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Sailing Cruises

2017
Dear windjammer friends and fans!

Once your passion for genuine windjammers has been kindled, you will be hooked on them forever. For many years now, our two elegant yachts have been sailing in some of the world’s most beautiful waters and they have still lost none of their fascination. The fact that so many of you share our enthusiasm and are once again embarking on a voyage with **Sea Cloud Cruises** is a great honour for our entire team. This year we can again present a varied programme featuring a number of highlights for loyal windjammer enthusiasts and also for all those who are interested in booking a cruise with **Sea Cloud Cruises** for the first time.

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*Your Sea Cloud Cruises Team*
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Prepare to embark on both an exciting sailing cruise and a relaxed holiday: Our two tall ships *Sea Cloud* and *Sea Cloud II* combine the best of both worlds. Whilst our crew climbs high up into the masts to set the sails by hand, down on deck our service team treats guests to a first-class service. Our elegant, exclusive yachts are the perfect place to experience the seamless combination of ancient seafaring tradition and a luxury modern-day break.
PASSIONATE ABOUT SAILING

A passion for exclusive tall ships and sophisticated indulgence has shaped the legacy of our two yachts since their creation. The American millionaire couple Edward F. Hutton and Marjorie Merriweather Post were already owners of several luxury vessels when, in 1929, they commissioned the construction of a new ship – one that would be larger and more extravagant than anything that had gone before. The legendary Sea Cloud was born, a yacht whose beauty would, 70 years later, go on to inspire the building of its sister ship, the Sea Cloud II. Yet as elegant as our two windjammers may be, these two vessels are imbued with sailing tradition: On these ships, sailing is not just for show – it is a true craft. When the orders ring out over the deck and the crew climb the masts to hoist the sails, every single manoeuvre marks a centuries-old ritual being brought to life.
The sailing crew pulls with all their power on a hemp rope that disappears into the rigging twenty metres above their heads. The mighty sails flap in the fresh sea breeze, starting a tug-of-war with the team down below. Flawlessly polished brass shines in the sunlight. Then with one final strong tug on the main halyard, the yacht is ready to feel the full force of the wind – mission accomplished! It takes our crew almost one hour to hoist the sails by hand, and it is a fascinating spectacle each and every time. Once firmly enveloped in a romantic tall ship setting, you will understand just why our vessels are the most beautiful part of the adventure; after all, a voyage aboard a majestic tall ship is much more than just a cruise.

TRULY AUTHENTIC, TRULY ROMANTIC
GENUINE AND PERSONAL SERVICE WITH STYLE

Part of the unique appeal of a private yacht is the intimacy of the setting and that feeling of being amongst friends. The Sea Cloud and the Sea Cloud II offer our guests exactly the same experience thanks to their sophisticated yet relaxed atmosphere. Our crew of around 60 is there to ensure that all of our guests on board – a maximum of 94 travellers from all over the world – enjoy a unique cruise that is tailored to their needs. Our personal service and laid-back ambience allow you to enjoy an exquisite experience at your own pace.

ARRIVE, RELAX, ENJOY

The whistling of the wind as it blows past the halyard and the gentle sound of the sea will soon banish away the stresses and strains of your daily routine. Your inner sense of time is all that matters on board – a time that is not measured in seconds, but in magical moments. Let the day go by without a care in the world, chat with your fellow guests whilst admiring the view, listen in on an interesting lecture, watch the captain at work on the bridge – or simply let your mind wander like the clouds in the perfect blue sky.
MOMENTS OF INDULGENCE FOR YOUR SENSES

It is the little, finer things in life that turn a cruise into an extraordinary experience. From the luxurious décor and the exquisite and creatively designed cuisine to our first-class service, on board the Sea Cloud and the Sea Cloud II we offer an exclusive holiday that is designed around you. Our entire crew takes great pleasure in treating every guest to a unique experience, and in exceeding expectations time and time again.
Our ships exude a classic maritime atmosphere that is as timeless as the ocean. This splendid on-board ambience is completed by the exquisite, carefully chosen décor – be it the comfortable deckchairs that pepper our vast, elegant teak wood decks, the fine wood features that exude warmth and comfort, or our tastefully designed outside cabins which offer each guest an unobstructed view of the sea. Our own five-star style is also reflected in the countless small gestures and attention to detail shown by our staff. Welcome champagne awaits you in your cabin upon arrival, and you can end each day with selected bedtime sweets. The cabins are meticulously cleaned twice daily, your fruit basket is constantly kept replenished and the crew will welcome you back on board with a refreshment after each excursion. Aboard our ships your wish is our command. Our mission is to make all guests feel at home from the moment they set foot on board.
Ships were once the one and only passion of seafarers, and that still rings true for the crew on board the Sea Cloud and the Sea Cloud II today. For our staff, life on board both of our windjammers is more than just a job. You will find passion and a sense of belonging wherever you go on our ships: from the engine room to the masts, and from the bridge to the laundry room. Not only is their work pure perfection, it is also part of their identity. Many of our crew have been working together for many years and form part of a well-established team. Each guest is welcomed into this passionate group of seafarers with a warm smile, and, with loving attention to detail and charm, each member of staff will help ensure that your journey on board is as unique as you.
From fresh croissants to perfectly cooked beef tenderloin, the chefs on board our two windjammers apply all of their creativity and skill to providing guests with culinary delights from morning until night. They enhance their sophisticated menus with regional specialities and always prepare a vegetarian option too. An excursion to the local market or to selected merchants is not just a fun outing for the crew – their culinary conquests sometimes find their way back aboard the ship. Their exquisite dishes are served with the perfect accompaniment: outstanding, first-class wines – all at no extra cost. Our sommelier is passionate about the finest quality wines, exploring the cellars of prestigious wine-makers to bring you the most delectable flavours.
On board everyone sits down to enjoy their meals together, but there is no fixed seating plan: As with any private yacht, you simply sit wherever and with whomever you choose, thus leaving room for interesting table discussions, whether indulging in a formal dinner in our restaurant or a lunchtime buffet or evening barbecue in the sun at the beautifully decorated tables on deck. Experience true luxury beneath the sails, as you set a course for complete relaxation on board the legendary Sea Cloud or within the comfortable setting of the Sea Cloud II.
SEA CLOUD

THE LEGEND BENEATH WHITE SAILS

A self-assured grande dame, a stylish yet informal sailing icon and a generous host – the Sea Cloud is a living legend. Built as a private luxury yacht, this ship combines extravagant charm with an authentic tall ship experience.
Golden, swan-shaped taps, splendid marble fireplaces, French antiques – as heiress to a fortune totalling several million dollars, Marjorie Merriweather Post was able to let her imagination run free when it came to building her private yacht. In 1931 the “Hussar” (as the Sea Cloud was originally named) was launched in Kiel. Together with her husband, the savvy stockbroker Edward Hutton, Marjorie turned this elegant four-masted barque into a stage for her eccentric lifestyle. Her friends included aristocracy and Hollywood stars, and politicians and diplomats often graced the decks of this windjammer.
WHERE
INDULGENCE
MEETS RELAXATION

Even today every detail on board this yacht shines with the glory of a bygone age. The Sea Cloud’s elegance appears timeless; proof that this vessel has lost none of its unconventional charm. Whether you are staying in one of its lovingly renovated original cabins, a cosy outside cabin or one of the former officers’ cabins, the Sea Cloud welcomes each guest on board like a long-standing friend. Rigid etiquette is nowhere to be found, not even in the oak-tabled restaurant. Sat at long tables, guests can enjoy the delicacies conjured up by the kitchen staff in a relaxed setting before retiring to a deck chair, to the lido bar or the cosy Blue Lagoon area for a moment of relaxation.
Sea Cloud II
LUXURY CRUISE MEETS SAILING EXPERIENCE

Who says you cannot have it all? The tall ship Sea Cloud II brings together the best of two worlds: This spacious three-masted barque offers all the amenities of a modern cruise ship whilst remaining a quintessential windjammer.
A cappuccino in the elegant lounge? A spot of sunbathing on the lido deck? A quiet moment with a book in the library? There are many favourite places to be discovered on board the Sea Cloud II. This tall ship bears all the hallmarks of its older sister, the legendary Sea Cloud, and yet still has a charm all of its own. With its four expansive decks, amenities such as a sauna, gym, boutique and swim platform, as well as the generous range of facilities on offer in its guest cabins, the Sea Cloud II proposes exclusive comforts that are sure to impress even seasoned cruise goers.
A WINDJAMMER ADVENTURE BATHED IN ELEGANCE

“Set sail!” – Guests will momentarily crane their necks upwards when the captain of the Sea Cloud II gives the order to embark. The crew’s climb up into the shrouds marks the beginning of a spectacle that is much more than just a show. The Sea Cloud II is a celebration of true sailing. When the ship was built 15 years ago, we deliberately decided against a fully-automatic rig; this ship’s sails are hoisted and lowered the traditional way – by hand. This allows guests to enjoy the romantic tall ship experience in refined exclusivity. Our 29 de luxe outside cabins, 16 junior suites and two owner suites accommodate a maximum of 94 guests on this voyage of relaxation.
Northern Europe
Archipelagos and amazing fjords, imposing castles and magnificent imperial architecture, picturesque gardens and elegant vineyards – this is Northern Europe at its very best.

Atlantic and Canaries
The Canary Islands and the Atlantic coast of Spain and Portugal provide a multi-faceted experience, including art and culture, charming landscapes and a relaxed way of life. Magical Morocco will draw you into the world of the Arabian Nights.

Lesser Antilles and Cuba
Tropical forests and bathing paradises make the Lesser Antilles, located between the British Virgin Islands and the Grenadines, a wonderful place for sailing. Cuba enchants with its retro-style Caribbean flair.

Central America
From mysterious Maya pyramids and colourful tropical landscapes to bustling cities and the technological brilliance of the Panama Canal – Central America is home to a range of fascinating attractions.
Whether it be “dolce vita” or “savoir vivre” – the lifestyle on the coasts of Italy, Spain and France is one to cherish. Sunny islands, charming ports, quaint restaurants and historic locations provide the right setting for the Mediterranean way of life.

Western Mediterranean

In these two sun-kissed dream locations, our route takes us through fabled Greek islands and to the magnificent Baroque cities of the Adriatic, taking in colourful fishing boats, radiant white churches and red tiled roofs on the way.

Cyclades and Adriatic
The Lesser Antilles run through the turquoise Caribbean Sea like a shimmering string of pearls. The waters between the British Virgin Islands in the north and the Grenadines in the south provide perfect sailing conditions for windjammers as well as intriguing insights into a highly diverse range of cultures and lifestyles. Want to go on an excursion through tropical green forest to the volcanic sulphur springs? And why not enjoy an exquisite sundowner while watching elegant luxury yachts — or is a barefoot visit to the beach bar more your style? Luckily, you do not need to choose because every day will bring with it at least one new and exciting surprise!

Cuba really is the heart of the Caribbean. Still more or less cut off from the capitalist West, this is a country that has kept itself free of American fast food chains and flamboyant advertising and has always known how to make a virtue out of necessity. Life here is all about being resourceful: In Havana’s UNESCO-protected old town you will see colourful vintage cars, and those who do not have the money for expensive clubs simply dance on the Malecón seafront promenade to the lively rhythms of street music.
Narrow, little houses with gabled roofs, market stalls and small cafés serving “Eierkoek” – if it was not for the radiant rays of sun and the white, palm-fringed beaches, you could easily mistake this area for a Dutch province. That is because the three ABC islands of Aruba, Bonaire and Curaçao playfully engage with their colonial past, and with their blend of European tradition and Caribbean living, they serve up a colourful cocktail that is sure to put a smile on your face.

Nature lovers will encounter a vibrant, tropical paradise brimming with natural wonders in Panama’s and Costa Rica’s unique national parks. In the treetops of the evergreen rainforests, mangrove swamps and warm, crystal-clear waters, an abundance of fascinating animal species await. Follow this intensive natural encounter with a taste of urban life in trendy Panama City located close to the Panama Canal. Now over 100 years old, this construction is still considered one of the greatest feats in human engineering. The same is also often said of the mystical Maya temple structures found in Mexico and Belize. These mysterious places of worship, with their impressive stepped pyramids and artistic stone relief carvings, have lost none of their magical appeal over the past several millennia.
Winding alleyways and elegant promenades, magnificent cathedrals and Moorish palaces, tranquil fishing villages and vibrant cities – the Western Mediterranean rewards travellers every day with new, exciting experiences. This region is not just a wonderful sailing area but also an enchanting place laden with history and stories, a lighthearted zest for life and dramatic landscapes.

From Andalusia to the Balearic Islands, from Corsica to the Côte d’Azur, from Sicily to the Amalfi Coast – our tall ships sail to the most beautiful destinations in Spain, France and Italy. What takes your fancy? A trip to a vibrant local market to try some of the region’s olives? Mingling with luxury shoppers from the international jet set? Exploring the ruins of ancient temple complexes or hiking through pristine volcanic landscapes? There is no rush to decide. On board you will have plenty of peace and quiet in which to look forward to all the wide-ranging wonders of the Mediterranean.
PELOPONNESE, CYCLADES AND THE ADRIATIC SEA

Fearless seafarers, merciless gods and immortal poets – a tall ship voyage beneath billowing sails through the Aegean will plunge you into a fabled world of myth and legend. On a journey through the millennia, history and tales of days gone by are vividly brought to life as ancient ruins and mighty temples reveal their impressive past. It is also the perfect way to enjoy the present at a leisurely pace: between radiant, whitewashed churches and small taverns with deep-blue doors, you will feel as though time itself has stopped.

In Venice, it is easy to think you are walking through a real-life painting. Up until the 16th century, this romantic lagoon city was a powerful centre for trade where aristocracy had their names immortalised in splendid palaces and churches. Venetian influence can still be felt right across the Adriatic region, territory that once belonged to the Republic of Venice. Thousands of small islands await, offering countless new experiences. From the rich green coniferous forests of Istria to the legacy of the Habsburgs in Trieste and from the romantic ancient side streets of the old fortress city of Rovinj to Split’s buzzing seafront promenade, the Adriatic can proudly claim to have more than just one jewel in its crown.
From the craggy archipelagos off the coast of Sweden to the golden cupolas of St Petersburg; from lively Mediterranean-inspired towns along the English Riviera to Stone-Age archaeological sites on the Orkney Islands; from wildly romantic Brittany to exclusive wine regions in France and Spain – the countries in northern and western Europe provide a true mix of scenic and atmospheric discovery.

On board the Sea Cloud II you get a close-up view of Europe’s most charming coastlines from the sea. With hardly a sound, our tall ship glides past the red and white timber houses nestled in the rugged fjord landscape. We sail to the Scottish and Irish coasts, follow the old Hanseatic trade routes to the glamorous ports of the Baltic and embark on a voyage of culinary discovery around the Iberian Peninsula.

And whether you spend the day admiring the Nordic beauty of Tallinn, catching some sunrays in Galicia and Portugal, or taking in the sights and smells of a fragrant English garden, in the evening you will be given a warm welcome back on board the Sea Cloud II – your elegant home at sea.
Whilst autumn winds are blowing the leaves from the trees elsewhere, the Canary Islands still have many months of sunshine ahead. These “Islands of Eternal Spring” may all share the same pleasant climate, but each one impresses with its own inimitable beauty. Gran Canaria and Tenerife offer vast beaches and a vibrant urban scene, whilst on El Hierro, La Palma and La Gomera you can experience the serenity of Mother Nature. With fine sand dunes, such as those found on Fuerteventura, and the peculiar lava-sculpted landscapes of Lanzarote, the Canary Islands are one of the planet’s most intriguing places to explore by sea and offer an abundance of unique scenery and culture.

The Moroccan coast lies a mere 60 nautical miles away. With bustling souks, scents of oriental spices and elaborately designed sultan’s palaces, the ancient imperial cities of Rabat, Marrakech and Taroudant instantly envelope visitors in a whirl-wind of bewitching sights, sounds and smells. This fairytale setting will leave you with memories that will last long after we have left port.
Who can resist the magic that envelops you aboard a windjammer? White sails, proud masts and a golden eagle on the bow almost immediately evoke that romantic feeling of longing for far-away shores and adventures in the ocean’s vast expanse. Just beyond the horizon you will find dreamlike harbours, secluded bays and fascinating cities waiting to be discovered. Yet some people may want a more intensive tall ship experience than others. That is why we offer different types of travel.

Those cruises which focus specifically on sailing have been marked with our small “sailing” symbol so that you can quickly and easily find the type of sailing holiday that best suits your ideal windjammer break.
The majority of our cruises offer a balanced mix of sailing time and exciting on-shore discoveries. Our windjammers mostly strike sail in places where picturesque harbours and anchorages invite you to set foot on land and to become acquainted with the local culture and way of life. It is the perfect opportunity to get out and discover more – either on your own or on one of our organised excursions.

EXPERIENCE LAND, SEA AND PEOPLE

DAYS AT SEA, NIGHTS IN PORT

On some of our sailing cruises our windjammers will only reach their destination late in the afternoon and will remain in port overnight. This means that sailing enthusiasts can spend many wonderful hours at sea whilst still having time in the evening to head off and explore each fascinating harbour town. A relaxed stroll through the port or old town is the perfect way to take in the local atmosphere.
WHEREVER THE WIND TAKES US

Do you savour the journey more than the destination? If so, our sailing cruises without fixed itinerary might interest you. On these cruises, only the wind determines which route our proud windjammer will take, so that we spend as much time as possible at sea. Enjoy the mystery of not knowing your journey – which ports and islands we will visit will be decided from day to day.

