



**Sailing the Baltic's Amber Coast:  
St. Petersburg to Copenhagen  
Aboard *Sea Cloud II***

**July 19–30, 2017**



Dear MTA Traveler,

With their captivating mix of medieval and modern, the port cities of Scandinavia and the Baltic are eternally elegant. Please join us next summer for a luxury cruise from St. Petersburg to Copenhagen aboard the sailing yacht *Sea Cloud II*—a voyage that has proven so popular in years past that we are offering it again.

The Museum Travel Alliance (MTA) provides museums with the opportunity to offer their members and patrons high-end educational travel programming. This trip is available exclusively through MTA members and co-sponsoring non-profit institutions. This luxurious cruise is co-sponsored with The Metropolitan Museum of Art as well as the alumni associations of Harvard and Yale.

We are delighted that Ted Hunter, Conservator in Department of Arms and Armor at The Metropolitan Museum of Art, will be leading this voyage. He will be joined by other distinguished lecturers from Harvard and Yale.

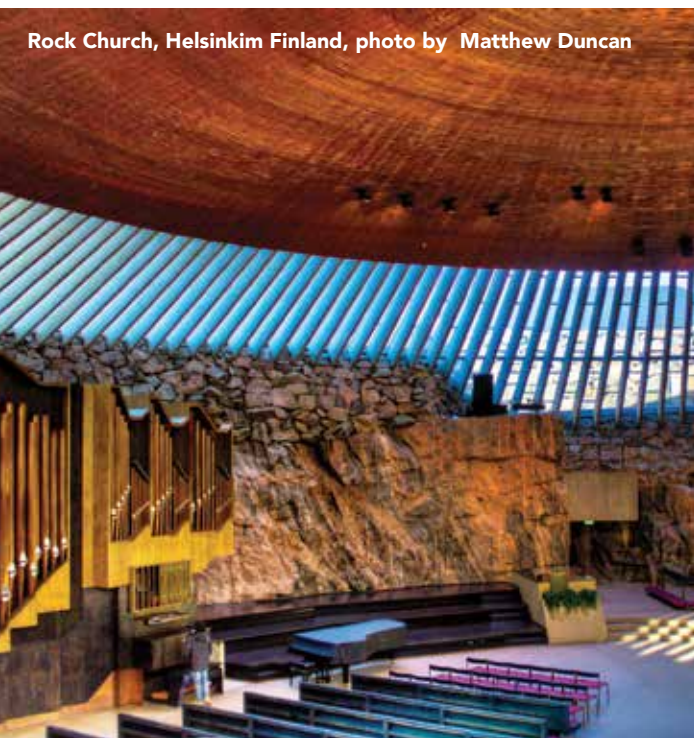
Life aboard the three-masted *Sea Cloud II* has no comparison. Experience the excitement of traveling under billowing white sails, and enjoy impeccable service and state-of-the-art amenities.

An optional prelude in St. Petersburg and an optional postlude in Copenhagen are offered.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jim".

Jim Friedlander  
Managing Director



Rock Church, Helsinki, Finland, photo by Matthew Duncan

## HIGHLIGHTS

**ENJOY** leisurely hours of sailing during a ten-night cruise aboard *Sea Cloud II*, sister ship of the legendary *Sea Cloud*

**VIEW** the impressive collections of the Ateneum Museum in Helsinki with a curator

**SPEND** time at leisure in Stockholm, where we dock overnight

**DISCOVER** medieval Visby, on the Swedish island of Gotland

**HEAR** one of Europe's finest pipe organs in a private concert at Riga's *Dome Cathedral*, known for its excellent acoustics

**EXPERIENCE** the UNESCO-listed Old Town of Vilnius, Lithuania, during an optional overnight stay



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Millesgården Sculpture Park, Stockholm, Sweden photo by AjaxAcme (left) and Riga, Latvia, photo by Bryan Ledgard (right)

An optional three-night prelude in St. Petersburg is offered.

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 19: DEPART USA

Depart the United States on an overnight flight to St. Petersburg, via a connecting city.

