





#### **ACCOMPANYING PROFESSOR**

Katarzyna Pieprzak, Chair of Romance Languages and Professor of Francophone Literature, French Language, and Comparative Literature

# Tahiti & the Society Islands on the sailing ship Wind Spirit

The four-masted sailing ship Wind Spirit may be the perfect vessel for discovering the islands of the South Pacific.

Board the ship in Pape'ete, Tahiti and set sail for Raiatea and Bora Bora, Moorea and Taha'a. At two of the islands the ship moors overnight, giving you ample time to enjoy the iconic beaches and crystal-clear lagoons, meander the rainforests, and explore the traditional culture. Professor Katarzyna Pieprzak will give talks on the islands and their cultural influences as well as the artists and writers who have been drawn here. She'll also take part in daily optional shore excursions. Experience this world of brilliant color, from the reefs with their tropical fish to the lush flora to the bright birds overhead, and savor the unforgettable sight of your ship gliding under sail through the azure waters.



## Dear Alumni, Parents and Friends of Williams,

What could be more appealing than a cruise on the sailing ship *Wind Spirit* through the exotic and lush islands of French Polynesia? This is your opportunity to spend a week in the beauty of the South Sea, immersed in the cultures and natural history of these unique island destinations. The region's heritage is written in stone ceremonial sites on the sacred island of Raiatea, in the bunkers left on Bora Bora, and in the records of artists and voyagers who ventured here.

Your own discovery begins and ends in Tahiti, a land of color made brilliant by the birds, fish and blossoms, and the azure sea itself. You'll find extraordinary flora and fauna on Moorea, enjoy a beach barbecue on Taha'a and a Polynesian feast on a islet, or *motu*, and experience the idyllic shores of Bora Bora. Visiting Huahine before your journey ends, you'll see more of the daily life and the history of these islands.

Accompanying our group is Katarzyna Pieprzak, Chair of Romance Languages and Professor of Francophone Literature, French Language and Comparative Literature. She will lead several lectures and accompany our group on designated optional shore excursions. Her extensive interests include postcolonial theory, migration, and writings in French on place and landscape. Kashia has studied the work of artists and writers who have been fascinated by the idea and reality of the "island paradise" and will share these special insights with travelers.

Adding to the beauty of our trip, the *Wind Spirit* is a captivating sight and one of the great pleasures of the voyage. Absorb the panorama of island, sea and sky from deck or the lounge. Kayak, swim or snorkel from the launch platform. Return from your adventures to enjoy the outstanding meals that appear in the onboard restaurant and terrace café.

Travelers will have the opportunity to choose among the guided group excursions and a range of other activities, from quiet walks and cultural tours to strenuous hikes, drift snorkeling and dives, if certified. You can also enjoy exquisite beaches and island exploration on your own. The spectacular flora and fauna, fascinating archaeological and cultural visits, superb shipboard accommodations, and engaging faculty leadership ensure this is a trip not to be missed. Nature's beauty was never more abundant than in the islands of French Polynesia.

To reserve the cabin of your choice & save \$1,000 per couple \$500 per person, please send the attached registration form or call Cross-Culture Journeys at 800-491-1148.

With best wishes,

Leila Derstine, Alumni Travel-Study Coordinator 413-597-4011 • Alumni-Travel@Williams.edu



February 2-11, 2017

Thursday, February 2

## DEPART U.S. • ARRIVE PAPE'ETE, TAHITI\* • TRANSFER TO HOTEL

Depart your airport for Los Angeles International Airport (LAX), where you will transfer to an Air Tahiti flight for Fa'a'ā International Airport (PPT) in Pape'ete, Tahiti. Arrive in the evening and transfer to a nearby hotel for the night.

