



LISBON TO LONDON: A COASTAL ODYSSEY

Your 15-night journey includes: 10-night small ship cruise with Leixoes, Vigo/A Coruña, Gijón, San Sebastián, Bordeaux, Belle-Île, Brest, Saint-Malo & Poole; 2 nights at a Deluxe hotel in Lisbon; 2 nights at a Deluxe hotel in London

Embark on your own Age of Discovery on Vantage Travel's luxurious small ship ocean cruise from Lisbon to London that includes explorations into the hidden gems and overlooked ports of Portugal, Spain, and France. From the ports of northwest Spain and the Basque resort town of San Sebastián to Belle-Île's laid-back shores and Saint-Malo's medieval walls, this cruise will illuminate the historical, cultural, and culinary wonders of both ancient and contemporary life.

Your voyage takes place on the 5-star Ocean Odyssey, a modern vessel built for a more intimate cruising experience. With just 77 cabins on board — including a landmark 15 solo cabins — you can look forward to a small passenger-to-crew ratio, less queuing, and more time to explore each destination. Enjoy 26 included features and Cultural Discoveries in total, including a full-day exploration of Santiago de Compostela, an overnight stay in Bordeaux complete with wine tastings, and visits to up to 9 UNESCO World Heritage Sites, including Mont Saint-Michel and London's Big Ben and the Houses of Parliament.

As each day's discoveries ebb and flow, indulge in the Ocean Odyssey's many amenities: Relax on the top-deck, indulge in a pampering spa treatment, or try hot-rock cooking at the onboard restaurant. While certain ports may require tendering to and from the ship, her small size lets you navigate to exclusive ports larger ships can't reach, giving you access to some of the world's most iconic sites and undiscovered gems.

Customize your journey with the expertise of an onboard worldwide Concierge — make restaurant reservations in Bordeaux, visit a neighboring town or nearby wine estate, or tailor your itinerary to

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your interests! Optional pre- and post-trip extensions to Madeira and Dublin round out this historical – and delicious – journey along Europe’s western coastline.

JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

OCEAN ODYSSEY



Discover Europe's western coastline aboard the 5-star *Ocean Odyssey*

SAINT-MALO & MONT SAINT-MICHEL



Visit this historic French port and the Benedictine abbey Mont Saint-Michel

SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA



Spend a full day exploring one of the globe's oldest pilgrimage sites — and a UNESCO World Heritage Site!

TWO FULL DAYS IN BORDEAUX



Enjoy two days in this iconic wine city, including a tour and wine tasting at the celebrated La Cité du Vin wine museum

LISBON



Stage your own Age of Discovery on a tour of Lisbon's famed monuments, including UNESCO-listed Belém Tower and Monastery of Jerónimos

BELLE-ÎLE



Marvel at this picturesque island off France's southern Brittany coastline

PORTO



Learn about Portugal's second largest city on a tour of its UNESCO-listed city center and on a visit to a local market

SAN SEBASTIAN



Explore the Parte Vieja (Old Town) of San Sebastián — one of Spain's most alluring resort towns on the Bay of Biscay

WINDSOR CASTLE



End your expedition in London with an exploration of the famous Windsor Castle, the oldest and largest occupied castle in the world

OVIEDO



Visit this cosmopolitan Castilian city on Spain's northwest coast

YOUR PRICE INCLUDES

- Purchase your airfare from Vantage and your airport transfers, fuel surcharges, and government taxes and fees are included
- **Port charges are included** in the base price as a courtesy to our *Ocean Odyssey* travelers
- **Accommodations:** 10 nights aboard the *Ocean Odyssey*, 2 nights at the *Hotel Kimpton Fitzroy London* (or similar), 2 nights at the *Corinthia Hotel Lisbon* (or similar)
- **26 included features and Cultural Discoveries**
- **35 meals:** 14 breakfasts, 9 lunches, and 12 dinners, with complimentary wine, beer, and soft drinks during dinner on board
- **Visit up to 9 UNESCO World Heritage Sites**
- **The services of a Vantage Cruise Director and Program Manager**, plus shipboard commentary, regional experts, and private motorcoach for excursions
- **Complimentary Destination Manager** on board ship to assist with all your personal requests
- **All transfers and baggage handling overseas** (except in customs)
- **Gratuities for local drivers and guides**
- **Vantage's 5% Travel Reward**, received upon your return, to use toward your next Vantage journey

