



# COLUMBIA & SNAKE RIVERS

## **DISCOVER HARVESTS, HISTORY & LANDSCAPES**

September 26-October 2, 2016 Aboard National Geographic Sea Lion



"Our journey is most definitely not a cruise but a true expedition where we encounter new things and take an active part in exploring the land bordering the rivers. We hike and travel by expedition landing craft and kayak in areas deep in natural and cultural history. This is an active, rather than a passive,

experience, and that makes all the difference."

 Dr. Bob Gatten, staff historian and former president of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation

### Dear Alumni and Friends,

Exploring the Pacific Northwest by ship is at once relaxing and mentally stimulating. It reveals great natural beauty, and yet it features modern marvels of human engineering: an imposing system of locks and large-span bridges. You see a land of geological upheaval and a variety of wildlife, such as big horn sheep and great blue herons. And you see commerce on the river, passing ships transporting goods just as they have for ages.

You'll find that traveling aboard a newly renovated expedition ship is comfortable, social, and convenient in more ways than one. As on an African safari, your ship is your base camp. You're at home, yet each day effortlessly provides new sights, new adventures, and new experiences to savor.

We are happy to announce that esteemed historian Dr. Robert E. Gatten, Jr., a member of W&M's class of 1966, will be joining us on this voyage. In addition, a superb expedition team, through informative talks and engaging companionship, will help put everything in context and weave an ongoing narrative from each day's events. The ship's hotel staff has worked hard to partner with local vintners and brewers to find some of the finest wine and beer for which the region is justly renowned—tastings are offered aboard, with our compliments. And you'll be delighted by a host of special experiences: strolling the grounds of the Maryhill Museum, walking through a vineyard with Mt. Hood in view, seeing the reconstruction of Lewis and Clark's Fort Clatsop, plus kayaking, exploring in expedition landing craft, and more adventurous outings. Our autumn departure lets us take advantage of the fall foliage—a highlight for photographers. And you'll find that traveling with a Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor at your side and at your service ensures you'll go home with fantastic photos.

I hope you will join us, **September 26-October 2, 2016**, on an expedition featuring the absolute best of the Pacific Northwest. **To make your reservation, please return the enclosed reservation form or call 757-221-1165**.

Sincerely,

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#### **Robert Gatten Jr., Historian**

A member of W&M's class of '66, Dr. Robert Gatten Jr. is Emeritus Professor of Biology at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, where he taught courses in animal physiology. He served as Head of the Department of Biology and as Associate Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. He also taught a freshman seminar on the expedition of

Lewis and Clark. Dr. Gatten served as President of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation from 1994 until 1996, and was one of three founders of the National Council of the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial in 1993. He located the birthplace of Expedition Co-Captain William Clark in Caroline County, Virginia.

# **THROUGH THE HEART OF AMERICAN HISTORY**

The Corps of Discovery expedition led by Meriwether Lewis and William Clark rewrote the map of the Pacific Northwest. They discovered wildlife and plants unknown to science, and they made contact with Native American tribes with elaborate social networks, well-established commerce and trade routes, and intricate inter-tribal relationships. Our itinerary is designed with stops that embrace the heritage of discovery. See some of the exact sites where the Corps camped, explore a recreated fort, and visit the Maryhill Museum with its native baskets and beadwork, plus its extensive and eclectic galleries that include one of the world's finest Rodin collections.









# **DISCOVER THE ANCIENT BEDROCK OF THE WEST**

The history of the Gorge is a story of a restless land of uplifted mountain ranges and catastrophic volcanoes. Yet, in the current eon, you are able to enjoy its beauty peacefully aboard your ship, employing kayaks and expedition landing craft to explore its wild reaches up close. Join your expedition's geologist for a natural history lesson as you pass through time layered on the banks of the river. Hike along the shores of the Columbia River to scenic waterfalls. And pass through the volcanic eruptions that blanketed the landscape in ash 20 to 40 million years ago, to the Missoula Floods 15,000 years ago, to the landslides 500 years ago that were so powerful they altered the river's course by a full mile.

