Tahiti and French Polynesia

Tahiti • Moorea • Huahine • Taha’a • Bora Bora

aboard the
Five-Star+ M.S. PAUL GAUGUIN
The most Deluxe Small Ship cruising French Polynesia
February 20 to March 2, 2014

- Air Included from Los Angeles
- Luxury Small Ship—only 166 Suites and Staterooms
- Most Accommodations with Private Balcony
- All Shipboard Gratuities Included
- All Beverages Included
Dear Smith Alumnae and Friends:

The evolution of ancient volcanic activity beneath the sea, sculpted by waves and wind over millennia, created the idyllic islands of Tahiti, Huahine, Taha’a, Bora Bora and Moorea. Experience the earthly paradise and spectacular shores that have beckoned travelers for centuries during this nine-night land/sea sojourn. Enjoy two nights in Papeete, Tahiti, and seven nights aboard the five-star plus M.S. PAUL GAUGUIN, specially designed to cruise the crystalline waters of the South Pacific. We invite you to join Smith Travel for this splendid opportunity featuring included Air from Los Angeles* and Early Booking Savings through July 23, 2013!

Cruising aboard the intimate, deluxe, 166-Stateroom M.S. PAUL GAUGUIN provides an unmatched small ship experience amid the islands, atolls and motus of Tahiti and French Polynesia. And, a whole host of complimentary features aboard ship are included: all onboard gratuities; complimentary wine, spirits and soft drinks are served throughout the ship, including at every lunch and dinner, and replenished in your suite or stateroom throughout the cruise; complimentary water sports; and even complimentary personal butler service in suite Category 1 and stateroom Category 2.

Cultural enrichment abounds in the natural environment of French Polynesia. During your stay on Tahiti, explore the west coast of the island during an excursion to the Robert Wan Pearl Museum, the only museum of its kind, to learn about the Tahitian cultured pearl and admire the museum’s unique private collection. An onboard naturalist will provide a variety of talks and demonstrations about the islands’ history and cultural heritage throughout the cruise. You can observe—and even snorkel and swim with—extraordinary bird and marine life, and breathe in the fresh fragrances of vanilla, gardenia and jasmine that permeate the island air.

This is the perfect opportunity to enjoy the five-star plus M.S. PAUL GAUGUIN cruising in its “home ports;” featuring air included from Los Angeles*. As we are sharing this departure with other institutions including Columbia, Duke, Georgetown, Harvard and Michigan, we encourage you to book now while space and Early Booking Savings are available!

Sincerely,

Elizabeth A. Bigwood
Director, Smith Travel
Office of Alumnae Relations
Smith College

*Air included from Los Angeles and Air Add-Ons have limited availability and are not guaranteed.
SMALL SHIP • Refined Luxury
The five-star plus (+) M.S. Paul Gauguin, rated in Top Ten Small Cruise Ships 2013 by Condé Nast Traveler readers, provides the ultimate shipboard environment and best complimentary amenities in the South Pacific! The M.S. Paul Gauguin’s small size enables it to maneuver from deep seas into bays and shallow lagoons inaccessible to larger ships. It is the only vessel designed specifically to cruise among the islands, atolls and motus of Tahiti and French Polynesia. Refurbished in 2012 and meticulously maintained, the M.S. Paul Gauguin provides the quintessential luxury cruise experience in the South Pacific!

SPACIOUS SUITES AND STATEROOMS
YOUR PRIVATE OCEAN VIEW
The M.S. Paul Gauguin features only 166 exceptionally spacious (200 to 358 square feet) suites and staterooms, most designed with floor-to-ceiling sliding glass doors that open onto a private balcony. Each is air conditioned and furnished with one queen bed (a limited number of staterooms offer twin beds), a sitting area, private bathroom with shower (and full-size bathtub in most staterooms), luxurious European linens, and complimentary wine, spirits and nonalcoholic beverages replenished upon request.

