

Our Smithsonian Expert



David Wimpfheimer is a biologist, professional naturalist and guide with a passion for natural

history of the West and a special interest in birds. During nearly 30 years as an educator, David has led travelers on treks in to the extreme and fragile beauty of Death Valley, to whale-watching expeditions in Baja, and on wildflower forays in Yosemite and the Great Northwest. David takes great pleasure in showing participants nature's unpredictability, like an unexpected and unique bird behavior; or a hunting bobcat or meandering coyote, or tracking lizards, butterflies, reptiles or labeling and describing trees, lichen, fungi and even paw prints that may be in your path. David is passionate about our natural world and takes great pleasure in educating all about the wonders of nature. He is a resident of Point Reyes, California.

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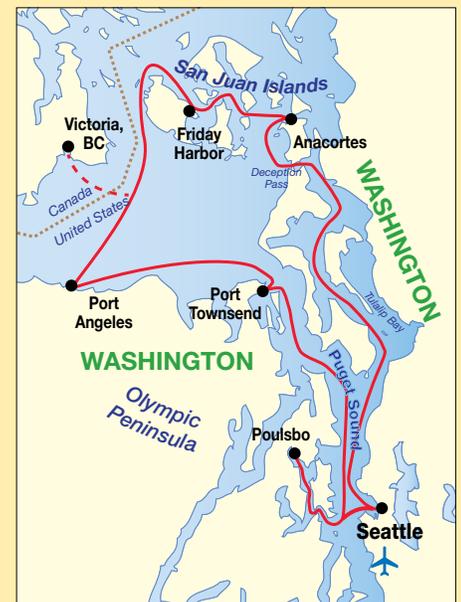
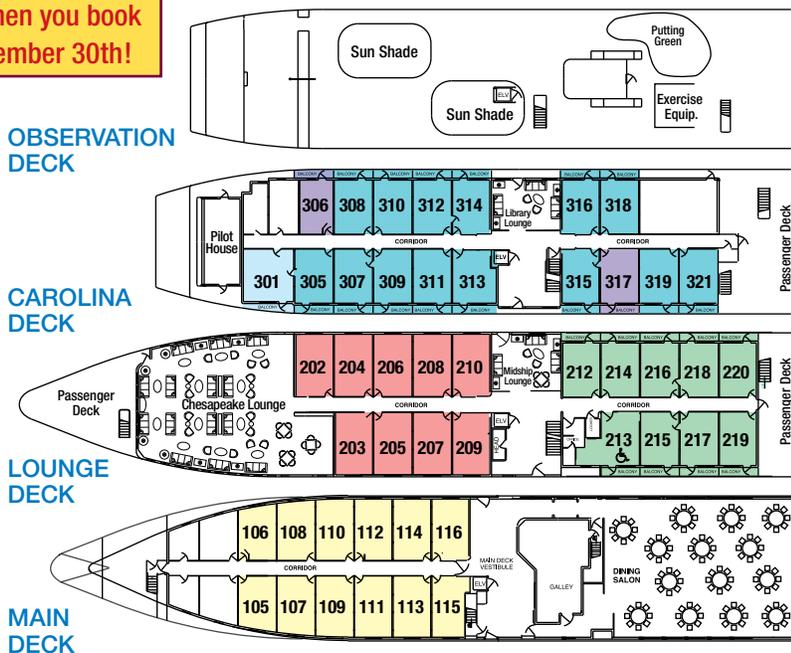
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VOYAGE HIGHLIGHTS

- Enjoy a pre-night hotel stay in Seattle and take a specially arranged tour of the Emerald City prior to boarding the ship.
- Learn about the majestic wildlife—including whales, seals, and eagles—who call this place home, with Smithsonian Naturalist David Wimpfheimer
- Explore the charming San Juan Islands including a visit to historic Friday Harbor, founded by the Hudson Bay Company as a salmon curing station, now a popular destination for sailors and vacationers.
- Sail to the Northeast tip of the Olympic Peninsula for an excursion to scenic Port Townsend, noted for its Victorian houses and other significant historical buildings.
- Stroll the charming waterfront Poulsbo, with its eclectic galleries and specialty shops.
- Relax in your oversized stateroom and enjoy sumptuous meals in the dining salon as you cruise through this spectacular region of the Pacific Northwest aboard the *American Spirit*.



