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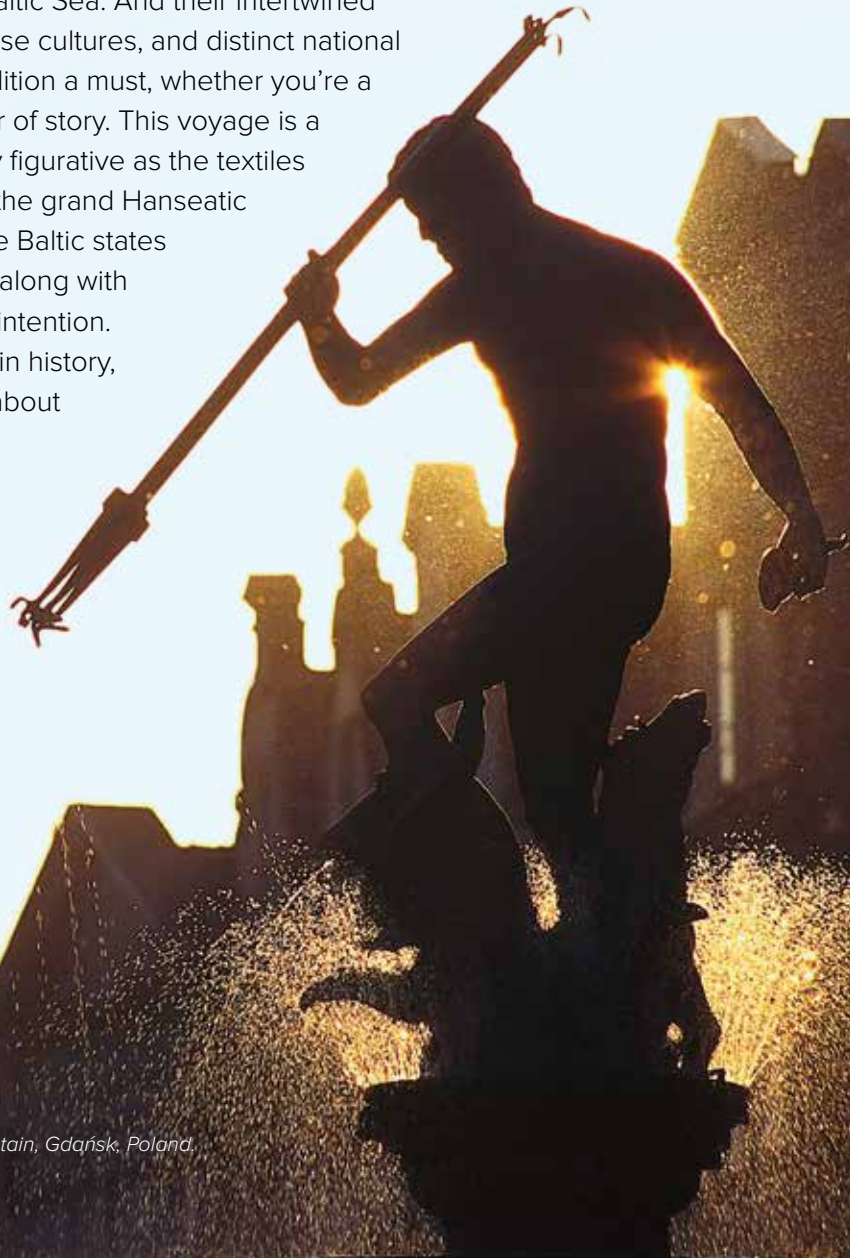
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**NATIONAL
GEOGRAPHIC™**

HISTORIC

Eight countries share the Baltic Sea. And their intertwined histories, fascinatingly diverse cultures, and distinct national characters make this expedition a must, whether you're a history fan, or simply a lover of story. This voyage is a cohesive narrative, as richly figurative as the textiles once traded worldwide by the grand Hanseatic League merchants. Plus, the Baltic states are much in the news now, along with speculation about Russia's intention. Join us at a timely moment in history, to see, do and learn more about this intriguing geography.



Cover and this page: Neptune's Fountain, Gdańsk, Poland.

EXCLUSIVE

Enjoy a ballet performance at St. Petersburg's Mikhailovsky Theater, one of Russia's oldest, complete with champagne at intermission. And experience two private music performances arranged by our musicologist, Jacob Edgar: in Riga at the iconic *Folkklub* restaurant; and in the heart of downtown Tallinn at St. Catherine's church. These are one-of-a-kind possibilities, don't miss out on experiences created exclusively for our guests—or the other engaging and memorable opportunities you will be able to choose daily during the voyage.



Ballet performance in St. Petersburg.

REWARDING

The beauty of the Baltic Sea capitals is the prime reason to visit Northern Europe, especially before the hordes descend, as savvy travelers know. But the discoveries to be made will make a lasting impression on you. Because we're on an expedition, we'll have uncommon opportunities to explore with Zodiacs or kayaks—to thread among the lovely islands of the Swedish archipelago, not simply cruise past. And to work up an appetite daily for cuisine the editor of Cruise Critic, Carolyn Spencer Brown, who voyaged aboard *Orion* last season, called “Simply superb.”



