Discover Southeast Alaska
by Small Ship

8 DAYS OF NORTHERN WONDERS
* Tails, Talons and Totem Poles *
JULY 10, 2015 – JULY 17, 2015

DISCOVER SOUTHEAST ALASKA

Discover the awesome beauty, abundant wildlife and native cultures of Alaska’s Inside Passage.

Dear Alumni and Friends,

I am pleased to invite you on an exclusive small-ship exploration of Alaska’s Inside Passage: where protected inlets, abundant wildlife in vast wildernesses, and astonishingly massive and active glaciers come together to create an environment of natural beauty like no other place on earth.

The small 66-passenger Admiralty Dream offers access to the waterways of the Inside Passage that is unique to small-ship sailing. Enjoy comfortable accommodations, delicious meals, up-close wildlife viewing, stunning scenery, cultural experiences, and the expert guidance of two skilled Orbridge Expedition Leaders.

Space is limited. For Smith Alumnae savings of up to $1,000 per couple (alumni as well as family and friends are eligible), please reserve your cabin today: online at http://smith.orbridge.com, by phone at (800) 225-2029, or by returning the enclosed reservation form.

Sincerely,

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

Please note: The information contained in this document is current as of 10/2/2014

Program Highlights:
See the spray of whales only yards away and venture into secluded inlets as you get up close to nature, whether from the decks of the Admiralty Dream, or aboard its skiff and kayaks.

Accompanied by two naturalist Orbridge Expedition Leaders, learn surprising details about animal behavior, glacier activity, and the wealth of natural spectacles along these protected waters.

Learn about Alaska's culture and industry with a traditional Tlingit dance performance, as well as visits to a salmon hatchery and the Alaska State Museum.

Joined by a Park Ranger and Native Huna Tlingit Interpreter, enter the pristine waters of Glacier Bay National Park & Preserve to see the sanctuary's deep fjords, tidewater glaciers, and snow-capped mountain ranges.

Relax: included are all excursions, presentations, beverages including complimentary beer and wine with dinner, meals (7 breakfasts, 5 lunches, and 7 dinners), and airport transfers for guests on suggested flights.

Day-by-Day Itinerary*:

Day 1 – Arrive in Sitka / Embark Admiralty Dream
Today, travel to Sitka from your home city, or from Anchorage if you visited Denali National Park on the 6-day Orbridge Pre-Tour. Once you arrive, you will have the chance to begin your expedition with cultural immersion at a Sheet’ka Kwaān Naa Kahidi (which roughly translates to “The clan house for all the people of Sitka”) dance show, an authentic Tlingit performance. Visit the Alaska Raptor Center, Alaska's foremost bald eagle hospital and educational center, and the Southeast Alaskan Indian Cultural Center, where Tlingit 100-year-old totem poles still remain; before transferring to the Admiralty Dream for an evening embarkation. Enjoy your first dinner onboard as we sail through the Peril Strait.
Overnight: Admiralty Dream (D)

Day 2 – Hidden Falls / Icy Strait
Experience a rare tour of the Hidden Falls Hatchery where you will learn about chum, Chinook, and Coho
salmon, as well as the vital role fishing has held in Alaska for centuries. Relax on deck with your binoculars and a hot cup of cocoa as you sail through Icy Strait in search of wildlife.
Overnight: Admiralty Dream (B,L,D)

Day 3 – Glacier Bay National Park
Early this morning we arrive at Bartlett Cove where we meet a National Park Service Ranger and Native Huna Tlingit Interpreter who will accompany us to Glacier Bay National Park. Here, scientists have found exposed rock that’s believed to be more than 200 million years old. Look out for puffins, sea lions, mountain goats, bears, eagles, and some of the most spectacular scenery in Alaska.
Overnight: Admiralty Dream (B,L,D)