ACROSS THE ATLANTIC UNDER BILLOWING SAILS

The Atlantic crossing is the trip of a lifetime – and a wonderful experience for true sailing fans. Two whole weeks alone with the ocean, two entire weeks devoted to sailing: Embark on the famous Columbus route between the Canary Islands and the Caribbean and completely give yourself over to the elements – This is the perfect way to truly escape your everyday routine. The following pages give an insight into the fascination of a Transatlantic cruise.
Each year, at the end of November, long after the Atlantic hurricanes have passed, the Sea Cloud and Sea Cloud II embark on the most stunning cruise of the year and follow the Atlantic course sailed by Columbus in 1492. During the winter months, the trade winds create ideal conditions for sailing westward.

Close to the equator, the sun is almost vertical in the sky and shines straight down on the water, heating the air above the ocean’s surface. Once warm, the air becomes lighter, rises and moves towards the poles on both sides of the equator. At around 30° north and 30° south, the masses of air have cooled to such an extent that they sink again and return to the equator in the form of steady westerly winds, known as the trade winds. This is what carries our two windjammers across the Atlantic with constant force.

From the Canaries, the route heads southward to the end of the trade winds, before a change of course westward towards Barbados or Curacao — often sailing even at night when the sailing conditions are at their best. The temperature rises a little each day, and every evening is accompanied by a magnificent sunset.
TIME FOR THE OCEAN, TIME FOR YOU

Freedom is the central theme of an Atlantic cruise. This unique sailing experience offers two things in abundance: plenty of freedom for yourself and numerous opportunities to relax with your fellow passengers and the crew. As a guest on a Transatlantic cruise, you will find yourself among sailing fans and others who share the same interests as you. The intensive cruise experience creates close ties and makes you feel at home right away in this friendly, informal atmosphere. The captain, the officers and the deck crew are always happy to answer questions about the ship, sailing manoeuvres or course calculations. There is enough time for all the things you want to do. Escaping your daily routine for a whole fortnight is a luxurious experience. Enjoy taking some me time and true relaxation comes all by itself! If you fancy an even more intensive pamper programme, the Sea Cloud II is the perfect ship for you. Head to the sauna or book a spa treatment or massage for an additional fee. Or, if you feel a bit more sporty, you can work out in our fitness room or jog some laps on the lido deck.
On board our ships, there is time for everything – except for boredom. Take advantage of the opportunity to tie some knots with the crew or send a message in a bottle out to sea. Why not get a short introduction to the art of sailing or enjoy watching the initiation ritual of crew members crossing the Atlantic for the first time, inclusive of a visit from Neptune himself! On each cruise, guest speakers, including round-the-world sailors, artists and performers, lead a range of exciting lectures and activities. Of course, it is important to treat the taste buds as well as the spirit. For two whole weeks you will experience truly luxurious food and drink from morning until night. Two entire weeks during which our first-class chefs will prove their talents – and they may even create some entertaining themed dinners too.

SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE: AN ENDLESS SEA OF OPPORTUNITIES
Picture-perfect beaches, breathtaking colonial architecture, lively salsa rhythms, and an endless sea.

**Havana – exuding history and energy**
The capital of Cuba offers a bright and colourful cocktail of colonial history, revolutionary heritage and a timeless joie de vivre. You can really feel the authenticity of this city’s charm in old Havana, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and a district defined by imposing fortresses and exuberant shopping streets, baroque churches and monasteries, palaces and wide squares, not to mention the American vintage cars that cruise through the streets. An evening walk along the Malecón seafront promenade is a particular highlight for anyone who wants to experience the real Havana: This is where the locals go when the sun sets – to play chess, make music, go fishing, or simply enjoy a glass or two of rum as they look out at the glistening bay.

**Cuban beach heaven**
Today’s tourists casually unfurl their towels right where the notorious pirates of the Caribbean once buried their treasures. The tiny islands off the coast of Cuba truly are picture-perfect Caribbean paradises. On the Isla de la Juventud and Cayo Largo, you can stroll across beaches of soft white coral sand and wade into the pleasantly warm ocean, or go snorkelling in the crystal-clear waters to see how many colourful sea creatures you can spot.

**Trinidad’s old town**
Trinidad de Cuba is a small, friendly place with a long history as a centre for sugar cane farming. Its charming coastal setting, lovingly restored facades and gentle pace of life can be experienced in any of the town’s beautiful squares and in the narrow, historic alleyways. This small town has a well-deserved place on the UNESCO World Heritage Site list.

**The spirited music of Cuba**
If Cuba is the birthplace of almost every Latin dance style, then Santiago de Cuba is the stage on which they are performed. Nowhere else will you find so much live music or dancing. In the town’s clubs, bars and dance schools, the rhythms of salsa, son and rumba are omnipresent and just as thrilling as in the world-famous Buena Vista Social Club. A band will also be performing on board.

**Plenty of time for sailing**
It is often said that the journey is the destination, but you are in for a real treat when you come to the Caribbean as both the relaxed time we spend at sea and the picturesque bays and ports the Sea Cloud calls at are equally wonderful. Our windjammer will be making its way through the Caribbean Sea for four whole days on this cruise, gliding through a kaleidoscope of blues between Cuba, Jamaica and the Dominican Republic and giving you plenty of time to enjoy a genuine sailing experience.

**Port Antonio – natural beauty in Jamaica**
Known for its reggae, Rastafarians and rum, Jamaica has many magical and serene natural settings to offer alongside its rousing rhythms. Port Antonio in the North East is the spot on the island with the most beautiful scenery. With its perfect beaches, lush tropical vegetation and countless caves, rivers and waterfalls, the area surrounding this small colonial town has been a celebrity hotspot since the 1940s, attracting famous visitors like Errol Flynn and providing the exotic backdrop for a number of films.

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Experience the many facets of Cuba during two colourful weeks of sailing around the Caribbean: Havana – Santo Domingo

**SEA CLOUD**

06 Jan. to 20 Jan. 2017

14 nights

06 Jan. Havana/Cuba

Guests arrive individually in Havana.

Embarkation on the **SEA CLOUD**.

07 Jan. Havana/Cuba

13.00

Tour of the old town.*

08 Jan. At sea

09 Jan. Isla de la Juventud/Cuba

08.00 17.00 ♦

10 Jan. Cayo Largo del Sur/Cuba

13.30 19.00 ♦

11 Jan. Cienfuegos/Cuba

14.00 24.00

City tour.*

12 Jan. Playa Ancón/Cuba

08.00 13.00 ♦

(weather permitting)

Excursion to Trinidad.*

13 Jan. At sea

14 Jan. Santiago de Cuba/Cuba

08.00 21.00 ♦

City tour and El Morro fortress; City walk and visit to Casa de la Trova.*

15 Jan. Port Antonio/Jamaica

14.00

16 Jan. Port Antonio/Jamaica

14.00

Boat trip on the Rio Grande.*

17 Jan. At sea

18 Jan. At sea

19 Jan. La Romana/Dom. Republic

06.00 13.30

Trip to the Maravillas caves.*

20 Jan. Santo Domingo/Dom. Republic

08.00

Disembarkation. Guests return home individually.

**Combination:**

Combine trips SC-1701 and SC-1702 (page 51), and save 10% on the cruise-only rate of the lower-priced trip.

Itinerary subject to change!

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You save up to **€1.100**

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See page 112 for included services.
Marvel at natural beauty spots, live the good life and call at hidden pirate bays: Santo Domingo – Antigua

The magical Maravillas caves
The Spanish name for this natural structure – Cuevas de Maravillas – means “Cave of Wonders”, and for good reason: Visitors to this incredible underground world cannot help but be amazed. With stunning lighting and echoes of cathedral architecture, the ceilings are lined with huge stalactites, while stalagmites protrude from the ground like Gothic pinnacles, and pre-Columbian Taino Indian ritual murals adorn the walls.

The British Virgin Islands – a beautiful sailing destination
The British Virgin Islands, with their white-sand beaches, coral reefs and friendly beach bars, are made up of 60 islands and reefs. When cruising along the Sir Francis Drake Channel, the Sea Cloud calls at two of its stunning natural beauty spots. The tiny islands dotted in the water and warm, gentle breezes make this waterway – named after the famous seafarer – a veritable paradise for sailors.

“The Baths” – imposing granite formations
It is sometimes easy to think that this is one of nature’s fairy tales: Once upon a time, there was a giant who played with large stone marbles. His favourite playground was in Virgin Gorda, a place now called “The Baths” – a gigantic rock labyrinth made out of circular-shaped granite.

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You save €280
Follow famous pirates’ trails and sail along the trade winds to the Lesser Antilles and the British Virgin Islands: Antigua – Barbados

The British Virgin Islands – a sailor’s paradise

With more than 60 islands and reefs (of which just 16 are inhabited), the British Virgin Islands are a real dream destination. Fans of sailing from all around the world are drawn to their idyllic and tropically warm waters, and the quaint beach bars bring together everyone from luxury yacht owners to solo sailors. It is so easy to get used to the carefree lifestyle, and with your feet in the sand as you gaze out over green hills and the tranquil sea, you will soon forget about the stresses of everyday life back home.

Luxury in a relaxed atmosphere on St Barts

Known for attracting a certain class of visitor, St Barthélemy has been a top holiday destination for the rich and famous from around the world ever since billionaire David Rockefeller discovered the island back in the 1960s. St Barts is all about quality not quantity, so you are more likely to brush shoulders with Hollywood stars than with tourists on its 22 white sandy beaches. In the capital Gustavia, houses with red roofs nestled into the green hills look just like rows of spectators in an amphitheatre, transforming the idyllic port into an impressive stage. As you walk along the luxurious promenade, you will be sure to pass by some spectacular yachts.

French style on the Îles des Saintes

The Îles des Saintes give such a welcoming first impression, though the historical Fort Napoléon that towers over the main island is a reminder of less peaceful times. This small town’s promenade is perfect for taking a stroll, and the savoir-vivre of life here unfolds against a backdrop of the glowing pastel colours of the Caribbean.

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The many treasures of the Grenadines – majestic volcanoes, colourful reefs and the scent of nutmeg and vanilla: Barbados – Barbados

Grenada – the island of spice
Although Grenada has been blessed with around 45 picture-perfect beaches, the country’s real treasure remains its lush, green island interior. Deep volcanic lakes, dense rainforests, waterfalls and small river courses form the primordial backdrop of the island’s sugar cane fields and spice plantations. It is the reason why the scent of cloves, cinnamon and nutmeg hangs in the air wherever you go on Grenada.

Snorkellers’ paradise in the Tobago Cays
For many, life under water is a fascinating world – one that becomes even more magical the closer you get. The Tobago Cays’ Horseshoe Reef is such a place. This horseshoe-shaped coral reef encloses four small islands that glow in rich shades of green. The sea, in contrast, embraces turquoise, emerald and every shade of blue.

The magnificent Pitons of St Lucia
Gros and Petit Piton, the two famous volcanic plugs that tower over St Lucia, could have come straight out of a tropical storybook. They are a UNESCO World Heritage Site and offer a spectacular panorama as the Sea Cloud sails closely alongside their slopes.

A day at the beach on the popular sailors’ island of Bequia
The Sea Cloud drops anchor in Admiralty Bay at Port Elizabeth on Bequia. It is the meeting place for round-the-world sailors and private luxury yachts. Our zodiacs bring you to the town or to one of the island’s most beautiful beaches. You will have plenty of time for whatever you choose: swimming, snorkelling or taking a stroll.

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Bathe in the joys of spring as you sail from the charming Balearic Islands to Sicily’s majestic cultural treasures: Mallorca – Malta

Menorca – the pristine Balearic island
From the rugged mountain region of Tramuntana in the north of the island, with its steep coastal areas, to gentle rolling hills and vast sandy beaches in the south – Menorca’s natural beauty has many facets. Es Grau is a particular treasure – a romantic sandy bay in the north of the island, right in the heart of a conservation area. If you prefer the romantic setting of ancient narrow passageways, you will find just what you are looking for in Ciutadella, the island’s former capital.

A masterwork of mosaics: the Cappella Palatina
The narrow streets of Palermo’s historic centre with their rattling Vespa scooters and vivacious market women lead to the impressive Norman palace. Inside you will find the famous Cappella Palatina. Its richness is simply overwhelming: The erstwhile royal chapel is decorated with elements of both Christian and Islamic style, artistic carvings and marble floors. It contains an inner room which is entirely covered with precious golden mosaics.

Syracuse: UNESCO World Heritage Site
Cicero once described Syracuse as “the greatest and most beautiful of the Greek cities”. Up to a million people – three times the population of mighty Athens – are claimed to have lived there in antiquity. This city on the small island of Ortigia was later conquered first by the Romans, then by Arabs, Byzantines and Normans. They have left behind a unique architectural heritage: The UNESCO declared Syracuse a World Heritage Site in 2005 due to its archaeological importance.

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Discover the magical charm of the Cyclades and ancient treasures in the Peloponnese: Athens (Piraeus) – Athens (Piraeus)

The magic of the Cyclades
Houses like sugar cubes, blue window-frames, narrow winding streets lined with flowers, windmills and small churches – Mykonos, perhaps the most famous of the Cyclades islands, could have come straight from a picture book. Set against fishing boats bobbing in the harbour, elegant restaurants, quaint taverns and sophisticated cafés are perfect for whiling away the hours, and the promenade offers visitors a spectacular view of a romantic sunset.

Ancient Mycenae
Mycenae is a town steeped in history and legend. When Heinrich Schliemann began excavating an acropolis site here in 1876, he discovered 13 kilos of golden treasure, including Agamemnon’s alleged death mask. The monumental Lion Gate, the Cyclopean masonry and the Treasury of Atreus are what make Mycenae one of the most important archaeological sites in modern-day Greece.

Hydra: a true individual
Fishing boats and luxury yachts, galleries and donkey-drawn carts – on Hydra the past meets modern art, rustic charm and effortless style in a way that is truly unique. As the entire small island, with its traditional merchants’ and captains’ houses, is listed as a heritage site and cars are forbidden there, this little gem has a timeless feel that has been perfectly preserved.

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Famous islands and legendary coasts – enjoy the sunny sides of life in Greece and Italy: Athens (Piraeus) – Rome (Civitavecchia)

Butrint: a UNESCO World Heritage Site
Visible from the island of Corfu, the ruined city of Butrint lies protected on a peninsula. Butrint is a kaleidoscope of Mediterranean history; as one of the trade centres of the ancient world, the city attracted numerous conquerors and travellers throughout the millennia. Excavations have unearthed theatres, temples and baths from the Greek, Roman, Byzantine, Venetian and Ottoman periods. Consequently, UNESCO declared Butrint a World Heritage Site in 1992.

Elizabeth’s favourite island – Corfu
Corfu found fame as a popular traveller’s destination as early as the 19th century. Bored of life at court, Empress Elisabeth of Austria travelled to the island and chose it to realise her dreams. She ordered a palace to be built in the style of Greek mythology and dedicated it to her favourite hero, Achilles. It is called the Achilleion.

Italian dolce vita: Capri and Amalfi
With painted little houses perched along cliff edges and picturesque harbours packed with colourful fishing boats, Capri and Amalfi offer picture-perfect scenes. Experience the dolce vita by mingling with the locals on a lively piazza, or enjoy a relaxed stroll through the towns’ romantic side streets with their many small shops.

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Sea Cloud
10 nights
22 July to 01 Aug. 2017
SC-1725
22 July Athens (Piraeus)/Greece
Guests arrive individually in Piraeus. Embarkation on the Sea Cloud.
23 July At sea
24 July Vathy/Ithaca
Panoramic trip.*
25 July Saranda/Albania
Excursion to Butrint.*
Kerkyra/Corfu
26 July Kerkyra/Corfu
Achilleion and Corfu’s old town.*
27 July At sea
28 July Naxos (Taormina)/Sicily
Excursion to Mount Etna: journey to 2,900 m in cable car and 4x4 vehicle.*
29 July Lipari/Aeolian Islands
City tour or Liparian cooking class.*
30 July Amalfi/Italy
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Enchanting scenery and charming harbour towns – the stunning islands of Sardinia, Corsica and Elba: Rome (Civitavecchia) – Rome (Civitavecchia)

The beautiful Costa Smeralda
The emerald coast certainly lives up to its name; its waters sparkle and shimmer like a jewel with tones of green, blue and turquoise, “framed” by snow-white rock faces and beaches. This coastal area first became known in the 1960s through the Aga Khan, who protected the coast from architectural eye-sores whilst preserving the area’s natural beauty and creating stylish, picturesque holiday resorts.

The natural bay of Bonifacio
Sailing into Bonifacio is quite simply a spectacular experience – a steep, shimmering white chalk cliff, a small town that appears to be floating magnificently on the plateau and a fjord-like bay which gives way to an elegant marina. Those who wish may explore the area’s medieval upper town or take a stroll along the promenade.

Alghero: Sardinia’s “Little Barcelona”
Following the Phoenicians, the Carthaginians, Saracen pirates and the Genoese, Alghero was conquered in 1354 by the Catalans. Many inhabitants still speak Catalan today and they lovingly refer to their city as “Little Barcelona”. A gentle stroll along the walkway that crowns Alghero’s impressive sea walls promises majestic views of the picturesque harbour on one side and the Gothic old town on the other.