SPECIAL INTEREST



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



WINE HIGHLIGHTS You'll journey into Bordeaux, France, on this expedition — all thanks to the agile Ocean Odyssey, which can venture to places larger ships can't. As one of France's leading wine regions, Bordeaux will be a hallmark of your journey, with wine central to your experience.

- Spend two full days in Bordeaux, with an opportunity for a wine tasting in UNESCO-listed Saint-Emilion
- Enjoy a guided tour of Bordeaux's La Cité du Vin wine museum,

founded in 2016

- Savor a wine tasting in Bordeaux's La Cité du Vin
- Included port wine tasting in Porto



ART & CULTURE HIGHLIGHTS

From Lisbon's historical monuments to beautiful Santiago de Compostela, we've curated this expedition with these cultural highlights:

- A tour of Lisbon's landmarks, including UNESCO-listed Belém Tower
- A visit to Mont-Saint Michel
- A full-day exploration of Santiago de Compostela, one of the

most sacred places in the world for Christian pilgrims

- Shop for renowned arts and crafts on Belle-Île, a sandy and secluded isle off France's Brittany coastline
- Spend two days discovering wine and culture in Bordeaux, with your choice of tours — Saint-Emilion or Arcachon
- Visit Queluz Palace in Sintra
- A curated lecture series that offers deeper context into the arts and culture of a destination
- Guided visit to British Museum



UNESCO & HISTORICAL HIGHLIGHTS This journey is designed to reveal the European coastline's hidden gems and lesser-visited ports. It's with that spirit in mind that we've packed this itinerary with some of Europe's most enigmatic — and overlooked — history, including:

- Explore San Sebastián's historic Parte Vieja (Old Town)
- Learn the WWII history of Brest, France

- Visit the Benedictine abbey of Mont Saint-Michel
- Visit Oviedo, where the original Way of St. James began
- Discover the island of Belle-Île, a sandy and secluded outpost off France's Brittany coastline
- Guided tour of the British Museum
- Plus, visit up to 9 UNESCO World Heritage Sites: Santiago de Compostela; Belém Tower and Monastery of Jerónimos in Lisbon; the Tower of Hercules; Porto's historic city center; Monuments of Oviedo and the the Kingdom of the Asturias; Sintra; Mont Saint-Michel; London Palace of Westminster and Westminster Abbey



CULINARY HIGHLIGHTS This expedition is curated to introduce you to the most distinctive cuisine of the regions we visit, with:

- Enjoy fabulous meals on board your ship, including regional specialties
 - Seek out meals on your own in select ports
 - France's Bordeaux wine region
 - Sample freshly shucked oysters during an excursion in Arcachon
 - Savor seafood and French fare on the island of Belle-Île
 - Sample pastéis de Belém custard pastries, Portugal's favorite treat, in Lisbon
- Request restaurant reservations with our worldwide Concierge — especially in Bordeaux, where you'll have access to many Michelin-starred French restaurants



PHOTOGRAPHY HIGHLIGHTS

This expedition was made for photography buffs, but novices too can capture the majesty of the regions we visit. Here are a few tips to help you along the way:

- Make the most of the "golden hour," the time frame before dawn and dusk that offers warm, camera-friendly lighting that's flattering for everyone
- Embrace street photography. Yes, cathedrals are beautiful, but so are these region's culture and people. Photographing everyday life is one of the best ways to authentically memorialize your experiences
- Change your perspective. Try shooting from a different angle and enjoy the adventure. For example, climb a stairwell and shoot a landscape from up high or, alternately, get low and shoot a scene from the ground. Wherever you are, embrace this artistic challenge by getting out of your comfort zone!



