

SAIL ABOARD THE ELEGANT SEA CLOUD II

on this fascinating exploration of five nations bordering the Baltic Sea. At the height of summer, sunlight extends into the evening hours and temperatures are mild, making this an ideal time to soak up the rich history, diverse cultures, and magnificent monuments of Denmark, Estonia, Latvia, Russia, and Sweden.

Marvel at the maritime city of Copenhagen, once a Viking fishing village and now the cultural, economic, and governmental center of Denmark, and the remote Danish island of Bornholm. Our next ports of call, Riga and Tallinn in the

newly independent Baltic states of Latvia and Estonia, boast marvelously untouched medieval quarters. In St. Petersburg, the most Westernized city in Russia, enjoy the grandeur of its country estates and the incomparable Hermitage Museum. End in Stockholm, Sweden's beautiful cosmopolitan capital spread across 14 islands. Optional post-trip extensions in Stockholm and Stockholm/Helsinki are also available.

The *Sea Cloud II* is an intimate cruise ship with berths for just 78 guests, so reserve your space now by calling (888) 328-2089 or (650) 328-2089; or email res@criteriontravel.com.



LECTURERS



KIM LANE SCHEPPELLE, the Laurance S. Rockefeller Professor of Sociology and International

Affairs in the Woodrow Wilson School and the University Center for Human Values, and SERGUEI OUSHAKINE, Associate Professor of Anthropology and Slavic Languages and Director of the Program in Russian and Eurasian Studies, will serve as Princeton study leaders on this journey.

Professor Oushakine has conducted fieldwork in the Siberian part of Russia, his native land, as well as in Belarus and Kyrgyzstan. His research is concerned with transitional processes and situations—from the formation of newly independent national cultures after the collapse of the Soviet

Union to post-traumatic identities and hybrid cultural forms. Professor Scheppele works at the intersection of law, political science, sociology, and public policy, and has done research across the European Union, particularly in the post-socialist accession states of East-Central Europe. Her current work focuses on the crises besetting the European Union—from the Eurocrisis to BREXIT to the migration crisis to the problem of backsliding democracies and the rise of far-right parties across Europe. Both scholars alighted the Golden Eagle luxury train nearly a decade ago on Princeton Journeys' first experience across Siberia and, most recently, led a group of intrepid Princetonians along the great Silk Road through Central Asia's five 'stans—Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan, and Kazakhstan.



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human biology at
Stanford and former
president of the

Flora Family Foundation. Since joining the Stanford faculty in 1966, he has served as dean of undergraduate studies and vice provost of undergraduate education. Born in Turkey to Armenian parents, he received his undergraduate and medical degrees from the American University in Beirut and his psychiatric training at the University of Rochester in New York.

COVER:

Church of the Savior on Spilled Blood, St. Petersburg.

THIS PAGE: Tallinn, Estonia.

BACK COVER: Nyhavn district, Copenhagen.



Hinerary

Many days offer a choice of excursions, included in the program price except where noted with (*).

Friday, July 28 & Saturday, July 29

HOME / COPENHAGEN, DENMARK

Depart home on an overnight flight to Copenhagen. Relax at the hotel or join an optional afternoon activity.

OPTION 1 (*): Take a walking tour of Copenhagen's historic center, from the colorful waterfront of Nyhavn and past the Christiansborg Palace to the medieval streets around the Round Tower, Copenhagen University, and the Cathedral of Our Lady.

OPTION 2 (*): Sample traditional Danish snacks at the popular Torvehallerne food hall and visit the Designmuseum Danmark, dedicated to Danish and international design and crafts.

ALL: This evening gather for a special welcome reception and dinner. ADMIRAL HOTEL (R,D)

island of Holmen in central Copenhagen. **OPTION 2:** Accompanied by a guide, explore the National Museum's Viking artifacts and other ancient treasures. **ALL:** After lunch, a brief city tour includes photo stops at Amalienborg Palace and *The Little Mermaid* statue. Late this afternoon embark the *Sea Cloud II*. *SEA CLOUD II* (B,L,D)

Monday, July 31

AT SEA / BORNHOLM ISLAND

Anchor off the remote Danish island of Bornholm.

OPTION 1: Visit one of the island's classic Romanesque round churches, with ancient rune stones and frescoes, and sample traditional smoked herring at the Hasle Smoke House.

