

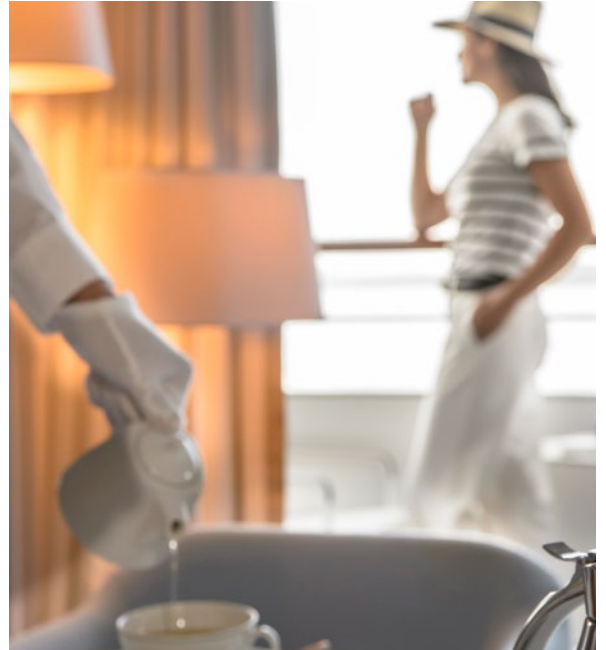


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WHY PONANT

Discover the treasures of the land by sea on board luxurious yachts that are built on an intimate, human scale. French crew, expertise, attentive service, gastronomy: set sail in a five-star environment and enjoy a travel experience that is simultaneously authentic and sophisticated.

CRUISES WITH THE FRENCH TOUCH

Onboard Ponant's cruise ships, it is only natural that a certain French art of living permeates on board. Through their accessible crew, French design, refined cuisine, fine wines, and discreet service, Ponant guests enjoy a truly relaxed and elegant experience.

DESTINATIONS

Ponant have designed unique itineraries that will transport you to new destinations and new experiences all around the world: mooring in the heart of Mediterranean hidden bays, sailing between the majestic glaciers of Antarctica, an expedition to the remote lands of Alaska, or island hopping in the Caribbean.

UNIQUE TRAVEL EXPERIENCE

For more than 25 years, Ponant cruises have been offering remarkable experiences to their guests. Sailing aboard one of their ships means enjoying rare encounters with nature in the heart of virgin territories. It means discovering other cultures and traditions, sharing memories with tribes from the other side of the world. It means enjoying the magic of the Ponant Moment.



NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC & PONANT: Discover our new exclusive expedition voyages

From 2019, PONANT and NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC will partner together to bring the spirited adventure traveller a unique opportunity to embark on a selection of new expedition cruises to some of the most intriguing and remote destinations on the planet.

Discover the difference

PONANT, a leader in polar expeditions for almost 20 years, boasts the world's most modern fleet of expedition ships. Designed to sail the distinct seas in comfort and safety, their small size and manoeuvrability help reach the most remote lands. Over the past 130 years, NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC has sent scientists, storytellers and adventurers across continents and into remote cultures, down to the oceans' depths and up the highest mountains in an effort to better understand our planet.

Now PONANT and NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC have joined forces and combined their expertise to offer a selected range of new, unique and enriching expedition cruises to some of the world's most intriguing, remote and pristine destinations, in the very places where the most amazing pages of exploration were written.

Knowledge: Let PONANT experts guide you

When you travel with NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC and PONANT Expeditions, you gain access to inspiring experts. You are enriched by the knowledge on the PONANT expedition team and by National Geographic experts and photographers. You'll be surrounded by people who are steeped in knowledge and insights about the places PONANT go and they're passionate about sharing that knowledge with you.

Exploration happens because of you

When you travel with NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC & PONANT Expeditions, you help further the work of PONANT scientists, explorers and educators around the world. Every year, PONANT distribute a portion of their proceeds to the National Geographic Society, creating more opportunities to work toward a planet in balance.



Emblematic Antarctica

11 days | Ushuaia return | *L'Austral*

Departing 18 February 2020

Prestige Deck 5 starting from \$15,370*pp

SAVE UP TO 15%*

*Includes domestic flights - Flight Buenos Aires / Ushuaia + visit or time at leisure + transfers + flight Ushuaia / Buenos Aires

PONANT invites you on a polar expedition cruise to the heart of the icy realm that is the Antarctic Peninsula. Embark on an unforgettable 11-day voyage and succumb to the enchantment of the breathtaking landscapes inhabited by astonishing wildlife.

The start of your cruise will be marked by the crossing of the mythical Drake Passage, during which you will probably be escorted by several albatrosses and Cape petrels, the sentinels of these often-choppy waters.

Your ship will then reach the White Continent, realm of the unexpected. Weather and ice conditions permitting, this extreme environment where nature reigns supreme will reveal to you its most beautiful secrets through numerous discoveries.

On this uninhabited land, which wasn't explored until the 19th century, your encounters with the wildlife will no doubt be one of the highlights of your experience. The Gentoo, Adelie and chinstrap penguins, humpback whales, seals and seabirds will provide you with cherished lifelong memories.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Outings and shore visits in Zodiac@inflatables with a team of experienced naturalist guides.
- Lectures and information sessions hosted by our naturalist-guides, covering wildlife, history, geopolitics, the great explorers, climate, environmental protection...
- Hiking opportunity.
- Visiting research stations and former whaling stations.
- Landscapes: a multitude of drifting icebergs, ice floes, imposing glaciers and tall, snow-covered mountains.
- Wildlife: humpback whales, Gentoo penguins, Adelie penguins, chinstrap penguins, leopard seals, crabeater seals, Weddell seals and numerous sea birds.
- Educational discovery in the respect of environment.