- Visit Lisbon's Jerónimos Monastery
- Panoramic tour of Westminster Abbey in London

RELIGIOUS HIGHLIGHTS We've curated this expedition with several historic and religious sites, including:

- A full-day exploration of the Santiago de Compostela, one of the most sacred places in the world for Christian pilgrims
- A visit to the Benedictine abbey of Mont Saint-Michel
- A visit to Oviedo, where the original Way of St. James began
- Explore San Sebastián's Santa Maria Church and Good Shepherd Cathedral



a gym

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

- Onboard Destination Manager to personalize your expedition
- 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, jacuzzis, and



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!

CONCIERGE SERVICE HIGHLIGHTS Prior to your expedition 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 and he or she can make all the special arrangements, whether it's a private reception in your suite, a

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- 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, start-to-finish service by making your requests prior to your journey or during your journey. We are one of the only companies to offer this level of service! Call 1-888-982-6824 or email Concierge@vantagetravel.com to speak to a Concierge today, or simply log into My Portfolio up 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.

LISBON TO LONDON

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DAY 2: Lisbon arrivals
Corinthia Hotel Lisbon or similar

DAY 3: Lisbon landmarks, tasting renowned pastéis de Belém
Corinthia Hotel Lisbon or similar

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DAY 1: Board an overnight flight to Portugal

Today you'll board an overnight flight to Portugal. Or, depart earlier for your pre-trip extension to Madeira.

DAY 2: Lisbon arrivals

Welcome to Lisbon! If you purchased your airfare from Vantage, a representative will meet you at the airport and assist with the transfer to your hotel. Relax with an afternoon at leisure to acclimate and a Welcome Briefing later today. Tonight, enjoy a Welcome Dinner alongside your fellow travelers at the hotel.

Included meals: Dinner
Corinthia Hotel Lisbon or similar

DAY 3: Lisbon landmarks, tasting renowned pastéis de Belém

The Age of Discovery launched in Lisbon, so it's fitting that you begin the morning with a spate of

them. On an included panoramic and walking tour of the Portuguese capital, you'll explore the city's famed monuments, including UNESCO World Heritage Sites like Belém Tower and Monastery of Jerónimos, which you'll peruse and walk through. The latter is inextricably tied to the country's history of exploration, and it's said that Vasco da Gama spent his last night here before sailing for the Far East (his tomb is in the monastery). Your tour culminates in a stop at the towering Monument to the Discoveries: a massive white-stone tribute to some of the world's most intrepid sailors and explorers. While on your tour, sample pastéis de Belém custard pastries, Portugal's favorite treat.

Enjoy an afternoon at leisure, with dinner on your own.

Included Feature:

- Half-day Lisbon city tour

Cultural Discovery:

- Local pastry tasting during Lisbon walking tour
Included meals: Breakfast
Corinthia Hotel Lisbon or similar

DAY 4: Full day tour to Queluz Palace, Sintra and Cascais, embark the Ocean Odyssey

This morning, hop on a motorcoach to discover another UNESCO-listed feature — the historic landscape of Sintra. First, you'll visit Queluz Palace, the ornate 18th-century Baroque residence that was once home to Portuguese royalty. You'll enjoy a guided tour of the palace before setting off for Cascais, a beautiful resort town known for its white-sand beaches. Lunch is on your own here.

This afternoon, you'll proceed to the pier and step right onto the Ocean Odyssey to begin your

own journey of discovery. During your 10 nights onboard this small ship ocean cruise, you'll enjoy 5-star luxury amenities, informative onboard lectures, immersive Cultural Discoveries, and more. Enjoy scenic sailing as we ship out and take in Lisbon's vibrant coast from your vantage point on the Mediterranean. Tonight, enjoy a curated dining experience during your first dinner on board.

