

Morocco & the Canary Islands

ABOARD THE *Sea Cloud II*
November 3–14, 2018

WITH PROFESSOR OF GOVERNMENT
Gregory White



HIGHLIGHTS

Thrill at the chance to cruise under sail, weather permitting, and to **sail alongside the legendary *Sea Cloud*** from Morocco to the Canary Islands.

Discover the **cultural and culinary riches of Marrakech** and the surrounding countryside with a choice of included excursions to best match your interests.

Soak up the unforgettable atmosphere of a **1,001 Nights Gala Dinner** in a deluxe private tented camp, with Oriental carpets, folkloric performances by torchlight, and a 10-horsemen extravaganza.

Marvel at **dramatic lunar landscapes**, explore beautifully preserved medieval towns, and visit the largest solar observatory in the world—all in the Canary Islands.

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SMITH ALUMNAE,

Embark on a grand voyage to exotic ports of call in Morocco and the Canary Islands aboard the romantic *Sea Cloud II*. This adventure encompasses a variety of experiences, from glimpses of local life in Marrakech's medina and the Berber villages of the High Atlas Mountains to the lunar landscapes of Tenerife and the Jameos del Agua fusion of nature and art on Lanzarote in the Canary Islands. A special and unique experience will be sailing in tandem with the legendary *Sea Cloud*, marveling at the maneuvers of these two beautiful windjammers as they glide along side by side under full sail.

In the company of Professor Gregory White, begin this adventure in Marrakech, with three nights at the renowned La Mamounia hotel. Discover the cultural and culinary riches of Marrakech and the surrounding countryside with a choice of included excursions to best match your interests, then gather for a gala feast and Berber Fantasia horsemanship performance at a deluxe private tented camp to cap the Marrakech portion of your adventure.

Continue to Casablanca, where the elegant *Sea Cloud II* awaits. Before embarkation, lunch at Rick's Café and visit the Hassan II Mosque. Once aboard ship, set sail south along the coast of Morocco, cruising alongside the *Sea Cloud*, with wonderful photo opportunities of these two landmark vessels sailing in parallel. Upon arrival in the Canary Islands, discover dramatic lunar landscapes and visit the open-air sculptures of renowned local artist Cesar Manrique on Lanzarote. On Tenerife, the largest and most populous islands, explore the beautifully preserved medieval town of La Laguna and visit one of the planet's most important astronomical observatories, Izaña Observatory, located in Teide National Park, site of the highest mountain in Spain. Disembark in Las Palmas de Gran Canaria for flights home. For those who wish to explore more of Morocco, an optional five-night pre-tour extension to Rabat, Fes, and the Middle Atlas is available.

This trip combines several popular destinations: Morocco, the Canary Islands, and the *Sea Cloud II* itself, and will surely fill quickly. To ensure your place on this voyage, please call Smith Travel at (800) 225-2029 or go to <http://alumnae.smith.edu/travel>.

Best regards,



Elizabeth Bigwood
Director, Smith Travel
Office of Alumnae Relations





SMITH STUDY LEADER



GREGORY WHITE is the Mary Huggins Gamble Chair of Government at Smith College. A political scientist, he focuses on North Africa, environmental politics, and migration/refugee studies. He received a doctorate in political science and African studies from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, and has held

Fulbright scholarships to Tunisia and Morocco. Professor White will discuss the impact of climate change on North Africa's political economy and society.



LAWRENCE ROSEN is Professor of Anthropology Emeritus at Yale, adjunct professor of law at Columbia Law School, and a member of Princeton's Institute for Advanced Studies. As an anthropologist, Professor Rosen works on Arab social life and Islamic law, with

long-term experience doing fieldwork in Morocco and Tunisia. As a legal scholar, he works on the rights of indigenous peoples and American socio-legal issues.



JAMES SALZMAN, the Donald Bren Distinguished Professor of Environmental Law with joint appointments at the UCLA School of Law and at the School of the Environment at UC Santa Barbara, is an international expert on drinking water.

