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American Empress Cruise

Vancouver to Clarkston 9 Days March 29 to April 6, 2020

Cruise the Columbia and Snake Rivers along the epic route pioneered by Lewis and Clark more than 200 years ago in the Pacific Northwest. Join us, aboard the paddlewheeler American Empress, for a cruise through this rich tapestry of ever changing landscapes, thriving wildlife habitats and diverse wine country.

Tour Highlights:

- **Overnight Pre-Cruise Hotel**
in Vancouver, WA (including breakfast)
- **Seven Night Cruise aboard the American Empress**
- **Ports of Call**
 - Vancouver, WA
 - Astoria, OR
 - Stevenson, WA
 - The Dalles, OR
 - Richland, WA (Tri-Cities)
 - Clarkston, WA
- **All Onboard Meals with Multiple Dining Venues**
- **24 Hours Room Service**
- **Coffee, Tea, Cappuccino, Bottled Water and Soft Drinks**
- **Broadway Style Entertainment Each Evening**
- **Daily Lectures by the Riverlorian**
- **Signature Hop-on Hop-off Shore Excursions**
in each Port of Call
- **Port Charges and Onboard Gratuities**
- **Airport to Hotel Transfer in Vancouver**
- **Hotel to Ship Transfer**
- **Post Cruise Airport Transfer to Airport**
- **Roundtrip Nashville Airport Transfers**
- **Roundtrip Airfare from Nashville**

Per Person Prices Based on Double Occupancy

Travel Insurance is available

Should be purchased within 14 days of reservation

(See Insurance Premiums below in Parentheses)

Cat C Veranda	\$3,454	(Insurance \$171)
Cat B Superior Veranda	\$5,234	(Insurance \$275)
Cat A Suite	\$5,924	(Insurance \$300)

\$500 per person deposit due with reservation

Final Payment due by November 30, 2019

Cancellation

\$250 pp penalty if cancelled from Reservation to Dec 29, 2019

50% per person penalty if cancelled Dec 30 to Jan 28, 2020

Full Penalty for cancellations after Jan 29, 2020

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Day 1 – Vancouver, WA - Today, a motorcoach will transfer you to Nashville, TN for your flight to Portland, OR. On arrival, a motorcoach will transfer you to the Hilton Vancouver in nearby Vancouver, WA for the night.

The evening is yours to explore the city and local attractions. The Cruise Hospitality Desk will be located in the hotel for your convenience between 3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. It is here that the cruise staff can assist with everything from general questions about your upcoming voyage to reserving Premium Shore Excursions.

An American Queen Steamboat Company representative, as well as a local representative, will be readily available to provide you with dining, entertainment, and sight-seeing suggestions so that you may maximize your time in Vancouver.

Day 2 – Board the American Empress – Spend a few hours before your departure exploring the beautiful city of Vancouver. If you didn't have a chance to check-in last night, the hospitality desk will be open between 8:30 AM and 12:00 PM at the hotel.

You will then be transferred to the American Empress for a seven night cruise of the Pacific Northwest. Proudly serving as the largest overnight riverboat west of the Mississippi River, the American Empress delivers classic elegance and modern luxury on a grand scale. One step onboard and you will quickly discover that there is far more to this vessel than her welcoming appearance and signature red paddlewheel.

Boasting a vast collection of some of the finest historical artifacts and artwork of the Native Alaska, Russian, Gold Rush and stern-wheeler eras, the corridors of the American Empress hold nearly as much beauty and intrigue as the dramatic scenery unfolding on the river outside.

Day 3 - Astoria, OR - Astoria is known to be the oldest American Settlement west of the Rocky Mountains. For thousands of years, Clatsop Indians inhabited the lands that are now known as Astoria. In 1805, Lewis and Clark led their expedition through the town and spent the winter at Fort Clatsop.

In 1813, a British warship sailed into the Columbia River, gaining possession of the city and holding control until 1818, when they finally agreed to a joint occupation of the land. The British did not fully leave Astoria until 1846. There is no doubting the rich history has deep roots grounded in this Columbia River town. When the history combines with the scenery, the harmony will surely bring you back for more!

Day 4 - Stevenson, WA - On the banks of the scenic Columbia River, the city of Stevenson is your launch pad to the Washington side of the Gorge. A stroll along the Rock Cove pathway or the Columbia River waterfront is a great way to take in surroundings. Downtown Stevenson is home to unique shops, art galleries, and restaurants. Stevenson is in the heart of the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area. Explore the eastern entrance to Mount St. Helens or the spectacular Lewis River Valley.

Day 5 - The Dalles, OR - At the end of the overland Oregon Trail, The Dalles holds a unique place in history as a jumping-off spot for pioneers, soldiers, gold miners, adventurers, gun-slingers, floozies, and scallywags. Lewis and Clark camped at this location at Rock Fort Camp during their historic journey in 1805 and 1806. Fort Dalles was established in 1850.

Oregon Trail pioneers ended their overland journey at The Dalles, forced to build rafts and take the "river road" west to Fort Vancouver, then into the Willamette River valley. Ten thousand years of Native American trading took place on the banks of the Columbia River, shaped by the Ice Age Missoula floods. The town was located at the foot of a series of dangerous rapids which the Hudson's Bay Company fur traders called "The Dalles of the Columbia."

Day 6 - River Cruising - Behold the beauty of nature as you enjoy a day of scenic river cruising. Picturesque canyon walls and fascinating volcanic formations will keep you guessing as to what lies around the next bend. As you wind through the dramatic mountains and forested ridges of the great Pacific Northwest, join the Riverlorian on-deck for insightful and entertaining narration.

Day 7 - Richland, WA (Tri-Cities) - Richland is located near the confluence of the Yakima and Columbia Rivers, the northern most point reached by the Lewis and Clark Expedition in 1805. First incorporated in 1910, Richland remained a small agricultural community until the Army acquired it and 670 square miles of adjacent land in 1943 as the site of the Hanford Engineer Works which was used to produce plutonium during World War II and the Cold War.

Today, the historic B Reactor and other important historical venues are part of the new Manhattan Project National Historic Park. The city is also home to the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory and a branch campus of Washington State University.

Day 8 - Clarkston, WA - Nestled at the union of the Snake and Clearwater Rivers in southeast Washington, Clarkston is the gateway to North America's deepest gorge, Hells Canyon on the Snake River. The picturesque vistas, year-round mild climates, and a deep history make this scenic inland port a more-than-desirable stop!

Spend the day following the footsteps of the historic Lewis and Clark journey – where the city received its name. This incredible city is filled with artifacts and stories that depict the journeys of famous explorers. Clarkston has the ideal climate for you to enjoy countless activities including fishing, scenic walks along the trails, shopping, and exploring!

Day 9 - Clarkston, WA – Depart for Home - Enjoy a final breakfast onboard the Empress this morning. You are then transferred to the airport and your return flight home. On arrival in Nashville a motorcoach will be waiting to transfer you home.