\*While some flights departing Los Angeles on the day of embarkation are scheduled to arrive in the evening, allowing you to board before Wind Spirit leaves Pape'ete, we highly recommend taking the pre-cruise overnight package. The cost of \$225 per person includes your airport-hotel transfer, an overnight hotel stay at either the Intercontinental Tahiti Resort or Le Meridien Tahiti, breakfast, taxes and your transfer to the ship for a mid-day boarding on February 3.

## Friday, February 3

# TIME FOR INDEPENDENT MUSEUM VISIT OR TOURING • EMBARK WIND SPIRIT • PREPARATIONS AND INTRODUCTIONS • DINNER ABOARD • SAIL OUT AT MIDNIGHT

You may have time this morning to visit the Museum of Tahiti and the Islands, not far from your hotel. Among the museum's holdings are carvings, costumes and other traditional artifacts as well as etchings and drawings by early European visitors. Then transfer from the hotel to the ship *Wind Spirit*, where a buffet lunch is available until mid-afternoon. After a presentation on optional shore excursions, register for your choices. Ship staff will distribute snorkeling

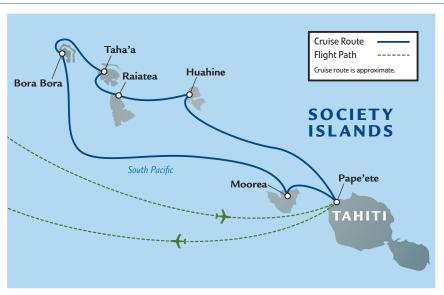
equipment, meet with those certified for SCUBA diving or interested in learning, and conduct a mandatory safety drill. The Voyage Leader will acquaint you with the ship and preview tomorrow's activities as you enjoy your first dinner aboard. At midnight *Wind Spirit* cruises out toward the magical island of Moorea. L/D

Saturday, February 4

# MOOREA • OPTIONAL GROUP EXCURSION: "ISLAND TOUR WITH BELVEDERE LOOKOUT"

Awaken to the sight of jagged mountains clad in lush vegetation of Moorea, the island that's believed to have inspired the mythical Bali Ha'i in South Pacific. For early and late risers there's continental breakfast by the pool from 6am until noon. (Full breakfast in the Veranda is from 7 to 9am.) Zodiac inflatable craft will run continuously through the day between *Wind Spirit* and the shore.

Today's recommended shore excursion with Professor Pieprzak explores the natural splendor and cultural richness of Moorea. The tour weaves together historical information gleaned by two major research institutions, including UC Berkeley, with the oral history handed down to local elders. Learn about the island's geology, flora and fauna, history and current concerns, and enjoy the vista from Belvedere Lookout.



Average temperature and precipitation ranges in season (in degrees Fahrenheit)

City	High	Low	Precipitation
Pape'ete, Tahiti	83°	<b>76°</b>	9.6"

Note: Rain usually comes in brief, heavy cloudbursts rather than falling steadily throughout the day.

While most of your group are likely to choose the recommended excursions, those who wish undersea adventure or more strenuous island tours may register instead for optional snorkeling tours, an active hike, a dolphin eco-tour or (if certified) a two-tank dive. You may also discover some of Moorea on your own by heading to one of the panoramic viewpoints, visiting the oldest standing European building in the South Pacific, or relaxing on a palm-fringed beach.

#### - TOUR INCLUSIONS -

- Airport-ship transfers (if purchasing trip with airfare and arriving on embarkation day)
- Seven nights accommodation in outside cabin on sailing ship Wind Spirit
- Participation of Williams College accompanying professor Katarzyna Pieprzak
- Services of a Cross-Culture group manager
- Entertainment system including DVD player
- All meals during cruise, including Polynesian-style shore barbecue; vegetarian selections; special diets accommodated if known in advance
- "Early riser" continental breakfast through the morning; mid-afternoon coffee and snacks
- Captain's champagne reception
- Non-alcoholic beverages including cappuccino, espresso and other specialty drinks
- Fruit bowl in your cabin, replenished daily
- Excursions not labeled "optional"