His scholarship topics range from water to wildlife, from climate change to creating markets for ecosystems. Active in the fields of practice and policy, he serves as a member of the Trade and Environment Policy Advisory Committee and the National Drinking Water Advisory Committee, government-appointed bodies providing high-level counsel to the EPA Administrator, as well as an advisor to several environmental nonprofits.



JOHN MEFFERT, consultant on Heritage Conservation Services, has a long tradition with the National Trust for Historic Preservation. He served as director of the Trust's Southern Office and of the Preservation Society of Charleston, the oldest nonprofit

organization in the United States.

Enjoy the bright colors of Moroccan spices (cover), the thrill of sailing in tandem with the legendary Sea Cloud (pictured here), and the volcanic landscapes of the Canary Islands (back cover).

ECHIUW WILDPRETII (TEIDE BUGLOSS) IN BLOOM, TEIDE NATIONAL PARK



HASSAN II MOSQUE, CASABLANCA



WOMAN ON MOROCCAN STREET



COLORFUL CANARY ISLAND HOUSE FAÇADES

12TH-century El Badii Palace, whose exquisite inlaid-wood pulpit has been restored by the Metropolitan Museum of Art; the Moorish-Andalusian Bahia Palace; and the Jewish Quarter, with its 15TH-century synagogue. After lunch, the remainder of the afternoon and evening are at leisure for independent explorations and dining. LA MAMOUNIA (B,L)

Tuesday, November 6

Marrakech

Today offers another choice of two included options. **(1)** Travel into the Berber countryside in four-wheel-drive vehicles, observing breathtaking valleys, timeless villages, panoramic landscapes, and the snowcapped High Atlas Mountains. Visit the cliff-hanging village of Tizi Oudou and the lush, green, orchard-filled valley of Ouirgane, arriving for lunch at an idyllic mountain resort set amid 25 acres of gardens. Or **(2)** visit a selection of Marrakech's top private museums—the Dar Tiskwin Museum with its displays of rural North African crafts; the Dar Si Said Museum in a grandiose 19TH-century palace; and the exquisite Museum of Berber Culture within the exotic Majorelle Garden. Continue with a tasting tour to local food markets and stalls, Spice Square, and the bustling main square of Jemaa el Fna. **(All)** Gather this evening for a gala 1001 Nights dinner at a private tented camp set among date palms, featuring traditional cuisine, folkloric entertainment, and a thrilling 10-horsemen Berber Fantasia performance.

LA MAMOUNIA (B,L,D)

Wednesday, November 7

Casablanca

After a three-hour drive to Casablanca, enjoy lunch at Rick's Café, designed to recreate the café/piano bar made famous in the movie classic *Casablanca*. The house pianist is well accustomed to requests for "As Time Goes By" on the café's authentic 1930s Pleyel piano. Casablanca is also well known for its Art Deco architecture, the theme of this afternoon's panoramic city tour, which also includes a photo stop at the Hassan II Mosque, the largest mosque in Morocco, and a visit to the central food and flower market. Embark the *Sea Cloud II* and set sail, enjoying a welcome reception, dinner, and star-gazing under a new moon. SEA CLOUD II

(B,L,R,D)

Thursday, November 8

At Sea

Enjoy the thrilling experience of sailing in tandem with the elegant *Sea Cloud* along the coast of Morocco. There will be abundant photo opportunities as the crew demonstrates rigging the ship by hand (weather permitting), and time to attend presentations by the lecture team. SEA CLOUD II (B,L,D)

Friday, November 9

Agadir

Dock in Agadir and travel through the Sous Valley to the historic market town of Taroudant, its 11TH-century ramparts still mostly intact. Once a trading post for caravans coming from Saharan regions, Taroudant retains the feel of a medieval city,

Saturday–Sunday, November 3–4

Home / Marrakech, Morocco

Depart home on an overnight flight to Marrakech. Upon arrival, check in to the elegant La Mamounia hotel. Later, enjoy a welcome reception and dinner with musical accompaniment at Palais Soleiman.

