



COASTAL EXPLORATIONS: CANADA & NEW ENGLAND

Your 14-night journey includes: 10-night small ship cruise to Halifax, Louisbourg, Baddeck, Îles de la Madeleine, Saguenay/Baie-Comeau & Québec; 2 nights at a Deluxe hotel in Boston; 2 nights at a Deluxe hotel in Montréal

Your journey into Canada kicks off in Boston, where the superlative backdrop of the city's colonial charm sets the stage for your introduction into the Atlantic coast.

Explore Nova Scotia, a region with a long and storied history dating back several centuries. Make landfall on the stunning Magdalen Islands in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, home to a classic coastal culture. And get to know the French-influenced cultural capitals of Québec and Montréal.

You'll experience an engaging and illuminating journey, all while gaining insights via included features and Cultural Discoveries, and informative onboard lectures. Plus, the small size of our ship will allow for berthing in most port cities, with minimal tendering where you will be required to have the physical agility to maneuver getting on and off of tenders.

The luxurious amenities of the Ocean Explorer will bring unrivaled comfort to your journey. Traveling on your own? Enjoy one of the landmark 15 cabins designed for solo travelers. Indulge in a spa treatment. Watch the beauty unfold from the Observation Lounge or from the sun deck. All while enjoying the finest meals at sea and relying on our onboard Destination Manager to give your unforgettable voyage a distinctive touch.

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JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

OCEAN EXPLORER CRUISING



Cruise on the Ocean Explorer, an agile and state-of-the-art expedition vessel that can navigate to places larger ships can't

MONTRÉAL



Explore the remarkable architecture and rich culture of Montréal, the largest French-speaking city in the world after Paris

QUÉBEC CITY



Take in the timeless charms and historic treasures of Québec City's Old Town, a UNESCO World Heritage Site

MAGDALEN ISLANDS



Explore the tiny, charming villages and dramatic red sandstone cliffs of the Magdalen Islands

BOSTON



Walk in the footsteps of John Adams, Paul Revere, John Hancock, Samuel Adams, and other patriots as you explore important Revolutionary sites

BADDECK



Explore the quaint village of Baddeck, located on the shores of picturesque Bras d'Or Lake

LOUISBOURG



Embrace the history of Louisbourg, situated on beautiful Cape Breton Island

SAGUENAY & BAIE-COMEAU



Be on the lookout for whales and dolphins as you cruise into lovely Baie-Comeau

YOUR PRICE INCLUDES

- **Purchase your airfare from Vantage** and your airport transfers, fuel surcharges, and government taxes and fees are included
- **Accommodations:** 14 nights, with 10 nights aboard the *Ocean Explorer*, 2 nights in Montréal at the *Sofitel Montréal Golden Mile Hotel* (or similar) and 2 nights in Boston at the *Westin Copley Place* (or similar)
- **Small-group escorted shore excursions** with English-speaking local guides
- **Gratuities for local guides and drivers included, plus all port charges**
- **11 included features and Cultural Discoveries** with state-of-the-art QuietVox portable audio headsets on all shore excursions throughout your journey
- **35 meals:** 14 breakfasts, 9 lunches, and 12 dinners, with complimentary wine, beer, and soft drinks during dinner on board
- **The services of a Vantage Cruise Director, Program Manager, and expert Resident Lecturers**, plus shipboard commentary, experienced regional guides, and private motor coach for excursions
- **Complimentary Destination Manager** on board ship to assist with all your personal requests
- **All transportation on included features**
- **2 UNESCO World Heritage Sites:** Montréal, UNESCO City of Design; Historic District of Old Québec
- **All transfers and baggage handling overseas**, beginning with your first hotel
- **Vantage's 5% Travel Reward**, received upon your return, to use toward your next Vantage journey

SPECIAL INTEREST



NATURE HIGHLIGHTS The soul-stirring beauty of eastern Canada and New England greets you at every turn as you cruise along shores popping with spring foliage etched with a dramatic rocky shoreline and teeming with bird and marine life. Here's how you'll experience it up close:

