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National Trust Tours

Northern Italy Under Sail: Maritime Heritage & Cultural Treasures

MAY 15-22, 2024 | ABOARD *SEA CLOUD II*





Dear National Trust Traveler,

Ancient fortifications, crumbling castles, and colorful fishing villages are enchanting reminders of Northern Italy's rich seafaring history. Approaching these medieval cities and quaint harbors aboard a romantic tall ship akin to those used in Europe's maritime heyday can feel like stepping back in time. *Sea Cloud II* provides the ideal platform for an unforgettable experience in this captivating region, combining the spaciousness and amenities of a contemporary watercraft with the grace and elegance of a traditional square-rigger. She's also nimble enough to explore the little-known archipelagos and small coves of the Tyrrhenian and Ligurian Seas.

Over the course of eight days, explore an intriguing mix of must-see historic sites and off-the-beaten-path finds. Whether you're interested in history, culture, or cuisine, there's something for everyone in this spellbinding region. Stroll the winding streets of Amalfi, and step back in time amid Pisa's intricate medieval masterpieces, Genoa's Baroque palaces, and Napoleon's villa on Elba. Along the way, savor local wines, pesto, focaccia, and other Ligurian delicacies.

A veteran team of historians, cultural experts, and archaeologists will be on hand to provide their expert perspectives on the history and culture all around you. We'll also be joined by expert photographer and cultural specialist, Massimo Bassano, who will help ensure you capture your incredible memories of *bella italia*, as he shares his stories of growing up in coastal Italy.

The elegant *Sea Cloud II* makes the most fitting platform for your spectacular Italian adventure. An expansive outdoor deck is a perfect spot to soak in the Mediterranean scenery and savor the romance of traveling under billowing sail. Immerse yourself fully in the opulence of a more glamorous past with all of our modern conveniences on this 2024 voyage.

To reserve your place, please return the reservation form or call 888-484-8785 or 202-588-6300.

Warmest regards,



Meg Annacone-Poretz, MTA
Director, National Trust Tours

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Sea Cloud II: Sail the Mediterranean in Classic Style

A Ship Befit for Celebrated Ports

Inspired by the legendary tall ship *Sea Cloud*—the lavish yacht built by heiress Marjorie Merriweather Post in 1931—and designed with modern amenities to give her a unique sailing style, *Sea Cloud II* combines the spaciousness of a contemporary vessel with the splendor of a classic square-rigger. From elegant bathrooms and silk-upholstered furnishings to flat-screen televisions and minibars, each of the 44 outward-facing cabins on *Sea Cloud II* is outfitted with luxurious amenities. Sleep like royalty amid mahogany and marble and wake up to bedside views of sapphire seas or the colorful harbor of a quaint fishing village.

The Art of Sailing

One of the great joys of traveling aboard a traditional tall ship is witnessing the daily theater of her spirited crew as they raise and lower the sails by hand en route to our next destination. Whether they are climbing the rigging, loosening the heavy cloth, or hauling lines in from the deck, the sailors of *Sea Cloud II* are eager to show you the art of their daily work. And the captain's bridge is always open for an in-depth look at the intricacies of turn-of-the-century navigation before steamships dominated global waters. While at sea, the ship engines are only used when necessary, allowing you to become fully immersed in a tranquil sailing experience.

Opposite page (clockwise from top): Sea Cloud II's light-filled library; Sea Cloud II at sunset; guests relaxing on deck during a day at sea.





An Immersive Journey Through Italy

Discover A Hidden Italian Paradise

Our expertly crafted itinerary takes you to places both storied and secret. Alongside our handpicked guides, experience the intriguing histories behind the iconic Leaning Tower of Pisa, Napoleon’s exile on Elba Island, and the source of Michelangelo’s



favorite sculpting stone. You will also encounter colorful Camogli, which could be a stand-in for Sorrento or Portofino—minus the Amalfi Coast crowds. Learn about this once-bustling Golfo Paradiso seaport as we stroll charming, crooked lanes lined with pastel buildings and sample local culinary specialties from the region that gave us pesto and focaccia.