WITH COMPLIMENTS!
“Bon voyage” with complimentary fresh flowers and fruit in your suite or stateroom. Among the extensive list of inclusive indulgences aboard the ship are: complimentary wines, spirits and nonalcoholic beverages served throughout the ship during the entire cruise; all onboard gratuities are included; complimentary in-suite beverages replenished upon request; in-suite dining and 24-hour room service simply at your request; and complimentary snorkeling, paddle boarding, kayaking and windsurfing.

DISTINCTIVELY
GOHAGAN & COMPANY
AND M.S. PAUL GAUGUIN

◆ Free Air!
◆ Early Booking Savings!
◆ Five-Star Small Ship.
◆ Spacious, 100% ocean-view accommodations.
◆ Two-star Michelin signature dishes.
◆ Complimentary alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages.
◆ Complimentary butler service (categories 1 and 2).
◆ All shipboard gratuities are included.
◆ Complimentary fruit and flowers in your stateroom upon arrival.
POLYNESIAN HOSPITALITY • FIVE-STAR SERVICE
The professionally trained, M.S. PAUL GAUGUIN crew, with a one crew member to 1.5 guests ratio, provides attentive service and gracious hospitality. A professional butler will be at your service in suite Category 1 and stateroom Category 2 to unpack, arrange, facilitate, refresh, serve, organize, assist and, quite simply, pamper you.

A CONNOISSEUR’S TASTE OF THE ISLANDS
Savor exclusive epicurean delights: in La Veranda bistro, two-star Michelin Chef Jean-Pierre Vigato’s signature menu is served indoors and alfresco; in L’Etoile, featuring fine international cuisine with a Polynesian accent; or in Le Grill, for a casual poolside dining alternative of grilled specialties. Vegetarian and low-carb options are available upon request. An open seating policy allows you to choose the venue, the time and with whom you wish to dine.

NATURALLY ENRICHING
The onboard naturalist’s talks highlight the unique flora and fauna of the South Pacific. Learn about local nature conservation, the art of pareo-tying and the history of va’a (canoe racing), Tahiti’s national sport.

RELAX, REFRESH AND INDULGE
M.S. PAUL GAUGUIN provides an outdoor swimming pool, state-of-the-art fitness center, steam room and whirlpool. The full-service Deep Nature Spa by Algotherm offers an extensive menu of treatments.*

LIFE ABOVE AND BENEATH THE WAVES
Explore Polynesia’s translucent, shimmering aqua lagoons from M.S. PAUL GAUGUIN’s state-of-the-art retractable water sports marina, where you can enjoy complimentary snorkeling, paddle boarding, kayaking and windsurfing. This small ship allows access not available to vessels with larger footprints, creating exclusive opportunities to explore. Snorkel over rainbow-colored coral reefs and come nose to nose with parrotfish, clownfish, giant clams and sea turtles. The optional SCUBA diving excursions* for all levels of experience offer opportunities to dive deeper and swim alongside colorful sea creatures including sea anemones, eagle rays and octopi.

AIR is Included From Los Angeles!*

AIR ADD-ONS are available from 85 SELECTED GATEWAYS.

Round-trip economy-class air is included from Los Angeles, and there are economy-class Air Add-Ons available from 85 selected gateways (limited) at additional cost; all are available through Paul Gauguin Cruises’ (PGC) Air/Sea Program, and all are based on economy-class travel, carriers and routings of PGC’s choice and contractual agreements between PGC and respective airlines; Gohagan & Company and the sponsoring association/organization have no control over availability.

*Services provided at additional cost.
Tahiti, “Queen of the Pacific,” and sister islands—Huahine, Taha’a, Bora Bora and Moorea—have appealed to visitors ever since Captain James Cook landed in 1769. This tropical paradise has captivated explorers and mariners, artists and writers alike—Captain Cook returned twice more, H.M.S. Bounty’s Fletcher Christian chose to remain and master Impressionist Paul Gauguin abandoned his family and career in France to embrace the seductive lifestyle of Polynesia. Visit Tahiti and experience the allure of the Society Islands for yourself.

