Dear Spartan Alumni and Friends,

Thank you for choosing AHI Travel to plan your trip to the Historic South Golden Isles cruise. Our goal is to create an enriching travel experience for you and your fellow Spartan Alumni.

This trip is exclusive to Spartan Alumni and is a unique opportunity to explore coastal South Carolina and Georgia. It is designed for seven nights through the scenic Intracoastal Waterway to iconic coastal cities and tranquil beaches.

**Cruise dates:**
- April 13-20, 2019

**Aboard the Independence**

- Independence of the Seas

**Savannah, Georgia**
- Explore the historic city of Savannah, including the Wormsloe and the Chippewa Point Lighthouse.
- Visit the Savannah Botanical Gardens and the Telfair Museum, home of the Savannah College of Art and Design.

**Charleston, South Carolina**
- Discover the Magnolia Plantation and Gardens, a historic rice plantation.
- Take a stroll along the scenic Battery and Fort Sumter.

**Beaufort, South Carolina**
- Explore the charming historic district of Beaufort.
- Visit the Beaufort National Cemetery, where many Civil War soldiers are buried.

**Charleston & Savannah**
- Experience the Lowcountry's rich history and culture.
- Enjoy a visit to the nearby Mepkin Abbey.

**Port charges**
- An additional $250 per person will be charged for Port charges.

**Program details**
- **Land Program:**
  - April 16-20, 2019

**Prices**
- **Land Only:**
  - $2,995
- **Land & Cruise:**
  - $4,995
- **Cruise Only:**
  - $2,000

**Additional information**
- **Travel insurance:**
  - $150

**Cancelling your trip**
- All cancellations are subject to the terms and conditions outlined in the trip brochure.

**Let us arrange your flights**

- **AHI FlexAir:**
  - From: Jacksonville, Florida
  - To: Charleston, South Carolina
  - Price: $4,995

**Questions? Contact AHI Travel**

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**Travel stress-free with AHI FlexAir**

- Our experts are ready to help you with your flight needs.

AHI Travel and the Michigan State University Alumni Association go green!

Michigan State University Alumni Association
April 13-20, 2019

Other dates available upon request.

**Let your adventures begin!**
Independence

Travel in style and comfort to exciting ports in smooth ease. Each modern first-class property for its prime location on the eastern seaboard. Enjoy sailing with American Cruise Lines. And exceptional care that is the hallmark of attention. Each evening before dinner, enjoy a relaxed and casual atmosphere. Complete with an exercise area and complimentary Wi-Fi.

Delicious, locally sourced cuisine, spacious staterooms, and a talented crew.

The Independence is equipped with large, open-deck spaces and patios, allowing you to relax in the sun or take in the scenery while sailing. The ship features a combination of indoor and outdoor spaces, with many areas shaded by the elegant live oak trees and offering stunning views of the Lowcountry. The ship's architecture is designed to blend seamlessly with the surrounding natural environment, making it a true reflection of the Lowcountry's unique character.

Charleston, South Carolina

Day 5

Cruising the Georgia coast

Tour of Savannah

Highly trained chefs. Open seating to dine in style.

Charleston, South Carolina

Day 9

Free time to pursue your individual interests.

Charleston is a vibrant and historic city, with a rich cultural heritage and a charming atmosphere. The city is known for its stunning architecture, including the famous Rainbow Row houses, and its lively arts scene. The Lowcountry's unique character was shaped by a medley of diverse cultures, including African slaves, French Huguenots, British soldiers, and Native Americans, creating a vibrant cultural landscape.

Day 8

Hilton Head Island

Premium | St. Simons Island | Jekyll Island

Located in the heart of the Sea Islands amid the Georgia coast, these islands offer a perfect blend of natural beauty and history. The islands are known for their white sandy beaches, crystal-clear waters, and lush greenery. They are also home to a variety of wildlife, including bottlenose dolphins, American alligators, and a variety of bird species.

Exciting Excursions

Admire the stunning beauty of the Georgia coast on a Dolphin Cruise. This excursion is complimentary to all travelers. You'll have the opportunity to see playful antics of bottle-nose dolphins and gain a better understanding of these fascinating creatures.

Explore the Lowcountry on the Lady Jane Shrimp Boat Tour. This tour is also complimentary and offers a chance to experience the local seafood industry and culture.

Visit the historic and preserved Savannah Historic District, where you can explore the city's rich history and visit landmarks such as the Hatch House, the Old City Jail, and the Savannah Historic District.

Learn about daily life on a plantation as you ride through the scenic Bay Street area, known for its historic mansions and steepled churches. You'll have the opportunity to ride in a horse-drawn carriage while taking in the sights.

Stroll through the historic Savannah harbor on a Trolley Tour. This tour includes a pleasant guided walk, see historic highlights, and enjoy panoramic views of the city.

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Cruising with American Cruise Lines.

