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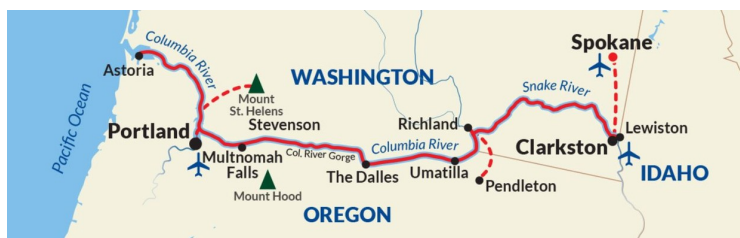
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### COLUMBIA AND SNAKE RIVERS CRUISE (AMERICAN SONG)

Embrace your inner pioneer as you travel along the epic route forged by Lewis and Clark more than 200 years ago. View the lush landscapes of the Columbia River Gorge and be awed by the magnificent Multnomah Falls. Visit Mount St. Helens with our local expert and learn how the eruption has affected the landscape and surrounding communities. Enjoy a trip to wine country and stop at a local winery for a tasting of the area's finest varietals. Along the way, be entertained by onboard musicians performing maritime songs, sea shanties, and selections from "The Great American Songbook."



#### ITINERARY

##### Pre-Cruise Portland, OR

Each Columbia and Snake Rivers itinerary comes complete with a Complimentary Pre-Cruise Package, providing you with a seamless way to board the ship and explore the local area. Arrive the day before your scheduled cruise date and American Cruise Lines will handle the rest. The package includes a premium hotel stay, where you can enjoy the city at your leisure. On the morning of the cruise, meet in the hotel lobby after breakfast and we will transport you to the ship to begin your cruise. All luggage will be brought directly from the hotel and placed in your stateroom aboard the ship. \*Pre-Cruise Package is not available for reservations made within 30 days of cruise date.

##### Day 1 Portland, OR

Situated between the waters of the Columbia and Willamette Rivers, Portland's history is forever entwined with the fortunes of the great rivers. In the golden age of riverboats, sternwheelers crossed Portland's waterfront while steam whistles and calliopes rang out across the water. Today, highlights include the Portland Art Museum, the International Rose Test Garden, and the famous Powell's Bookstore, filling an entire city block.

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### Day 2 Astoria, OR

A nationally significant historic region at the western end of the Lewis & Clark Trail, Astoria is the oldest American settlement west of the Rockies. In the winter of 1805-06, the Lewis & Clark Corps of Discovery Expedition was headquartered at Fort Clatsop. In 1955, a replica of the fort was built near the original site and was eventually named a National Monument. With its steep hills and beautiful Victorian homes, Astoria has been called the "Little San Francisco of the Pacific Northwest" and has a revitalized downtown ideal for shopping and dining.

### Day 3 Mount St. Helens, WA

Perhaps the most impactful of all landmarks in the region is Mount St. Helens. From high on an overlook, bear witness to the awesome power of the volcano whose eruption in 1980 scorched 230 square miles of forest land and forever changed the landscape. Expert guides will show you the pumice plain and lava dome as they explain the effect the volcano had on the lives of those in the surrounding towns.

### Day 4 Cruising the Columbia River Gorge / Stevenson, WA

The Columbia River Gorge is a spectacular river canyon cutting the only sea-level route through the Cascade Mountain Range. A popular recreational destination, the gorge holds federally protected status as a National Scenic Area. The cliffs of the gorge look down on quaint riverfront towns and exhilarating waterfalls.

### Day 5 The Dalles, OR

Located in the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area, between Mt. Hood and Mt. Adams on the south bank, The Dalles is a perfect spot to take photographs. Discover the area where Lewis & Clark camped at Rock Fort Camp on their historic

exploration of the Louisiana Purchase territory in 1805-1806.

### Day 6 Pendleton, OR / Richland, WA

Pendleton is known for its beautiful countryside, indigenous Native American tribes, and the network of underground tunnels created a century ago for illicit activities. The area is also famous for its lucrative wool trade in the 18th and 19th-centuries. Visit the REACH Museum in Richland which illustrates the culture and history of the region through engaging exhibits, artifacts, and tours.

### Day 7 Clarkston, WA

The twin cities of Lewiston, ID, and Clarkston, WA, are known as the Northwest's most inland seaports. Along the Snake River, you will find Hells Canyon, the deepest canyon in North America, known for its pristine scenery and thriving wildlife.

### Day 8 Clarkston, WA

After breakfast, explore the scenic city of Clarkston at your leisure. If you need assistance with departure travel arrangements, be sure to ask our onboard hotel manager.

### Please Note:

Itineraries are subject to change. On reverse itineraries, we offer a Pre-Cruise Package which includes a jet boat tour of Hells Canyon. Call a Cruise Specialist to learn more.

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**YOUR SHIP:**

**VESSEL TYPE:**

**LENGTH:**

**PASSENGER CAPACITY:**

**BUILT/REFURBISHED:**



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Port taxes. From 500 USD pp



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