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RIO-005 SUGAR LOAF & COPACABANA

Duration: 4.00 Hrs  Tour Price: $169.00

Date:  February 26, 2017  10:00 AM
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No trip to Rio would be complete without discovering two of Rio’s most famous landmarks - Copacabana and Sugar Loaf.

Traveling from the pier and downtown commercial district, you’ll first enjoy a drive to exotic Praia Vermelha, also referred to as Red Beach and located near Urca Hill, the first ascent on your way to the summit of Sugar Loaf. The Sugar Loaf, or Pão de Açúcar, rises as a massive granite cone at the entrance of Guanabara Bay.

Upon arriving at the cable car station, you’ll board one of the cars for the short climb to the top of Urca Hill which sits at 650 feet. Here, you’ll find shops and restaurants tucked amongst beautiful shady gardens. The second phase of your journey involves a breathtaking ride to the 1,200 ft. summit of Sugar Loaf. From high atop the mountain, the bird’s eye view of the city and surrounding beaches is simply stunning. Tour participants then have the choice of traveling on both rides all the way to the top, or the faint-hearted may choose to remain on the middle level and enjoy the views from that vantage point.

Descending back to the base of the mountain, you’ll re-join your coach and travel through one of the city’s residential areas, en route to Copacabana, Rio’s widely celebrated stretch of crescent beach. Set against a backdrop of towering skyscraper apartment buildings, this vibrant area of Rio that never seems to rest, is a must-see for visitors. Your tour will also travel past the neighboring beach areas of Leme and Ipanema before making your way back to the pier.

Please note: This tour includes approximately 1-hour of easy walking/standing. The tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible wheelchair, are able to make their own way on and off the coach and cable car, and have an able bodied companion to assist them. Weather appropriate clothing; sun cap; sunglasses; and flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended. Due to the popularity of the cable car, some waiting time may be experienced. Dense traffic congestion can be anticipated. The order of sights visited may vary.

RIO-012 SIGHTS & SOUNDS OF RIO

Duration: 3.00 Hrs  Tour Price: $75.00

Date:  February 26, 2017  10:00 AM
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Enjoy a carefree driving tour of Rio de Janeiro, the cultural capital of Brazil whose name alone evokes images of samba dancing, bikini-clad sunbathing and an irrepressible exuberance for life. Rio is also known for its historical buildings, the finest of which you will see in the heart of downtown.

Boarding your coach at the pier, you’ll head to the heart of the city where you will see modern skyscrapers and broad avenues that contrast with colonial structures and narrow pedestrian malls. There is the beautifully ornate Municipal Theater for ballet and classical music performances, whose design resembles that of the Paris Opera House. Highlighting the diversity of the architecture, you will also see the new Cathedral, a conical-shaped building inspired by a Maya pyramid in Mexico. In fact, you will pass one architectural landmark after another, including the Museum of Modern Art and the soaring World War II monument that towers over Flamengo Park. Afterwards, you will drive through several historical neighborhoods and on past the Jockey Club racetrack and the city’s immense Botanical Garden, which was founded more than 200 years ago.

Still, it’s the beaches that in many ways define Rio de Janeiro, and you will gaze upon several of the most famous ones, such as Copacabana and Leblon, which is actually an extension of the iconic Ipanema. Afterwards, you will drive back to the pier, stopping en route at the Rodrigo de Freitas Lagoon for refreshments where you will also have a beautiful view of Corcovado and Tijuca Forest.

Please note: This tour is primarily panoramic in nature with limited optional walking at any stops made. The tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible wheelchair, are able to make their own way on and off the coach and have an able-bodied companion to assist them. Those guests with mobility concerns are cautioned only to participate to the extent of their personal stamina and ability. Weather appropriate casual clothing; sunglasses; and flat, comfortable shoes are recommended. The order of the sites viewed or visited may vary. Guests should be prepared for the possibility of heavy traffic conditions and delays.
RIO-013  COPACABANA BEACH TRANSFER

Duration: 4.50 Hrs  Tour Price: $75.00

Date:  February 26, 2017  10:00 AM
Date:  February 27, 2017  10:00 AM
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Enjoy the many charms of vibrant Copacabana beach by relaxing in the sun, strolling the long beachfront walkway or browsing the oceanfront shops.

Depart from the pier and enjoy a scenic drive to the neighborhood of Copacabana, an area separated from the rest of Rio de Janeiro until a tunnel was built to connect them in 1892. Over the years, Copacabana rapidly grew around luxurious landmarks such as the famed Copacabana Palace, which is now considered a national monument. Later, the waterfront thoroughfare Avenue Atlantica was expanded, and a nearly 3-mile-long mosaic walkway was built along the beach in a black-and-white wave motif.

Even so, as you will discover, it is the beach at Copacabana that captures the most attention. After arriving at this lengthy crescent-shaped stretch of sand, you will have approximately three full hours to enjoy its charms. You can expect the beach to be bustling, and that is much of the appeal, as you will experience a true slice of Carioca life. There may be children playing soccer, retirees lounging under umbrellas, families frolicking in the surf, and people of all ages walking up and down the shoreline for miles.

You are free to enjoy Copacabana beach and the neighboring area however you please. You might sunbathe, take a refreshing swim or cross the Avenue Atlantica and browse the shops and restaurants that overlook the beach. At the designated time your return transfer will pick you up at the Copacabana Palace Hotel and bring you back to the pier.

Please note: Walking on this tour is at the guests' discretion. The tour is not considered suitable for wheelchair guests and those with mobility concerns are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of ability and stamina. A swimsuit worn under casual clothing; sun cap; sunglasses; sunscreen; a towel; a bottle of water from the ship; and flat, comfortable shoes are recommended. Beach amenities, activities or food are not included in the cost of the tour. Guests should be prepared for the possibility of heavy traffic conditions and delays. Those who participate in any water activities do so at their own risk and responsibility. Caution should be taken with any personal belongings at the beach and should not be left unattended. It is further recommended that guests be alert to their surroundings at all times and do not wear expensive jewelry or watches. Those who miss the return transfer will be responsible for making their own way back to the ship at their own expense.