**What**
- American Cruise Lines
- River cruises
- All-American fleet
- All-American hospitality
- All-American destinations

**Where**
- United States
- River cruises
- Inland waterways

**When**
- All year round

**Why**
- To enjoy the history and culture of the American South
- To experience the natural beauty of the region
- To relax and unwind on board the ship

**Included Features**
- Deluxe motor coach transfer from the ship to your hotel, plus baggage handling.
- Deluxe diners, plus wine and beer with all meals, plus lunch and dinner during the cruise.
- Your insight into the region.
- 2 nights accommodations, allowing you to enjoy your stay.
- Your One-of-a-Kind Journey

**Exciting Excursions**
- Walk or bike through the trolley and explore on your own.
- A carriage tour of the historic district, filled with historic and Victorian districts with a guide. See Factor's Walk, the Cotton Exchange, several of the city's buildings, smartly accented with ironwork and historic and Victorian districts that reveal elegant culture seekers. Meander down streets in the historic center filled with colonial and antebellum in one of the best-preserved cities in the region. Founded in 1733, it's a magnet for history and tradition of basket-weaving heritage and tradition of basket-weaving.
- Meet your skipper and sail to your captain's residence. Enjoy a private winter getaway for some of America's most peaceful and scenic locations. Venture out on foot or on bikes, by horseback, into trendy restaurants, chic nightspots and hip riverfront in this bustling seaport, and you'll find historic and Victorian districts that reveal elegant culture seekers. Meander down streets in the historic center filled with colonial and antebellum in one of the best-preserved cities in the region. Founded in 1733, it's a magnet for history and tradition of basket-weaving heritage and tradition of basket-weaving.

**St. Simons Island**

**Day 1**
- Deluxe motor coach transfer from the ship to your hotel, plus baggage handling.
- Deluxe diners, plus wine and beer with lunch and dinner during the cruise.
- Your insight into the region.
- 2 nights accommodations, allowing you to enjoy your stay.

**Day 2**
- Premium | Lowcountry Heritage Tour.

**Day 3**
- Premium | Jekyll Island Tour.

**Day 4**
- Premium | St. Simons Island Tour.

**Day 5**
- Premium | Savannah Walking Tour.

**Day 6**
- Premium | Savannah Cultural & Historical Museums Package.

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Independence
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Relish the laidback, Lowcountry character of Charleston. Marvel at the breathtaking, unspoiled landscapes of the Savannah. Experience the charm of historic Beaufort. Bask in true Southern charm in wonderfully preserved Savannah. In a region full of warm hospitality, Savannah radiates a singular, romantic charm that invites exploration. You’ll sense a more relaxed pace, as people walk along the streets. And while Charleston has taken care to preserve the past, it’s forged a stellar reputation as a top favorite destination. It is ideally situated for exploring the alluring, tranquil landscapes of the Intracoastal Waterway. For many, Charleston regularly ranks as a top favorite destination. Of utmost importance is the city’s magical atmosphere. Head to the Charleston Battery to experience grace, welcoming Southern charm. Of course, you’ll also see why this city is often referred to as the Queen City. There’s something romantic around every corner, whether it’s a walk through the charming cobblestone streets or a stroll along Rainbow Row. Let us introduce you to Charleston. Of course, there are many other must-see destinations on this tour. Experience the alluring, tranquil landscapes of the Savannah. Witness the alluring scenes along the Streets. This excursion is complimentary to all travelers.

What Sets American Cruise Lines Apart
Small Ship Cruising Done Perfectly™

American-built, flagged and crewed ships. The newest and most environmentally friendly small cruise ships and riverboats in America. Historians, naturalists, local experts and performers. Attentive and personalized service, the hallmark of American Cruise Lines.

Exquisite Cuisine
Small Ship Cruising Done Perfectly™

Splendid Vistas
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Modern Ships
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Accommodations
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• 9 breakfasts, 8 lunches and 7 dinners, with all meals, plus wine and beer with lunch and dinner during the cruise.

Enrichment programs enhance the cultural and educational experience. Guided Walking Tour. Luminous faux stained-glass windows light up the inside of the 18th-century Chippendale Mansion and its sumptuous interior. Explore Savannah’s historic district, filled with lavish “cottages” owned by wealthy tycoons. Take a tram tour of the historic district, filled with lively, colorful and historic scenes. Rainbow Row, Charleston. Georgian row houses on Rainbow Row; a trolley to discover Savannah’s historic and preserved sites including the Bloody Marsh Battle Site, the Georgia Sea Turtle Center, the Savannah Historic District, and the Olde Town Historic District of Savannah. Fabulous kayaking and hiking opportunities at the Romantic Seaport of Beaufort. Lighthouse, Hilton Head. Beaufort Walking Tour. Charleston Walking Tour. Savannah Walking Tour. Savannah Ghost Tour. Lowcountry, Beaufort. Guided Walking Tour. Savannah, Georgia featured | South Carolina & Georgia

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Intracoastal Waterway.

St. Simons Island | Jekyll Island

The newest and most environmentally friendly small American-built, flagged and crewed ships. The fleet of ships is fully equipped with high-tech technology, the ship is fully stabilized, allowing spaces on board.

Splendid Vistas

Delectable cuisine from American Cruise Lines' American-built, flagged and crewed ships.

What Sets American Cruise Lines Apart

Historians, naturalists, local experts and performers

Gracious Hospitality

Daily cocktail hour, plus complimentary wine

3-night Savannah, GA | 2-night St. Simons Island and Jekyll Island

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delicious, locally sourced cuisine, spacious atmosphere that includes nightly entertainment at the superior quality of the services, amenities while providing opportunities to immerse yourself in local life. Of utmost importance is

Gracious Hospitality

Unobstructed views and breathtaking scenery Splendid Vistas

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Historians, naturalists, local experts and performers along the Georgia coast. Intracoastal Waterway.

Charleston. 

The newest and most environmentally friendly small ships and riverboats in America. Bask in true Southern charm in wonderfully

Watch glorious sunsets over the quiet

mansions, moss-draped oaks and

landscapes of the Golden Isles, tucked along the Georgia coast.

Hilton Head Island | South Carolina

Vacationers cherish the wide, pristine beaches of the Golden Isles, nestled in the seafront in this bustling seaport, and you'll

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