Butchart Gardens in Victoria, BC

Itinerary

DAY 1 ■ SEATTLE, WA

Meet fellow travelers and staff at a festive welcome reception. Dinner and the remainder of the evening are on your own. (R)

DAY 2 ■ SEATTLE, WA

Explore the city of Seattle on a narrated tour. Stroll through downtown and visit Pike Place Market, the oldest continually operating farmers' market in the United States. Visit the iconic Seattle Space Needle, built for the 1962 World Expo. This afternoon, board *American Spirit*, your home for the next 7 nights! (B,L,D)

DAY 3 ■ CRUISING THE SAN JUAN ISLANDS

Enjoy a day of cruising Puget Sound and the San Juan Islands. Keep a sharp lookout for whales, eagles, and seals among the many species that live in or transit this waterway. Gather for a lecture on the flora and fauna of the region with Study Leader David Wimpfheimer. (B,L,D)

DAY 4 ■ ANACORTES, WA

As you stroll through the vibrant Old Town of Anacortes, there are endless possibilities to enjoy, from recreational activities of fishing and bird watching, to participating in whale watching tours and kayaking excursions. Enjoy a guided walking tour of the town to get a personalized experience of the Pacific Northwest or take part in the SeaBear Salmon Tasting tour for an exclusive experience sampling cuisine varieties including smoked salmon, San Juan sliders, and smoked salmon chowder. (B,L,D)

DAY 5 ■ FRIDAY HARBOR, WA

Marvel at the majestic snowcapped mountain peaks and crystal blue waters of Friday Harbor. Take an excursion to the Whale Museum, which promotes stewardship of whales and the Salish Sea ecosystem (the inland waters of Puget Sound) through education and research. Learn more about the local orca pods and other marine mammals and peruse the extensive displays of exhibits, artwork, models, and artifacts. (B,L,D)

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Friday Harbor

DAY 6 ■ PORT ANGELES, WA

American Spirit calls at lively Port Angeles, located on the northern edge of the Olympic Peninsula along the shore of the Strait of Juan de Fuca. You'll have several choices of excursions today. Hop the local ferry across the strait to Victoria, British Columbia. Enjoy a narrated tour of this "Garden City" plus stop at spectacular Butchart Gardens with its incredible themed gardens including the Sunken Garden, the remnants of an old quarry with cradle beds of annuals, flowering trees, and unique shrubs. Or depart the ship by motor coach to explore the 632,000 acres of preserved wilderness at Olympic National Park and Hurricane Ridge where the largest remnants of ancient forests are home to endangered species including the Puget Sound Chinook Salmon or Marbled Murrelet. (B,L,D)

DAY 7 ■ PORT TOWNSEND, WA

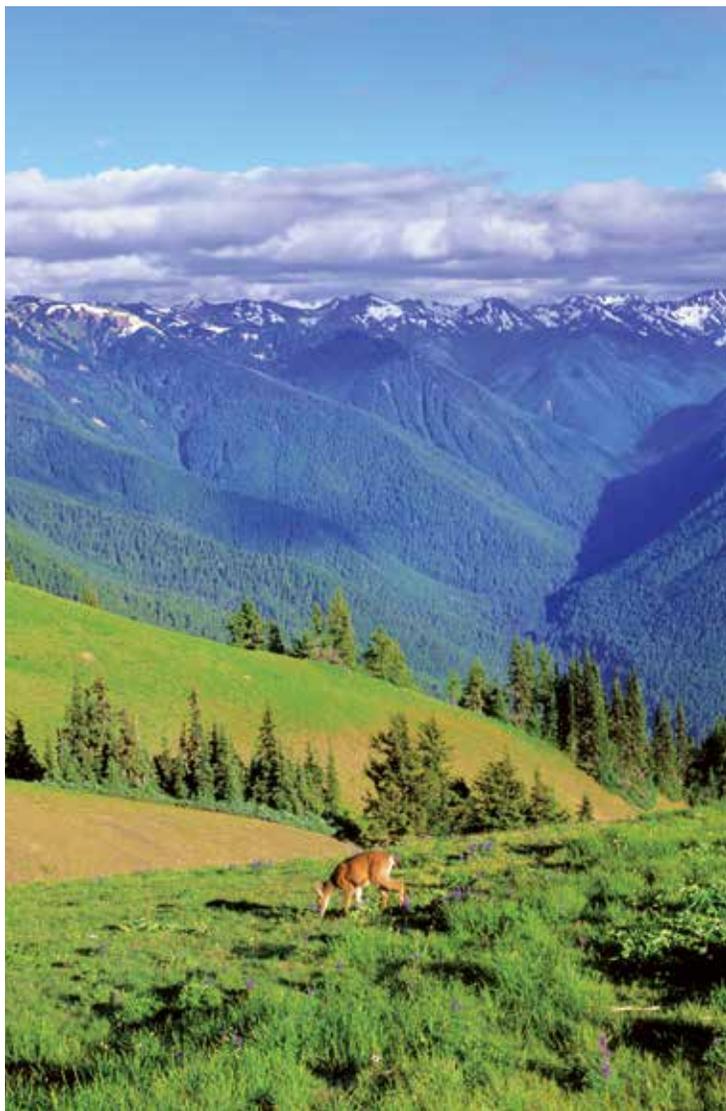
Forested islands and snow-capped mountains surround you as the ship cruises through Admiralty Bay in to the Victorian seaport town of Port Townsend. Learn about the history of the town on a guided walking tour of the National Historic District. Visit Fort Worden State Park, a turn-of-the-century army base which was active from 1902 to 1953, featuring abandon bunkers, a balloon hangar, and restored officers' quarters, reflecting military life in the early days of the last century. (B,L,D)