Day 4 – Chichagof Island / Point Adolphus
After breakfast, enjoy kayaking and skiff excursions in protected bays on Chichagof Island, experiencing some of the richest whale waters in Southeast Alaska. Observe the marine mammals in their natural habitat while sailing to Point Adolphus. Your onboard naturalists will be available to provide information about local history, geology, and wildlife.
Overnight: Admiralty Dream (B,L,D)

Day 5 – Auke Bay / Juneau
Arrive at Auke Bay and depart early for sightseeing through Juneau and a visit to the Mendanhall Glacier Visitor Center to view the fascinating glacial mass. An included visit to the Alaska State Museum offers a look at a unique collection of Russian, Native American, and Gold Rush artifacts. Return to the ship after enjoying lunch on your own. As we depart Juneau, watch for porpoises, brown bears, Sitka black-tailed deer, and a variety of marine birds. Sail through Stephens Passage towards Tracy Arm.
Overnight: Admiralty Dream (B,D)

Day 6 – Tracy Arm
This morning, experience Tracy Arm, a narrow fjord that winds through towering mountains and massive glaciers. From your kayak or skiff, witness the “calving” of icebergs as gigantic chunks of ice break and crash into the water. Watch for harbor seals that often dot the floating platforms and mountain goats on nearby perches. Later this afternoon we depart Tracy Arm and head South in search of marine life on our way to Baranof Island.
Overnight: Admiralty Dream (B,L,D)

Day 7 – Baranof Island / Lake Eva
Kayak or skiff early this morning in a secluded cove near Baranof Island and watch for bears wandering the shore. Continue cruising to Lake Eva for an afternoon hike. Enjoy a slow cruise through Peril Strait as you enjoy a farewell dinner.
Overnight: Admiralty Dream (B,L,D)

Day 8 – Sitka / Disembark
Disembark this morning after breakfast and meet your complimentary shuttle to the airport to catch your flight home. (B)

*Itinerary subject to change

What’s Included:

- Seven nights aboard the Admiralty Dream
- All onboard hand-crafted meals – 7 breakfasts, 5 lunches, and 7 dinners – including a special Captain’s Farewell Dinner, as well as wine and beer at
lunches and dinners

- An onboard lecture program and educational guidance of two Orbridge Expedition Leaders, as well as a Park Ranger and Native Huna Tlingit Interpreter during a visit to Glacier Bay National Park

- Guided kayaking, hiking, walking, skiff excursions, and wildlife viewing where humpback whale, orca, brown bear, Steller sea lion, harbor seal, sea otter, arctic tern, bald eagle, and other populations are frequently spotted

- Transfers to and from the Sitka airport

- All port fees and entry fees to parks, preserves, museums, attractions and special excursions as described in the itinerary

- Gratuities to Orbridge Expedition Leaders and to airport drivers and porters for guests on suggested flights

Your Guide(s):

Two Orbridge Expedition Leaders

On this program you will have the benefit of two premier Expedition Leaders. With their extensive local knowledge and experience as naturalists and historians, enjoy cultures and locations you encounter with added confidence, understanding, and appreciation.

Andrew Guswa – Smith Guest Faculty

In 2001, Drew Guswa joined the faculty at Smith College to help launch the Picker Engineering Program – the first engineering program at an all-women’s college. In 2009, he was named as the Director of Smith’s new Center for the Environment, Ecological Design, and Sustainability. In this capacity, Drew is working to provide students with opportunities to integrate knowledge across disciplines in support of environmental decisions and action. As a civil and environmental engineer, he views his own research as a chance to make manifest his commitment to the environment through continually acquiring engineering and analytical skills and applying them to new challenges. He is particularly interested in the interactions between one’s predictive goals and the mathematical representation of physical processes. Recently, Drew was named as the Senior Hydrology Advisor to the Natural Capital Project - a joint venture of The Nature Conservancy, Stanford University, the University of Minnesota, and the World Wildlife Fund to quantify the value of ecosystem services. Drew and his family enjoy biking, cross-country skiing, hiking, and other outdoor activities.

