



CULTURAL CALENDAR

Summer 2018 – Fall 2019

Museum Travel Alliance (MTA) is a consortium of museums whose patrons and members are passionate about cultural travel. MTA is able to offer its constituents access to a curated selection of exclusive travel opportunities led by renowned scholars and curators. Travel with like-minded enthusiasts on international and domestic journeys that awaken new insights into art and culture. Visit UNESCO World Heritage sites, travel on elegant chartered vessels and luxury trains, go behind the scenes of major cultural institutions, discover world masterpieces in context, and enjoy local culinary delights. Please join us!



CULTURAL JOURNEYS

2018



Casco Bay, Maine

Majestic Maine: Art, Architecture & Coastal Landscapes *June 22 to 27, 2018*

Discover Maine's natural beauty and artistic legacy from charming Camden to vibrant Portland. Tour collections of American painters influenced by Maine life, and see the setting for some of their iconic works. Sail Casco Bay aboard a historic schooner to admire the striking beauty of the coast. Conclude in Portland, both a culinary destination and an artists' haven. *Land rate \$6,999*

Sailing the Baltic's Amber Coast Aboard Sea Cloud II *June 29 to July 11, 2018*

From Helsinki to Copenhagen, cruise past medieval spires and Baroque and Art Nouveau buildings on this discovery of Baltic and Scandinavian nations. Highlights include an overnight call in Stockholm, a private concert in Tallinn, Estonia and an optional excursion to Vilnius, Lithuania. Optional Helsinki or St. Petersburg prelude and Copenhagen postlude. *Cruise rates from \$8,999*



Kinderdijk, The Netherlands

Golden Cities of Central Europe: Poland & the Czech Republic *September 19 to 30, 2018*

Discover the art and architecture of Central Europe. In Poland, explore Warsaw, Kraków, and Wrocław, destroyed during WWII but now beautifully restored. Continue to Prague and the Lobkowitz Palace, to enjoy a private lunch and admire a priceless assemblage of Old Masters. Optional Dresden postlude. *Land rate \$8,999*

Belgium & Holland Aboard the Boutique Riverboat Magnifique III *September 21 to 29, 2018*

Experience the best of Belgium and The Netherlands aboard an intimate boutique riverboat. Embark on a journey through time, following canals and rivers from Bruges to Amsterdam. Biking enthusiasts can take to land several times during the cruise, rejoining the ship along the way. *Cruise rates from \$4,999*

Hudson River Valley: Artistic Legacy & Splendid Estates *September 29 to October 5*

Immerse yourself in paintings, architecture, and furnishings at the Hudson Valley's historic homes and mansions. Enjoy custom tours of private collections and estates including Kykuit, Cedar Grove, and Olana. Savor farm-fresh cuisine at the Culinary Institute of America, and view contemporary art in inspired natural settings at Dia:Beacon and Storm King Art Center. *Land rate: \$4,499*

Adriatic Odyssey: Venice to Valletta Aboard Sea Cloud II *October 11 to 21, 2018*

Cruise the Adriatic, Ionian, and Mediterranean seas on this unforgettable voyage. Sail to Ravenna to see stunning mosaics; Dubrovnik, to explore exquisite architecture; and Sicily, to tour the classical ruins of Syracuse. This program includes new visits to Trieste and Otranto, Italy, and returns to Butrint, Albania. Optional Venice prelude and Malta postlude. *Cruise rates from \$7,999*

Artistic Legacies & Historic Estates of the Hudson Valley

October 13 to 19, 2018

Immerse yourself in paintings, architecture, and furnishings at the Hudson Valley's historic homes and mansions. Enjoy custom tours of private collections and estates including Kykuit, Cedar Grove, and Olana. Follow art into the modern era at Storm King Art Center. In Hudson, investigate today's artistic process during a salon discussion with artists.

Land rate: \$6,999

The Ancient Civilizations & Modern Art of Chile

October 15 to 25, 2018

Savor the stunning scenery, unique flora and fauna, and amazing artifacts of Chile. Begin in Santiago with a private visit to the Pre-Columbian Art Museum. In Valparaíso, tour the former residence of poet Pablo Neruda. Discover the world's highest altitude desert in Atacama and sample regional vintages in the Maipo Valley. Optional Easter Island prelude. *Land rate \$9,499*



