CRUISING ALONG THE SOUTH’S GENTLE WATERWAY

History, Nature, Culture and Golf

Aboard the 130-Guest Yorktown on the Intracoastal Waterway
November 7 – 14, 2013

Featuring Williams College Golf Hosts Rick and Cathy Pohle
Dear Williams Travelers,

The antebellum South was a world of grace, elegance, and charm. Plantations such as Middleton Place, the lush gardens and public parks of Savannah’s city squares, and the antebellum homes that line Charleston’s waterfront, the Battery, all recall a genteel way of life that vanished after the Civil War. This autumn, join us for a voyage that will carry you back to a more gracious age, as you visit historic sites and lovely coastal islands of the Old South.

If you are a golfer, you will enjoy the company of Rick and Cathy Pohle, the royal couple of Williamstown’s Taconic Golf Club. Since these Southern shores are also known for their wonderful courses, golfers will have four different opportunities to tee off—at no additional cost. Rick and Cathy will be with you at Charleston, Savannah, Sea Island, and Hilton Head.

If you are not a golfer, you will happily encounter Grace Gary, an architectural historian and the executive director of Nemours Mansion and Gardens, who will also join you onboard to speak to the numerous antebellum structures and gardens you will encounter. Ms. Gary will bring her extensive knowledge of American architectural history and estate restoration to her onboard lecturers and informal discussions ashore.

This is a splendid opportunity to play golf at some of America’s finest courses and to explore the fascinating history and natural beauty of the coastlands and islands of South Carolina and Georgia. Mix and match as you wish. Please join us aboard the Yorktown for a leisurely voyage through the Old South.

All good wishes,

Robert V. Behr
Alumni Travel-Study Coordinator
Discover the Gracious Beauty & Natural Treasures of the American South on an Idyllic Voyage between Charleston & Jacksonville

There is no place like the Deep South. Its architecture, its music, its climate, its cuisine, even the way Southerners speak is unlike anything you will find elsewhere in the United States.

The uniqueness of Southern culture was well-established by the time the Civil War began. It was a fusion of many influences—English, Scots-Irish, French, African, and Native American. As we travel through South Carolina and Georgia, we will peel back layer upon layer of history to discover the origins of the antebellum South. For example, Cumberland Island off the coast of Georgia was home to the Mocama tribe for 4,000 years. In the 1580s and 1590s, the Spanish established missions on the island that flourished for nearly a century, until raids by French pirates forced the Spanish to retreat to Florida. The English came in 1733, and in 1783 the first plantation was founded on Cumberland. After the Civil War, the Carnegie family chose Cumberland as their retreat from the northern winters.

During this voyage we’ll visit the Heyward-Washington House in Charleston, home of Thomas Heyward, Jr., a signer of the Declaration of Independence, and Drayton Hall, an 18th-century plantation that has withstood the American Revolution, the Civil War, Charleston’s 1886 earthquake, and numerous hurricanes. We’ll also experience the country’s oldest landscaped gardens at Middleton Place, where snapdragons, tea roses, and hydrangeas will be in bloom during our November visit.

Throughout this voyage we will travel at the pace of the Old South, meandering mostly along the Intracoastal Waterway, pausing at historic towns and unspoiled islands where you’ll have time to make your own discoveries. As you stroll through the gardens of Middleton Place, or lounge on a deck chair watching the wetlands of South Carolina drift by, or listen to the splash of a fountain in one of Savannah’s lovely squares, it may seem that you have journeyed into a land where time stands still.

Wild horses on Cumberland Island

We’ll also take advantage of the opportunity to golf at some of the South’s finest clubs: Sea Island Golf Club; the Links at Stono Ferry in Charleston; The Club at Savannah Harbor; and Harbour Town Golf Links on Hilton Head Island. These four renowned courses offer breathtaking views, heart-pounding challenges, and a one-of-a-kind experience to combine cruising and golfing in one of the country’s most unique regions.

