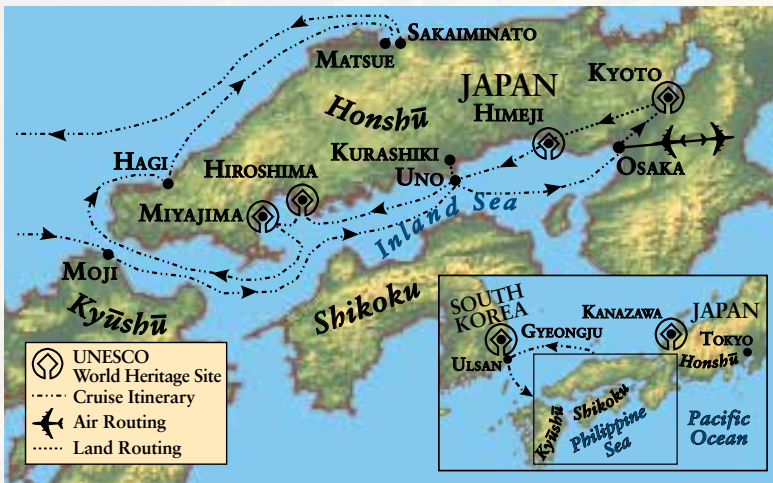




# ANCIENT TRADITIONS OF THE INLAND SEA OF JAPAN FEATURING KYOTO

THE UNIVERSITY OF  
**ALABAMA**  
A L U M N I



## FIVE-STAR SMALL SHIP

EXCLUSIVELY CHARTERED  
M.S. L'AUSTRAL

**MAY 8 TO 18, 2018**

### ITINERARY\*

**Kyoto, Himeji, Hiroshima, Miyajima, Matsue, Osaka**

- 1 Depart the U.S./  
Cross the International Date Line
- 2 Osaka, Japan/Kyoto
- 3 Kyoto
- 4 Kyoto/Himeji/Embark **M.S. L'AUSTRAL**
- 5 Hiroshima/Miyajima
- 6 Hagi
- 7 Sakaiminato for Matsue
- 8 Ulsan, South Korea, for Gyeongju
- 9 Moji, Japan
- 10 Uno for Kurashiki or Koraku-en Garden
- 11 Osaka/Disembark ship/Depart for the U.S./  
Cross the International Date Line/Arrive in the U.S.

**E**xperience the timeless splendor of Japan and South Korea on this unique itinerary, featuring a seven-night cruise across the full length of the historic Inland Sea of Japan, plus two nights in Kyoto. On board the exclusively chartered, Five-Star small ship **M.S. L'AUSTRAL**, featuring only 110 ocean-view Suites and Staterooms, enjoy port calls at captivating points of interest, including five UNESCO World Heritage sites. From enchanting Kyoto to storied Hiroshima, to Miyajima and the Buddhist wonders of Gyeongju, South Korea, relish in the awe-inspiring beauty of these historic ports of Japan and South Korea. Tokyo Pre-Program and Kanazawa Post-Program Options.

*\*Cruise itinerary is subject to change.*

- ◆ Only 110 deluxe Suites and Staterooms
- ◆ Five-Star, sophisticated French elegance
- ◆ 100% ocean-view accommodations
- ◆ 95% of accommodations feature balconies
- ◆ Exclusive, custom-designed itinerary
- ◆ A shore excursion included in each port
- ◆ Complimentary alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages on board
- ◆ Complimentary Wi-Fi throughout the ship
- ◆ Certified "green" clean ship



*Miyajima's Great Torii Gate is thought to be the boundary between the spirit and the human worlds.*



# INLAND SEA OF JAPAN

## INCLUDED FEATURES

### IN KYOTO, JAPAN

- ◆ Two nights in the deluxe KYOTO HOTEL OKURA.
- ◆ Full buffet breakfast each morning.
- ◆ Welcome Reception.
- ◆ Tour of the impressive UNESCO World Heritage-designated Nijō Castle, built by a powerful shogun of the Tokugawa dynasty.
- ◆ Visit to the magnificent UNESCO World Heritage-designated temples of Ryōan-ji and Kinkaku-ji.
- ◆ Tour of the iconic Fushimi Inari Shrine to see its thousands of beautiful vermilion torii gates.

Transfer from Kyoto to Himeji, including lunch.

### ON BOARD THE EXCLUSIVELY CHARTERED, FIVE-STAR, SMALL SHIP M.S. L'AUSTRAL

- ◆ Seven-night cruise from Himeji, Japan, with port calls at Hiroshima, Miyajima, Hagi, Sakaiminato for Matsue, Moji, Uno for Kurashiki or Okayama, and Osaka, Japan; and Ulsan for Gyeongju, South Korea.
- ◆ Elegantly appointed, Five-Star Suite or Stateroom, each with a private bathroom.
- ◆ Captain's Welcome and Farewell Receptions.
- ◆ Complimentary alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages are available throughout the cruise.
- ◆ Complimentary Wi-Fi throughout the ship.
- ◆ All meals—early continental breakfast, buffet breakfast, buffet lunch, afternoon tea and dinner—throughout the cruise, featuring fine international and regional cuisine, served at single, unassigned seatings.
- ◆ Wine is served with lunch and dinner.
- ◆ Guided visit of the stunning grounds of Himeji Castle, a UNESCO World Heritage site and the finest surviving example of 17<sup>th</sup>-century Japanese castle architecture in the world.
- ◆ Visit to Hiroshima's compelling Peace Memorial Park, a UNESCO World Heritage site, with a tour of the Peace Memorial Museum.
- ◆ Excursion on Miyajima ("Shrine Island") to tour the UNESCO World Heritage site of sixth-century Itsukushima Shrine and see its iconic Great Torii Gate.

- ◆ Walking tour of Hagi's old samurai quarter featuring visits to 17<sup>th</sup>-century Kikuya House and Toko-ji Temple.
- ◆ Visit to the Hagi Uragami Museum to see the famous craftsmanship of traditional woodblock arts.
- ◆ Excursion to the acclaimed Adachi Museum of Art featuring Japanese modern art and perfectly landscaped *kare-sansui* (dry landscape) viewing gardens known as "living Japanese paintings."
- ◆ Excursion from Ulsan to historic Gyeongju, South Korea, the cradle of the Silla Kingdom and a UNESCO World Heritage site, with visits to Bulguksa Temple, the Gyeongju National Museum and the Royal Burial Mounds at Tumuli Park; a typical Korean lunch is included.
- ◆ Tour of Moji, featuring visits to the Mekari Shrine, the Akama Shrine, dedicated to 12<sup>th</sup>-century child emperor Antoku, and the lively Karato Ichiba Fish Market.
- ◆ Tour of Kurashiki known for its willow-lined canals and distinctive 17<sup>th</sup>-century merchant buildings, or visit to the famous Koraku-en Garden, a classic Japanese strolling garden completed in 1700.

### 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.
- ◆ Gratuities to local guides and drivers on included excursions and transfers.
- ◆ Complimentary bottled water in your Suite or Stateroom aboard ship and on excursions.
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### INLAND SEA OF JAPAN

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