Pre-Columbian Art Museum, Santiago, photo by Tim Adams

A Journey into Antiquity: Egypt & the Nile

December 26, 2018 to January 6, 2019

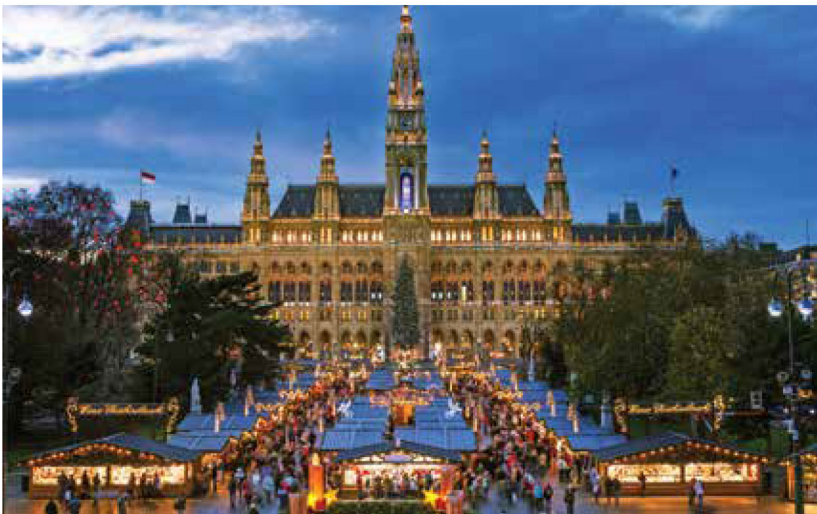
Enjoy special access to the monuments and ancient treasures of Egypt on an extraordinary New Year's trip. Marvel at the Great Pyramids and the Sphinx in Giza. Cruise the Nile from Luxor to Aswan aboard *Sanctuary Nile Adventurer*, stopping en route to explore fabulous temples. Fly to awe-inspiring Abu Simbel. Optional Jordan postlude.

Land/cruise rates from \$10,999

Russian Winter Arts: A New Year's Celebration

December 27, 2018 to January 5, 2019

Experience the magic of the holidays in Russia on this exceptional New Year's program. Begin in St. Petersburg to explore the Hermitage, and listen to a choir singing joyous hymns of the season. In Moscow, see world-class art at the Pushkin Museum, and enjoy a performance of the legendary Bolshoi. *Land rate: \$11,999*



Christmas Market in Vienna

Iconic Christmas Markets: Budapest to Nuremberg Aboard *AmaLea*

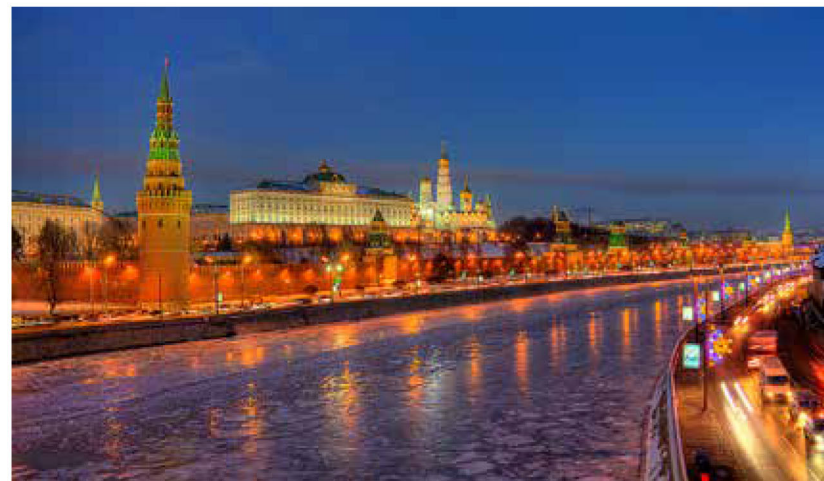
November 30 to December 9, 2018

Travel back in time on a special holiday cruise through the storybook cities and villages of the Danube. Stay overnight in Budapest before embarking *AmaLea* for a voyage to Vienna, Melk, Regensburg, and other historic cities. Disembark in Nuremberg, home to one of Germany's largest holiday markets. *Cruise rates from \$4,999*

Bermuda: Exclusive Collections & Exotic Gardens

December 6 to 10, 2018

Visit Bermuda's museums and charming gardens, and tour historic private homes during the Christmas Walkabout in UNESCO-listed St. George's Town. Take a special tour of the Bermuda National Gallery, explore the Masterworks Museum with a curator, and stroll through the Bermuda Botanical Gardens. *Land rate: \$4,999*



Kremlin, Moscow, photo by Pavel Kazachkov



CULTURAL JOURNEYS 2019

Sahara Desert, Morocco

Siam to Singapore Aboard the *Eastern & Oriental Express* January 19 to 30, 2019

Discover Bangkok's temples, palaces, and less-visited museums before a journey aboard the elegant *Eastern & Oriental Express*. The train makes a detour off the main line to cross the infamous rail bridge on the River Kwai. Conclude in Singapore to meander through the renowned Botanic Gardens. Optional Chiang Mai prelude.