Program Accommodations:
The Admiralty Dream

Accommodating 66 guests, the 143-foot Admiralty Dream was designed to go where large ships cannot, navigating guests to the best views possible while preserving an intimate and exclusive atmosphere. Experience Alaska—watching wildlife up close on skiffs or kayaks, floating on the swell as icebergs crash into the sea, and learning about authentic Alaskan communities—while enjoying the vessel’s freshly-prepared cuisine and comfortable accommodations. On board are the ship’s knowledgeable crew and your Orbridge Expedition Leaders, who share their hospitality, their uncanny knack for spotting wildlife, and fascinating secrets behind the wild beauty that surrounds you.
**Category C**  
Featuring two twin beds and a private bathroom with shower. 74 sq. ft. (Lower Deck, cabins do not have windows)

**Category B**  
Featuring two twin beds and a private bathroom with shower. 74 sq. ft. (Lower Deck, cabins do not have windows)

**Category A**  
Feature two twin beds, view window, and a private bathroom with shower. 96 sq. ft. (303-312)

**Category AA**  
Featuring two twin beds, one double, or one queen bed, view window, and a private bathroom with shower. 93 sq. ft. (301 & 302, 201-204)

**Category AAA**  
Features two twin beds or queen bed, view window, mini fridge, and private bathroom with shower. 122 sq. ft. (Upper Deck, stern)
Deluxe
Features two twin berths or queen bed, view window, mini fridge, and private bath with shower. 134 sq. ft. (Bridge Deck)

Owner’s Suite
Features queen bed, panoramic views from the bow of the vessel, and private bath with shower. 135 sq. ft. (Upper Deck)

Activity Level:

Easy
This program offers a variety of activities, ranging from skiff rides and hiking to kayaking. Activities are not strenuous for guests with average mobility. Walks are at a leisurely pace in order to see and learn as much as possible about the region. Much of the exploration is done in the skiffs, which sure-footed guests can enter/exit with little trouble. Crew members are diligent about assisting guests while boarding and exiting the ship and small craft. The double kayaks are stable and easily handled by those with no previous experience. It is our expectation that guests on this program are able to walk with good balance and go up and down stairs easily without assistance, as the ship does not have an elevator.

What They’re Saying:

“A trip to Alaska was on our "Bucket List." This trip was truly more than we ever imagined. Thank you for providing such wonderful adventures. I am so very glad that we were able to enjoy this wonderful trip! The Denali Pre-tour was such a wonderful addition to our Admiralty Dream cruise. I am so happy that we did both!”
— Karen L., Midlothian, VA

“The food, desserts, and hors d’oeuvres were astounding! Everything was fabulous and WAY above our expectations! The staff was wonderful!”
— Betty and Paul M., Castle Dale, Utah

“The guides are 100% professionals and their dedication to educating people to the wonders of nature is unsurpassed. Their leadership and subject matter knowledge is amazing. Their guidance, helped by a very accommodating wildlife display, made this trip the best trip of my life.”
— Norman L, Midlothian, VA

“This trip has become our new standard for selecting any further travel—it combined a great deal of learning with real comfort, a wonderful setting (both ship and Southeast Alaska), wildlife we had only imagined, and left us sad when it was over. This was also our first experience with Orbridge and we were very pleasantly impressed.”
— Catherine C. & George K., Hanover, NH

Optional Extension:
Experience an historic Alaska Railroad journey into the scenic wilds of Alaska. With superior viewing from your upgraded GoldStar dome seat, watch Alaska’s rugged forests and wildlife fill the ever-changing panorama of your window. Your destination: the magnificent, six-million-acre Denali National Park and Reserve. Familiarize yourself with the Park, walking its trails with a certified naturalist, and choose from optional excursions to personalize your adventure. Keep binoculars close at hand: this dazzling and vast wilderness is home to Dall sheep, eagles, wolves, migrating caribou, and grizzly bears — and catching sight of them is a thrill not soon forgotten.

