Changing Tides of History
Cruising the Baltic Sea

Sweden • Finland • St. Petersburg • Estonia • Poland • Denmark

Featuring Guest Speakers

Lech Wałęsa
Former President of Poland
Nobel Peace Prize Laureate

Pavel Palazhchenko
Interpreter and Advisor for Mikhail Gorbachev

July 7 to 16, 2020
Dear Club Members,

Join us for the opportunity to explore the lands and legacies forged by centuries of Baltic history. Hear and learn firsthand from historic world leader, Nobel Peace Prize Laureate and former President of Poland Lech Wałęsa and from Interpreter and Advisor for former Soviet Union President Mikhail Gorbachev, Pavel Palazhchenko.

This unique Baltic Sea voyage features six countries and seven UNESCO World Heritage sites. Our program is scheduled during the best time of year to experience the natural phenomenon of the luminous “White Nights.”

Experience the cultural rebirth of the Baltic States and the imperial past of St. Petersburg, Russia, while cruising aboard the exclusively chartered, Five-Star Le Dumont-d’Urville, launched in 2019 and featuring only 92 ocean-view Suites and Staterooms. In the tradition of ancient Viking mariners and medieval merchants, set forth from the cosmopolitan Swedish capital of Stockholm to Denmark’s sophisticated capital city of Copenhagen. Spend two days docked in the heart of regal St. Petersburg, featuring visits to the world-acclaimed State Hermitage Museum, the Peter and Paul Fortress and the spectacular tsarist palaces in Pushkin and Peterhof. See the storied architecture of Helsinki, Finland; tour the well-preserved medieval Old Town of Tallinn, Estonia; explore the former Hanseatic League town of Visby on Sweden’s Gotland Island; and immerse yourself in the legacy of the Solidarity movement in Gdańsk, Poland.

Experience the Splendors of Stockholm during the Pre-Program Option. On the Wonders of Norway Post-Program Option, visit the vibrant city of Bergen, cruise through stunning fjordlands and enjoy one of the world’s most scenic train rides.

This exclusive travel program—co-sponsored with Georgetown University, Yale and the National Trust for Historic Preservation—features a comprehensive itinerary, Five-Star accommodations, a specially arranged shore excursion in each port and world-class lectures. Book now, as capacity is limited and this popular program sells out quickly!

Best regards,

Kristina Nemeth
Travel Director
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U.S.  
Tuesday, July 7  
Depart the U.S.

Stockholm, Sweden  
Wednesday, July 8  
“Venice of the North,” embark the Five-Star Le DUMONT-D’URVILLE and cruise through the scenic Stockholm archipelago. (p)

Helsinki, Finland  
Thursday, July 9  
On board the ship this morning, meet Pavel Palazhchenko, world-renowned interpreter who serves as advisor and interpreter for former Soviet Union President Mikhail Gorbachev, and enjoy his first of two educational lectures today.

Helsinki merges the influence of Classicism and the Finnish National Romantic Movement with Functionalism, establishing design as a permanent and significant component of the city. Cruise past the 18th-century maritime Fortress of Suomenlinna, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Enjoy a panoramic tour of the city’s boulevards, overflowing with magnificent architecture, including Europe’s greatest concentration of Art Nouveau buildings. See stately Senate Square, University of Helsinki, Helsinki Cathedral and the Parliament Building—paradigms of neoclassical style—along with the Modernist Finlandia Hall. Discover idyllic Sibelius Park, an artistic homage to Finland’s most famed composer. Visit the subterranean Temppeliaukio Church, or “Church of the Rock,” impressively hewn into solid natural bedrock in 1969.

Explore the lively Market Square with some time at leisure before reboarding the ship.

This evening, enjoy the second insightful lecture from Mr. Palazhchenko on board. (b,l,d)

St. Petersburg, Russia  
Friday, July 10  
Founded in 1703 as his “Window on the West,” St. Petersburg is the fruition of Peter the Great’s extraordinary vision. Visit the UNESCO World Heritage-designated palaces and gardens of Peterhof, commissioned by Peter the Great to rival the Palace of Versailles, and its elaborately landscaped grounds, encompassing two centuries of imperial style, executed to perfection. Return to the ship by hydrofoil.

See exquisite examples of Russian Baroque and neoclassical architecture along the main thoroughfare, Nevsky Prospect, and view the iconic Church of the Savior on Spilled Blood (Church of the Resurrection of Christ), built on Emperor Alexander II’s assassination site.

Visby’s medieval wall, constructed in the 13th century, stretches two miles in length around the town.

