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From your reservation to your experience aboard our ship, American Cruise Lines is with you every step of the way. Our dedicated Cruise Specialists are available 7 days a week and can be reached at **888-251-2059**.

We look forward to welcoming you on board soon.



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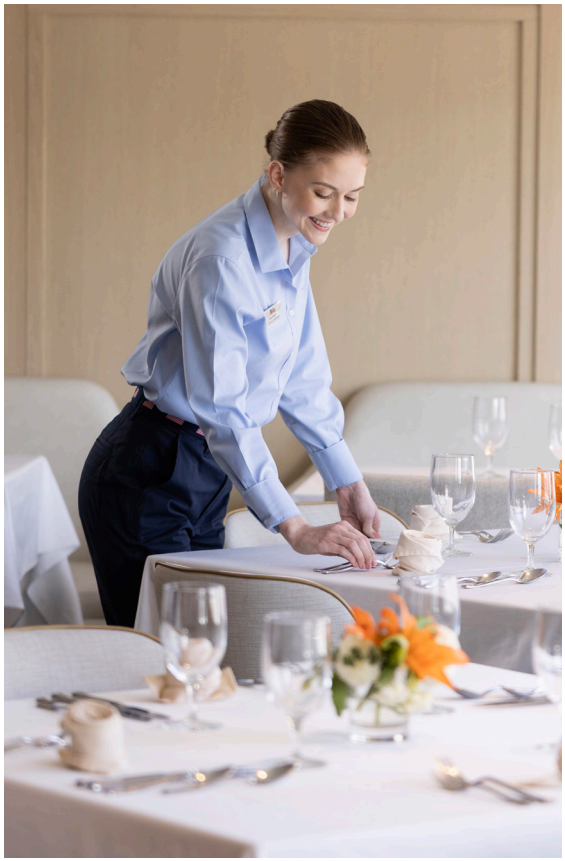
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- ★ Wine and beer service each afternoon and evening
- ★ WiFi provided by Starlink
- ★ More than 50 years of experience
- ★ Resident historians and experts who lead discussions and enlighten as we sail










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The crew made the cruise fun, heart-warming, and memorable. I had never encountered a company whose workforce was so uniformly and genuinely interested in attending to their guest's welfare. Even before the cruise, your customer service people on the phone displayed these same qualities.

PAT R. ★ CHURCHVILLE, NY

ONBOARD EXPERIENCE

ONBOARD ENRICHMENT

Every cruise features an onboard expert who hosts discussions and is available throughout each day to add context to your journey along the way.

ONSHORE EXPERIENCES

Each of our small ships provides a genuine and customized exploration of areas inaccessible to large ships and crowds, allowing us to explore small towns in the most meaningful way possible.

OUR CULINARY PROGRAM

Our team of master chefs prepares a traditional American menu with a regional flair that features the freshest ingredients. Locally sourced foods are brought aboard daily.









SHORE EXCURSIONS HIGHLIGHTS

In each port, American Cruise Lines has taken special care to research and plan specific shore excursions to enhance your onboard experience. Our local experts, historians, and naturalists provide valuable insight as you discover each area's unique heritage and culture. To assure your space, **we recommend that you reserve your excursions in advance** via your Online Cruise Portal.

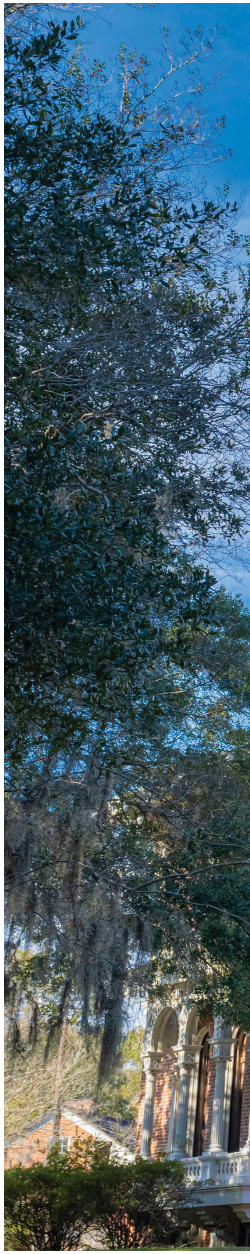
SHORE EXCURSIONS COME IN ONE OF THREE CATEGORIES:

FEATURED
Featured excursions are complimentary to all guests.

