



#### DEAR TRAVELER,

Many of the individuals who choose to join our Columbia and Snake Rivers expedition are drawn by the history—the foundational American saga of the Lewis and Clark expedition, which mantles this region, from Cape Disappointment to the basalt cliffs of the Columbia River. Our voyages are carefully crafted to follow in their wake to present you with the same views these great explorers saw, and give you the same sense of awe and majesty they experienced—and more. What makes our voyages in the region unique and meaningful, is our team's ability to enhance the Lewis and Clark story by weaving it into the tapestry of subsequent life in the Pacific Northwest. The vineyards you'll visit, the locks you'll transit, even the vintage airplanes you'll see that once flew mail routes along the river, add deep layers of insight to your sense of the region's history.

Transiting the gorge by ship allows us to see time layered in the riverbanks, where the Missoula Floods of 15,000 years ago carved much of the route we transit, and the landslides of 500 years ago altered the river's course by a full mile—something your expedition's geologist will cover.

In fact, you'll find the full expedition team, with their informative talks and engaging companionship, put everything in context and weave an ongoing narrative from each day's events. And even the ship's hotel staff contributes to your knowledge and appreciation of the region, as they introduce you to Oregon and Washington's burgeoning food and wine scene. We meet new local vintners and brewers every season, and provide tastings aboard, with our compliments. You'll taste the region in the food, grown in the rich soil of the region served aboard, and learn about the sustainable farmers and providers we source from.

Natural beauty is on display all season long here. And our autumn departures take full advantage of the fall foliage—a highlight for photographers. Don't consider yourself a photographer? You might find traveling with a Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor aboard opens new possibilities for you, and that you'll be thrilled with the photos you take home.

No other travel company offers the uniquely multi-faceted history and culture experience that we do. And we promise if you choose to join us, you'll make a big deposit in your memory bank.

