HISTORIC HOMES & GARDENS OF THE COLONIAL SOUTH
Aboard the 130-Guest Yorktown
April 14 – 24, 2014

FEATURING MARTIN & NINA ANTONETTI
Dear Alumnae and Friends,

Every spring, the charming towns and stately plantations of the South become a lush garden just waiting to be explored. The famed historic district in Savannah, Georgia—one of the nation's loveliest—blooms with azaleas and gardenias. The formal gardens of South Carolina's Middleton Place Plantation are alive with rhododendrons, magnolias, irises, roses, and countless blooming shrubs and trees. At Airlie Gardens, in North Carolina, you will delight in the deep colors of azaleas and light fragrance of camellias, or seek shade under a 467-year-old Airlie Oak.

Join us for a voyage this April sailing from Georgia to Virginia and calling at plantations, historic homes, and formal gardens that all reveal the genteel splendor and natural beauty of the antebellum South. Accompanying this journey will be Martin and Nina Antonetti, both Smith College faculty, who will serve as our onboard guides to the homes and gardens of the South. Martin Antonetti, lecturer in art and curator of rare books, and Nina Antonetti, assistant professor of landscape studies, will provide important historical context as they explore these remarkable properties with us.

Highlights of this voyage include Tryon Palace and Gardens in New Bern, featuring 16 acres of gardens representing the style of the Victorian era. The spring display includes daffodils, tulips, and many other flowers surrounding three historic houses. Outside Wilmington, North Carolina, is the Burgwin-Wright House, a handsome Georgian manor once occupied by Lord Cornwallis. The unusual walled gardens have all been restored with plants that would have been available in the 18th century. In Savannah, we will explore the largest historic district in the United States, which preserves hundreds of superb 18th- and 19th-century buildings exemplifying the beauty of antebellum architecture. As our ship, the Yorktown, navigates the coastline of Virginia, you will enjoy an excursion to historic Shirley Plantation, Virginia's first plantation and one of the oldest family-owned businesses in America, and Berkeley Plantation, built on the site of the first Thanksgiving and housing a magnificent collection of 18th-century antiques.

Spring is the best time to visit the South, when the weather is temperate, the sun is radiant, and plants and flowers are at their peak. Your home for this spectacular voyage is Yorktown, an American ship staffed by American crew and officers that accommodates only 130 passengers in 65 exterior cabins. We will be sharing this departure with the University of Illinois Alumni Association and the National Trust for Historic Preservation. Do not miss this opportunity to sail to some of the loveliest historic houses and gardens in America.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Bigwood
Director, Smith Travel
Office of Alumnae Relations

Left: Twilight in Forsyth Park, Savannah
Cover: Savannah's historic district
Discover the Gracious Beauty & Enduring South on an Idyllic Voyage from Savannah

A One-of-a-Kind Voyage
For many Americans, the Old South is the loveliest part of the United States. The elegant architecture, the perfectly manicured gardens—it is another world. Our springtime voyage carries you back to a very different place and time, and allows you to explore at a relaxed and unrushed pace. Never will you be rushed from one site to another. On a Yorktown cruise, you will have the leisure to stop for coffee or afternoon tea at a sidewalk cafe, chat with an artist in a gallery, or stroll a charming Southern town, blanketed in the spectacular hues of spring. This cruise gives you an opportunity to experience the rhythm of the traditional South unhurried, while admiring nature at its peak.

You’ll find that the best way to explore Southern historic homes and gardens is by ship with a small group. Join us for the discovery of a lifetime.

A Small Shipboard Community of Like-Minded Travelers
Meeting and mingling with your fellow guests is one of the greatest pleasures of the voyage. Our passengers tend to be well-traveled. They have successful careers, out-of-the-ordinary life experiences, and interesting stories to tell. They tend to be confident, outgoing, friendly. They enjoy exploring new places and making new friends. Aboard Yorktown, you are not an anonymous tourist lost in a crowd of strangers; you are a welcome member of a small shipboard community.

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Charm of the

to Washington, D.C.

Blooming flowers in Savannah’s famed Historic District

Savannah’s Historic District

The beautifully maintained homes, the lush gardens, the lovely city squares, the carefully tended parks, the fountains, all combine to make the Historic District of Savannah one of the loveliest in the nation. It is also the largest urban National Historic Landmark District in the United States.

Savannah’s Historic District preserves hundreds of fine examples of 18th- and 19th-century architecture, many of which are historically and culturally significant, including the First African Baptist Church (one of the oldest African-American Baptist congregations in the country); the birthplace of Juliette Gordon Low, founder of the Girl Scouts; and the Mercer-Williams House, the setting for John Berendt’s best-seller, *Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil*.