Savor The Flavors of Your Destination

Sea Cloud II is known for its outstanding cuisine, crafted by chefs who have trained at some of the world’s top restaurants. Fresh, locally sourced ingredients are featured prominently at every meal, including fish and seafood sustainably caught from the surrounding waters. For breakfast and lunch, guests can help themselves to a buffet of fresh fruits, breads, and salads as well as an array of entrees inspired by local dishes from your ports of call. *Sea Cloud II* also carries curated selections of complimentary beer, wine, liquors, and liqueurs that guests can enjoy throughout their journey.

Opposite page (clockwise from top): Cathedral of Genoa, Italy; Portoferraio, Elba Island, Italy; dessert aboard Sea Cloud II.

Travel With Inspiring Experts

A World-Class Expedition Team

Explore with an expedition team devoted to ensuring you have unforgettable and enlightening experiences: historians who give context to seaside castles and fortifications, cultural experts who interpret celebrated culinary traditions, archaeologists who bring the ruins of antiquity to life. We have curated the expedition team for this voyage to ensure that you are getting in-depth perspectives from veteran and locally based guides who have deeply personal connections to the places you visit.



Take Great Photos with the Pros

On a Lindblad Expeditions voyage, photography is never an afterthought—it's central to the expedition experience. That's why we've invited the renowned photojournalist Massimo Bassano aboard our ship to be our special guest speaker and photography expert. Born and raised in southern Italy, he has traveled,

taught, and photographed extensively in his native country, and his acclaimed book *The Color of Silence* detailed the twelve weeks he spent in an Italian monastery. His images also appeared in *Places of a Lifetime* from National Geographic Books. Massimo has many stories to share and will provide a fresh lens for viewing the places we encounter.

Opposite page (clockwise from top): Camogli, Italy; guests photograph Sea Cloud II from a Zodiac; captain aboard Sea Cloud II.



Voyage Itinerary

Shipbuilders and merchants, explorers and fishermen—the people of the northern Italian coast have been intricately linked to the sea for generations. Ligurian port cities like Genoa, the birthplace of Christopher Columbus, and Camogli, known as The City of a Thousand Sails for its impressive shipbuilding history, proudly display their maritime heritage. As we travel between Nice and Naples, stroll along beautiful harbor fronts and explore historic waterfront towns. Discover Pisa and Elba beyond the famous Leaning Tower and Napoleonic sites, and soak in the magic of Amalfi, with its legendary villa-covered hills overlooking the azure Tyrrhenian Sea.

DAY 1 • Nice, France/Embark

Arrive in Nice and embark *Sea Cloud II* in the late afternoon. (D)

DAY 2 • At Sea/Genoa, Italy

Gather on deck to witness the crew rigging the square sails, staysails, and jibs as *Sea Cloud II* shows her full glory. After lunch, begin your exploration of Genoa, nicknamed La Superba—or “the proud one.” See the old port (Porto Antico) as well as the Arco della Vittoria, a monument to fallen soldiers of WWI. You can't miss the dramatic frescoes and striped marble of the Cathedral of San Lorenzo, built originally in the 1100s. Inside, the Cappella San Giovanni Battista is the earliest example of Renaissance architecture in Genoa, built to hold what are believed to be the remains of St. John the Baptist. Pay a visit to the Plaza Ferrari and marvel at the artistic masterpieces in the Strada Nuova, a palace complex built in the 16th century for Genoa's powerful aristocracy. As we tour the city, you will also get a taste of the local gelato, the world-famous pesto, extra virgin olive oil, and—of course—wine. Return to *Sea Cloud II* for the captain's welcome evening. (B,L,D)

DAY 3 • Camogli/At Sea

Take a drive along the Italian coast to the town of Camogli—once one of the Mediterranean's most powerful naval ports. Stunning panoramas, a charming harbor, and narrow lanes lined with pastel buildings, a waterfront cathedral, and the ruins of a 12th-century medieval castle all come together to create one of the Italian Riviera's most picture-perfect villages. Crown the day with Camogli's specialty: focaccia al formaggio, a staple street food in the region. (B,L,D)