LA MAMOUNIA (R,D)

Monday, November 5

Marrakech

Choose between two included options today. **(1)** Explore the hidden quarters of the Marrakech medina, evocative of the city's medieval past, for glimpses of authentic local life—a bakery, theological school, café, and handmade crafts. Also visit the Marrakech Museum, housed in the 19TH-century Dar Menebhi Palace, a representative example of Andalusian architecture featuring fountains, a central courtyard, a steam bath (*hammam*), and intricate tilework and carvings. Or **(2)** discover some of Marrakech's architectural gems, including the 12TH-century Koutoubia Mosque; splendid 16TH-century interiors at the necropolis of the Saadian Dynasty; the



VOLUBILIS

OPTIONAL PRE-TOUR EXTENSION

Rabat, Fes, and the Middle Atlas

October 29–November 4, 2018

Arrive in Casablanca and travel to Morocco's stately capital of Rabat for a two-night stay at a lovely boutique hotel, with rooms opening up to an exotic garden. See architectural highlights of the capital and learn about the historic relationship between Morocco and the U.S. during a guest lecture. Visit the ancient Roman site of Volubilis (left) and the 17TH-century Imperial City of Meknes en route to Fes, the spiritual capital of Morocco. Stay in Fes for two nights at a deluxe riad (traditional Moroccan palace surrounding an interior courtyard), and explore 9TH-century "Old" Fes, considered the last true example of a typical medieval Arab town, with its famed colorful leather tanneries, bazaars, and crafts workshops. Enjoy a final night at a lakeside resort in the Middle Atlas (between Beni Mellal and Ouzoud), stopping to see the last forest of great Mediterranean cedars, before arriving in Marrakech to begin the main tour. Additional details and pricing will be sent to confirmed participants.

with alleys shaded by reed canopies and open-air markets. Continue south to Tiout, a Berber village situated in the foothills of the Anti-Atlas Mountains, surrounded by an oasis of thousands of date palm trees. After lunch at a local restaurant, walk into the oasis to observe traditional agricultural methods and to visit a women's co-op where argan oil is processed for culinary and cosmetic purposes. *SEA CLOUD II (B,L,D)*

Saturday, November 10

At Sea

Relax aboard ship during a second day at sea, including sailing alongside the *Sea Cloud* and a continuation of the lecture series. (B,L,D)

Sunday, November 11

Lanzarote, Canary Islands, Spain

This morning arrive at the main port of Arrecife on Lanzarote in the Canary Islands, an archipelago of seven large and several smaller volcanic islands. The island's enduring natural state of stark beauty is the legacy primarily of one man, Cesar Manrique, an internationally recognized artist who dedicated his life to achieving a balance between tourism and the authenticity of his native island. Visit his former home in Tahiche, half submerged in volcanic rock and now an art gallery and cultural center, and Jameos del Agua, a spectacularly unique fusion of volcanic geological features and art envisioned and created by Manrique. This afternoon continue cruising to Tenerife.

SEA CLOUD II (B,L,D)

Monday, November 12

Tenerife, Canary Islands

Disembark at Santa Cruz de Tenerife for a visit to the UNESCO World Heritage-designated town of San Cristóbal de La Laguna, considered one of the most picturesque towns in the Canary Islands. During a walking tour of the town, founded in the late 15TH century, marvel at the astonishing number of elegant historic buildings and traditional patios dating from different eras. The ship remains in port tonight, and travelers are welcome to disembark for independent exploration after dinner. *SEA CLOUD II (B,L,D)*

Tuesday, November 13

Tenerife

Today choose from one of two included excursions. (1) Parque Nacional de Teide, a UNESCO World Heritage site, boasts the highest peak in Spain as well as fascinating geological features of basalt, pumice, and obsidian that represent nearly the entire

range of volcanic formations found around the world. Learn about the park's unique geology and plant life and meet scientific researchers who use powerful telescopes to probe the skies at Izaña Observatory. (2) Take a panoramic tour of the island, including a special wine tasting, an easy nature walk through Anaga Rural Park, and photo opportunities in picturesque historic towns. Enjoy the captain's farewell dinner as the ship departs Tenerife. *SEA CLOUD II (B,L,D)*