We are privileged guests in these extreme lands where we are at the mercy of weather and ice conditions. Landings on certain sites and the observation of certain wildlife cannot be guaranteed. They vary from day to day, making each PONANT cruise a unique experience. The Captain and the Expedition Leader will make every effort to ensure that your experience is as rich as possible, while complying with the safety rules and instructions imposed by the IAATO.



Along the South African Coastline - Musical Cruise

9 days | Cape Town to Durban | *Le Lyréal*

Departing 17 March 2020 & 28 March 2021

Superior Stateroom starting from **\$4,530*pp**

SAVE UP TO 30%*

In partnership with RADIO CLASSIQUE.

Discover a PONANT itinerary that explores the essential towns and sites of South Africa's wild east coast. A circuit in partnership with RADIO CLASSIQUE, with the exceptional presence of Alain Duault and of the Sirba Quintet.

At the crossroads of the Atlantic and Indian Oceans, embark aboard *Le Lyréal* on a 9-day cruise between Cape Town, mother-city of the country, dominated by Table Mountain, and Durban, a cosmopolitan seaside city.

This journey in South Africa will also allow you to discover Port Elizabeth, nicknamed "the friendly city" for its welcoming inhabitants, and Richards Bay.

A land of ethnic diversity, South Africa is often described as "a world in one country". Its incredible melting pot of cultures, religions, and histories infuse its rich heritage.

The diversity of fauna and flora is also one of South Africa's treasures: the nation is home to three of the largest terrestrial mammals—the elephant, rhinoceros and hippopotamus—and its plant life alone represents one tenth of the world's botanic heritage, with some 25.000 species.

HIGHLIGHTS

- A cruise in partnership with RADIO CLASSIQUE, in the presence of Alain Duault and of the Sirba Quintet.
- The visit to Robben Island, a tiny UNESCO World Heritage Site where the Nobel Peace Prize winner Nelson Mandela was held prisoner.
- Cape of Good Hope and its cliffs plunging sharply into the Atlantic Ocean, overlooking the immense white sandy beaches.
- The chance to see the emblematic species of the African continent during a safari in a reserve.
- Phozulu Safari Park and the history of the traditional Zulu tribes.
- After your cruise, you have the opportunity of going on safari in the Kruger National Park, inside the largest game reserve in South Africa.



*Pricing based on 28 March 2021 departure date



Jewels of England's Southern Shores

8 days | London to Portsmouth | *Le Dumont-d'Urville*

Departing 6 May 2020

Prestige Deck 4 starting from \$4,630*pp

SAVE UP TO 25%*

Board *Le Dumont-d'Urville* for a journey along the southern coast of England. On this all-new 8-day cruise, you will discover the melancholy beauty of nature in these parts, from wild creeks to long sand or pebble beaches, lush hills, charming fishing villages and steep cliffs sculpted by the wind and sea.

Departing from London, your first port of call will be Dover, famous for its white limestone cliffs. Then the Isle of Wight will reveal its picture-postcard landscapes, sometimes bathing in the sun's rays and at other times shrouded in mist. Queen Victoria used to holiday on this island, a great deal of which is designated as an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

Your ship will then drop anchor at the Isles of Scilly, a strange, small archipelago where long fine-sand beaches run alongside lush, green meadows, overlooked by the ruins of old castles sitting imposingly on the hilltops.

Then you will make your way to Dartmouth, a charming town tucked away in the heart of the stunning décor formed by the mouth of the Dart. You will discover its old pastel-coloured fishermen's houses and some half-timbered buildings. Then you will visit Poole, a town renowned for its large natural harbour.

HIGHLIGHTS

- A cruise marked by the romantic and bucolic charm of England's south coast.
- UNESCO World Heritage Site: the Jurassic Coast, famous for its fossils and its dinosaur footprints.
- From Poole, visit Stonehenge.
- Stop at Kinsale, regarded as the most beautiful village in Ireland.





An Immersion in Japanese Culture

9 days | Osaka to Maizuru | *Le Soleal*

Departing 30 May 2020

Deluxe Stateroom starting from \$8,530*pp

SAVE UP TO 25%*

Japan is a country pulled in two radically different directions. It deeply honours its past but rushes headlong into the future. Hyper-modernity exists side by side with the quiet serenity of ancient shrines and gardens. On this voyage we discover both of these aspects.

The traditional aesthetic is evident everywhere in the architecture and adornments of the Buddhist and Shinto shrines we visit throughout our journey, in a traditional tea ceremony, and in our private audience with the Abbot of Kofukuji Temple in Nagasaki.

The modernist impulse is evident in the architecture of the cities through which we travel and also represented in the arts on display in the Adachi Museum in Sakaiminato, in the Pusan Museum of Art, and in the Ohara Museum of Art in Kurashiki.

Sampling Japanese food and drink; experiencing traditions of music and dance; witnessing the practice of religion; viewing art both ancient and modern; walking through modern cities and admiring ancient shrines – these are the elements of our immersion in the culture of Japan.