RIO-003  BOTANICAL GARDENS & TIJUCA FOREST 4X4 DRIVE

Duration: 4.00 Hrs  Tour Price: $169.00

Date:  February 27, 2017  01:45 PM
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Discover the serene beauty of a nature lover's paradise as you tour the Botanical Gardens and experience the cool, green realm of Tijuca National Park.

Begin with a scenic transfer by open-air jeep to the Botanical Gardens, passing Rodrigo de Freitas Lagoon and the residential area known as Jardim Botanico due to its proximity to the Botanical Gardens. This lush oasis was inaugurated in 1808 by King Dom João VI. As in imperial times, the gardens have remained a haven of peace amid a teeming metropolis. A guided walk at a leisurely pace will let you enjoy the many varieties of plants and examples of endangered species. The most striking features are the transverse avenues of 90-foot-high royal palms. In addition to the flora, the gardens are also home of some 140 species of birds and monkeys living in the trees. Your guide will show you the orchid nursery and the insect-eating plants house. Half natural jungle, half laid out in beautifully landscaped gardens; visitors never fail to enjoy spending time in these magical surroundings.

From the Botanical Gardens, you'll head to the western fringes of Rio, where various forests were united to form an 8,200-acre national park. Your 4-wheel drive vehicle will take you through mountainous areas and deep into the lush, green forest. A stop will be made at the Chinese Lookout where you can enjoy great views of the Corcovado and Sugar Loaf mountains, Ipanema and Leblon beaches and the Rodrigo de Freitas Lagoon from the Chinese-style pavilion here.

Your drive then continues to the Taunay Waterfalls where you will make a final stop before driving back to the pier.

Please note: This tour includes approximately 90 minutes of moderate walking that may include some natural surfaces and a few steps. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and not considered suitable for those with mobility issues. As this excursion involves adventurous, off-road driving through rugged country, it is not recommended for guests with back or neck problems. Weather appropriate clothing; sun cap; sunglasses; sunscreen; and flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended. The tour sequence may vary.
This leisurely tour combines a drive through the lush Tijuca Forest and a trip up to Corcovado Mountain and the famous Christ the Redeemer landmark. From this vantage point, you'll get a birds-eye view of beautiful Rio.

Departing from the port, your drive takes you through downtown to the Cosme Velho district. Here, you will board the cog railway for the 30-minute ride up to Corcovado. Emperor Dom Pedro II opened the railway in October 1884. At that time it was opened with steam trains but they were replaced with electric trains in 1910. The 2.5-mile railway itself travels through the scenic Tijuca Forest that covers an area of 47 square miles and the ride offers fine views. As you reach the upper terminus, weather permitting, you will be treated to breathtaking views over the city. To reach the very top and the 120-foot-high statue, you will take an elevator and escalator.

After approximately 1-hour, you'll descend the mountain via the cog railway and rejoin your motor coach for a panoramic drive through the city to the Sao Conrado District and past Rio's beautiful beaches before returning to the pier.

Please note: This tour includes approximately 1-hour of easy walking/standing. The tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible wheelchair, are able to make their own way on and off the coach and cog train, and have an able bodied companion to assist them. Weather appropriate clothing; sun cap; sunglasses; and flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended. There may be a short wait to board the train to Corcovado. Corcovado Mountain is frequently enshrouded in clouds, which may affect views of the city.
PARATI, BRAZIL

PTI-001   PARATI ISLANDS BY SCHOONER
 Duration: 2.50 Hrs  Tour Price: $99.00

Date:  March 01, 2017  10:00 AM

Come ashore via the ship's tender or, if conditions permit, the schooner will come alongside to take you for a leisurely cruise among the many islands, such as Ilha Comprida, Praia Vermelha, and Ilha do Mantimento and past beautiful beaches. There will be an opportunity to swim as the boat anchors and you are able to go onto the Vermelha beach. Even for non-swimmers the beauty of the scenery - white, sandy beaches alternating with the green and blue waters of the ocean, fishing villages, beach resorts, and sup-tropical vegetation - makes this a most enjoyable outing.

Upon your return, you can choose to take the tender back to the ship or explore on your own the quaint streets and shops of Parati.

Please note: This tour is not available to wheelchair guests. Those with mobility concerns may participate; however, they will have to remain aboard the schooner for the full tour. There is a limited amount of snorkeling equipment available and guests may wish to bring their own. Beach and swimwear, including towels, hat and sunscreen are recommended. Bottled water and seasonal fruits are available on the schooner.

PTI-002   ATLANTIC FOREST BY 4-WHEEL DRIVE
 Duration: 3.00 Hrs  Tour Price: $149.00

Date:  March 01, 2017  10:30 AM

Discover the peaceful splendor of nature as you tour the Serra da Bocaina and view the cascading water falls and luxuriant green landscape of this lasting Atlantic Forest. From the Parati pier, a short walk brings you to the parking area where your 4-wheel drive adventure commences. During your drive through this impressive forest, you will have direct contact with its wonderful natural attractions which include the beauty of Parati’s flora and one of the biggest trees found in the region, named Jequitibá. You might also see plants such as Brazilian bamboo and Bromeliads, along with many other varieties native to the area.

Your first stop will be at the exhibition of the former Gold trail where you will become acquainted with the history of the Gold trail. From here, your experienced guide will lead you on a hike up to the Tobogã waterfall, which is well-known by local residents who make use of a slippery rock here to take an adrenaline charged slide down into the waters below. Your hike will then continue on to the Tarzã waterfall, a favorite spot for swimming.

Following your hike in the forest, you’ll re-join your jeep for a drive to Engenho D’ouro, a privately owned distillery that produces cachaça, a typical Brazilian rum made out of sugar cane. During your visit you will have the opportunity to taste a variety of cachaça and observe the artesian process that is used to produce the rum.

Your final stop is at the Bromeliads exhibitions park which houses more than 300 species of beautiful plants. After a relaxing visit at the park, you will be transferred back to the pier where you can choose to take the tender back to the ship or explore on your own the quaint streets and shops of Parati.