On this program, you will enjoy a guiding walking tour of Savannah’s Historic District in the morning, as well as an afternoon at leisure so that you may fully explore the city’s graceful charm.
Travel, Learn & Enrich Your Experience with a Team of Experts

Our voyage is accompanied by an experienced team of lecturers and expert local guides who are intimately familiar with the destination. Through lectures and discussion, they will introduce you to the history of these shores.

Martin Antonetti is the curator of rare books in the Mortimer Rare Book Room at Smith College, where he also directs the Book Studies Concentration, and teaches courses in the history of the book and in contemporary artist’s books for the Department of Art. He has written and lectured widely in the history of the book, including fine printing, letterforms, bookbinding, and book collecting. He received his MLS from Columbia University, where he specialized in rare books and special collections librarianship.

For 15 years, Nina Antonetti has taught landscape and architectural history at Smith College. She publishes and lectures internationally on history and design and has held research positions at the Victoria and Albert Museum in London, the National Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C., and the Canadian Center for Architecture in Montreal. She practices historic preservation, urbanism, and community planning in a design collective in Northampton, Massachusetts.

Cruise Director Temu Nana is a native of Detroit, Michigan. He has traveled extensively throughout the world, including all parts of the American South. After graduating from the University of Michigan with a degree in Theatre Performance, he moved to New York and joined Travel Dynamics International, working for several years both in the office and in the field. On the Yorktown, Temu has led several recent cruises along the coasts of Virginia, North and South Carolina, and Georgia.

The Harrison Family of Berkeley Plantation

The Harrison family acquired the land that became Berkeley Plantation and built the red-brick manor house in 1726. It remained in the family until the 1840s. During those years, Berkeley Plantation produced several prominent Americans. Benjamin Harrison was a signer of the Declaration of Independence and three times governor of Virginia. Benjamin’s son, William Henry Harrison, was the hero of the Battle of Tippecanoe and the 9th President of the United States. And Benjamin’s great-grandson, also named Benjamin Harrison, became the 23rd President in 1888.

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Along the coast of North Carolina
Itinerary

Monday, April 14, 2014
SAVANNAH, Georgia | EMBARK
Fly to Savannah to embark Yorktown. Overnight aboard ship. (D)

Tuesday, April 15
SAVANNAH
Georgia’s oldest city, Savannah, was founded by James Oglethorpe in 1733. The fine avenues and open spaces that Oglethorpe planned form the cornerstone of the three-square-mile historic district, which features over 1,000 Federal and Regency buildings and 21 verdant squares brimming with azaleas, gardenias, cabbage palmettos, English yews, giant oaks, and other lush vegetation. Tour the renowned Historic District including the verdant Forsyth Park and its famous white fountain, and also enjoy time at leisure to explore the lovely streets and squares. (B, L, D)

Wednesday, April 16
BEAUFORT, South Carolina
South Carolina’s Lowcountry flourished on the cotton trade, making Beaufort one of the wealthiest cities in the country after Independence. Tour this elegant city, with its magnificent antebellum homes and gardens. (B, L, D)

Thursday, April 17 & Friday, April 18
CHARLESTON
Arrive in Charleston, one of the East Coast’s loveliest cities. A prosperous, cosmopolitan seaport from colonial times, Charleston has meticulously restored its historic district. Tour the Heyward-Washington House, an 18th-century structure which features a separate kitchen house and enchanting formal garden, and other sites. In the afternoon, tour Middleton Place, a carefully preserved 18th-century plantation that is a National Historic Landmark. Situated on the Ashley River, the property includes the House Museum, built in 1755 as the gentlemen’s guest quarters, various bird species, and 65 acres of magnificent gardens, with rhododendrons, magnolias, and dogwoods blooming during April. Also visit Drayton Hall, a National Historic Landmark and National Trust Historic Site and one of the oldest surviving examples of Georgian Palladian architecture in the United States. (B, L, D)

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The Patriots of Williamsburg

In 1699, Williamsburg became the capital of the Virginia colony. By the early 1770s, as opposition to English rule spread in the colony, Williamsburg became the scene of confrontations between loyalists and patriots. It was here that Patrick Henry delivered his “Give me liberty or give me death!” speech.

Many of the Founders had close ties to Williamsburg. Thomas Jefferson studied law in Williamsburg, practiced law in the General Court, and served as a representative to the House of Burgesses.

George and Martha Washington spent their honeymoon in Williamsburg. As a member of the House of Burgesses, Washington had an active social life: he spent his evenings at the town’s taverns, or at dinner parties at the Governor’s palace.