HIGHLIGHTS

- An included exclusively arranged ceremony and reception hosted by the Abbot of the Kofukuji Temple in Nagasaki
- An included exclusive traditional Tea Ceremony
- Lectures and discussions with cultural historian Timon Screech and landscape design experts Holly and Osamu Shimizu
- Special Performance of Kagura dance at Itsukushima Shrine
- Cooking class on how to cut and plate the deadly puffer fish
- Guided walk of Pusan fish market, including lunch
- Private visit to Yuushien Garden in Sakaiminato
- Optional excursions to iconic temples, shrines, and gardens all along the itinerary: Korakuen in Okayama, Itsukushima Shrine in Hiroshima, and more
- Optional excursions to art museums: Adachi Museum in Sakaiminato, the Pusan Museum of Art, and the Ohara Museum of Art in Kurashiki.





Islands of the North Sea

11 days | Copenhagen to Reykjavik | *Le Bellot*

Departing 2 June 2020

Prestige Deck 4 starting from \$9,620*pp

SAVE UP TO 25%*

Discover the North Sea and its islands thanks to this new itinerary designed by PONANT, a journey to the lands of legends.

From Denmark, your 11-day cruise aboard *Le Bellot*—one of the latest additions to our fleet—will take you to Iceland, via Norway, Scotland, the Orkney Islands and Shetland Islands, as well as the Hebrides.

You will visit Stavanger, a cosmopolitan and prosperous small town with a perfectly balanced blend of old and new. During your stopover, walk the paved streets and admire the wonderfully preserved fishermen's houses that date from the 18th century.

You will then reach the Shetland Islands and the port of Lerwick. This port is well known because just a few kilometres inland lie the remarkable ruins of Scalloway Castle, built in 1600. Then it will be Kirkwall, the capital of the Orkney Islands off the coast of Scotland, home to sea birds, gannets, shags, grey petrels and many other animals.

You will also discover Heimaey, the only inhabited island in the Westmann Islands. Fishing is the main source of income in this exceptional site. You can admire its volcanoes and its almost-desert like landscapes.

Finally, *Le Bellot* will take you to Reykjavik is the most northerly capital in the world, lying slightly above the 64th parallel. Houses with colourful roofs line its streets and this, coupled with the many ducks in its lake, produces a picture postcard setting. It boasts real cultural riches, particularly in contemporary art, notably with the Reykjavik Art Museum.

HIGHLIGHTS

- A cruise from Denmark to Iceland, visiting several archipelagos in the North Sea: the Shetland Islands, the Hebrides, the Orkneys.
- On your embarkation, there will be the possibility to visit Copenhagen, the capital of Denmark.
- Sailing in the Lysefjord, meaning the "fjord of light", flanked by granite cliffs that are several hundred metres high.
- Heimaey Island provides a possibility to observe the colonies of puffins, the real treasure of this island off the Icelandic coast.
- Portree, the main town of the Isle of Skye, with its lively port and its cultural centre.





On the Trail of the Gold Prospectors

8 days | Juneau, Alaska to Vancouver | *Le Soleal*

Departing 19 & 26 Aug 2020

Prestige Deck 4 starting from **\$8,200*pp**

*Pricing based on 19 Aug '20 departure date

SAVE UP TO 25%*

Follow in the footsteps of the gold prospectors on this 8-day cruise brought to you by PONANT. This exceptional itinerary aboard *Le Soléal* will take you from Alaska to British Columbia, to discover magnificent landscapes marked by the Gold Rush.

After embarking in Juneau, the capital of Alaska long inhabited by the Tlingit people, sailing along Tracy Arm, one of Alaska's most beautiful fjords, will undoubtedly be one of the highlights of your cruise.

Do not miss the chance to visit Skagway, where many pioneers came in search of gold at the end of the 19th century, and Haines, where majestic bald eagles are often spotted flying over the houses.

You will then continue sailing between rain forest and glacier valleys to reach the small city of Ketchikan, home to charming, colourful stilt houses, and the wonderful landscapes of the Misty Fjords.

Before disembarking in Vancouver, you will make your way down the east coast of Alaska, whose Inside Passage, shaped by the sculpture of imposing glaciers, is home to vertiginous fjords. Here, the natural environment includes glaciers, coniferous forests, and myriad islands and islets magnified by the wonderful play of light.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Discover Alaska's breathtaking landscapes: fjords, glaciers, waterfalls, primary forests, giant sequoias.
- Wildlife: brown bears, black bears, sea otters, orcas, humpback whales, bald eagles.
- Tlingit American Indians Art and traditions in Ketchikan.
- Visit of Skagway, the gateway to the mythical "Gold Rush" with optional walk along the railroad of White Pass.
- Sailing in the Tracy Arm Fjord, close to Sawyer Glacier.





A Musical Odyssey in Northern Europe

10 days | Stockholm to Honfleur | *Le Dumont-d'Urville*

Departing 8 September 2020

Deluxe Stateroom starting from \$6,340*pp

SAVE UP TO 30%*

In 2020, the entire world will celebrate the 250th anniversary of the birth of Ludwig van Beethoven, the most beloved and transformative composer of all time. We invite you to join us on this musical odyssey from Stockholm to Honfleur, as we explore the rich cultural heritage of northern Europe accompanied by world-class chamber musicians performing an all-Beethoven repertoire.

In ports of call along our way, we will have access to some of the best museums in the world, while our days at sea will be filled with music ranging widely across the great composer's body of work – a veritable feast of music and art. After our first recital during a day at sea, we arrive in Copenhagen where the marvellous collection of modern art at Louisiana Museum awaits us.

Our second onboard concert occurs as we transit the Kiel Canal to arrive on the eastern shores of the North Sea. The next five days are spent exploring the great museums of Holland and Belgium – the stunning architecture and contemporary art of the Groninger Museum; the Dutch Masters of the Rijksmuseum; the incomparable Van Gogh Museum; Rubens' masterpieces in the Antwerp Cathedral; Michelangelo's Madonna in Bruges. These five days will also include two more private concerts of Beethoven's oeuvre curated exclusively for our group – one of them to be performed at the historic 17th-century Westerkerk in Amsterdam.