OPTION 2: Stroll the cobbled streets of Svaneke, a charming fishing village with artisan shops and workshops, and learn about crafting beer at a local brewhouse.

ALL: Enjoy an afternoon of cruising under sail (weather permitting) and the captain's welcome dinner this evening. *SEA CLOUD II* (B,L,D)

Tuesday, August 1

AT SEA

As the *Sea Cloud II* cruises to Latvia, relax on board and enjoy the continuation of the lecture program.

SEA CLOUD II (B,L,D)

Wednesday, August 2

RIGA, LATVIA

Riga, capital and largest city of Latvia, was founded in 1201 and is a former Hanseatic League member. Enjoy a tour of Riga's historical center, a UNESCO World Heritage site noted for its Art Nouveau/Jugendstil and 19th-century wooden architecture. A specially arranged folkloric performance incorporates the rich heritage of Latvian mythology and customs in song, dance, and traditional dress. This afternoon, explore Riga independently or visit the Museum of the Occupation of Riga, which documents the 51-year period in the 20th century when Latvia was occupied, successively, by the U.S.S.R., Nazi Germany, and the U.S.S.R. again.

Thursday, August 3

AT SEA

A full day aboard ship between Latvia and Estonia includes the continuation of the lecture program and time to relax. SEA CLOUD II (B,L,D)

Friday, August 4

TALLINN, ESTONIA

Tallinn, the capital of Estonia, was the site of mass demonstrations and protests known as the Singing Revolution, which resulted in Estonia's declaration of independence from the Soviet Union in 1990. A tour of Old Town, a UNESCO World Heritage site considered one of the most perfectly preserved medieval centers in northern Europe, includes the Russian Orthodox Alexander Nevsky Cathedral and the 13th-century Toompea Castle, now the home of the Estonian Parliament. Learn about current events in Estonia during a special guest lecture by a local journalist, and attend a private concert of medieval music in a historic guild house. Return to the ship for an afternoon of cruising through the Gulf of Finland to St. Petersburg. SEA CLOUD II (B,L,D)





Saturday, August 5

ST. PETERSBURG, RUSSIA

St. Petersburg still reflects the artistic splendor lavished on it by its chief planner, Peter the Great. An orientation tour includes the Peter and Paul Fortress, where the tsars are buried at the Peter and Paul Cathedral, and the exquisite new Fabergé Museum, housed in the restored Shuvalov Palace and showcasing nine of the rare Fabergé eggs given to the Russian tsars. Enjoy a private performance by the Red Army Choir at lunch, then visit the iconic Church of the Savior on Spilled Blood. Relax on board the ship, then return to the city for a specially arranged after-hours guided tour of the Hermitage Museum. Established by Catherine the Great, the Hermitage houses one of the largest and most important art collections in the world. SEA CLOUD II (B,L,D)

Sunday, August 6

ST. PETERSBURG

This morning offers a choice of excursions between two of St. Petersburg's magnificent palaces-and-parks complexes, both with special early entrances. **OPTION 1:** Visit Peter the Great's

Petrodvorets, a grand palace perched on the ridge above the Gulf of Finland. Its vast gardens, brimming with statuary and fountains, were intended to rival the elegance of Versailles.

OPTION 2: Explore Catherine Palace in the town of Pushkin (Tsarskoye Selo). The palace sports an elaborately decorated blue-and-white exterior and lavishly embellished interior. It is particularly renowned for its extraordinary Amber Room, once deemed the "eighth wonder of the world" for its décor, which boasts six tons of solid

amber deftly carved and framed in gold leaf. Plundered by the Nazis in 1941, the original room remains missing, but a magnificent reconstruction was undertaken in honor of St. Petersburg's 300th anniversary in 2003.

ALL: Enjoy a late-afternoon visit to the Hermitage's Impressionists collection, now housed in a separate building, before setting sail for Stockholm.

SEA CLOUD II (B,L,D)

Monday, August 7

AT SEA

The lecture program continues during a full day of cruising. Weather permitting, watch as skilled crew members climb the masts to dizzying heights and step nimbly along the rigging to hand-set more than 30,000 square feet of canvas, using techniques that have remained unchanged for 500 years.

SEA CLOUD II (B,L,D)

Tuesday, August 8

AT SEA / STOCKHOLM ARCHIPELAGO, SWEDEN

A final day of cruising offers time to relax and enjoy the ship's amenities, the conclusion of the lecture program, and a festive farewell reception and dinner. During the long twilight hours of summer at this latitude, the *Sea Cloud II* will cruise among some of the thousands of picturesque small islands that make up the Stockholm archipelago, a special time to be on deck.

