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ABOARD SEA CLOUD II

AUGUST 24 - SEPTEMBER 2, 2024





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- ✓ Experience the splendors of the Golden Age of Sail aboard the gracious *Sea Cloud II*.
- ✓ Discover Diocletian's Palace, a UNESCO World Heritage site in Split that dates to the 4th century.
- ✓ Explore the cobblestone streets and markets of medieval towns like Korčula and Trogir.
- ✓ Learn about the region's many chapters of history at sites like Predjama Castle and Tito's once-secret Cold War tunnels.
- ✓ Travel through the bucolic countryside to taste celebrated local wines at a vineyard and enjoy other regional specialties.

Your Itinerary

- DAY 1 ●** **DUBROVNIK, CROATIA/EMBARK (Depart the US on August 23 on an overnight flight)**
Arrive in Dubrovnik and embark *Sea Cloud II* in the late afternoon. (D)
- DAY 2 ●** **AT SEA/KORČULA**
Gather on deck for a play-by-play description of the crew in the rigging and the action of setting square sails, staysails, and jibs as *Sea Cloud II* shows her full glory. Relax with a book on deck, and enjoy delicious meals and complimentary drinks. Anchor at the island port of Korčula, one of the most beautiful medieval towns in the Balkans. Visit the town's sites and see the house some believe is Marco Polo's birthplace. Later, take some time to enjoy the waterfront. After exploring Korčula, enjoy the captain's welcome evening as *Sea Cloud II* makes her way to Split. (B,L,D)
- DAY 3 ●** **SPLIT/TROGIR**
Delve into the bustling port city of Split this morning, and discover the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Diocletian's Palace, more a small city than a single palace. Built by Emperor Diocletian as a sumptuous place to retire, this site is now a beguiling maze of marble streets, churches, and fortifications that tell the history of the city from the Romans and Byzantines to the modern day. It maintains a lively pulse of shops and street merchants to this day. An afternoon drive takes us along the Dalmatian coastline to medieval Trogir, a small island town also designated a UNESCO site, whose main square, cathedral, streets, and alleyways invite exploration. Return to *Sea Cloud II*, docked in Split, for an overnight sail to Hvar. (B,L,D)
- DAY 4 ●** **HVAR/AT SEA**
At the height of Venetian rule, Hvar was the region's most prosperous center. Set off on a walking tour along the waterfront and inside the delightful walled city. Visit the 15th-century Franciscan monastery, the arsenal, and Croatia's oldest active theater. If you choose, hike up to the citadel for spectacular views of the island and the azure Adriatic beyond. This afternoon, sail to Vis Island. (B,L,D)
- DAY 5 ●** **KOMIŽA**
One of the outermost of Croatia's many islands, Vis was ruled successively by the ancient Greeks, Romans, Venetians, Austrians, and Italians. It became a central Yugoslav military base during World War II, and only opened to tourists in the 1990s, making it less developed and less populated than many of its neighbors. Set out on a walking tour of the fishing town of Komiža, and see the traditional sailing vessels called *falkušas*, which have been used here since the 16th century. Hear about age-old regattas originally designed to keep pirates at bay and take in expansive views from the rugged interior. We'll visit a family-owned winery for a tasting and traditional *peka* lunch. See the extensive tunnels where Yugoslav resistance leader Josip Broz Tito hid troops and weapons at the end of World War II and into the Cold War, and venture to hillside barracks and hidden bunkers. (B,L,D)

Your Itinerary

DAY 6 ●

AT SEA/ZADAR

Weather permitting, we spend the morning with sails unfurled in the Adriatic, sailing along Croatia's Kornati National Park, an archipelago of more than 80 rugged islands. Head toward Zadar, the oldest continuously inhabited city in Croatia. Explore its defensive walls, gates, and bastions, developed during the 16th century to thwart Ottoman incursions. Stroll the ruins of the ancient Roman Forum and visit St. Mary's Church, a Benedictine convent dating back to the 11th century. Here, we'll have an opportunity to meet some of the resident nuns who serve as caretakers of the church and the adjoining treasury, which houses priceless ecclesiastical artifacts of Byzantine and Venetian craftsmanship and an extensive collection of relics. (B,L,D)