Charming Corsica: Saint Florent and Nebbio
Whilst the harbour town of Saint Florent with its luxury yachts reminds of some of the hallmarks of St Tropez, in the winding alleys of its rustic old town, you will encounter true Corsican charm. The delightful town of Saint Florent is the capital of the fertile Nebbio region, stunning views of which can be enjoyed from the black tower overlooking the small village of Nonza.

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The many facets of Greece – an exciting week of sailing through the Cyclades on the way to the Peloponnese: Malta – Athens (Piraeus)

Pylos: a historical fortress city
Due to its exposed location on the “little finger” of the Peloponnese, Pylos witnessed a high number of dramatic sea battles. In the Bay of Navarino, Spartans fought against Athenians, Ottomans clashed with Venetians and, in 1827, the Allies faced the Turkish fleet. A short distance away lies Messene with its archaeological sites where holidaymakers can see the monumental Arcadian Gate.

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The Cyclades: a paradise in blue and white
The Cyclades jut out of the deep waters of the Aegean like rocks that have been cast out into the sea by a giant. When you set eyes on this stunning paradise of radiant white-washed houses and blue domes, it is hard not to fall in love with it. Each island has its own unique charm: Whilst Mykonos with its romantic harbour promenade offers plenty to the traditional sightseer, quieter Syros is still considered a well-kept secret.

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Cruise-only rates per person
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Sail across the Adriatic Sea in search of mythical heroes, great explorers and a beautiful empress: Athens (Piraeus) – Venice

Ithaca: Odysseus’ mythical homeland
It took Odysseus years of sailing before he finally returned to his homeland Ithaca. Along the way he had outwitted giants, withstood the Sirens’ call and fought sea monsters – suffice it to say he was in need of a rest, and Ithaca, with its unspoilt landscape and quiet way of life, offered the perfect haven. It still does. Ithaca is considered an insider tip amongst the rich and famous: For those who are looking to spend their honeymoon far away from the glare of the paparazzi and fellow tourists, this place is ideal.

Elizabeth’s favourite island – Corfu
Corfu found fame as a popular traveller’s destination as early as the 19th century. Bored of life at court, Empress Elisabeth of Austria travelled to the island and chose it to realise her dreams. She ordered a palace to be built in the style of Greek mythology and dedicated it to her favourite hero, Achilles. It is called the Achilleion.

Marco Polo’s birthplace: Korcula
When the Sea Cloud drops anchor next to the Dalmatian island of Korcula, you will be greeted by a breathtaking view from the deck. With its defiant walls and towers, red rooftops and cathedral, the old town looms over the sea like a medieval castle. Once inside this fortress, you will find narrow alleyways that lead to picturesque courtyards, small cafés and restaurants – and to the birthplace of Marco Polo.

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You save €230

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Follow in the wake of Venetian merchants and discover the Adriatic Sea’s majestic cultural sites: Venice – Venice

An enchanted farewell to Venice
No other farewell is as romantic and melancholic as the route taken by the Sea Cloud as it leaves the Floating City. Our tall ship slowly sails past all of Venice’s famous buildings and offers a panoramic view of the magnificent St Mark’s Square, the Campanile, the Bridge of Sighs and the Doge’s Palace.

Split – the Adriatic metropolis
Split was originally established as a retirement home for the Roman Emperor Diocletian. However, his palace, which took only ten years to build, soon encompassed two main roads, a number of villas, military and civilian constructions and several sacred buildings. This historical complex covers an area of roughly 30,000 square metres (323,000 square feet) and now stands at the centre of the beautiful old town. It undoubtedly deserves its title as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Culinary Istria
Even in ancient times, Istrian olives were famed for their special flavour. Nowadays, the region’s multi-award winning olive oil is prized by connoisseurs. Also much sought after among gourmets is the “white gold”, otherwise known as the white truffle. On a culinary excursion you will experience many of the region’s specialities.

An ancient multicultural city: Trieste
Trieste’s colourful history is reflected in its cuisine: From “palatschinken” to souvlaki, prosciutto to baccalà mante-cato, the town has seen the culinary influences from Austria, Istria and Greece. Trieste has long been considered a cultural melting pot; once a key port on the Slovenian border, it used to attract merchants from all over the world.

Sea Cloud
7 nights
05 Oct. to 12 Oct. 2017
SC-1734
05 Oct. Venice/Italy
06 Oct. At sea
07 Oct. Split/Croatia
City tour including a Klapa concert.*
08 Oct. Korcula/Croatia
Walk through Korcula’s old town and enjoy island specialities.*
09 Oct. Trogir/Croatia
City walking tour.*
10 Oct. Rovinj/Croatia
Excursion to the Istrian countryside and tasting of regional specialities.*
11 Oct. Trieste/Italy
City tour including visit to Miramare Castle.*
12 Oct. Venice/Italy
Disembarkation. Guests return home individually.
Itinerary subject to change!
* These excursions are not included in the cruise-only rate.

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A short break taking in the world famous lagoon city and other fascinating Adriatic towns: Venice – Venice

An enchanted farewell to Venice
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A short break from everyday life
You do not need to take a three-week holiday to get away from it all and clear your mind: On the Sea Cloud you will experience relaxation from the moment you step on board. On our sun deck, your daily routine will feel a million miles away, and the vast expanse of sea will rejuvenate your spirit – all while your smartphone takes a break of its own in the cosy cabin below.

Trieste – a port town with unmistakable charm
The harbour is the beating heart of Trieste. Even in Roman times, this Italian city on the Slovenian border was considered an important maritime town. Its rapid rise began with the Holy Roman Emperor Charles VI’s decision to proclaim the city as a Free Port. Trieste went on to become the largest centre for trade in the Adriatic Sea. Today the white Miramare Castle still stands as a testament to the splendour of the Danube Monarchy.

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You save €110
Baroque splendour, Sicilian gold and Mediterranean charm – a voyage to the island treasures of the Mediterranean Sea: Malta – Málaga

Syracuse: UNESCO World Heritage Site
Cicero once described Syracuse as “the greatest and most beautiful of the Greek cities”. Up to a million people – three times the population of mighty Athens – are claimed to have lived there in antiquity. This city on the small island of Ortigia was later conquered first by the Romans, then by Arabs, Byzantines and Normans. They have left behind a unique architectural heritage: UNESCO declared Syracuse a World Heritage Site in 2005 due to its archaeological importance.

A masterwork of mosaics: the Cappella Palatina
The narrow streets of Palermo’s historic centre with their rattling Vespa scooters and vivacious market women lead to the impressive Norman palace. Inside it you will find the famous Cappella Palatina. Its richness is simply overwhelming: The erstwhile royal chapel is decorated with elements of both Christian and Islamic style, artistic carvings and marble floors. It contains an inner room which is entirely covered with precious golden mosaics.

La Seu – Palma’s Gothic cathedral
In 1230, at a site once occupied by a mosque, construction work began on the famous cathedral of St Maria in Palma de Mallorca, otherwise known as “La Seu”. Initially built in a pure Gothic style, with spires stretching up to the sky, this cathedral was given a few “modern” touches over the course of the centuries. And at the beginning of the 20th century some of the building’s interior rooms were redesigned by none other than Gaudí.

A lecturer accompanies the trip
A lecturer will accompany this trip to deliver interesting and informative talks on a range of specialist subjects.

Combination:
Combine trips SC-1737 and SC-1738 (page 64), and save 10% on the cruise-only rate of the lower-priced trip.
A cultural kaleidoscope – breathtaking imperial cities in Morocco and the Canaries’ artistic side: Málaga – Las Palmas

The imperial city of Rabat
Rabat, the capital of Morocco, is one of the country’s four imperial cities. Rabat’s iconic landmark, the Hassan Tower, was built when the city was the capital of the Sultanate. The tower is now located within one of the city’s upmarket residential areas. With its various districts, this city has many facets. The traditional souk with its surrounding wall can still be found in the old town, and the Ville Nouvelle offers magnificent boulevards and Art Deco buildings.

Magical Marrakech
Snake charmers and fortune tellers, jugglers and spice traders – the Djamaa el-Fna market place is the hotspot for everything that makes Marrakech a living fairytale. The red facades lining the maze of oriental streets conceal magnificent mosques, cool courtyards and luxurious gardens. One hallmark of the people here is their warm hospitality, which often finds expression in a cup of sweet tea.

Lanzarote and its famous architect
With his vision of a harmonious link between mankind and nature, César Manrique transformed Lanzarote into a work of art. This surrealist painter, architect, sculptor, designer and conservationist created colourful wind chimes and wall mosaics, turned lava caves into homes and tirelessly fought to ensure the preservation of the natural and cultural identity of the island where he was born.

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A lecturer will accompany you on this trip, delivering interesting and informative talks on a range of specialist subjects.

Combination:
Combine trips SC-1738 and SC-1737 (page 63), and save 10% on the cruise-only rate of the lower-priced trip.
Swap a grey autumn for a slice of Canary sun – an authentic wind-jammer experience for true sailing fans: Las Palmas – Las Palmas

Sail wherever the wind takes you
On this trip our legendary tall ship will show you exactly what it was born to do, with nothing but the wind determining its course and the captain obeying its orders. Just how many knots can the **SEA CLOUD** get up to? At how many ports will it call? The answers will emerge – new at every hour and on each of the six days at sea.

Just one goal: relaxation
At this time of year, this Atlantic archipelago is a spectacular spot for sailing. With constant trade winds and mild temperatures between 22 and 24 degrees, it promises prime conditions for the **SEA CLOUD**’s voyage. For seven whole days you can enjoy your trip without any organised stops, schedules, or timetables. The freedom experienced beneath the sails knows no end: here you will find the perfect place to relax. Time passes slowly as you effortlessly unwind and feel relaxation take hold.

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**21 Nov.**
Guests arrive individually in **Las Palmas**. Embarkation on the **SEA CLOUD**.

**22 Nov.**
At sea (until 27 Nov.)
This trip focuses mainly on the sailing aspect of the journey and therefore does not include a fixed route. Stops are arranged according to wind and weather conditions.

**28 Nov.**
**Las Palmas/Gran Canaria**
Disembarkation. Guests return home individually.

Itinerary subject to change!

### Combination:
Combine trips SC-1740 and SC-1741 (page 66), and save 10% on the cruise-only rate of the lower-priced trip.

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You save €200
SAILING

An authentic sailing experience
Crossing the Atlantic on a traditional tall ship is an experience that leaves a lasting impression. For 17 days your exact course is determined only by the elements. When the crew sets the sails at dizzying heights, the wind is caught in the sailcloth and the ropes creak as they are stretched tight, you will experience a tangible sense of freedom.

Following in Columbus’ footsteps
What would have been going through Columbus’ mind as he set sail in 1492? It is virtually impossible to sail across the Atlantic in the discoverer’s footsteps without constantly considering his thoughts and ideas. Columbus had not yet discovered the trade winds which provide ideal sailing conditions in the westerly direction during the winter months, but nowadays we know that they will provide the Sea Cloud with idyllic sailing on its way to the Caribbean.

Relax and enjoy
Great adventures do not always mean great effort. For 17 days we sail a westwards course across the Atlantic, always heading towards a magnificent sunset. It will not be long before you sit back and relax; surrounded by vast horizons and looked after by an attentive crew, you will leave your every-day stress behind in no time at all.

A lecturer accompanies the trip
Our lecturer will come thoroughly prepared for the two weeks at sea, ready to give you fascinating insights into his/her area of expertise as part of varied and entertaining talks.

SEA CLOUD
17 nights
28 Nov. to 15 Dec. 2017
SC-1741
28 Nov. Las Palmas/Gran Canaria
Embarkation on the Sea Cloud.

29 Nov. At sea (until 14 Dec.)
15 Dec. Willemstad/Curaçao
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Itinerary subject to change!

Cruise-only rates per person

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Our travel tip: Gran Canaria
In order to be absolutely sure that your luggage comes with you on the Atlantic crossing, we recommend that you arrive in Las Palmas at least a day in advance: Pre-cruise stay in Las Palmas from 27 Nov. to 28 Nov. 2017. One night bed and breakfast in a first-class hotel, including transfer and island trip.

Surcharge: € 245 per person in a double room
€ 325 per person in a single room
Minimum number of participants: 10 people

Our travel tip: Central America
Prolong your cruise for an extra seven nights on board from Curaçao to Colón (SC-1742) from 15 Dec. to 22 Dec. 2017 at our attractive combination price (see pricing details).

(This offer is only available in combination with the Atlantic crossing of the Sea Cloud; the early booking incentive and other discounts are not available for these rates.)

You save € 480
Caribbean summer winds, the stunning pastel colours of the ABC islands and the Latin-American zest for life: Curaçao – Panama City (Colón)

Trip to the ABC islands
Aruba, Bonaire and Curaçao – the alphabet of the Caribbean begins with these three islands off the coast of Venezuela. The ABC islands are considered the "Netherlands of the Caribbean", and their Dutch colonial past is still visible in the pastel-coloured architecture. There are plenty of colours on show underwater, too: Their breathtaking biodiversity renders these three island beauties a Mecca for water sports fans.

Idyllic sailing along the trade winds
In winter and spring the Caribbean trade winds provide ideal speeds and perfect stability while delivering extremely pleasant air and water temperatures. The many hours out at sea will turn into a real joy for the tall ship, and a delight for those looking to enjoy freedom beneath the sails. All this in stunning waters.

Panama City and the Panama Canal
When the Panama Canal opened in 1914 after more than 30 years of construction, it allowed ships sailing between New York and Los Angeles to shorten their route by almost 15,000 kilometres (9,320 miles). Panama City has experienced enormous growth ever since. The contrast between its ultra-modern banking centre and lovingly restored historic quarters is what makes the city Central America’s style capital.

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Fascinating flora and fauna, the metropolis of Panama City and the Panama Canal experience.

Costa Rica’s Pacific coast: perfect sailing waters
The sea surrounding Costa Rica is the perfect place for sailing – and the Sea Cloud is the perfect yacht to sail in. Our ship will cruise between the far-flung national parks, ensuring that you arrive completely refreshed and ready to begin each new adventure on land.

Panama City and the Panama Canal
It took 30 eventful years for the Panama Canal to be finally completed. In 2014, this huge construction celebrated its 100th anniversary and this year has seen the new three-tier lock system be brought into service. Travelling through the canal during the day is a very special experience. Panama City is another absolute must-see: Our pre-cruise programme offers you the opportunity to fully immerse yourself in the latest top destination in Central America, and appreciate the contrast between the historical quarters and the ultra-modern centre.

The most beautiful national parks in Panama and Costa Rica
Experience an incredible eleven distinct landscapes on this journey, all of them starkly different. On the way you will also discover a phenomenally diverse range of unspoilt natural scenery, from rainforests, imposing volcanic scenes and mysterious river banks to picturesque beaches and national marine parks. One of them, the Coiba National Park, is also a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The Corcovado National Park, one of Costa Rica’s oldest rainforests, is located on the Pacific Peninsula of Osa. This park is home to roughly 400 species of birds and many other animals have been spotted roaming this forest.

The picture-perfect beaches of Costa Rica and Panama
On the tranquil coasts of Costa Rica and Panama, unforgettable natural scenery and beautiful relaxing beaches can be found just a few steps away from one another. Paradisiacal conservation areas blend into charming bays, and shady palms line the beaches as if on a picture postcard. What is more, if you really just want to relax, you will find the perfect place to do so in the soft sand of Coiba, Tortuga and the Islas de las Perlas.

Granada – a UNESCO World Heritage Site
Situated picturesquely at the foot of a volcano and on the shore of a lake, the Nicaraguan town of Granada never ceases to conjure up stunning views of the natural and the man-made. Founded by the Spanish in 1524, it was one of the most influential towns in Central America for around 200 years. It is still considered an insider tip among the region’s colonial pearls. The significance of its historical legacy has earned it a very special seal of approval: a place on the UNESCO World Heritage Site List.

A lecturer accompanies the trip
You are bound to have some questions about all the fascinating flora and fauna found in the national parks we visit on our trip. For that reason, a scientist who knows all there is to know about the region’s varying ecosystems will be on board to provide you with the answers. He will be joining us for the entire journey, giving talks and accompanying us on excursions.
Explore a city with over a million inhabitants, beach paradises and national parks: Panama City (Colón) – San José (Puerto Caldera)

**SEA CLOUD – CRUISES**

**13 nights**

**22 Dec.**

Panama City (Colón)/Panama

Guests arrive individually in Colón.

Embarkation on the **SEA CLOUD**.

**23 Dec.**

Panama City (Colón)/Panama

Day sailing through the **Panama Canal** from approximately 06.00 to 18.00.

**24 Dec.**

Pearl Islands/Panama

Visit to a botanical garden.*

**25 Dec.**

Coiba National Park/Panama

Visit to the town of Granada, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, combined with either a boat trip on Lake Nicaragua or a trip to the Masaya volcano.*

**26 Dec.**

Casa Orquideas/Costa Rica

Boat trip in the Palo Verde National Park.*

**27 Dec.**

Playa San Josecito/Costa Rica

Hike through the national park.*

**28 Dec.**

Quepos/Costa Rica

Excursion to a national park.*

**30 Dec.**

San Juan del Sur/Nicaragua

Visit to the town of Granada, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, combined with either a boat trip on Lake Nicaragua or a trip to the Masaya volcano.*

**31 Dec.**

San José (Puerto Caldera)/Costa Rica

Disembarkation. Guests return home individually.