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Savannah’s Historic District

The beautifully maintained homes, the lush gardens, the lovely city squares, the carefully tended parks, the fountains, all combine to make the Historic District of Savannah one of the loveliest in the nation. Savannah’s Historic District is also the largest urban National Historic Landmark District in the United States.

The Historic District preserves hundreds of fine examples of 18th- and 19th-century architecture, many of which are historically and culturally significant, including the First African Baptist Church (one of the oldest African American Baptist congregations in the country); the birthplace of Juliette Gordon Low, founder of the Girl Scouts; and the Mercer-Williams House, the setting for John Berendt’s best-seller, *Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil*. 
Our voyage is accompanied by an experienced team of lecturers and expert local guides who are intimately familiar with the destinations. Through lectures and discussion, they will introduce you to the natural and cultural history of the homes, gardens, and other places we visit.

**Grace Gary** is the executive director of Nemours Mansion and Gardens in Wilmington, Delaware. An architectural historian, she is a graduate of Randolph-Macon Woman’s College and the University of Virginia. For the past several years, Ms. Gary has been directing a complete restoration of the 47,000-square-foot mansion and the 222-acre estate that was once the home of Alfred I. du Pont. Prior to coming to Nemours, she served as director of the National Trust for Historic Preservation’s Mid-Atlantic Regional Office, executive director of Preservation Pennsylvania, and as founding director of Colonial Williamsburg’s “Williamsburg Tourism Leadership Center.”
with a Team of Experts

Temu Nana, Cruise Director aboard Yorktown, is a native of Detroit, Michigan. He traveled extensively throughout the world, including all parts of the United States and Canada. After graduating from the University of Michigan with a degree in Theatre Performance, he moved to New York and joined Travel Dynamics International, working for several years both in the office and in the field. On the Yorktown, Temu has led cruises along the mid-Atlantic, New England, and the Great Lakes.
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Thursday, November 7, 2013

CHARLESTON, South Carolina | EMBARK
Arrive in Charleston and embark Yorktown. (D)

Friday, November 8

CHARLESTON | THE LINKS AT STONO FERRY
Spend the day in Charleston, one of the East Coast’s loveliest cities. A prosperous, cosmopolitan seaport from colonial times, it was here in Charleston’s harbor that Confederate troops first fired upon Fort Sumter, thus starting the Civil War. During our stay in this genteel city, golfers will have the opportunity to play the famed Links at Stono Ferry, where the 1779 Battle at Stono Ferry was fought on the very grounds where you will tee off. Or you may choose to tour Charleston’s extensive historic district. Visit Drayton Hall, a National Historic Landmark and a National Trust Historic Site and the oldest surviving example of Georgian Palladian architecture in the United States. Enjoy the afternoon at leisure, or drive to historic Middleton Place, a carefully preserved 18th-century plantation that is a National Historic Landmark. Situated on the Ashley River, the property includes the House Museum, built in 1755 as the gentlemen’s guest quarters, and 65 acres of magnificent gardens. (B, L, D)

Saturday, November 9

BEAUFORT | HARBOUR TOWN GOLF LINKS
Today we call in elegant Beaufort. Golfers will transfer to Hilton Head Island to play the world-famous Harbour Town Golf Links. Non-golfers can spend time exploring the Beaufort’s downtown area, a designated National Historic Landmark whose unique, antebellum architecture has been remarkably preserved. (B, L, D)

Sunday, November 10

SAVANNAH, Georgia | THE CLUB AT SAVANNAH HARBOR
The serenity of coastal Georgia, with its tidal marshes and abundant wildlife, provides the canvas for The Club at Savannah Harbor, an 18-hole masterpiece created by architect Robert Cupp. Golfers will enjoy a game at this serene course, while non-golfers will spend the day touring Savannah, Georgia’s oldest city. Founded by James Oglethorpe in 1733, today the fine avenues and open spaces that Oglethorpe planned form the cornerstone of the three-square-mile historic district, which features over 1,000 Federal and Regency buildings and 21 verdant squares. A tour includes the Davenport House, an elegant Federal-style home that presides over the northwest corner of Columbia Square. In the afternoon enjoy time at leisure to stroll among the lovely streets and squares. (B, L, D)