- Marvel at Montmorency Falls, a roaring and scenic cascade that feeds the St. Lawrence
- Walk the Dune du Sud on Îles de la Madeleine, a scenic beach overlooked by stunning red sandstone cliffs



PHOTOGRAPHY HIGHLIGHTS North America never looked so good on this journey, so preserve your memories with photography. Here's a few tips, tricks, and a few must-capture destinations to prepare you for this journey:

- Think like a photojournalist by taking pictures that tell a story and not merely depict a place. Be sure to chronicle your awe-inspiring visits to Montréal, the Gaspé Peninsula, Québec City, and more
- While it's tempting to capture every dramatic vista of this region, don't forget to zoom in closer to capture the authentic feel of a place, such as the small — and easily overlooked — details
- Use your surroundings. Instead of edging out other tourists from your photos, utilize them to enhance the scene. Try tilting the camera at your target, including tourists and the real scene in the background or foreground, and the image is instantly more intriguing than a generic snapshot
- Pursue quirky composition — shooting off-center makes for a more artsy, unique shot



UNESCO & HISTORICAL HIGHLIGHTS Discover some of the most significant cultural and historic treasures in the world throughout your cruise.

- Visit 2 UNESCO World Heritage Sites: Montréal, UNESCO City of Design; Historic District of Old Québec
- Stroll among the stunning stone architecture of Montreal's Old Town

- Step into Québec City's rich past in the Place Royale and on the Plains of Abraham
- Explore the tranquil Magdalen Islands
- Tour sites pivotal to the Revolutionary War in Boston



ACTIVE HIGHLIGHTS This rustic journey through the Canadian Maritimes will expose you to some of the most resplendent natural wonders in North America, as well as offer you opportunities for exploration and activity. Here's how:

- Enjoy time to explore the region's cosmopolitan cities on your own with days at leisure in Montréal, Québec City, and Boston
- Explore the charms of coastal towns in Nova Scotia



ART & CULTURE HIGHLIGHTS A long and storied history of arts and culture await during this enriching itinerary.

- Experience the French flavors that infuse Québec City, Montréal, and Canada's small coastal towns
- Witness the tradition of smoking herring on the Magdalen Islands and even sample some for yourself
- Enjoy visits to some of eastern Canada's most renowned art institutions, including the Atelier Côtier in the Magdalen Islands



CULINARY HIGHLIGHTS Few things reveal as much about a culture and its people as the food they eat. This journey reveals eastern Canada's strong culinary ties to the sea and to its French heritage.

- Learn how herring has been smoked for generations in the Magdalen Islands and have a taste of this traditional preparation
- As you explore Montréal on your own, stop to sample one of its most renowned and indulgent dishes: poutine, French fries covered in pork gravy and cheese curds



Gaspé Peninsula

BIRDWATCHING HIGHLIGHTS You'll encounter diverse ecosystems throughout your journey, each supporting an enormous variety of bird species. Have your binoculars (included in your cabin) and your cameras ready to catch the action!

- Watch out for some of the 200 or more species that reside in the Percé UNESCO Global Geopark, from puffins to razorbills and more!
- As you cruise the St. Lawrence River, keep watch for osprey soaring above in search of fish
- Look for the great cormorant along the rocky coastlines of the



SMALL SHIP CRUISING HIGHLIGHTS

Our 5-star fleet offers an authentic sailing experience to make your journey unforgettable. While onboard, indulge in a relaxing massage at the spa, or try hot-rock cooking at the onboard restaurant. Then, disembark for an eye-opening visit to a local winery or a walking tour of some of the world's most iconic cities and undiscovered gems. All the while, enjoy these world-class ship amenities:

- 77 cabins, including a landmark 15 solo cabins, most of which have full walk-out balconies, for the most flexible style of travel

— plus, suites designed for comfortable triple-occupancy as well as adjoining room options

- A culinary program offering gourmet dining incorporating regional fare, with wine and beer included at dinner
- Spa, massage, and hair services available at the onboard spa
- Sauna
- Two hot tubs
- Fitness center
- Curated lectures, programs, musical performances, and cultural events
- Low passenger-to-crew ratio, plus onboard Destination Manager
- Knowledgeable staff by region
- Onboard medical doctor (travelers are responsible for medical fees associated with doctor visit and medications)
- Gift Shop
- Library with over 200 titles
- Separate, intimate dining space for groups or special events (available upon request)