Papeete, Tahiti

Bustling, cosmopolitan Papeete, the capital of French Polynesia and the gateway to the treasures of the South Pacific, has extended a hospitable welcome to visitors since its founding as a missionary settlement in 1824. Located on a natural harbor cooled by trade winds, Papeete enjoys one of the finest natural settings in the South Pacific, set against a backdrop of verdant, forest-clad peaks. Its tropical ambiance is complemented by the charm and diversity of its inhabitants, a vibrant blend of native Tahitian, French and Chinese. During the exclusive included excursion along Tahiti’s west coast, visit the ROBERT WAN PEARL MUSEUM, the only museum in the world dedicated to pearls, to see Tahiti’s finest cultured gems, and tour the MUSEUM OF TAHITI AND HER ISLANDS, which showcases significant archaeological finds, the island’s geology and its flora and fauna.

Huahine

Soaring peaks, lush rain forests, dazzling white beaches and ancient shrines distinguish this untouched paradise formed of two islands—Huahine-Nui and Huahine-Iti—separated by a deep blue bay and ringed by a coral atoll. The idyllic port of Fare lies nestled between the sea and a woodland of towering mape (chestnut) trees draped with sweet-scented vanilla vines. In the nearby settlement of Maeva, the ancient religious center of Huahine-Nui, stand 10 marae (temples), built in the 16th century of locally quarried stone and dedicated to Tane, Oro and other Polynesian deities.

Explore the mysterious underwater world of Bora Bora’s reefs and look for graceful double-saddle butterflyfish, dazzling corals and an abundance of exotic marine life.
Taha’a (Motu Mahana)

Idyllically set across a blue lagoon to the north of Huahine, Taha’a is dominated by the profile of Mount Ohiri, named for Hiro, the Polynesian god of sailors and thieves. Today, two exotic enterprises provide the islanders’ livelihoods—the production of the world’s most flavorful vanilla beans and the farming of lustrous black pearls. Spend the day on the private South Seas paradise Motu Mahana, where you can swim, snorkel or kayak, and enjoy a traditional Polynesian feast complemented by entertainment.

Bora Bora

Described as “the most beautiful island in the world” by author James A. Michener, Bora Bora is the proverbial vision of a South Seas paradise. Its distinctive black basalt peak is cloaked in a lush tropical forest and silhouetted against turquoise lagoon waters, where a coral reef and an outlying fringe of motu teem with multicolored fish. Bora Bora was settled by adventurous Polynesian mariners in the 10th century A.D. The islanders have preserved the ways of their forebears and still wear the traditional colorfully hand-dyed pareo or sarong. In Bora Bora’s forested interior, villagers cultivate breadfruit, coconuts and taro, and preserve the ancient ruins of stone marae, the legacy of ancestral Polynesian deities.

Moorea

Moorea’s distinctive heart-shaped island coastline formed by a long-extinct volcano creates its scenic splendor—palm fringed beaches, turquoise lagoons and dramatic volcanic peaks. A former sanctuary for vanquished Tahitian warriors,
Included Features

◆ Round-trip air is included from Los Angeles.*
◆ Early Booking Savings.

In Papeete

◆ Two nights (air schedules permitting) in the five-star INTERCONTINENTAL RESORT TAHITI.
◆ Breakfast each morning.
◆ Gohagan & Company Private Reception.
◆ Tour of Tahiti’s west coast, with visits to the MUSEUM OF TAHITI, the Robert Wan Pearl Museum and the sacred Arahurahu Marae.

On board the Small Ship

Five-Star+ M.S. PAUL GAUGUIN
THE MOST LUXURIOUS SMALL SHIP SAILING TAHITI AND THE SOCIETY ISLANDS.