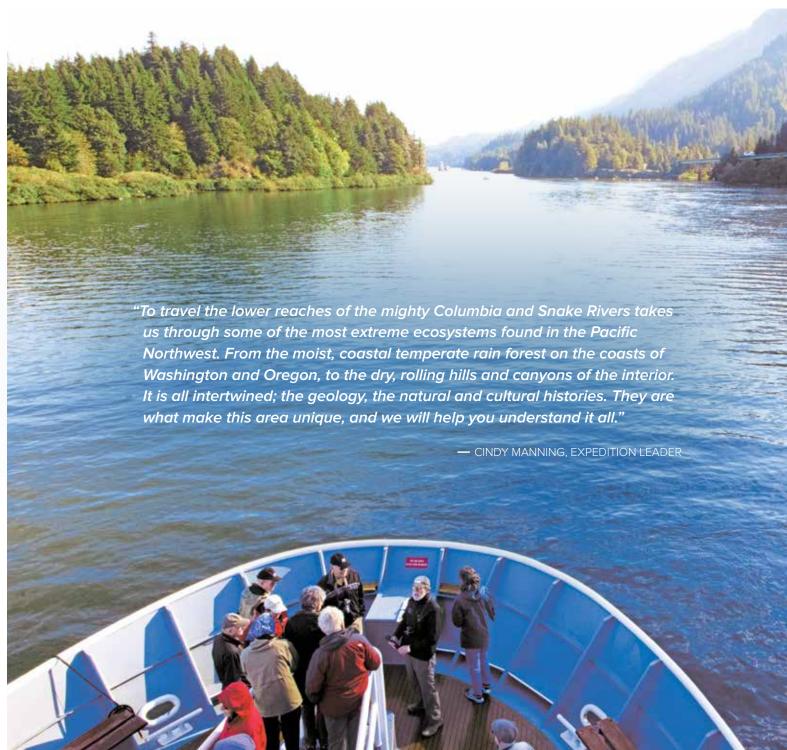
All the best,

Sven-Olof Lindblad









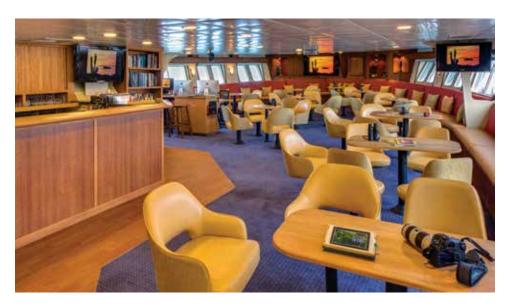




# THE PERFECT BASE CAMP FOR EXPLORING

Traveling expedition-style, we experience the region with all our senses—seeing its grand beauty, hearing its waterfalls and wild silences, feeling its fresh air. We taste it daily in the delectable food served aboard, grown in the region's rich soil, sourced from sustainable local farms and providers—with wines and craft beers from the region's vintners and brewers. All the while our expedition team weaves a cohesive regional narrative in onboard talks, excursions or, field walks.

And you'll find the *National Geographic Sea Bird* and *Sea Lion*, our twin 62-guest expedition ships, to be equally engaging. Fully renovated just two years ago, both vessels continue to deliver a new standard for expedition hospitality, comfort, and convenience. The spacious lounge, center of onboard life, accommodates the whole community with modern seating and a welcoming atmosphere, while the upgraded dining room and wine bar elevate mealtimes. And every cabin in every category invites you in with modern aged cherry wood cabinetry, dimmable lighting, and our signature, organic cotton bed linens. At the end of each active day, sink into a chair on the sun deck or find a perch on the bow to watch as we glide through time layered in stone on the banks of the river.



Left: Bow of the National Geographic Sea Bird, Palouse River. Above: Refurbished lounge and bar.

# RELIVING THE PAST, ILLUMINATING THE PRESENT

The intrepid spirit of Meriwether Lewis and William Clark permeates this corner of the continental U.S. where they led the Corps of Discovery expedition. Traveling in their footsteps, we gain a deeper understanding of what they endured and the ardent curiosity that spurred them on. Our itinerary is designed with stops that embrace that heritage of discovery. Visit Fort Clatsop, where the Corps hunkered down for the wet winter of 1805-06; take in the extensive and eclectic galleries at Maryhill Museum which include Native American basketry, intricate chess sets, art nouveau glass, and a world-class Rodin collection; and at the Western Antique Aeroplane & Automobile Museum (WAAAM) explore one of the largest collections of still-functioning, antique cars and planes in the country.











# DISCOVER THE ANCIENT BEDROCK OF THE WEST

From Hells Canyon, America's deepest, river-cut canyon to Palouse Falls, which drops dramatically into a cavernous plunge pool, the geology of the Gorge tells the story of a restless land forged through the eons by catastrophic volcanoes, Ice Age floods, and powerful landslides. Yet, today, we are able to enjoy its beauty peacefully aboard our ship, employing our kayaks and expedition landing craft to explore its wild reaches up close. Around every bend of the Columbia and the Snake Rivers, the region's unique natural history reveals itself in the layered rock walls and stacked lava flows of columnar basalt. These two rivers also offer up another exhilarating marvel: eight locks which lift or lower the ship some 700 feet, nearly 10 times what the Panama Canal entails!

Clockwise from left: The National Geographic Sea Bird makes it's way through the locks. Top: One of the exhibits at the Western Antique Aeroplane & Automobile Museum. Above right: Fort Clatsop. Above left: The Maryhill Museum.

# SAVOR THE FLAVORS OF OREGON & WASHINGTON

When's the last time you ate bread that held within it the secret of shifting topography and ancient volcanoes, or salmon whose fate is linked to the health of our regional river system? Like the geologic and historical sites of this region, the culinary land-scape has intriguing stories to share as well. Throughout the week our expedition team will create myriad opportunities to taste the bounty of the Pacific Northwest—when we call on local farm stands, and at every meal aboard—since our chef provisions the ship with food harvested along the very river we explore daily. So breakfast, lunch and dinner all feature fresh, local fare.