Lindblad guests exploring Stockholm by Zodiac.

CIRCUMNAVIGATING THE BALTIC SEA

14 DAYS/13 NIGHTS | DATES: 2017 APR. 19; MAY 2*

*This voyage travels in reverse.

Aboard *National Geographic Orion*

PRICES FROM: \$14,840 TO \$30,850

ITINERARY AT-A-GLANCE

- Day 1 Copenhagen, Denmark
- Day 2 Bornholm
- Day 3 Gdańsk, Poland
- Day 4 Klaipėda, Lithuania
- Day 5 Visby, Gotland, Sweden
- Day 6-7 Riga, Latvia
- Day 8 Tallinn, Estonia
- Day 9-10 St. Petersburg, Russia
- Day 11 Exploring Coastal Finland
- Day 12 Stockholm Archipelago, Sweden
- Day 13 Stockholm
- Day 14 Stockholm/Home



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Seabirds.

ENJOY THE BALTICS, WITH OUR COMPLIMENTS

DECIDE NOW— DEPARTING APRIL & MAY, WITH FREE ROUNDTrip AIRFARE*

Receive complimentary roundtrip airfare (New York/Copenhagen, Stockholm/New York or vice versa). Call an Expedition Specialist for details and help with arrangements.



BAR TAB & CREW GRATUITIES INCLUDED

In addition, everything you get to do on your expeditions—from World Heritage site visits to the Ballet, private concerts, The Hermitage Museum and other admission fees—is included in the price. The only things not included are items of a personal nature, including for example, laundry and internet service.



HOTELS ARRANGED FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE

Prefer to arrive early, or linger before returning home? We've arranged pre-voyage accommodations at the elegant Phoenix in Copenhagen, located in the historic downtown area; and post-voyage at the First Hotel Reisen in Stockholm, located on the waterfront near the Royal Palace. Call an Expedition Specialist for pricing and reservations.

**Free airfare is based on economy group flights that must be ticketed by Lindblad Expeditions. In the case that Lindblad's group flights are no longer available at time of booking, we reserve the right to issue a credit.*

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AN A+ EXPEDITION TEAM

Our hand-picked expedition team will illuminate the rich history and culture of this diverse geography. And the National Geographic photographer aboard will help you capture the moments at the heart of your experience.

ETHNOMUSICOLOGIST JACOB EDGAR



World music tastemaker and global explorer, Jacob has been the main music researcher for the acclaimed Putumayo World Music label; is the founder of the record label Cumbancha, and host of a music and travel television program *Music*

Voyager. Since 2014 he has been working with us, using his worldwide network to create exceptional and exclusive music experiences for our guests in all the regions we explore.



Representing the full team:

Clockwise from left: Expedition Leaders, Jen Martin; Alizé Carrère, Historian, David Barnes, Certified Photo Instructor, David Cothran



THE NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHERS ONBOARD TO INSPIRE AND ASSIST YOU ARE:



JIM RICHARDSON, APR. 19

Jim Richardson is a photojournalist whose first story for National Geographic magazine appeared in 1984. Since then, he has become one of the magazine's most productive contemporary contributing photographers, with more than 20 stories. Richardson also is a contributing editor of *National Geographic Traveler* magazine, where he has contributed both writing and photographs.



SISSE BRIMBERG, MAY 2

Sisse Brimberg, is an award-winning photographer, who has traveled the world since 1976 for National Geographic. She has published more than 30 stories, with a particular passion for historical/cultural stories. Born and raised in Copenhagen, her work is published and exhibited around the world and she is a contributing photographer for *National Geographic Traveler* magazine.

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- » Virtuoso “Best VAST Partner” Award, 2016
- » Cruise Critic Editor’s Pick Awards “Best for Adventure,” 2016, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010
- » 2016 World Tourism Award
- » Andrew Harper’s Reader Choice Awards: Best Cruise Lines, 2016
- » Town & Country Cruise Awards: Best for Families and Onboard Activities, Expedition Cruises, 2016
- » Porthole Cruise Magazine Readers’ Choice Awards: Best Expedition Cruise Line, 2015
- » Tourism Cares Travel Philanthropy Awards: Legacy in Travel Philanthropy, 2015
- » Condé Nast Traveler’s “Gold List,” 2013, 2009, 2008, 2007, 2006, 2005
- » Virtuoso “Sustainable Tourism Leadership-Supplier” Award, 2013
- » Travel + Leisure “World’s Best” Award for Small-Ship Cruise Lines, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008
- » Travel + Leisure “World’s Best for Families” Award for Small-Ship Cruise Lines, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009
- » Climate Champion Award to Sven Lindblad by Clean Air-Cool Planet, 2009

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Stockholm Archipelago.