- Use of snorkeling equipment throughout the cruise
- Use of water sport equipment including kayaks, paddle boards, etc.
- Frequent service by tender from ship and shore while in port
- Talks and equipment support by expedition staff
- DVD collection in the library for borrowing
- Luggage handling for one bag per person throughout the trip
- · Gratuities for shipboard staff
- All local taxes

## **Included in Pre-Cruise Overnight Package**

- One night accommodation in Moderate Deluxe or Superior First Class hotel in Pape'ete
- Breakfast
- All taxes
- Airport-hotel and hotel-ship transfers if purchasing trip with airfare and arriving the day before embarkation

#### - NOT INCLUDED -

- Airport transfers when purchasing cruise only or not arriving on days specified above
- Excursions labeled "optional"
- Gratuities for guides and drivers on optional excursions
- Passport and airline baggage fees

- Travel or health insurance
- Alcoholic beverages except for Captain's reception (beverage package available on board)
- 15% service charge added to bar charges, beverage package, and wine in the dining room
- Personal expenses such as telephone, laundry, spa services and other items not listed as included (Laundry package available on board)
- Internet access (available in cabins and on public computers with pre-purchased plan)
- Mandatory port charges and fees

### - ACCOMMODATIONS -

## LOCATION ACCOMMODATIONS

### RATING (Hotel & Travel Index)

At sea

M/V Wind Spirit

Superior First Class equivalent

Pape'ete (pre-cruise package)

OR

Intercontinental Tahiti Resort Le Meridien Tahiti Moderate Deluxe Superior First Class

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Wherever the day takes you, return to your ship by late afternoon. At 6pm Wind Spirit lifts anchor and sails out toward Bora Bora. Celebrate the beginning of your voyage at the Captain's champagne reception and the welcome dinner. B/L/D

Sunday, February 5

## BORA BORA • OPTIONAL GROUP EXCURSION: "BORA BORA BY GLASS BOTTOM BOAT"

This morning you arrive at fabled Bora Bora, its two volcanic peaks surrounded by lush green and ringed by shallow turquoise waters. Join Professor Pieprzak for an excursion into the underwater world by covered glass-bottom boat. In the depths of Pofai Bay lies the center of an ancient sunken volcano. The giant coral formations that rise upward are home to

over 300 species of fish. Watch as a diver descends to feed them, and view the small brightly patterned fish that dart through the shallows.

Other optional activities include a two-tank dive or basic SCUBA instruction, snorkeling, a cultural tour and an island discovery tour by 4X4. You can also enjoy the sparkling beaches that invite walking and swimming, and take out one of the ship's kayaks or other water sports equipment. Tenders will run between your ship and the shore throughout the day and well into the evening. **B/L/D** 

Monday, February 6

### **BORA BORA • MOTU FEAST • FIRE DANCING**

Today you may relax on the beach, take the tender to Vaitape, or join one of the optional excursions, which

range from SCUBA diving or snorkeling among the (well-fed) black-tip reef sharks and stingrays to tours of the island's natural and cultural highlights.

Near Bora Bora are small, pristine reef islets of sand and coral called motus. This evening we'll transfer by Zodiac from *Wind Spirit* to Motu Tapu for a feast inspired by Tahitian tradition. Enjoy your choice of roast pork, grilled tuna and many other dishes, and watch fire dancers practicing their art, which in Polynesian tradition is a means to send messages to the gods. At the end of the celebration we'll return to the ship and the Captain will sail out toward Taha'a. *B/L/D* 



# TAHA'A • OPTIONAL GROUP EXCURSION: "SCENIC EXPLORATION OF TAHA'A" • BEACH & ONBOARD ACTIVITIES • SAIL TO RAIATEA

Wind Spirit will reach Taha'a this morning and will remain at anchor until late afternoon, with continuous Zodiac service to shore.