◆ Seven-night cruise round trip Papeete, Tahiti, with port calls at the idyllic islands of Huahine, Taha’a, Motu Mahana, Bora Bora and Moorea.
◆ Spacious, five-star, ocean-view accommodations, each with a private bathroom.
◆ Captain’s Welcome and Farewell Receptions.
◆ Gohagan & Company Private Reception.
◆ All shipboard gratuities are included.
◆ Complimentary welcome fruit and flowers in stateroom upon arrival.
◆ Onboard naturalist to provide educational discussions about Polynesian history, nature and culture.
◆ Complimentary alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages served throughout your cruise.
◆ All meals on board, served at single, unassigned seatings—full breakfast and lunch, and dinners featuring culinary creations by a two-star Michelin chef.
◆ Complimentary snorkeling, paddle boarding and windsurfing in the pristine waters and lagoons surrounding the Society Islands.
◆ Five-star* service, amenities and facilities on board and featuring butler service in categories 1 and 2.
◆ In-stateroom dining and 24-hour room service.
◆ Onboard Polynesian entertainment by the lovely “Les Gauguines.”

Enhanced Travel Services

◆ Transfers and baggage handling is included abroad for all participants who have booked their air tickets through Paul Gauguin Cruises’ Standard Air/Sea Program* on the program travel dates.
◆ The services of an experienced team of Gohagan & Company Travel Directors.
◆ Travel document wallet, name badge and pre-departure information.
◆ A program of optional shore excursions is available at additional cost.

* Air included from Los Angeles, California, applies only to the first and second guests in each stateroom. Paul Gauguin Cruises’ (PGC) Air/Sea Program is economy class, has limited availability and is based on contractual agreements between PGC and respective airlines; Gohagan & Company and the sponsoring association/organization have no control over availability.
Bora Bora and Moorea Post-Program Options

Five-Star Hotel
An extended stay on Bora Bora or Moorea in a deluxe seaside resort provides an authentic Polynesian experience.

INTERCONTINENTAL MOOREA RESORT
Enjoy legendary Polynesian hospitality in an ideal paradise setting between Moorea’s verdant lush mountains and a crystal-clear lagoon, featuring elegant accommodations overlooking the resort’s lush flourishing gardens and deluxe bungalows set on the beach or over the water. Choose to visit the Sea Turtle Rehabilitation Center and/or the Moorea Dolphin Center, snorkel or dive at the best sites of Moorea, explore the daily craft market or walk along the idyllic white-sand beach. Daily breakfast and a round-trip ferry transfer are included between Tahiti and Moorea.

INTERCONTINENTAL LE MOANA BORA BORA RESORT
On Bora Bora’s dazzling Matira Point, admire the magnificent, expansive ocean views from your deluxe beachfront or overwater bungalow. Observe the abundant marine life on a reef excursion, dine in one of the island’s gourmet restaurants or enjoy the resort’s wide array of water sports and two white-sand beaches. This resort option includes breakfast daily and round-trip air between Tahiti and Bora Bora.

The Post-Program Options are available at additional cost. Details will be provided with your reservation confirmation.

Experience the Polynesian tradition of living in harmony with nature in deluxe bungalows on Bora Bora.
LAND/Cruise/Air Tariff

Category | Description - Ocean-View Staterooms and Suites range from 200 to 358 square feet and have a sitting area, private bathroom, individual climate control, flat-screen satellite television, CD/DVD player, direct-dial telephone, mini-refrigerator stocked and replenished, safe, hair dryer and plush robes and slippers. | Early Booking Savings Tariff July 23, 2013 | Regular Published Tariff

6 | Stateroom with two portholes, queen-size bed (limited number of Staterooms offer twin beds) and shower and full bathtub, Deck 3. | $5295 | $6295

5 | Stateroom with a picture window, queen-size bed (limited number of Staterooms offer twin beds) and shower and full bathtub, Deck 4. | $5895 | $6895

4 | Stateroom with sliding glass door and balcony, queen-size bed and shower and full bathtub, Deck 6. | $7095 | $8095