#### A CERTIFICATION WE CAN RELY ON

Food Alliance certification ensures that food is produced by well-treated workers; that meat

products come from humanely-raised animals; and that the regional soil, water and



wildlife habitats are protected and enhanced. As much as possible, the food served aboard our ships reflects their work—delectable meals you can feel doubly good about enjoying.

We are proud to be the only Food Alliance Supply Chain Ally in the travel industry.

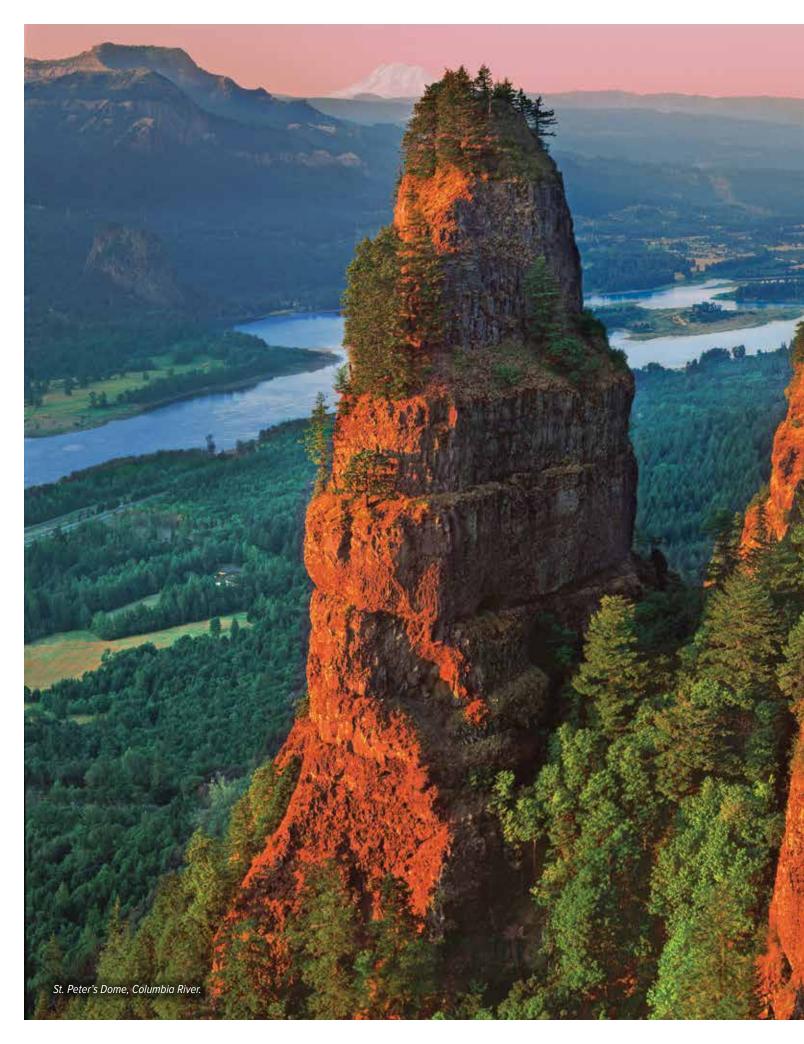
# CHEERS TO LOCAL WINE AND CRAFT BEER!

Local wines served aboard represent the various growing areas and the grape varieties which embody the region's best—including vintners like Cascade Cliffs Winery which we'll visit on our voyage. And the regional craft beers are on the radar of beer cognoscenti nationwide. Among them, you'll discover two of the region's best craft brewers: Full Sail Brewing and Deschutes Brewery, both committed to socially responsible practices.

Enjoy tastings with our compliments during the evening Recap and dinner—as a way to experience the full richness and diversity of the Pacific Northwest.