HIGHLIGHTS

- A series of concerts aboard ship, exclusively-curated by Michael Parloff, featuring the exhilarating Horszowski Piano Trio and award-winning violinist Matthew Lipman
- A private concert in Amsterdam's historic 17th-century Westerkerk, featuring the Kreutzer violin sonata and the Archduke piano trio
- Optional excursions to some of the best museums in the world, including the Louisiana Museum; the Rijksmuseum, the Van Gogh Museum, the Groninger Museum, and many more.





Alaska and its Fur Traders

15 days | Nome, Alaska to Vancouver | *L'Austral*

Departing 19 September 2020

Deluxe Stateroom starting from \$13,650*pp

SAVE UP TO 25%*

PONANT invites you to follow the steps of trappers and of the indigenous peoples of Alaska, during a 15-day expedition voyage aboard *L'Austral*.

From Nome to Vancouver, discover a remote territory still unknown and wild, landscape from infinite tundra to glittering lakes, wide spaces, gigantic glaciers, steep mountains and temperate rainforest.

During your trip, discover the unique wildlife at some of the sites that have marked the history of Alaska.

Your ship will first sail along the Bering Strait, before heading south to reach Saint Paul in the Pribilof Islands. In a Zodiac® dinghy you will then land on the lush shores of Dutch Harbor in the Aleutian Islands, where you will have the option of participating in organised hikes.

After sailing in the magnificent Icy Bay to discover a fjord surrounded by hanging glaciers and vertiginous waterfalls, succumb to the charms of Alaska's forests and discover the Tlingit village of Kake, where you might be lucky enough to spot some black bears.

Then, set off to meet the whales and other marine mammals in Alert Bay, in British Columbia, before making your way to Vancouver, your disembarkation port.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Shore visits in Zodiac® inflatables with a team of experienced naturalist guides.
- Hiking opportunity.
- Visit traditional villages and encounter the indigenous peoples of the Far North: the Aleuts, Tlingits, Kwakwaka'wakws, Yupiks, and Haïdas.
- Landscapes: fjords, tall mountains, huge glaciers, primary forest, jagged cliffs.
- Wildlife: brown bears, grizzlies, Arctic terns, common seals, whales and orcas.



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The Natural Parks & Wildlife of Central America - with National Geographic

14 days | Puerto Quetzal to Guayaquil | *Le Soléal*

Departing 26 September 2020

Superior Stateroom starting from \$7,290*pp

SAVE UP TO 25%*

Set sail aboard *Le Soléal* for a 14-day expedition cruise crossing no fewer than five countries. PONANT proposes an all-new circuit discovering the most beautiful sites of Central America, featuring nature parks, idyllic islands and encounters with the local populations.

Before you board the ship in Puerto Quetzal, do not miss the chance to visit the impressive and majestic Mayan site of Tikal, as well as the wonderful baroque monuments of La Antigua de Guatemala.

Your cruise will start with a visit to two superb Costa Rican national parks: the Curú Wildlife Refuge and the Manuel Antonio National Park. Deep inside the tropical rainforest or under the rainforest canopy, you may be lucky enough to see multicoloured birds, monkeys and iguana.

Le Soléal will then reach the Cocos Island, more than 500 kilometres off the coast of Costa Rica. This idyllic speck of land has an amazing ecosystem, housing turtles, manta rays, dolphins and whale sharks.

On the way to Ecuador, *Le Soléal* will stop in the Pearl Islands, which nestle in the Gulf of Panama, before sailing on to the magnificent Darien National Park. This little corner of paradise is a UNESCO World Heritage site and home to remarkable plants and wildlife. This will also be an exceptional opportunity to journey back in time as you discover the Embera tribe. These proud people have successfully preserved their traditions and their ancestral way of life.

HIGHLIGHTS

- A cruise in partnership with National Geographic Expeditions offering enrichment with a National Geographic Photographer and an Expert onboard.
- Outings and shore visits in Zodiac® inflatables with a team of experienced naturalist guides.
- UNESCO World Heritage sites: La Antigua de Guatemala from Puerto Quetzal, the national park of Cocos Island, Darien National Park, the historic centre of Quito from Guayaquil.
- An exceptional call at Cocos Island, considered by Jacques-Yves Cousteau to be "the most beautiful island in the world".
- Encounter with the indigenous Emberas tribe in the Darien National Park.





The Sea of Cortez

13 days | San Diego to Puerto Quetzal | *L'Austral*

Departing 7 October 2020

Superior Stateroom starting from \$7,250*pp

SAVE UP TO 25%*

PONANT invites you to enjoy an unforgettable experience discovering the Sea of Cortez, during a 13-day expedition cruise. Aboard *L'Austral*, feast your eyes on the unique landscapes and unrivalled biodiversity of the Gulf of California, following an exceptional itinerary.

You will board your ship in San Diego, an American city at the far south of California, renowned for its pleasant climate. Your ship will sail along Baja California peninsula before entering the Gulf of California.

For four days, you will spend your time observing the incredibly rich marine wildlife, a veritable Eden which has rightly earned the region a listing as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Playful sea lions, dolphins, tortoises, dozens of different species of fish: the teeming wildlife is quite simply fascinating.

L'Austral will drop anchor on a number of occasions near the different islands of the Sea of Cortez, and outings in Zodiac® dinghies will offer the chance for some unforgettable snorkelling and hiking tours.