3 | Stateroom with sliding glass door and balcony, queen-size bed (limited number of Staterooms offer twin beds) and shower and full bathtub (limited number of Staterooms have shower only), Deck 7. | $7395 | $8395

2 | Larger Stateroom, Butler service. Sliding glass door and veranda, larger sitting area, queen-size bed (limited number of Staterooms offer twin beds) and shower and full bathtub (limited number of Staterooms have shower only), Decks 7 and 8. | $8595 | $9595

1 | One-room Suite, Butler service. Sliding glass door and veranda, larger sitting area, queen-size bed (limited number of Staterooms offer twin beds) and shower and full bathtub, Deck 6. | $9795 | $10795

Additional Suite category tariffs are available upon request.

Tahiti and French Polynesia Reservation Form

Send to:
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(800) 225-2029  Fax: (413) 585-2015

Program reservations require a deposit of $800 per person and $200 per person Moorea or Bora Bora Post-Program Option. By reserving and depositing on this program, have accepted and agree to the Terms and Conditions.

Enclosed is my/our check(s) for $, as deposit. Make checks payable to Thomas P. Gohagan & Company.

I/We authorize you to charge my/our deposit of $ to:

Visa MasterCard

Card Number Exp. Date

Signature as it appears on credit card

All final payments are required to be made by check or wire transfer by October 23, 2013.
Experience the allure of the South Seas on Moorea, an island paradise of jagged peaks, stately coconut palms and thatch-roofed dwellings.

CONTRACT: TERMS & CONDITIONS. IMPORTANT READ CAREFULLY.

RESPONSIBILITY: Thomas P. Gohagan & Company, the sponsoring association or organization, and its and their employees, shareholders, subsidiaries, affiliates, officers, directors or trustees, successors, agents, and assigns (collectively “Gohagan”), do not own or operate any entity which is to or does provide goods or services for your trip including, for example, lodging facilities, airline, vessel, or other transportation companies. Because it is not possible to be sensitive to the requirements of all such persons and entities, independent contractors. As a result, Gohagan is not liable for any negligent or willful act or failure to act of any person or entity of any third party.

In addition and without limitation, Gohagan is not responsible for any injury, loss, death, inconvenience, delay, or damage to person or property in connection with the provision of any goods or services which are optional and/or not limited to, acts of God or force majeure, acts of war or civil unrest, insurrection or revolt, animals, strikes or other labor activities, criminal or terrorist activities of any kind, sickness, illness, the lack of availability of or access to appropriate medical attention, overbooking or downgrading of accommodations, mechanical or other failure of airplanes or other means of transportation, or for any failure of any transportation mechanism to arrive or depart on time.

If due to weather, flight schedules or other uncontrollable factors, you arrive late, Gohagan provides no right to an extension of the air and/or land portion of your trip. Hotel accommodations are provided on a room basis only for your own hotel, transfers and meal costs. Baggage is entirely at owner’s risk. The right is reserved to decline to accept or retain any person as a participant on these trips at any time. Specific room/cabin assignments are within the sole discretion of the hotel/cruise line.

Gohagan reserves the right to change the itinerary or trip features at any time and for any reason, with or without notice, and Gohagan shall not be liable for any expense or inconvenience caused as a result of any such changes. Ship schedules, port calls, hours of arrival and departure, sightseeing events, special programs and guest lecture series (if applicable), are subject to change due to weather or other circumstances. Gohagan is not responsible therefore and is not required to compensate passengers under circumstances beyond Gohagan’s control. Gohagan may make any change for any reason whatsoever; if so, its sole responsibility is to refund monies paid by the participant to it. Gohagan is not required to cancel any trip for any reason. In the event that Gohagan determines that changes in State, World Health Organization or other Warnings or Advisories of any kind, or any conditions apply as set forth by PGC’s standard Air/Sea Program. As the airfares negotiated by PGC are very restricted, all tickets issued for a $100-per-person fee per call, plus any applicable service charges.

