Celtic Lands

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D-Day Remembered

75th Anniversary

Featuring Guest Speakers

Dwight David Eisenhower II
accompanying you to the Normandy Beaches

and

Allen Packwood
Director of Churchill Archives Centre at Cambridge

Aboard the
Exclusively Chartered Small Ship
Five-Star Le Boréal

May 28 to June 7, 2019

SAVE $2000 PER COUPLE

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Dear Club Members,

Experience the rich traditions and astonishing beauty of the British Isles and Northern France’s storied coastline during this unforgettable Celtic Lands voyage. During our specially designed itinerary, traverse the lands and seas of the ancient and influential Celts. In commemoration of the historic 75th anniversary of the D-Day Invasion, visit the solemn shores of Normandy with David Eisenhower, grandson of General and President Eisenhower. Professor Eisenhower and Allen Packwood, an expert on the British Prime Minister Winston Churchill, will join us for a portion of the cruise and share their exclusive insights on two of the most influential figures of the 20th century. While you cruise the waters of the Irish and Celtic Seas and cross the English Channel, enjoy the luxuries of the exclusively chartered, Five-Star, small ship Le BORÉAL—featuring only 110 Suites and Staterooms—and explore cities, villages and islands that abound with Celtic heritage. Call at ports inaccessible to larger vessels, discover firsthand the bold influence left by the ancient Celts and visit the historic territories where their renowned culture remains.

Discover Scotland’s seldom-visited Inner Hebridean Islands and admire the austere landscapes of the United Kingdom, including the Scottish Highlands, steeped in local lore and natural splendor. In North Wales, follow in the footsteps of medieval and modern-day princes and enjoy a privately arranged musical performance by the renowned Welsh Maelgwyn Choir. Stroll the rare and exquisite Tresco Gardens in the Scilly Isles, England, and in Dublin, Ireland, view treasures of Celtic heritage and revel in the lively delights of traditional Irish song and dance.

We are sharing this departure with several educational organizations including the University of Pennsylvania, National Trust for Historic Preservation and the World Affairs Council. Come join us on this extraordinary visit to the pivotal D-Day beaches of Normandy—where Allied forces turned the tide of World War II—and the beautiful Celtic Lands of the British Isles on an exclusive program that will sell out quickly. Make your reservations now, as space is limited!

Best regards,

Kristina Nemeth
Travel Director
(415) 597-6720

Cover photo: Duart Castle’s clifftop grounds offer breathtaking views out across the Sound of Mull.
Spread photo: The seaside town of Arromanches overlooks Mulberry “B,” the military code name for an artificial harbor created to land troops and equipment on D-Day.
U.S./Glasgow, Scotland
Tuesday and Wednesday, May 28 and 29
Depart the U.S. for Glasgow. On arrival, embark the Five-Star Le BORÉAL. Enjoy dinner on board the ship Wednesday evening. (1d)

Fort William/Scottish Highlands
Thursday, May 30
The resplendent beauty of the legendary Scottish Highlands is unparalleled in its rich and rugged scenery, which has inspired countless folktales and storytellers with its magnetic and mysterious pull. Enjoy a full day’s journey, beginning in bucolic Glenfinnan.

View the Glenfinnan Viaduct, immortalized by the Hogwarts™ Express in the Harry Potter film series, and see the Glenfinnan Monument, commemorating the Jacobite Highlanders that Bonnie Prince Charlie rallied against King George II in 1745. Stop along the Caledonian Canal at Neptune’s Staircase—the longest staircase lock in Britain.

This afternoon, enjoy a picturesque drive to majestic Glencoe, considered Scotland’s most scenic glen, much of which is preserved by the National Trust for Scotland, before returning to the ship. This evening, attend the Captain’s Welcome Reception and Dinner. (b,l,r,d)

Tobermory, Isle of Mull/Isle of Iona
Friday, May 31
Go ashore at the sheltered port of Tobermory on the Isle of Mull, where brightly painted houses are nestled between the hills and the harbor. Visit 13th-century Duart Castle, the ancestral home of the Clan Maclean, and enjoy lunch at the castle.

Ferry across the Sound of Iona to the neighboring Hebridean Isle of Iona, the birthplace of Christianity in Scotland. In A.D. 563, the Irish monk Columba founded a monastery here, where scribes would spend their entire lives painstakingly copying and illuminating religious tracts and transcribing ancient Celtic sagas. Iona became the burial place of Scotland’s kings, including Duncan and Macbeth. Stroll through the serene, restored abbey and see the churchyard’s intricate Celtic crosses.

Later, join Allen Packwood on board the ship as he discusses the complexity of the D-Day operations and Sir Winston Churchill’s role in its undertaking. (b,l,d)

Holyhead, Wales
Saturday, June 1
From Holyhead, transfer across the diminutive Isle of Anglesey and over the Menai Strait to North Wales, cradle of Celtic culture, where Welsh remains the mother tongue.

Visit beautiful Bodnant Garden, one of the finest examples of 19th-century Victorian landscape artistry. Stop in the charming seaside resort town of Llandudno for lunch, followed by a stirring private choir performance of Welsh hymns.