DAY 7 ●

AT SEA

A day at sea presents another opportunity to witness *Sea Cloud II's* sails aloft. Admire the passing scenery, and sip on complimentary drinks as you catch up on reading, sort photos, and learn from expedition staff presentations. (B,L,D)

DAY 8 ●

PIRAN, SLOVENIA/LJUBLJANA

Anchor off the gem-like harbor town of Piran, and drive through the tranquil countryside to charming Ljubljana. Architect Jože Plečnik designed the city center when Ljubljana suddenly became a capital city after World War I, and his harmonious blending of old and new, linked by waterways and green spaces, recently earned the city designation as a UNESCO World Heritage site. On a walking tour, see the 15th-century town hall, admire the diverse architectural styles of Prešernov Trg Square, and more. Cross Triple Bridge and stroll along the café-lined Ljubljanica River before a lunch of Slovenian specialties. En route back to the ship, stop for a visit to the 800-year-old Predjama Castle, nestled high on a cliff side. As the sun sets, we'll cast off for Rovinj and the ancient land of the Illyrians. (B,L,D)

DAY 9 ●

ROVINJ, CROATIA

Go ashore in Rovinj, once one of the most important cities in the Venetian Empire. Venture into Rovinj's charming old town set on a tiny peninsula that was an island until 1763. Walk the cobbled streets, peruse the local open-air market, and see sites that illustrate the city's close ties with Venice. Drive through olive groves and vineyards to the Meneghetti Wine Hotel and Winery, sample award-winning vintages, and hear tales of when the region was ruled by the AustroHungarian Empire. Enjoy time at sea this afternoon as *Sea Cloud II* makes way for Venice. (B,L,D)

DAY 10 ●

VENICE, ITALY/DISEMBARK

Arrive in Venice this morning. After breakfast, disembark and transfer to the airport for your flight home. (B)



Sea Cloud II

CAPACITY: 88 guests in 44 cabins.

REGISTRY: Malta. **OVERALL LENGTH:** 384 feet.

A romantic tall ship with every modern comfort, *Sea Cloud II* combines the spaciousness and welcome amenities of a contemporary vessel with the grace and elegance of a square rigger. Inspired by the legendary 1930s yacht *Sea Cloud*, she embodies the Golden Age of Sail, yet is modernly built, reflecting today's standards of luxury.

PUBLIC AREAS: Outdoor spaces like the Lido and Promenade Decks invite relaxation in the open air, where guests can stretch out in a recliner or enjoy a refreshment under the shade of a canopy. The elegant lounge is perfect for nightly cocktails, and a light-filled library is a lovely spot to read. Guests are welcome on the Bridge when conditions permit.

MEALS: Dinners are served in single seating in the spacious restaurant, where breakfasts are also served buffet style, with eggs to order. Lunches, afternoon tea, and some special meals are more "at leisure" on the Lido Deck. All food and drink on board focus on Continental cuisine and local specialties. During your voyage, we will cover your bar tab aboard the ship (excluding certain super-premium brands).

CABINS: All cabins are outside-facing and have portholes or windows, a marble bathroom, television, and period furnishings. Some include special features like a separate sitting area, walk-in dressing area, canopy bed, and electric fireplace.