Included Feature:

- Sintra and Cascais tour

Scenic Sailing:

- Depart Lisbon and admire its vibrant coast
Included meals: Breakfast & dinner
Ocean Odyssey >

DAY 5: Inside Porto, the "Unvanquished City"

Enjoy breakfast as the ship arrives in Leixões. Your ship will berth in port so you'll be able to disembark with ease—no waiting and no tendering. From here, we'll transfer to Porto, known as the "Unvanquished City" because the Romans or Moors never overtook it. According to 15th-century legend, the people of Porto donated all their meat to a military fleet departing for battle — leaving themselves with nothing but offal (tripas). Considering the sacrifice an ancestral badge of honor, Porto residents still proudly call themselves Tripeiros.

Embark on a panoramic drive through Portugal's second largest city, which includes its UNESCO-listed city center and a visit a local port wine cellar for a tasting. Return to the ship for lunch, with an afternoon at leisure to explore Porto on your own using free shuttle service to and from the ship. Don't miss a visit to one of the top bookstores in the world, Livraria Lello (which inspired J. K. Rowling's Harry Potter library), where you can peruse the shelves and admire

the décor of this one-of-a-kind gem.

Dinner is on board, with overnight sailing to Spain.

Included Feature:

- Half-day Porto city tour

Cultural Discovery:

- Port wine tasting
Included meals: Breakfast, lunch & dinner
Ocean Odyssey >

DAY 6: Exploring UNESCO-listed Santiago de Compostela

You'll berth in Vigo today, in the westernmost corner of Spain, where you'll step off the ship and get ready to experience a full-day exploration of the UNESCO-listed Santiago de Compostela, one of the most sacred places in the world for Christian pilgrims. It's believed that Saint James was buried here in the first century, but the location was forgotten over the years until a ninth-century hermit saw a shining light over a spot in a wooded field, sparking an ensuing investigation that revealed what was believed to be the lost tomb of Saint James. A church was constructed, and it quickly became one of the most famous pilgrimage destinations of medieval times. It remains so today, with more than 200,000 people walking the nearly 500-mile path (called the Way of Saint James) annually. You'll get a chance to see both the church and the route that millions have taken to get there. Lunch is included at a local restaurant today, complete with local entertainment.

Afterward, transfer to A Coruña, stopping for photos at the Tower of Hercules — the world's oldest working lighthouse and a UNESCO World

Heritage Site — along the way. Re-embark ship in A Coruña.

Included Feature:

- Full-day tour of Santiago de Compostela
- Photo stop at the UNESCO-listed Tower of Hercules

Cultural Discovery:

- Local entertainment during lunch in Santiago de Compostela
Included meals: Breakfast, lunch & dinner
Ocean Odyssey >

DAY 7: Oviedo, Spain's cosmopolitan northern capital

Discover Oviedo, the cosmopolitan capital of Spain's northern coast and home to some impressive churches including Cathedral of San Salvador, which is where the original Way of St. James began. Soak in the old-world beauty of this town and its collectively listed UNESCO monuments before returning to the ship for lunch. Because the ship will be berthed here, you'll be able to easily step on and off while in port.

Then, spend an afternoon at leisure in Gijón, a city of beautiful beaches and a rich history situated on the shimmering Bay of Biscay. Return to the ship this evening for dinner on board and another scintillating lecture.

Included Feature:

- Half-day historical tour of Oviedo

Cultural Discovery:

- Onboard lecture
Included meals: Breakfast, lunch & dinner
Ocean Odyssey >

DAY 8: Seaside splendor in the resort town of San Sebastián

Wake up in San Sebastián today, one of Spain's most alluring resort towns renowned for its beaches and its food. We'll berth in port today, so you'll be able to step right off the ship and head out for a morning tour of the city's historical gems includes the Parte Vieja (Old Town), the twin-towered Santa Maria Church, and Good Shepherd Cathedral, but merely strolling the streets of this coastal treasure — or watching the waves break over La Concha beach — is a pleasure all its own.