## THURSDAY, JULY 20: ST PETERSBURG / SEA CLOUD II

Arrive this afternoon in St. Petersburg and transfer to the awaiting *Sea Cloud II*. Be on deck as we cruise the Neva River to the Baltic Sea. L,D

## FRIDAY, JULY 21: HELSINKI, FINLAND

Step ashore to explore the bustling market, Eliel Saarinen's striking train station, the unique Rock Church, and the great cathedral on Neoclassical Senate Square. On a tour of the Ateneum, see Finland's finest collection of national and foreign art. Join the captain this evening for a festive welcome reception and dinner. B,L,R,D

## SATURDAY, JULY 22: TALLINN, ESTONIA

Arrive early in this enchanting capital city, and drive to Castle Hill for a tour of 13th-century Toom Church. Continue to the picturesque Lower Town, whose narrow cobbled streets are lined with galleries and shops. Following a private concert at St. Nicholas Church, return to our ship for lunch as we sail to Sweden. B,L,D

## SUNDAY, JULY 23-MONDAY, JULY 24: STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN

Be on deck as *Sea Cloud II* navigates the vast archipelago on her approach to Stockholm. Visit the temporary exhibition spaces of the National Gallery (closed for a lengthy renovation) or explore the Millesgården Sculpture Park, built on terraces carved into cliffs. You may wish to dine ashore as *Sea Cloud II* remains docked overnight in Stockholm. The next morning, depart on a walking tour through Stockholm's Old Town, followed by a visit to the Nobel Museum. See City Hall, where the annual Nobel Prize banquet is held; the Royal Armory; and the *Vasa*, a magnificent 17th-century warship recovered from the bottom of Stockholm's harbor. In the early evening, *Sea Cloud II* sets sail, cruising past colorful summer homes. B,L,D

## TUESDAY, JULY 25: VISBY, SWEDEN

Discover gabled mansions, Visborg Castle, and medieval ruins in this UNESCO World Heritage Site. See the Cathedral of Santa Maria; walk in the Botanical Garden; and visit the Gotlands Fornsal Museum, which delves into 8,000 years of Visby's history. B,L,D



### WEDNESDAY, JULY 26: AT SEA

Relish a full day aboard *Sea Cloud II* as she crosses the Baltic to Latvia. Observe the ship's crew as they trim the sails by hand, attend lectures, or simply relax in a comfortable deck chair and enjoy the Baltic sun. B,L,D

### THURSDAY, JULY 27: RIGA, LATVIA / VILNIUS, LITHUANIA

Admire Riga's superb Art Nouveau architecture and historic Old Town, dotted with handsome medieval spires and ancient churches. At the impressive *Dome Cathedral*, attend a private concert on one of Europe's finest pipe organs. After lunch, *Sea Cloud II* departs for Klaipeda. Alternatively, you may wish to join an optional overnight excursion to Vilnius, Lithuania, staying at the Radisson Blu Royal Astorija Hotel. Those staying aboard will enjoy a leisurely sail, with additional activities courtesy of the cruise director. B,L,D

### FRIDAY, JULY 28: VILNIUS / KLAIPEDA, LITHUANIA

Guests who joined the optional land excursion will spend the morning exploring Vilnius' medieval Old Town, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Admire buildings from the neoclassical Vilnius Cathedral to the Gothic St. Anne's Church, and see the former Jewish ghetto. Following

lunch, drive to the port city of Klaipeda, whose medieval fortifications reflect 700 years of German rule, to join *Sea Cloud II*. Those who remained aboard will enjoy some free time in Klaipeda. B,L,D

### SATURDAY, JULY 29: AT SEA

Enjoy a leisurely day at sea, basking in the bright light of the Baltic summer as we cruise towards Denmark. This evening celebrate our voyage at the captain's farewell reception and dinner. B,L,R,D

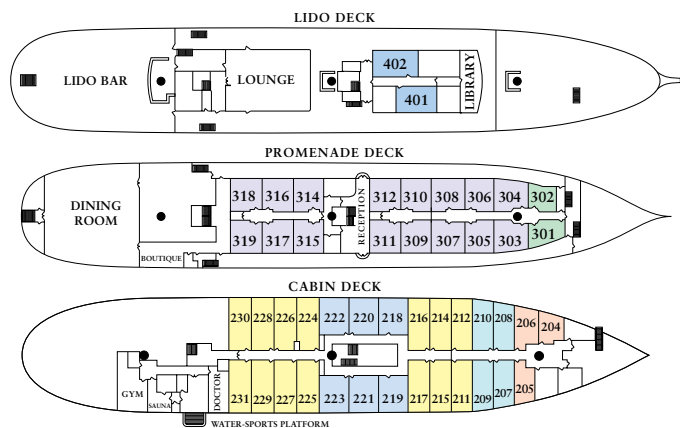
### SUNDAY, JULY 30: COPENHAGEN, DENMARK / U.S. RETURN