DAY 8 ■ POULSBO, WA

Explore popular Front Street, featuring old world murals, numerous art galleries, and specialty shops near Poulsbo's waterfront. Sightings of wildlife in their natural habitat are common, with the majestic snow-capped Olympic Mountains in the distance. Delve into Poulsbo's history and Norwegian heritage on a walking tour by members of the Poulsbo Historical Society. Visit the newly opened Suquamish Museum featuring preserved artifacts, historical photographs, manuscripts and stories of the Suquamish tribe. The ancestral Suquamish have lived in Central Puget Sound for approximately 10,000 years. (B,L,D)

DAY 9 ■ SEATTLE, WA

After breakfast, disembark the *American Spirit* and transfer to Seattle-Tacoma International Airport for individual flights home. (B)



The awe-inspiring views from Hurricane Ridge

Terms and Conditions

Our Mission

Smithsonian Journeys are designed to engage travelers in Smithsonian's mission—"the increase and diffusion of knowledge." Like the Institution, our tours enrich our guests' lives and satisfy their curiosity about the world. Your participation benefits the work of Smithsonian's 19 museums, the National Zoo, and nine research centers, helping to preserve our national treasures and shape the future through science, research, and exhibitions.

What Is Included in the Tour Cost

- All shore excursions.
- Expert Study Leader and Local Guides, and tour management throughout the tour.
- All accommodations (based on double occupancy).
- All meals except dinner the first night.
- Cocktails and wine with dinner each evening.
- All on-tour transportation unless otherwise noted.
- Emergency evacuation insurance (up to \$50,000) and access to emergency assistance service.

What Is Not Included in the Tour Cost

- Port Charges and Fees of \$250 per person.
- Transfers to and from your home to the program site and transfers to and from the airports.
- Gratuities to the ship's crew. Recommended: \$16 per person per day.
- Other items not specifically mentioned as included.

Reservations and Deposits

Space is reserved in the order of phone reservation or through our website. Deposits are applied to payment of the program price. Unless otherwise noted:

- Deposit of \$800 per person, per program, payable by check to American Cruise Lines (ACL) or credit card (Visa, Mastercard, Discover), is required to reserve a space on a tour program.
- Balance due upon invoicing from ACL 90 days prior to the program, unless otherwise stated. If payment is not received 30 days prior to departure, your place cannot be guaranteed on the tour.

Cancellations and Refunds

This cancellation and refund schedule applies only to tours in this brochure.

- Cancellations within 7 days of booking (if not within final payment date): full refund.
- Cancellations after 7 days of booking: \$800 retained (entire deposit).
- Final payment due: 90 days prior to departure.
- Cancellations made 60-90 days prior to departure: 50% of program cost retained; remainder refunded.
- Cancellations made less than 60 days prior to departure: no refund.
- Cancellation by the Smithsonian Institution: full refund.
- No refund for unused portions of the tour, including but not limited to, missed meals, hotel nights, and sightseeing.

Please understand that there will be no exceptions to our cancellation policy.

Nonrefundable Airline Tickets

We urge you to check airline cancellation penalties before purchasing airline tickets since departure times and flights can change. Tours also can be cancelled due to low enrollments. Neither Smithsonian Institution nor the tour operator accepts liability for cancellation penalties related to domestic or international airline tickets purchased independently in conjunction with a tour.

Travel Insurance

Smithsonian Journeys' optional Travelers' Protection Plan helps ease your worries. If unexpected circumstances should arise and you must cancel or interrupt your trip, our plan covers your investment. We strongly urge you to consider this plan or another of your choosing in addition to your own health insurance policy and the coverage for emergency evacuation, medical and dental expenses, and worldwide emergency assistance service included in the price of your tour. Details of our plan will be sent with your confirmation letter. The plan provides help in many unexpected circumstances, such as loss, delay, or damage of baggage; a medical problem that may suddenly arise which causes you to cancel your trip; and medical costs outside the U.S. (most medical policies, including Medicare, do not provide full coverage for medical expenses incurred outside of the U.S.).

