



# CLASSIC

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*May 22 - June 2, 2019*

*Mediterranean Adventure:*  
**Rome to Athens**

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## A Note from **CHRIS**

Would you believe that when I started at Classic 18 years ago, I had never been on an airplane? It's true. While we had been on many family trips, we had always piled into the car instead of heading off to the airport.

A few weeks in, I found out we were taking an office trip to Las Vegas to "check out new hotels". That trip officially kick-started my love for travel. With this in mind, I wanted to mention a few trips that still get me excited about traveling with Classic groups as we put together our calendar for 2019 and beyond.

**Mediterranean Cruise** - You won't find this trip anywhere else, because I have completely customized two nights in Rome and a night in Athens around a 7-night cruise that among other stops includes three Greek Isles and the gem of the Adriatic!

**Romantic Rhine** - Sailing from the borders of France, Switzerland and Germany in Basel to the windmills and sounds of wooden shoes in Amsterdam! River cruises are a different style of travel. A Classic exclusive to this trip is the night in Lucerne, where you'll stay at a hand-chosen hotel before the cruise. Once onboard, you can relax as you sail past hillside vineyards and centuries old castles.

**If you are interested in Egypt, come out on May 22nd to meet us and learn about the trip!** (see page 4)

I hope to see you on a trip soon!

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*"Life is short and the world is wide.  
Travel my friend."*



# Elvis **BLUE** Christmas

DECEMBER 4-6, 2019

**Join your Classic friends as we have a special Blue Christmas Party at Graceland. We will enjoy the Elvis Mansion tour where we will see the Lights of Graceland much as it would have looked on Christmas Eve when the family lived here. We will enjoy the Elvis Blue Christmas Dinner Show at Minglewood Hall.**

**We also have a Memphis MoJo Tour with a musician tour guide showing us the sights of the city while we rock on down the road. Visit Sun Studio - the birthplace of Rock n' Roll and walk the halls where Elvis, Jerry Lee, Johnny, Carl Perkins and a hundred others made music. So much excitement in this three day 2 night Christmas Tour.**

## On the Cover...



## MEDITERRANEAN ADVENTURE: Rome to Athens

**May 22-June 2, 2019**

Join your Classic friends for the journey of a lifetime as you step back into the ancient past during this trip to explore exciting ports on the Amalfi Coast, a gem of the Adriatic and three different Greek Isles plus get a chance to explore Rome & Athens in-depth with overnight stays in each city.

- Two nights in Rome with touring highlighted by the Vatican Museums & Colosseum
- One night in Athens with touring including the Acropolis and museum
- 7 nights onboard the Emerald Princess, sailing from Civitavecchia to Piraeus

### PORTS OF CALL

- Salerno, Italy - Amalfi Coast region near Pompeii, Sorrento and Capri
- Kotor, Montenegro - settled into Europe's longest and dramatic fjord, this port is a medieval gem
- Corfu, Greece - offering some of the finest coastal scenery in the Mediterranean, this lush and verdant island is rich in culture and history.
- Crete, Greece - Home to King Minos and the legendary Minotaur, this island boasts one of the most important archeological sites of the Bronze Age with 7,000-year-old Knossos Palace.
- Mykonos, Greece - Known for its famed windmills, this international travel hot spot with golden sand beaches, crystalline waters and stunning views, became a haunt for the rich in the late 60's. 🍷

**NEW**

## WILD HORSES, NASA AND THE INTERNATIONAL MILITARY TATTOO



**APRIL 27-MAY 1, 2019**

This spectacular tattoo event is long regarded as the most patriotic of the world's great tattoos - thrills audiences year after year with an awe-inspiring spectacle of military splendor - part parade and part-theatre and sometimes part circus. It features regimental bands and drill teams, drums and pipes, and mass bugle ensembles. It offers an astounding display of inspirational military music, majestic massed pipes and drums, show-stopping drill team maneuvers, international bands and dancers, and much more. It is an annual celebration of patriotism and international goodwill, a must-see of the most exciting events in the world.