- Complimentary unlimited WiFi (WiFi on certain segments of trips may not be available)
- Entertainment programming with 100 movie titles
- Environmentally friendly standards with reduced emissions into air and sea and lower energy consumption
- Dynamic positioning technology
- State-of-the-art safety technology, Polar Code 6 compliant, and fully compliant with the latest SOLAS requirements in expedition cruising
- Rolls-Royce stabilizer system; "Safe Return to Port" technology



SOLO TRAVEL HIGHLIGHTS On this small ship ocean cruise, independent travelers will enjoy solo-friendly features, such as:

- Onboard Destination Manager services to personalize your journey
 - Water-sport opportunities, depending on the location
 - A lively social media night and musical performances most nights
 - Solo-friendly social activities, including a Solo Connection mixer
 - Onboard entertainment, lectures, and cooking demonstrations
- Health and wellness options, including onboard spa, hot tubs, and a gym



CONCIERGE SERVICE HIGHLIGHTS Prior to your cruise, our complimentary Concierge service will be available to help you customize your journey. Here are just a few services your Concierge can provide:

- Do you have a special birthday, anniversary, family reunion or other important event you want to celebrate on board? Let your Concierge know before your trip and he or she can make all the special arrangements, whether it's a private reception in your suite, a gathering in the lounge, and more
- Restaurant reservations. Just notify your Concierge of your interests, and he or she will be happy to make recommendations, and will call ahead to reserve your table
- Special excursions. Would you like a limo to take you for a special night in the city? Perhaps you'd like to look up long-lost relatives. Your Concierge is here to help!
- Extend your stay! Your Concierge can help modify your hotel reservations and flights if you decide to stay on
- Tickets to local concerts, exhibits, theater, sporting events, and more

Take advantage of this free pre-cruise service by making your requests prior to your journey. Call 1-888-982-6824 or email Concierge@vantagetravel.com to speak to a Concierge today, or simply log into My Portfolio up

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to two weeks prior to departure. During your journey, your onboard Destination Manager can assist with any special requests such as spa reservations, hotel reservations, and more.

BOSTON TO MONTREAL

DAY 1:	Depart for Boston, Massachusetts <i>The Westin Copley Place Boston or similar</i>
DAY 2:	Explore Boston at your leisure <i>The Westin Copley Place Boston or similar</i>
DAY 3:	Tour Boston's highlights before embarking the Ocean Explorer <i>Ocean Explorer ></i>
DAY 4:	Relax on board with a day at sea <i>Ocean Explorer ></i>
DAY 5:	Get to know Halifax, Nova Scotia <i>Ocean Explorer ></i>
DAY 6:	Explore historic Louisbourg, Nova Scotia <i>Ocean Explorer ></i>
DAY 7:	Welcome to the village of Baddeck <i>Ocean Explorer ></i>
DAY 8:	Culture, heritage, and beauty in the Magdalen Islands <i>Ocean Explorer ></i>
DAY 9:	Scenic cruising in the Gulf of St. Lawrence <i>Ocean Explorer ></i>
DAY 10:	See Saguenay Fjord and the best of Baie-Comeau <i>Ocean Explorer ></i>
DAY 11:	Uncover Québec City's French heritage <i>Ocean Explorer ></i>
DAY 12:	Enjoy a day at leisure in Québec <i>Ocean Explorer ></i>
DAY 13:	Disembark the Ocean Explorer and explore Montréal <i>Sofitel Montréal Golden Mile Hotel or similar</i>
DAY 14:	Enjoy Montréal at your leisure <i>Sofitel Montréal Golden Mile Hotel or similar</i>
DAY 15:	Return home



DAY 1: Depart for Boston, Massachusetts

Fly to Boston, New England’s sophisticated center of culture. Upon arrival, check into your hotel at the heart of the Back Bay neighborhood and enjoy the city at your leisure, perhaps browsing the many shops along Newbury Street. Dinner tonight is on your own.