DAY 4 • Viareggio/Pisa/Pietrasanta

The Leaning Tower has long been Pisa's best-known attraction. But the Campo dei Miracoli (Field of Miracles), Duomo, Baptistery, and Camposanto complete an unrivaled quartet of medieval masterpieces. These—along with a dozen churches and palazzos scattered about the town—belong to Pisa's "Golden Age," from the 11th century to the 13th century. After your time in Pisa, head to Pietrasanta, world famous for its exquisite marble. Michelangelo was the first sculptor to recognize its beauty. Today sculpture studios mingle with small, elegant shops among the wooden shutters and ochre-washed buildings in the deep alleyways that radiate from Piazza del Duomo. (B,L,D)



Campo dei Miracoli, Pisa, Italy.

DAY 5 • At Sea/Portoferraio

Portoferraio is the main town on Elba Island. Its complex history is matched only by the city's labyrinth of small alleys. It was first settled by Tuscans, taken over by Romans, destroyed by buccaneers, rebuilt in the 7th century, destroyed again in 1442, and rebuilt in the 16th century. Pay a visit to Villa dei Mulini (literally "Villa of the Mills"), Napoleon's primary residence on the island when he was exiled there in 1814. After visiting the town, stop in a wine bar along the promenade for a tasting of typical Elban dishes paired with local wines. (B,L,D)

DAY 6 • At Sea

As *Sea Cloud II* cuts through the surf, relax with a book on deck, and enjoy complimentary drinks and delicious meals featuring local delicacies. (B,L,D)

DAYS 7-8 • Amalfi/At Sea/Naples/Disembark

Explore the storied town of Amalfi, part of the Amalfi Coast UNESCO World Heritage site, known for the pastel-hued houses that cling to the steep mountain ledges. Stroll the waterfront, with its marina and shops, visit the ornate cathedral, with bronze doors dating from 1066, and wander the winding streets to make your own discoveries. Arrive in Naples on the morning of Day 8, disembark and transfer to the airport. (Day 7: B,L,D; Day 8: B)

Naples & Pompeii Post-Voyage Extension • 3 Days • From \$2,890/PP

Explore the historic center of Naples, a UNESCO site, and visit Pompeii—abruptly destroyed in 79 AD—and its extraordinarily well-preserved homes.

Ship Profile: *Sea Cloud II*



Capacity

88 guests in 44 cabins

Country of Registry

Malta

Overall Length

384 feet

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.

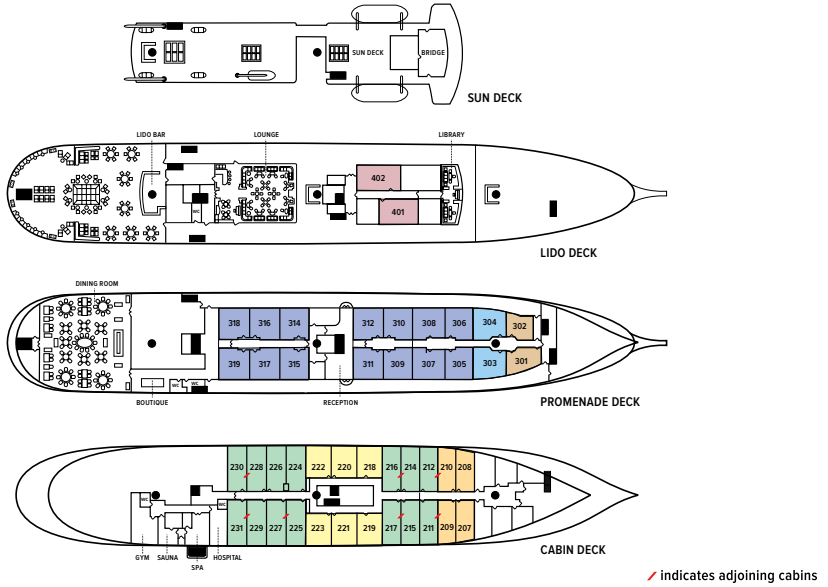
Public Areas

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).

