

A VOYAGE ALONG THE LOWER MISSISSIPPI RIVER
aboard *American Splendor*
March 3–11, 2026

ABOUT THE *AMERICAN SPLENDOR*

The *American Splendor* allows guests to experience the nostalgia of classic paddlewheeler travel while enjoying modern comfort and amenities. Recently renovated, the *American Splendor* features serene color palettes, luxurious textiles and linens, new furniture and carpets, and updated artwork and flourishes. From the staterooms and suites to the lounges and dining room, the new décor pays homage to the legendary Mississippi River. On board, guests can relax in a casual ambiance while admiring panoramic views of the passing scenery.

Baggage Storage

Baggage can be stored under beds, in the closet, or elsewhere in your cabin.

Beverages and Snacks

Filtered water is available onboard and you are encouraged to bring a reusable water bottle to reduce the use of plastics. Bottled water is available upon request. Complimentary beer and wine are offered with lunch and dinner, and alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages are available in lounges. Passengers are welcome to bring their own alcohol on board if they wish.

Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres will be offered each day before dinner. Check the daily program for location(s) and timings.

Ice, water, coffee, tea, juice, soft drinks, and snacks are always available in the Sky Lounge Deck 4 Aft.

Cabins and Service

Each of the 98 spacious staterooms is outward-facing, allowing commanding views of the riverside landscape, and includes all of the amenities you expect from a fine hotel. These staterooms also offer a sitting area, desk, and full-size bathrooms. Most feature floor-to-ceiling sliding glass doors with a private balcony (except 118, 120, and 123).

All staterooms have a 4-drawer dresser, night table, desk, chair, phone, coffee brewer, alarm clock, satellite TV and DVD player, individual climate control system, hair dryers, toiletries, and complimentary Wi-Fi.

The six Owner's Suites have a spacious inside seating area, safe, mini-fridge stocked with juices and red and white wine. Owner's Suites also include a daily newspaper when available and "suite treats" each evening.

All double staterooms have two twin beds which can be made up separately, or together as a King. Single staterooms have one twin bed.

Communications

Telephone: Each cabin has a phone for onboard communication only. If you need to make an outbound call and do not have a cell phone, contact the cruise director or hotel manager for assistance.

Wi-Fi: Complimentary Wi-Fi is available and can be accessed using a personal laptop, smartphone, or tablet. Internet access can be sporadic and at times unavailable, especially when many people are trying to access it at the same time.

Personal Cell Phones: Please note that cellular service and data access on your personal cell phone is dependent on the coverage areas and signal strength of your cell phone service provider and may be somewhat limited or temporarily unavailable when cruising through certain sections of the Mississippi River.

Daily Briefings and Daily Programs

A daily briefing will be held each evening to give an overview of the next day's schedule and excursions. It will be held prior to the evening entertainment.

The daily program will be distributed every evening during turn-down service. It provides details of the cruising schedule, onboard activities including lectures and evening entertainment, and shore excursions. Weather and other conditions may, of course, alter the day's intended program. Your tour staff will notify you of any changes to the printed schedule.

Dietary Needs

Special dietary requests can often be accommodated, but we must be notified in writing on the **Personal Information Form**. The galley is equipped to prepare special dietary foods as long as you notify us **60 days or more** in advance of the sailing. Please note that every effort will be made to accommodate your dietary needs, but some special diets (such as kosher) cannot be accommodated.

Dining

All meals are served in the Restaurant on Deck 1 on an open-seating basis, with all passengers accommodated in one seating. Buffet-style lunches are also available most days in the Sky Lounge with both inside and outside seating. The daily program will have complete information about meals, timing, and locations.

Electricity

The electrical current on board is 110 volts (U.S. standard), with U.S.-style outlets that accommodate two flat prongs. You will need a three-prong to two-prong plug adapter if your equipment is made for a polarized, three-prong outlet.

Elevator

There are two elevators located mid-ship on the *American Splendor* which serve all passenger decks except Deck 6/Sun Deck.

Facilities

The *American Splendor* has a restaurant and six lounges, ranging from small midship spaces for reading or puzzles to larger lounges for lectures, socializing, or relaxing.

Deck 1 – Restaurant

Deck 2 – River Lounge (forward), Paddlewheel Lounge (aft), Lounge (mid-ship)

Deck 3 – The Study (mid-ship)

Deck 4 – Sky Lounge (aft), Fitness Room (mid-ship)

Deck 5 – Sun Deck (aft), Laundry (aft)

Deck 6 – Sun Deck

Fitness Center

A small fitness center on Deck 4 has an elliptical and two stationary bikes.

Gratuities

Gratuities for onboard staff and crew are included in the cost of the trip.

Laundry

A self-service laundry facility on Deck 5 is available for complimentary passenger use. Detergent and fabric softener are provided. There is no laundry service or dry-cleaning service on board.

