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Make 2019 the year you join a Smith Travel trip! We are proud of the program we have assembled this year and confident that you will find unexpected delights wherever you choose to go.

So, begin your journey on the pages of this catalog and join us for the trip of a lifetime.

Warmest wishes,

Elizabeth A. Bigwood
Director for Travel and Education
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Smith College

meet our team

Elizabeth Bigwood, Director for Travel and Education

Krystle Ellis, Program Assistant
It was a great pleasure to connect my fields of study (American literature and Asian American studies) with the destination (Southeast Alaska) for such a gracious and receptive audience of Smithies, their families, and guests. Smith alumnae loved hearing about how the college continues to thrive, and I loved learning from them about what wonderful lives they’ve built with the help of their Smith educations.”

~ Floyd Cheung, Professor of English Language and Literature

Steven Heydemann, Ph.D.
Janet Wright Ketcham 1953
Professor in Middle East Studies and Professor of Government
The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia: Land of Surprises and Contrasts
February 21–March 3, 2019

Anna Botta, Ph.D.
Professor of Italian Studies and of Comparative Literature
The Extraordinary Art and Culture of Emilia Romagna
April 28–May 6, 2019

Janie Vanpée ’72, Ph.D.
Professor of French Studies and Comparative Literature
Belgium and Holland by Barge
May 3–11, 2019

Rick Fantasia, Ph.D.
Barbara Richmond 1940
Professor in the Social Sciences and Professor of Sociology
Springtime in Provence, Burgundy and Beaujolais: Cruising the Rhône and Saône Rivers
May 8–16, 2019

“The trip exceeded our expectations! The tour company was excellent: helpful at every point, outstanding guide, and itinerary was wonderful.” ~ Joan Leighton ’68
Expedition to Antarctica
aboard Le Boréal
January 5–18

New Zealand by Sea
aboard Caledonian Sky
January 13–26
Auckland, Rotorua, Wellington, Marlborough Sounds, Lyttelton, Christchurch, Dunedin, Stewart Island, Doubtful Sound, Dusky Sound, Milford Sound, Queenstown.

Journey through Vietnam
February 8–24

Passage through the Panama Canal and Costa Rica
aboard Le Champlain
February 10–18
Panama City, San Blas Islands, Colón, Isla Cébaco, Quepos, Manuel Antonio National Park, Curú National Wildlife Refuge, Isla Tortuga, Puerto Caldera, San José. Pre-tour extension to Panama. Post-tour extension to Costa Rica.

The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia:
Land of Surprises and Contrasts
February 21–March 3
Riyadh, D'Iriyah, D'ira Souq, Jeddah, Al Balad, Hail, Faid, Wadi Al Adayra, Great Nafud Desert.

Guatemala: Land of Eternal Spring
March 5–15
Guatemala City, Yaxhá, Topoxté, Tikal, Chichicastenango, Panajachel, Santiago, Antigua. Post-tour extension to Copan, Honduras.

On the Road to Freedom:
Understanding the Civil Rights Movement
March 10–17
Jackson, Little Rock, Memphis, Birmingham, Montgomery, Selma.

Spain: Andalucía in a Parador
March 28–April 5
Málaga, Antequera, Granada, Sevilla, Ronda, Córdoba, El Torcal de Antequera Nature Reserve.

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The Extraordinary Art and Culture of Emilia Romagna
April 28–May 6
Reggio Emilia, Cremona, Bologna, Modena, Mantova, Parma, Fontanellato.

Belgium and Holland by Barge aboard Magnifique III
May 3–11

Springtime in Provence, Burgundy and Beaujolais: Cruising the Rhône and Saône Rivers aboard Amadeus Provence
May 8–16

Exploring Iceland
June 27–July 7

Alaska’s Glaciers and the Inside Passage aboard Le Soléal
July 6–13

Canada by Luxury Rail aboard The Canadian
July 11–17
Vancouver, Kamloops, Jasper, Edmonton, Winnipeg, Hornepayne, Toronto, Niagara Falls. Pre-tour extension to Victoria.

Waterways of Russia aboard the Volga Dream
August 2–13
St. Petersburg, Lake Ladoga, Svirstroy, Svir River, Lake Onega, Kizhi Island, Goritsy, Sheksna River, Lake Rybinskoye, Yaroslavl, Uglich, Volga River, Moscow. Post-tour extension to Moscow.

Portugal: The Artistic, Architectural and Literary Heritage
June 11–20
Lisbon, Braga, Aveleda, Lousada, Coimbra, Óbidos, Sintra, Belém.
Discover the Galapagos Islands aboard *Isabela II*
August 21–28
quito, baltra, Santa Cruz Highlands, puerto Ayora, Floreana, Post Office Bay, punta Cormorant, Española, San Cristóbal, punta Pitt, Cerro Brujo, Guayaquil.
Pre-tour extension to Mashpi Lodge.
Post-tour extension to Machu Picchu.

Grand Seine River and Normandy Passage aboard *Renoir*
October 12–20

Cruising the Adriatic: Slovenia and Croatia aboard *Queen Eleganza*
September 8–19
Ljubljana, Rovinj, Plitvice Lake National Park, Veliki Brijun, Pula, Zadar, Split, Hvar, Korčula.

Ancient Greece
September 23–October 6
Athens, Nafplion, Delphi, Corinth, Mycenae, Epidaurus, Hydra, Heraklion (Crete), Spinalonga, Oia, Akrotiri (Santorini).

Ancient Empires: A Voyage From Rome to Malta aboard *Le Bougainville*
September 26–October 4
Rome, Civitavecchia, Sorrento, Pompeii, Amalfi Coast, Positano, Capri, Stromboli, Taormina, Naxos, Syracuse, Porto Empedocle, Agrigento, Valletta.
Pre-tour extension to Rome. Post-tour extension to Malta.

Southern Africa Odyssey
October 31–November 17
Johannesburg, Rosebank, Victoria Falls, Chobe National Park, Windhoek, Sossusvlei, Swakopmund, Cape Town.
Post-tour extension to Kruger National Park.

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