Please note: This tour is not available to wheelchair guests or those with mobility concerns. There is approximately 1 hour of walking over uneven surfaces and some inclines to negotiate. Light trousers, a long-sleeved shirt, comfortable walking shoes or boots and insect repellent are recommended.
PTI-003  HISTORICAL & CULTURAL PARATI

Duration: 2.00 Hrs   Tour Price: $99.00

Date:  March 01, 2017  10:30 AM

Enjoy a leisurely walking tour through Parati, a city revered for its beautifully preserved colonial architecture, which reflects a time when Portugal controlled the area.

Departing from the pier, you will begin walking along the narrow cobblestoned streets of Parati, an area inhabited since 1660, when the Portuguese started transporting gold from here to Rio de Janeiro. Because of Parati’s strategic importance along the gold route and its spectacular colonial architecture, UNESCO deemed the entire city a World Heritage Site.

As you walk along the enchanting avenues of the pedestrian-only historic center, it will soon become apparent that Parati’s colonial design was well planned. Houses could only be built in a certain way, the streets followed a simple grid pattern, and even the cobblestones were arranged in channels to drain water from storms and elevated tides from full moons. Today, most everything is still intact, presenting a wonderful look into the ingenuity of the past.

Among the finest landmarks are the Church of the Santa Rita de Cassia, which was built in 1722, and the House of Culture, a museum housed in a beautiful colonial mansion. You will also see plenty of other colonial homes, appealing boutiques and tasteful galleries featuring work from local artists. Often the craftsmen are in residence, and you can watch them creating their art. After approximately two hours of walking, you may either remain in town to further explore on your own, or return to the pier with your guide.

Please note:  This is a 2-hour walking tour that covers approximately 1 mile in distance. There will be some cobblestone surfaces and inclines to negotiate. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests or those with mobility concerns. Light-weight clothing; sun cap; sunglasses; sunscreen; a bottle of water from the ship; and flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
OPTIONAL SHORE EXCURSIONS

SAO PAULO (SANTOS), BRAZIL

SSZ-001   HIGHLIGHTS OF SANTOS

Duration: 4.00 Hrs   Tour Price: $129.00

Date: March 02, 2017 09:00 AM

Discover the flavor of this pleasant holiday resort with its magnificent beaches and stunning views during this tour that highlights several of its landmark sites.

Begin with a panoramic drive through the historic city center to the Coffee Museum. This former palace was inaugurated in 1922 to celebrate 100 years of Brazilian independence. The architecture of the building is quite unique in São Paulo State and includes a 120-foot clock tower and four statues representing Industry, Commerce, Production and Navigation. Wall paintings recall the history of Santos from its early times to the present. The building was totally restored in 1998 and since that time has housed the Coffee Museum.

Continuing on, you'll visit the Museum of the Santos Football Club. The history of the Santos Futebol Clube covers many chapters of the team's glory and victories. The team has been recognized by FIFA as "the best 20th Century Team on the American Continent".

Next, you'll make your way to the cool, shady realm of the Botanical Gardens. Stroll among giant subtropical and tropical trees and stop to see the aviary with its macaws, toucans and parrots. The garden's main attraction is the Orchidarium with more than 100 specimens of these exotic blooms. From here your drive takes you along Gonzaga beach, the curving stretch of white sand that is bordered by hotels and condominiums, appearing much like a resort on the French Riviera.

Rejoining your coach, you'll make your way back to the pier.

Please note: This tour includes approximately 90 minutes of moderate walking/standing that includes some steps. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests or those with walking difficulties. Weather appropriate clothing; sun cap; sunglasses; sunscreen; a bottle of water from the ship; and flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended. The tour sequence may vary. The Santos Football Club Museum is closed on Mondays and during Carnival.

SSZ-001OE   OCEANIA EXCLUSIVE - HIGHLIGHTS OF SANTOS

Duration: 4.00 Hrs   Tour Price: $229.00

Date: March 02, 2017 09:00 AM

Oceania Exclusive Tour

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Oceania Exclusive tours are available for a specially selected number of tours in almost every port we visit, in every corner of the world.

Begin with a panoramic drive through the historic city center to the Coffee Museum. Visit this former palace, which was inaugurated in 1922 to celebrate 100 years of Brazilian independence. It was designated the Coffee Trade Palace or Palacio da Bolsa do Café. Continue to the Museum of the Santos Football Club. This team has been recognized by FIFA, the international sanctioning body for soccer, as the greatest team in the Americas.

Next, enter the cool, shady realm of the Botanical Gardens. Stroll among giant subtropical and tropical trees and stop to see the aviary with its macaws, toucans and parrots. The garden's main attraction is the Orchidarium with more than 100 specimens of these exotic blooms. From here your drive takes you along Gonzaga beach, the curving stretch of white sand that is bordered by hotels and condominiums, appearing much like a resort on the French Riviera.

Rejoining your coach, you'll make your way back to the pier by traveling along Gonzaga Beach, the curving stretch of white sand that is bordered by hotels and condominiums appearing much like a resort on the French Riviera.

Please note: Order of sites visited may vary.
SSZ-004 GUARUJA BEACH TRANSFER

Duration: 5.00 Hrs  Tour Price: $75.00

Date:  March 02, 2017  10:15 AM

Spend a carefree half-day enjoying the charms of Guaruja Beach, one of the lovelier resort cities that lie on the outskirts of Santos, just across the estuary.

Depart from the pier and drive through the crowded streets of Santos, the most populous city in Brazil, to the lovely town of Guaruja. Although still bustling, Guaruja feels like an oasis amid the urban sprawl of Santos. Beaches are its primary draw, and there are plenty of shops and restaurants to complement the experience of lounging about the seashore.

Upon arriving at Guaruja Beach, you will have approximately three hours to do as you please. You might lie on the beach and sunbathe while reading a bestseller. Or lazily stroll up and down the stretch of sand engaged in conversation or simply enjoying the outstanding scenery. Of course, swimming is always a wonderful option, and there may even be surfers to watch cutting through the waves, if the conditions are right.

