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## CHARM AND HERITAGE OF THE NORTH AMERICAN SHORES SMALL SHIP CRUISE

Fall under the spell of the elegance of the captivating North American shores, from Nova Scotia to the East coast of the United States. You will set off to encounter large preserved spaces, cultural treasures and emblematic cities. On these shores, the cliffs, lush forests, coves and protected bays offer a setting that is at once wild and peaceful. From Lunenburg to Yarmouth, you will plunge into the Acadian culture and the history of Canada, before falling under the spell of the East Coast's charm and gentle way of life. There, you will discover a passionate heritage and an architecture that is profoundly influenced by the colonial and maritime past of this region, the veritable cradle of the United States. Finally, the legendary New York will punctuate this journey, revealing the majestic Statue of Liberty from the sea.



### ITINERARY

#### Day 1 - Halifax

A historical port city on the Canadian east coast, **Halifax**, surrounded by enchanting nature, stands out as the **provincial capital and the cultural hub of Nova Scotia**. The city played an important strategic military role in the two world wars and was also the **largest Royal Navy base** during the American Revolutionary War and the Napoleonic Wars. Most of the victims of the Titanic disaster were laid to rest here in the Fairview cemetery, which you will have the chance to discover. At this port of call, you will also have the opportunity to **visit the picturesque fishing village of Peggy's Cove** and discover its breathtaking natural landscapes.

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### Day 2 - Lunenburg

Stretching out along the eastern seaboard of **Nova Scotia**, the picturesque port of **Lunenburg** will leave an indelible impression. You can admire the colonial architecture of this fishing village whilst strolling through the chequerboard streets studded with brightly coloured houses. The enchanting charm of the old town has earned it **UNESCO World Heritage status**. The former naval shipyard town of Lunenburg is where you will also find the replica of the legendary **Bluenose schooner**, originally built in this port.

### Day 3 - Yarmouth, Nova Scotia

**Yarmouth**, anchored on the south-western coast of Nova Scotia, is appreciated for its maritime charm. A historic port and the second southernmost town in Canada, the charming little town is overflowing with rich Acadian culture, evidence of its vibrant past. The Acadians, descendants of the French settlers who arrived at the start of the 1600s, have conserved their language, culture, customs and traditions. Explore the **emblematic Cape Forchu Lighthouse**, with its spectacular ocean views, and fall under the charm of the **warm and welcoming atmosphere** that reigns in its streets edged with colourful houses as well as around its lively quays.

### Day 4 - Eastport

At the Canadian border, **Eastport** is, as its name suggests, the easternmost city in the United States. It is here that, in 1604, the first French people to arrive in the New World settled. Discover their story at **the Saint Croix Island International Historic Site**. In the late 19th century, this charming town in Maine grew significantly as a result of the development of the canned sardine industry. At the time, the town boasted more than a dozen sardine canneries. The architecture and some

mansions from this period live on, affording the town a distinct elegance. One of the attractions of this town is undeniably its proximity to the **Old Sow Whirlpool**, the largest tidal whirlpool in the Northern Hemisphere, where visitors can watch the birds and marine mammals that come to feed on the nutrients driven up to the surface.

### Day 5 - Portland

The former colonial maritime port of Portland, lying in the hollow of Casco Bay, will fascinate you with its abundant nature, cultural riches and unique atmosphere. Let yourself be guided by the salty air of the Atlantic and admire the colourful fishing boats in the old port. A stroll through the paved little streets edged with historical red-brick buildings from the 19th century promises you an extraordinary journey back in time. This city of nature is home to many verdant parks, botanical gardens and other nature reserves where you will find it easy to recharge your batteries and reconnect with the elements.

### Day 6 - Boston

Nicknamed "**America's Walking City**", the city is considered to be the epicentre of American history. Founded in 1630, the tenth largest agglomeration in the United States, is a pleasure for walkers. To get around, just follow the Freedom Trail circuit that serves most of the tourist sites with its red line traced on the ground. Don't miss all the delicious local specialities on offer at Quincy Market, like the lobster sandwich, and then take time to explore North End, the Italian quarter. For the more romantic among you, **Beacon Hill**, the historic quarter, with its absolutely charming cobbled streets, is really worth a look.

### Day 7 - Oak Bluffs, Martha's Vineyard

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This little town is the ideal starting point for a stroll around Martha's Vineyard ». The **gentle lifestyle** of this incomparable setting has been attracting American presidents for several decades. Oak Bluffs will surprise you first and foremost by its **Gingerbread Houses**. The story goes that the **Methodist community** settled here more than a century ago, and built these colourful houses, straight out of the Hansel and Gretel fairytale. You'll certainly enjoy a visit to the **Flying Horses**, the oldest wooden carrousel in the United States.

### Day 8 - Newport

This marina harbour, with only 25,000 inhabitants, boasts fabulous Gilded Age mansions inspired by French and Italian palaces. One example is **The Elms**, the summer residence of the Berwind family, who made their fortune in the coal industry. Another is the imposing **Chateau-sur-Mer** built by the Wetmore family. But the cream of the crop is **The Breakers**, a Renaissance-style palace composed of 70 rooms.

