ANCIENT TRADITIONS OF THE
INLAND SEA OF JAPAN
FEATURING KYOTO

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/Embar 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.

Experience 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.
**INLAND SEA OF JAPAN**

**Included Features**

**In Kyoto, Japan**
- Two nights in the deluxe Kyoto Hotel Grand Central;
- Full buffet breakfast each morning;
- Welcome Reception;
- Tour of the impressive UNESCO World Heritage-designated Nijo Castle, built by a powerful shogun of the Tokugawa dynasty;
- Visit to the magnificent UNESCO World Heritage-designated temples of Ryoan-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;
- 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 Itsukushima Shrine to tour the UNESCO World Heritage site and the finest surviving example of 17th-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 17th-century Kikuya House and Toko-ji Temple.**

**Visit to the Hagi Urakami 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 12th-century child emperor Antoku, and the lively Karato Ichiba Fish Market.**

**Tour of Kurashiki known for its willow-lined canals and distinctive 17th-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.
- Complimentary bottled water in your Suite or Stateroom aboard ship and on excursions.
- The services of experienced Gohagan & Company Travel Directors throughout the program.
- Travel document wallet, name badge and pre-departure information.
- Complimentary use of a state-of-the-art audio headset for each participant during guided excursions.
- Automatic $250,000 flight insurance policy for each participant ticketed on flights by Gohagan & Company.

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**Reserved Early!**

From $5995 per person, double occupancy (approximate land/cruise only)

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