With absolutely no schedule to follow and hours of free time to enjoy, you can make the most of the experience at Guaruja Beach. For a change of pace, you might stop for a snack at one of the restaurants and shop for beachwear and handicrafts. Later, meet your coach at the designated time and location for the transfer back to the pier in Santos.

Please note: Walking on this tour is primarily at the guests’ discretion but there can be sandy and uneven natural surfaces to negotiate. The drive to Guaruja is approximately 1-hour each direction. The tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible wheelchair, are able to make their own way on and off the coach and have an able-bodied companion to assist them. Those with mobility concerns are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability. Swimwear worn under clothing; sun cap; sunglasses; sunscreen; a towel from the ship; and flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended. Beach amenities (longers, umbrellas) and water activities are not included in the price of the tour.
PORTO BELO, BRAZIL

PBE-001 CAMBORIU HIGHLIGHTS & CABLE CAR

Duration: 4.00 Hrs  Tour Price: $129.00

Date:  March 03, 2017  10:30 AM

Departing the Porto Belo port, enjoy a scenic drive to Camboriu City Resort. Discover the beauty of the Camboriu, a village with 80,000 inhabitants and one of the most visited beach resorts of the Santa Catarina State.

After a short drive through the Atlantic Avenue and its beachfront residential condos, your first stop will be at the Barra Sul Cable Car Station. Board the Cable Car for a short ride up to the Atlantic Forest Station. Explore on foot one of the ecological trails, where local guides will describe local flora and fauna. Continue on the Cable Car with a ride to the Laranjeiras station.

Enjoy free time on the beach before boarding the Cable Car back to Barra Sul Station. Leaving Camboriu, head back through the countryside on your return trip to the pier.

PBE-003 HIGHLIGHTS OF FLORIANOPOLIS

Duration: 5.00 Hrs  Tour Price: $95.00

Date:  March 03, 2017  10:30 AM

Discover the intriguing history of Florianopolis and how the city has gained international acclaim through its charming blend of historical sites and cosmopolitan culture.

Depart from the pier and settle in for a leisurely drive through Florianopolis, a cosmopolitan city with a passion for having fun and relaxing. Once only a mecca for surfers, Florianopolis now attracts international jetsetters and beach-lovers, as well.

The historical downtown is a major draw, especially the area around the main square, where you will see a revered 100-year-old fig tree and several outstanding colonial buildings. The adjacent History Museum of Santa Catarina, which occupies the former governor’s palace, is especially noteworthy for its exceptionally ornate architecture.

The Public Market, whose first phase was constructed in the late 1890s, stands nearby offering a glimpse into daily life in this vibrant island city. The market’s countless stalls are primarily filled with handicrafts, clothing and exotic locally grown foods.

Continuing on, you will drive past the Victor Meireles Museum, a national historic site with an impressive collection of the 19th-century artist’s most representative works. You will also hear about the defenses of the Portuguese-built, 18th-century fortress that lies on the outskirts of Florianopolis. Upon reaching one of the city most exquisite beaches, at either Jurere or Lake Conceicão, you will have time for photos and a quick dip in the water before returning to the pier.

Please note: This tour includes limited walking, mainly at the guests’ discretion during any stops. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and those with mobility concerns are cautioned only to participate to the extent of their personal stamina and ability. Light-weight clothing; sun cap; sunglasses; and flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended. Guests who wish to swim should wear a swimsuit under their clothes and bring a towel from the ship. Those who take part in any water activities do so at their own risk and responsibility.
PUNTA DEL ESTE, URUGUAY

PDP-010  HIGHLIGHTS & CLASSIC CAR MUSEUM

Duration: 4.00 Hrs  Tour Price: $149.00

Date:  March 05, 2017  09:30 AM

Enjoy a wonderfully in-depth tour of Punta del Este and its spectacular coastline with photo stops at the most impressive landmarks and time to explore a classic car museum.

After departing from the pier, you will soon reach the heart of Punta del Este, a glamorous resort city rimmed by gorgeous beaches. One of the finest stretches of sand is at Punta Ballena, a peninsula where you will pause for photos of Casapueblo, the landmark hotel that Uruguayan artist Carlos Páez Vilaró built over a 36-year period. Other coastal attractions include the anchor of the Ajax, a British ship that fought in the Battle of Rio de la Plata in World War II, and the city’s signature lighthouse, built in 1860 with crystal panels from France.

Punta del Este is also known for its elegant neighborhoods such as San Rafael and Beverly Hills, both of which you will pass through. The trendiest neighborhood may well be La Barra del Maldonado, which you will approach by an undulating hanging bridge where you will also pause for photos. You will also see Nuestra Senora de la Candelaria, a sky-blue, Victorian-style church that is more traditional architecturally but no less beautiful.

Then, it’s on to a classic car museum. The museum’s collection includes dozens of meticulously restored automobiles from different eras. To enhance your understanding of motoring in Uruguay, you will also peruse exhibits full of historical pictures, racing trophies and vintage car memorabilia. Afterwards, you will return to the pier.

Please note: This tour includes approximately 1 hour of easy to moderate walking/standing over mostly flat surfaces. There will be a ramp to negotiate at the museum. The tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible wheelchair, are able to make their own way on and off the transportation, and have an able-bodied companion to assist them. Those with walking difficulties are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability.

Weather appropriate clothing; sun cap; sunglasses; and flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended. The tour sequence may vary and duration may vary dependent upon holidays or prevailing traffic conditions.

PDP-005  ART & CULTURE OF PUNTA DEL ESTE

Duration: 6.00 Hrs  Tour Price: $149.00

Date:  March 05, 2017  03:30 PM

Explore the cultural side of Punta del Este through a tour of its finest museums and most architecturally rich neighborhoods.

As you leave the pier, you will commence a drive through Punta del Este, a glamorous city on a scenic peninsula. Beautiful beaches are among its biggest attractions, and you will soon see two of the best in this so-called “St. Tropez of South America”. Playa Mansa curves around the calmer bay side, and Playa Brava fronts the ocean. Still, there is much more to Punta del Este, especially for those seeking luxury, which is why wealthy South Americans find it so magnetic.