Your ship will then chart a course towards Huatulco in Mexico and its preserved bays edged with magnificent beaches, before reaching your final destination: Puerto Quetzal in Guatemala, very close to the charming colonial town of Antigua.

HIGHLIGHTS

- An expedition cruise, to discover the fabulous biodiversity of the Sea of Cortez, "the world's largest aquarium" according to Jacques-Yves Cousteau.
- Outings and shore visits in Zodiac® inflatables with a team of experienced naturalist guides.
- UNESCO World Heritage sites: the islands and protected zones of the Gulf of California (also known as the Sea of Cortez), La Antigua de Guatemala and its colonial architecture from Puerto Quetzal in Guatemala.
- The landscapes: reliefs of red volcanic rock plunging into the turquoise water with the desert as the backdrop in the Sea of Cortez, dazzling white sandy beaches in Huatulco (shore excursion for sale).
- The wildlife: California sea lions, dolphins, sea turtles, tuna, barracuda, rays, pelicans, countless species of fish and sea birds.
- Possibility of diving (PADI Advanced Open Water Diver or equivalent) with an experienced instructor on board and of snorkelling with your expedition team.





Cordillera & Andean Secrets

14 days | Guayaquil to Talcahuano | *Le Soleal*

Departing 9 October 2020

Superior Stateroom starting from \$6,200*pp

SAVE UP TO 25%*

From Guayaquil, set sail aboard the *Le Soléal* for a 14-day cruise along the coasts of Peru and Chile.

Your first stop at Salaverry will offer an opportunity to discover the ruins of Chan Chan, the largest adobe citadel of Pre-Colombian America and former capital of the Chimu kingdom.

From the port of Callao near Lima, you will be able to visit the ancient city of Cusco, discovered in 1533 by the conquistadors, as well as the famous site of Machu Picchu, the gigantic lost city, an architectural gem listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

When we drop anchor in Matarani, discover Arequipa, an old colonial city founded in 1540 in a fertile valley at the foot of the majestic El Misti volcano.

Arica, the "city of eternal spring" where the climate is temperate and sunny year round, is very popular for its beautiful beaches and its sites brimming with history. You will be captivated by this surprising city where the Inca people once lived.

Then you will visit Iquique and its exceptional historic centre inherited from the Gold Rush. Not far, you will find Humberstone, a disused mining town where the buildings now house museums listed as UNESCO World Heritage Sites.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Many UNESCO World Heritage Sites: the saltpeter mining towns of Iquique, the historic centre of Arequipa from Matarani, the historic centre of Lima, Cuzco, the site of Machu Picchu, the archeological zone of Chan Chan from Salaverry.
- Discover the major pre-Columbian sites and the mysterious geoglyphs.
- Exceptional architectural heritage, testimony to the colonial era.
- Discover Arequipa and the Santa Catalina Convent from Matarani.
- Specialist lecturers aboard to share their passion for their subject and their knowledge with you.





Jewels of Latin America

13 days | Puerto Quetzal to Callao | L'Austral

Departing 19 October 2020

Superior Stateroom starting from \$5,600*pp

SAVE UP TO 30%*

Aboard L'Austral, set sail for a 13-day PONANT cruise taking in no less than five countries. A route to discover the most beautiful sites of Latin America.

Before you board the ship in Puerto Quetzal, do not miss the chance to visit the impressive and majestic Mayan site of Tikal, as well as the wonderful ruins and baroque monuments of La Antigua de Guatemala.

When your ship calls at San Juan del Sur in Nicaragua, you will travel to Granada, at the foot of the Mombacho volcano. This town is teeming with architectural treasures, and combines Moorish, Andalusian, Baroque and neo-Classical styles.

After a call at Puerto Caldera, from where you can visit the beautiful Poas Volcano National Parc, L'Austral will stop in Quepos, the gateway to one of Costa Rica's finest natural treasures, the Manuel Antonio National Park. Combining forest and abundant wildlife, this unspoiled park is fringed with idyllic beaches.

Your ship will then drop anchor in Guayaquil, Ecuador. It will be the starting point for the visit of the historical centres of Cuenca and Quito, both UNESCO World Heritage Sites.

Conclude your journey with the discovery of the jewels of Peru: the archaeological site of Chan Chan, the largest adobe citadel in pre-Colombian America, as well as the unmissable Machu Picchu, the marvel of Inca architecture.

HIGHLIGHTS

- UNESCO sites: the archaeological site of Chan Chan from Salaverry; the historic centres of Quito and Cuenca from Guayaquil; Lima and Machu Picchu from Callao; La Antigua Guatemala from Puerto Quetzal.
- Discovering an exceptional architectural heritage, between Granada and its many Andalusian-Moorish constructions (from San Juan del Sur), Lima and Trujillo and their rich colonial heritage.
- Visiting one of the national parks of Costa Rica, pristine natural sanctuaries that cover almost a quarter of the country.
- Before your cruise, you will have the opportunity to discover the famous Tikal pyramid, one of the major sites in pre-Columbian Maya culture.
- After your cruise, the chance to discover the mythical site of Machu Picchu from Callao.





From the Arabian Peninsula to India

14 days | Muscat to Colombo | *Le Bellot*

Departing 28 October 2020

Deluxe Stateroom starting from \$7,570*pp

SAVE UP TO 30%*

PONANT invites you on a brand-new 14-day cruise between the Gulf of Oman and the coasts of India and Sri Lanka, departing from Muscat. Come aboard *Le Bellot* and set off to discover the treasures of the desert of Arabia and the luxurious landscapes of India and Sri Lanka.