**Itinerary:**

*Itinerary subject to change*

**Day 1: Arrive Fairbanks, AK**
Welcome to Fairbanks! The town is also known as “The Golden Heart of Alaska,” a reference to its location in Alaska’s interior and also to the discovery of gold in 1902. After being welcomed by your Orbridge Expedition Leader, meet your traveling companions at a welcome reception to arrange your optional activities in Denali. 
Overnight: SpringHill Suites Fairbanks (R)

**Day 2: Fairbanks / Alaska Railroad / Denali National Park**
Along with your Orbridge Expedition Leader, board the Alaska Railroad train to Denali National Park on one of the most scenic stretches of the world-famous Alaska Railroad, cutting through the northern boreal forests of interior Alaska where gold miners first came to seek their fortune. Enjoy a rich panoply of views of our northernmost frontier as you travel in your reserved seat and upgraded GoldStar dome train car. This afternoon, take a hotel courtesy shuttle from the train station to the Grande Denali Lodge.
Overnight: Grande Denali Lodge (B)

**Day 3: Denali National Park**
After breakfast, participate in one of the offered optional excursions or enjoy free time to explore Denali. Take advantage of the many self-guided hiking trails or informative ranger-led talks and excursions offered in the park, or simply marvel at the scenery. You may want to visit the Denali Visitor Center, the Murie Science and Learning Center, or one of the other excellent ranger stations in the park. This evening, reconvene and listen as an Alaskan homesteader recounts his experiences living a sustainable lifestyle and summiting Mt. McKinley.
Overnight: Grande Denali Lodge (B)
Day 4: Denali National Park / Tundra Wilderness Excursion
Today, take the day to travel 53 miles into Denali Park Road on a naturalist-guided back country tour, to see incredible scenery and some of the best opportunities to view Mt. McKinley. Make sure to have your binoculars ready, as there will be plenty of opportunity to look for the park's wildlife inhabitants.
Overnight: Grande Denali Lodge (B,L)

Day 5: Denali National Park / Anchorage
Board the Alaskan Railroad with upgraded GoldStar dome seating. At 2,363 feet, Broad Pass is the highest point on the railroad, and migratory pattern for caribou. Indian River Canyon is home to beavers and their lodges can be seen in the ponds along the way. The track climbs toward the tree line, first crossing Hurricane Gulch and the longest bridge on the railroad at just over 914 feet. The serpentine banks of the Susitna River, Talkeetna, and the Knik and Matanuska Rivers offer more sights along the way before concluding in Anchorage.
Overnight: Anchorage Marriott Downtown (B)

Day 6: Depart Anchorage
Enjoy breakfast before transferring to the airport for your flight to begin the main program. (B)

Please note: Group space may not be available within 90 days of departure.

Accommodations:

SpringHill Suites Fairbanks*
In Fairbanks, stay in comfort at this inviting and well-appointed hotel. Located in central Fairbanks, dining and shopping options are nearby; and the Chena River flows just outside, beckoning with a lovely walking trail. The hotel offers an indoor pool, onsite bistro restaurant, and gym—and you can request a wake-up call if the Northern Lights are sighted.
Room Amenities: Kitchenette, satellite TV, complimentary wireless internet access, phone, iPod docking station, mini bar, coffee and tea-making facilities, and en suite bathroom with hair dryer.

Grande Denali Lodge*
The Grande Denali Lodge is located just north of the Denali Park entrance on the slopes of Sugarloaf Mountain with unparalleled views of the surrounding Denali wilderness and the Nenana River Canyon. Spacious guest rooms, onsite dining and dedicated staff make the Grande Denali Lodge the perfect place to launch all your adventures. Amenities include restaurant, bar and lounge, shuttle services, guest laundromat, high-speed internet access in the lobby, and news stand.

Room Amenities: Air conditioning, cable TV, phone, coffee and tea-making facilities, and en suite bathroom with hair dryer.