Experience the grandeur of the UNESCO World Heritage-designated Caernarfon Castle, an impenetrable 13th-century fortress built by Edward I of England as a defense against the marauding Welsh. Following the tradition of seven centuries of monarchs, Queen Elizabeth II invested the future heir to the British throne, her son Charles, as Prince of Wales at Caernarfon in 1969.

Enjoy views of the beautiful, glacier-sculpted peaks and valleys of the Snowdonia Mountains during your return to the ship. (b,l,d)
Dublin, Ireland
Sunday, June 2
Built astride the River Liffey, Ireland’s historic capital has retained its rich heritage of Georgian architecture. The panoramic tour of the city highlights the landmark St. Patrick’s and Christ Church Cathedrals and grand O’Connell Street, lined with bronze and marble statues of Irish statesmen. Stroll through the stately quadrangles of Trinity College and view the incandescent illuminations of the ninth-century Book of Kells. The afternoon is at leisure to walk along colorful Grafton Street, savor a pint of Guinness in a neighborhood pub or visit the National Gallery of Ireland, one of the best repositories of Celtic treasures in the world.

On board the ship this evening, enjoy specially arranged, traditional Irish music and dance performed by a local band. (b,l,d)

Tresco, Scilly Isles, England
Monday, June 3
On board this morning, Professor David Eisenhower will share captivating personal insights about his grandfather and “Operation Overlord,” the Allies’ code name for the military campaign that launched the D-Day airborne and amphibious invasion at Normandy.

After lunch, visit the lush, 19th-century Tresco Abbey Gardens, weather permitting. Blooming with more than 6000 exotic plant species ranging in origin from Brazil to New Zealand, and built around the ruins of a Benedictine Abbey, this subtropical landscape is often compared to London’s Royal Botanic Garden as a “perennial Kew without the glass.” Meander among spires of indigo viper’s bugloss, broad-leaved tree ferns, flourishing aloes and bright pink South African suikerbos in this surprising, magical haven. (b,l,d)

Cherbourg, France, for Utah Beach and Sainte-Mère-Église/Caen
Tuesday, June 4
From Cherbourg, drive to Sainte-Mère-Église, the first French village to be liberated by American forces during World War II and known for its great historical significance, including the famous story of American soldier John Steele, who caught his parachute on the church steeple and was forced to dangle limply for two hours before being taken as a German prisoner. See Milestone 0, which marks the Road to Freedom’s commencement.

Continue to the Church of Angoville-au-Plain, an emergency aid station during D-Day, and view...
its modern stained-glass rendition of the American Airborne parachute drop; here, two brave U.S. Army medics treated wounded soldiers, using pews as makeshift beds. Nearby, visit Utah Beach, the westernmost shore of the five landing areas of the Normandy invasion, and the Utah Beach D-Day Museum for a chronological account of the landing retold through an immersive curation of artifacts, vehicles and oral histories.

After lunch, visit Pointe du Hoc to envision the heroic U.S. Army Second Ranger Battalion scaling this cliff promontory, and survey the serene English Channel.

Overnight in Caen on board the ship. (b,l,d)

**Caen for Arromanches and Omaha Beach**

**Wednesday, June 5**

Travel to Arromanches and view a wraparound short film documenting the D-Day campaign at the Arromanches 360 Circular Cinema. Continue to Longues-sur-Mer, where the coastal German artillery battery remains intact.

After lunch, continue to Omaha Beach, where Allied forces landed on June 6, 1944, and walk the historic Normandy shores. Then, in the company of Professor Eisenhower, contemplate the solemn commemorative crosses and Stars of David in the American Military Cemetery at Colleville-sur-Mer. This evening, attend the Captain's Farewell Reception on board the ship. (b,l,r,d)

**Explore Edward I's impressive Caernarfon Castle, the mightiest link in his Iron Ring of fortresses across North Wales and where the investiture of Prince Charles of Wales took place in 1969.**

**Portsmouth, England/London**

**Thursday, June 6**

Disembark and visit the D-Day Museum and Southwick House, Supreme Allied Commander Dwight D. Eisenhower’s battle headquarters, with an exclusive lunch and lecture in the historic Portsmouth Guildhall.

Enjoy a scenic transfer from Portsmouth to London and continue on the London Post-Program Option, or check into the deluxe Runnymede on Thames Hotel. Enjoy dinner in the hotel this evening. (b,l,d)

**London/U.S.**

**Friday, June 7**

Transfer to the airport for your return flight to the U.S. (b)

**Edinburgh ♦ Glasgow**

**Pre-Program Option**

$1195 per person, double occupancy
$1695 per person, single occupancy

Explore two of Scotland's great cities intertwined with Celtic history. In Edinburgh, tour the medieval Old Town and Neoclassical New Town—both UNESCO World Heritage sites, the renowned Museum of Scotland, and Edinburgh Castle.