PREMIUM
Premium excursions typically cost between $10 and $95.

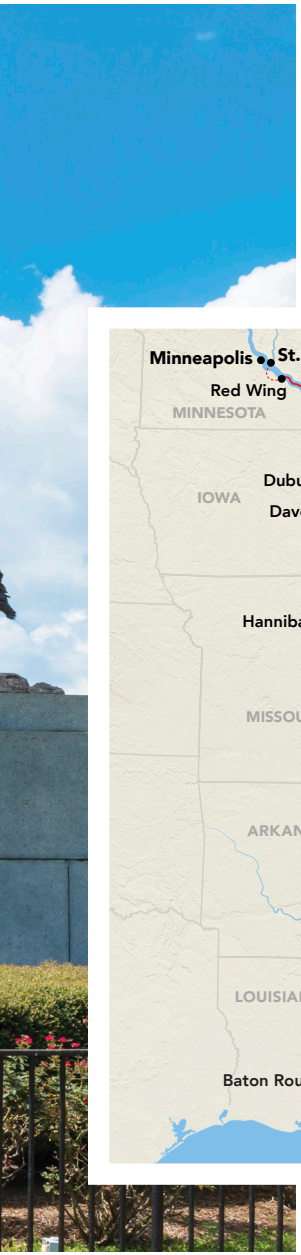
SIGNATURE
Signature excursions are limited-availability and must be reserved in advance via your Online Cruise Portal.

The following pages highlight some of our most popular excursions. For a complete list of current shore excursions, call a Cruise Specialist at **888-251-2059** or visit **AmericanCruiseLines.com**. Shore excursions are subject to change and will vary by cruise date.






NEW ORLEANS, LA



GRAND HEARTLAND RIVER

This 16-day cruise visits the most sought after destinations of the Lower and Upper Mississippi River. As you travel through the Heartland, delight in the rich history and beautiful landscapes that surround you.



PORTS OF CALL

- St. Paul, MN
- La Crosse, WI
- Dubuque, IA
- Davenport, IA
- Hannibal, MO
- St. Louis, MO
- Memphis, TN
- Tunica, MS
- Vicksburg, MS
- Natchez, MS
- Baton Rouge, LA
- New Orleans, LA

Exact itinerary and excursions will vary by cruise date





EXCURSION HIGHLIGHTS

VISIT **AMERICANCRUISELINES.COM**
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LA CROSSE, WI



LA CROSSE QUEEN PADDLEWHEEL CRUISE
PREMIUM EXCURSION

Aboard the authentic *La Crosse Queen* paddlewheeler, cruise the main channel of the Mississippi River while your guide shares facts, trivia, and points of local interest. Watch for eagles and wildlife along the scenic Great River Road and learn about the engineering behind Lock & Dam No. 7 in Dresbach, Minnesota. Beer, wine, cocktails, soda, and concessions are available for purchase.

LA CROSSE LOCAL LOOP
FEATURED EXCURSION

This convenient option will transport you to one of these local favorites:

Historic Hixon House Museum - This family home tells the story of La Crosse's first half-century, reflecting the family's values, social status, and the decorative styles of their era.

La Crosse Area Heritage Center - The Center is a curated museum, cultural center, and gathering space which contains exhibits related to the city's multifaceted history. Included are displays about local industries.

Dahl Auto Museum - Explore the Dahl family's legacy as Ford dealers for over 100 years across five generations, with restored classic cars and an extensive mascot collection.

The Antique Center - Located in Downtown La Crosse, the Center occupies the historic Gantert Building, a century-old former furniture store featuring Corinthian-style columns, a hand-carved black walnut staircase, and a curated display of fine antiques and unique collectibles.

International Friendship Gardens - Enjoy the Riverside International Friendship Gardens, celebrating La Crosse's sister-city relationships with communities around the world.

DUBUQUE, IA





FIELD OF DREAMS EXPERIENCE
PREMIUM EXCURSION

Travel to the *Field of Dreams* movie site, built by Universal Studios and known for the famous quote, "If you build it, he will come." Released in 1989, *Field of Dreams*, starring Kevin Costner, was a movie that inspired millions and became an Academy Award nominee for "Best Picture of the Year." Explore this famous site, including the baseball field, the magical corn, and the farm house in which the movie was made. After, visit the gift shop for some take-home movie memorabilia.