### Day 9 - New York

The biggest city in the United States is fascinating on many accounts. With its five particularly spread out districts - Manhattan, Queens, Brooklyn, the Bronx and Staten Island -, it offers an **incredible number of cultural interests**. You'll just love taking in the constant buzz in **Times Square**, visit Ground Zero, taking a stroll in Central Park's 341 hectares, or climbing to the top of the **Statue of Liberty**. Not surprising then that the Big Apple is to be consumed without moderation!

Please note:

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## YOUR SHIP: L'AUSTRAL

<b>YOUR SHIP:</b>	<b>L'Austral</b>
<b>VESSEL TYPE:</b>	<b>142 metres. Passenger Capacity: 264 (200 in Antarctica). Built: 2011</b>
<b>LENGTH:</b>	<b>2011</b>
<b>PASSENGER CAPACITY:</b>	
<b>BUILT/REFURBISHED:</b>	

Luxury Expedition / Cruise Ship This superb mega-yacht with 132 cabins is the result of the expertise of the Italian Fincantieri shipyard and French sophistication, as interpreted by designer Jean-Philippe Nuel. L'Austral has a unique atmosphere, a subtle blend of luxury, intimacy and well-being. A sleek silhouette softened by elegantly smooth contours and large, arched windows opening up to the sea and the light: so many features come together to give L'Austral her distinctive shape. Precious materials, discreet elegance and a perfect balance between chic and casual, combine to make you feel as if you are on your own private yacht. A design blending tradition and innovation, where a nautical mood has been subtly recreated. Precious materials in soothing neutral tones are brought to life with splashes of cheerful reds. So many personal touches create the spirit of a "private yacht". Suites and staterooms You can expect magnificent ocean views as 124 staterooms and suites have balconies. Individually-controlled airconditioning · Cabin layout: kingsize bed, or twin beds, communicating cabins available (children welcome) · Minibar · Flat screen satellite TV · iPod™

players · Desk with stationery · Electronic safe · French bath products · Dressing table and hairdryer · Bath robes · Satellite direct line telephone · 110/220 volts · 24hr room service · WiFi · Balcony Cuisine Loyal to the great French tradition, the haute cuisine on board is worthy of the finest restaurants, where discreet, attentive service is the hallmark. Choose from two restaurants for breakfasts, lunch and dinner. The Gastronomic Restaurant is situated on Le Liberte Deck and serves you French and international cuisine accompanied by fine wine. On the Grill Restaurant, you have the opportunity to eat outside and enjoy buffet lunch and themed dinner. Life On Board Whether you want to join other guests in the theatre or games area (Wii™ consoles, etc), or relax on your own in a quiet corner of the library, L'Austral has been designed to meet the needs of every guest. Everything has been done to preserve the independence of each guest to suit their personal tastes: lounges for lectures and shows, a spa in partnership with Sothys™, but also more intimate spaces such as the library and internet corner. Comfortable cabins, nearly all with private balcony, are available for families either as triples or as communicating cabins. There is also a games area with Wii™ consoles, children's menus, and a baby-sitting service. Just as if you were on a private yacht, your time is your own to do as you please. Fitted with the latest equipment (Kinesis Wall, running machine) and in partnership with the famous Sothys™ brand, the Beauty Centre on L'Austral welcomes you for some unforgettable moments of relaxation and pampering (beauty treatments, hairdresser). Wheelchairs 3 specially adapted wheelchair cabins (Deck 3 = Superior cabin no. 307, no balcony, Deck 4 = Prestige Cabin no. 407 - with

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balcony and Deck 5 = Prestige Cabin no 509, with balcony) and lifts to all decks/areas. Details Please click the following links to read more about Ponant and the other Ponant



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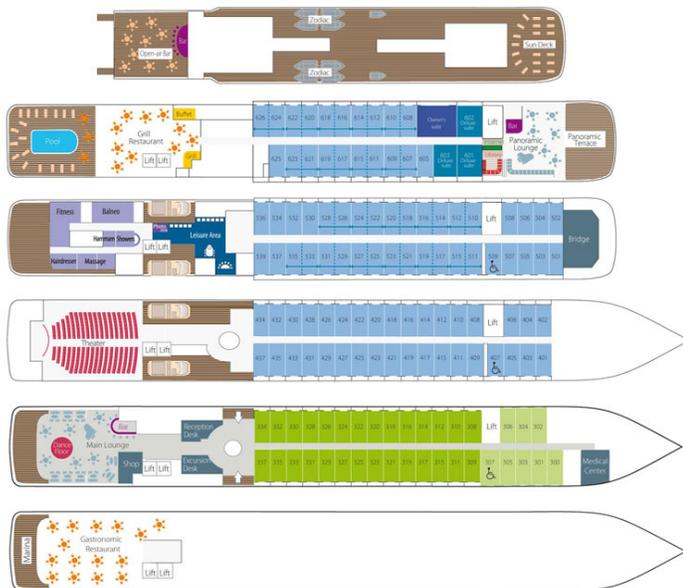
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