TO GET A TASTE OF WHAT AWAITS YOU ON BOARD, VISIT **EXPEDITIONS.COM/TASTE** 





# TRAVEL WITH AN A+ EXPEDITION TEAM

Join your expedition's geologist and naturalist to marvel at the region's natural history. Hear tales of the Corps of Discovery from your historian. Or end the day with a massage from your wellness specialist. With one expert aboard for every 15 guests, you're ensured diverse expertise, varied points of view and engaging companionship. And your entire experience will be captured on film by our onboard video chronicler.

## LARRY PRUSSIN EXPEDITION LEADER

Former National Park Ranger, environmental educator, and a long-time expedition leader, Larry has been a naturalist for over 35 years.



## DR. ROBERT GATTEN JR. HISTORIAN

Emeritus Professor of Biology at the University of North Carolina and former President of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage foundation.



## RICH KIRCHNER PHOTO INSTRUCTOR

Over his 25 years as a wildlife photographer, Richard's work has appeared in more than 100 books and scores of magazines.



## GRACE WINER GEOLOGIST

An educator, naturalist, and expert geologist, Grace has studied volcanism in Alaska, the geology of diamonds, and much more.



These staff members represent a sampling of our expedition team. Please visit www.expeditions.com/expertbios and select your itinerary to learn which staff is traveling on your departure.

# NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC

## NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC MAKES THE MOST OF PHOTO OPS WITH EXPEDITION PHOTOGRAPHY

From the unrivaled beauty of the Columbia River Gorge to the moody silhouette of Mount Hood, you'll find photo ops around every bend. A Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor is aboard on every voyage to offer assistance, instructions, and shooting tips in the field to ensure you go home with top photos that tell the story of your thrilling expedition.



CHECK OUT EXPEDITION SNAPSHOTS FROM GUESTS - AND UPLOAD YOUR OWN ON THE **EXPEDITIONS.COM** HOMEPAGE

# COLUMBIA & SNAKE RIVERS JOURNEY: HARVESTS, HISTORY & LANDSCAPES

7 DAYS/6 NIGHTS—ABOARD NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SEA BIRD & NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SEA LION

PRICES FROM: 2017: \$4,890 to \$8,540 (See page 14 for complete prices.)

he Corps of Discovery expedition, led by Lewis and Clark from 1804 to 1806, was a dramatic episode in American history. Conceived by President Thomas Jefferson as more than a geographic exploration, it studied native cultures, collected specimens, and, through maps, put form to what was terra incognita. Retrace Lewis & Clark's rich history of exploration. Visit campsites of the Corps of Discovery and learn about their relationships with the Native American tribes. Plus see diverse landscapes, travel through a series of eight locks, and enjoy locally and sustainably sourced cuisine, including award-winning wines and craft brews.

#### **EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS**

- ► Follow the path of Lewis and Clark's expedition, stopping at some of their campsites and learning about the Nez Perce people they encountered.
- ► Explore the history, geology, and cuisine of the Columbia & Snake rivers region aboard an intimate, 62-guest expedition ship.
- ► Enjoy locally sourced, sustainable food on board, from providers along the way, so it's literally as fresh as can be

#### **EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE**



Our 4-person expedition team is your link to the past and present of the region. An expedition leader, historian, geologist and

naturalist/Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor, plus a wellness specialist and video chronicler, will ensure unparalleled understanding and enjoyment of the places and people along our route.

Visit our website to read staff bios for this expedition.

The Palouse River.