The recommended excursion on Taha'a is a tour by 4X4 off-road vehicle that crosses one of the highest mountains on the island. Learn about the traditional uses of local plants and trees, sample local fruits, visit a family vanilla plantation and a black pearl farm, and hear tales of island life. Among the other optional excursions are drift snorkeling among the coral gardens and an on-board wine tasting in the afternoon. On the beach there will be yoga and stretching classes, kayaking, swimming and other sports.

Among the most memorable events of your cruise are the arrivals and departures, when the sleek white ship glides into harbor or sails out. Take in this sight from the deck, then enjoy hors d'oeuvres and dinner as *Wind Spirit* sets out for Raiatea. You'll arrive later in the evening at this beautiful island ringed by beaches and coral reefs. *B/L/D* 

## Wednesday, February 8

## RAIATEA • OPTIONAL GROUP EXCURSION: "THE SACRED ISLAND" • SAIL TOWARD HUAHINE

For your day on Raiatea, the Sacred Island, you'll be docked in Fa'aroa Bay, the deepest bay in Polynesia. The recommended excursion will introduce you to the lore and legends of the island. Among the spots you'll visit is the Marae Taputapuatea, an open temple that comprises seven sacred sites built of



stone and coral. Your route provides a variety of colorful landscapes and seascapes.

Among the alternative excursions is a kayak trip on the Fa'aroa River, the sole navigable river in the archipelago. During the day you may enjoy Raiatea's splendid beaches or kayak from the launch platform in the azure waters. A local group of singers and dancers will come aboard in the afternoon to perform, teach some dances, and show you how to make leis and tie a pareo.

Tonight's special dinner, weather permitting, is a barbecue on deck under the stars, followed by line dancing and a deck party by the pool. For this evening,

wear your "tropical casual." At 10pm, with the party still underway, the Captain will sail out of the bay and turn *Wind Spirit* toward Huahine. *B/L/D* 

### Thursday, February 9

# HUAHINE • OPTIONAL GROUP EXCURSION: "HIGHLIGHTS OF HUAHINE NUI" • DEPART FOR PAPE'ETE

Huahine is an island of forests, villages and memorable tropical landscapes. Join the recommended optional excursion to visit the archaeological site called Maeva Marae and the stunning Belvedere Lookout, learn about traditional fishing techniques and look for



the unique species in the streams. Other excursions focus on the pearl farms and pottery, the marae, the vanilla plantations or snorkeling.

You'll find a beach five or ten minutes from the Tender Pier where you can swim or snorkel. You may wish to take out a kayak for one more tour of a tropical bay. However you spend the day, be on board before 5:30pm for the cocktail hour and farewell dinner. *B/L/D* 

Friday, February 10

PAPE'ETE: DISEMBARK WIND SPIRIT • TRANSFER TO HOTEL DAY ROOM • OPTIONAL GROUP EXCURSION: "EAST COAST HIGHLIGHTS" OR INDEPENDENT TOURING • DEPART FOR U.S.

After breakfast aboard, disembark in Pape'ete, Tahiti, and transfer to a hotel where you will have a day room. You may join an optional tour along the island's east coast with Professor Pieprzak. On the route are the home of the American writer, soldier and adventurer James Norman Hall, co-author of *Mutiny on the Bounty*, and the historic landing site of Venus Point on Matavai Bay. You'll view some of Tahiti's beautiful waterfalls and the Taha'a viewpoint, which overlooks Pape'ete and Moorea. You might also have time for the Museum of Tahiti and the Islands if you didn't see it before your cruise. After dinner on your own, transfer in the evening to Fa'a'a International Airport for your overnight flight to Los Angeles. *B* 

Saturday, February 11

## ARRIVE IN LOS ANGELES • CONTINUETO HOME AIRPORT

Arrive at Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) at 9:10am, and board a flight to your home airport.



# Wind Spirit Ship Description

Wind Spirit, launched in Le Havre in 1988, has undergone several renovations, most recently in 2015. It is distinguished by its four masts and six triangular sails, self-furling and computer-operated, which are raised when the ship is out of port and the winds are favorable.