*Far left: The Palouse River. Above (clockwise from top): Fort Clatsop;* National Geographic Sea Bird *leaving lock, McNary Dam; the Maryhill Museum.* 



"To travel the lower reaches of the mighty Columbia and Snake Rivers takes us through some of the most extreme ecosystems found in the Pacific Northwest. From the moist, coastal temperate rain forest on the coasts of Washington and Oregon, to the dry, rolling hills and canyons of the interior. It is all intertwined; the geology, the natural and cultural histories. They are what make this area unique, and we will help you understand it all."

- CINDY MANNING, EXPEDITION LEADER



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# **EXPEDITION ADVENTURE** IN COMFORT AND STYLE



Traveling expedition style, you experience the region with all your senses—seeing its grand beauty, hearing its waterfalls, birdcalls, and wild silences, feeling its fresh air. You 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.

The 62-guest ship is key to your experience, able to navigate narrow reaches of the rivers where larger ships cannot go. A fleet of kayaks and expedition landing craft are the perfect vehicles for everyone to have an up-close view of the dramatic landscape. And the convenience of unpacking only once makes expedition travel as comfortable as it is rewarding.

This season, you voyage in a newly transformed expedition ship. The lounge, bar, and dining room have been handsomely renovated. And every cabin has been refreshed with warm cherry veneer, signature bed linens, sleekly framed photos, and more. Now, the ship sets new standards for expedition hospitality and comfort.

# **TRAVEL WITH AN** A+ EXPEDITION TEAM

Aboard your voyage discover photo ops around every bend—and get great shots with help from your Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor. 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 the onboard video chronicler.

Opposite (clockwise from top): The renovated dining room features open seating; the ship is an excellent platform for photography; National Geographic Sea Bird, Palouse River; guests on the bow; exploring by expedition landing craft. Above: Kayaking on the Palouse River; a historian makes the events of Fort Clatsop come alive.











# A TASTE OF OREGON AND WASHINGTON LOCAL AND SUSTAINABLE

Our expedition travels through one of the most geologically and historically significant regions of the country—one that's prominent on the culinary landscape, too. Throughout the week, the expedition team will create opportunities for you to taste the region's very soil, air, and water in the form of delicious fruit, vegetables, fresh seafood, meat, and cheese. The chef provisions the ship with the bounty of the Pacific Northwest—food harvested along the river we explore daily. So breakfast, lunch, and dinner aboard feature fresh, local fare.

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 ship reflects their work—delectable meals you can feel doubly good about enjoying.



# WINE AND CRAFT BEER WITH OUR COMPLIMENTS



Local wines served aboard represent the various growing areas and the grape varieties which embody the region's best—including vintners 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 complimentary tastings** during the evening recap and dinner—as a way to experience the full richness and diversity of the Pacific Northwest.

Opposite (clockwise from top): Tasting at a local winery; locally sourced salmon, and farm-fresh fruit and vegetables; the Pacific Northwest produces many excellent grape varieties; meals served aboard reflect the bounty of the region.

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

**ITINERARY: 7 DAYS/6 NIGHTS** 



Sail 450 miles along the Columbia and Snake Rivers, on an expedition that blends the region's history of exploration with its modern culinary bounty. Trace much of the historic route of Lewis and Clark, while transiting a series of eight locks. Discover the region's locally and sustainably sourced cuisine and award-winning wines and craft beers.

#### DAY 1: LEWISTON, IDAHO OR SPOKANE, WASHINGTON/CLARKSTON/EMBARK

Arrive in Lewiston or Spokane and transfer to Clarkston, Washington to embark the ship. (D)

#### DAY 2: CLARKSTON

At Clarkston, we find ourselves at the confluence of the Snake and Clearwater Rivers, more than 450 miles from the sea. Today, 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 3: EXPLORING THE PALOUSE RIVER

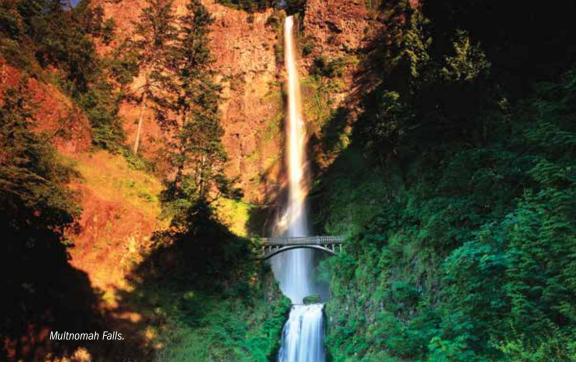
The still water of the Palouse River is the perfect mirror for the surrounding basalt cliffs as we set off cruising on our expedition landing craft and kayak adventures. Visit Palouse Falls where cascading waters plunge into the pool below. Afterwards, sail down the Snake River, enjoying a taste of local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

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

Visit the Columbia Gorge Discovery Center to learn about the region's natural history. Hike or take bicycles along the beautiful river trail. In the



Conditions permitting, expedition landing craft transit McNary Lock.