#### DAY 1: PORTLAND, OREGON/EMBARK

Board our ship and cruise the center of Portland on the Willamette River before reaching the Columbia River. (D)

#### **DAY 2: ASTORIA**

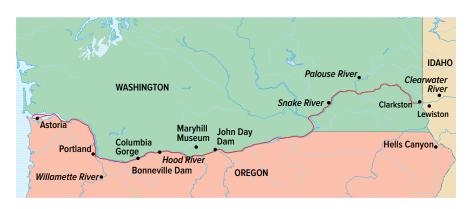
We begin our journey by navigating the Columbia to the mouth of the river at Astoria. At Fort Clatsop, where the explorers hunkered down for the wet winter of 1805-1806, we walk through the full-scale reconstructed fort. Visit the Columbia River Maritime Museum, which chronicles the history of river navigation and this port town. In the afternoon explore more of Lewis and Clark history with several options to choose from. (B,L,D)

### DAY 3: COLUMBIA RIVER GORGE/HOOD RIVER

This morning we begin our orientation to the Gorge. You'll get a fresh perspective on such highlights as Bonneville Lock and Dam, Beacon Rock, and Multnomah Falls. Continue through the Gorge to Hood River, where we'll enjoy fresh fruit and taste award-winning wines at a local vineyard. (B,L,D)

#### DAY 4: THE DALLES/MARYHILL MUSEUM

Visit the Columbia River Gorge Discovery Center to learn about the region's natural history. Hike or take bicycles along the beautiful river trail. In the afternoon we'll visit the Maryhill Museum with its impressive collection of Rodin sculptures and drawings, extensive



collection of Native American baskets, and other fascinating exhibits. (B,L,D)

#### DAY 5: EXPLORING THE PALOUSE RIVER

The still water of the Palouse River is the perfect mirror for the surrounding basalt cliffs as we set off cruising on our expedition landing craft and kayak adventures. Visit Palouse Falls, where cascading waters plunge into the pool below. Afterwards, sail up the Snake River, enjoying a taste of local specialties. (B,L,D)

#### DAY 6: CLARKSTON, WASHINGTON

At Clarkston, we find ourselves at the confluence of the Snake and Clearwater rivers, more than 450 miles from the sea. Travel by comfortable jet boat up the Snake River into one of North America's most scenic spots, spectacular Hells Canyon. (B,L,D)

#### **DAY 7: CLARKSTON/DISEMBARK**

Transfer to Lewiston, Idaho or Spokane, Washington for connecting flights home. (B)

#### **EXPEDITION DETAILS**

**DATES: 2017** Sep. 19, 20, 26\*; Oct. 1, 2, 7\*, 8\*, 13, 19\*

\*These departures travel from Clarkston, Washington to Portland, Oregon.

#### **SPECIAL OFFER:**

Book by Mar. 31, 2017 and receive a \$500 Air Credit on select 2017 departures. New bookings only; subject to availability. Please call for details.

#### NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PHOTOGRAPHERS

Join National Geographic photographer **Becky Hale** (pictured right) on the Sep. 19, 2017 departure and National



Geographic photographer and naturalist Jeff Mauritzen (pictured left) on the Oct. 1 & 7, 2017 departures.



#### PRE- AND POST-EXTENSIONS

Both extensions can be combined with an overnight in Portland. Please call for details.

#### **Portland City Tour**

Half-day guided exploration of the city's must-see highlights, neighborhoods and lush parks.

#### Willamette Valley Wine Tour

Combine the Portland City Tour with a visit to a few of the region's most acclaimed boutique wineries.



#### National Geographic Sea Bird and Sea Lion

**CAPACITY:** 62 guests in 31 outside cabins.

**REGISTRY:** United States. **OVERALL LENGTH:** 152 feet.

**PUBLIC AREAS:** The ship features a library; global market; lounge with full-service bar and facilities for films, slide shows and presentations; observation deck; partially covered sundeck with chairs and tables. The "open bridge" provides guests an opportunity to meet the officers and captain and learn about navigation.

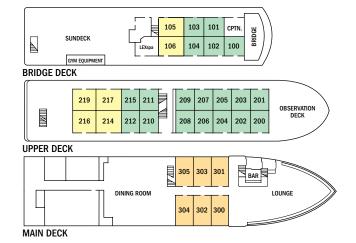
**MEALS:** Served in single seatings with unassigned tables for an informal atmosphere and easy mingling. Breakfast is a wide selection buffet, lunch is often served family style and dinner provides served menu options. Menu emphasizes local flair.