Enjoy specially arranged entry and a guided tour of the State Hermitage Museum. One of the world’s greatest art repositories, this UNESCO World Heritage-designated museum was founded by Catherine the Great in 1764. Its prestigious collections are rivaled only by the museum’s lavish interior. (b,l,d)

Cover photo: Spanning 14 small islands, where shimmering Lake Mälaren meets one of the largest archipelagos in the Baltic Sea, Stockholm preserves its splendid medieval and Renaissance architecture.

Photo this page: Peter the Great himself partially engineered the resplendent plexus of waterfalls, fountains and statues that adorn the foreground of the opulent Peterhof Palace.
St. Petersburg
Saturday, July 11
Visit the elaborate Baroque Catherine Palace in the imperial town of Pushkin. This UNESCO World Heritage site, highlighted by the jewel-encrusted Amber Room, is said to be the “Eighth Wonder of the World.”
Savor a lunch of local Russian specialties and vodka while enjoying a traditional Cossack music performance.
Enjoy a panoramic tour of St. Petersburg’s UNESCO World Heritage-inscribed historic center, where landmarks are scattered across over 40 islands and linked by more than 300 bridges. See the 19th-century St. Isaac’s Cathedral, whose striking golden dome crowns the city’s skyline.
Visit the Peter and Paul Fortress, constructed to secure the country’s access to the sea, and the Baroque Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul, where 32 tsars—from Peter the Great to Nicholas II, the last of the Romanovs—are interred. (b,l,d)

Tallinn, Estonia
Sunday, July 12
Tallinn’s UNESCO World Heritage-designated Old Town has remained virtually unchanged for 600 years. See the landmark Alexander Nevsky Cathedral, the 13th-century Church of St. Nicholas and Toompea Castle, the seat of Estonia’s Parliament. Visit the intricate chambers of the medieval Town Hall, the only intact Gothic-style hall in Northern Europe, which dominates the Town Hall Square and its ring of pastel-hued buildings. (b,l,d)

Visby, Gotland Island, Sweden
Monday, July 13
Call at the Baltic island of Gotland, rich with Swedish history and abundant Viking and medieval sites. The UNESCO World Heritage-designated Old Town of Visby, the former Baltic center of the Hanseatic League, is one of the best preserved medieval cities in Scandinavia. On the walking tour through the cobbled streets of this “city of roses and ruins,” see 13th-century walls and original medieval architecture, tour the Gotlands Historical Museum and view the striking interior of St. Mary’s Cathedral. (b,l,d)

Gdańsk, Poland
Tuesday, July 14
A former flourishing Hanseatic League port, today Gdańsk proudly displays restored late Renaissance and Baroque patrician mansions in its Stare Miasto (Old Town). Stroll along the pedestrian-only Droga Królewska (Royal Route) and the Long Wharf to see the magnificent Neptune’s Fountain and the 14th-century Artus Court, a Gothic guildhall inspired by Britain’s legendary King Arthur.

The traditional fishing boats and colorful edifices along Copenhagen’s quay of Nyhavn retain the waterfront’s authentic 18th-century maritime character.
Visit the historic Gdańsk Shipyard, where Eastern Europe’s first independent trade union—the Solidarity movement—began in 1980, and see its Monument to the Fallen Shipyard Workers. Meet the leader of the Solidarity movement, former President of Poland and Nobel Peace Prize Laureate Lech Wałęsa, on board the ship this evening, where he will present his perspective on Solidarity, globalization and progress in the region. (b,l,d)

Cruising the Baltic Sea
Wednesday, July 15
Spend the day at leisure cruising the Baltic Sea while enjoying a series of enriching lectures and the Captain’s Farewell Reception this evening. (b,l,r,d)

Copenhagen, Denmark/U.S.
Thursday, July 16
Arrive in colorful Copenhagen. Disembark and continue on the Wonders of Norway Post-Program Option or transfer to the airport for your return flight home. (b)

On the Post-Program Option, enjoy an incredible journey through the verdant, mountainous fjordlands of Norway aboard the Flåm Railway.

Splendors of Stockholm
A Royal Seaport and Capital City
Extend your Baltic experience with the Pre-Program Option in handsome Stockholm, a harmonious blend of medieval, Renaissance and modern architecture showcased across 14 small islands connected by more than 23 bridges. Visit the magnificent City Hall, the site of the annual Nobel Prize banquet. Walk through the Gamla Stan (Old Town) and visit the maritime museum built to house the Vasa, the world’s only preserved 17th-century warship. Spend two nights in the ideally located Sheraton Stockholm Hotel.