**Itinerary subject to change!**

* These excursions are not included in the cruise-only rate.

**Cruise-only rates per person**

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**Limited number of guaranteed cabins; allocation starts with Cat. 5**

See page 112 for included services

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Our travel tip: Central America

Prolong your cruise in the same cabin for an extra seven nights on board from Curaçao to Colón from 15 Dec. to 22 Dec. 2017 at our attractive additional price (see pricing details).

(This offer is only available in combination with the Christmas and New Year cruise of the **SEA CLOUD**; the early-booking incentive and other discounts are not available for these rates.)
Cabin Categories of Sea Cloud.

- **Luxury owner’s cabin No 1 (Cat. A)**
  A white carrara marble fireplace and bathroom, gold-plated swan neck taps, precious Louis Philippe chairs, a large varnish-finish bed in antique white (180 cm x 200 cm), gold decoration, lavish ceiling décor, a floor-to-ceiling dressing mirror and a large walk-in closet – this approx. 38 m²/410 sq ft suite, formerly occupied by Marjorie Merriweather Post, was designed to meet her demands for absolute elegance. The approx. 9 m²/97 sq ft bathroom features an antique dresser, a washbasin and a bathtub.

- **Luxury owner’s cabin No 2 (Cat. A)**
  A living space with maple panelling, a marble fireplace, a magnificently decorated bathroom, a well-sized walk-in closet and a large bed (180 cm x 200 cm) – the suite of the former owner Edward Hutton is approx. 34 m²/366 sq ft. He even made use of the suite’s bureau bookcase, which features mirrored glass. The red carrara marble bathroom is approx. 9 m²/97 sq ft and includes a bathtub, a washbasin and a dresser.

- **De luxe original cabin No 3 (Cat. B)**
  A sage-coloured marble bathroom, a walk-in closet, antique single beds (each 90 cm x 200 cm), armchairs, a mirrored dresser and serving cabinets. In addition, the room’s overall colour scheme gives it a certain colonial touch. Approx. 24 m²/258 sq ft, perfect for a good night’s sleep. The bathroom, approx. 4 m²/43 sq ft in size, features a bathtub.

- **De luxe original cabin No 4 (Cat. B)**
  Approx. 22 m²/237 sq ft. Designed in the style of an English country house and ideal for a relaxing night’s sleep. The centrepiece of the main room is a comfortable double bed (160 cm x 200 cm) which perfectly complements the cabin’s lavish Louis XVI-style antiques. At approx. 5 m²/54 sq ft, the bathroom with bathtub is very spacious, and the walk-in closet offers sufficient storage space.

- **De luxe original cabin No 5 (Cat. B)**
  Spacious, antique mahogany dressers, a marble bathroom and fireplace, mahogany décor and antique furniture, along with a well-sized walk-in closet, ensure a cosy and subtle elegance, all within a space of approx. 20 m²/215 sq ft. The two single beds (each 90 cm x 200 cm) are placed next to each other, forming a double bed; the approx. 5.4 m²/58 sq ft bathroom is fitted with a bathtub.

- **De luxe original cabin No 6 (Cat. B)**
  This approx. 18 m²/194 sq ft original cabin also recreates the feel of elegant 1930s travel. The cabin’s fireplace and beautiful bathroom (approx. 4 m²/43 sq ft with a fitted shower) are made of marble; the cabin also features a generous walk-in closet. The room’s small, specially selected, antique mahogany furniture makes a graceful addition. Carefully chosen fabric colours give the entire room a very warm, sunny and light atmosphere. The large double bed measures 180 cm x 200 cm.
De luxe original cabin No 7 (Cat. B)
This room was once home to Dina, the daughter of the previous owners. The furniture, made of sophisticated maple, features mahogany inlays. The unusual layout of this cabin, with its angled fireplace, makes this approx. 24 m²/258 sq ft room (featuring two single beds, each 90 cm x 200 cm) appear larger than it actually is. The gold-plated marble bathroom, which includes a bathtub, is approx. 7 m²/75 sq ft. The cabin also features a walk-in closet.

De luxe original cabin No 8 (Cat. B)
Comfort and style become one in this approx. 25 m²/268 sq ft cabin. The room’s king size double bed (which features two separate single mattresses, each 90 cm x 200 cm) is an oasis of calm. Skillfully placed antique furniture and the bathroom’s grey-beige marble and gold-plated taps emphasize the timeless elegance of this cabin. The approx. 6 m²/65 sq ft bathroom includes a bathtub. A walk-in closet is also available.

De luxe outside cabin No 9 (Cat. C)
Warm and bright tones dominate this approx. 20 m²/215 sq ft deluxe outside cabin fitted with a double bed (160 cm x 200 cm) and situated on the Main Deck. The cabin features a modern elegance, generous storage space and a walk-in closet. The approx. 3,6 m²/35 sq ft marble bathroom is fitted with a bathtub.

De luxe outside cabin No 10 (Cat. C)
Cabins 9 and 10 are located at the end of the corridor. They have their own staircase to the Promenade Deck. This approx. 18,5 m²/198 sq ft cabin follows the same design pattern as Cabin No 9. It includes a walk-in closet as well as additional storage space and cabinets built into the cabin’s overall furnishings. The approx. 3,3 m²/39 sq ft marble bathroom features a shower.

Double-bed cabins No 30 and 31 (Cat. 1)
These two double-bed cabins are located on the Captain’s and Lido Deck and feature unique corner panorama windows. Approx. 13 m²/140 sq ft in size, they offer a substantial wardrobe, a double bed with two mattresses (each 80 cm x 200 cm) and a spacious, elegant bathroom with a fitted shower.

Twin-bed cabins No 32-37 (Cat. 2)
Each of these cabins features a marble bathroom with a fitted shower, two single beds (each 80 cm x 200 cm) which can be placed together, a substantially sized wardrobe and additional built-in storage space. Their location on the Captain’s and Lido Deck and their design, featuring two panorama windows, mean these approx. 13,5 m²/145 sq ft cabins feel extremely bright.

Twin-bed cabins No 18-25 (Cat. 3)
Located on the Promenade Deck, each of these outside cabins also features panorama windows, a marble bathroom with a fitted shower and a substantially sized wardrobe. They are approx. 12,5 m²/135 sq ft in size with to single beds (each 80 cm x 200 cm).

Twin-bed cabins No 28 and 29 (Cat. 4)
These cabins are each approx. 10,5 m²/113 sq ft and located on the Promenade Deck. They are furnished similarly to Cat. 3 cabins.

Upper-/lower-bed cabins No 14-17 (Cat. 5)
These approx. 9,5 m²/102 sq ft rooms with their upper and lower single beds (each 80 cm x 200 cm) once housed the ship’s officers, and their original features exude a romantic charm. These cabins can be ventilated with fresh air both day and night as the cabin door leads directly to the Promenade Deck beneath the bridge.
Deck Plan of Sea Cloud.

Cabin Categories of Sea Cloud

Cat. A  Luxury owner’s cabins
Cat. B  De luxe original cabins
Cat. C  De luxe outside cabins
Cat. 1  Double-bed cabins
Cat. 2  Twin-bed cabins (beds can be placed together)
Cat. 3  Twin-bed cabins
Cat. 4  Twin-bed cabins
Cat. 5  Upper-/lower-bed cabins

Guaranteed cabin: The range of accommodation starts from Cat. 5. You will receive your exact cabin number when arriving on board. The allotment for this category is very limited.
### Sail Diagram and Technical Data of Sea Cloud

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### Technical Data

- **Length overall:** 109.50 m/360 ft
- **Beam:** 14.94 m/50 ft
- **Draft:** 5.13 m/17 ft
- **Height of main mast above deck:** 54.20 m/178 ft
- **Total sail area:** 3.000 m²/32,000 sq ft
- **Number of sails:** 30
- **Passengers:** max. 64
- **Crew:** approx. 60
- **32 outside cabins (of those 10 cabins are original with bathtub/WC or shower/WC and 22 cabins with shower/WC) with bathrobes, hair dryer, telephone, air conditioning, private safe**
- **Lido deck with bar**
- **Restaurant (69 seats) with open seating and one sitting**
- **Lounge with library and desk area with laptop**
- **Hospital**
- **Flag:** Malta
- **Year constructed:** 1931, renovated in 2011
The vast ocean, tranquility and a simply breathtaking voyage across the Atlantic on board a majestic windjammer: Las Palmas – Barbados

**Pure sailing adventure**
For two whole weeks, the expansive ocean will be the home of *Sea Cloud II*. Water currents and trade winds are all that propel the yacht forwards. Our well-rehearsed crew works seamlessly together as the white sails billow majestically in the breeze. On a Transatlantic cruise you will certainly experience one of the most authentic sailing adventures. And as we make our way to the New World, the worries of everyday life will vanish as fast as the eastern shore.

**Follow the course of Columbus**
More than 500 years after Columbus, it is not just windjammer enthusiasts who will be awestruck by this re-enactment of his famous voyage. As the *Sea Cloud II* follows the legendary shipping route from the Canaries to the West Indies, it brings the magic of those great adventures to life. All the voyagers on board will be left with unforgettable memories.

**Discover a haven of tranquillity**
As you cruise across the Atlantic, you will for once be able to read your favourite book without distraction or allow your thoughts to roam as you gaze out over the horizon. The attentive crew will intuitively meet your every need and the relaxed atmosphere is the perfect catalyst for a pleasant conversation.

**A lecturer accompanies the trip**
The practice of gathering around a storyteller has provided entertainment for groups of voyagers throughout history. Our lecturer has likewise prepared some exciting talks for our windjammer enthusiasts during their Transatlantic cruise.

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**Our travel tip: Gran Canaria**
In order to be absolutely sure that your luggage comes with you on the Atlantic crossing, we recommend that you arrive in Las Palmas at least a day in advance:
Pre-cruise stay in Las Palmas from 21 Nov. to 22 Nov. 2016.
One night bed and breakfast in a first-class hotel, including transfer and island trip.
**Surcharge:** €245 per person in a double room
€325 per person in a single room
Minimum number of participants: 10 people

**Our travel tip: Lesser Antilles**
Prolong your cruise in the same cabin for an extra seven nights on board from/to Barbados from 08 Dec. to 15 Dec. 2016 (SCII-1643) at our attractive combination price (see pricing details).
(This offer is only available in combination with the Atlantic crossing of the *Sea Cloud II*; the early booking incentive and other discounts are not available for these rates.)

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**Limited number of guaranteed cabins; allocation starts with Cat. F**

See page 112 for included services
The joys of the Caribbean, nature in all its glory and a holiday with a dash of French style: Barbados – Barbados

Idyllic sailing along the trade winds
In winter and spring the Caribbean trade winds offer perfect speeds and consistency and deliver wonderful air and water temperatures. The many hours spent out at sea are a real joy for the tall ship.

French style on the Îles des Saintes
The Îles des Saintes give such a welcoming first impression, though the historical Fort Napoléon that towers over the main island is a reminder of less peaceful times. This small town’s promenade is perfect for taking a stroll, and the savoir-vivre of life here unfolds against a backdrop of the glowing pastel colours of the Caribbean.

The jet set island of St Barts
Although many like to call it “St Barts” for short, the island’s official name is St Barthélemy. Having seen numerous owners, the isle was finally bought by France in 1877 and is now firmly in the hands of the jet set. When banker David Rockefeller first bought property here in 1957, the island’s future was sealed. Elegant Gustavia entices with classy goods and glamour hidden away behind restored facades, and the harbour hosts luxury yachts of famous owners.

A natural beauty: Dominica
With its thick virgin forest, hot springs, roaring waterfalls and numerous exotic bird species, Dominica has more than earned its self-adopted epithet “The Nature Island”. This island, the shooting location for two “Pirates of the Caribbean” films, is also home to the ruined British outpost of Fort Shirley. The hill where it stands offers stunning views over the bay.
Leave all your cares behind as you sail to green volcanoes, famous sailors’ haunts and heavenly snorkelling spots: Barbados – Barbados

Grenada – the island of spice
Although Grenada has been blessed with around 45 picture-perfect beaches, its real treasure is its lush, green island interior. Deep volcanic lakes, dense rainforests, waterfalls and small river courses form the primordial backdrop of the island’s sugar cane fields and spice plantations. Therefore, the scent of cloves, cinnamon and nutmeg hangs in the air wherever you go.

Snorkellers’ paradise in the Tobago Cays
For many, life under water is a fascinating world – one that becomes even more magical the closer you get. The Tobago Cays’ Horseshoe Reef is such a place. This horseshoe-shaped coral reef encloses four small islands that glow in rich shades of green. The sea, in contrast, embraces turquoise, emerald and every shade of blue.

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Gros and Petit Piton, the two famous volcanic plugs that tower over St Lucia, could have come straight out of a tropical storybook. They are a UNESCO World Heritage Site and offer a spectacular panorama as the Sea Cloud II sails closely alongside their slopes.

Bequia: a sailors’ haunt
Bequia is a very special gem in the picture-perfect island chain that is the Grenadines. For many years the island was known only to sailors and adventurers, which preserved much of its original, old Caribbean charm. With its colourful wooden houses, free-roaming hens and sailing yachts that span the full range of ages and prices, it is hard not to get swept up in the relaxing and uplifting atmosphere felt all over the island.

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A day at the beach on the popular sailors’ island of Bequia
The Sea Cloud II drops anchor in Admiralty Bay at Port Elizabeth on Bequia. It is the meeting place for round-the-world sailors and private luxury yachts. Our zodiacs bring you to the town or to one of the island’s most beautiful beaches. You will have plenty of time for whatever you choose, be it swimming, snorkelling or taking a stroll.

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You save up to €560
Sailing with the warm summer trade winds, aromatic spices and Dutch island charm: Barbados – Curaçao

Snorkellers’ paradise in the Tobago Cays
A unique feature of the Tobago Cays is their unspoilt coral reef, known as the “Horseshoe Reef” due to its shape. It keeps the Atlantic swells at bay and is the perfect place for snorkelling. Once back on dry land, you will be treated to a beach barbecue with culinary specialities.

Idyllic sailing along the trade winds
In winter and spring the Caribbean trade winds provide ideal speeds and perfect stability, while delivering extremely pleasant air and water temperatures. The many hours out at sea will turn into a real joy for the tall ship, and a delight for those looking to enjoy freedom beneath the sails. All this in stunning waters.

A delight for all the senses: Grenada, the island of spice
There is a reason why nutmeg is immortalised on this country’s national flag. Since colonial times nutmeg – along with cloves, cinnamon and ginger – has been one of the island’s most important exports. If the aromatic fragrance of the tropics were to have a name, it would have to be “Grenada”.

The natural beauty of Bonaire
Bonaire is a true paradise for nature lovers. While the breathtaking view on land features craggy coastlines, extraordinary cactus deserts, winding mangrove forests, shocking pink flamingoes and gorgeous beaches, underwater quite another magical world unfolds. This Dutch island’s brightly coloured coral reefs are amongst the best snorkelling sites in the world.

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You save €200
A journey to uncover nature’s paradise, dazzling coral reefs, mystical Maya ruins and rousing rhythms right at the heart of Central America.

Costa Rica’s national parks – a green paradise
As more than a quarter of Costa Rica’s land is protected in the form of nature reserves, it provides a safe home for a truly unbelievable variety of flora and fauna. There seems to be no end to the natural highlights that await you in this peaceful little country, which has had no armed forces since 1948. The numerous national parks boast majestic volcanic craters and mysterious cloud forests alongside picturesque beaches and evergreen rainforests. The Tortuguero National Park, for example, can only be reached by sea or air because its landscape of canals and lagoons is so impenetrable.

Several relaxing days at sea
Besides crossing worlds and discovering new lands, we let relaxation take a front seat on our yacht for four whole days. Plenty of time to enjoy life under the white sails and to be spoilt in every way.

The world’s second largest coral reef
The Belize Barrier Reef is a 256-kilometre-long (159 miles) reef system which contains countless small coral islands. The Lighthouse Reef Atoll features a particularly special natural wonder: the Great Blue Hole. This circular submarine sinkhole, with a diameter of over 300 metres (0.19 miles), was formed during the last ice age and is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Donning your snorkel and getting an underwater view is obviously another great way to discover the impressive beauty of the reef.

Maya cities in Mexico and Belize
The sophisticated culture of the Maya in Central America, which began roughly 5,000 years ago and ended around the time of the Spanish conquest, is still a mystery. Their ceremonies seem to have been gory, their step pyramids imposing, and their stone carvings required a great deal of skill. On our trip you will discover three mystical Maya strongholds: Tulum, in Mexico, is the only Maya city situated on the coast; Altun Ha and Lamanai are in Belize. Lamanai is situated on the banks of an inland lagoon and remained populated for roughly 3,000 years. Excavations have revealed that over 20,000 people lived there around 700 AD.

A lecturer accompanies the trip
Knowledge, entertainment and facts – our expert is on hand to give talks on a wide variety of specialist subjects. He will also be on board to answer any questions that you may have.
Explore six very different countries between Costa Rica and Cuba during two weeks of sailing: San José (Puerto Limón) – Cienfuegos

**SEA CLOUD II – CRUISES**

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**You save €370**
Lively music, picture-perfect beaches and narrow city streets with colonial charm: Cienfuegos – Santo Domingo

Trinidad’s old town
Trinidad de Cuba is a small, friendly place with a long history as a centre for sugar cane farming. Its charming coastal setting, lovingly restored facades and gentle pace of life can be experienced in any of the town’s beautiful squares and in the narrow, historic alleyways. This small town has a well-deserved place on the UNESCO World Heritage Site list.