Williamsburg resident George Wythe was the foremost attorney in America. Among his law students were Jefferson and the future chief justice of the United States, John Marshall. Wythe was an early advocate for American independence, and a signer of the Declaration of Independence.
Tuesday, April 22
YORKTOWN | COLONIAL WILLIAMSBURG | YORKTOWN, Virginia
Take an excursion to historic Colonial Williamsburg. The capital of the Virginia colony from 1699 to 1780, Williamsburg is the nation’s premier living museum, offering visitors a glimpse of life as it was in the 17th and 18th centuries. A guided tour leads along the Duke of Gloucester Street, Williamsburg’s main thoroughfare, past the Capitol, the Courthouse, the Governor’s Palace, and Bruton Parish Church. Enjoy time at leisure to explore the museums and side streets, which are filled with taverns, bakeries, and the restored houses of wheelwrights, coopers, apothecaries, and other tradesmen. (B, L, D)

Wednesday, April 23
YORKTOWN | RICHMOND | YORKTOWN
Visit historic Berkeley Plantation, site of the first official Thanksgiving in 1619. It is also the location where Daniel Butterfield composed “Taps” in 1862. Its rooms are furnished with a superb collection of 18th-century antiques. The mansion is surrounded by five terraced gardens that were dug prior to the Revolutionary War. Tour the mansion and stroll through the boxwood gardens, surrounded by dogwoods, azaleas, and other flowering plants. Also visit the Shirley Plantation, founded in 1613 by Edward Hill and the oldest working plantation in North America, which is still occupied by 11 generations of the Hill Family. Explore the Great House and its original furnishings, portraits and silver. Alternatively, tour Richmond. Visit the historic Virginia State Capitol Building, designed by Thomas Jefferson, and nearby Marshall House, built for the Great Chief Justice John Marshall in 1790 and filled with original furnishings. (B, L, D)

Thursday, April 24
ALEXANDRIA | DISEMBARK | WASHINGTON, D.C. | FLY HOME
Disembark Yorktown in Alexandria after breakfast. (B)
America’s First Landscaped Garden

With 50,000 acres, Henry Middleton was one of the wealthiest men in South Carolina. In 1741 he began to design a garden for Middleton Place, a house that had been part of his wife Mary’s dowry. Middleton laid out his garden according to precise, geometrical principles established at the time by the great French landscape architects. Wide walkways opened onto sweeping views of the Ashley River, or focused on a piece of sculpture. The 1925 restoration of the garden followed Middleton’s design, but added brilliantly colored flowers and unusual plants, trees, and shrubs. Middleton Place’s Bloom Calendar records how the appearance of the garden changes from month to month.
Yorktown

Yorktown is the perfect vessel for relaxed and convivial exploration of America’s great coastal waterways. Built in Florida in 1988 specifically for coastal cruising and certified by the U.S. Coast Guard, Yorktown flies the American flag and is staffed by friendly and experienced American officers and crew. With a draft of only nine feet, Yorktown is able to maneuver in secluded waterways and visit small ports that are inaccessible to larger vessels. And Yorktown’s American registry makes it possible to operate domestic itineraries unavailable to foreign-flag ships. The ship’s cuisine, served in a dining room large enough to accommodate all guests at once, emphasizes American regional culinary traditions. Accommodating only 130 guests in 65 exterior cabins, Yorktown, while not a luxury vessel, enjoys an atmosphere of warm and relaxed informality that endears it to repeat and new guests alike.

Life aboard Yorktown

Life aboard Yorktown is relaxed and informal, and dress is always casual. Guests discover soon after settling in that the ship’s design fosters a sense of community and shared enterprise. The cabins are extremely comfortable for their size and well designed to maximize the square footage. Most have large picture windows, and each is furnished with comfortable beds, a writing desk, ample storage, a clock/radio/CD player, and a private bathroom. Your cabin is the perfect place for peace and quiet and for private rest and reflection. But you will want to spend most of your time in one of Yorktown’s inviting common areas. The Lounge, never more than two decks away (Yorktown has no elevator), is the hub of shipboard activity—the place to read, to converse with fellow travelers, to attend lectures and concerts, to enjoy a cocktail as the pianist performs on the ship’s Steinway piano, or simply to take in unobstructed views of the passing scene. The Sun Deck affords similar opportunities to read and relax in the open air.

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Cheerful bathrooms are appointed with fine toiletries.

Details of the comfortable Lounge.

Most cabins feature a picture window.

Yorktown's spacious Lounge is surrounded by windows.

Enjoying an alfresco snack.

Relaxing on Yorktown's Sun Deck.

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**CRUISE AND LAND RATES**

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**PORT TAXES & CHARGES:** $290 per person

**SINGLE RATES**

A limited number of cabins for solo travelers are available in Category C for $8,590; Category B for $9,590; and Category A for $10,490.
GENERAL INFORMATION

PAYMENT SCHEDULE: A deposit of $750 per person is required to reserve your space on the tour. For your convenience, you may charge your deposit to your American Express, Visa, Discover, or MasterCard. Final payment is due 90 days prior to departure. Credit cards are not accepted for final payment. However, personal checks are accepted for both deposits and final payment.

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