The ship may travel on its engines, combine engines with sails, or run entirely under sail. The international crew of 101 provides for a maximum of 148 guests, who occupy 73 outside cabins and one larger Owner's Suite.

The cabins, at 188 sq ft, have double porthole windows with steel covers that can be closed in bad weather. They are quite luxurious but compact, designed with a nook in which two seats and a small central table convert to a sofa. (The Owner's Suite has a separate sitting area and a dining table.) Besides the mirrored closet with four drawers, there are numerous small storage spaces.

Cabins are equipped with a queen bed that may be separated into twins, Egyptian cotton bedding, robes and slippers. The bath features a granite countertop, several shelves, a shower with massage shower head and a hand-held sprayer, a hair dryer and L'Occitane® bath products. Each cabin has a flat-screen TV with a number of U.S. channels, DVD player, Bose® SoundDock, a fully-stocked mini-bar/refrigerator and a safe. The fruit bowl is re-stocked daily. The five outlets are 110/220. There is wireless Internet access, with cards that may be purchased on board.



The main restaurant aboard is AmphorA, where dinner is served nightly. Travelers on *Wind Spirit* have been pleased with the variety of meat entrées, the fresh fish, and the attention to vegetarian options. Seating is open; dress is elegantly casual here and for evenings in the lounge (no shorts, t-shirts, tank tops, jeans, flip-flops or tennis shoes). Casual buffet as well as full-service dining is available at breakfast and lunch at Veranda, with indoor and terrace seating. A third venue, the intimate Candles, offers a chance to dine under the stars one evening during your cruise if weather permits.

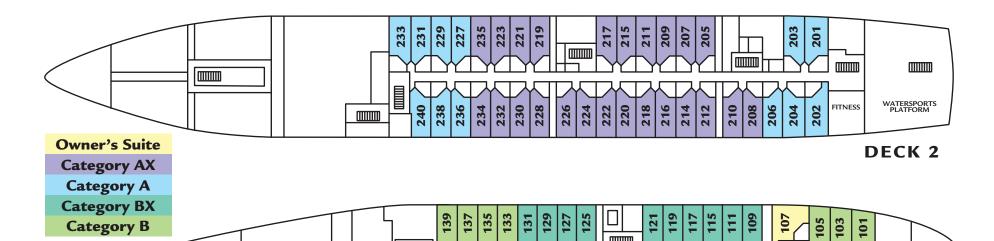
In addition, continental breakfast is available by the Pool Bar from 6am until noon, afternoon snacks are served with coffee in the mid-afternoon, and appetizers are served most evenings before dinner in the lounge. Room service is always available.

Public spaces include a large lounge with panoramic windows, the Lounge Bar and Pool Bar, a small saltwater pool and Jacuzzi on the sun deck (Deck Four), a library with books and DVDs, a shop, a small casino, a fitness center and a spa with a hair salon. A doctor travels with the ship.

The Water Sports Platform on Deck Two is opened when the ship is at anchor, making it easy to launch a kayak or to set off swimming, snorkeling or paddle boarding. Motorized Zodiacs will transport groups as needed, and a tender motors continuously to shore and back for your excursions, walks and beach outings.

# Wind Spirit

Deck Plan



**SHIP DATA** 

Built: 1988 in Le Havre;

refurbished 2006, 2012, 2015

Length: 360' (440 including bowsprit)

Beam (width): 52.1'
Draft: 14'
Decks: 4

Masts: 4 at 204'

Sails: 6 computer-operated sails
Engines: 3 diesel-electric generator sets,

1 electrical propulsion motor

Speed: 10 knots; up to 15.8 knots with

prevailing wind

Crew: 101 Guest capacity: 148

Staterooms: 73 (outside, 188 sq. ft.) Owner's Suite: 1 (outside, 220 sq. ft.)