THE DUBUQUE RIVER WALK
FEATURED EXCURSION

Join your guide for a scenic walk along Dubuque's River Walk, taking in stunning views of the Mississippi River and its wildlife. Learn about the river's ecosystem and its impact on nearby cities as you stroll. Your walk ends at the National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium, where you can view hands-on exhibits, live animals, and historic artifacts at your own pace.

DAVENPORT, IA



JOHN DEERE & CITY EXPLORATION
PREMIUM EXCURSION

Located along the banks of the Mississippi River, Davenport has been declared "The Most Livable Small City in America." Led by a local guide, explore all Downtown Davenport has to offer and admire the impressive architecture along the way. Next, visit the John Deere Pavilion. Explore new and vintage equipment that you can touch, feel, and sit in. Through interactive and immersive exhibits, learn the John Deere story, including its customers, employees, and John Deere fans, as well as how the company's machinery was used to build and grow our country.

DAVENPORT LOCAL LOOP
FEATURED EXCURSION

This convenient tour option will transport you via Cruise Coach:

Putnam Museum - A Smithsonian-affiliated museum preserving the region's treasures through engaging exhibits on science, history, cultures, and the environment.

German American Heritage Center & Museum - Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, this center features fun and educational exhibits celebrating the heritage of German-Americans in the Midwest.

Visit Quad Cities Destination Center - A 100-year-old repurposed train station on the National Register of Historic Places. Pick up local information, rent a free bike, or purchase unique QC merchandise.

Mississippi Spoon Gallery - The world's largest spoon museum, featuring French, German, British, and Egyptian spoons, as well as spoons depicting Chief Blackhawk, Colonel Davenport, and Gilded Age artistry. A true hidden gem of Iowa.

HANNIBAL, MO


Mark Twain
Boyhood Home
and Museum
ENTRANCE
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A STROLL WITH MARK TWAIN
PREMIUM EXCURSION

Join your local guide, Richard Garey, strolling through the streets of Hannibal - the hometown that inspired Mark Twain's famous literary novels. Learn about its history through the author's own words and observations as your Mark Twain impersonator takes you through his childhood home and describes life and boyhood in the 1840s.

HANNIBAL CITY EXPLORATION & ROCKCLIFFE MANSION
PREMIUM EXCURSION

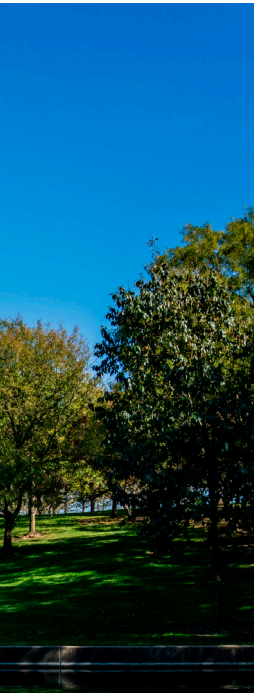
Step back in time and relive the adventures of Mark Twain's days in Hannibal. Your guide will share the history of Hannibal and will show you sites of historical importance. Visit Rockcliffe Mansion – this American "castle" has a breathtaking view overlooking the Mississippi and is on the National Register of Historic Homes.

ST. LOUIS, MO



DISCOVER ST. LOUIS
FEATURED EXCURSION

This narrated exploration provides you with a wonderful overview of the city, including downtown St. Louis and the riverfront, City garden Sculpture Park, the historic neighborhoods of Soulard and Lafayette Square, Forest Park, and The Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis, a stunning church which rivals the cathedrals in Rome, Italy.



ST. LOUIS GATEWAY ARCH EXPERIENCE
PREMIUM EXCURSION

This narrated tour explores downtown St. Louis, the riverfront, City Garden, Soulard, Lafayette Square, and Forest Park. Visit an interactive museum celebrating 200 years of history, westward expansion, and St. Louis' role in it. Then experience the Gateway Arch—explore pre-boarding exhibits, ride 630 feet to the top for stunning views, or watch *Monument to a Dream* about its construction.