The Ocean Odyssey will cruise to France overnight.

Included Feature:

- Half-day San Sebastián city tour

Cultural Discovery:

- Onboard lecture

Scenic Sailing:

- Arrive at one of the world's most breathtaking coastal cities today; be sure to soak up all of San Sebastián's romantic views upon arrival and departure

Included meals: Breakfast, lunch & dinner
Ocean Odyssey >

DAY 9: Bordeaux, the Port of the Moon

You'll revel in the scenic sailing aboard the Ocean Odyssey as it takes you through the Gironde Estuary to the Garonne River and into Bordeaux, France — one of the smaller ports most vessels can't reach!

As you cruise there this morning, spend some time in the boutique, soaking up sun or sightseeing from the deck. Join your guest lecturer for another talk that prepares you for the exciting explorations we've planned — your choice of tours and leisure time to discover

UNESCO-listed Bordeaux, known as the "Port of the Moon" because of its crescent-shaped docks along the river.

Often overlooked by the glamorous outposts of Paris and Marseille, Bordeaux is arguably the wine capital of the world, and home to La Cité du Vin wine museum, which you'll visit on an afternoon city tour that includes a wine tasting.

Enjoy an evening at leisure in Bordeaux, with dinner on the Ocean Odyssey. You'll overnight in Bordeaux, so take advantage of the extra time by heading into town for an after-dinner cocktail or glass of wine, or simply stroll around town. Tonight, enjoy evening entertainment onboard.

Included Feature:

- Half-day Bordeaux city tour

Cultural Discoveries:

- Onboard lecture
- Onboard entertainment
- Visit La Cité du Vin wine museum and enjoy a wine tasting

Scenic Sailing:

- Cruise the Gironde Estuary and Garonne River on your way to Bordeaux
- Included meals: Breakfast, lunch & dinner
Ocean Odyssey >

DAY 10: Pick your choice of tours in Bordeaux

This morning after breakfast, you'll have your choice of tours — you may embark on a half-day excursion to the UNESCO-listed Saint-Emilion or a half-day tour to Arcachon. The former will bring you to a commune teeming with medieval architecture where you'll sample local wines during a tasting. The latter will bring you to a seaside resort town where you'll enjoy a tasting of freshly-shucked oysters. Your ship will be

berthed today, so you'll be able to step off easily and commence your second day of discovery in Bordeaux.

Have an afternoon at leisure in Bordeaux. Tonight, enjoy an informative lecture before dinner. Your ship sails overnight to Belle-Île.

Included Feature:

- Choice of half-day tours: Saint-Emilion or Arcachon

Cultural Discoveries:

- Onboard lecture
- Oyster or wine tasting, depending on which tour you choose

Scenic Sailing:

- Bid *adieu* to the vineyards and elegant châteaux of Bordeaux as you sail back through the Garonne River to the Gironde Estuary, taking pictures along the way

Included meals: Breakfast, lunch & dinner
Ocean Odyssey >

DAY 11: Brittany's Belle-Île

Belle-Île, a sandy and secluded isle off France's Brittany coastline, is yours to explore today. Most people arrive to this oft-overlooked island outpost via ferry from the mainland or not at all, but the Ocean Odyssey's small size is versatile enough to let us berth directly in port, allowing you to easily step ashore.

On a full-day tour, discover the stunning pastel-hued harbor and its homes, the star-shaped citadel in capital Le Palais, and charming inland villages like the commune of Sauzon — once the muse for Monet, who spent several months here during the climax of his career. This island is a favorite among celebrities who love its laid-back charm and rich history of arts and crafts. You'll

receive some cash to enjoy lunch on your own. Perhaps you'll seek out fresh seafood, an island staple.

