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American Queen

Samuel Riggs IV Alumni Center
College Park, MD 20742

300 Antebellum South R1
DEAR ALUMNI AND FRIENDS,

Celebrate authentic Americana aboard the luxury riverboat American Queen and let this unique Mississippi River voyage take you to a bygone era of sprawling plantations, lavish antebellum mansions, and lazy, front porch afternoons. Revel in the magic of a river cruise—a true American pastime, while experiencing classic Southern elegance, captured in the beautifully preserved homes and storybook towns that fringe the iconic river.

Your adventure begins with a stay in vibrant New Orleans, home to the famed French Quarter. Then board the American Queen and cruise to spirited river towns in Louisiana, Mississippi and Arkansas, each destination steeped in distinct Southern flair and cultural heritage. Take your nostalgic trip ashore to Oak Alley Plantation, where the draping canopies of 300-year-old oak trees frame the prized mansion. Visit the lovely town of St. Francisville, home to almost 150 historic buildings on the National Register, followed by Natchez, a city of Southern charm and antebellum mansions. Delve into the compelling Civil War history that awaits in Vicksburg, and take in soulful Delta blues in Helena, before rounding out your journey in Memphis.

Experience gracious Southern hospitality as you discover the timeless allure of the river aboard the graceful American Queen. Your cruise includes fine American cuisine, elegant accommodations and fascinating shore excursions.

Reserve your spot on this exciting voyage by February 13, 2014, to receive the one-night pre-cruise hotel stay in New Orleans and the $100 onboard credit per stateroom.

Sincerely,

Angela C. Dimopoulos ’07
Assistant Director of Events and Marketing

SPACE ON THIS CRUISE IS LIMITED

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**Travel Insurance:** Nor the American Queen Steamboat Company (hereinafter AQSC) nor the sponsoring association are responsible for any penalty, loss or inconvenience resulting from air or land arrangements made independently by travelers, including non-refundable conditions, restricted travel or frequent flyer tickets.

**Payment:** A deposit in the amount shown on the reservation form and a minimum deposit for each person is required to secure reservations. Final payment is due as shown on the reservation form. If the cruise or flight is fully booked, your payment will be returned or, with your authorization, your name placed on a waiting list. ALL CHECKS AND MONEY ORDERS MUST BE MADE PAYABLE TO THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

**Prices:** GN reserves the right to increase prices in the event of any increased security or fuel related surcharges, or fare increases imposed by the airline or cruise line that may be in place at the time of ticketing or travel, foreign or domestic tax increases, or adverse currency exchange fluctuations. After March 01, 2013, GN reserves the right, if necessary or advisable, to substitute hotels but is not obliged to do so.

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**Baggage:** GN cannot be held responsible for luggage lost or damaged. You should give immediate notice of any lost or damaged luggage to the involved air carrier, hotel, cruise line and to your own insurance company.

**Aircraft and Cruise Line Boarding:** GN cannot be held responsible for airline or cruise line delays. Aircraft and cruise line boarding privileges are limited to persons whose full payment has been received by GN and whose names are on the manifest given to the carrier before departure. Improper documentation, inadequate proof of identity, inadequate proof of age for children under 2, or any other reason may result in denial of boarding privileges. The air carrier and cruise line reserve the right to decline, accept or retain any person on the flight or cruise at any time within their sole discretion. If you are denied boarding privileges, you forfeit all monies paid and will be assessed any non-recoverable costs.

**Advance Travel Information:** U.S. citizens or permanent residents of the U.S. traveling exclusively inside U.S. borders do not need a passport or visa for travel. Homeland Security laws require that all guests travel with government-issued photo identification (ID) such as a driver’s license) at all times. D must be presented at the time of boarding. Guests without proper ID will be denied boarding. AQSC is required to provide all guests’ ID information including ID number, expiration date, and place of issue to the Coast Guard and/or other government entities prior to the vessel’s departure. Guests must provide this information to AQSC in advance. Travel documents will not be released until received. Canadian citizens or permanent residents of Canada entering the U.S. are required to bring their passport. For other nationalities, passports are required to enter the U.S. It is your responsibility to check with your local U.S. embassy/consulate to confirm visa requirements and to obtain the proper visa/I.U.S. alien registration certificate.

**AQSC’s Land Packages/ Shore Excursions:** Tours are operated in the various ports of call by AQSC or local tourist service companies contracted by the cruise line. They are not under the control of GN. Cancellation penalties may differ from the cruise program related penalties. AQSC may modify the cruise itinerary up to and during the voyage.