SEA CLOUD II (B,L,D)

Wednesday, August 9

STOCKHOLM / HOME

Disembark in Stockholm and transfer to the airport for flights home. (B)

STOCKHOLM

August 9-10

Explore Stockholm's City Hall, site of the annual Nobel Prize banquet; the Vasa Museum, which features a 17th-century warship that sank in Stockholm harbor on its maiden voyage and was salvaged and restored more than 300 years later; and the picturesque streets of the old town center, Gamla Stan.



STOCKHOLM & HELSINKI

August 9-14

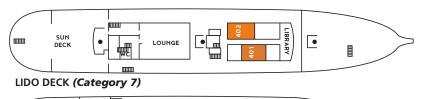
Visit Stockholm's City Hall, site of the annual Nobel Prize banquet; the Vasa Museum, which features a 17th-century warship that sank in Stockholm harbor on its maiden voyage and was salvaged and restored more than 300 years later; and the picturesque old town center, Gamla Stan. Then fly to Helsinki and explore the Finnish capital and surrounding areas during a four-night stay, including one night outside the capital at a lovely lakeside estate. Highlights include the striking architecture of Helsinki; a dinner cruise through the Helsinki archipelago; Alvar Aalto's former home and studio; the classic Finnish village and artisan center of Fiskars; and a cooking demonstration and dinner at a Michelin-star restaurant.

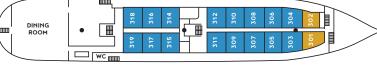
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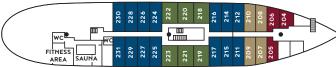


Christened in 2001, the *Sea Cloud II* is perhaps the most luxurious three-masted sailing yacht on the seas today. Like Marjorie Merriweather Post's legendary *Sea Cloud*, she combines the seafaring elegance of a bygone era with the highest modern standards of luxury. In the grand tradition of the world's finest sailing vessels, guests experience this marvelous ship under sail (weather permitting), as the skilled crew hand-sets more than 30,000 square feet of canvas. The *Sea Cloud II* offers an intimate setting of just 47 beautifully appointed cabins, gracious common areas, world-class service, and five-star dining.





PROMENADE DECK (Categories 5-6)



CABIN DECK (Categories 1-4)

PROGRAM RATES, per person

CATEGORY		DOUBLE	SINGLE
1	129 sq. ft., upper & lower twin beds, 2 portholes, shower	\$8,990	\$13,490
2	172 sq. ft., forward, twin beds*, 2 portholes, shower	\$9,990	\$14,990
3	172 sq. ft., midship, twin beds*, 2 portholes, shower	\$11,990	\$17,990
4	204 sq. ft., twin beds*, 2 portholes, shower	\$12,990	
5	204 sq. ft., queen bed*, panorama windows, shower	\$13,990	
6	247 sq. ft., twin beds*, panorama windows, bathtub/shower combo	\$15,990	
7	290 sq. ft., king bed*, panorama windows, bathtub, separate shower	\$18,990	

*In categories 2, 3, 4, and 6, twin beds can be kept separate or pushed together to form one larger bed, with the exception of cabins 224 and 226, where beds are fixed together as one larger bed. Note that queen and king beds in categories 5 and 7 are made up of two mattresses, side-by-side.





PROGRAM RATES INCLUDE

- All accommodations, meals, and excursions as specified in the itinerary
- Full program of briefings, lectures, and presentations
- Complementary transfers for all participants on group arrival and departure days
- Baggage handling at hotels and ship
- Gratuities to porters, wait staff, guides, drivers, and shipboard personnel
- Port charge
- Entrance fees
- Welcome and farewell wine receptions
- House wine, beer, and soft drinks with all group lunches and dinners
- Bottled water on motor coaches
- Professional tour manager



AIR ARRANGEMENTS U.S. domestic and international airfare is not included in the program rates. Round-trip economy-class airfare from New York to Copenhagen, with return from Stockholm, is approximately \$1,072 per person as of September 2016 and is subject to change without notice. Information about making flight arrangements will be sent to all participants.