The city’s inspirational culture shines in the Ralli Museum of Contemporary Art, which is located in a lovely Spanish-style building in the fashionable Beverly Hills neighborhood. Admire the collection of paintings and sculpture by some of Latin America’s most talented artists, complemented by European works by Dali, Chagall and others. Following your time at the Ralli Museum, you will make a stop at Golero Avenue, the city’s main thoroughfare and most exquisite shopping district. After approximately 90-minutes at leisure in this great shopping locale where you can browse for souvenirs and grab a quick lunch, you will continue on to Casapueblo.

Home of famed Uruguayan artist Carlos Paez Vilaro, Casapueblo is a sprawling white complex perched on a bluff above the ocean and houses many of the artist’s most definitive works. During your guided visit of this charming site, you will not only enjoy some fabulous views, but also a flute of champagne.

At the conclusion of your visit, you will rejoin your coach and travel back to the pier.

Please Note: This tour includes approximately 2-hours of moderate walking/standing plus any additional walking at the guests’ discretion during free time on Golero Avenue. The tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible wheelchair, are able to make their own way on and off the coach and have a companion to assist them. Those with mobility concerns are cautioned to evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability. Casual clothing; sunglasses and flat, comfortable walking shoes are suggested. The order of the sites viewed or visited may vary.
PDP-007   SEA WOLVES ISLAND

Duration: 2.50 Hrs   Tour Price: $199.00

Date:  March 05, 2017  03:30 PM

Cruise around a protected reserve on an island lying six miles offshore and observe the world’s largest colony of non-migrating sea lions.

After departing directly from the pier in a sightseeing boat, you will cruise into the wide Rio de la Plata and head toward Sea Wolves Island, known locally as Isla de Lobos. While landing on the low-slung island is prohibited so as not to disturb the sea lions, you will cruise near the coastline and enjoy an unobstructed view of the animals.

You can expect them to be frolicking in the water, feeding on fish, drying off on rocky outcrops, and interacting with each other. Thousands of sea lions inhabit the island, and you can easily distinguish the males from the females as they are about three times larger and have more muscular necks.

South American sea lions, also known as maned seals, live about 20 years in the wild and are highly social. Although their numbers were once in decline due to hunting for their fur, meat and oil, the sea lions on Sea Wolves Island are protected and the colony is thriving.

You will also notice a towering lighthouse, which has the distinction of being the tallest one in Uruguay. It eventually replaced the original lighthouse from 1858, which was razed after sealers protested that the light scared the animals and inhibited their hunting.

After approximately 45-minutes of cruising around the Sea Wolves Island, you will return to the pier.

Please note: This tour is primarily a seated tour that takes place on a either a local boat or a catamaran. Participants must be able to negotiate the steps to enter and exit the vessel with limited assistance. This is a moving vessel with the sailing taking place on an open sea so the waters are usually choppy. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests or those with mobility concerns, and not considered suitable for those who suffer from motion sickness. Weather appropriate clothing (there is the possibility you may get wet); sun cap; sunscreen; and sunscreen are recommended. As the floor of the vessel may become wet, flat shoes with a non-slip rubber sole are mandatory. Minimum age to participate is 8 years old. Photography and filming of wildlife is permitted; however, flash photography is not allowed. This tour may be cancelled without prior notice in the event of rough weather and/or sea conditions.

PDP-002   PUNTA DEL ESTE & CASA PUEBLO

Duration: 4.00 Hrs   Tour Price: $149.00

Date:  March 05, 2017  04:00 PM

Discover beautiful beaches, residential areas and a wonderful museum during this scenic orientation tour of Punta del Este

Depart the pier for a drive along Rambla General Artigas and Peninsula Coast Road to the Atlantic Ocean beaches of Ingleses, Emir and Brava. Continue along the leafy residential areas such as Cantegril, San Rafael, Parque del Golf and Beverly Hills, where a stop will be made for a visit to the Ralli Museum. This splendid private museum displays the paintings and sculptures of Latin American artists, including some sculptures by Salvador Dali.

After your museum visit, you'll rejoin your coach and drive past the striking hanging bridges of Barra de Maldonado, then along Pinares, framed by magnificent sea pines, to Punta Ballena. Upon arrival, you'll visit the famous Casa Pueblo, the residence, atelier and museum of late internationally-renowned artist Carlos Paez Vilaró. On the return journey to the ship, you'll drive along Mansa's beaches. Some free time for window-shopping may be available in the downtown area at Gorlero Avenue, time permitting.

Please note: This tour includes approximately 1 hour of walking. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and not recommended for those with mobility concerns. Comfortable walking shoes are recommended.
OPTIONAL SHORE EXCURSIONS

PDP-004  HIGHLIGHTS OF PUNTA DEL ESTE

Duration: 3.50 Hrs  Tour Price: $89.00

Date:  March 05, 2017  04:00 PM

A wonderful overview of Punta del Este, this compact tour presents the marquee attractions, leaving plenty of time to explore on your own later.

Depart from the pier and begin driving through some of the most fashionable residential districts. It’s no wonder that so many of the world’s rich and famous make their homes in this vibrant, absolutely beautiful resort city. The views are stunning in every direction.

Known as the “St. Tropez of South America”, Punta del Este features countless beaches, each with its own personality. You will pass the more reserved Playa Mansa, which curves around the calmer bay side of the city, as well as the more expansive Playa Brava, a favorite for surfers as it fronts the ocean.

Punta del Este’s beauty has long inspired artists, and the city has gained a reputation for its museums. The Ralli Museum of Contemporary Art is located in a lovely Spanish-style building in the fashionable Beverly Hills neighborhood. Here, you can browse the collection of paintings and sculpture by some of Latin America’s most talented artists, complemented by European works by Dali, Chagall and others.

Next, you will visit Golero Avenue, the city’s main thoroughfare and most renowned shopping district. Designer fashions, fine leather goods, and exquisite jewelry only touch upon the luxurious offerings. You will have some free time here to stroll about at your leisure before it’s time to rejoin your coach and transfer back to the pier.