Disembark this morning in Copenhagen and transfer to the airport for flights home, or remain in the city for the optional postlude program. B

**An optional two-night postlude in Copenhagen is offered.**

**DISCLAIMER:** *The itinerary is subject to change at the discretion of The Museum Travel Alliance and Academic Arrangements Abroad. For complete details, please carefully read the terms and conditions at [www.arrangementsabroad.com/terms](http://www.arrangementsabroad.com/terms)*

## SEA CLOUD II



### CRUISE RATES (Per Person, Double Occupancy)

Cabin	Decks	Rates
State Rooms 204 to 206 Upper/lower twin berths, shower.	Cabin Deck	\$7,995
Superior Cabins 207 to 210 Twin beds, shower.	Cabin Deck	\$9,995
Deluxe Cabins 211 to 217 & 224 to 231 Twin beds, shower.	Cabin Deck	\$11,995
Deluxe Cabins 218 to 223 Twin beds, shower.	Cabin Deck	\$13,995
Deluxe Cabins 301 to 302 Twin beds, shower.	Promenade Deck	\$13,995
Junior Suites 303 to 319 Twin beds, bathtub with shower.	Promenade Deck	\$15,995
Owner's Suites 401 & 402 Queen-size bed, bathtub, and separate shower.	Lido Dec	\$17,995

*Cabins 204 to 206 are available at no single supplement. Additional singles will be calculated from 25% to 100% of the cruise rate.*

### RATES INCLUDE

- Enrichment program of lectures and talks
- Ten nights cabin accommodations aboard *Sea Cloud II*
- All meals as indicated in the itinerary (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, R=Reception, D=Dinner); wine with lunches and dinners; complimentary open bar throughout the cruise, in addition to soft drinks, water, and coffee
- Escorted sightseeing, transportation and entrance fees for all included visits
- Airport/pier/hotel group transfers for all participants on suggested flights
- Taxes and service charges; gratuities to guides and drivers
- Customary shipboard gratuities

**NOT INCLUDED IN RATES** International airfare; passport/visa fees; meals not specified; personal items and expenses; airport transfers for those not on suggested flights; trip insurance; optional excursion to Vilnius; optional St. Petersburg prelude or Copenhagen postlude; any other items not specifically mentioned as included.

The sailing yacht *Sea Cloud II* is a three-masted barque steeped in the elegance of yesteryear and complemented with the most modern amenities. Sister ship of the legendary *Sea Cloud*, *Sea Cloud II* has 47 outside cabins and travels under 30,000 square feet of billowing sails trimmed by hand. From her mahogany-paneled library and gracious lounge to the fitness area and water sports platform, no detail has been overlooked. Praised by the world's most discerning travelers, *Sea Cloud II* receives consistent high rankings from *Condé Nast Traveler*. She celebrated her 15th anniversary in 2016. ■



Owner's Suite (left) and Lounge (right)





**SAILING THE BALTIC'S AMBER COAST:  
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RESERVATION FORM**

To reserve a place, please return this form along with your deposit of \$1,000 per person (of which \$350 is non-refundable for administrative fees) payable to *The Museum Travel Alliance*, 1040 Avenue of the Americas, 23rd Floor, New York, NY 10018-3721.

Name(s) in full as on passport(s). Please print.

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Address

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City

State

Zip

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Telephone (home)

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**ACCOMMODATIONS**

Sea Cloud II cabin preference (1) \_\_\_\_\_ (2) \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to share a cabin with \_\_\_\_\_

**OPTIONAL PRELUDE & POSTLUDE**

I/We would like to join the optional prelude in St. Petersburg

Hotel Room Preference  One bed  Two beds

I/We would like to join the optional postlude in Copenhagen

Hotel Room Preference  One bed  Two beds

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**FORM OF PAYMENT**

Enclosed is my check (payable to *The Museum Travel Alliance*)  Debit card  Credit card

Name on credit card

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Credit card number

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3- or 4-digit security code

Expiration date

I/We confirm that I/we have carefully read and agree to the *Terms & Conditions* of this Program (see [www.arrangementsabroad.com/terms](http://www.arrangementsabroad.com/terms) to review or call for a copy). I/We agree to full payment 120 days prior to departure. Each participant must sign below.

Signature (required)

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