Itinerary Changes

Smithsonian strives to improve tour itineraries and their features. If improvements can be made, or unforeseen circumstances beyond our control make changes necessary, we reserve the right to vary itineraries and to substitute hotels. Every effort will be made to carry out the program as planned but alterations may still occur after the final itineraries are sent.

Singles and Roommates

Staterooms in Categories A, AAL, AAC, and Owners Suite that are designed for doubles can be purchased by single travelers for 175% of the per person double occupancy rate. If you are traveling alone and wish to share a room, we will do our best to find someone of the same gender and smoking preference to share with you. When a roommate cannot be found, the single supplement will be charged.

Photography

Participants on tour may be photographed for the educational and promotional purposes of the Smithsonian Institution.

Smoking Policy

There is no smoking aboard the ship. Participants are requested to refrain from smoking on motorcoaches and during group meals, lectures, and events.

A Note About Costs

Tour costs are based upon current tariffs, currency values, and on the basis of a minimum number of participants. While we will do everything possible to maintain the listed prices, they are subject to change. Should actual enrollments fall significantly below minimum numbers, a surcharge may be added. Due to fluctuations in oil prices, a fuel surcharge may be added to your tour. Details and costs will be advised prior to final payment.

Physical and Medical Considerations

Please note that these tours require that participants be in good physical condition: you must be capable, without assistance, of walking a minimum of one mile over uneven terrain and of climbing stairs that may not have handrails. Participants should have sufficient stamina to keep pace with an active group of travelers on long days of touring. If you have any questions about your ability to participate in a tour, please call us at 1-877-338-8687.

Elevator

The *American Spirit* has an elevator.

READ CAREFULLY: RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT AND LIABILITY DISCLAIMER

Smithsonian Journeys are managed by professional tour operators hired as independent contractors. The use of tour operators allows the Smithsonian to offer its members a wide array of educational travel opportunities. The tour operator acts only as an agent for the respective suppliers by making arrangements for transportation, accommodations, and other services. Neither the Smithsonian Institution nor the tour operator shall be held liable for personal injury, death, property damage or accident, delay or irregularity arising out of any act or omission of these suppliers.

The Smithsonian Institution and the tour operator reserve the right, without penalty, to make changes in the published itinerary whenever, in their judgment, conditions warrant, or if they deem it necessary for the comfort, convenience, or safety of tour participants. The Smithsonian Institution and the tour operator also reserve the right, without penalty, to withdraw the tour announced, to decline to accept any person as a participant in a tour, or to require any participant to withdraw from the tour at any time, when such action is determined by tour staff to be in the best interests of the health, safety or general welfare of the tour group or the individual participant, subject only to the requirement that the recoverable portion of the total amount paid that corresponds to the cost of unused services and accommodations be refunded, if any. Participants are encouraged to purchase airline tickets no sooner than 60 days before the tour begins to avoid airline cancellation penalties if a tour is canceled or otherwise modified subsequent to the participant's purchase of those tickets. AS A CONDITION OF ACCEPTANCE OF ANY APPLICATION, EACH APPLICANT MUST AGREE TO THE STATEMENT SET FORTH BELOW:

The undersigned has read carefully the Responsibility Statement and Liability Disclaimer set forth above, the schedule of activities for this tour, as well as the terms and conditions of application and participation as set forth in the tour brochure(s), and recognizes and accepts any risk associated with the tour and the conditions, including the refund policy, set forth in the tour brochure(s). The undersigned further acknowledges that there are many risks and uncertainties inherent in any travel tour, including but not limited to the hazards of various modes of transportation, forces of nature, acts or omissions of foreign governments, terrorism, war or insurrection, theft, illness, and damage to person or property due to the negligent acts or omissions of tour staff or others. In consideration of, and as part payment for, the right to participate in the tour, the undersigned, on behalf of himself, his dependents, heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, agrees to release the Smithsonian Institution, its Regents, officers, employees, representatives or agents, the United States, and the tour operator and its officers, employees and agents, from liability for personal injury, death, property damage or loss suffered by any person in connection with this tour, even if caused by the negligence (but not the reckless, willful, or fraudulent conduct) of tour staff or other related persons or entities. In addition, by registering for this tour, the applicant certifies that he or she is mentally and physically capable of full participation in this tour.

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