Please Note: This tour includes approximately 30-minutes of walking/standing at the museum, plus any additional walking at the guests’ discretion during free time on Golero Avenue. The tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible wheelchair, are able to make their own way on and off the coach and have a companion to assist them. Those with mobility concerns are cautioned to evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability. Casual clothing; sunglasses and flat, comfortable walking shoes are suggested. The order of the sites viewed or visited may vary.

PDP-006  PUNTA DEL ESTE OPEN ART

Duration: 3.50 Hrs  Tour Price: $89.00

Date:  March 05, 2017  04:00 PM

Behold many of the most important works of art in Punta del Este, some of them outdoor installations and others displayed indoors in more traditional settings.

After departing from the pier, you will soon arrive at Brava Beach, a surfer’s paradise on the southern tip of Punta del Este. Art lovers are also drawn to the beach to see “The Hand,” a concrete sculpture of a giant hand with just the fingertips emerging from the sand. Created in 1982, the sculpture is so iconic that Brava Beach is known locally as the Beach of Fingers.

After pausing for photos, you will drive on through several residential areas, including exclusive Beverly Hills, home to the Ralli Museum. The first of five Ralli Museums in the world, it holds a collection of important Latin American art, as well as works by European artists such as Salvador Dali and Rene Magritte. While browsing, you may also come upon sculptures by Fernando Botero and Amedeo Modigliani, whose styles seem to be polar opposites. Botero is known for creating rotund figures; Modigliani for thin elongated figures.

For a glimpse into the local contemporary art world, you will then visit the Pablo Atchugarry Foundation complex, a collection of buildings containing the sculptor’s workshop, a museum of his art, and an auditorium devoted to visual arts, music and dance. An outdoor sculpture park surrounds the complex, adding yet another dimension to your art immersion. After exploring the complex, you will return to the pier.

Please note: This tour includes approximately 2-hours of moderate walking/standing. There are sand and gravel surfaces to negotiate, as well as steps at the museum. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and those with mobility concerns are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability. Weather appropriate clothing; sun cap; sunglasses; sunscreen; and flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended. The tour sequence may vary.
PDP-008  PUNTA DEL ESTE BIKE TOUR

Duration: 3.00 Hrs  Tour Price: $169.00

Date:  March 05, 2017  04:00 PM

Bicycle through the flat, easy-to-negotiate streets of Punta del Este’s southern peninsula, an area rich in history and full of architectural landmarks.

After departing from the pier on a bicycle, you will begin pedaling through the streets of Punta del Este, an ideal city for biking because the land is relatively flat. Before long, you will approach popular Mansa Beach, a lengthy stretch of sand where you may see sea lions.

You will also spot the city’s signature lighthouse. Built in 1860 with a mixture of volcanic ash from Italy that becomes harder than cement after drying, the lighthouse features crystal panels from France and soars nearly 150 feet above the water’s edge.

Then, riding on to Punta Salina, the city’s southernmost peninsula, you will come upon Candelaria Church, a lovely sky-blue building that graces Lighthouse Square. Several other landmarks are nearby, including picturesque English and Emir beaches, which are known for their pounding surf. Still, the most renowned beach attraction is “The Hand,” an iconic concrete sculpture of a giant hand with just the fingertips emerging from the sand.

Continuing on, you will ride on through several residential areas, including exclusive Beverly Hills and elegant San Rafael. Expect the sights throughout the trip to be memorable, as Punta del Este is one South America’s most glamorous resort cities. After nearly three hours of leisurely bicycling, you will find yourself back at the pier where your bicycling tour concludes.

Please note: This tour includes approximately nearly 3-hours of moderate cycling. Participants must be in good physical condition and know how to ride a bike. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests, those with mobility concerns, heart or respiratory conditions, recent back or neck injuries or pregnant women. Weather appropriate clothing; sun cap; sunglasses; and sunscreen are recommended. Flat, closed-toe shoes are mandatory. Minimum age to participate is 12 years old and children under 18 years of age must be accompanied by an adult parent or guardian. The local operator requires that all participants sign a waiver before being allowed to participate in the tour. The tour sequence may vary.

PDP-012  SUNSET AND CHAMPAGNE AT CASAPUEBLO

Duration: 2.50 Hrs  Tour Price: $149.00

Date:  March 05, 2017  06:30 PM

Watch a spectacular sunset from Casapueblo, the legacy of one of Uruguay’s most esteemed artists, who created the quirky hotel using only his imagination for a plan.

After departing from the pier, you will enjoy a picturesque drive along the coast toward Punta Ballena, a peninsula that juts into the mouth of the Rio de La Plata. Here you will stop at the iconic hotel Casapueblo.

Often called Uruguay’s most eccentric hotel, Casapueblo was designed by artist Carlos Páez Vilaró over the course of about 30 years. It started as the artist’s studio but grew to become a huge collection of rambling buildings that cling to a craggy hillside overlooking the sea.

Constructed by hand without a plan or even an end in sight, Casapueblo is stunningly whimsical, wonderfully peaceful and definitely unusual. Vilaró claimed that his design was inspired by ovenbirds, a species that builds domed nests that resemble outdoor ovens.

You might see other inspirations as you stroll about the hotel and grounds. Some people say whitewashed Casapueblo resembles a Greek village. Others see the influence of Spain’s ingenious architect Antoni Gaudí in the many curves, shapes and ornamentations. Still others liken Casapueblo to the cliff dwellings of the Native American Pueblos. Regardless, it’s magnificent.

Casapueblo faces west, the ideal setting for you to watch a sensational sunset from one of the terraces, an experience made even more enjoyable with a glass of champagne in hand. After toasting the sunset, you rejoin your coach and transfer back to the pier.