Anchorage Marriott Downtown*

Located in downtown, the Anchorage Marriott offers quick access to some of the best restaurants in the city. Perhaps dine in the hotel's Café Promenade or unwind in the fitness center.

Room Amenities: Air conditioning, high-speed internet access (additional cost), satellite TV, phone, tea and coffee-making facilities, and en suite bathroom with hair dryer.

*or similar

What's Included:

✦ Services of an Orbridge Expedition Leader

✦ One night accommodations at the SpringHill Suites Fairbanks, three nights accommodation at the Grande Denali Lodge, and one night at the Anchorage Marriott Downtown (accommodations subject to change) with breakfast each morning

✦ Transport aboard the Alaska Railroad with upgraded GoldStar Service seating in the upper level dome car, complimentary non-alcoholic beverages at your seat, and priority seating in the dining room

✦ Hotel courtesy shuttle between the Denali rail depot and Grande Denali Lodge

✦ A full-day tour into Denali National Park with naturalist guide, lunch included

✦ Transfers between the airport and hotel for guests on suggested flights

✦ Gratuities for Orbridge Expedition Leader, local guides, drivers, porters, housekeeping, and wait staff for included meals
Reservation Form

Discover Southeast Alaska

JULY 10, 2015 — JULY 17, 2015
EXTENSION: JULY 05, 2015 — JULY 10, 2015

☐ Option 1: Reserve online now at http://smith.orbridge.com or call (800) 225-2029.

☐ Option 2: Secure your reservation with a deposit charged to the credit card below, or with an enclosed check payable to: Orbridge LLC.

Guest Information:
Guest #1 (as printed on passport): ___________________________ Class Year __________
Guest #2 (as printed on passport): ___________________________ Class Year __________
Address: ________________________________________________________________
City: ___________________________ State: ___________ ZIP: __________________
Email: ___________________________ Phone: ___________________________ Alt. Phone: __________________
Category Preference (if applicable): 1st choice__________________ 2nd choice__________________

Deposit:
(#) _______ guests joining program ($850/person) +
(#) _______ guests joining extension ($500/person if applicable) = Total deposit: $ __________

Deposit Payment:
☐ Check enclosed  ☐ Online Check/ACH  ☐ MasterCard/Visa  ☐ American Express  ☐ Discover
Card #: ___________________________ Exp. date: ___________ CVV: ___________
Name (as printed on card): ________________________________
Billing address (if different than above): ________________________________
City: __________________________________ State: ___________ ZIP: ___________

I/we have read, understand, and agree to the full Terms & Conditions at http://terms.orbridge.com and detailed in program documents; and that Orbridge LLC is authorized to charge my credit card above and/or take my deposit for this program.

Signature: ______________________________________ Date: ___________

Send or fax reservation form and deposit to: Smith Travel
Office of Alumnae Relations
33 Elm Street
Northampton, MA 01063
Fax: (413) 585-2015

Insurance information will be sent to you by Smith Travel on receipt of your registration.

*Discounted group rate; limited offer. Rates are per person based on double occupancy except where noted in the single occupancy cabin, are in U.S. dollars, and do not include airfare. Single pricing listed is for Category C; availability limited. **Rates are per person based on double occupancy in U.S. dollars. Single pre-tour rate is $2,995; availability limited. Airfare is not included.
Terms & Conditions

ORBRIDGE TERMS AND CONDITIONS

These Travel Guest Terms and Conditions ("Agreement") apply to and control any travel services offered by or through Orbridge LLC or any of its Affiliates (together and in the alternative, "Orbridge", "we", "us", "our"). For purposes of this Agreement, the term "Affiliates" means any natural person or legal entity that is controlled by, controls, or is under common control with Orbridge. "Control" means the ability, whether directly or indirectly, to direct the affairs of Orbridge by means of ownership, contract, employment relationship or otherwise. "You" and "your" mean each program participant.