The Westin Copley Place Boston or similar

DAY 2: Explore Boston at your leisure

Following breakfast at your hotel, you’ll have a full day at leisure to explore Boston at your own pace.

Destination Enhancement: Customize your journey when you add an optional excursion. Discover Lexington and Concord, the battleground where the “shot heard round the world” officially triggered the American Revolution. Learn more
Included meals: Breakfast
The Westin Copley Place Boston or similar

DAY 3: Tour Boston’s highlights before embarking the Ocean Explorer

Boston, the birthplace of the nation, is steeped in history. Major sites include Back Bay with the lovely Trinity Church, Boston Public Library, Boston Common, the historic brick-lined lanes of Beacon Hill, Harvard Yard, and the Italian North End with its renowned Old North Church from where Paul Revere hung the tell-tale lanterns. You’ll check out of your hotel today and enjoy a half-day tour of the city’s famed highlights, with time for lunch on your own, before arriving in Gloucester, where you will board the Ocean Explorer. Settle into your sumptuous stateroom and become acquainted with your 5-star vessel

before joining fellow travelers for your first dinner on board tonight.

Included Feature:

- Half-day Boston highlights tour
Included meals: Breakfast & dinner
Ocean Explorer >

DAY 4: Relax on board with a day at sea

Today you will spend the day at sea, enjoying all of the Deluxe amenities Vantage has to offer. Relax with your favorite movie or book, rest up, and take in sweeping vistas as you sail to your next destination.

Onboard Enhancement: Customize your journey when you add an optional onboard experience. Enhance your time on board with one of our Vantage-exclusive activities, including wine and whiskey tastings, a multicourse Chef's Table Dinner, or an exclusive wine-pairing dinner.

Learn more

Included meals: Breakfast, lunch & dinner
Ocean Explorer >

DAY 5: Get to know Halifax, Nova Scotia

The city of Halifax, Nova Scotia, has a long and interesting history, dating back several centuries. Once home to the First Nations Mi'kmaq people, Nova Scotia's capital town was founded by Great Britain in the mid-18th century. Nowadays, this beautiful city prides itself on its eclectic waterfront district, the most visited destination in all of Nova Scotia.

The city's historic sites include Fairview Lawn Cemetery, where visitors can hear the compelling tale of how 121 victims of the RMS Titanic disaster were recovered and buried here. Its picturesque Citadel, a star-shaped fortress, was constructed in 1856 to defend the city from invading forces. The current residents of this

unique building are the 87th Highlander Regiment, which regularly performs reenactments inside the square. The Art Gallery of Nova Scotia features a fine Italianate façade, and houses a rich collection of regional, national, and international art.

You'll visit some of the area's iconic sites on today's illuminating half-day tour, then have the afternoon free to continue exploring on your own. Or, return to the ship for another fascinating lecture on board.

Included Feature:

- Half-day Halifax tour
Included meals: Breakfast, lunch & dinner
Ocean Explorer >

DAY 6: Explore historic Louisbourg, Nova Scotia

Founded in 1713, the town of Louisbourg — once a bustling 18th-century French fortification — is now a vital coastal community where land and sea connect to make a totally unique destination, which you'll be able to discover for yourself on today's half-day tour.

Located just east of Sydney, and situated on storied Cape Breton Island, Louisbourg is embraced by history. Visitors will discover a portal to the past where they can step back into 18th-century colonial France. The crown jewel of this community is the Fortress of Louisbourg National Historic Site, a one-quarter-scale reproduction of the original fortress that once stood in its spot.

Another of Louisbourg's interesting sites is the Lighthouse Trail. This trail along the rugged Atlantic coastline is home to Canada's first lighthouse, built in 1734. Reconstructed nearly 100 years ago, the red-and-white lighthouse stands on Lighthouse Point, a perfect spot to

stop and admire the natural beauty of the Atlantic Ocean, and the local flora and fauna.

Louisbourg is not just a place with amazing historic sites and natural beauty. Its charming downtown district will reward visitors with unique dining experiences, local history museums, and exceptional shopping opportunities.