Please note: This tour includes limited walking but there will be some steps to negotiate. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and those with mobility concerns are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability. Country club casual dress and flat, comfortable shoes are recommended.
**MONTEVIDEO, URUGUAY**

**MVD-002 CITY SIGHTS & JUANICÓ WINERY**

**Duration:** 7.00 Hrs  **Tour Price:** $199.00

**Date:** March 06, 2017  09:30 AM

Your tour commences with a scenic drive through downtown Montevideo en route to Juanicó - The Site of Wine in Uruguay. The advantageous soil and micro-climate of Juanicó combine to make this an excellent location for viticulture. Originally started with 50,000 plants, over a century later Juanicó has become Uruguay's largest winery. Wines produced here include classic varieties such as, Cabernet Sauvignon, Pinot Noir, Merlot, Petit Verdot, Tannat, Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc, Reisling, Gewürztraminer, Semillon and Viognier. The stone buildings of these historical premises date back to the 1840s and although remodeled, still possess the original style of that era. Your tour through the magnificent vineyards and winery will showcase how the co-existence of state-of-the-art technology and time-honored traditions, can successfully blend together to create an outstanding and unique wine product that has garnered many international awards.

Before leaving the winery to return to the ship, your hosts will treat you to a buffet lunch of traditional Uruguayan foods, accompanied by an outstanding selection of award-winning Uruguayan wines.

Please note: This tour includes approximately 1 hour of walking. The terrain at the vineyards includes some moderate climbing and there are stairs to negotiate at the winery. Comfortable walking shoes are recommended.

**MVD-005 COLONIA DEL SACRAMENTO**

**Duration:** 8.50 Hrs  **Tour Price:** $199.00

**Date:** March 06, 2017  09:30 AM

The past truly comes alive in this wonderful tour geared for history lovers. Leaving from the pier, you coach will first pass Independence Square and the Gral Artigas Monument, which commemorates independence leader and national hero, General José Artigas.

Leaving the city behind, it's a relaxing 2 ½ hour drive to Colonia del Sacramento which rests along the Rio de la Plata, directly across from Buenos Aires, Argentina. The oldest city in Uruguay, it was founded by the Portuguese in 1680, during a time when Spain and Portugal were in the midst of confrontations. For over a hundred years, both empires fought to control the city until finally, the Treaty of Saint Ildefonso awarded it to Spain. As you walk through this historical old city that was named as a UNESCO World Heritage site in 1995, you will discover that the past still lives in its cobblestone streets, stone walls and amazing architecture. The streets of Santa Rita, San Gabriel, the Matriz Church, San Pedro Road and the famous "Calle de los Suspiros" are often used as the settings for historical films. Other sites in the city that beckon visitors are the Puerta del Campo and the Plaza Mayor 25 de Mayo. There are also many museums that document the city's voyage through time through exquisite displays of artifacts dating back hundreds of years. In addition to possessing amazing cultural and architectural value, Colonia del Sacramento is also complimented with outstanding natural beauty, boasting lush greenery and the presence of the picturesque Rio de la Plata. Some of the most notable sites found here are the Cathedral, the lighthouse and the Real de San Carlos bullring. This imposing bullring with its distinctive Moorish style, was inaugurated in 1910 by a contingent of the very best Spanish bull-fighters. However, bull-fighting was outlawed in Uruguay in 1912 and the bullring has since become a National Historical Monument, maintained by the government.

Your afternoon begins with relaxing lunch at Meson de la Plaza restaurant and then continues with an overview of the downtown area before it's time to begin the return journey to the pier in Montevideo.

Please note: This tour includes over 6 hours of traveling on a coach and may not be suitable for those who cannot sit for extended periods of time. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests and may not be suitable for those with mobility concerns due to some extensive walking which includes cobblestone surfaces. There is a restroom available on the coach. Casual and comfortable clothing is recommended.
MVD-009 HIGHLIGHTS & TANGO AT CASONA MAUA

Duration: 4.50 Hrs    Tour Price: $119.00

Date:  March 06, 2017  09:30 AM

See the most renowned landmarks in downtown Montevideo, including a strange castle adorned with symbols from secret societies, where you will watch a tango performance.

After departing from the pier, you will enjoy a leisurely drive through Montevideo, a capital city so vibrant and cosmopolitan that nearly half of Uruguay’s population calls it home. It is no wonder considering Montevideo’s magnificent landmarks, many of which you will see.

Among them is wonderfully atmospheric Old Town, historical Independence Square and the Legislative Palace, a glorious neo-classical building constructed nearly 100 years ago with more than 50 types of marble. You will also pass through tree-lined Prada, a neighborhood dotted with early 20th-century mansions.

Then, it’s on to Batlle Park, a lovely urban greenscape named for Jose Batlle y Ordonez, Uruguay’s president from 1911-1915. Here you will see Centenario Stadium, site of the first World Cup soccer championship, and “La Carreta,” a bronze sculpture that depicts the area’s 19th-century ox cart drivers, which local artist Joe Belloni unveiled in 1919.

A photo stop at a monument dedicated to the Fallen Soldiers of the Navy follows, after which you tour continues with a visit to Casona Mauá. Upon arrival, you will be offered a complimentary beverage and be entertained with traditional Tango music. Casona Mauá was built in the 1870s and has an important architectural and heritage significance. The venue belonged to Baron and Viscount Mauá, a powerful business man, visionary and entrepreneur who founded among other things, Mauá Bank, the first bank in Uruguay which opened its doors in 1857 and the first one to print currency within the country. Nowadays and after a great restoration process, Casona Mauá maintains its original beveled glass, Carrara marble, floors, ceilings, skylight and moldings, making it a bastion of Montevideo’s historical Old Town.

Please note:  This tour includes approximately1-hour of easy to moderate walking, plus any additional walking at the guests’ discretion during the photo stops. There will be a few steps to negotiate. The tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible wheelchair, are able to make their own way on and off the coach, and have an able-bodied companion to assist them. Those with mobility concerns are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability. Participants should be in reasonably good physical condition. Weather appropriate clothing; sun cap; sunglasses; sunscreen; a bottle of water from the ship; and flat, sturdy walking shoes are recommended. The tour sequence may vary.