Wonders of Norway
Copenhagen • Oslo • Fjords • Bergen via Coastal Ferry and Flåm Mountain Railway
The Post-Program Option immerses you in majestic Norwegian landscapes and Scandinavian culture on this unique five-night journey from Copenhagen to Bergen. Enjoy an exclusively chartered cruise along Copenhagen’s idyllic canals, the highlights of vibrant Oslo and a private cruise into UNESCO World Heritage-designated Nærøyfjord. Travel through pristine fjordlands on the Flåm Railway, one of the world’s most scenic train rides. Tour the historic city of Bergen, including Bryggen (the old wharf), a UNESCO World Heritage site, and visit Troldhaugen, the historic home of composer Edvard Grieg. Spend four nights in comfortable hotels, including the historic STALHEIM HOTEL, and one night aboard an award-winning SEAWAYS ferry.

Pre- and Post-Program Options are available at additional cost. Details will be included with your reservation confirmation.
Luxury Small Ship, Innovative Design

Blue Eye – World’s First Multisensory, Underwater Observation Lounge
View the beauty of marine life through the large, subaquatic windows and integrated digital screens providing live images from underwater cameras, and enjoy the sensory experience of listening to the ocean’s unique underwater universe in the comfort of the exclusive Blue Eye lounge.*

Life on Board
Enjoy sweeping views from the lounges—which open to the outdoors—and lectures, cultural performances or film screenings in the state-of-the-art theater. Relax in the spa and sauna or the Sun Deck’s infinity-style swimming pool. The ship has a beauty salon, fitness room and three elevators. Complimentary Wi-Fi access is available (conditions permitting).

*Marine life viewing varies by location.

Elegant Suites and Staterooms, 100% with Private Balconies
Each of the 92 Five-Star Staterooms and Suites (up to 484 square feet) features a private balcony. Grand Deluxe Suites have a bay window and spacious private terrace. Accommodations offer two twin beds or one queen bed, individual climate control and private bathroom with a shower and luxury hotel-style amenities.

Respect for the Environment
A new addition to the Ponant “Clean Ship” fleet, an important distinction among ocean-cruising vessels, Le Dumont-d’Urville is energy efficient and eco-friendly, protecting fragile marine ecosystems.

Chic and Casual Dining
Dine indoors or alfresco on international and regional cuisine served in the stylish, spacious indoor-outdoor restaurant, at the casual pool deck grill or from 24-hour room service. Daily meals include continental and buffet breakfasts, buffet lunch, afternoon tea and four-course dinner.

World-Class Service
The highly trained, English-speaking crew is personable and attentive, and the ship has a medical center staffed with a doctor and nurse.
Included

- Exclusive lectures and presentations by Lech Wałęsa, Pavel Palazhchenko and study leaders
- Eight nights aboard the exclusively chartered, Five-Star Le Dumont-d’Urville
- Cruise from Stockholm, Sweden, to Copenhagen, Denmark, featuring port calls at Helsinki, Finland; St. Petersburg, Russia; Tallinn, Estonia; Visby, Sweden; and Gdańsk, Poland
- Meals as specified in the itinerary
- Complimentary alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages available throughout the cruise
- Captain’s Welcome and Farewell Receptions
- All entrance fees and tours as described in the itinerary
- Group visa for excursions in Russia
- Transfers and luggage handling abroad if your arrival(s)/departure(s) coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s)
- Gratuities to local guides and drivers on included excursions and transfers
- Hospitality desk in the hotel and aboard ship
- Complimentary bottled water in your accommodations and on excursions
- Complimentary use of an audio headset during guided excursions
- Experienced Gohagan & Company Travel Directors throughout the program
- Pre-departure materials, including a reading list
- Automatic $250,000 flight insurance policy for each participant ticketed on flights by Gohagan & Company

Not Included

- International airfare
- Taxes of $495 per person (subject to change)
- Gratuities to ship personnel (suggested amount of $15 per person per day)
- Hotel staff gratuities (on the Pre-/Post-Program Options, suggested amount of $1 to $2 per person per day) and gratuities for activities on your own
- Passport and visa fees (excluding Russia group visa)
- Meals and alcoholic beverages not listed as included
- Transfers and baggage handling to/from airport/hotel on day(s) of arrival and/or departure if you are arriving earlier or later than and/or departing earlier or later than the scheduled group transfer(s)
- Any overnight on land due to flight schedule(s)
- Personal expenses such as laundry, telephone calls and Internet access unless otherwise specified
- Accident/sickness, trip cancellation and baggage insurance
- Baggage charges on aircraft; airfare and associated local taxes not listed as included
- Airport facility taxes and federal inspection fees not listed as included
- All other services not specifically mentioned in the “Included” section
By exclusive arrangement, Lech Wałęsa—former President of Poland (1990 to 1995), Polish hero and international icon in the pursuit of freedom and democracy—will meet with our group on board Le Dumont-d’Urville. From his position as a marine electrician in Gdańsk Shipyard, Mr. Wałęsa emerged as a world-renowned figure in the struggle against communism during the 1980 shipyard workers’ strike and the establishment of the Polish Solidarity labor movement. Even after winning the right to form an independent union, Mr. Wałęsa and Solidarity continued to confront the Soviet-backed regime of General Wojciech Jaruzelski, which jailed Mr. Wałęsa and imposed martial law in Poland in December 1981. Mr. Wałęsa was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1983, a watershed moment widely considered to have been the first crack in the Soviet Union’s Iron Curtain, which crumbled with the Berlin Wall in 1989. That same year, Mr. Wałęsa became the first foreign non-head of government to address a joint meeting of the U.S. Congress in 1989.

