



PASSAGE THROUGH THE PANAMA CANAL AND COSTA RICA

THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA
ALUMNI



FIVE-STAR ALL-SUITE SMALL SHIP

EXCLUSIVELY CHARTERED
M.V. STAR BREEZE



FEBRUARY 3 TO 11, 2018

ITINERARY*

- 1 Depart the U.S. or Canada/Panama City, Panama/Colón/Embark M.V. STAR BREEZE
- 2 San Blas Islands
- 3 Colón/Panama Canal Transit/Panama City
- 4 Panama City
- 5 Cebaco Island
- 6 Quepos for Manuel Antonio National Park, Costa Rica
- 7 Curú National Wildlife Refuge
- 8 Puerto Caldera/Disembark ship/San José
- 9 San José/Return to the U.S. or Canada

Join for this spectacular nine-day journey through the mighty locks of the Panama Canal to the Costa Rican rainforest. Cruise for seven nights aboard the exclusively chartered, Five-Star, all-Suite M.V. STAR BREEZE. Experience a daylight passage through the awe-inspiring Panama Canal. Visit Panama's San Blas Islands and tour Panama City. Call at rarely-visited Cebaco Island. Explore the terrestrial wonders of Costa Rica's National Parks and wildlife refuges and pristine waters home to diverse marine life. Spend one night in a deluxe hotel in San José. Enjoy lectures by exclusive onboard study leaders. Dynamic Panama Pre-Program and Costa Rica's Cloud Forests and Volcanoes Post-Program Options.

* Cruise itinerary subject to change.

**Agua Clara visit is departure flight time permitting

- ◆ Only 106 Five-Star Suites
- ◆ Walk-in closet and large sitting area
- ◆ 100% ocean-view, all-Suite accommodations
- ◆ Small ship cruises into ports inaccessible to larger vessels
- ◆ A shore excursion included in each port
- ◆ Complimentary alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages are available throughout the cruise
- ◆ Daylight passage through the Panama Canal



Experience an unparalleled diversity of wildlife in this lush tropical paradise.



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INCLUDED FEATURES

Scenic transfer from Panama City to Colón.

ON BOARD THE EXCLUSIVELY CHARTERED, FIVE-STAR, ALL-SUITE, SMALL SHIP M.V. STAR BREEZE

- ◆ Seven-night cruise from Colón, Panama, to Puerto Caldera, Costa Rica, featuring Panama Canal transit and port calls at San Blas Islands, Panama City, Cebaco Island, Panama; Quepos for Manuel Antonio National Park and Curú National Wildlife Refuge, Costa Rica.
- ◆ Spacious, Five-Star ocean-view, all-Suite accommodations, each with private bathroom and individual climate control.
- ◆ Captain's Welcome and Farewell Receptions.
- ◆ All gourmet meals—breakfast, lunch and dinner—throughout the cruise, served at single, unassigned seatings.
- ◆ Complimentary alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages are served throughout the cruise.
- ◆ Expert onboard naturalist guides to lead small group excursions.
- ◆ Excursion to the idyllic, remote **San Blas Islands**.
- ◆ **Daylight passage through the Panama Canal**, accompanied by a narration on the history of the canal. *Transit times through the canal are controlled by the Panama Canal Authority and subject to traffic conditions.*
- ◆ Tour of **Panama City**, highlighted by visits to the UNESCO World Heritage site of Casco Antiguo and the new Frank Gehry-designed Biodiversity Museum.
- ◆ Specially arranged visit to **Cebaco Island**, with opportunities for snorkeling in pristine waters teeming with colorful marine life.
- ◆ Excursion in stunning and biodiverse **Manuel Antonio National Park** with a naturalist-led trail walk through the protected rainforest.
- ◆ Specially arranged onboard **guitar performance** by local Quepos musicians.
- ◆ Guided tour through **Curú National Wildlife Refuge** to see a wide array of wildlife in its natural habitat, such as the rare scarlet macaw and the spider monkey, both reintroduced into the wild here.



- ◆ Culinary demonstration by the ship's chef.
- ◆ Tour of the ship's galley.

Scenic transfer from Puerto Caldera to San José.

IN SAN JOSÉ, COSTA RICA

- ◆ One night in the hacienda-style COSTA RICA MARRIOTT HOTEL SAN JOSÉ.
- ◆ American breakfast.
- ◆ Tour of **San José**, including the National Theater and National Museum, with lunch.

ENHANCED TRAVEL SERVICES

- ◆ Transfers and luggage handling abroad for participants whose arrival(s)/departure(s) coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s).
- ◆ All excursions and visits, as outlined above, with experienced local guides and naturalists.
- ◆ Gratuities to local guides, drivers and naturalists on included excursions and transfers and to hotel and ship personnel.
- ◆ Complimentary bottled water in your Suite aboard ship and on excursions.
- ◆ The services of experienced Gohagan & Company Travel Directors throughout the program.
- ◆ Hospitality desk aboard ship and in the hotel.
- ◆ Travel document wallet, name badge and pre-departure information.
- ◆ Automatic \$250,000 flight insurance policy for each participant ticketed on flights by Gohagan & Company.



**DYNAMIC PANAMA
PRE-PROGRAM OPTION**



**COSTA RICA'S CLOUD FORESTS AND
VOLCANOES POST-PROGRAM OPTION**

The Travel Program outlined here is subject to the features, final pricing and terms and conditions set forth in the published Travel Program brochure. Upon receipt of the published Travel Program brochure, you will be given 10 days to reconfirm your reservation, at which time any deposit(s) will become subject to cancellation fees.

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RESERVE EARLY!

From \$4995 per person, double occupancy (land/cruise only)

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- Please send me/us the travel program brochure (anticipated publication date May 2017).

Title _____ Name (as it appears on passport)

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Street Mailing Address (no P.O. Box number please)

City

State _____ Zip Code _____

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Program reservations require a deposit of \$800 per person.

- Enclosed is my/our deposit check(s) for \$_____ as deposit.

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