The spirited music of Cuba
If Cuba is the birthplace of almost every Latin dance style, then Santiago de Cuba is the stage on which they are performed. Nowhere else will you find so much live music or dancing. In the town’s clubs, bars and dance schools, the rhythms of salsa, son and rumba are omnipresent and just as thrilling as in the world-famous Buena Vista Social Club.

Port Antonio – natural beauty in Jamaica
Known for its reggae, Rastafarians and rum, Jamaica has many magical and serene natural settings to offer alongside its rousing rhythms. Port Antonio in the North East is the spot on the island with the most beautiful scenery. With its perfect beaches, lush tropical vegetation and countless caves, rivers and waterfalls, the area surrounding this small colonial town has been a celebrity hotspot since the 1940s, attracting famous visitors like Errol Flynn and providing the exotic backdrop for a number of films.

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The Lesser Antilles and the British Virgin Islands – from hidden pirate bays to a famous jet set island: Santo Domingo – Antigua

The magical Maravillas caves
Strolling through the legendary Maravillas caves, you would be forgiven for thinking you had entered a unique and magical world 35 metres underground. Huge, shimmering stalagmites and stalactites stretch out into the dimly lit caves, an underground river rushes past, and mystical Taino Indian paintings on the walls captivate with their expressive power, as they have done for thousands of years.

The British Virgin Islands – one of the top sailing destinations in the world
When Columbus discovered these islands back in 1493, he named them after the 11,000 virgins of Saint Ursula as he was so taken by their pure and untouched beauty. There are more than 60 different islands in this archipelago, each with its own distinct character. Virgin Gorda for example attracts with its extraordinary granite rock formation known as “The Baths”, which is full of small grottos and seawater pools, whilst sailors flock to the pirate island of Jost van Dyke to meet for a chat in one of the many beach bars.

St Barts – an exquisite refuge
If you take the stylish charm of the Côte d’Azur, add a touch of laid-back American attitude and top this off with a stunning Caribbean backdrop, what you get is the luxurious destination of St Barts. This elegant island offers a distinctly sophisticated lifestyle, attracting jet setters from around the world to come and experience its fine restaurants, haute couture boutiques, impressive yachts and picture-perfect beaches.

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The picturesque Amalfi Coast
Violet bougainvillea gracing pastel-pink facades, houses perchéd upon cliffs like swallows’ nests, perron stairs with views out over the turquoise sea – sometimes the Amalfi Coast almost seems too good to be true. But this region’s colourful fishing village charm is definitely real, and in 1997 UNESCO declared the coast a World Heritage Site.

A stunning town with volcanic views: Taormina
Its list of admirers includes Goethe, Oscar Wilde and Liz Taylor. It seems the unique charm of Taormina in the north east of Sicily has always attracted famous summer visitors. One site that is particularly worth seeing is the town’s Roman amphitheatre built in the 2nd century BC: From the “Teatro Greco” you can enjoy a heavenly panoramic view of Mount Etna and the Giardini Naxos Bay.

Malta’s beautiful little sister: Gozo
The inhabitants of Gozo are visibly proud of their island, and it is not hard to see why: It may be seen as Malta’s little sister, but it trumps the larger island with its greener, quieter and more romantic setting. In fact, you will not find even a trace of mass tourism here. Instead you will be greeted by rugged landscapes, historical temples and the “Azure Window”, one of the most beautiful rock arches in the Mediterranean.

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Exciting topics, background information and fascinating facts – our expert offers talks on a whole range of subjects from his specialist field.
Welcome the Iberian summer in Spain and Portugal’s charming ports and uncover their culinary secrets: Barcelona – Porto (Leixões)

Málaga: a hidden gem
Sightseeing in Málaga begins as soon as you enter the harbour: Standing at the railings, you are greeted by an idyllic view of many of the city’s sights. The cathedral, the Moorish fort of Alcazaba and the birthplace of Picasso are easily reached by foot from the harbour. Yet Málaga is still considered an insider tip; indeed the old port was only recently redeveloped. It now features a pristine promenade, which is the perfect place for a relaxing stroll.

The gentle pace of life in Cádiz
History comes alive in the city of Cádiz. One of Europe’s oldest cities, this charming harbour town boasts a beautiful cathedral and baroque buildings, a tranquil old town and defiant watch towers. The town centre, with its delightful tapas bars, can be easily explored on foot from the harbour. And there is no shortage of good wine, as Jerez de la Frontera, with its sherry and wine cellars, is close by.

The approach to Lisbon
Before pulling into the port of Lisbon, the Sea Cloud II treats you to singular panoramic views along the Tagus. You pass the Torre de Bélem, a UNESCO World Heritage Site that celebrates the splendour of the former colonial world power. Just a few hundred metres further on, you are greeted by the gigantic Monument to the Discoveries, dedicated to Henry the Navigator.

Special chefs on board
For several years now, our passion for personal hospitality and high-class cuisine has united us with FEINE PRIVATHOTELS. Many of the hotels have award-winning kitchens. We are therefore delighted to present to you on this cruise two top chefs from our partner hotels who, together with our own resident chef, will delight your taste buds with a range of special menus.

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You save €230
Once around the Iberian Peninsula – a journey filled with variety and a fine balance of culture and enjoyment: Barcelona – Bilbao

The diversity of the Iberian Peninsula
Moors and Castilian kings, Inquisition and Conquista, breathtaking nature and modern architecture – the Iberian Peninsula is one of the most multifaceted regions in Europe. Judaism, Christianity and Islam came together here a long time ago, and had a mutual influence on one another. This journey of discovery through the sunny landscape of Spain and Portugal guarantees both cultural and culinary diversity.

The city of great explorers: Lisbon
You can feel Lisbon’s rich heritage as a seafarer city wherever you go: Its monuments, promenades and viewing points all bear the names of Portuguese explorers. However there is also plenty to discover beyond the most famous sights. The Bairro Alto is one such example. With its countless bars and pubs, this vibrant district invites you to take a relaxed stroll.

Porto – Portugal’s secret capital
Situated on the Douro estuary, Porto is the second largest city in Portugal, and many find it to be even more charming than its larger counterpart, Lisbon. In the picturesque UNESCO-protected old town of Ribeira, with its idyllic narrow streets, Baroque churches and blue-white Azulejo tiles, you will find yourself immersed deep in the delightful lifestyle of the city, whose cultural richness shines clearly through the many museums, concert halls and bookshops. The title of European Capital of Culture 2001 was well and truly deserved.

Sea Cloud II
12 nights
26 May to 07 June 2017
SCII-171718

26 May Barcelona/Spain
18.00
Guests arrive individually in Barcelona.
Embarkation on the Sea Cloud II.

27 May Ibiza/Spain
14.00
Island excursion and old city walking tour.*

28 May At sea

29 May Málaga/Spain
14.00
City walking tour.*

30 May Cádiz/Spain
14.00
City tour with the historical tram.*

01 June Lisbon/Portugal
13.30
City tour with the historical tram.*

02 June At sea

03 June Porto (Leixões)/Portugal
08.00
Porto city walking tour.*

04 June Islas Cíes/Spain
08.00
Excursion to Santiago de Compostela or city walking tour including tapas.*

05 June La Coruña/Spain
08.00

06 June At sea

07 June Bilbao/Spain
08.00
Disembarkation. Guests return home individually.

Itinerary subject to change!

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Short break over Whitsun with modern art and stunning nature along the coasts of Portugal and Galicia: Porto (Leixões) – Bilbao

The Islas Cíes Nature Reserve
According to Galician legend, the Cíes archipelago is the place where God rested on the seventh day after he created the world – and it is easy to see why. The site, now a nature reserve, encompasses a substantial area of sea and three islands which, with their steep coasts, sand dunes and small forests, are perfect for individual hikes.

Santiago de Compostela – a place of pilgrimage
Santiago de Compostela, one of the world’s most famous pilgrimage sites, is the final stop and climax of the Way of St James – a pilgrimage route that has been followed since the 11th century. During this time, the city’s magnificent cathedral was also established as one of the most important pilgrimage sites in Christianity, alongside Rome and Jerusalem. This building, together with the old town, is protected by UNESCO as a World Heritage Site.

Bilbao’s Guggenheim Museum
Since the Guggenheim Museum opened in 1993, around one million visitors have been flocking to this sensational cultural establishment every year. The building, made of glass, titanium and sandstone, is an artwork in its own right; its exterior was designed by artists, and inside you will find all the most famous names in the art world spread out over an exhibition space of 11,000 square metres (118,000 square feet).

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Sail in the wake of the Vikings to places of worship, fairytale castles and stylish cities: Edinburgh (Leith) – Travemünde

The many facets of the North
Rock faces that plunge into the sea, picturesque coastal villages, romantic castles – on the journey from southern Norway to Scotland, every day features a new landscape to discover. The North is surprisingly diverse and you will be just as enchanted by the raw charm of the Shetland and Orkney Islands as by the modern thrills of two cultural hubs, Bergen and Edinburgh.

Crathes Castle: a fairytale castle and its beautiful gardens
With its small bay windows and turrets, its winding spiral staircases and enchanting vaulted ceilings, Crathes Castle looks like it has been lifted from a fairytale and planted in the Scottish countryside. This 16th century stately home is surrounded by an ornate, walled garden – heaven for all kinds of gardening enthusiasts.

Mysterious ancient sites: Skara Brae and Brodgar
Scotland’s wild North is home to the mysterious ruins of Neolithic settlements. Skara Brae comprises eight round houses dating back 4,500 years, and the Ring of Brodgar is even larger than Stonehenge. Between the weathered stones and grassy mounds, you are sure to feel a touch of mythical magic.

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Sail along traditional trade routes – a summer voyage to the harbours of Scandinavia and the Baltic.

**Six countries in ten days**
From the distinctive architecture of Scandinavia to the fairytale romance of St Petersburg and its golden cupolas, the Baltic Sea proposes a range of unique and vastly differing impressions. On its journey, our windjammer will call in six countries offering countless UNESCO World Heritage Sites and fascinating insights into the scenic and cultural diversity of this region.

**Danzig: a city with many stories to tell**
Founded over one thousand years ago and renowned as a cosmopolitan, wealthy trade port, Danzig (Gdansk) is one of Poland’s most beautiful cities. The “Rechtstadt” in the heart of the city is a must, enchanting visitors with delightful small streets and a wealth of historical sights: St Mary’s Basilica, Arthur’s Court and the Golden Gate are all easily accessible by foot.

**A perfect medieval scene: Visby**
Visby was once the most important trade port between the West and the Baltic. Today, the Swedish Hanseatic city is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Visby is a place where the Middle Ages magically come to life. The idyllic old town, with its narrow alleyways, small half-timbered houses and picturesque church ruins, is protected by an impressive city wall featuring 50 watchtowers and countless drawbridges.

**Stockholm and its archipelago**
On mild summer evenings, Sweden’s capital city exudes a Mediterranean joie de vivre. Stockholm is creative and in tune with nature, welcoming and historical, a shopping paradise and home of the Royal Palace. Upon departure in the evening, you will be greeted by an idyllic view of the old town island before entering the enchanting world of the skerry landscape and its 30,000 islands.

**St Petersburg – the old city of the tsars**
In 1703, Tsar Peter the Great charged the best architects of his day with the planning of a perfect and harmonious city. The result was one of the most brilliant cities of old Europe. Thanks to its abundance of unique buildings, including the Church of the Resurrection, St Isaac’s Cathedral, the Hermitage and the Catherine Palace, the old capital city of the Russian Empire is still considered an architectural marvel today.

**Enchanting melodies on board**
In addition to a lecturer, who will be giving short talks on our various destinations, musicians will also be joining us to provide the perfect musical accompaniment to our voyage.
Treasures of the tsars and royal courts, skerries and proud Hanseatic cities: Travemünde – St. Petersburg

SEA CLOUD II – Cruises

Cruise-only rates per person

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Our travel tip: Hamburg
Prolong your cruise with a pre-program in Hamburg. We recommend the Hotel Louis C. Jacob. It is the only privately owned luxury hotel in this Hanseatic city.
Dates and prices are available upon request and subject to availability.

You save €280
A summer excursion to Baltic cities steeped in history and the charming harbours of the north: Stockholm – Hamburg

Stockholm and its archipelago
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Shifting sand dunes and wooden houses: the Curonian Spit
Even Thomas Mann could see the Curonian Spit’s potential as a tourist spot. Enormous shifting sand dunes tower over this small strip of land that separates the Baltic Sea from the Curonian Lagoon, earning this UNESCO World Heritage Site the epithet “The Sahara of East Prussia”. Klaipeda, situated on the northern end of the spit, is west Lithuania’s cultural centre, enchanting visitors with quaint timber-framed houses and neo-Gothic architecture.

Danzig: a city with many stories to tell
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A panoramic trip along the Elbe
Early in the morning the Sea Cloud II will glide up the Elbe, passing the Airbus grounds and quaint, stair-lined Blankenese. Further on in the harbour, Hamburg’s new landmark, the Elbphilharmonie, will greet our tall ship.

A lecturer accompanies the trip
A lecturer will accompany this trip and deliver interesting and informative talks on a range of specialist subjects.
Culture, charming landscapes and a relaxed way of life – discover the beauty of the Atlantic coast by bike.

Your optional cycling excursion package:

Hamburg
Your tour guide will meet you at midday to show you around the Elbphilharmonie. At 16:00 it will be time to embark on the Sea Cloud II.

Ostend
Head for the jewel of Flanders: Bruges. From Ostend you will cycle along small canals to Bruges. Bruges was once a prolific cloth-making and trading city that was on a par with the magnificent Italian cities of Florence and Venice. We will show you the most beautiful spots in the city during a guided tour before heading back to the ship. Cycling distance: 26 km (16 miles)

Guernsey
Follow in the footsteps of Victor Hugo. The Sea Cloud II will dock in the charming capital of St Peter Port. Here you will enjoy a light stroll along the wild, rocky coastline with views over steep headlands and picturesque bays. Walking distance: 5 km (3 miles)

Lorient
The approach to this fortress city is truly spectacular and popular with sailors. You will have the chance to cycle along white sandy beaches and idyllic bays in one of the most gorgeous sections of Brittany’s coastline. Cycling distance: 36 km (22 miles)

Belle-Île-en-Mer
This cycle route starts at the Le Palais harbour and ends on the other side of the island, following in the tracks of Claude Monet, who was so fascinated by the beauty of the island that he created 39 paintings here in just 75 days. Cycling distance: 30 km (19 miles)

La Rochelle
After breakfast, you will get back on your bike and travel across the impressively long bridge that leads to the Île de Ré. You can stop off at bistros in peaceful little port villages, see a wide variety of birds in the salt marshes, and explore some Mediterranean forests. Cycling distance: 34 km (21 miles)

San Sebastián
Explore the pearl of the Cantabrian Sea. You will visit the old town and see the town hall, before cycling along the stunning beach promenade and a coastal road with a breathtaking view of the green countryside. Cycling distance: 35 km (22 miles)

Bilbao
After breakfast, you will visit the Guggenheim Museum before it is time for your transfer to the airport.

Route profile:
Our cycling routes will take us down small and quiet side streets and are suitable for every cyclist. The Guernsey walk includes some coastal paths and takes about 2.5 hours.

The terranova cycling excursion package includes:

- Guided tours and entrance fees in Hamburg, Bruges, St Peter Port and Bilbao (the Guggenheim Museum)
- Guided cycling tours and walks on selected routes on six days including all transfers listed in the programme
- A rental bike with 8-gear back pedal or with a 24-gear free-wheel chain/hub gear (you will need to reserve this in advance)
- Route assistance from our support van with transfer option and bike maintenance
- All transfers listed in the programme
- A tour guide from terranova
- Drinks during breaks, mineral water on excursions and a picnic service

Additional cost: € 795 per person

The cycling package must be booked in advance as places are limited to a minimum of 8 participants and a maximum of 18.

See details: www.seacloud.com/bicycle
The Channel Islands, Brittany and the Basque Country – a summer cruise through the most distinctive landscapes of Europe: Hamburg – Bilbao

Bruges: UNESCO World Heritage Site
Be it English cloth merchants, Hamburg’s moneybags or traders from Castile, trade has been at the heart of life in this Hanseatic city for centuries. Even today there are still great shopping opportunities in the charming medieval old town of Bruges. As you stroll past ramparts, windmills and romantic canals, you will discover all sorts of artistic and culinary delights in the small boutique shops.

A jewel in the Atlantic: Belle-Île-en-Mer
It is easy to imagine that this island was the birthplace of summer; as soon as the sun rises over this Breton isle, the cafés and squares are instantly filled with the friendly chatter of locals, accordion players and women selling their wares in the market. With its serene atmosphere, the port of Le Palais is the perfect place to be discovered.

Gourmet and culture capital: San Sebastián
It would be impossible to summarise San Sebastián, or Donostia to give it its Basque name, in just one word, given that it is a seaside resort, cinematic city, surfing paradise, European Capital of Culture 2016 and, unquestionably, a Mecca for food lovers all rolled into one. In the exuberant old town, your taste buds are in for a treat thanks to the countless cosy little bars, where the culinary diversity of the city is proudly presented.