**London**

**Post-Program Option**

$1095 per person, double occupancy
$1745 per person, single occupancy

In stately London, where living history makes each visit more enjoyable than the last, enjoy a panoramic tour of the West End landmarks and visit the underground cabinet war rooms of Winston Churchill. Spend two nights in the deluxe InterContinental London Park Lane.

*Post-Program pricing includes a credit for one hotel night already included in the cost of the main program. Details will be included with your reservation confirmation.
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Indulge in these complimentary onboard amenities—alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages available throughout the cruise and in your Suite or Stateroom minibar, Wi-Fi access throughout the ship and 24-hour room service.

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Only 110 Suites and Staterooms, 95% Including Private Balconies
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Life on Board
Whether you seek educational and cultural presentations, panoramic views, nightly entertainment or quiet retreat, the ship’s spacious public areas can accommodate all passengers comfortably. Enjoy two lounges, a theater, library, Sun Deck with open-air bar, swimming pool, beauty salon, spa, Turkish bath-style steam room and fitness room. The ship has two elevators.

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

♦ Exclusive lectures and presentations by David Eisenhower, Allen Packwood and study leaders

♦ Eight nights aboard the exclusively chartered, Five-Star Le Boréal

♦ One night in the deluxe Runnymede on Thames Hotel in London

♦ Meals as specified in the itinerary

♦ Complimentary alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages available throughout the cruise

♦ Complimentary Wi-Fi throughout the ship

♦ Captain’s Welcome and Farewell Receptions and Welcome Dinner

♦ All entrance fees and tours as described in the itinerary

♦ 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

♦ Experienced Gohagan & Company Travel Directors throughout the program

♦ Complimentary use of an audio headset during guided excursions

♦ 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 ($15 per person, per day)

♦ Hotel staff gratuities ($1-2 per person, per day) and gratuities for activities on your own

♦ Passport and visa fees

♦ 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

♦ 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
Dubw David Eisenhower II

Grandson of General and President Dwight D. Eisenhower, David Eisenhower is a noted historian of World War II and the Cold War. His 1986 bestseller, Eisenhower: At War 1943-1945, was a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize in history.

Eisenhower is Senior Fellow of the Foreign Policy Research Institute and a Public Policy Fellow at the Annenberg School of Communication and the School of Arts and Sciences at the University of Pennsylvania, where he teaches “Communication and the Presidency.” His lecture will feature:

♦ Operation Overlord—the concept, planning and personalities behind the D-Day invasion; and
♦ Triumph and Tragedy—big-picture consequences of the Allied Forces Normandy landings.

Allen Packwood

Director of the Churchill Archives Centre and a Fellow of Churchill College, Cambridge, England, Allen Packwood, B.A., M.Phil. (Cantab), F.R.Hist.S., was co-curator of “Churchill and the Great Republic,” a Library of Congress exhibition, and of “Churchill: The Power of Words,” a display at the Morgan Library in New York. He has lectured extensively on Sir Winston Churchill in the U.K. and the U.S. and organized several events, including the 2009 conference entitled “The Cold War and its Legacy,” attended by senior representatives from China, Germany, Romania, the Russian Federation and the U.S. His lecture will feature:

♦ Churchill and D-Day—Churchill’s role in the high-risk complexity of the D-Day operations; and
♦ Churchill and the Two Republics: France and the U.S.—Churchill’s worldview as a leader and how it was influenced by both the United States and France.

Scheduled guest speakers may be altered due to circumstances beyond our control. See Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Binding Arbitration Agreement.

On June 6, 1944, Allied forces launched the D-Day invasion, landing on the beaches of Normandy.
**LAND/Cruise Tariff excluding taxes**

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Singles are available in category 6 at $14995* and in category 4 at $16195* on or before September 7, 2018. Add $1000 for reservations made after September 7, 2018.

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

Le Boréal has been specially contracted for this tour, and the applicable deck plan is available on request from Gohagan & Company and reflects the only valid cabin categorization of the vessel.

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**Fax to:**
(415) 597-6729 or call:
(415) 597-6720

**Title**
Full Name (exactly as it appears on your passport)
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):**
Tour No. 043-05/28/19-252

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

Make checks payable to Gohagan & Company.

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Signature as it appears on credit card.

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- Single at $1695 per person (one queen bed).

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  - Double at $1195 per person.
  - Single at $1195 per person.
  - I am reserving as a single but prefer to share accommodations.

- London Post-Program Option
  - Double at $1095 per person.
  - Single at $1745 per person.
  - I am reserving as a single but prefer to share accommodations.

- 1/We want you to book my/our air, at an additional cost to be advised, from:
  (fill in departure city)

- Economy Class
- Upgraded Economy
- Business Class
- First Class

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Note: Airfare is subject to change and availability and is nonrefundable.

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Iona Abbey, Scotland’s holiest place since the sixth century A.D., is traditionally believed to be where the Book of Kells was created.

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If due to weather, flight schedules or other uncontrollable factors, you are required to spend an additional night(s), you will be responsible for your own hotel, transfers and meal costs. Baggage is entirely at owner's risk.

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