Rates. Program rates are based on minimum participation levels, current fares (air, water, land), tariffs and currency values. While Orbridge does everything possible to maintain the listed programs, if the rates are subject to change effective immediately upon posting unless otherwise specified by Orbridge.

Registration, Deposits and Final Payment. To confirm and secure your reservation, a deposit of $850 per person per program and $500 per person per extension, and any non-refundable deposits are due at the time of registration payable by check, ACH, money order, wire transfer of same day US funds, or major credit card. Final payment including any extension(s) and options is payable by check, money order, ACH or wire transfer of same day US funds only and due no later than 90 days prior to the scheduled program departure date. If your reservation is made fewer than 90 days prior to departure, then final payment is due at the time of registration by check, money order, wire transfer of same day US funds only. If final payment is not received by Orbridge at least 90 days prior to the scheduled program departure date, (a) the reservation is subject to a late payment fee equivalent to the base program legal annual rate for 6 weeks until paid in full, and (b) Orbridge may, at any time and with or without notice, cancel your reservation in its sole and absolute discretion. All payments we receive from you are herein defined as "Payments".

Reservation Grace Period. Reservations made not fewer than 98 calendar days prior to the scheduled program departure date may be cancelled at any time during the seven (7) calendar day period (the "Grace Period") immediately following the date of reservation for a full refund of all Payments received if notice of cancellation is given at least seven (7) calendar days prior to the scheduled program departure date. Notice of termination must be in writing, must be received by Orbridge by the Grace Period and is effective only on timely receipt of such written notice by Orbridge. For all other reservations and cancellations, the terms of the Cancellations and Refunds section below apply.

Cancellations and Refunds. All cancellations must be submitted to Orbridge in writing and will be subject to a cancellation fee ("Cancellation Fee") as follows: (a) if the cancellation notice is received by Orbridge 151 or more days prior to the scheduled departure date, the Cancellation Fee will be $500 per person per program and $300 per person per program for any extension; (b) if the cancellation notice is received between 91 and 150 days prior to the scheduled departure date the Cancellation Fee will be forfeiture of the full deposit per person per program including any extension; (c) if the cancellation notice is received by Orbridge 90 or fewer days prior to the scheduled departure date, the Cancellation Fee will be the full program payment inclusive of the following, a Cancellation Fee equivalent to 50% of the carrier charge applies to all non-refundable airfares due to your cancellation made at any time prior to the scheduled program departure date, as applicable. Refunds, if any, of any Payments in excess of the aggregate Cancellation Fee shall be processed within 30 calendar days of our receipt of your written notice.

Travel Insurance: Orbridge strongly recommends that you purchase travel and cancellation insurance to protect your interests in the event unexpected or unforeseen circumstances, including without limitation, force majeure events, cause the cancellation of your trip. In addition, we recommend that you consider obtaining a policy that will cover some or all of your losses associated with your trip including, but not limited to, loss of luggage or property, flight delays, sickness or injury and purchase travel and cancellation insurance. If you do not purchase your own travel insurance, Orbridge is not responsible for any losses you may incur.