Wednesday, November 14

Las Palmas, Gran Canaria / Home

Disembark this morning in Las Palmas de Gran Canaria and transfer to the airport for flights home. (B)





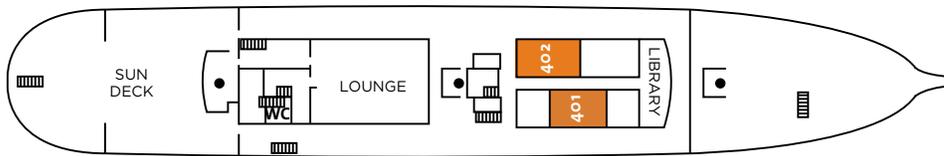
SEA CLOUD II

Christened in 2001, the *Sea Cloud II* is perhaps the most luxurious three-masted sailing yacht on the seas today. Like Marjorie Merriweather Post's legendary *Sea Cloud*, the *Sea Cloud II* combines the seafaring elegance of a bygone era with the highest modern standards of luxury. In the grand tradition of the world's finest sailing vessels, guests experience this marvelous ship under sail (weather

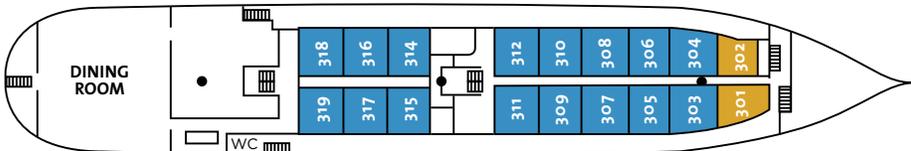
permitting), as the skilled crew hand-sets more than 30,000 square feet of canvas. The *Sea Cloud II* offers an intimate setting of just 47 beautifully appointed cabins, gracious common areas, world-class service, and five-star dining.



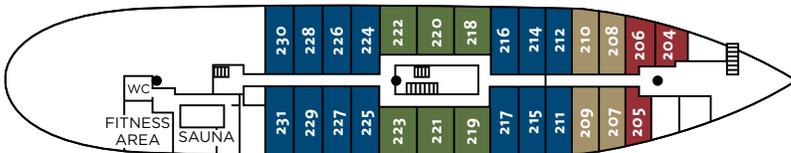
CATEGORY 4 CABIN



LIDO DECK (CATEGORY 7)



PROMENADE DECK (CATEGORIES 5 & 6)



CABIN DECK (CATEGORIES 1-4)

PROGRAM RATES, PER PERSON

| CATEGORY/DECK | | DOUBLE | SINGLE |
|---------------|---|----------|----------|
| 1 | Cabin Deck, 150 sq. ft., upper & lower single beds, two portholes, shower | \$6,995 | \$10,495 |
| 2 | Cabin Deck, 204 sq. ft., forward, queen bed or two single beds, two portholes, shower | \$8,995 | \$13,495 |
| 3 | Cabin Deck, 215 sq. ft., queen bed or two single beds, two portholes, shower | \$9,995 | \$14,995 |
| 4 | Cabin Deck, 226 sq. ft., queen bed, three portholes, shower | \$10,995 | — |
| 5 | Promenade Deck, 215 sq. ft., queen bed, panorama windows, shower | \$11,995 | — |
| 6 | Promenade Deck, 247 sq. ft. (Cabin 303, 237 sq. ft.; Cabin 304, 231 sq. ft.), queen bed or two single beds, panorama windows, bathtub | \$13,995 | — |
| 7 | Lido Deck, 290 sq. ft., king bed, panorama windows, bathtub, separate shower | \$15,995 | — |

NOTE: Cabins in Categories 2, 3, and 6 are equipped with two mattresses that can be configured as either 1 or 2 beds. Queen and king beds in categories 4, 5, and 7 are comprised of two mattresses, fixed side-by-side.