Registry: Bahamas

Home port: Nassau, Bahamas



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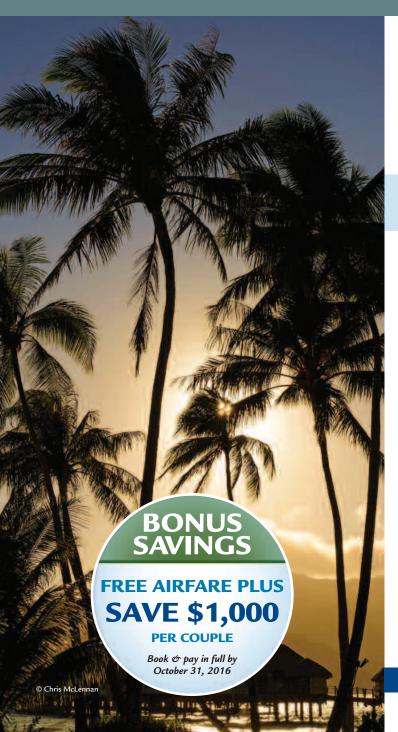
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**Dates & Prices** 



## February 2-11, 2017

CABIN CATEGORY	CATEGORY B	CATEGORY BX	CATEGORY A	CATEGORY AX	OWNER'S SUITE
Price before OCTOBER 31, 2016	\$4,195	\$4,495	\$4,895	\$5,195	\$6,495
Price after OCTOBER 31, 2016	\$4,695	\$4,995	\$5,395	\$5,695	\$6,995

Please note, pricing is per person with double occupancy.

*Pricing includes airfare!* Free airfare from LAX is included in the pricing chart above. We are happy to arrange airfare from the airport of your choice, please call 800.491.1148 for details.

Pre-cruise night including overnight stay at Superior First Class or Moderate Deluxe hotel, breakfast, all taxes and transfers: \$225 per person

Port charges and fees \$415

**Single supplement** additional 75% for all cabins, 100% for the Owner's Suite

Business Class upgrade from \$3,995 per person (for the LAX-Tahiti-LAX flights)

Deduct \$750 if you are making your own air arrangements. Airport-ship transfers may be purchased at an additional cost if you are arriving and departing on the scheduled cruise dates.

Hometown airports*	Pricing from your home airport to Los Angeles
DEN, PHX, PDX, SLC, SAN, SFO, SEA	only an additional \$300
ATL, BOS, BWI, CLT, CLE, DFW, DTW, HOU, MIA, MSP, NYC (EWR, JFK & LGA), MCO, PHL, PIT, RDU, STL, TPA, WAS (DCA & IAD)	only an additional \$500

<sup>\*</sup>Please call for prices from other airports

### Physical condition

The group excursions have been chosen to include travelers who do not undertake strenuous hikes and do not snorkel. To enjoy these excursions you must be able to enter and exit a tender, and for most you are asked to walk moderate distances on terrain that may be rough. The ship does not have an elevator or adapted cabins. If you are considering the trip and wish to discuss the physical requirements, please call Cross-Culture Journeys at 800-491-1148.

### Itinerary

The Captain may alter the route or activities, either rescheduling certain events or substituting others for any that he deems potentially unsafe. Unless weather conditions call for such changes we expect the itinerary to be followed.

## **Registration Form**

reservation for Tahiti & the Society Islands. The applicable deposit is being paid by:
☐ the enclosed check for \$
my credit card for \$
(If paying by credit card, please complete the credit card information at right)
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#### Preferred departure city

TRAVELER ONE			
TRAVELER TWO			
I/we would like to request an upgrade on our flights:  ☐ Business Class			
☐ Check here if you would like to purchase the program on a land/cruise-only basis.			
I/we would like to request a cabin upgrade:  ☐ Category BX ☐ Category A ☐ Category AX ☐ Owner's Suite			
☐ I wish to share a room or cabin with:			
□ I prefer a single room, subject to availability.			
☐ I would like to share a twin room, if a roommate is available (shares are not guaranteed).			