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NOT INCLUDED: Taxes; passport, visas and associated fees; personal expenses; gratuities; any telephone, telegram, telex, and internet access; accidents, sickness, trip cancellation, and baggage insurance; gratuities to hotel personnel; meals, alcoholic beverages, and other beverages not included in your itinerary; railroad, public transportation, and/or local departure/airport/taxi service(s); airline (unless included under FREE AIR AND LOW AIR ADD-ONS/AIR) and associated local taxes, airfares; baggage fees and/or surcharges; all airport, hotel, or other local taxes; which are excluded from the “Included Features” section of the brochure; transfers and baggage handling (return airfares only) on the day of arrival and/or departure, if you have not purchased your own international air arrangements through Gohagan or if you are arriving earlier or later than the scheduled group travel date(s); any overnight stay required on land due to flight schedule(s); meals, alcoholic or other beverages and/or services not specifically mentioned in the “Included Features” section.

AIR: PGC’s AirSea Program is limited and subject to change and availability at time of booking and is nonrefundable. Your airline ticket constitutes a contract between you and the airline, even if purchased through Gohagan/PGC. Round-trip economy air is included from Los Angeles, California, only for first and second person in same cabin. Round-trip Air Add-Ons available from 85 selected gateways at additional cost, all are available through PGC, and all are based on economy-class travel, carriers and routings of PGC’s choice and contractual agreements between PGC and respective airlines. PGC reserves the right to use charter air service wherever applicable. As the airfares negotiated by PGC are very restricted, all tickets issued are non-refundable, and cannot be exchanged for another carrier or alternative routing. Gohagan and the sponsoring association/ organization have no control over availability. Once submitted, flight tickets or less than travel dates on all deposited bookings can be changed for a $100-per-person fee per call, plus any applicable service charges.

LUGGAGE: Luggage allowance policies are set by the airlines and may change from time to time. Please contact your airline(s) for the most current luggage allowance policy.

PHYSICAL ACCESSIBILITY: All programs require physical fitness and may not be appropriate for all. A mental condition that may require special medical attention or physical assistance (for example, the need for a wheelchair) must be reported in writing when you make your reservation. Travelers must be able to embark or disembark motorcoaches alone or with minimal assistance from your traveling companion and climb stairs and step over raised thresholds without assistance. Travelers requiring assistance must travel with a companion who will be responsible for handling equipment.

DISCOUNTED RESERVATIONS: Discounts apply only to those reservations received in the offices of Gohagan in writing, accompanied by the required deposit, by July 23, 2013. In the event a “discounted” reservation must be cancelled, no “replacement” reservation can be substituted at the discounted rate. A “replacement” reservation is a new reservation and can be substituted only at the full-fare tariff. Cancellation policies apply.

CANCELLATIONS: Cancellations for all or any part of the trip including Pre/Post Program(s) reservation(s) will not be effective until received in writing in the offices of Gohagan. You must have a cancellation confirmation in writing to be effective. Gohagan reserves the right to change the itinerary or trip features at any time and for any reason whatsoever; if so, its sole responsibility is to refund monies paid by the participant to it. Gohagan is not required to cancel any trip for any reason. In the event that Gohagan determines that changes or any other condition of disability that would create a hazard for him/ her or other participants and accepts the terms and conditions of this contract.

ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT: By forwarding of deposit, the participant certifies that he/she does not have any mental, physical or other condition of disability that would create a hazard for him/ her or other participants and accepts the terms and conditions of this contract.

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AGREEMENT: Any controversy or claim arising out of or relating in any way to these Terms and Conditions, the brochure, or any other information relating in any way to the trip, or to the trip itself, shall be settled exclusively and solely by binding arbitration in Chicago, Illinois, in accordance with the commercial rules of the American Arbitration Association then existent.

The arbitrator and not any federal, state, or local court or agency shall have exclusive authority to resolve any dispute relating to the interpretation, applicability, enforceability, conscionability, or formation of this contract, including but not limited to any claim that all or any part of this contract is void or voidable.

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