A lecturer accompanies the trip
Knowledge, entertainment and facts – our expert is on hand to give talks on a wide variety of specialist subjects. He will also be on board to answer any questions that you may have.
A short break amidst artistic delights and natural wonders on the coast of Galicia and Portugal: Bilbao – Lissabon

**Santiago de Compostela – a place of pilgrimage**
Santiago de Compostela, one of the world’s most famous pilgrimage sites, is the final stop and climax of the Way of St James – a pilgrimage route that has been followed since the 11th century. During this time, the city’s magnificent cathedral was also established as one of the most important pilgrimage sites in Christianity, alongside Rome and Jerusalem. This building, together with the old town, is protected by the UNESCO as a World Heritage Site.

**The Islas Cíes Nature Reserve**
According to Galician legend, the Cíes archipelago is the place where God rested on the seventh day after he created the world – and it is easy to see why. The site, now a nature reserve, encompasses a substantial area of sea and three islands which, with their steep coasts, sand dunes and small forests, are perfect for individual hikes.

**Porto – a secret treasure**
For years Porto seemed destined to play second fiddle to Lisbon, but now this charming city has built a loyal following of its own. Porto’s admirers love Ribeira, the city’s old town and a UNESCO World Heritage Site, with its narrow streets and stone staircases that wind their way up the hill to the cathedral. Another attraction is the city’s famous port wine cellars located nearby on the opposite side of the Douro.

**The approach to Lisbon**
The most scenic way to approach the Portuguese capital is along the river Tagus. Visitors are greeted by one of the city’s most famous landmarks, standing in the estuary since 1521: the Torre de Belém. This tower was built when Portugal’s empire was at its zenith and is now a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

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**SEA CLOUD II**
5 nights
31 Aug. to 05 Sep. 2017
SCII-1729

**31 Aug.** Bilbao/Spain 18.00
Guests arrive individually in Bilbao.
Embarcation on the **SEA CLOUD II**.

**01 Sep.** At sea

**02 Sep.** La Coruña/Spain 08.00 17.00
Excursion to Santiago de Compostela or city walking tour in La Coruña with tapas.*

**03 Sep.** Islas Cíes/Spain 14.00 18.00 *

**04 Sep.** Leixões (Porto)/Portugal 08.00 13.00
Porto and port wine experience including a boat trip along the Douro.*

**05 Sep.** Lisbon/Portugal 09.00
Disembarkation. Guests return home individually.

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**Cruise-only rates per person**

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You save €140
The most beautiful sights of Sicily: royal palaces, ancient temples and heavenly panoramas: Malta – Malta

Sicily’s many facets
The largest of the Mediterranean islands is a fabulously diverse microcosm in its own right with its rich cultural history, which dates back 3,000 years with memorials marking each era, with Europe’s highest and most active volcano, Mount Etna, and with towns and villages featuring a character and flair all of their own.

A masterwork of mosaics: the Cappella Palatina
The narrow streets of Palermo’s historic centre with their rattling Vespa scooters and vivacious market women lead to the impressive Norman palace. Inside you will find the famous Cappella Palatina. Its richness is simply overwhelming: The erstwhile royal chapel is decorated with elements of both Christian and Islamic style, artistic carvings and marble floors. It contains an inner room which is entirely covered with precious golden mosaics.

Syracuse: UNESCO World Heritage Site
Cicero once described Syracuse as “the greatest and most beautiful of the Greek cities”. Up to a million people – three times the population of mighty Athens – are claimed to have lived there in antiquity. This city on the small island of Ortigia was later conquered first by the Romans, then by Arabs, Byzantines and Normans. They have left behind a unique architectural heritage: The UNESCO declared Syracuse a World Heritage Site in 2005 due to its archaeological importance.

A lecturer accompanies the trip
Exciting topics, background information and fascinating facts – our expert offers talks on a whole range of subjects from his specialist field.

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Sea Cloud II
7 nights
05 Oct. to 12 Oct. 2017
SCII-1737
05 Oct. La Valletta/Malta 18.00
Guests arrive individually in Malta.
Embarkation on the Sea Cloud II.
06 Oct. At sea
07 Oct. Trapani/Sicily 08.00 14.00
The charming town of Erice.*
08 Oct. Palermo/Sicily 08.00 18.00
City tour including visit to the cathedral and the Cappella Palatina.*
09 Oct. Lipari/Aeolian Islands 08.00 14.00
City tour or Liparian cooking class.*
10 Oct. Naxos (Taormina)/Sicily 14.00 24.00
Cable car trip to the top of Etna.*
11 Oct. Syracuse/Sicily 08.00 14.00
Classical Syracuse.*
12 Oct. La Valletta/Malta 08.00
Disembarkation. Guests return home individually.

Itinerary subject to change! * at anchor

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Artists and experts appearing during the cruise:

Danae Papamatthäou–Matschke is one of the most promising violinists of her generation. Having made her concert début at the age of eleven, she has since given concerts in various German cities, eliciting enthusiastic reviews from the press. She is also due to perform in a number of other countries, with appearances scheduled for renowned concert halls such as the Gewandhaus Leipzig. She has won numerous national and international competitions. Her extraordinary achievements have been recognised with scholarships from various societies including the Deutsche Stiftung Musikleben, a German music foundation. Since 2014, she has been one of the artists to receive funding from the ‘Yehudi Menuhin Live Music Now’ initiative. She will be showcasing her virtuoso talent on board Sea Cloud II between 31/10 and 04/11/2017.

Alexej Gorlatch is an exceptionally talented pianist, who captured the imagination of the press following his spectacular victory at the International ARD Music Competition 2011, where he won both the public prize and a host of special awards. This triumph marked the start of his rapid rise to prominence – in just six years he won first prize in nine prestigious international piano competitions, including the Hamamatsu International Piano Competition in Japan, the A.G. Rubinstein-Wettbewerb in Israel and the Dublin International Piano Competition. He was also awarded the silver medal in the Leeds International Piano Competition. He studied under Martin Hughes at the Berlin University of Arts, and at the Hanover University of Music, Drama and Media. You can experience his skills for yourself on board Sea Cloud II from 28 to 31/10/2017.

Irmgard Vilsmaier is originally from Frontenhausen in Bavaria and received her vocal training at the Meistersinger Konservatorium in Nuremberg, now part of the city’s University of Music. From 1994 to 1996, she was a member of the Opera Studio at the Bayerische Staatsoper before becoming an ensemble member there and subsequently in Innsbruck. She has given guest performances at opera houses in London (Royal Opera House), Dresden, Baden-Baden, Vienna, Paris, Seattle, Glyndebourne, Toronto, as well as at festivals in Salzburg and Bayreuth. Irmgard Vilsmaier has already worked with a number of well-known conductors including Kent Nagano, Christoph von Dohnányi, Zubin Mehta, Lorin Maazel, Simone Young and many more. Her repertoire includes parts such as Isolde in Tristan and Isolde, Ariadne in Ariadne on Naxos, Chrysothemis in Electra, Brünnhilde and Sieglinde in The Valkyrie and The Witch in Hansel and Gretel.

Bass-baritone Daniel Dropulja began his studies at the Mannheim University of Music and Performing Arts before later switching to Hanover University of Music Drama and Media, where he completed his degree. He also performed as a guest singer at the Nationaltheater Mannheim whilst still a student. Further invitations took him to the Staatsoper Hannover and the Theater für Niedersachsen in Hildesheim. He spent the 2012/13 season performing at the Staatstheater Darmstadt where he took to the stage for productions of Berlioz’s The Trojans and Strauss’ Salome. Daniel Dropulja holds a scholarship from the Richard Wagner Society and, between 2013 and 2015, was a member of the the International Opera Studio in Nuremberg, where he could be seen in various roles including Mandarin in Turandot and Doctor Grenvil in La Traviata.

Georges Delnon is a Swiss theatre director, artistic director and university professor. He grew up in Bern before going on to study history, art history, composition and music theory. In 1985, he co-founded ‘Atelier 20’, a contemporary theatre and music group in Bern. Then, in 1996, he took up his first directorship at the Theater der Stadt Koblenz and also co-founded the Koblenz Festungsspiele festival. For the 2006/07 season, Georges Delnon was appointed Director at the Theater Basel – the largest concert venue for three branches of the arts in Switzerland – with the theatre twice winning Opera House of the Year. He has earned plaudits for his directorial work, including the production ‘Aida am Rhein’ for Swiss television. Since the 2015/16 season, Delnon has been artistic director at the Staatsoper Hamburg. His entertaining talks on the leg from Palermo to Valencia will give an insight into the world of opera and the theatre.

Due to unforeseen events, we reserve the right to change the performing artists engaged for this cruise.
Classical moments between Sicily and Spain – an expertly composed programme for music lovers: Malta – Valencia

Private concert in Palermo
The city began as a Phoenician settlement, which was later conquered by the Greeks and then by the Romans. It still bears traces of the Byzantines, Arabs, Normans and Hohenstaufens, all of whom together created a unique combination of cultures. The various cultures also left their mark on the music world.

Today’s concert will be held in the renowned Palazzo Gangi-Valguarnera. The rooms on the first floor of this baroque palace were used as a backdrop for the famous ballroom scene in Luchino Visconti’s 1963 film ‘Il Gattopardo’ (The Leopard). Soprano Irmgard Vilsmeier and bass-baritone Daniel Dropulja will provide the evening’s artistic offerings.

Private concert in Valencia
To conclude our musical journey, we invite you to an exclusive concert held in the breathtakingly beautiful Church of San Nicolás – a baroque jewel in the heart of Valencia’s old town, bass-baritone Daniel Dropulja will captivate you with wonderful arias from Händel’s Messiah, The Creation by Haydn, Johann Sebastian Bach’s St Matthew Passion and many more. Of course the ‘queen of the instruments’ has its part to play here, with the organ guaranteeing some truly spine-tingling moments.

Sea Cloud II
28 Oct. to 06 Nov. 2017
28 Oct. La Valletta/Malta
Guests arrive individually in Malta. Embarkation on the Sea Cloud II.
29 Oct. Syracuse/Sicily
Walking tour through Ortygia.*
30 Oct. Lipari/Aeolian Islands
City walking tour or Liparian cooking class.*
31 Oct. Palermo/Sicily
City tour including visit to the cathedral and the Cappella Palatina.*
   Special: private concert in the renowned Palazzo Gangi.
01 Nov. At sea
02 Nov. Cagliari/Sardinia
Tour of Cagliari and a visit to a vineyard.*
03 Nov. At sea
04 Nov. Palma de Mallorca/Spain
Excursion to the countryside and wine tasting.*
05 Nov. Valencia/Spain
Special: private concert in the baroque jewel St. Nicholas de Valencia.
06 Nov. Valencia/Spain
Disembarkation. Guests return home individually.

Iinerary subject to change!
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Combination:
Combine trips SCII-1740 and SCII-1741 (page 102), and save 10% on the cruise-only rate of the lower-priced trip.

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Between Orient and Occident: follow in the footsteps of the Moors along the Spanish coast to Morocco: Valencia – Casablanca

**A fascinating mix in Valencia**

Many bygone eras have left their mark on Valencia, but this historical legacy is juxtaposed with an impressive mixture of magnificent modern buildings. It is this vast spectrum that gives the city its unique appeal. The off-beat design of the opera house appears futuristic, with the building situated in an expansive museum and park district that stretches from the city centre all the way to the coast. A number of beautiful beaches are also located within the city.

**A Moorish jewel: Granada**

The citadel city of Granada in the south of Andalusia is one of the finest examples of Moorish architecture and Islamic art in Europe. Particularly impressive is the mighty Alhambra, constructed in the 13th and 14th centuries as a place of residence for the Nasrid dynasty. Its palaces, which are decorated in ornamental stucco and arabesques, together with its sturdy fortress walls and elegant gardens, make this citadel a magical World Heritage Site.

**Joja Wendt live aboard**

Born in Hamburg, he began engaging with what he terms piano “echoism” at the tender age of four. Now he is the pianist par excellence. The jazz musician and entertainer will be making the Steinway grand piano in the lounge of the Sea Cloud II “sing” and will be giving an exclusive concert in Málaga.

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** Limited number of guaranteed cabins; allocation starts with Cat. F

See page 112 for included services
Morocco’s mystical cities and the magnificent diversity of the Canary Islands: Casablanca – Las Palmas

Majestic city panorama: Taroudant
Taroudant was once the residence of a Berber ruler, a rich hub for caravans and an important place for trade. The town is lovingly referred to as “Marrakech’s little sister”. The lively Medina is entered through an imposing wall, in front of which lie swathes of olive and orange plantations, and behind which you will see the snow-covered peaks of the High Atlas mountains.

Lively variety on the Canary Islands
Lanzarote, Fuerteventura, Tenerife, La Palma, La Gomera and Gran Canaria – on this journey we will stop at no less than six of the seven Canary Islands. Walking along the promenades or through narrow alleyways, you are sure to discover the multifaceted character of these islands: from cosmopolitan style in Las Palmas to quiet introspection in rustic San Sebastián.

Pure nature: stunning national parks
Magical trade mists, gnarled pine trees, babbling head streams – the Canary Islands’ national parks guarantee protection for some of their most outstanding ecosystems. Whilst Garajonay’s misty evergreen forest boasts over 1000 animal species, Caldera de Taburiente and Las Cañadas del Teide impress with their rugged volcanic craters and rock formations.

A lecturer accompanies the trip
Exciting topics, background information and fascinating facts – our expert offers talks on a whole range of subjects from his specialist field.

Special offer

**S**pecial offer

SEA CLOUD II – CRUISES

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* Limited number of guaranteed cabins; allocation starts with Cat. F  
** See page 112 for included services

Combination:
Combine trips SCII-1742 and SCII-1741 (page 102), and save 10% on the cruise-only rate of the lower-priced trip.
Sail with the trade winds through the ever-changing island landscape of the Canaries: Las Palmas – Las Palmas

Hours of sailing during the day, relaxation in the port in the evenings
Not long after the sun rises over the ocean, cries of “Cast off!” can be heard on board the Sea Cloud II. Our crew sets the sails and our majestic windjammer embarks on its journey towards another beautiful island. It is only after many idyllic hours at sea that our yacht will stop in another port, just as the lights go on in the bars and bodegas for the evening.

Nature at its best: the Garajonay and Caldera de Taburiente national parks
Magical trade mists, gnarled pine trees, babbling head streams – when the Garajonay and Caldera de Taburiente national parks were created, the Canary Islands guaranteed protection for two of its most outstanding ecosystems. Whilst Garajonay’s misty evergreen forest boasts over 1,000 animal species, Caldera de Taburiente impresses with an enormous, rugged volcanic crater.

The diversity of the Canary Islands
Gran Canaria, Tenerife, La Gomera and La Palma – on this varied journey we will stop at no less than four of the seven Canary Islands. Each of the islands has its own unique charm. Whilst Las Palmas has a cosmopolitan feel, rustic San Sebastián and Santa Cruz are places of quiet introspection. Then there is Los Cristianos, which is the perfect starting point for a trip to the rugged volcano Mount Teide.

A lecturer accompanies the trip
A lecturer will accompany you on this trip, delivering interesting and informative talks on a range of specialist subjects.

Combination:
Combine trips SCII-1744 and SCII-1745 (page 105), and save 10% on the cruise-only rate of the lower-priced trip.

Cruise-only rates per person

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Single surcharge: Category C-F: 50%, Category A+B: 100%
**Limited number of guaranteed cabins; allocation starts with Cat. F
See page 112 for included services
Follow the route Columbus took across the Atlantic – set sail for new horizons on a voyage of discovery: Las Palmas – Barbados

Pure sailing adventure
For two whole weeks, the expansive ocean will be the home of Sea Cloud II. Water currents and trade winds are all that propel the yacht forwards. Our well-rehearsed crew works seamlessly together as the white sails billow majestically in the breeze. On a Transatlantic cruise you will certainly experience one of the most authentic sailing adventures. And as we make our way to the New World, the worries of everyday life will vanish as fast as the eastern shore.

Follow the course of Columbus
More than 500 years after Columbus, it is not just windjammer enthusiasts who will be awestruck by this reenactment of his famous voyage. As the Sea Cloud II follows the legendary shipping route from the Canaries to the West Indies, it brings the magic of those great adventures to life. All the voyagers on board will be left with unforgettable memories.

Discover a haven of tranquillity
As you cruise across the Atlantic, you will for once be able to read your favourite book without distraction or allow your thoughts to roam as you gaze out over the horizon. The attentive crew will intuitively meet your every need and the relaxed atmosphere is the perfect catalyst for a pleasant conversation.

A lecturer accompanies the trip
The practice of gathering around a storyteller has provided entertainment for groups of voyagers throughout history. Our lecturer has likewise prepared some exciting talks for our windjammer enthusiasts during their Transatlantic cruise.

Sea Cloud II
05 Dec. to 21 Dec. 2017
05 Dec. Las Palmas/Gran Canaria
Guests arrive individually in Las Palmas. Embarkation on the Sea Cloud II.
06 Dec. At sea (until 20 Dec.)
21 Dec. Bridgetown/Barbados
Disembarkation. Guests return home individually.