**CABINS:** All face outside with windows, private facilities and climate controls.

**EXPEDITION EQUIPMENT:** Bow camera, hydrophone, kayaks, Splash-Cam, underwater video camera, video microscope and a fleet of expedition landing craft.

**SPECIAL FEATURES:** Guest Internet access. A video chronicler on board all voyages.

**WELLNESS:** The vessel is staffed by a wellness specialist and features exercise equipment, LEXspa and outdoor stretching area.









Insets clockwise from top: Expedition ship National Geographic Sea Bird can access hard to reach locations; twin beds can be pushed together to form a double bed in Category 3 cabins on the Upper Deck; a comfortable Category 2 cabin freshly redesigned.

CATEGORY 1: Main Deck #300-305—Conveniently positioned between the dining room and lounge, these cabins feature two single lower beds, and a large view window.

CATEGORY 2: Bridge Deck #100-104; Upper Deck #200-212, 215—These well-located cabins include two lower single beds and a window.

CATEGORY 3: Bridge Deck #105, 106; Upper Deck #214, 216, 217, 219—These cabins feature a seating unit with table and two large view windows. Upper Deck cabins include two lower single beds which can convert to a double bed and a pull-out single bed for a third person; Bridge Deck cabins include two lower single beds only.

**Note:** Sole Occupancy cabins are available in Categories 1 and 2 only. Third person rates are available in certain categories at one half the double-occupancy rate.

**Shared Accommodations:** Shares can be arranged at the double-occupancy rate in Categories 1 and 2 only.

Prices are per person, double occupancy unless indicated as solo.

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Columbia & Snake Rivers Journey: Harvests, History & Landscapes	2017	\$4,890	\$5,690	\$6,650	\$7,340	\$8,540	\$750













#### **Reservation Information**

Costs Include: All accommodations aboard ships or in hotels per itinerary or similar, all meals and nonalcoholic beverages aboard ship, meals on land as indicated, air transportation where indicated as included, shore excursions, sightseeing and entrance fees, use of kayaks (where available), special access permits, transfers to and from group flights, use of snorkeling equipment and wet suits, tips (except to ship's crew), taxes and service charges, services of a ship physician on most voyages, and services of our expedition staff.

**Not Included:** Air transportation (except where shown as included), extensions, passport, visa, immigration fees, meals not indicated, travel protection plan, items of a personal nature such as alcoholic beverages, e-mail, voyage DVD, scuba diving (where available), laundry. Gratuities to ship's crew are at your discretion

Airfare: For all programs, airfare is an additional cost unless otherwise indicated. Sample airfares are subject to change. We will gladly assist in making your air arrangements for a \$50 per person service fee.

#### **TERMS & CONDITIONS**

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**Final Payment:** Final payment is due 90 days prior to departure.

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**Smoking Policy:** Smoking is allowed only in designated outdoor areas.

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Number of Days Prior	Per Person			
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120 or more days	\$350			
119–90 days	Advance payment cost			
89-60 days	25% of total fare			
59–45 days	50% of total fare			
44-0 days	No refund			

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- » All accommodations
- » Transfers to/from group flights
- » All meals & non-alcoholic beverages plus, wine & beer tastings
- » Activities & shore excursions
- » Expedition landing craft & kayak excursions
- » Tips, taxes, port charges & service charges (gratuities to ship's crew at your own discretion)
- » Morning stretch classes with our wellness specialist
- » The expertise of our Expedition Team, including talks and presentations
- » Hors d'oeuvres & snacks during nightly Recap in Lounge
- » 24-hour coffee, tea & soda
- » Complete pre-journey information, including packing recommendations and a reading list

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- » 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
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  Awards:
- » Condé Nast Traveler's "Gold List," 2013,

- 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
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