

THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE SYSTEM OF EDUCATION
ALUMNI & FRIENDS TRAVEL PROGRAM

10-DAY PANAMA CANAL CRUISE
JANUARY 6-16, 2008

Sail aboard the *Coral Princess* while passing through the massive man-made Panama Canal. Marvel over this 51-mile "water-bridge" that took over 400 years to build. Your journey will begin in Ft. Lauderdale, where you will step onboard the Coral Princess. Rest and relax for the first two days at sea, or gamble in the London-themed casino while sailing to the first port, Aruba. Once docked in Aruba, be sure to explore the island and take a picture of Natural Bridge, where Aruba's enduring surf carved this bridge from the island's coral. Next stop is Cartagena, Columbia, the old walled city, where you will find the atmosphere reminiscent of the Spanish Main, the Inquisition and the 19th-century wars for independence. Sail over and through the Panama Canal, which was completed in 1914. Enter Colón, which is the second largest city in Panama, situated on the Atlantic coast at the Caribbean end of the Panama Canal. It was made a duty-free port in 1953 and is the world's largest Free Trade Zone outside Hong Kong. Next you will enter the city of Limon, Costa Rica where you will have the option of taking the fascinating Aerial Tram ride, as featured on the Discovery Channel, through the forest canopy and its hanging gardens, or climb aboard the famous Jungle Train to explore deep into the jungles where beauty and beasts abound. Relax for a day at sea, where there is plenty to do, from a massage treatment at the full-service Bali-themed spa with ocean-view gym; play 9 holes on the putting course or use the golf simulator; or swim in one of four pools. The last port you will dock in will be Montego Bay, Jamaica. This port has plenty to offer, such as the Rose Hall Great House, Croydon Plantation, and rum from the famous Appleton Estate.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Port</u>	<u>Arrival</u>	<u>Departure</u>
January 6, 2008	Ft. Lauderdale	-----	5:00 PM
January 7, 2008	At sea	-----	-----
January 8, 2008	At sea	-----	-----
January 9, 2008	Aruba	7:00 AM	1:00 PM
January 10, 2008	Cartagena, Columbia	9:00 AM	3:00 PM
January 11, 2008	Panama Canal, Panama	7:00 AM	3:30 PM
January 11, 2008	Colon (Cristobal), Panama	4:00 PM	8:00 PM
January 12, 2008	Limon, Costa Rica	6:30 AM	7:00 PM
January 13, 2008	At sea	-----	-----
January 14, 2008	Montego Bay, Jamaica	8:00 AM	4:00 PM
January 15, 2008	At sea	-----	-----
January 16, 2008	Ft. Lauderdale	7:00 AM	-----

Ft. Lauderdale: Seven miles of perfect beaches welcome the seagoing traveler to Ft. Lauderdale. Renowned for sun and water sports, the city also offers fine shopping along the Riverwalk and a perfect jumping-off point for a tour of the Everglades.

Aruba: Dutch influence still lingers on Aruba as part of the Netherlands' Antilles until independence in 1986. This balmy Caribbean island is a study in contrasts. Its arid interior is dotted with cactus and windswept divi-divi trees while secluded coves and sandy beaches form its coast. Aruba's long and colorful heritage is reflected in its dialect. Called Papiamentu, it's a combination of Spanish, French, Portuguese, Dutch, African and English.

Cartagena: A World Heritage Site, Cartagena was founded by Spanish conquerors and is considered by many to be one of South America's most beautiful, magical cities. Spend time exploring the walled Old City center.

Panama Canal: One of the great engineering feats of the 20th century, the Panama Canal accomplished what nature forgot to do, it connected the Atlantic to the Pacific, and reduced the 12,000-mile sailing distance between New York and San Francisco by more than 7,000 miles.

Limon, Costa Rica: Stretching along the Caribbean coast of Costa Rica, the Limon province is one of the most beautiful locations in the world -- a magical mixture of mangroves, pristine beaches, waterfalls, volcanoes, lush tropical rainforests and amazing wildlife.

Montego Bay, Jamaica: The Jamaican people call this mountainous beach community of mangrove wetlands "MoBay." Flowering trees and a turquoise sea combine with the colorful, lively reggae culture to create a feast for the senses. Jamaica's spirit is reflected in the art, cuisine and architecture of the island, where bird watching, water sports, golf, music festivals and river rides all add to the good vibes.

Pricing

Mini-Suite with Balcony \$2,476

Balcony \$2,126 - \$2,206

Oceanview \$1,876

Inside \$1,676

Prices are per person, based on double occupancy, and *include* roundtrip air from Philadelphia, all meals and entertainment onboard, 24-hour room service, port charges and transfers. Airfare is available from Pittsburgh at \$78 per person additional and Harrisburg at \$68 per person additional (rates are subject to change). **Government and air taxes of approximately \$73 per person (subject to change) are additional, regardless of air gateway. A deposit of \$450 per person is due by July 10, 2007 to confirm your reservation. Reservations accepted after that date based on availability. Final payment is due by October 23, 2007. Travel insurance is available and recommended; please call for details on this important protection.**

A VALID U.S. PASSPORT IS REQUIRED FOR THIS CRUISE; NO EXCEPTIONS.

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