### Included in this tour will be the following:

- National Museum of the Marine Corps at Quantico
- Luncheon with Tattoo Entertainers
- Reserve Seats for the International Tattoo
- Free time at Hullabaloo
- Tor of Norfolk Military Aviation Museum
- Liberty Call and Air Show
- Spirit of Norfolk Dinner Cruise
- Chincoteague Wild Horses Cruise
- NASA Wallops Flight Facility and Visitors Center
- Hooper's Island Oyster Aquaculture Company

**Call for the day by day itinerary. We will have flights out of Kansas City, Springfield and St. Louis. Cost starting at Double is \$2,099 and a tour not to be missed. 🍷**



**Upcoming Slide Show**  
**MAY 22ND**  
 Featuring "Treasures of Egypt" with Collette Tours  
 Information will be available for all upcoming Classic tours

**10:00 a.m.**  
 Lee's Summit - 609 N. 291 Hwy

**2:00 p.m.**  
 Overland Park - 7800 College Blvd.

**RSVP to 816-224-7288 by May 18th**  
 Space is limited. 🌱



## Michigan and the Grand Hotel

**September 8-13, 2018**

Experience the tradition of the Grand Hotel, located on northern Michigan's Mackinac Island. You will never forget the spectacular views from a rocking chair overlooking the Straits of Mackinac from the world's longest porch. The Grand Hotel is rich in history, a place where time moves at the pace of horse-drawn carriages and bicycles. Here, meals are an event and traditions such as Afternoon Tea in the Parlor and nightly dancing remain a noteworthy part of the guest experience. Unwind in the warm hospitality that has been charming guests since 1887. Each guest room is uniquely decorated and the hotel is recognized as one of the 500 World's Best Hotels and the Best Hotel in Michigan.

There is so much more than the 2 nights at the Grand Hotel as we also spend a night at the Bavarian Inn in Frankenmuth, which is known as Michigan's Little Bavaria. One of the attractions is the World Famous Chicken Dinner and Wine Tasting and another is the World's largest Christmas Store. Bronner's is overflowing with 50,000 trims and gifts and is the size of one and a half football fields.

On this tour, we also stop at Notre Dame Campus, which was founded in 1842. The gilded Golden Dome and statue of Mary atop the Main Building stands in the middle of 1250 acres with exquisite outdoor sculpture and breathtaking views.

Holland, Michigan is a city on the shore of Lake Macatawa and the much-photographed Big Red Lighthouse stands by the channel. September is the perfect time to pick up tulip bulbs when we visit the Veldheer's Tulip Gardens. They plant over 5.5 million bulbs each year. Another stop is the De Klomp Wooden Shoes. Try them on for size and watch the highly trained staff hand paint these beautiful shoes.

So much to see and do on this amazing trip North to Michigan.

**Call for the complete itinerary and we can send to you.**



**NEW**

## WOODSTOCK 50 YEARS LATER

**August 15-19, 2019**

1969 began with the Fifth Dimensions hit "The Age of Aquarius" on top of the charts. Later that year Neil Armstrong walked on the Moon and then 40,000 other people walked onto a New York Farm for a Rock and Roll Festival called Woodstock. Who was a teenager in 1969 - who remembers all of the excitement?

This tour will have several highlights but Moon Rock Evening at the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame will be one for you to remember. We will also have a Woodstock Rock Gala with Dinner, Music and Dancing.

**So pack your tied dyed shirt and your bell bottoms and let's be teenagers once again. 🌱**



TREASURES OF

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# EGYPT



FEBRUARY 2019

Travel to the ancient land of Egypt to discover the beauty. You will visit the Pyramids of Gisa, one of the seven ancient wonders of the world. Marvel at the Great Sphinx, one of the oldest and largest monuments in the world. You will visit the Museum of Egyptian Antiquities where you will see the tomb of Tutankhamun himself. You will visit the Valley of the Kings and Queens and the Temple of Queen Hatshepsut. A favorite of many who have traveled here before is the cruise on the Nile River. Stops along the way include seeing Karnak Temple dating back to 2000 BC. You will also stop to visit the Temple of Horus where you will see endless carvings of scenes depicting the power and grandeur of the pharaohs. Sail to Aswan where you will discover the Philae Temple: which was relocated and preserved by a special UNESCO project.

You will travel to Aswan to visit Abu Simbel and see the temples of Ramses II.



This was relocated during the construction of the High Dam. All this and so much more on this exciting Treasures of Egypt tour. It is an amazing tour that features beautiful hotel accommodations and many meals that provide a culinary experience.

**Call for the complete day by day itinerary.** ☎

CRUISING ROUNDTRIP FROM SEATTLE  
FEATURING GLACIER BAY  
SEPTEMBER 6-14, 2019



NEW

# Alaska

Classic will fly to Seattle with an overnight stay and touring included before embarking the ship. You'll sail roundtrip from Seattle making calls on the popular Alaskan ports of Ketchikan, Juneau and Skagway before a full day of scenic cruising in pristine Glacier Bay! This specific itinerary includes an extra port as it allows chance to stroll through the lively China Town area, hit a British Pub or just walk among the natural beauty of world-famous Butchart Gardens during an evening stop in Victoria, B.C.!