Your ship will first take you towards Dubai, the kingdom of excessiveness, before dropping anchor in Khasab, the gateway to the sublime "fjords of Arabia" that you will be able to explore aboard a traditional boat.

Le Bellot will then call at Mumbai, India's cultural and economic capital. Make sure you visit the Elephanta Caves, a Hindu sanctuary on an island off the coast of Mumbai, and the Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus railway station (formerly known as Victoria Terminus), a remarkable example of Victorian neo-gothic architecture: both sites are UNESCO World Heritage Sites.

You will then discover Goa, a former colony of the Portuguese Indies prized for its beaches and its rich cultural heritage, in particular a collection of late 16th-century churches and convents, a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Your ship will then arrive in Kerala, on Malabar Coast, in south-western India. From Cochin, you will have the opportunity to discover, aboard traditional boats, the fishing villages settled along the banks of the "backwaters", a network of lakes and canals that criss-cross the lush landscapes of Kerala.

HIGHLIGHTS

- An all-new itinerary discovering Oman, the United Arab Emirates, India and Sri Lanka.
- Treasures of Islamic, Buddhist and Hinduist culture, between tradition and modernity.
- UNESCO World Heritage Sites: the Elephanta Caves and the Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus railway station in Mumbai, the churches and convents of Goa; in Sri Lanka, the historic city of Polonnaruwa and the golden Temple of Dambulla, the old town of Galle and its fortifications.
- Discover exceptional natural sites: the "fjords of Arabia", canyons and oases, deserts of dunes.
- Overnight in Colombo.





Between India & Asia

14 days | Colombo to Singapore | *Le Bellot*

Departing 10 November 2020

Deluxe Stateroom starting from \$7,570*pp

SAVE UP TO 30%*

PONANT invites you to discover the wonders of Asia, during a 14-day cruise aboard *Le Bellot* through the Bay of Bengal. From Sri Lanka to Singapore, fall under the spell of these eastern lands marked by Buddhist and Hindu traditions.

Le Bellot will leave from Colombo, the capital of Sri Lanka, located at the cross roads of the maritime trade routes between Europe and Asia. During your port of call in Galle, admire the fortifications of this old town, testimony to its Portuguese and Dutch heritage and a UNESCO World Heritage site. From your next stop in Trincomalee, you will have the opportunity to visit the UNESCO World Heritage Sites of Polonnaruwa and Dambulla.

Your ship will then chart a course north to reach Chennai, formerly Madras, in India. This will be the occasion to discover the ancient temple of Kapaleshwara, dedicated to Shiva and built in the 7th century AD.

In a sublime setting of emerald water, karstic cliffs, mangrove and white sand, *Le Bellot* will then drop anchor in Thailand. You will discover the sumptuous landscapes of the uninhabited island of Koh Rok Nok, close to Koh Lanta archipelago, a paradise for swimming and relaxation.

Lastly you will sail the Malacca Strait, the former strategic crossroads on the silk and spice roads, to discover the beautiful cities of Penang (Georgetown) and Malacca. Influenced by Malaysian and Chinese cultures, these cities, listed as UNESCO World Heritage Sites, are home to many remains of the European colonial period.

HIGHLIGHTS

- A cruise to discover the cultural and architectural treasures of 5 countries in Asia: Sri Lanka, India, Thailand, Malaysia and Singapore.
- UNESCO World Heritage Sites: Galle and its fortifications; from Trincomalee, the historic city of Polonnaruwa and the golden Temple of Dambulla; Malacca and Georgetown (Penang), historic multicultural cities in the Strait of Malacca, marked by their Asian, Dutch, Portuguese and British heritage.
- In Chennai, the chance to visit a number of temples and sites dedicated to Hinduism as well as the Government Museum and its beautiful collection of bronzes.
- Paradisiac landscapes of the Koh Rok Nok Island and Phang Nga Bay: karstic islets, white-sand beaches, turquoise waters, luxurious flora and extraordinary marine fauna.





Myanmar, India & Sri Lanka

14 days | Yangon to Colombo | *Le Lapérouse*

Departing 7 December 2020

Deluxe Stateroom starting from \$8,040*pp

SAVE UP TO 25%*

With this brand-new itinerary, PONANT invites you to discover the wonders of Asia, during a 14-day cruise through the Bay of Bengal. From Myanmar to Sri Lanka, fall under the spell of these eastern lands marked by Buddhist and Hindu traditions.

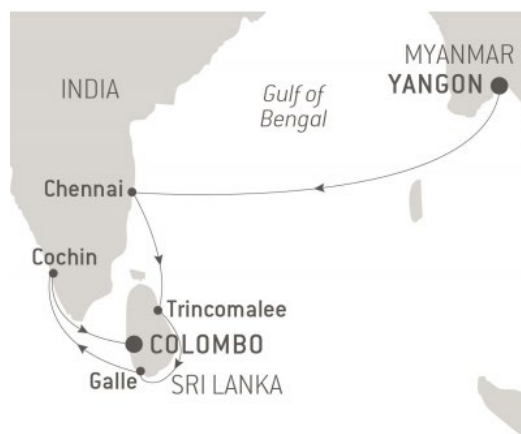
In Myanmar you will board *Le Lapérouse* in Yangon, the nation's former capital, home to the magnificent Shwedagon Pagoda, the country's most revered religious shrine.

Your ship will then chart a course south to reach Chennai, formerly Madras. This will be the occasion to discover the ancient temple of Kapaleshwara, dedicated to Shiva and built in the 7th century AD, as well as Kanchipuram, one of the seven Indian holy cities, and Mamallapuram.