Our travel tip: Gran Canaria
In order to be absolutely sure that your luggage comes with you on the Atlantic crossing, we recommend that you arrive in Las Palmas at least a day in advance:
Pre-cruise stay in Las Palmas from 04 Dec. to 05 Dec. 2017. One night bed and breakfast in a first-class hotel, including transfer and island trip.
Surcharge: € 215 per person in a double room
€ 305 per person in a single room
Minimum number of participants: 10 people
Combination:
Combine trips SCII-1745 and SCII-1744 (page 104), and save 10% on the cruise-only rate of the lower-priced trip.

Cruise-only rates per person

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Single surcharge: Category C-F: 50%; Category A+B: 100%
**Limited number of guaranteed cabins; allocation starts with Cat. F
See page 112 for included services

You save €450
Stunning volcanic scenery and island hideaways on the sunny side of the Lesser Antilles and the Grenadines.

Stunning islands: St Lucia and Dominica
Although St Lucia is not considered a saint by everyone, the island is certainly the true queen of this idyllic realm. Even from a distance, its twin volcanic peaks, the Pitons, proffer a regal greeting to the approaching Sea Cloud II. And once we have docked, the island welcomes us with its lush tropical scenery. Dominica, unofficially dubbed “Nature Island”, is proud of its unspoilt scenery. One of its national parks is even a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

St Kitts – a piece of history
“No need to hurry” is truly the motto of St Kitts! The island is not very quick to make changes: Where you might have expected grandiose hotel palaces, you will instead find the lovingly restored villas from the former French and British colonial rulers. And the fortress still sits atop Brimstone Hill surrounded by cannon defences as it did 300 years ago. Equally breathtaking is the unspoiled view it offers over the lush green volcanoes and the neighbouring islands of St Eustatius and Nevis.

The British Virgin Islands – a sailor’s paradise
With more than 60 islands and reefs (of which just 16 are inhabited), the British Virgin Islands are a real dream destination. Fans of sailing from all around the world are drawn to their idyllic and tropically warm waters, and the quaint beach bars bring together everyone from luxury yacht owners to solo sailors. It is so easy to get used to the carefree lifestyle, and with your feet in the sand as you gaze out over green hills and the tranquil sea, you will soon forget about the stresses of everyday life back home.

Luxury in a relaxed atmosphere on St Barts
Known for attracting a certain class of visitor, St Barthélemy has been a top holiday destination for the rich and famous from around the world ever since billionaire David Rockefeller discovered the island back in the 1960s. St Barts is all about quality not quantity, so you are more likely to brush shoulders with Hollywood stars than with tourists on its 22 white sandy beaches. In the capital Gustavia, houses with red roofs nestled into the green hills look just like rows of spectators in an amphitheatre, transforming the idyllic port into an impressive stage. As you walk along the luxurious promenade, you will be sure to pass by some spectacular yachts.

French style on the Îles des Saintes
The Îles des Saintes give such a welcoming first impression, though the historical Fort Napoléon that towers over the main island is a reminder of less peaceful times. This small town’s promenade is perfect for taking a stroll, and the savoir-vivre of life here unfolds against a backdrop of the glowing pastel colours of the Caribbean.

Snorkellers’ paradise in the Tobago Cays
For many, life under water is a fascinating world – one that becomes even more magical the closer you get. The Tobago Cays’ Horseshoe Reef is such a place. This horseshoe-shaped coral reef encloses four small islands that glow in rich shades of green. The sea, in contrast, embraces turquoise, emerald and every shade of blue.

A delight for all the senses: Grenada, the island of spice
There is a reason why nutmeg is immortalised on this country’s national flag. Since colonial times, nutmeg – along with cloves, cinnamon and ginger – has been one of the island’s most important exports. If the aromatic fragrance of the tropics were to have a name, it would have to be “Grenada”.

A lecturer accompanies the trip
A lecturer will accompany this trip to deliver interesting and informative talks on a range of specialist subjects.
Eleven island treasures – your gift for Christmas and the New Year:
Barbados – Barbados

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**You save €400**

Single surcharge: Category C-F: 50%, Category A+B: 100%

* Limited number of guaranteed cabins; allocation starts with Cat. F

**See page 112 for included services**
Cabin Categories of Sea Cloud II.

**Luxury owner suites**

No 401 and 402 (Cat. A)
Both approx. 27 m²/290 sq ft owner suites are located on the Lido Deck. Their panorama windows let in a great deal of light and offer stunning views of the sea. The centerpiece of each room is a romantic, four-poster king size bed featuring two separate mattresses (each 95 cm x 210 cm). In addition to specially selected furniture, guests may also make use of four wardrobes, a TV with DVD player (concealed behind a painting above the fireplace), a mini-bar and a safe. In the room’s approx. 4.2 m²/45 sq ft marble bathroom, gold-plated taps and inlays offer a nostalgic touch. Both bathrooms feature a bathtub, a separate shower, a marble washbasin and a WC. Owner suite No 402 is decorated in shades of orange.

**De luxe double-bed cabins**

No 301 and 302 (Cat. C)

These two de luxe outside cabins are located on the Promenade Deck, where you will also find the junior suites, the restaurant, boutique and reception. They both feature panorama windows, a queen size bed with separate single mattresses (each 86 cm x 200 cm), a separate seating area, a TV with DVD player, a mini-bar, a wardrobe and a safe. Approx. 20 m²/215 sq ft in size, these cabins always deliver a spacious feel. The approx. 3 m²/32 sq ft bathroom features a WC, a shower and a marble washbasin with gold-plated taps.

**Junior suites**

No 303-319 (Cat. B)

All junior suites are located on the Promenade Deck, where you will also find the restaurant, boutique and reception. They are approx. 23 m²/247 sq ft*. Elegant rosewood furniture, a grey-white marble fireplace and a queen size bed with separate single mattresses (each 90 cm x 200 cm) and a canopy give the room its elegant style. The queen size bed can be separated into two single beds. The junior suites feature large panorama windows, a separate seating area, a walk-in closet and a TV with DVD player. Behind one of the beautiful cupboard doors you will find a mini-bar and a safe. The bathrooms (each approx. 3.2 m²/34 sq ft in size) feature a fitted bathtub, a WC, and a marble washbasin with gold-plated taps.

* No 303 approx. 22 m²/237 sq ft and No 304 approx. 21.5 m²/231 sq ft
De luxe double-bed cabins
No. 218-223 (Cat. D)
The six Cat. D de luxe outside cabins are located on the Cabin Deck, where you will also find the ship’s hospital, sauna, swim platform and fitness area. Approx. 21 m²/226 sq ft in size, each cabin includes three portholes, a queen size bed with separate single mattresses (each 85 cm x 200 cm), a TV with DVD player, a mini-bar, a wardrobe and a safe. Stylish furniture and a beautiful seating area give this cabin an extremely comfortable feel. The approx. 3 m²/32 sq ft bathroom with a fitted shower and gold-plated taps includes a WC and a marble washbasin. The cabins are located in the middle of the ship.

De luxe double-bed cabins
No. 207-217, 224-231 (Cat. E)
These Cat. E outside cabins are approx. 20 m²/215 sq ft* and are also located on the Cabin Deck. The queen size bed with separate single mattresses (each 90 cm x 200 cm) can be separated into two single beds. Of course these cabins also feature a TV with DVD player, a mini-bar, a wardrobe and a safe. A small seating area is situated next to the two portholes, emphasising the room’s modern maritime feel. The approx. 3 m²/32 sq ft bathroom includes a shower, a marble washbasin with gold-plated taps and a WC.

* No. 207-210 approx. 19 m²/204 sq ft

Upper-/lower-bed cabins
No. 204-206 (Cat. F)
The cabins in this category are still furnished in the traditional windjammer style: with bunk beds (each 80 cm x 190 cm). They are mainly suited to single travellers and are located on the Cabin Deck. These cabins are approximately 14 m²/150 sq ft. The approx. 3 m²/32 sq ft bathroom features a fitted shower, a WC and a marble washbasin with gold-plated taps. The room’s two portholes offer views out to sea. Of course these cabins also feature a TV with DVD player, a mini-bar, a small seating area, a wardrobe and a safe.
Deck Plan of **SEA CLOUD II**.

**Cabin Categories of **SEA CLOUD II**

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Guaranteed cabin: The range of accommodation starts from Cat. F. You will receive your exact cabin number when arriving on board. The allotment for this category is very limited.
Sail Diagram and Technical Data of Sea Cloud II.

Technical Data

- Length overall: 117 m/384 ft
- Beam: 16 m/53 ft
- Draft: 5,40 m/18 ft
- Height of main mast above deck: 57 m/187 ft
- Total sail area: 3,000 m²/32,000 sq ft
- Number of sails: 23
- Passengers: max. 94
- Crew: approx. 65

- 47 outside cabins (of those 29 cabins with shower/WC, 16 junior suites with bathtub/WC and 2 luxury owner suites with bathtub and shower/WC) with bathrobes, hair dryer, telephone, adjustable A/C, private safe, TV/DVD, mini-bar
- Lido deck with bar
- Restaurant (98 seats) with open seating and one sitting
- Lounge, boutique, library with laptop, sauna, fitness area, swim platform
- Hospital
- Flag: Malta
- Year constructed: 2001
Clearly more: the many included services on board.

Our own 5-star style fulfils the highest demands, allows true relaxation and real pleasure. All the special little details and extras, which are included on board the Sea Cloud Cruises yachts in the cruise rate, are also part of it. And so you can expect simply more from us.

Here is an overview of the main included services:

- Beautifully appointed cabin in selected category
- Welcoming bottle of champagne in your cabin
- All meals (six per day) from early-bird breakfast to the exquisite 4-course dinner menu with choice of main course
- 5-course gala dinner during the cruise
- Welcome and farewell cocktail with champagne
- Selected wines and beers thoughtfully chosen to complement lunch and dinner
- All soft drinks and juices throughout the cruise
- All alcohol-free coffee and tea specialties
- Bottled water on the excursions

- Fresh fruit basket in your cabin, replenished daily
- E-mails can be sent free of charge from the on-board laptop
- English-speaking tour guide
- Travel documents with detailed destination information
- All port fees
- Use of watersports facilities such as snorkelling and waterskiing equipment (weather permitting)
- Free laundry service for cat. A-C (Sea Cloud) and cat. A+B (Sea Cloud ii) cabin guests

Included beverages on a seven-night cruise valued at approx. € 300 per person.
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When you combine two or more consecutive cruises, you will receive a 10% discount on the lower-priced cruises (cruise-only rates).

Special offers:
Save up to € 1,200 per person
Take advantage of our fantastic special offers when booking any one of our trips marked with *. You could save up to € 1,200 per person.

“Bring a Friend”: € 250 on-board credit
Invite your friends to come with you and sail with SEA CLOUD CRUISES for the first time! If your friends book an additional cabin on the same cruise of seven nights or more, you and your friends will receive a one-time on-board credit of € 250 per cabin.

Loyalty reward scheme:
Save up to 5%
The following loyalty discounts apply to all new bookings:
3% when booking your 3rd cruise with SEA CLOUD CRUISES
4% when booking your 4th cruise with SEA CLOUD CRUISES
5% when booking your 5th or any additional cruise with SEA CLOUD CRUISES
Further details and conditions can be found at www.seacloud.com/loyalty-reward-scheme
Collaborative partners of **Sea Cloud Cruises** …

**FEINE PRIVATHOTELS**

**Sea Cloud Cruises** is a member of **FEINE PRIVATHOTELS** – a collection of privately owned hotels, all of which are unique and offer the highest standards. Our 15 partner hotels combine elegance and relaxed charm to create a delightful atmosphere. With passion, faultless hospitality and top service, the hoteliers aim to create truly special moments that you will enjoy whilst feeling completely at ease.

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**HanseMerkur travel insurance**

**HanseMerkur** has teamed up with **Sea Cloud Cruises**, Germany’s market-leading travel insurance provider for cruises, to put together a range of insurance policies for you so that you can enjoy your perfect holiday without any worry or hassle. The German consumer organisation “Stiftung Warentest” is amongst those impressed by HanseMerkur’s range of products, awarding high scores to the company’s travel policies time and time again.

The **Sea Cloud Cruises** Premium Coverage offers you the best protection against any potential risk and the consequences thereof, both before and during your holiday. Cover includes health insurance and return travel expenses. The travel cancellation insurance – solo – offers protection against cancellation costs, and the curtailment holiday insurance policy even offers to reimburse you the cost of the trip in its entirety should you have to cancel your holiday during the first half of the trip.

You can buy your insurance cover now for prices starting at just € 39.

Make sure that your dream holiday stays that way, even when the unthinkable happens.

More information on insurance policies and full insurance conditions can be found at www.seacloud.com/travel-insurance
... and special recommendations for our guests.

**Wedding and honeymoon on board**

White sails, vast skies and a sparkling sea – getting married aboard a romantic tall ship is a once in a lifetime experience. Add a touch of magic to your special day by saying “I do” aboard one of our elegant sailing yachts, the **Sea Cloud** or the **Sea Cloud ii**.

From a legal marriage ceremony, performed by our captain, to a relaxed honeymoon set against magnificent scenery – at **Sea Cloud Cruises** you are treated to the complete package. And as our windjammers can hold a maximum of 64 or 94 guests, we can make arrangements to suit your every wish.

Our **wedding package** priced at €2,495 in addition to the cruise rate includes a range of services which are sure to make the most important day of your life and your honeymoon a truly unforgettable experience:

- Legal marriage ceremony on board
- Traditional ceremony performed by the captain
- Completion of all official procedures and payment of fees
- Bottle of champagne in your cabin
- Champagne breakfast in your cabin
- Dinner for two
- Wedding reception including champagne and canapés
- Honeymoon decoration in your cabin

More information can be found at www.seacloud.com/wedding

**Charters: exclusive and private**

Set your own course aboard one of our ships.

With a maximum capacity of 94 guests, our two windjammers, the **Sea Cloud** and the **Sea Cloud ii**, never cease to impress on every cruise, thanks to a personal, friendly service and a relaxed atmosphere. If you are looking for a more private and personal experience, you can of course charter either one of our yachts exclusively for yourself and your family, friends, colleagues, team mates or service club members. Your dream event awaits – the possibilities are endless.

On board we will provide you with the ideal setting to arrange a first-class event that is as individual and unique as you are. Organise your perfect function, be it a special birthday, a private party or a corporate event. Planning a wedding? You can also charter an entire yacht for your special day.

The decks of our two yachts are also perfect for hosting incentive trips, creating a unique atmosphere for events organised for business partners, employees or clients. After all, seafaring is all about team spirit – and what better place to reward your team than in a setting that exudes the magic of collaboration ...

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Useful information.

Boutique:
The boutique on each yacht provides accessories, clothes and gifts. These can be purchased on board or via the website www.seacloudseason.de/en.

Cabin fittings:
On all of our ships, each cabin is equipped with a direct-dial telephone, a safe in the wardrobe and an assortment of soft drinks, which are available free of charge. In the bathroom you will find a selection of luxury toiletries, as well as bathrobes, slippers and a hair dryer. Cabins on board the Sea Cloud II are also equipped with a television, a DVD player and a radio.

Changes of schedule:
Even with the most meticulous route planning, changes to the itinerary may be necessary due to weather conditions or other unforeseeable circumstances. You will be kept informed on board about any necessary changes.

Computer/e-mail/Internet:
A laptop is available free of charge in the library (Sea Cloud II) or the lounge (Sea Cloud). You can access the Internet using an access code (Wi-Fi) with this laptop or your own laptop. This is subject to a charge. You can get the code from the reception or the purser.

Currency on board:
The currency on board is the Euro (€). All the main credit cards (MasterCard, Visa Card, American Express and Diners Club) as well as German EC cards and traveller’s cheques are accepted on board.

Dietary requirements:
We are happy to take into account your requests in terms of dietary requirements. Please inform us of these well before your voyage.

Dress code:
During the day, and depending on the weather, a sophisticated summer look is suitable. For the evening, we recommend smart-casual wear. We also kindly request that guests refrain from wearing shorts at evening meals. The Captain’s Dinner (an event which normally takes place twice on each trip – once on short cruises) is a time when our guests tend to opt for a more elegant look. We recommend a suit for men and appropriate smart dress for women.

Electric voltage:
The voltage on board is 220 V. Each bathroom is equipped with a razor socket.

Gratuities:
Gratuities are not included in the cruise-only rate and are at each passenger’s discretion. At the end of the voyage, designated tip envelopes will be available. As a guideline, we suggest € 14 per person per day on the Sea Cloud and the Sea Cloud II.

Languages on board:
The languages used on board are German and English. Daily programmes, menus and announcements will be made in English. Depending on the group, we always endeavour to organise German or English-speaking tour guides for our shore excursions.
Laundry:
Our washing and ironing service is provided at an additional charge and carried out overnight. For guests staying in cat. A-C cabins (Sea Cloud) or cat. A+B cabins (Sea Cloud ii), this service is provided free of charge.

Massage/beauty treatments:
For your own personal comfort, we provide a range of spa services on board the Sea Cloud ii (massages and beauty treatments at an extra charge), using the finest products from Maria Galland.

Medical advice:
The Sea Cloud and the Sea Cloud ii both have on-board hospitals managed by the ship’s doctor, who is available at any time in the event of an emergency. No lifts are available on our yachts, and guests will have to use the stairs, therefore you should make sure you are in good physical health before embarking on one of our voyages. If you are unsure whether you will be able to manage the conditions on board, please contact us. Specific care must be agreed upon in advance.