Monday, November 11

CRUISING THE INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY | BRUNSWICK
Spend the day enjoying the wildlife and scenery along the Intracoastal Waterway. The Lowcountry is home to a multitude of birdlife and wildlife, including alligators and turtles that may be seen along the swamps, marshes, and sawgrass flats. This evening enjoy time at leisure to explore Brunswick, the major urban and economic center of southern Georgia. (B, L, D)

Tuesday, November 12

BRUNSWICK | SEA ISLAND GOLF CLUB or Jekyll Island & St. Simons Island | BRUNSWICK
Choose between a round of golf at the Sea Island Golf Club, graced by majestic ocean vistas in the tradition of St. Andrews, or an exploration of Jekyll and St. Simons Islands, two of Georgia’s Golden Isles. In 1886 a group of millionaires from the north, including Rockefellers, Vanderbilts, and
Enjoy Superb Golf Opportunities

Between Jacksonville, Florida, and Charleston, South Carolina, the Intracoastal Waterway is a grand highway that leads you to superb cultural attractions, fascinating historic sites, and wetlands and islands teeming with wildlife. During this eight-day voyage, golfers will have opportunities to play at four renowned clubs along these shores. The ocean views from the Sea Island Golf Club remind many of the links at St. Andrews in Scotland. At the Links at Stono Ferry in Charleston, golfers enjoy the breeze of the Intracoastal Waterway as they test themselves on the heart-pounding back nine holes. The Club at Savannah Harbor boasts a four-star rating from *Golf Digest* and is ranked among the Top 100 of America’s Golf Courses by *Conde Nast Traveler*. And on Hilton Head Island, play at the distinguished Harbour Town Golf Links, a course that places a premium on finesse, imagination, and shot-making.

**WILLIAMS COLLEGE ONBOARD GOLF PROS**

For 29 years Rick and Cathy Pohle were synonymous with Williams College golf and the Taconic Golf Club. Rick was the men’s golf coach and club pro while Cathy ran the pro shop with efficiency and good humor. Cathy then initiated the Williams women’s golf program in 2004 and was named the East Region Coach of the Year in 2007.

Men’s golf had a 78% winning record under Rick, with ten NCAA Tournament appearances. In 2010 he was the first NCAA Division III coach to be presented the Labron Harris Award from the Golf Coaches of America.

Rick and Cathy presided over 29 Alumni-Guest Golf Tournaments, one of the annual highlights of Williams College Alumni Relations activities.
Lowcountry Cooking

The Lowcountry stretches from Savannah to Pawleys Island in South Carolina. The emphasis in this cuisine is on seafood, especially crabs, shrimp, and oysters. Rice, grits, black-eyed peas, okra, and tomatoes are also staple ingredients.

A Lowcountry classic, Frogmore Stew is a one-pot meal consisting of shrimp, spicy sausage, and corn on the cob. Creamy She-crab Soup is thought to have originated in Charleston, where it appears on almost every menu. The eggs of the female crab give the soup its wonderful flavor, and this is enhanced with a generous dollop of sherry. The Lowcountry also has its own variation on rice pilaf called perlau, made of chicken, rice, celery, and onion. During this voyage, you will have the chance to sample some of these Lowcountry cuisine traditions.
The Yorktown

The Yorktown is the perfect vessel for relaxed and convivial exploration of America’s great coastal waterways. Built in Florida in 1988 specifically for coastal cruising and certified by the U. S. Coast Guard, the Yorktown flies the American flag and is staffed by friendly and experienced American officers and crew. With a draft of only 9 feet, the Yorktown is able to maneuver in secluded waterways and visit small ports that are inaccessible to larger vessels. And Yorktown’s American registry makes it possible to operate domestic itineraries unavailable to foreign-flag ships. The ship’s cuisine, served in a dining room large enough to accommodate all guests at once, emphasizes American regional culinary traditions. Accommodating only 130 guests in 65 exterior cabins, the Yorktown enjoys an atmosphere of warm and relaxed informality that endears it to repeat and new guests alike.