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: HOOD RIVER, OREGON/COLUMBIA RIVER GORGE

This morning we travel to Hood River, Oregon, where you'll enjoy fresh fruit from a family farm and taste award-winning wines at a local vineyard. Travel through the heart of the Columbia River Gorge and get a fresh perspective on such highlights as Bonneville Lock and Dam, Beacon Rock, and Multhomah Falls. (B,L,D)

#### DAY 6: ASTORIA

We near the end of our westward journey as Lewis and Clark did, 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 what the area has to offer with a trip to the Lewis and Clark Wildlife Refuge or Cape Disappointment. (B,L,D)

#### DAY 7: PORTLAND/DISEMBARK

Disembark in Portland and transfer to the airport for flights home or join an optional extension. (B)

#### **PRE- AND POST-EXTENSIONS**

#### **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.

Pre- and Post-Extensions can be combined with an overnight in Portland. Call for details.



### **NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SEA BIRD & SEA LION**

CAPACITY: These twin ships accommodate 62 guests in 31 outside cabins. **REGISTRY:** United States. **OVERALL LENGTH:** 152 feet. PUBLIC AREAS: Each 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 and lunch is often served family style. Menu emphasizes local flair. **CABINS:** All face outside with windows, private facilities, and climate controls. **EXPEDITION EQUIPMENT:** Expedition landing craft, kayaks, bow camera, hydrophone, Splash-Cam, underwater video camera, and video microscope. **SPECIAL FEATURES:** Guest Internet access. A video chronicler on board. **WELLNESS:** The ships are staffed by a wellness specialist and feature exercise equipment, LEXspa, and outdoor stretching area.

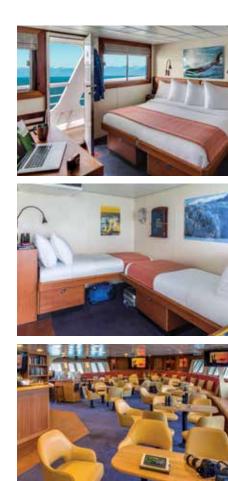
| Prices are per person, double occupancy unless indicated as solo. |         |         |         |                |                |                    |  |
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| ITINERARY   | CAT. 1  | CAT. 2  | CAT. 3  | CAT. 1<br>SOLO | CAT. 2<br>SOLO | ADVANCE<br>PAYMENT |  |
| Columbia & Snake<br>Rivers Journey                                | \$4,750 | \$5,550 | \$6,460 | \$7,090        | \$8,330        | \$750              |  |

**CATEGORY 1:** Main Deck #300-305 — Conveniently positioned between the dining room and lounge, these cabins feature two lower single beds and a large view window. **CATEGORY 2:** Bridge Deck #100-104; Upper Deck #200-212, 215—These welllocated cabins include two lower single beds, and a window.

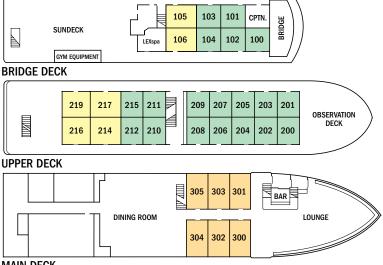
**CATEGORY 3:** Bridge Deck #105, 106; Upper Deck #214, 216, 217, 219—These cabins feature a seating unit with table and two large view windows. Upper Deck cabins include two lower single beds which can convert to a double bed and a pull-out single bed for a third person; Bridge Deck cabins include two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



From top: Twin beds can be pushed together to form a double bed in Category 3 cabins on the Upper Deck; comfortable Category 2 cabin freshly redesigned; the newly renovated lounge, the center of life aboard ship.