Medical

The *American Splendor* does not have a doctor on board, but officers are trained in emergency procedures and passengers will be taken off the ship to a nearby facility if medical attention is needed.

Small medical refrigerators can be requested if medications need to be refrigerated on board.

It is essential that persons with any medical problems or drug allergies inform us well before departure so that we may brief the ship's staff accordingly. Please indicate these in writing on the **Personal Information Form**. Also, it is very important that you travel with an adequate supply of all your medications.

If you use a hearing aid that might be turned off at night or would otherwise require special assistance in case of an emergency, please advise the reception staff of this fact at the time of boarding.

Reception / Ship's Office

Located on Deck 2 mid-ship, the ship's office hours are published in the daily program.

Safe

Owner's Suites contain an electronic safe. Passengers in other staterooms can request a small lockbox that can be used in their cabin.

Safety and Security

Safety is a priority aboard the *American Splendor*.

- Fire detectors are located throughout the ship.
- Officers are trained in emergency procedures, and regular drills are held to instruct the crew in their emergency duties.
- An Emergency Egress Drill will be performed at the beginning of every cruise. The drill is compulsory and all guests are required to attend.
- Guests must show their badge or photo ID whenever reboarding the ship.

Smoking

Smoking is not allowed anywhere in the interior of the vessel; it is permitted only in designated areas on the outside decks. Please use ashtrays for cigarette butts and used matches. Never throw cigarettes over the side of the ship as these may blow back onto the ship and cause a fire.

American Splendor Deck Plan



Single Balcony

Our dedicated single staterooms are 230 sq. ft. of space. Each room includes a floor-to-ceiling glass door leading to a full-size private balcony with a table and chairs. Single Balcony staterooms have a full-size bed, and a full bathroom equipped with large shower, toiletries, hairdryer, and plush towels. Storage space in each room includes a wardrobe, full-size dresser, under-bed storage, and desk drawers. Each room also has individual climate control, TV, USB charging ports, and complimentary WiFi.

Located on the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Deck.

Standard Balcony

Each 304 sq. ft. Standard Balcony stateroom offers large floor-to-ceiling glass doors which lead to a comfortable balcony with a table and chairs. Each room has a king-size bed but can be configured with two twin beds. Standard Balcony rooms have a full bathroom equipped with large shower, toiletries, hairdryer, and plush towels. Storage space in each room includes a wardrobe, full-size dresser, under-bed storage, and desk drawers. Each room also has individual climate control, TV, USB charging ports, and complimentary WiFi.

Located on the 2nd Deck.





Deluxe Balcony 2

Each 304 sq. ft. Deluxe Balcony stateroom offers large floor-to-ceiling glass doors which lead to a comfortable balcony with a table and chairs. Each room has a king-size bed but can be configured with two twin beds. Deluxe Balcony rooms have a full bathroom equipped with large shower, toiletries, hairdryer, and plush towels. Storage space in each room includes a wardrobe, full-size dresser, under-bed storage, and desk drawers. Each room also has individual climate control, TV, USB charging ports, and complimentary WiFi.

Located on the 3rd Deck.

Deluxe Balcony 1



Each 304 sq. ft. Deluxe Balcony stateroom offers large floor-to-ceiling glass doors which lead to a comfortable balcony with a table and chairs. Each room has a king-size bed but can be configured with two twin beds. Deluxe Balcony rooms have a full bathroom equipped with large shower, toiletries, hairdryer, and plush towels. Storage space in each room includes a wardrobe, full-size dresser, under-bed storage, and desk drawers. Each room also has individual climate control, TV, USB charging ports, and complimentary WiFi.

Located on the 4th Deck.



Premium Balcony

Each 328 sq. ft. Premium Balcony stateroom offers large floor-to-ceiling glass doors which lead to a comfortable balcony with a table and chairs. Each room has a king-size bed but can be configured with two twin beds. Premium Balcony rooms have a full bathroom equipped with large shower, toiletries, hairdryer, and plush towels. Storage space in each room includes a wardrobe, full-size dresser, under-bed storage, and desk drawers. Each room also has individual climate control, TV, USB charging ports, and complimentary WiFi.

Located on the 5th Deck.



Veranda Suite

Veranda Suites have 445 sq. ft. of space with a living and eating area. Floor-to-ceiling sliding doors lead to a private balcony with a table and chairs. The living space has a TV and refrigerator that is restocked daily. Each night "suite treats" are delivered and a bottle of premium champagne is delivered one night during your voyage. The sleeping area has a king-size bed but can be configured with two twin beds. The bathroom has a large shower, and is equipped with toiletries, hairdryer, plush towels and robes. Storage space in each Veranda Suite includes a wardrobe, full-size dresser, and desk with drawers. Each suite also has individual climate control, USB charging ports, a safe, and complimentary WiFi.

Located on the 3rd, 4th, and 5th Deck.