Land/rail rate: \$10,899

Cuba by Sea: Cienfuegos to Havana Aboard *Variety Voyager* January 24 to February 1, 2019

Explore Cuba's southern shore, with its rugged mountains, pristine beaches, and well-preserved colonial architecture. From Cienfuegos, cruise east to UNESCO-listed Trinidad. Call at less-visited Isla de la Juventud and idyllic María la Gorda before concluding in Havana. Optional Santiago de Cuba postlude. *Cruise rates from \$6,999*

Hamilton's Caribbean: Barbados to Antigua Aboard *Sea Cloud* January 29 to February 5, 2019

Explore the rich history and cultural legacy of the Caribbean islands aboard a legendary sailing yacht. From Barbados, sail to lush St. Lucia. Visit the childhood home of Alexander Hamilton on Nevis, and call at St. Kitts and St. Eustatius. Enjoy St. Barthélemy's white-sand beaches before continuing to Îles des Saintes. Optional Barbados prelude.

*Cruise rates from \$9,999**

Art & Gardens of the Caribbean: Antigua to Barbados Aboard *Sea Cloud* February 5 to 12, 2019

Discover lush gardens and experience Caribbean culture. From Antigua, cruise to St. Kitts to visit Romney Manor, then sail to Nevis for the museum at Alexander Hamilton's former home. On Grenada, tour a fruit and spice plantation. Discover Carriacou's museum and boat-building traditions before calling at St. Vincent to see its lush gardens. Optional Barbados postlude. *Cruise rates from \$9,999**

Crossroads of Cultures: Canary Islands, Morocco & Iberia Aboard *Sea Spirit* April 5 to 18, 2019

Discover lesser-known islands, magnificent Moroccan cities, and storied Spanish and Portuguese ports on a new cultural cruise. Optional Lisbon postlude.

*Cruise rates from \$9,999**

High Art in the Low Countries Aboard *Magnifique III* May 17 to 25, 2019

Admire the art and architecture of Belgium and the Netherlands during a cruise aboard an intimate new boutique riverboat. Peruse nine centuries of architecture, from the 12th-century Gravensteen Castle in Ghent to Zaha Hadid's futuristic Harbor House in Antwerp, and see the splendid masterpieces of the Rijksmuseum. *Cruise rates from \$7,999*

Conquering Heroes: From Joan of Arc to Eisenhower ~ Normandy to Paris Aboard *AmaLyr* June 4 to 13, 2019

Visit Omaha Beach to commemorate the 75th anniversary of D-Day before a seven-night cruise on the Seine River. Optional Normandy prelude; optional Versailles postlude. *Cruise rates from \$6,999**

Waterways of the Tsars: Moscow to St. Petersburg Aboard *Volga Dream* June 5 to 15, 2019

Sail the Volga River into Russia's heartland, stepping ashore in Golden Ring towns few Americans have visited. Optional St. Petersburg postlude.

*Cruise rates from \$8,999**

Castles & Collections of the Celtic Isles: Dublin to Edinburgh Aboard *Sea Cloud II* July 6 to 17, 2019

Visit romantic estates, exotic gardens, and prehistoric settlements on a luxury summer cruise. Optional Dublin prelude and Edinburgh postlude.

*Cruise rates from \$10,999**

Undiscovered Greek Islands Aboard *Sea Cloud* July 21 to 29, 2019

Immerse yourself in the ancient wonders of Greece during a delightful summertime voyage aboard a legendary ship. Optional Athens prelude.

*Cruise rates from \$9,999**

Sicily by Sail: Catania to Naples Aboard *Sea Cloud II* October 10 to 18, 2019

Experience the thrill of sailing around Sicily to Naples aboard the elegant *Sea Cloud II*. Optional Taormina prelude and Sorrento postlude. *Cruise rates from \$8,999**

*** Early Booking Incentive available**



Dunnotar Castle, Aberdeen, Scotland

Please send me more information on the 2018 & 2019 trip(s) checked below.

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*Front cover: Royal Monastery of Santa Maria, Guadelupe, Spain.
Back cover: Sea Cloud.*

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- ☐ I have no further plans to travel. Please take me off your mailing list.

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Travel Programs Summer 2018 – Fall 2019



A PREVIEW OF CULTURAL JOURNEYS
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