On-board programme:
The main attraction is, of course, sailing and seafaring skills on board our windjammers. Lecturers and artists are also on board on selected voyages, offering stimulating talks or additional entertainment. An on-board pianist will be playing on both ships during our afternoon coffee service and in the evenings. In addition, guests can borrow books (in both English and German), popular board games, as well as DVDs (Sea Cloud ii only).

Restaurant:
On our yachts, you will eat in one sitting with a free choice of table seating. Meal times are printed on the daily on-board programme.

Smoking:
Smoking is permitted only on the outer decks outside of meal times. We kindly request that smokers take the comfort of other passengers into consideration. Smoking is prohibited in the Blue Lagoon and covered areas of the Spanker and Lido Deck at all times.

Watersports equipment:
On board the Sea Cloud and the Sea Cloud ii you will have access to waterski facilities and snorkelling equipment – enough for all guests and available in various sizes. The gangway (Sea Cloud) or the swim platform (Sea Cloud ii) offer guests direct access to the largest swimming pool in the world: the sea. The ship’s management team will decide where and when swimming stops will take place; subject to weather conditions and approval from the appropriate authorities.

All prices for services offered in this catalogue are current as of April 2015. Prices are subject to change.

EU regulation:
In accordance with the European regulation concerning the liability of carriers of passengers by sea in the event of accidents, we are under obligation to notify passengers of their rights in the event of an accident at sea. A summary of the provisions can be found at www.seacloud.com/eu-regulation.
Dear Guest,

We hope that you have found the appropriate vacation trip in our programme, and we welcome you to the exclusive circle of Sea Cloud Cruises GmbH (SCC) guests. Please read the following Information and Conditions carefully so that you will know exactly what you can expect from us. The information and conditions regulate the contractual relationship between you and us, and you shall recognize them with your reservation. We are striving to relieve you of troubles and worries in as far as humanly possible. The delineation of our responsibility is designed to provide clarity regarding what you may expect and our liability.

1. Application and Travel Confirmation

1.1. Via your tour application, you are offering SCC, in a binding manner, the opportunity to close a travel agreement. Your tour registration may transpire in writing. The travel agreement will only become binding from the time that we confirm the reservation and the price to you or your travel agent in writing.

1.2. The application is applicable for all contractual obligations of other tour participants that he/she registers provided that he/she has expressly confirmed to do so.

1.3. You shall receive a travel confirmation upon conclusion of the contract or without delay thereafter. The confirmation shall contain all essential information regarding travel performances you have reserved, provided that said information does not already follow from the travel brochure.

1.4. All personal data, which you submit to us for handling your trip, is subject to the provisions of the Federal Data Protection Act. Data will be protected against improper use.

1.5. If the subject-matter of the confirmation of the holiday deviates from the subject-matter of the booking, then a new offer by SCC is in existence to which it is bound for the duration of 10 days. This offer comes into existence of this new offer if the traveller declares his/her acceptance to SCC in writing or by payment within the commitment period.

2. Payment

2.1. You are required to make a down-payment of 10% per person within one week following receipt of the travel confirmation and the invoice. The remaining balance shall be due for payment four weeks prior to commencement of travel and before receipt of travel documents (tickets, etc.). The entire tour price is due for immediate payment in the event of applications made at short notice.

2.2. If the traveller defaults with a payment to SCC, SCC can cancel the contract. In this case SCC can claim cancellation fees in accordance with paragraph 5.2.

2.3. The travel contract will be cancelled automatically if payment is not received by the beginning of travel. In this instance, SCC will be entitled to demand corresponding cancellation charges as compensation for damages according to paragraph 5.2.

2.4. The customer is required to bear the cost of ancillary performances, such as acquiring a visa, etc., as well as the costs for reservations or inquiries made by telegraph or telephone.

2.5. All payments must be made directly to SCC. The travel agency is not authorized to receive payments. Payments to the intermediary travel agency will make travel to the traveller’s own risk and SCC has no dept-discharging effect should the travel agency fail to forward the payments to SCC.

3. Performances and Prices

3.1. The scope of contractual performances arises from the travel itinerary and from the travel confirmation.

3.2. Service package included are:

- cruise in the reserved cabin including full board and soft drinks. Table wines are included at meal times;
- all transfers and luggage transport mentioned in the programme;
- all overnight stays mentioned in the programme;
- all meals mentioned in the programme;
- all sightseeing tours mentioned in the programme (German or English), if not stated otherwise;
- harbour and all port taxes.

The following items are not included:

- tips, excess luggage, additional meals, beverages (so far as not expressly included), optional excursions, other personal expenses.

3.3. Flights

SCC only arranges flights as intermediary if this is expressly stated in the confirmation of travel. Carriage is booked in the Tourist Class; also in the Business or First Class at the traveller’s own risk and SCC has no dept-discharging effect should the travel agency fail to forward the payments to SCC. Depending on the selection of flights it can happen that the outward flight is in the late afternoon or evening, but the return flight is in the morning. There is no claim for compensation for catering services not used at the location.

3.4. Luggage conveyance

Up to 20 kg luggage per passenger will be convoyed (First Class 30 kg). For travel to some countries (e.g., Canada, Mexico and the USA) luggage is only convoyed based not on the weight, but instead on the number of luggage items and their dimensions. Excess luggage can in principle be carried at extra cost. Children under the age of two have no luggage conveyance.

3.5. Services not covered by SCC

SCC shall endeavour to obtain reimbursement of saved costs from the service provider if the traveller fails to utilize travel services due to premature return journey and in other significant cases. This shall not apply if services are fully irrelevant or if a refund is refused by legal or official regulations. SCC is entitled to retain 25% of the refundable amount as compensation for additional effort and expenses.

4. Modification of Services and Prices

4.1. A change of airline company, of aircraft or of the departure and arrival airport may become necessary should an airline cancel a flight and e.g. in the event of failure of the airline to comply with the flight schedule. Right is retained to effect such kind of change or modification in such or similar instances.

Only costs, equivalent to a second class railroad journey, will be refunded in the event of substitute transportation.

4.2. Changes in the trip’s itinerary are possible for ship voyages, e.g. in case of flooding or low water level, inclement weather conditions or if the vessel could not adhere to its schedule at the time that travel commences because of an unforeseen technical defect that causes postponement of the trip itinerary, if the vessel’s management in the event of course change in the case of force majeure, if SCC has no liability for the event of war, or any other special reason related to the ship travel. In any such cases SCC has the right to make use of other means of transportation such as bus not limited to coaches and buses for some routes.

4.3. Any such and comparable divergences from and modifications to individual travel performances contained in the travel agreement, which become necessary after the agreement is closed, and which are not induced by SCC contrary to the principles of good faith and trust, are solely at the traveller’s own responsibility, if they are not substantial and if they do not impede the overall tailored style of the reserved trip.

The modified performance shall supersede the performance due under contract. Contin- gent claims under warranty shall remain unaffected, in as far as substitute performance is feasible.

In the event that the overall tailored style of the reserved trip is unreasonably modified due to said substitute performances, then we shall grant you the option to change your reservations, free of charge to the extent that the reservation cost is reduced. SCC shall undertake to immediately inform you of any such divergences or modifica- tions, in as far as possible.

4.4. SCC reserves the right to alter the indicated prices, which have been confirmed on booking, in the case of an increase of transportation costs or of fees for particular services, such as port or airport charges, bunker surcharges, insurance fees or in the case of an alteration of the exchange rates applicable to the holiday in question, to the extent to which this increase has an effect on the price of the holiday per person or per seat, provided more than four months lie between the conclusion of the contract and the stipulated date of the holiday.

In the case of a subsequent amendment to the price of the holiday or of an amendment to an essential travel service, SCC must inform the traveller accordingly without delay, at the latest, however, 21 days before commencement of the holiday. Price increases after this period are not permissible. In the case of price increases of more than 5% in the case of a considerable amendment to an essential travel service, the traveller is entitled to withdraw from the tour operator travel contract free of charge or to demand to take a holiday which is at least of the same value, if the tour operator is in a position to offer such a holiday from its range of holidays at no extra cost for the traveller. The customer must assert these rights without delay against SCC after the latter’s declaration of the price increase or of the amendment of the travel service.

5. Cancellation, Changing Reservations, Substitute Persons

5.1. You may cancel your trip in writing at any time prior to commencement of travel. Your cancellation notice shall be effective on the date of receipt.

5.2. If one of the parties cancels the contract or if you do not start the journey, SCC may demand reasonable compensation for arrangements it has made in conjunction with the trip and for its expenses, even if SCC has not yet confirmed the trip or if you fail to begin the journey. Our flat rate claim to compensation consists of a processing fee of EUR 25 per person for cancellation of a reserved trip up to 150 days prior to commence- ment of travel. The following annulment fees shall arise in the event of later cancellation:

- 25% of the tour price for cancellation 149 – 59 days prior to commencement of travel;
- 35% of the tour price for cancellation 49 – 22 days prior to commencement of travel;
- 55% of the tour price for cancellation 21 – 15 days prior to commencement of travel;
- 80% of the tour price for cancellation 14 days or less prior to commencement of travel;
- 90% of the tour price for cancellation on the same day as the commencement of travel or failure to appear.

Costs that the service provider charges to SCC, e.g., empty bed fees charged by a hotel for travel cancellation at short notice or special fees for cruises, shall be additionally invoiced in the event that individual or group trips are annulled.

The traveller is free to prove to SCC that SCC has no loss or that the loss is less than the aforementioned flat rate. In that case the lower of the flat rates shall be in place of the flat. SCC reserves the right to charge reimbursement fees beyond the flat rates mentioned above.

In this case SCC has to verify and prove the loss, taking any expenses that have been saved and/or any other potential uses for the travel services into consideration. Any fees.

5.3. We will endeavour to modify the travel registration (change reservations) subject to availability, at your request, up to 75 days prior to commencement of travel.

Any change of reservation until 75 days prior to commencement of travel will require you to serve notice that you are cancelling the reserved trip, and it will require subsequent re-registration. This shall not apply for requested changes of reservations that solely cause substantiated, minor expenses.

Modification of the travel date, the travel destination, accommodations or the means of transportation shall apply as a change of reservations.

5.4. You may appoint a substitute person for yourself up to commencement of travel. In such case you are required to inform the tour operator thereof. The tour operator may object to such any substitute person on the basis of good cause, (e.g., special requirements linked to the trip, statutory bans, refusal by airlines or by hotel operators, etc.). If a third party enters into the contract, then he or she and the registrant are jointly and severally liable in respect of SCC for the price of the holiday and for additional costs incurred through the entry of the third party.

5.5. Cancellation fees and fees for changing reservations are due for immediate pay- ment.

6. Cancellation and Rescission of Agreement by the Tour Organizer

6.1. SCC may rescind the travel agreement after commencement of travel, without complying with a term of notice, if travelers persistently disturb execution of the trip despite an appropriate warning issued by the tour organizer. The same shall apply if anyone should behave in a manner which is gravely in breach of contract and justifies the immediate cancellation. In addition SCC has the right to cancel the travel agreement.
contract without notice if in the captain’s opinion the traveller is unfit for travel due to illness, physical disability or any other reason or if the traveller requires special service and assistance but is travelling without this assistance or if the trip has been booked based on incorrect information. SCC shall, however, after cancellation retain its claim to the tour price. The person causing the disturbance is liable for any possible extra cost for return transportation of the traveller. However, SCC is required to allow credit for the value of saved costs as well as for advantages which may be obtained from another application of services not used, including possible reimbursements from service providers.

6.2. SCC may rescind the trip up to two weeks prior to commencement of travel due to failure to obtain the minimum number of participants if (a) the minimum number of participants is stated as being reached as well as the number of the traveller must be informed of the withdrawal prior to the contractually agreed-upon commencement of the travel and (b) the number of minimum participants as well as the latest date of possible cancellation are clearly stated in the travel confirmation or reference is made to the respective travel description where such information is stated. The cancellation notice will be immediately forwarded to you. Your paid tour price will be immediately refunded.

7. Rescission of the Contract due to exceptional Circumstances
7.1. SCC or the traveller may both rescind the travel agreement if the trip is rendered considerably difficult, endangered or impeded due to an Act of Providence, (e.g., war, internal unrest, natural catastrophes). SCC shall immediately refund the paid tour price in such instances. However, SCC may demand compensation for rendered or outstanding travel performances.

7.2. If a trip is cancelled subsequent to commencement of travel, then the tour organizer is obligated to undertake appropriate measures, and he is especially obligated to provide return transportation for travellers, if possible. The contracting parties shall each bear one half of the costs for return transportation. The traveller will be required to bear all additional expenses.

8. Liability
8.1. We shall bear liability within the scope of the due diligence of a prudent businessman:

8.1.1. for conscientious preparation of the trip;

8.1.2. for careful selection and monitoring of service providers, (e.g., transportation corporations, hotel operators, etc.);

8.1.3. for due and proper rendering of contractually covered tour performances, under consideration of applicable legal provisions of the respective country and place of destination.

8.2. However, we are not liable for information contained in hotel and local site brochures. We have no influence on their origin. We also bear no liability if national political conditions and country entry regulations change at the point of destination, after this brochure is printed, that encumbrance enter into the affected country or point of destination or which render the same ineffective. We shall inform you at short notice of any such essential, subsequent changes, as far as possible.

8.3. We are liable for the fault of a person entrusted with rendering a service, unless otherwise stipulated under these Terms and Conditions of Travel or stipulated by prevailing conditions, and provided that the person entrusted to render service had caused an instance of damage not only upon the occasion of performing contract. The measure of indemndebted diligence shall be determined by conditions at the site of service rendered.

Your tour will primarily take you to foreign countries, where foreign living conditions and where laws, that are partially foreign to us, prevail.

8.4. Scope of liability
SCC is not liable for faulty performances among mediated third party services, provided that expressed reservation is made to mediated services in the travel confirmation. Having stated this requirement, the following provisions shall solely apply for flights for which the traveler receives a corresponding ticket: SCC, in its capacity as a mediator, is not liable for performance of transportation services, rather the corporate carrier is responsible. SCC is not an air freight carrier. The liability of airline companies is based on their own terms and conditions of transporta-
tion, which can be provided by SCC upon request. For all remaining purposes, airlines’ liability is restricted to international conventions and regulations, e.g., by the Warsaw Convention and EU Directive No. 269/51 dated February 4, 1991. We will send these to you upon request. Liability for damages caused by delay is excluded.

8.5. Warranty

8.5.1. The traveller may demand relief if the tour is not performed in compliance with contract. SCC may refuse it if it necessitates disproportionate expense.

8.5.2. After returning from the tour, the traveller may demand reduction of the tour price, commensurate with reduced performance, in the event that the demand for relief was unsuccessful and the trip was not performed in compliance with contract. This shall not affect contingent, more extensive claims for subsequent reduction of the tour price.

8.5.3. The traveller may rescind the travel agreement and demand return of the tour price, if the tour organizer fails to perform relief, within a reasonable term, or if the tour organizer formally states that relief cannot be performed, and if the trip will be considerably impaired due to performance of services under contract. If the agreement is rescinded in this manner, then SCC is obligated to take appropriate measures, and especially to provide return transportation for travellers, if required.

8.6. The traveller may demand compensation for damages, and more particularly for vaca-
tion time spent to no avail, provided that the tour organizer is liable for a circumstance that caused a flaw in the tour.

8.7. Restriction of liability

8.7.1. The tour organizer’s contractual liability is limited to three times the tour price, provided that damages sustained by the traveller are not caused by intent or gross negligence. The same applies in as far as the tour organizer is responsible for damages incurred by a traveller solely through the fault of a service provider.

8.7.2. The tour organizer is not liable for defects in performances that arise in conjunction with services mediated as third party performances, (e.g., sporting events, attendance at theatres, exhibitions, etc.), and which are expressly identified as third party performances in the brochure.

8.7.3. A claim to damage against the tour organizer is restricted or excluded, if – under legal provisions applicable to required, rendered performances of a service provider – a claim for damage against a service provider may solely be asserted under certain conditions or limitations or if such claim is excluded under certain conditions.

8.7.4. If the tour organizer assumes a position equivalent to a freight carrier, then his liability is regulated by the provisions of the Air Convention Act in conjunction with conventions covenanted in Warsaw, The Hague, Guadalajara and the Montreal Agreement (solely for flights to Canada and the USA). As a rule, the Warsaw Convention limits the freight carrier’s liability for death or physical injury and for loss and damage of luggage. If the tour organizer constitutes a service provider, in other instances, then he shall bear liability in accordance with provisions that apply for a service provider.

8.7.5. If the tour organizer assumes a position equivalent to a carrier, within the scope of sea voyages, then his liability is regulated in accordance with provisions of the Commercial Code and the Inland Waterways Transportation Act.

8.8. Duty to cooperate, complaints

8.8.1. In the event of defective performance, each traveller is required to undertake whatever is reasonably expected of him/her to contribute to alleviate the defect and to keep any potential damages to a minimum.

8.8.2. If you should have reason for complaints, contrary to our expectations, then immediately inform our travel management on site. If a respective local tour manager or tour agent is not available or cannot be reached, or if they cannot alleviate a defective performance, then please turn to the service provider (transfer company, hotel operator) and/or the tour organizer or to his contact address in the travel confirmation. The tour organizer is not entitled to claims if he/she culpably fails to perform the above obligations.

8.8.3. Tour guides are not authorized to formally recognize any claims whatsoever. Is not entitled to claims if he/she culpably fails to perform the above obligations.
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