**This shorter trip would be a great chance to see Alaska without the hassle of international flights and currently you are not required to have a passport for this cruise!** ☎



# GRAND TOUR OF SOUTH AMERICA

MARCH 25 - APRIL 7, 2019

*Small Group Experience*



**Savor South America, from cosmopolitan capitals to Iguazu Falls.** The sophisticated cities of Rio de Janeiro and Buenos Aires are the perfect introduction to this continent of contrasts. You'll undertake thrilling outdoor adventures, such as admiring the Iguazu waterscape from every angle and then cross the Tancredo Neves Bridge into Argentina and view Devil's Throat, the most famous section of Iguazu Falls.

In Rio, we will enjoy a cable car ride up Sugarloaf Mountain taking in all the panoramic views of the city, beaches and the Atlantic Ocean. In Rio you will pass the National Library, Municipal Theater, Candelaria Church and Tiradentes Palace. In Corcovado Mountain we will see where performers perfect their routines for Carnival. Hop onboard the cogwheel train and take in the rainforest of Tijuca National Park.

You will see the iconic Christ the Redeemer, a colossal Art Deco statue at the top of the mountain.

Of course you will see the beautiful white-sand beaches including Copacabana.

In Buenos Aires you will have a guided tour of the city where tango was born. You will pass through the historic neighborhood of San Telmo before exploring the colorful streets of La Boca. You will drive along the 9 de Julio Avenue, the widest street in the world, to Palermo and its beautiful parks. You will visit Recoleta neighborhood and the grave of Eva Peron.

In Lima, Peru we will enjoy a food tour and get to learn their culinary traditions as we taste local products. We will learn how to make ceviche and pisco sour and so much more.

In Iquitos we will enjoy lunch at the Amazon Lodge and then take a rainforest hike to the huge trees and epiphytes. In the Amazon we can take an optional boat ride to Yagua Indian Village. All this and so much more so call right away for the complete itinerary. 🌿




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**& RECEIVE \$1000 OFF**  
**PER PERSON**

# PARIS & NORMANDY

October 22 – November 1, 2018

Join your Classic friends on this two nights in Paris and then a 7 night river cruise on the ms AmalYra. Paris always sizzles while Normandy beckons with its stunning coastline, incredible food and artistic beauty. Monet's Gardens in Giverny; Rouen's Cathedral of Notre Dame; and the charming harbor town of Honfleur, will inspire you the same way as they inspired the great impressionists. You will get to see some of these very places and landmarks that the impressionist Masers captured on canvas at the Musee d'Orsay. For an inspiration of a different



kind, travel the "Routes des Abbayes," visiting some of the most magnificent monasteries, and to the unforgettable beaches of Normandy where Allied forces landed during WWII's D-Day invasion. Relive the grandeur of royalty at Chateau Malmaison, the former home of Napoleon and Josephine Bonaparte, and at Chateau de Bizy, once referred to as "the Versailles of Normandy." Blend a passion for the good life with culture, art, architecture and timeless landscapes, and you have Northern France. All this and so much more on this exciting river cruise in France. 



# Rhine River Cruise

JULY 2019

## PORTS OF CALL

- **Colmar/Breisach** – Black Forest or Half-timbered medieval village
- **Strasbourg** – Alsace wine country, La Petite France District and gothic stained-glass cathedral
- **Heidelberg** – World's Largest Barrel of Wine, magnificent renaissance castle
- **Rudesheim** – hillside vineyards, Siegfried's Mechanical Music Musuem, Rudesheimer coffee
- **Rhine Gorge** – castles tower above as you pass the Lorelei – where mythological sirens sang to lure ill-fated sailors to their demise
- **Koblenz** – walk amid medieval fortress walls, towers & squares
- **Cologne** – Capital of Rhineland, tour twin-spired gothic cathedral or important Jewish heritage sites
- **Amsterdam** – guided canal cruise with free time to explore on your own



**This tour will start with a flight to Zurich and an overnight stay in Lucerne, a Classic favorite! Call for a complete itinerary!**





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# PANAMA CANAL

January 18-29, 2019

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## Colon, Panama • Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands

A MAN-MADE MARVEL

It's one of man's greatest engineering marvels - the mighty Panama Canal. Completed in 1914, the Canal cuts through 51 miles of Central American jungle, including the sheer granite of the Continental Divide. This exciting voyage features stops in the Cayman islands, Colombia, Panama, Costa Rica and Jamaica. 🌐