**Notices:** Any complaints or claims against GN must be made in writing and received by GN within 90 days after scheduled termination of the trip. Any action or suit against GN must be commenced within 1 year after scheduled termination of the trip or the forever barred.

**Health:** Any physical or mental condition requiring special medical attention or equipment must be disclosed in writing to GN at the time the participant makes a reservation. GN may reject the reservation of any person who, in the opinion of GN, is unfit for travel or might be a danger to themselves or incompatible with others on the trip. Participants requiring special assistance, including without limitation those who permanently or periodically use a wheelchair, must be accompanied by someone who agrees to provide the required assistance. GN reserves the right to terminate the participation of any participant whose conduct or condition materially inconveniences other participants.

**Religious:** There are no exceptions of any kind (including medical exceptions) to these policies. No refunds will be made for any portion of the arrangements we have made for you that are not actually utilized by you. There is no variance from these policies for the services we arrange as described in this brochure.
RESERVE YOUR ANTEBELLUM SOUTH CRUISE TODAY!

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Attn: Angela Dimopoulos
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MAY 23–31, 2014
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PLEASE MAKE MY/OUR RESERVATION FOR:
☒ CRUISE PROGRAM WITH FREE 1-NIGHT PRE-CRUISE HOTEL STAY
☒ CRUISE PROGRAM ONLY (Pre-Cruise Hotel Stay credit of $75 per person)

PLEASE NOTE: Airfare and airport transfers are not included.
☒ We will make my/our own transportation arrangements.
☒ Please contact me/us to discuss independent air options.

State/Province/Room category requested: 1st choice _____________ 2nd choice _____________
Bed request: ☒ Twin (2 beds) ☒ Queen
Single and Triple accommodations are an additional cost and subject to availability.
Request: ☒ Single ☒ Triple
Dinner Seating Preference
Request: ☒ Early (5:15 p.m.) ☒ Main (7:45 p.m.)

All guests must travel with a government-issued photo ID.

GUEST 1: Full Name (as it appears on your government-issued photo ID)
First Middle Last Title
Preferred name on name badge
Birth Date (MM/DD/YYYY)

GUEST 2: Full Name (as it appears on your government-issued photo ID)
First Middle Last Title
Preferred name on name badge
Birth Date (MM/DD/YYYY)

Email Address
Mailing Address
City State ZIP
Home Phone Cell Phone
Roommate (if different from above)

Adjacency Request

SIGNATURES REQUIRED BY EACH PERSON TRAVELING INCLUDING PARENT/GUARDIAN FOR MINOR CHILDREN: I/We have read, received a copy of, understand, and accept the terms and conditions stated in the Operator/Participant Agreement.

SIGN HERE X

DEPOSIT AND FINAL PAYMENT: A deposit of $600 per person is due with your reservation application. Make checks payable to Go Next. Full payment is required by February 12, 2014. Reservations received after this date must be accompanied with full payment.

Please reserve space(s). Enclosed is my/our deposit for $___________. Deposits may also be made by credit card; however, all FINAL payments are required to be made by check or cash.

I/We authorize Go Next, Inc. to charge my/our deposit for $___________ to: ☒ Visa ☒ MasterCard
Name (as it appears on your credit card)

SIGN HERE X ☒ Billing address same as above
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Card Number Security Code Exp.

Making a deposit or acceptance or use of any vouchers, tickets, goods, or services shall be deemed consent to and acceptance of the terms and conditions stated in the applicable Operator/Participant Agreement, including limitations on responsibility and liability.
There’s never been a better time to rediscover America. And there’s never been a better way to do it. From New Orleans to Memphis on the fabled waters of the Mighty Mississippi, experience the grandeur of the American South.

Enjoy casual elegance aboard the grand American Queen, the largest riverboat in the world, and your antebellum mansion on the water. Open French doors to sweeping river views and enjoy easy conversation on the promenade. And at the end of the day, retreat to the Victorian charm of your fine accommodations.

Discover classic riverside America on a journey aboard the 432-passenger American Queen, newly restored in 2012. Experience the beauty, history and grand adventure unique to the riverboat tradition from the remarkable perspective of the river.