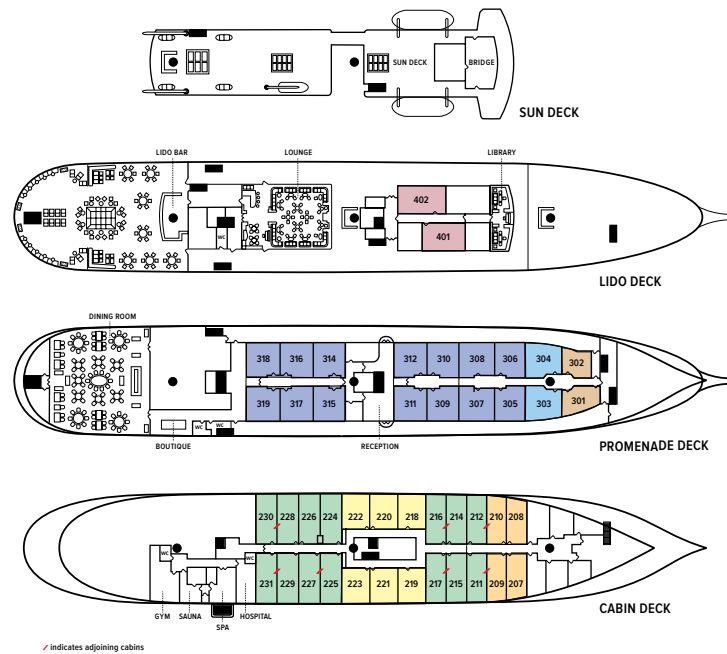
WELLNESS: Unwind in the spa with a sauna or massage. The fitness room includes a treadmill, stationary bicycle, rowing machine, elliptical trainer, and weights.



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CATEGORY 1

Cabin Deck #207-210–236 sq. ft. cabins with a double bed (which can be separated into two single beds), portholes and shower.

CATEGORY 2

Cabin Deck #211-212, 214-217, 224-231–247 sq. ft. cabins with a double bed (which can be separated into two single beds), portholes and shower.

CATEGORY 3

Cabin Deck #218-223–258 sq. ft. cabins with a double bed (which can be separated into two single beds), portholes and shower.

CATEGORY 4

Promenade Deck #301-302–249 sq. ft. cabins with a double bed (which can be separated into two single beds), three large panorama windows and shower.

CATEGORY 5

Promenade Deck #303-304–271 and 265 sq. ft. suites with a double bed (which can be separated into two single beds), three large panorama windows, electric fireplace, walk-in closet and shower bathtub.

CATEGORY 6

Promenade Deck #305-312, #314-319–281 sq. ft. suites with a double bed (which can be separated into two single beds), three large panorama windows, electric fireplace, walk-in closet and shower bathtub.

CATEGORY 7

Lido Deck #401-402–335 sq. ft. suites with a double bed, four large panorama windows, electric fireplace, walk-in closet with wardrobes and separate shower and bathtub.

NOTE: Solo occupancy cabins are available in Category 1 only. Some Category 2 cabins have connecting doors.



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VOYAGE DATES	CAT. 1	CAT. 2	CAT. 3	CAT. 4	CAT. 5	CAT. 6	CAT. 7	CAT. 1 SOLO	ADVANCE PAYMENT
Aug. 24 - Sept. 2, 2024	\$12,140	\$12,690	\$13,270	\$14,610	\$16,790	\$17,970	\$22,470	\$18,210	15% of the cabin fare, per person

Special Offer

MILESTONE CELEBRATION PACKAGE: Celebrate birthdays, anniversaries, family reunions, etc., with your group of eight or more, and receive 5% off, a \$150 shipboard credit for the spa or champagne, a complimentary group photo, and more. Milestone celebration must be communicated at time of booking. Milestone amenity package is one per group, intended for the guest celebrating the Milestone event. Group discount is applicable to cruise portion only, and does not apply towards additional services such as hotels, extensions, airfare, etc. Group cancellation terms also apply. Not combinable with certain offers.



Terms and Conditions

PRICING: Prices are in USD, per person based on double occupancy, subject to availability, and are accurate at time of printing.

COST INCLUDES: Accommodations aboard ship; all meals as indicated in the itinerary; non-alcoholic beverages; beer, wine, cocktails, and spirits, with super premium wines and liquors available for purchase; all shore excursions, sightseeing, special access permits, and entrance fees; transfers to/from airport if traveling on recommended group flights; sauna and fitness room; taxes, service charges; services of Lindblad Expeditions' staff, ship physician and local guides; gratuities to the ship's crew. Unused services or items included in this program are non-refundable.

NOT INCLUDED: Airfare; meals not indicated; extensions; passport and visa fees; travel protection plan; items of a personal nature such as certain super premium brands of alcohol, Wi-Fi, and laundry.

AIRFARE: Airfare is an additional cost. Lindblad Expeditions will gladly assist in making your air arrangements for a \$50 per person service fee.