□ I authorize Cross-Culture to charge the applicable deposit per person, per program or segment of combination programs to the following credit card:

#### CREDIT CARD NUMBER

#### EXPIRATION DATE

SECURITY CODE

(Our bank requires the embossed digits plus the last three digits printed in the signature box on the back of your card)

CARD HOLDER'S NAME (as it appears on the credit card)

SIGNATURE-TRAVELER ONE

#### SIGNATURE-TRAVELER TWO

By making a deposit and enrolling in a Cross-Culture travel program, I am indicating that I have read and understand and agree to the General Terms and Conditions included in this package and on the website(s).



Toll Free: 800.491.1148 Fax: 413.253.2303

12 White Pine Road Amherst, MA 01002

### **Terms & Conditions**

Please read this information carefully, as payment of the \$1,000 deposit per person represents your agreement with the following Terms and Conditions.

Your deposit can be charged to a MasterCard or Visa credit card or paid by check. If you make your reservation after the final payment date, payment in full will be required at the time of the booking. Final payment for land tours is due at least 95 days prior to departure. Make your check payable to "Cross-Culture, LLC" and send it to: 12 White Pine Road, Amherst, MA 01002. The final payment for small-ship cruises is due at least 120 days prior to departure. If final payment is not paid when due, Cross-Culture Journeys (CCJ) reserves the right to regard the reservation as cancelled. If the trip is fully booked when we receive your deposit, we will return your payment, or with your authorization, we will retain your deposit and place your name on a priority waiting list in case other participants cancel.

#### **CANCELLATIONS, REFUNDS AND CHANGES**

If you find you must cancel your trip, you must send Cross-Culture Journeys written notice of your cancellation, by mail, e-mail, or fax. All refunds are based on the date the written notice is received in the Williams College office. No partial refunds allowed. Refunds are based on the following schedule:

## FOR CRUISES (INCLUDING PRE/POST TOUR EXTENSIONS)

#### Days prior to departure Charge

120 days or more: \$500 (plus \$125 for extensions) 119–90 days: 50% of cruise price 89–61 days: 75% of cruise price

60 days or fewer: 100% of cruise price (no refund)

Any changes to reservation: \$150 administrative fee

Changes to post-tour extension or departure city will result in a \$100 per person administrative fee in addition to any fees or charges imposed by third parties.

Name changes are considered a cancellation, and the above-listed charges apply. If you are a no-show, if you cancel your trip after the departure date, or if you leave a trip already in progress, you will not receive any refund for any unused portion of your trip.

If Cross-Culture Journeys cancels a trip, we will refund all monies paid to Cross-Culture Journeys.

Note: Air refunds, if any, are determined by the individual airlines. Cross-Culture Journeys, may, in order to take advantage of schedules and competitive pricing, purchase airlines tickets in advance. These tickets are non-refundable within 95 days of departure.

#### **TOUR PRICING & INCLUSIONS**

Tour prices quoted include accommodations based on double occupancy; airfare from your gateway city (when purchasing tour with airfare), meals, performances, admissions and scheduled group excursions as noted in the itinerary, hotel taxes, airport transfers for group flights, baggage handling for two bags per person, services of a Cross-Culture Journeys Travel Guide (if applicable), gratuities to hotels (does not include gratuities for the guide and driver or for shipboard staff), restaurants, and local guides (does not include gratuities for the guide and driver). Please note that air upgrades, airline taxes, fuel surcharges, departure fees, governmental fees and port charges are subject to change.