Included Feature:

- Half-day Louisbourg tour
Included meals: Breakfast, lunch & dinner
Ocean Explorer >

DAY 7: Welcome to the village of Baddeck

Stretching along the picturesque shores of UNESCO-designated Bras d'Or Lake, the vibrant village of Baddeck is a quaint destination known for its rocky cliffs, magnificent trails, and stunning coastline. It is also known as the home of one of the world's most important inventors: Alexander Graham Bell.

Although an innovator in the fields of aeronautics, hydrofoils, and wireless communications, Bell is best known as the inventor of the modern telephone. Visitors to Baddeck can explore the world's largest collection of this famous inventor's mementos, photos, and models at the Alexander Graham Bell National Historic Site. This picturesque site also features several ornamental gardens and visitors can take home a part of this story with seeds from the museum gift shop to plant their own garden of inspiration.

Your half-day tour today will highlight the village's best sights. You'll have time to explore further on your own following your tour, or return to the ship

for an afternoon of leisure before dinner on board.

Included Feature:

- Half-day Baddeck tour
Included meals: Breakfast, lunch & dinner
Ocean Explorer >

DAY 8: Culture, heritage, and beauty in the Magdalen Islands

Arrive this morning in the Magdalen Islands, a pristine archipelago of red cliffs and dunes in the Gulf of St. Lawrence. You'll visit the Fumoir d'Antan, where you'll witness the enduring tradition of smoking herring. You can even have a sample if you wish. At the Dune du Sud, walk a scenic beach overlooked by dramatic red sandstone cliffs. Conclude your rewarding tour in La Grave, a picturesque fishing and yachting harbor. This haven for artists and craftspeople is teeming with maritime flavor. You'll also stop by the Atelier Côtier, where local sand from the beaches is transformed into remarkable sculptures.

Included Feature:

- Magdalen Islands heritage tour

Cultural Discoveries:

- Visit a traditional smokehouse and sample smoked herring
- Learn how local sand sculptures are made at Atelier Côtier

Please note: While some sights in the Magdalen Islands may not open daily and others are only open seasonally, we will make every effort to visit all important sights during your tour. Tour buses can be quite scarce on the island and often not available during our visits. If this is the case, a school bus will be used for transportation

instead.

Included meals: Breakfast, lunch & dinner
Ocean Explorer >

DAY 9: Scenic cruising in the Gulf of St. Lawrence

Today, you'll get to take in the breathtaking views as we round the Gaspé Peninsula where the St. Lawrence River opens up to the Gulf of St. Lawrence. You'll have a day of leisure on board to relax and relish in your ship's 5-star amenities. Perhaps you'll join a morning workout class, or lounge on the sun deck. You could enjoy a facial at the spa, meet friends in the lounge for a game of bridge, attend an engaging lecture, or simply soak in the hot tub with the cocktail of the day — the choice is yours!

Scenic Sailing:

- Take in all the incredible beauty of the Gaspé Peninsula, known as the "Cradle of Canada." Be sure to bring your camera to capture the incredible sights of the sharp cliffs, jagged coastline, and stunning mountain vistas

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Learn more

Included meals: Breakfast, lunch & dinner
Ocean Explorer >

DAY 10: See Saguenay Fjord and the best of Baie-Comeau

Be on the lookout for whales and dolphins as we cruise through Saguenay Fjord National Park on our way to Baie-Comeau.

Baie-Comeau is a charming city, founded in the early 20th century and located on the shores of

the peaceful St. Lawrence River. Primarily known as a haven for outdoor enthusiasts, active visitors will find many watersport opportunities, beautiful hiking trails, paved cycling paths, and scenic beaches.

Today we'll touch on a few of the city's most interesting sites, including the Ha! Ha! Pyramid, a permanent art installation that commemorates the Saguenay flood of 1996. Named after the nearby Ha! Ha! River, the exterior of the almost 70-ft-tall structure is entirely constructed of 3,000 triangular "yield" road signs. Inside you'll find a staircase that leads to a viewing platform overlooking the river.