MAIN DECK

### What's Included

#### ABOARD SHIP

- ✓ Accommodations
- All meals & nonalcoholic beverages
- ✓ Wine & craft beer tastings
- ✓ 24-hour coffee, tea & soda on demand
- ✓ Hors d'oeuvres & snacks during nightly recap
- ✓ Environmentally friendly refillable water bottle
- ✓ Fully stocked library
- ✓ Exercise equipment
- The guidance & company of the expedition staff

#### ASHORE

- ✓ Special access permits, park fees, port taxes
- ✓ Transfers to & from group flights
- $\checkmark$  The expertise of the expedition staff

#### ACTIVITIES

- ✓ All shore activities
- ✓ Expedition landing craft and kayak explorations
- ✓ Lectures & presentations in the lounge
- ✓ Photo instruction
- Morning stretch classes with wellness specialist

### **Special Offers**

EXPEDITION EXCLUSIVE: To further enhance your appreciation of the unique food culture of the region, we will offer nightly complimentary beer and wine tastings and food pairings during the evening recap and dinner.

BRING THE KIDS: We believe sharing an expedition with your kids or grandkids is a life-enhancing experience. So, take \$500 off the double occupancy price for each person under 18.

#### **Terms and Conditions**

**Voyage Costs Include:** Accommodations aboard ship; all meals and nonalcoholic beverages aboard ship; shore excursions, sightseeing, and entrance fees; use of kayaks; group transfer from airport to ship; taxes, service charges, and tips (except to ship's crew); services of expedition staff.

**Not Included:** Airfare; optional extensions; individual transfers; travel protection plan; items of a personal nature, such as alcoholic beverages other than the wine and craft beer tastings, email, voyage DVD, laundry, etc., and discretionary gratuities to ship's crew.

**Airfare:** Airfare is an additonal cost. Lindblad Expeditions will assist in making your air arrangements, if needed, for a \$50 per person service fee.

**Reservations:** To confirm your place, an advance payment of \$750 per person is required at the time of reservation and is payable by VISA, MasterCard, American Express, or check.

Final Payment: Due 90 days prior to departure.

**Trip Protection Plan:** Travel protection and medical insurance are available at extra cost. Information will be sent upon registration.

Smoking Policy: Allowed only in designated outdoor areas.

**Responsibility and Other Terms & Conditions:** Certain other provisions concerning, among other things, limitations of Lindblad Expeditions liability for loss of property, injury, illness, or death during the voyage will be provided to all guests on the ship's ticket sent prior to departure or upon request. By registering for a trip, the guest agrees to all such terms and conditions.

Prices listed in this brochure are as of publication date, and are subject to change. Lindblad Expeditions reserves the right to impose surcharges based on increases in the actual cost of fuel.

| CANCELLATION POLICY   |                             |  |  |  |  |
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| Number of Days Prior to Expedition Start                          | Per Person Cancellation Fee |  |  |  |  |
| 120 or more days  | \$350                       |  |  |  |  |
| 119-90 days   | Advance payment cost        |  |  |  |  |
| 89-60 days  | 25% of trip cost            |  |  |  |  |
| 59-45 days  | 50% of trip cost            |  |  |  |  |
| 44-0 days   | No refund                   |  |  |  |  |
| We strongly recommend that you purchase a travel protection plan. |                             |  |  |  |  |



#### Please mail reservation to:

William & Mary Alumni Association
Attention: Susan Bowe '85, Alumni Journeys
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Ph: (757) 221-1165
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### **Reservation Form:**

### **Columbia & Snake Rivers Journey**

Aboard National Geographic Sea Lion – September 26-October 2, 2016

| Please reserve                      | place(s)   |                       |  |  |  |  |
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- Explore the history, geology, and cuisine of the Columbia and Snake Rivers region aboard an intimate, 62-guest expedition ship.
- Follow the path of Lewis and Clark's expedition, stopping at some of their campsites and learning about the Nez Perce people they encountered.
- Enjoy locally sourced, sustainable food on board, from providers along the way, so it's literally as fresh as can be.
- Venture out in expedition landing craft and kayaks, and learn from expert naturalists and historians.
- Travel through eight different locks that lift and lower you some 700 feet in all—nearly ten times what transiting the Panama Canal entails.







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