Cancelled Programs. All programs are subject to cancellation prior to the scheduled departure date for any reason including without limitation, and in our sole reasonable judgment, insufficient participation, logistical problems that may impede program operations or represent conditions or events that may expose program guests and/or Orbridge to undue risk of harm, injury, damage or inconvenience. In the event of a program cancellation by Orbridge for any reason whatsoever within the 30-day period immediately preceding the program start date, we will have no obligation to refund any Payments received by Orbridge. In the event of a program cancellation by Orbridge for any reason whatsoever within the 30-day period immediately preceding the program start date for any reason whatsoever other than a force majeure event, your sole and exclusive remedy shall be (a) refund of such Payments received by Orbridge from you (subject to the provisions as to the date of payment and any advances as have already been advanced to suppliers, and (b) for Payments received by Orbridge that have not been advanced to suppliers, Orbridge shall have no refund obligation but may, in its sole discretion, undertake commercially reasonable efforts (exclusive of litigation) to obtain a refund or reimbursement of such advanced payments from the subject suppliers. For those advanced funds that Orbridge is able to subsequently recover, Orbridge may, at its sole discretion, refund the advanced payments to you less expenses directly related to your participation in the program, fees, transportation companies, etc. in advance of the scheduled program departure date. Accordingly, if a program is cancelled due to a force majeure event (as defined below), you shall promptly submit an appropriate claim with your travel and/or cancellation insurance carrier and Orbridge may, but is not obligated to, undertake commercially reasonable efforts to refund the portion of any Payments received by Orbridge as of the date of cancellation that have not already been advanced to suppliers. In addition, at Orbridge’s sole discretion may elect to use commercially reasonable efforts to recover and refund to you any Payments advanced to suppliers, less the costs of recovery, limited to such amounts not covered by trip or cancellation insurance. However, you acknowledge and agree that (a) Orbridge has no obligation to recover or refund all or any portion of Payments advanced to suppliers, (b) commercially reasonable efforts under this Section shall not include or require, and shall be fully satisfied and performed exclusive of, any legal proceedings by or on behalf of Orbridge in any forum, venue or jurisdiction whatsoever, (c) your primary source of recovery of any Payments made by you in the event of program cancellation by Orbridge for a force majeure event shall be your travel and/or cancellation insurance proceeds, and (d) notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement or otherwise, and regardless of the fact that Orbridge may, at its sole discretion and at the participant's sole expense, remove from the program, or restrict the program-related activities of, any individual whose physical or mental condition may or is likely to cause a harm to himself/herself or others, or otherwise impair the enjoyment of other program participants. Any physical condition requiring special attention, diet, or treatment must be reported in writing to Orbridge at the time a program reservation is made. Should you have any questions or need any clarification about a specific program, please ask for details at the time of agreement. This Section creates a duty on us to monitor, to make any decision or determination or to take any action in respect to any program participant on account of such individual’s mental or physical condition, health or otherwise.

Terms & Conditions

Travel Advisories and Warnings: It is the sole responsibility of each guest to stay informed about the most current international travel advisories and warnings by visiting the U.S. State Department at http://travel.state.gov or by contacting the U.S. State Department directly. In the event of an active State Department Travel Warning, you are hereby required to immediately stop all travel related activities per the State Department’s travel website at http://www.travel.state.gov

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Baggage. Program rates include the price of two (2) pieces of policy-compliant baggage per person during the land or cruise portion of the program only unless specified in the itinerary.

Orbridge will not be responsible, and expressly disclaims all such liability, for any expenses or costs you may incur due to your prohibition or restriction from entering a country on the program itinerary or reentering the United States at the conclusion of the program.
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Force Majeure. In addition and without limitation, Orbridge shall not be liable for any injury, loss, death, inconvenience, delay or damage to personal property in connection with or resulting from acts of God, illness, disease, acts of war, riot, civil unrest, insurrection or revolt, flood, cyclone, hurricane, fire, earthquake or other natural occurrence, weather event or disaster, animals, strikes or other labor activities, criminal or terrorist activities of any kind, overbooking or downgrading of services, food poisoning, mechanical or other failure of aircraft, vessels or other means of transportation, termination or cancellation of services by suppliers for any reason or for failure of timely arrival or departure.

Other. Dates, program details and costs, although given in good faith and based on tariffs, exchange rates and other information current at the time of printing, are subject to change at any time. While we do not anticipate material revisions of the itinerary or its included features, we do reserve the right to substitute accommodations or modes of transportation and to make any changes in the itinerary Orbridge, in its sole discretion, deems necessary and in that case any additional expense or cost will be paid by the individual guest. Your baggage and personal effects are your sole responsibility at all times. There are many inherent risks in travel, which can lead to illness, injury, or even death. These risks are increased by the fact that some of our programs take place in remote locations, far from medical facilities. You acknowledge and agree to assume all such risks associated with participating in this program.

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