We'll also pay a visit to La Petite Maison Blanche (The Little White House). Constructed in 1890, it was once a private residence owned by Jeanne d'Arc Lavoie-Genest. Today, the house is a museum that tells the story of how this modest building survived two major floods in the 20th century. The interior of house is laid out in a way that pays homage to the original architecture. Spread out over three floors, exhibits include models depicting the surrounding area prior to the devastation of the 1996 flood, educational videos, and a collection of art and antiques.

Included Feature:

- Half-day Saguenay highlights tour
Included meals: Breakfast, lunch & dinner
Ocean Explorer >

DAY 11: Uncover Québec City's French heritage

Often called the most French city outside of France, Québec City is considered a loyal sentry that guards the province's unique culture. You'll set out today to discover its Upper and Lower Towns. From the Dufferin Terrace, in the shadow of the palatial Fairmont Le Château Frontenac,

enjoy sweeping views of the Saint Lawrence and the surrounding Laurentian Mountains. You'll also admire the 17th- and 18th-century stone architecture of the Place Royale in the Old Town, home to the oldest Catholic church in North America. See the Plains of Abraham, where the French surrendered to the British in 1759, and gaze upon more impressive vistas from Cap Diamant. Continue via the shop-lined Grande Allée to Montmorency Falls — a roaring and scenic cascade that feeds the Saint Lawrence — for a photo stop.

Included Feature:

- Half-day Québec City tour
Included meals: Breakfast, lunch & dinner
Ocean Explorer >

DAY 12: Enjoy a day at leisure in Québec

Québec's interesting history and multitude of attractions, as well as its welcoming vibe, make this city a stand-out destination for visitors. You'll have the day to yourself to discover more of this enchanting city at your leisure.

Destination Enhancement: Customize your journey when you add an optional excursion. Spend time in breathtaking Montmorency Falls and lovely Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré. Learn more
Included meals: Breakfast, lunch & dinner
Ocean Explorer >

DAY 13: Disembark the Ocean Explorer and explore Montréal

Bid farewell to your ship this morning in Montréal, then set out to explore this remarkable city situated on an island in the St. Lawrence River. This UNESCO City of Design (one of only a few in the world), is home to more than 50 national historic sites, and it boasts a lively downtown arts and cultural scene. During your highlights tour,

you'll view many of its gems, including historic Old Montréal's stunning architecture the magnificent neo-Gothic Notre Dame Basilica, one of the crown jewels in Québec's rich religious heritage.

Following your tour, you'll check into your centrally-located hotel. Lunch and dinner today are on your own.

Included Feature:

- Half-day Montréal highlights tour
Included meals: Breakfast
Sofitel Montréal Golden Mile Hotel or similar

DAY 14: Enjoy Montréal at your leisure

You'll be able to explore more of Montréal on your own today. The city's eclectic mix of stunning heritage architecture and impressive skyscrapers make for captivating sightseeing. You can visit the award-winning Canadian Centre for Architecture (CCA) to gain insight into the city's architecture and learn about its role in shaping contemporary society.

Destination Enhancement: Customize your journey when you add an optional excursion. Enjoy a uniquely Canadian experience when you visit a traditional sugar shack. Learn more
Included meals: Breakfast & dinner
Sofitel Montréal Golden Mile Hotel or similar

DAY 15: Return home

Transfer to the Montréal airport for your flight home.

Included meals: Breakfast

Please Note: Ocean cruising is not the same experience as river cruising; as such, you may experience fluctuating tides and weather patterns that may involve some rocking of your vessel. Itineraries will include all activities as planned except in extreme cases

that can't be controlled by your shipboard crew. Day-by-day itineraries are preliminary and therefore subject to change. If changes occur while on tour, you will be notified by your Cruise Director or regional expert.