Principal English interpreter for former Soviet Union vPresident Mikhail Gorbachev and former Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, Pavel Palazhchenko remains one of the world’s leading interpreters. Mr. Palazhchenko participated in all U.S.-Soviet summit talks leading to the end of the Cold War and eventually became the head of the press office of the International Foundation for Socio-Economic and Political Studies (or The Gorbachev Foundation), where he has also functioned as an analyst, spokesperson, interpreter and translator. He is the author of a personal and political memoir, My Years with Gorbachev and Shevardnadze: The Memoir of a Soviet Interpreter. Graduating from the Maurice Thorez Moscow Institute of Foreign Languages (Moscow State Linguistic University) in 1972, he has published three Russian-English dictionaries providing information, insight and cultural observation on the linguistic twists and turns of the English and Russian languages.

Scheduled guest speakers may be altered due to circumstances beyond our control. See Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Binding Arbitration Agreement.
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Title  Full Name (exactly as it appears on your passport)
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Street Mailing Address (no P.O. Box number please)
City  State  ZIP Code

Telephone: (Home)  (Mobile)
Email Address  (Business)

Preferred Name(s) on Badge(s)  Program No. 034-07/07/20-252

Program reservations require a deposit of $800 per person and $200 per person Splendors of Stockholm Pre-Program Option and/or $200 per person Wonders of Norway Post-Program Option. By reserving and depositing on this program, I/we agree to the Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Binding Arbitration Agreement as printed on the outside back cover of this brochure.

Enclosed is my/our check(s) for $ as deposit.

Make checks payable to Gohagan & Company.

I/We authorize you to charge my/our deposit of $ to:
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Early Booking Tariff* through Dec. 5, 2019  Tariff* after Dec. 5, 2019

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| Deluxe Suite | Suite with expansive sliding glass door, large private balcony, sitting area with sofa. Decks 3, 4, 5 and 6. (limited availability) | $12695 | $13695 |
| Prestige Suite | Two rooms, expansive sliding glass door, large private balcony, two bathrooms, two closets, large sitting area with sofa. Deck 5. (limited availability) | $13695 | $14695 |
| Privilege Suite | Large Suite with expansive sliding glass door, large private balcony, sitting area with sofa. Decks 5 and 6. (limited availability) | $13995 | $14995 |

| Grand Deluxe Suite | Extra-large, two-room Suite, expansive sliding glass door, spacious private terrace, full bathroom with tub and separate shower, additional half bath, sitting area with sofa. Deck 6. (limited availability) | $15195 | $16195 |
| Owner’s Suite | Extra-large, two-room Suite, expansive sliding glass door, spacious private terrace with outdoor Jacuzzi, full bathroom with tub and separate shower, additional half bath, sitting area with sofa. Deck 5. (limited availability) | $15495 | $16495 |

Singles are available in category 5 at $15295* and in category 2 at $17795* on or before December 5, 2019.

Add $1000 for reservations made after December 5, 2019.

*Taxes are an additional $495 per person and are subject to change.

La Dumont-d’Urville has been specially contracted for this program, and the applicable deck plan is available on request from Gohagan & Company and reflects the only valid cabin categorization of the vessel.

Please make my/or our reservation(s) in category:

1st choice 2nd choice

- Double occupancy (two twin beds).
- Double occupancy (one queen bed).
- Single accommodations.
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Please make my/or our reservation(s):

Wonders of Norway Pre-Program Option
- Double at $945 per person.
- Single at $1345 per person.
- I am reserving as a single but prefer to share accommodations.

Wonders of Norway Post-Program Option
- Double at $2945 per person.
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I/We want you to book my/or our air, at an additional cost to be advised, from:

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- Upgraded Economy
- Business Class
- First Class

Note: Airfare is subject to change and is nonrefundable.

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We require membership to the Commonwealth Club to travel with us. Please check one:

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Finland’s capital city of Helsinki showcases elegant Jugendstil architecture along its picturesque harbor.

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