Le Lapérouse will then reach Sri Lanka. From Trincomalee, visit the UNESCO World Heritage Sites of historic city of Polonnaruwa, a fortified city from the 11th century, and the splendid golden Temple of Dambulla.

During your port of call in Galle, admire the fortifications of this old town, testimony to its Portuguese and Dutch heritage and a UNESCO World Heritage site.

Conclude your journey by disembarking in Colombo, the capital of Sri Lanka, located at the cross roads of the maritime trade routes between Europe and Asia.



HIGHLIGHTS

- A cruise through the Bay of Bengal to discover India and Sri Lanka.
- UNESCO World Heritage Sites: in Sri Lanka, from Trincomalee, the historic city of Polonnaruwa and the golden Temple of Dambulla; Galle and its fortifications.
- In Chennai, the chance to visit a number of temples and sites dedicated to Hinduism as well as the Government Museum and its beautiful collection of bronzes.
- Discovery of Kerala's lush landscapes during an excursion in the "backwaters": rivers edged with palm trees, rice paddies, fishing villages.
- Overnight in Yangon.



Treasures of the Celtic Sea

9 days | Saint-Malo to Glasgow, Scotland | *L'Austral*

Departing 26 April 2021

Deluxe Stateroom starting from \$4,530*pp

SAVE UP TO 30%*

Set off to discover the treasures of the Celtic Sea. This 9-day cruise between Saint-Malo and Glasgow will take you into the heart of landscapes of wild and melancholic beauty: between lush green prairies, sheer cliffs, colourful little villages, moss and heaths, fall under the spell of these lands infused with mystery.

Your first port of call will be Guernsey, whose green prairies and romantic cliffs welcomed Victor Hugo during his exile, then the Isles of Scilly, a strange little archipelago whose landscapes seem to have come straight out of Enid Blyton's famous story, *The Rockingdown Mystery*. Here, long sandy beaches lie alongside green fields, while ruins of old castles stand proud on hilltops.

On the south coast of Ireland, you will discover Kinsale, a charming little port sheltered within the Bandon Estuary.

L'Austral will take you then to Liverpool and Dublin, the Irish capital brimming with convivial atmosphere and authentic charm.

In the Isle of Man, located between the United Kingdom and Ireland, you will discover the capital Douglas, a postcard from United Kingdom of yesteryear with a Victorian atmosphere.

During your stopover in Belfast, you can visit the Giant's Causeway. This massive geological formation is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and features over 40,000 basalt columns.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Between Saint-Malo and Glasgow, sail into the heart of Celtic shores, lands of magic and legends.
- UNESCO World Heritage Sites: from Belfast, the mysterious Giant's Causeway site, the old port of Liverpool, Dublin, city of literature.
- The wild and romantic landscapes of Guernsey, the Isles of Scilly and the Isle of Man.
- Before your cruise: possibility of visiting Saint Malo, once the lair of privateers.





The Secrets of the Malay Archipelago

14 days | Manila to Darwin | *Le Lapérouse*

Departing 7 July 2021

Deluxe Stateroom starting from \$10,230*pp

SAVE UP TO 25%*

Board the luxurious *Le Lapérouse* for a 14-day crossing of the Malay Archipelago voyage. During your expedition cruise between Manila and Darwin, you will experience a wide variety of unique destinations, discover ancient tribes, explore the most biodiverse marine ecosystems on earth and uncover historical locations, particularly remains of the colonisation dating back from the 17th century.

Join your expert expedition team, selected for their knowledge and experience, along with local guides to explore these unique destinations by foot, Zodiac® or local transport.

This bespoke experience will showcase the astonishing diversity of cultures, landscapes, flora and fauna across the Malay Archipelago.

From the lush rainforest topped karst islands of West Papua, through the sun kissed islands of the Moluccas, to the remote regions of the Philippines, discover one of the world's great adventures in waiting.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Expedition voyage discovering culture, landscapes, fauna and flora of the Malay Archipelago.
- Zodiac® outings and shore visits with your team of naturalists.
- Visit the Tangkoko National Park to look for the famous Tarsier, one of the tiniest primates in the world.
- The Maluku, the paradisiac Spice Islands.
- The magnificent Mommon waterfall, which tumbles directly into the emerald waters of the Seram Sea.
- Expeditions in a Zodiac® to Triton Bay's karst
- The Kei Islands and their stunning beaches.
- Swim and snorkel in warm tropical oceans teeming with colourful fishes and beautiful corals.
- Possibility of diving (PADI Advanced Open Water Diver or equivalent) with an experienced instructor on board and of snorkelling with your expedition team.





The Essential Kimberley - with National Geographic

13 days | Darwin return | *Le Bellot*

Departing 6 August 2021

Deluxe Stateroom starting from **\$13,280*pp**

SAVE UP TO 30%*

In partnership with National Geographic Expeditions.

From Darwin, embark aboard *Le Bellot* for an 13-day expedition cruise, in the heart of wild and grandiose landscapes of the Kimberley, one of the last unspoiled regions on the planet.

Along the most spectacular coastlines in the entire region, the rivers are gateways towards incredible fauna and scenery. The discovery of the King George River and the majestic Twin Falls, the highest single drop waterfall in Western Australia will undoubtedly be the highpoint of this cruise.

In the hollow of the many bays dissecting the coast, secret coves and caves are home to ancient galleries of cave art, exceptional vestiges of the first people to settle on these sacred lands.

During your stopover in Careening Bay, you'll discover moving evidence left behind by the first explorers who ventured along the rugged coastline at the beginning of the 19th century.