Included Feature:

- Full-day scenic tour of Belle-Île

Scenic Sailing:

- You're sure to understand why the French chose to name this island Belle-Île, or beautiful isle, while you marvel at its stunning coastline and popular beaches upon arrival and

departure

Included meals: Breakfast, lunch & dinner
Ocean Odyssey >

DAY 12: The best of Brest

Once destroyed by Allied air attacks in World War II, today's rebuilt Brest is a major French hub and the site of your explorations today. Depart on a city tour via coach and walking, including a visit to the Château de Brest, a strategic military outpost and the oldest functioning castle in the world. We will return to the ship for lunch, after which you may head back into town for an afternoon at leisure, perhaps touring the Musée des Beaux-Arts or the stunning Brest National Botanical Garden, which features one of the largest collections of endangered plant species in the world. Another enlightening lecture takes place before dinner on board.

Included Feature:

- Coach and walking tour of Brest

Cultural Discovery:

- Onboard lecture

Scenic Sailing:

- Sail into Brest, one of France's most beautiful natural harbors that's captivated sailors and

travelers for centuries
Included meals: Breakfast, lunch & dinner
Ocean Odyssey >

DAY 13: Saint-Malo and Mont Saint-Michel

You'll be transported back to medieval times when you arrive in Saint-Malo, France, today. This walled city has a long seafaring history and is the birthplace of Jacques Cartier, the first European man to discover Canada. Inside its walls, Saint-Malo's streets overflow with cafés and restaurants — the modern mixing with the medieval.

A full-day tour unveils a true gem of France: Mont Saint-Michel. You will board an offshore tender and head inland to begin your tour. You'll transfer to this Benedictine abbey, which is dramatically situated on a hulking granite island surrounded by granite walls. It is so iconic that UNESCO deemed it a World Heritage Site! On a guided tour, learn about the history of this legendary place while wandering the tangle of lanes within. Afterward, seek out a classic French meal at a nearby brasserie with provided lunch money.

Included Feature:

- Full-day guided tour of Mont Saint-Michel
- Scenic Sailing:
- This morning, cruise into Saint-Malo and be charmed by its blend of Gothic and Renaissance architectural styles before heading to Mont Saint-Michel

Included meals: Breakfast, lunch & dinner
Ocean Odyssey >

DAY 14: Exploring Windsor Castle

Today you'll say goodbye to the Ocean Odyssey, Vantage's second small ship ocean vessel, when you disembark in Poole. En route to London,

you'll set off on a tour of Windsor Castle, the oldest and largest occupied castle in the world. The British royal family spend most of their private weekends at the castle, which has housed 39 monarchs since its founding by William the Conqueror in the 11th century.

Afterward have lunch on your own, then transfer to London where you'll check into your hotel. Enjoy the rest of the day at leisure and dinner on your own. Your hotel is centrally-located, giving you a bevy of dining options from which to choose.

Included Feature:

- Tour of Windsor Castle
- Included meals: Breakfast
Kimpton Fitzroy London or similar

DAY 15: From Big Ben to Buckingham Palace: Exploring London's landmarks

Today you'll discover this great metropolis on a half-day guided city tour that introduces you to London's landmarks, including Westminster Abbey (a UNESCO World Heritage Site), Big Ben and the Houses of Parliament, Trafalgar Square, Buckingham Palace, and much more. You'll also enjoy an included visit to the British Museum, famed for its extensive permanent collection of 8 million works dedicated to human history and culture. This afternoon, discover more of the English capital on your own before a Farewell Dinner at the hotel reunites you with your fellow expeditioners; to toast your extraordinary adventure one last time!

Included Feature:

- Half-day London city tour

Cultural Discovery:

- Guided tour of the British Museum

Included meals: Breakfast & dinner
Kimpton Fitzroy London or similar

DAY 16: Return home, or head to Dublin

Transfer to London's airport this morning for your return flight home, or head to Dublin, Ireland for your optional post-trip extension.