RESERVATIONS: To confirm your place, an advance payment of 15% of the cabin fare, per person is payable by Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Discover, or check. Receipt of advance payment indicates your acceptance of the terms and conditions.

FINAL PAYMENT: Due no later than 120 days prior to departure. Lindblad Expeditions reserves the right to cancel your reservation if payment has not been received by final payment due date.

TRAVEL PROTECTION PLAN: National Trust Tours strongly recommends the purchase of trip cancellation insurance, which is available for coverage of expenses in conjunction with cancellation due to covered illness or accident. In the event that you must cancel your participation in a travel program, trip cancellation insurance may be the only source of reimbursement. USI Travel Insurance Services offers a plan designed specifically for National Trust Tours travelers, providing coverage for Trip Cancellation, Trip Interruption, Travel Delay, Baggage Delay, Baggage Loss, Emergency Medical and more. Plus, you can upgrade your plan with Cancel For Any Reason (CFAR) coverage for the utmost flexibility. CFAR allows you to cancel your trip for ANY reason at all and be reimbursed up to 70% of your prepaid, non-refundable trip costs (conditions apply, see plan for details). For additional information, please contact National Trust Tours at (888) 484-8785.

ENTRY AND VISA REQUIREMENTS: Guests are advised to verify travel documents (passport/transit visa/entry visa) for the country(s) through which they are transiting and/or entering. Reliable and most current information regarding international travel can be found by

contacting the consulate/embassy of the country(s) you are visiting or transiting through. We will not be responsible if you are denied entry or transit into a country if you are unable to provide valid documents as per the country's requirement.

SMOKING AND VAPING POLICY: Allowed only in designated outdoor areas.

RESPONSIBILITY AND OTHER TERMS & CONDITIONS: Certain other provisions concerning, among other things, limitations of Lindblad Expeditions' and National Geographic Expeditions' (a division of National Geographic Partners, LLC) liability for loss of property, injury, illness, or death during the voyage will be provided to all guests on the ship's ticket sent prior to departure or upon request. By registering for a trip, the guest agrees to all such terms and conditions.

NOTE: Itineraries and prices listed in this brochure are as of publication date and are subject to change. Under normal conditions the total expedition price is guaranteed at the time of booking. However, our expedition pricing is determined far in advance of initial departure on the basis of then-existing projections of fuel and other costs. In the event of increases in those costs, including but not limited to increases in the price of fuel, currency fluctuations, increases in government taxes or levies, or increased security costs, we reserve the right to adjust the price of your expedition or add a surcharge to cover such unexpected increases. We will always provide an explanation of the reason for increase in costs.

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CANCELLATION POLICY	
Number of Days Prior to Expedition Start	Per Person Cancellation Fee
120 or more days	No penalty: Advance Payment will be credited toward your next expedition**
119-90 days	50% of trip cost***
89-0 days	100% of trip cost***

***Advance payments will be credited in the form of a Lindblad Expeditions Travel Certificate, valid for 12 months from the date of cancellation, and which may only be applied towards final payment on any future booking.*

****Trip cost is total price paid including extensions, charter airfare and other additional services.*

We strongly recommend that you purchase a travel protection plan.



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To register, please contact:
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888.484.8785
(Preferred reservation method)

Or, mail this form along
with your deposit to:
Lindblad Expeditions
Attn: Groups Department
96 Morton Street
New York, NY 10014

PASSENGER INFORMATION

Please reserve ____ place(s).

Name 1: _____ M/F: _____
(As it appears on passport)

_____ Date of Birth: _____
(Preferred name for name badge)

Email: _____

Primary Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Name 2: _____ M/F: _____
(As it appears on passport)

_____ Date of Birth: _____
(Preferred name for name badge)

Email: _____

Primary Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

- Accommodations: Double Single Twin share with a friend
 Share with roommate assigned by tour operator.

Please indicate choice of cabin category in order of preference:

1st choice: _____ 2nd choice _____

If paying by check, please make payable to: **Lindblad Maritime Enterprises, Ltd.**
Enclosed is my advance payment of \$ _____

If paying by credit card, we will contact you to finalize your booking and collect
payment information.