With their falls, abrupt gorges, savannah and calm waters, the wild lands of the Kimberley are the promise of an exceptional adventure.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Expedition voyage discovering culture, landscapes, fauna and flora of the A cruise in partnership with National Geographic Expeditions offering enrichment with a National Geographic Photographer and an Expert onboard.
- Join our highly qualified expedition team
- Enjoy regular Zodiac® outings & shore visits to get close to the Kimberley nature
- Discover billions of years-old landscapes & ancient rock art
- Listen to stories of the dreamtime from the oldest continuous culture on the planet
- Discover Careening Bay and the Mermaid boob tree, a reminder of the era of exploration
- Witness unique tidal phenomena such as the Horizontal Falls



We are privileged guests in these extreme lands where we are at the mercy of weather and ice conditions. Landings on certain sites and the observation of certain wildlife cannot be guaranteed. They vary from day to day, making each PONANT cruise a unique experience. The Captain and the Expedition Leader will make every effort to ensure that your experience is as rich as possible, while complying with the safety rules and instructions imposed by the IAATO.



Icelandic Mosaic

8 days | Reykjavik return | *Le Champlain*

Departing 8 & 15 August 2021

Deluxe Stateroom starting from \$5,920*pp

SAVE UP TO 30%*

Discover the most beautiful landscapes on the Icelandic west coast during an 8-day PONANT cruise.

On the edge of the Arctic, between vast glaciers, vertiginous fjords, volcanoes and boiling geysers, Iceland offers a kaleidoscope of wild and romantic landscapes.

You will board the ship in Reykjavik, the world's northernmost capital city. With its houses with colourful roofs and its lake that is home to countless ducks, the city offers a picture-postcard setting. It also boasts numerous cultural treasures, particularly in the field of contemporary art, with the Reykjavik Art Museum.

The first port of call on your cruise: the bay of Grundarfjörður, right near Kirkjufell. This stunning cone-shaped mountain possesses a unique charm and this will be an opportunity to take some beautiful photos.

Your ship will then reach Grímsey, a small, hard-to-reach island where, in certain places, the volcanic rock forms magnificent basalt columns. Birds such as guillemots and puffins reign here.

Finally, you will discover Heimaey. This is the only inhabited island in the Westman archipelago. It is an exceptional place composed of volcanoes and almost-desert landscapes, where fishing is the main food source.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Discovery of Reykjavik, capital of Iceland.
- Optional Golden Circle excursion: the 3 most emblematic sites in Iceland.
- Landscapes: vast glaciers, breathtaking fjords, volcanic rock, basalt pillars, jagged cliffs and geysers.
- Wildlife: Atlantic puffins, Northern gannets, Arctic terns, Minke whales, humpback whales, Icelandic horses.
- A passionate lecturer on board.





Aboriginal Art of the Kimberley and Tiwi Islands - with National Geographic

14 days | Broome to Darwin | *Le Bellot*

Departing 17 September 2021

Deluxe Stateroom starting from **\$14,540*pp**

SAVE UP TO 30%*

In partnership with National Geographic Expeditions.

Set sail for the wild and grandiose landscapes of the Kimberley coast, home to ancient rock art galleries and extraordinary artistic traditions on this exceptional PONANT itinerary

From Broome to Darwin, embark aboard *Le Bellot* for a 14-day expedition cruise to one of the last unspoiled regions on the planet.

Discover spectacular examples of the regions massive tides, including the cascading mini-waterfalls of Montgomery Reef and the unique phenomenon of the "Horizontal Falls" in Talbot Bay. Experience the pristine mangrove forests of the Hunter river, where saltwater crocodiles live alongside many species of birds.

This wild area is home to the oldest continual culture on earth, whose ancient stories and traditions can be found on the walls of the many rock art galleries across the region.

On the Tiwi islands, thousand-year-old artistic traditions continue thanks to art centres dedicated to local artists and craftsmen. You will admire ochre paintings on canvas and bark, ironwood carvings, screen printed fabrics, ceramics, bronze and glass sculptures and discover the daily life in the remote communities.

HIGHLIGHTS

- A cruise in partnership with National Geographic Expeditions offering enrichment with a National Geographic Photographer and an Expert onboard.
- Enjoy regular Zodiac® outings & shore visits to experience the unique Kimberley wilderness.
- Discover the stories behind the enigmatic Gwion Gwion rock art
- View the oldest depictions of the human form on the planet.
- Explore pristine mangrove environments.
- Visit the World renowned Tiwi Design and Manupi Art centres of the Tiwi Islands.
- Witness unique tidal phenomena such as the Horizontal Falls and Montgomery Reef.



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WHAT'S INCLUDED

At Ponant, the "all-inclusive" includes:

- Stylish Oceanview accommodation in stateroom,
- All meals whilst onboard Open Bar Service: beginning with boarding, and during the duration of the cruise, a wide selection of drinks (mineral water, soft drinks, wine, beer, Henri Abelé BRUT champagne, spirits, coffee, tea) are served on request and at any time of the day.
Certain premium alcoholic beverages on the menu are not included in the Open Bar,
- Access to all the common areas: fitness room, steam room, hair salon, swimming pool (sea water, heated), solarium, lounges, theatre, boutique & leisure areas.

PONANT YACHT CLUB BENEFITS

As a Major member in the PONANT Yacht Club, you can enjoy the following perks on your next cruise:

- Priority for Loyalty and Chairman Cruises booking
- Complimentary onboard laundry service
- Onboard credit of €50 per cruise (1)
- 5% discount on their 3rd and 4th cruises

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