PROGRAM RATES INCLUDE

All accommodations, meals, and excursions as specified in the itinerary

- Full program of briefings, lectures, and presentations
- Scheduled transfers on group arrival and departure days
- Baggage handling
- Gratuities to porters, wait staff, guides, drivers, and shipboard personnel
- Entrance fees
- Welcome and farewell receptions
- House wine, beer, and soft drinks with all group lunches and dinners
- Bottled water on motorcoaches
- Professional tour manager

WHAT TO EXPECT This is a moderately strenuous program, at times physically demanding and busy, with considerable walking at some sites. Daily activities can involve up to two miles of walking, over sometimes rough terrain; often elevators are unavailable and stairs may not have handrails. Participants should be fit and in active good health. Limited medical facilities are available on board *Sea Cloud II*, and there is no elevator between decks. We will be cruising in the open Atlantic, and seas can be choppy. By forwarding the deposit for passage, the participant certifies that s/he does not have any physical or other limitation that would create a hazard for her/himself or other travelers.

A NOTE ABOUT COSTS Tour costs are based upon current fuel prices, currency values, taxes, tariffs, and a minimum number of participants. While we will do everything possible to maintain the listed prices, they are subject to change. If there are significant changes, details and costs will be advised prior to departure.

AIR ARRANGEMENTS Valerie Wilson Travel, Inc., can help with airline arrangements for this trip and can be reached at (877) 376-1754. You are also welcome to book your air transportation through your local travel agent, an online travel site, or the airline of your choice. Please note: U.S. domestic and international airfare is not included in the program rates. Round-trip economy-class airfare from New York to Marrakech, Morocco, with return from Las Palmas, Canary Islands, is approximately \$1,170 per person as of November 2017 and is subject to change without notice.

GENERAL INFORMATION

PROGRAM RATES DO NOT INCLUDE U.S. domestic and international airfare • Passport/visa expenses • Medical expenses and immunizations • Travel insurance • Deviations from the scheduled tour • Airport transfers outside of group arrival and departure dates • Excess-baggage charges • Meals not specified in the itinerary; dishes and beverages not part of the included meals • Laundry or dry cleaning • Telephone, email and fax charges • Room service • Other items of a personal nature.

INSURANCE A trip protection plan is available at extra cost. Upon receiving your reservation, Smith Travel will send you information on this policy. This comprehensive guest protection plan covers trip cancellation for medical reasons, trip delay, medical expenses, accidental death, lost baggage, and medical evacuation.

GROUP SIZE This program is limited to 76 participants, including travelers from Smith College, Princeton, Yale, the National Trust for Historic Preservation, and, *during the cruise portion only*, additional international travelers who book with Sea Cloud Cruises directly.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

RESERVATIONS & PAYMENTS To reserve space, return the completed reservation form with your \$1,000 per person deposit to: Smith Travel, 33 Elm Street, Northampton, MA 01063, or fax to (413) 585-2015. Balance of payment is due July 6, 2018. We accept personal checks, payable to Criterion Travel, as well as VISA, MasterCard, American Express, and Discover. Reservations will be processed in order of receipt.

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RESERVATION FORM

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PAYMENT

Enclosed is my check for \$ _____ (\$1,000 per person, payable to Criterion Travel), to reserve _____ place(s) on *Morocco & the Canary Islands* OR

Please charge my deposit to:

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CREDIT CARD NUMBER

EXP. DATE

CARDHOLDER SIGNATURE

SECURITY CODE

I/we understand that final payment is due July 6, 2018, 120 days prior to departure. Registrations after July 6, 2018: full payment is due.

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SMITH AFFILIATION

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SINGLE TRAVELERS

I prefer to have single accommodations.

I plan to share accommodations with _____

I'd like to know about roommates.

I am a Non-smoker Smoker.

I understand that if a roommate cannot be found by the final payment deadline of July 6, 2018, I will pay the single rate.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Cabin category preference: 1ST _____ 2ND _____

Bed preference in hotel (not guaranteed): Two beds One bed

I/we have read the tour information and agree to the Terms & Conditions therein.

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