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. The above day-by-day itinerary is preliminary and subject to change. If changes occur while on tour, you will be notified by your Cruise Director or regional expert. In addition, should there be an extreme change in water levels, Vantage will do everything possible to provide either the included excursion or an alternate excursion at Vantage's discretion. Port times & itineraries are subject to change. Fluctuating water levels may affect itinerary.

ACCOMMODATIONS



Ocean Odyssey

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)
- 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 U.S. news channels, the Food Network, the Travel Channel, and National Geographic
- Entertainment and video on demand for 250 classic movies



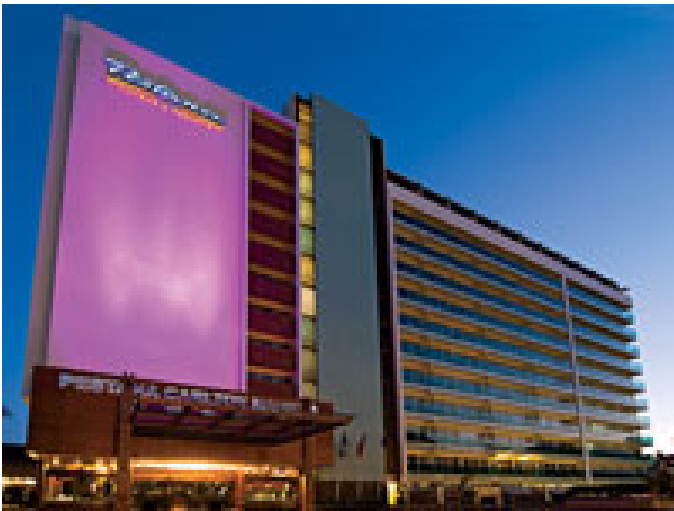
Kimpton Fitzroy London ★★★★★

The Deluxe Kimpton Fitzroy London puts you right in the heart of central London, just minutes away from Bloomsbury's museums, Covent Garden's trendsetting boutiques and bars, and all of London's iconic landmarks. Then again, you might just choose to stay in and explore the interior of this 19th-century grand dame, get workout in the gymnasium, and then ensconce yourself in the comforts of your stylish room. Each guestroom features flat-screen smart TVs, Nespresso coffee machines, and complimentary Wi-Fi.



Corinthia Hotel Lisbon ★★★★★

Soak in the best of Portugal's capital city with a stay at the Corinthia Hotel Lisbon. Located just minutes from multiple museums, shopping malls, and Lisbon's underground system, you'll be ideally situated to explore the gems of this historic city. Unwind after a day of exploration with a visit to the hotel's spa and indoor pool, or simply relax and gaze out over stunning views of the city. Room amenities include air-conditioning, a coffee-maker, an in-room safe, cable television, and Wi-Fi, as well as daily maid service.



Pestana Carlton Madeira Hotel ★★★★★

The Pestana Carlton Madeira Hotel is one of the most sophisticated 5-star hotels on Madeira Island, recently refurbished to reflect the newest trends. Located in Funchal, Madeira, the Pestana Carlton boasts a unique location with direct access to the Atlantic Ocean and magnificent ocean views, and rooms feature a private bathroom, cable TV, radio, telephone, air-conditioning, minibar, safety deposit box, balcony or terrace, coffee and tea facilities, and Wi-Fi. Not only that, but you'll have a guaranteed sea-view room!



Hyatt Centric The Liberties Dublin ★★★★★

The Hyatt Centric The Liberties Dublin is conveniently located in the heart in The Liberties, located near the Christ Church Cathedral, with its medieval crypt, as well as Dublin Castle and the Guinness Storehouse, among others. Rooms are modern with a Signature Hyatt Grand Bed, hi-tech amenities, complimentary Wi-Fi, and of course bath toiletries. While here, make use of the private landscaped garden, relaxing reading lounge, 24-hour access to a state-of-the-art fitness center, on-site restaurant — and even bottle your own personalized whiskey at the hotel!