ACCOMMODATIONS



Ocean Explorer

Quick facts

Launch: 2021

Length: 104.4 Meters

Max Capacity: 162 guests — 134 for polar expeditions

Cabins: 77, including a landmark 15 solo cabins — 80% of all cabins feature a private veranda

The intimate *Ocean Explorer* and *Ocean Odyssey* are the cruise industry's newest and most premier small ships built for global expedition travel, and ready to go to some of the world's most far-reaching destinations. Accommodating just 134 guests, the ship is outfitted with the latest satellite, sustainability, and navigation capabilities, including SOLAS "Safe Return to Port" requirements and ULSTEIN X-BOW® technology, a significant enhancement for smooth sailing in polar seas.

On all Vantage expedition cruises, education is an essential component of the journey. Enjoy talks from notable scholars, onboard historians who travel alongside you, and handpicked regional experts.

On polar expeditions with Vantage, you'll attend lectures, lessons, and activities offered by a 17-member Expedition Team of experts in fields ranging from biology to oceanography.

In your downtime, you'll find relaxation and luxury aboard the *Ocean Explorer* and *Ocean Odyssey*. Visit the gym or onboard spa for a facial, massage, even a haircut. Soak in the hot tub after a rewarding day of sightseeing. Enjoy gourmet fare for breakfast, lunch, and dinner, plus outstanding culinary experiences built into your journey. And because there's no more than 134 fellow travelers on expedition cruises, you'll enjoy small group outings by day and share meals, stories, and fun with new friends by night. These fabulous expedition vessels offer:

- 77 cabins, including a landmark 15 solo cabins
- 30 triple-ready cabins available
- Vantage offers FREE roommate-matching services if you'd like to be paired while you travel

- Spacious, all outside-facing cabins
- 134-guest capacity
- Zodiac trips to get as close as possible to nature
- The latest satellite and navigation capabilities, including ULSTEIN X-BOW® technology
- Intimate crew-to-passenger ration, plus onboard Destination Manager
- Environmentally friendly standards with reduced emissions into air and sea and lower energy consumption

Amenities:

- A culinary program offering gourmet dining and regional fare, with wine and beer included at dinner
- Hot-rock cooking restaurant
- Multistory lounge and lobby
- Three bars and various lounges
- Top deck observation deck for gatherings, lectures, performances, and more
- Spa, massage, and hair services available at the onboard spa
- Sauna
- Two hot tubs
- Fitness center
- Curated lectures, programs, musical performances, and cultural events
- Low passenger-to-crew ratio, plus onboard Destination Manager (not available on expeditions)
- On expeditions, enjoy the services and curated lectures of a 5- or 17-person Expedition Team, comprised of experts in their field
- Knowledgeable staff by region; expedition cruises will be led by an experienced Expedition Team
- Onboard medical doctor (travelers are responsible for medical fees associated with doctor visit and medications)
- Gift Shop
- Library with over 200 titles
- Separate, intimate dining space for groups or special events (available upon request)
- Complimentary unlimited WiFi (WiFi on certain segments of trips may not be available)
- 20+ live TV channels featuring popular US news channels, the Food Network, the Travel Channel, and National Geographic
- Entertainment and video on demand for 250 classic movies

Ocean Explorer Gallery



The Westin Copley Place Boston

★★★★★

A downtown location in the celebrated Back Bay neighborhood makes this upscale hotel the perfect base from which you can explore Boston. Back Bay Station and the Boston Public Library are a 4-minute walk away, while the boutiques and restaurants of Newbury Street are 0.5 miles from the hotel. Each spacious room features contemporary interiors with city or river views, flat-screen TVs, minibars, and coffee/tea service. Suites add living areas. Room service is available 24/7. Other amenities include an on-site fitness studio and spa, and four dining options including a bar and a Brazilian...



Sofitel Montréal Golden Mile Hotel

★★★★★

A 3-minute walk from Peel metro station, this upscale hotel by Mount Royal Park is a 5-minute walk from the Montréal Museum of Fine Arts, and 2.4 kilometers from the eateries and shops of Old Montréal. Offering floor-to-ceiling windows, the sophisticated rooms include free Wi-Fi, flat-screen TVs and iPod docks, plus desks and minibars. Suites add lounge areas. Room service is available 24/7. There's an upscale French restaurant with a terrace, as well as a chic cocktail bar. Other amenities include a gym and a sauna, along with a business center and event space.