A JOURNEY LIKE NO OTHER

INCLUSIONS

- 7-night voyage, including all meals, aboard the grand American Queen
- Complimentary hop-on, hop-off shore excursions with a dedicated fleet of luxury coaches
- The acclaimed cuisine of American chef Regina Charboneau
- Complimentary wine and beer with dinner
- Complimentary cappuccino, espresso, specialty coffees, bottled water and soft drinks throughout your voyage
- Gracious service from a friendly all-American staff
- Smart-casual attire throughout your voyage, no formal wear required
- Daily lectures by the Riverlorian, your onboard history and culture expert
- Professional showboat-style entertainment, dancing nightly and calliope concerts

GO NEXT EXCLUSIVE BENEFITS

- 1-Night Pre-Cruise Hotel Stay at the Hilton New Orleans Riverside hotel or similar, breakfast, taxes, porterage and transfers to the American Queen
- Private Go Next reception including hot and cold canapés, wine, beer and soft drinks
- $100 onboard credit per stateroom
- Complimentary bottle of wine per stateroom
- Services of an onboard Go Next program manager
- Exceptional value
Life on the Water is as unique and enriching as the riverboat tradition itself. Night after night, music fills the majestic two-deck tall Grand Saloon, a stunning replica of the famed Ford’s Theatre. Showboat-style cabaret acts and old-fashioned radio shows add variety and charm to the evening lineup. By day, the Riverlorian, your onboard historian, offers lectures and river lore. The Ladies’ Parlor and Gentlemen’s Card Room are meeting points for new friends. And the calliope, a steam-powered organ, beckons anyone inclined to play.

May 23 New Orleans, Louisiana
Your journey begins with a one-night stay at the Hilton New Orleans Riverside hotel, a mere four blocks away from the renowned French Quarter. Experience New Orleans, from the traditional Southern oaks and Spanish moss of City Park to the French Quarter’s legendary Bourbon Street and Jackson Square.

May 24 New Orleans, Louisiana
Morning at leisure. Embark on your river cruise aboard the graceful American Queen in the afternoon.

May 25 Oak Alley, Louisiana
Arrive 8AM–Depart 1PM
Located in Saint James Parish, Oak Alley Plantation combines architectural splendor and the natural wonder of 300-year-old oak trees. Spend time strolling beneath their spectacular canopy, and learn about the rich history of this Southern estate.

Included Excursion Take a tour of the historic plantation and its beautiful grounds.

May 26 St. Francisville, Louisiana
Arrive 8AM–Depart 1PM
With over 140 buildings and plantation homes on the National Register, this quaint town is a window into history. Here are the legacies of the Butlers, the Forts, the Barrows and the Turnhills—families who helped build the South. Follow in the footsteps of the guests who stayed here, including Andrew Jackson and John James Audubon.

Included Excursion The hop-on, hop-off motor coach tour takes you to both historic and modern sites, including the West Feliciana Historical Society Museum, the Grace Episcopal Church and the Old Market Hall, where you can browse through art, jewelry and handmade items.

May 27 Natchez, Mississippi
Arrive 8AM–Depart 5PM
Step into the plantation lifestyle of the antebellum South in Natchez, one of the oldest European settlements in the lower Mississippi River Valley and the original capital of Mississippi. With a history shaped by Native Americans and those of French, African, British and Spanish descent, Natchez is a charming and authentic Southern town with a rich heritage.

Included Excursion Take in some historic Natchez mansions on a motor coach tour, which includes stops at the Natchez Visitors Center, Magnolia Hall, Rosalie Mansion, and the William Johnson House as well as a narrated tour of Stanton Hall, considered the grandest of the Natchez mansions.
SOUTHERN HOSPITALITY

Creating plates inspired by culinary classics of America’s South and utilizing the best of the season’s offerings from stops along the way, award-winning chef Regina Charboneau lends her expertise and Southern hospitality to the unique dining experience on the American Queen. Grab a simple snack at the River Grill, indulge in the elegance of the J.M. White Dining Room, or satisfy your appetite any hour of the day at the Front Porch Café as you sample Charboneau’s delectable creations, from Pork Loin stuffed with Andouille Sausage to Corn Fritters and Bourbon Pecan Pie.

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MAY 28 VICKSBURG, MISSISSIPPI
Arrive 8:00 AM–Depart 1:00 PM
Billed as the “Red Carpet City of the South,” Vicksburg is a unique blend of old and new and displays its antebellum heritage with tremendous pride. The site of a dramatic siege that was a major turning point in the Civil War, Vicksburg is now a center of Southern hospitality with a vibrant downtown area.
INCLUDED EXCURSION The Vicksburg tour makes stops at The Church of the Holy Trinity; Pemberton’s Headquarters, Confederate headquarters during the Siege of Vicksburg; the Old Court House Museum, which showcases artifacts from pre-Columbian times to Civil War implements; and the city’s shopping district, including Washington Street, home to the Biedenharn Coca-Cola Museum.