MEMPHIS, TN





THE GRACELAND EXPERIENCE
SIGNATURE EXCURSION

For any Elvis fan, this is the ultimate Graceland experience. Tour the mansion, the Elvis Presley Car Museum, and four new exhibits, including his custom-modified airplanes. After exploring Graceland, enjoy authentic Memphis cuisine and a brief city tour of Memphis, making this the perfect excursion for any rock 'n' roll lover.

MEMPHIS CITY EXPLORATION
FEATURED EXCURSION

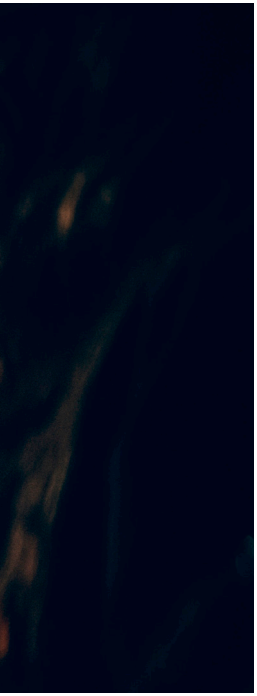
Relax and let your motorcoach guide show you the highlights of Memphis, the city where the blues were born. Stop at the Lorraine Motel, Sun Studios, the Peabody Hotel with its famous ducks, and the Memphis Pyramid/Bass Pro Shop. Along the way, drive past downtown landmarks including Victorian Village, Orpheum Theater, Rock 'n' Soul Museum, St. Jude's, Beale Street, Elvis Presley's early home, and Cotton Row.

TUNICA, MS



TUNICA RIVERWALK AND MUSEUM
FEATURED EXCURSION

Just a short walk from the ship, the Tunica River Museum's boat-shaped architecture showcases the history, nature, and culture of the Lower Mississippi River. Explore authentic artifacts and engaging exhibits that bring the region's past to life. Outside, enjoy the scenic Tunica River Park with native wildlife, beautiful flora, and breathtaking views from the River Park Overlook.



GATEWAY TO THE BLUES
FEATURED EXCURSION

Experience the story of the blues in all its raw emotion at the Gateway to the Blues Museum. Explore interactive exhibits and artwork, and try your hand in a recording studio where you can learn the basics and even record your own song, getting in the perfect state-of-mind before venturing through blues country.



VICKSBURG, MS





VICKSBURG NATIONAL MILITARY PARK
FEATURED EXCURSION

A knowledgeable guide will lead you through the National Military Park which commemorates the campaign, siege, and defense of Vicksburg in 1863. Stop at the impressive Illinois Monument, modeled after the Roman Pantheon. The exploration concludes at the Visitors Center where life-sized exhibits and artifacts from the Siege of Vicksburg are on display.

ANTEBELLUM VICKSBURG EXPERIENCE
PREMIUM EXCURSION

Explore Vicksburg's oldest historic neighborhood and 19th-century life. Visit the Hick-Steigelman House, a Greek Revival mansion turned museum, and Christ Episcopal Church with its Tiffany windows and Civil War history. See the Duff Green Mansion, which served as a hospital during the 47-day siege, and Tully's Cave, showing how residents survived the bombardment.

NATCHEZ, MS



NATCHEZ LANDMARK EXPLORATION
FEATURED EXCURSION

Explore Natchez's National treasures, historic landmarks, and local gems from the comfort of your motorcoach. Start at the Natchez Bluffs overlooking the Mississippi River, with a local guide sharing lore, legends, and history. End with a guided tour of the stunning Historic Rosalie Mansion, known as "Our Lady on The Bluff."



SOUTHERN HORSE DRAWN CARRIAGE RIDE
PREMIUM EXCURSION

Relax and enjoy Natchez the old-fashioned way, by horse and carriage. Your guide doubles as historian, storyteller, and driver while leading you through the Historic District. Hear tales of grand mansions, early churches, and the city's rise as the wealthiest in America before the Civil War. Ride through downtown for tips on shopping and dining, and visit landmarks like City Hall, the first jail, and other sites rarely seen on tours.



BATON ROUGE, LA





THE BATTLES OF BATON ROUGE
FEATURED EXCURSION

Explore Baton Rouge's key Civil War sites with a local historian, including the historic Magnolia Cemetery, where intense fighting took place. Learn about the city's role in the American Revolution, Florida Rebellion, and Civil War as your guide brings the history to life. Visit Magnolia Mound, a simple yet significant structure from Louisiana's colonial past and early statehood.