Life aboard Yorktown

Life aboard Yorktown is relaxed and informal, and dress is always casual. Guests discover soon after settling in that the ship’s design fosters a sense of community and shared enterprise. Most cabins have large picture windows, and each is furnished with comfortable beds, a writing desk, ample storage, a clock/radio/CD player, and has a private bathroom. Your cabin is the perfect place for peace and quiet and for private rest and reflection. But you will want to spend most of your time in one of Yorktown’s inviting common areas. The Lounge, never more than two decks away (Yorktown has no elevator), is the hub of shipboard activity—the place to read, to converse with fellow travelers, to attend lectures and concerts, to enjoy a cocktail as the pianist performs on the ship’s Steinway piano, or simply to enjoy unobstructed views of the passing scene. The Sun Deck affords similar opportunities to read and relax in the open air.

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Cheerful bathrooms are appointed with fine toiletries.

Most cabins feature a picture window.

Yorktown’s spacious Lounge is surrounded by windows.

Enjoying an alfresco snack on the Yorktown.

Relaxing on Yorktown’s Sun Deck.

Cheerful bathrooms are appointed with fine toiletries.

Details of the comfortable Lounge.

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**PROGRAM INCLUSIONS**

- Cruise aboard the 130-guest *Yorktown*
- Complete program of tours and excursions
- Welcome and farewell cocktail receptions aboard ship
- All meals aboard ship, including house wine, beer, and soft drinks with lunch and dinner
- Enrichment program of lectures and discussions by accompanying study leaders
- Golf arrangements, including green fees and golf carts
- Professional Travel Dynamics International tour staff
- Complete pre-departure materials
- Gratuities to guides and drivers

**NOT INCLUDED:** Airfare; transfers; port and embarkation taxes; luggage and trip cancellation insurance; meals, soft drinks, and alcoholic beverages other than those specified above; personal expenses such as laundry, telephone calls, faxes, and Internet service; golf equipment rentals; and gratuities to shipboard personnel

**AIRFARE:** Airfare is not included in the Cruise and Land Rates. Please contact your preferred airline, travel agent, or the Travel Dynamics International air desk for airfare information and to reserve flights. Consultants are available Monday – Friday from 9:00 am – 5:30 pm (EST) toll-free at 1-877-711-9896. Please have your tour code (13630B) and dates handy for reference.

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**CRUISE AND LAND RATES**

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**PORT TAXES & CHARGES:** $195 per person

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**SINGLE RATES**

A limited number of cabins for solo travelers are available in Categories C–A at a supplement of $895 added to the per person, double occupancy rate.
PAYMENT SCHEDULE: A deposit of $750 per person is required to reserve your space on the tour. For your convenience, you may charge your deposit to your American Express, Visa, Discover, or MasterCard. Final payment is due 90 days prior to departure. Credit cards are not accepted for final payment. However, personal checks are accepted for both deposits and final payment.

CANCELLATIONS & REFUNDS: All cancellations are subject to a $300 per person fee. Cancellations received 61-90 days prior to departure will be assessed a penalty equal to 50% of the total program cost per person. Cancellations received within 60 days of departure are subject to 100% cancellation penalties.

INSURANCE: We strongly recommend the purchase of trip cancellation insurance, which is available for coverage of expenses in conjunction with cancellation due to illness or accident. Baggage insurance is also recommended. In the event that you must cancel your participation in a travel program, trip cancellation insurance may be the only source of reimbursement.