MAY 29 RIVER CRUISING
Discover river cruising—a lifestyle born of both restless ambition and the pursuit of pure relaxation. Aboard the American Queen, the richness of this timeless river culture comes with plenty of added modern luxuries as you cruise the day and night away at one of the distinctive dining venues, the impressive Grand Saloon, or your elegant stateroom.

MAY 30 HELENA, ARKANSAS
Arrive 8:00 AM–Depart 1:00 PM
The queen of the Arkansas Delta, Helena is filled with fascinating architecture from before and after the legendary Battle of Helena. The Delta Cultural Center lays out Helena’s antebellum roots and is also home to King Biscuit Time—the nation’s longest-running blues radio program.
INCLUDED EXCURSION Traveling by deluxe motor coach, visit notable stops including the Cherry Street Historic District, the Delta Cultural Center, Bubba’s Blues Corner and the Helena Museum. Also visit two stunning examples of late 1800s architecture at the Moore-Hornor House and the Pillow Thompson House.

MAY 31 MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE
Disembark in the morning and bid farewell to the American Queen.

Note: If you are interested in an optional Premium Choice Tour of Memphis, your return flight should be scheduled to depart after 2:00pm.

Premium Choice Tours will also be offered in each port of call for an additional charge.
Itinerary and shore excursions are subject to change.
THE GREATEST VALUE

SUITE WITH DECK
Promenade Deck Elegantly furnished suite, cozy sitting area with sofa bed and cocktail table, French doors that open onto a deck, two single beds convertible to queen, and bathroom with tub and shower.
AAA $6,499

SUPERIOR OUTSIDE STATEROOMS WITH PRIVATE DECK*
Texas & Promenade Decks French doors that open onto a private deck, two single beds convertible to queen, and bathroom with tub and shower. *Staterooms on the Promenade Deck offer additional square footage in lieu of private decks.
AA $6,199

DELUXE OUTSIDE STATEROOMS WITH DECK
Promenade, Observation, Texas & Cabin Decks Windowed French doors that open onto a deck, two single beds convertible to queen, and bathroom with tub and/or shower.
A $5,999
B $4,599
C $4,099
D $3,899

DELUXE OUTSIDE STATEROOMS
Cabin Deck Large bay window, inside entrance to stateroom, two single beds convertible to queen, and bathroom with tub and shower.
E $3,799

INSIDE CABINS
Observation, Promenade & Texas Decks Inside entrance to stateroom, two single beds convertible to queen, and bathroom with shower.
F $3,449
G $3,049
H $2,949
I $2,549

Luxury Suites and Single Cabins/Staterooms are available upon request.
Fares are per person, double occupancy. Onboard meals, refreshments & entertainment are included. Airfare and airport transfers are not included. Please contact Go Next for information regarding transportation options to New Orleans and/or from Memphis. Port charges of $109 per person and gratuities are additional.

OPULENT COMFORT
Welcome to the grand American Queen, a breathtaking combination of modern comfort and antebellum charm. All suites and staterooms aboard the American Queen feature flat-screen TVs, extravagant bedding and fine linens, and luxury hotel-style service. Sip sweet lemonade and partake in the convivial atmosphere of open verandas and the promenade, or enjoy a quiet respite in your elegant suite or deluxe stateroom, designed with all the comforts of home. Life aboard the American Queen flows like a gentle river—at your pace and according to your taste.
“PILOTING ON THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER WAS NOT WORK TO ME; IT WAS PLAY – DELIGHTFUL PLAY, VIGOROUS PLAY, ADVENTUROUS PLAY – AND I LOVED IT.”
– MARK TWAIN

“WE UNDERSTAND NOW WHY MARK TWAIN LOVED THE MISSISSIPPI. A wonderful steamboat cruise featuring New Orleans, Memphis, and fascinating stops in between, punctuated with luxury accommodations, great food, exciting entertainment and a welcoming spirit that is uniquely Southern.”
– Les and Suzanne W., Portland, Oregon

“Traversing the great United States waterways aboard the elegant *American Queen* with fine dining, superb service, and authentic Victorian era charm, allowed us to experience the romance of the river without leaving modern day amenities behind. THIS VOYAGE FAR EXCEEDED OUR EXPECTATIONS.”
– Dawn M., Minneapolis, Minnesota