WHAT TO EXPECT Cruising on the Baltic Sea, a large body of water that is relatively isolated from the ocean, should be a pleasant and smooth experience most of the time. Tides are minimal and the surface is fairly smooth except during a storm. The climate in the region visited is generally mild, with average temperatures in the 60s and infrequent rain. The pace of this trip is moderately active, with up to two miles of walking each day, often on cobbled streets and uneven terrain. Elevators and handrails on stairs may not be available. Participants must be in good health and able to keep up with the group without assistance from tour staff. Limited medical facilities are available aboard the Sea Cloud II.

A NOTE ABOUT COSTS

Tour costs are based upon current fuel prices, currency values, taxes, tariffs, and a minimum number of participants. While we will do everything possible to maintain the listed prices, they are subject to change. If there are significant changes, details and costs will be advised prior to departure.

GROUP SIZE This program is limited to 78 participants.

GENERAL INFORMATION

PROGRAM RATES DO NOT **INCLUDE** U.S. domestic and international airfare - Passport/visa expenses • Medical expenses and immunizations Private airport transfers outside of group arrival and departure dates - Travel insurance • Optional excursions or deviations from the scheduled tour • Excess-baggage charges Meals not specified in the itinerary; dishes and beverages not part of the included meals; liquor or soft drinks except as noted - Laundry or dry cleaning - Telephone, fax, Internet and email charges • Room service • Other items of a personal nature

TRAVEL INSURANCE Travel insurance for trip cancellation and interruption, medical problems, baggage loss and delay, etc., is highly recommended, and we urge you to obtain it for this tour. Trip cancellation policies are detailed above and strictly applied. Travelers are free to purchase travel insurance of their choice. It is recommended that travelers clearly understand the difference between "primary" and "secondary" travel insurance. Please be sure to carry the details of your travel insurance coverage with you on the program.

ITINERARY MODIFICATIONS

The itinerary presented for this tour is subject to modification and change by Criterion Travel. Every reasonable effort will be made to operate the program as planned; however, should unforeseen world events and conditions require the itinerary to be altered. Criterion Travel reserves the right to do so for the safety and best interest of the group. Any extra expenses incurred in this situation are the responsibility of the participant.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

Complete Terms and Conditions including Statement of Responsibility will be made available to you at time of registration, or in advance

upon request. A signed "Agreement, Assumption of Risk, Waiver and Release" is required from each applicant prior to participation on the

RESERVATIONS & PAYMENTS

A deposit of \$1,000 per person is required to reserve space on this program. You may complete the reservation form included in this brochure and mail it with your check or credit card information to Criterion Travel, 145 Forest Avenue, Palo Alto, CA 94301. Or you may fax the completed reservation form to (650) 560-6400. If you have guestions, please call (888) 328-2089 or email res@criteriontravel. com. Final payment deadline is March 30, 2017. For those who register after March 30, 2017, full payment is due upon registration.

CANCELLATIONS & REFUNDS

Upon payment of the \$1,000 per person deposit, all reservations are subject to the cancellation provisions set forth below and by which the passenger agrees to be bound. Cancellations shall not be in effect until they are received in writing and confirmed by Criterion Travel. Deposits are refundable (less a \$250 per person administration fee) if written notice of cancellation is received within 30 days of reservation: after that, deposits are 100% nonrefundable. Cancellations after final payment deadline of March 30, 2017: All payments are 100% nonrefundable, regardless of booking date. Trip cancellation insurance is strongly recommended. Note: Criterion Travel accepts no liability for any airline cancellation penalties incurred with the purchase of nonrefundable tickets.

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ACCOMMODATIONS	
Cabin category preference: 1st 2nd	
Bed preference on ship: □ Twin beds joined as double □ Twins	

Bed preference at hotels (not guaranteed): ☐ Two beds ☐ One bed

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□ I/we have read the tour information and agree to the Terms &

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BALTIC SEA

Copenhagen to Stockholm aboard the Sea Cloud II JULY 28-AUGUST 9, 2017 combining the seafaring elegance of a bygone era with the highest modern standards of luxury.

elight in private musical events, including a children's folkloric performance in Riga, Latvia; a medieval music concert in Tallinn, Estonia; and the impressive Red Army Choir in St. Petersburg.

Scandinavian foods during excursions in Copenhagen and the island of Bornholm.

onjoy a specially arranged after-hours visit to the renowned Hermitage and early entrances to the palace complexes of Peter the Great or Catherine the Great.