#### NOT INCLUDED IN YOUR TOUR PRICE

Passport and visa fees; airfare from your hometown to your gateway city; airline and governmental taxes, fees and surcharges; personal expenses such as telephone, communication charges, laundry, beverages, room service, and meals not specified; excess baggage fees, departure, airport and port charges (which will be listed as separate items on your invoice; independent transfers when purchasing a land-only package; gratuities to program guide and driver, and to shipboard staff, optional activities or shore excursions; flights connecting two or more programs and cancellation, travel and health insurance.

#### **PASSPORTS & VISAS**

A valid passport is required for all Williams College/CCJ programs. A visa may be required for some of our programs. As we continue to add new destinations, it is your responsibility to check with the appropriate country for their visa requirements. Williams College and/or CCJ is not responsible in any way for providing you with information related to passport and/or visa requirements. Williams College and/or CCJ does not accept any responsibility in your failure to secure the necessary documentation for your trip.

#### **HEALTH & WALKING**

Participants in this Williams College and CCJ program should be in good physical condition and prepared to enjoy walking, often over uneven cobblestones. We ask you to appraise your own capabilities honestly. And, we ask that you be considerate of the other group members and do not delay the scheduled group activities. We do not provide assistance if you require the use of a wheelchair or have other personal needs; in such cases a companion who will assist you must accompany you. Williams College and/or CCJ reserves the right to decline to accept or retain any participant should such person's health or deportment impede the operation of the trip or enjoyment of any other participant. If Williams College and/or CCJ decides not to retain a participant during the trip, Williams College and/or CCJ assumes no financial responsibility for any unused portion of the trip or for any additional expenses incurred by the participant.

# TRAVEL INSURANCE—WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT YOU PROTECT YOURSELF AND YOUR INVESTMENT IN CASE YOU HAVE TO CANCEL OR INTERRUPT YOUR VACATION.

This coverage will offset cancellation charges in the event of illness before or during your trip. Trip Cancellation/Interruption, Medical Expense/Emergency Assistance, Baggage and Personal Effects, and Baggage/Travel Delay are some of the benefits of the Preferred Benefits Travel Insurance. Details and an insurance application will be sent along with your confirmation packet.

#### **PHOTOGRAPHY ON TOUR**

Cross-Culture Journeys reserves the right to take photographs or video during the operation of any tour or part thereof, and to use the resulting images or video for promotional purposes. By booking a reservation with Williams College and CCJ, you agree to allow your image to be used for such purposes, without compensation. If you prefer that your image not be used, you must identify yourself to the guide at the commencement of the tour.

## RISK ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND LIABILITY RELEASE

Each person signing this Risk Acknowledgment and Liability Release on the registration form agrees as follows.

I am voluntarily participating in this trip with the knowledge of the risks and dangers to person and property involved in international travel, including but not limited to risks of physical exertion, forces of nature, wild animals, transportation failures (whether due to cancellation, accident or equipment breakdown), impure or tainted food or water, civil unrest, terrorism, crime, high altitude, accident or illness, unavailability or poor quality of medical supplies or services, and stolen or lost luggage. I accept these risks and acknowledge (i) that I am responsible for my own welfare and safety and (ii) that neither Cross-Culture Journeys nor The President and Trustees of Williams College, including their officers, employees and agents, is responsible or able to prevent any injury, illness, loss or harm that I may incur as a result of participating in this trip.

In consideration of being allowed to participate in this trip, I hereby release, waive and covenant not to sue, and do hereby indemnify and agree to hold harmless, Cross-Culture Journeys and The President and Trustees of Williams College, their officers, trustees, employees and agents (the "Indemnitees"), from and for any and all such liability for any loss, injury or damage, including without limitation any and all such liability arising from the negligence of the Indemnitees, which may be sustained by me during, or as a result of, or directly or indirectly related to my participation in this trip.

I have read, and understand, this Risk Acknowledgement and Liability Release, and I agree that this agreement shall be binding upon me and my heirs, assigns, personal representatives and estate. This agreement shall be governed by, and interpreted and enforced in accordance with, Massachusetts law.

For full Terms and Conditions please contact 800.491.1148.