A WALK THROUGH THE CAPITAL CITY
PREMIUM EXCURSION

Experience the sights, sounds, and wonders of Baton Rouge, the Capital City of Louisiana. Led by a local expert guide, admire iconic and historical landmarks while exploring many of the well-known downtown neighborhoods on foot. Enjoy fascinating stories of the area's culture, politics, history, and legends while embracing the rich art, architecture, and nature on the route. Walk past the levee, USS *Kidd*, Louisiana Art and Science Museum, the Capitol Building, and through Spanish Town.

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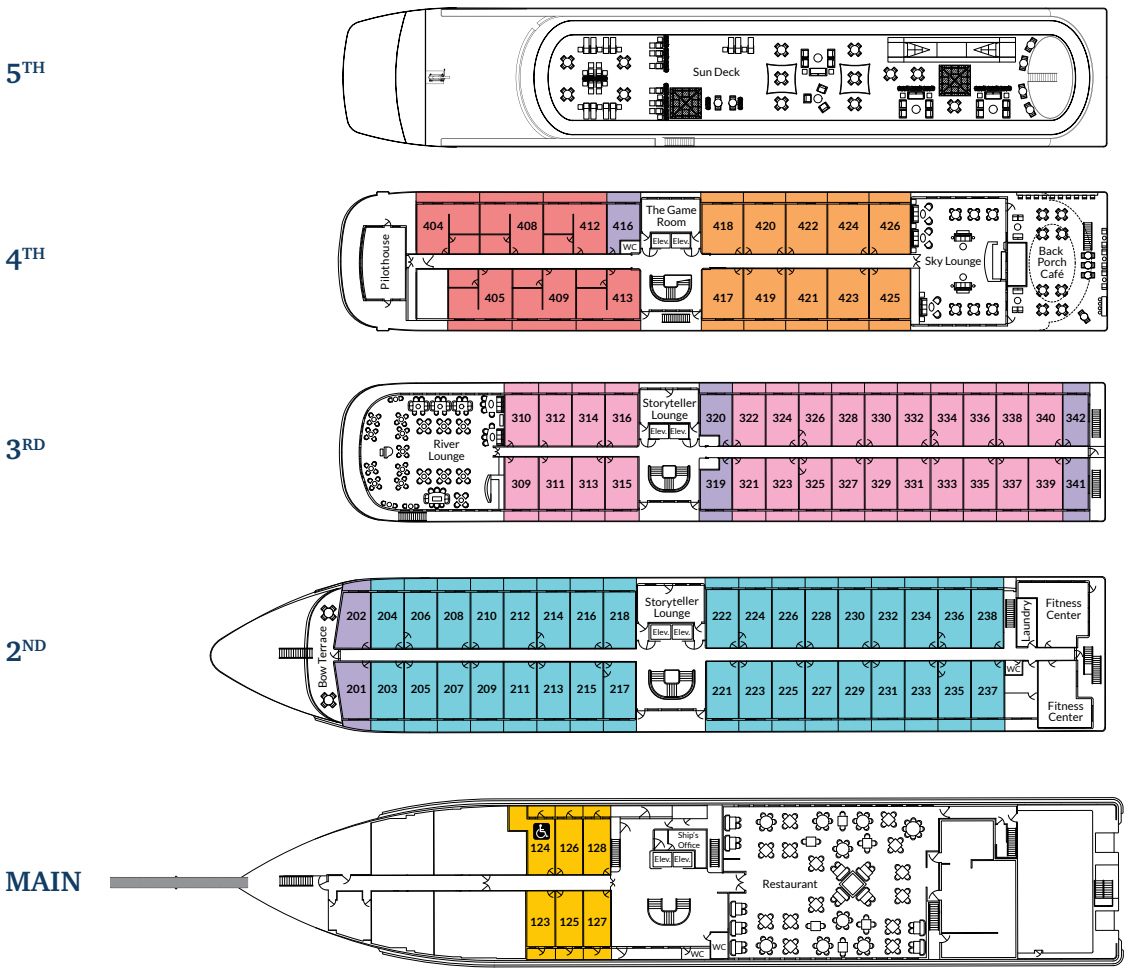
- Grand Suite
- Veranda Suite
- Premium Balcony
- Deluxe Balcony
- Standard Balcony
- Single Balcony







DECK LEVELS



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