Ship Deck Plan & Pricing



Voyage Dates

May 15-22, 2024

Advance Payment Details

Advance Payment is 15% of the cabin fare, per person

Category 1	\$8,990
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	\$9,410
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	\$9,830
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	\$10,820
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	\$12,450
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	\$13,330
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	\$16,670
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.	
Category 1 Solo	\$13,490

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

INCLUSIVE PRICING

- All accommodations aboard ship
- Excursions, and airport transfers, as indicated in the itinerary
- The guidance and company of our leading expedition staff
- All meals as indicated in the itinerary, both aboard and onshore. Meals and hors d'oeuvres are inspired by regional cuisine and locally sourced where possible.
- 24-hour access to snacks, premium coffees and teas, non-alcoholic beverages, and filtered water
- Beer, wine, cocktails, and spirits. We are also pleased to offer a selection of super premium wines and liquors, available for purchase.
- Crew gratuities
- Presentations by expedition staff and expert guest speakers
- Complimentary reusable water bottle to fill at onboard water refill stations
- The services of a medical professional
- 24-hour access to lounges, observation decks, library, and other shared spaces
- 24-hour access to exercise equipment
- Assistance by the onboard photo instructor
- Park and site entrance fees, special access permits, and port taxes

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF OUR SPECIAL OFFERS

CELEBRATE LIFE'S MILESTONES: Commemorate your great milestones—birthdays, anniversaries, family reunions, retirements, and more—with us. Groups of eight or more traveling and celebrating together will receive 5% off and a complimentary group photograph. The cabin-of-honor will receive onboard ship credit, a beautiful cake, and more onboard celebrations. Milestone celebrations must be communicated at the time of booking. The milestone amenity package is limited to one per group and intended for the honored guest. A group discount is applicable to the cruise portion only and does not apply to additional services such as hotels, extensions, airfare, etc. Group cancellation terms also apply. This discount is not combinable with certain offers.

TRAVEL AS A GROUP: Save 5% when traveling as a group of eight or more people. Take advantage of these great savings, while enjoying traveling with your friends and family. This discount is applicable to voyage fares only and is not valid on extensions or airfare. Deposit, final payments, and cancellation policies for group travel vary from our regular policies.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

For best pricing book early. Prices quoted in this brochure are per person based on double occupancy in USD, and based on select departures. Prices quoted are valid at the time of printing, July 24, 2023, are subject to change and availability at time of booking. Under normal conditions the total expedition price is guaranteed at the time advanced payment is made. 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.

COST INCLUDES: All amenities listed in inclusive pricing above. Unused services or items included in this program are non-refundable.

NOT INCLUDED: Airfare; pre- and post-expedition extensions; additional hotel nights; private transfers; travel protection plan; passport, visa, and immigration fees; spa treatments; items of a personal nature such as laundry, Wi-Fi, and phone services.

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.

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CANCELLATION FEE POLICY (PER PERSON)

120 or more days prior to expedition start: **No penalty:** Advance Payment will be credited toward your next expedition**

119-90 days prior to expedition start: **50% of trip cost*****

89-0 days prior to expedition start: **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.

Reservation Form



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Contact Information

To register, please contact:

National Trust Tours

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).

Guest 1: _____
(Name as it appears on passport)

Date of Birth: _____ M/F: _____

Guest 2: _____
(Name as it appears on passport)

Date of Birth: _____ M/F: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Business Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

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: _____

Please send me information on the **Naples & Pompeii** extension.

Advance Payment Information: 15% of the cabin fare per person.

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.


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Expedition Highlights

- Bask under the billowing sails of the square-rigger *Sea Cloud II* as we sail along the coast of Northern Italy.
- Stroll the waterfront shops and winding streets of Amalfi, part of the Amalfi Coast UNESCO World Heritage Site.
- Take in the iconic Leaning Tower of Pisa, part of a complex of medieval architectural masterpieces.
- Explore the fortified town of Portoferraio and Napoleon's villa on Elba Island.
- Behold Genoa's Strada Nuova lined with grand Baroque palaces and the stunning Cathedral of San Lorenzo, believed to hold relics of St. John the Baptist.

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