Church, panoramic view from Fishermen’s Bastion

**Vienna**

Heldeplatz and St. Stephen’s Cathedral

**Warsaw**

The medieval Old Quarter and the 14th century Cathedral of St. John & private Chopin concert

**Krakow**

Kazimierz Quarter, Wawel Castle and St. Mary’s Church

**Czestochowa**

Monastery of Jasna Gora and its Black Madonna

**Auschwitz**

Site of former concentration camp

**Prague**

Astronomical Clock, Hradcany Castle grounds



**CALL TODAY FOR THE FULL ITINERARY!**



**With this small group adventure,** you will discover this multicultural island in the middle of the Mediterranean. It is the largest of the Mediterranean islands and just off the “toe” of Italy’s “boot.” You will see stunning mosaics in the Villa Romana del Casale. You will view Mount Etna, one of Europe’s highest active volcanos.

Travel to Palermo, seaside Syracuse, and charming Taormina to uncover the island’s beautiful landscapes and history. **All this and so much more so call or stop by for a day by day itinerary.** 



**CRUISING THE**  
*Southern Caribbean*  
**January 18-29, 2021**

Stops include Bonaire, Curaco,  
St. Thomas, Grenada and Dominica.  
**Call for complete itinerary.** 