ITINERARY: The itinerary, accommodations, and arrangements are subject to change at the discretion of Travel Dynamics International.

RESPONSIBILITY: Please read carefully the following terms and conditions, which constitute the sole, legally enforceable agreements between the passenger and Travel Dynamics International and The President and Trustees of Williams College. The passenger is also advised to review his/her separate ticket passage contract with the vessel’s owner/operator, which will constitute the sole, legally enforceable terms of carriage for this tour and is available on request from Travel Dynamics International. Travel Dynamics International and The President and Trustees of Williams College act solely as agents for the passenger with respect to all transportation, hotel and other tour arrangements. In that capacity, we exercise all reasonable care possible to ensure the passenger’s safety and satisfaction, but, we neither assume nor bear any responsibility or liability for any injury, death, damage, loss, accident, delay or irregularity arising in connection with the services of any ship, airplane, train, automobile, motor coach, carriage or other conveyance, or the actions of any third-party, involved in carrying the passenger or in affecting these tours. We are not responsible for damage, losses, accidents, delays, or any other loss due to cancellation, delay or other changes in air or other services, sickness, weather, strike, war, civil disturbances, acts or threats of terrorism, travel warnings or bans, termination or suspension of war risks or other carrier insurance, quarantine, acts of God or other causes beyond our control. All such losses must be borne by the passenger, and tour rates provide for arrangements only for the time stated. In the event of cancellation, delay or rescheduling mandated by any of the aforesaid causes beyond our control, the passenger shall have the option of accepting in lieu of the original tour such rescheduled tour or other substituted tour(s) as may be offered by us, or else, receiving a refund of as much of such advance tour expenditures as we are able to recover on the passenger’s behalf from carriers, third-party tour vendors, etc., but, we shall not have any obligation or liability to the passenger beyond the foregoing. We reserve the right to make alterations to the tour’s itinerary and to substitute hotels, ships, or lecturers if this is required. We reserve the right to cancel, delay, or reschedule any tour prior to departure, and, so long as this is not due to any of the aforesaid causes beyond our control, the passenger shall be entitled to a full refund of all monies paid to that point if he/she so desires. No refund shall be made for any unused portion of any tour. By forwarding their deposit(s), the passenger certifies that he/she and/or their dependents, minors or others covered thereby do not have any mental, physical or other condition of disability that could create a hazard for them or other passengers. We reserve the right to decline to accept or to decline to retain any person as a member of any tour should such person’s health, condition or actions adversely affect or threaten the welfare or safety of other passengers or impede the tour. Baggage or valuables brought on the tour shall be transported, handled or stored at the passenger’s risk entirely, and, we shall bear no liability or responsibility for any damage or other loss thereto. Passenger tickets are not transferable and are not subject to alteration by the passenger. No suit shall be maintainable unless such suit is commenced within one year from the day when such incident occurred. In no event shall any such suit or any claim against the carrier or vessel for any losses, accidents, damages to person, property, personal injury (including death or other types of bodily injury) of the passenger occur, notwithstanding any provision of law of any state or country to the contrary. Resolution of any disputes arising hereunder shall be brought within the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, pursuant to the applicable general maritime law, and applying the applicable general maritime law and Federal maritime statutes.

RATES: Tour costs are based upon current airfares, tariffs, and currency values. While we do everything possible to maintain the listed prices, they are subject to change.

FUEL SUPPLEMENT: Travel Dynamics International reserves the right to charge a fuel supplement, without prior notice, if the NYMEX oil price exceeds $65 per barrel. This supplement may be charged even if the cruise fare has been paid in full.

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Enclosed is my check or credit card no. for $________ ($750 per person) as a deposit to hold _____ place(s) on Cruising Along the South’s Gentle Waterway. I understand that final payment is due ninety (90) days prior to departure and is payable by check only.

Please make check payable to and mail with this registration coupon to:

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Each participant must sign below: I/We have read the “General Information” section and agree to its terms.

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