MVD-001 HIGHLIGHTS OF MONTEVIDEO

Duration: 4.00 Hrs    Tour Price: $99.00

Date:  March 06, 2017  10:00 AM

Your tour of this charming city begins with a pleasant drive through the quaint Old City and picturesque waterfront area. Along the way, a local guide will provide colorful commentary, including the saga of the famous WWII German warship, Graf Spee, whose sunken remains rest on the floor of the ocean a short distance outside the harbor. Continuing on a scenic route through the city, you’ll pass Independence Square and the Graf Artigas Monument before arriving at remarkable Prado Park for a short visit. Noted for its historical monuments and attractive gardens that feature a stunning display of roses, the Park was created from the 175 acre estate built by 19th-century financier, José Buschental, who brought in exotic fish from Asia to fill his streams, as well as animals and plants from around the world. A statue of Buschental can be found on the grounds today.

Leaving Prado Park, you'll travel to the magnificent Legislative Palace, considered to be one of the three most beautiful legislative buildings in the world because of its ornate marble structure. Following an enjoyable stop here, you'll make your way to Batlle y Ordóñez Park, home of a vibrantly realistic ox cart monument, obelisk and the Estadio Centenario. The monument was erected to commemorate the fact that Estadio Centenario is the site where the first World Soccer Cup organized by FIFA was held.

Before returning to the ship, your coach will make its way into the residential area of Carrasco where you'll discover an array of splendid private homes and the Hotel Casino Carrasco, an imposing building which overlooks the coast and is full of Uruguayan tradition and history.
**MVD-004  MONTEVIDEO CITY SIGHTS, STEAM TRAIN & WINE TASTING**

**Duration:** 5.00 Hrs  **Tour Price:** $199.00

**Date:**  March 06, 2017  10:00 AM

This multi-faceted tour begins with a picturesque drive from the pier into Montevideo's quaint Old City. Enroute, you'll first pass the monument which commemorates the Graf Spee, the famous WWII German warship whose sunken remains rest on the floor of the ocean a short distance outside the harbor.

Continuing along a scenic route through the city, you'll pass Independence Square and the Gral Artigas Monument before arriving at Batlle y Ordóñez Park, home of a vibrantly realistic ox cart monument, obelisk and the Estadio Centenario - World Soccer Monument. The monument was erected to commemorate the fact that Estadio Centenario is the site where the first World Soccer Cup organized by FIFA was held. Leaving Batlle y Ordóñez Park, you'll travel to the magnificent Legislative Palace, considered to be one of the three most beautiful legislative buildings in the world because of its ornate marble structure. Following an enjoyable stop here, you'll make your way to equally remarkable Prado Park for a short visit. Noted for its historical monuments and attractive gardens that feature a stunning display of roses, the Park was created from the 175-acre estate built by 19th-century financier, José Buschental, who brought in exotic fish from Asia to fill his streams as well as animals and plants from around the world. A statue of Buschental can be found on the grounds today.

Re-boarding your coach, you'll head north to the Carru Winery, a major exporter of Uruguayan wines located in the Colon residential area. Situated in a park-like setting, this colonial-styled winery was constructed in 1894 and actually is the site of an ancient granite cave. While at the winery, you will be treated to a tasting of fine Uruguayan wine and champagne, accompanied by a light snack of cheese and ham.

A delightful steam train ride back to Montevideo tops off this thoroughly enjoyable day of exploring.

Please note: This tour includes approximately 1 hour of walking. Comfortable walking shoes are recommended. The steam train does not operate on Sundays and will be substituted with a panoramic coach drive back to the pier.

**MVD-008  CITY HIGHLIGHTS & URUGUAYAN BEER TASTING**

**Duration:** 4.00 Hrs  **Tour Price:** $109.00

**Date:**  March 06, 2017  10:00 AM

Admire the marquee attractions in downtown Montevideo, which include architectural gems, a lush municipal park and a 100-year-old farmer's market.

After departing from the pier, you will enjoy a leisurely drive through Montevideo, a capital city so vibrant and cosmopolitan that nearly half of Uruguay’s population calls it home. As you pass the picturesque waterfront and continue through affluent neighborhoods, you will pause for photos at many of the city’s most recognized landmarks.

Among the highlights is the Legislative Palace, a glorious neo-classical building constructed nearly 100 years ago with more than 50 types of marble. It is considered to be among the world’s most beautiful Houses of Parliament.

You will also spend time in Batlle Park, a lovely urban greenscape named for Jose Batlle y Ordonez, Uruguay’s president from 1911-1915. Here, you will see Centenario Stadium, site of the first World Cup soccer championship, and “La Carreta,” a bronze sculpture that depicts the area’s 19th-century oxcart drivers, which local artist Joe Belloni unveiled in 1919.

Then, it’s on to MAM, the city’s sprawling farmer’s market. It presents an alluring mix of sights and sounds, colors and aromas, and merchandise of every imaginable type. Besides the expected fresh fruits and vegetables, you may come upon gift shops selling handicrafts, live entertainment and gourmet restaurants. Of course many of the goods are produced locally; including the complimentary Uruguayan beer you will be served. Following approximately 75-minutes of free time at the market, you'll rejoin your coach and transfer back to the pier. Afterwards, you will return to the pier.

Please note: This tour includes approximately 1-hour of easy walking, plus any additional walking at the guests' discretion during the photo stops. The tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible wheelchair, are able to make their own way on and off the coach, and have an able-bodied companion to assist them. Those with mobility concerns are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability. Weather appropriate clothing; sun cap; sunglasses; sunscreen; a bottle of water from the ship; and flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended. Participants must be at least 18 years of age to take part in the beer tasting. The tour sequence may vary.
OPTIONAL SHORE EXCURSIONS

MVD-011 CITY LANDMARKS, WINE & DANCE PERFORMANCE

Duration: 5.00 Hrs  Tour Price: $269.00

Date:  March 06, 2017  10:00 AM

Admire the architectural landmarks in downtown Montevideo and then enjoy a sampling of local wines while watching a culturally significant dance performance.

After departing from the pier, you will soon arrive in the heart of downtown, passing architectural gems such as the Solis Theatre, Uruguay’s oldest theater. Nearby, you will pause for photos of Independence Square, where a statue of General José Gervasio Artigas, the father of Uruguay, stands by his mausoleum.

Another photo stop awaits you at the Legislative Palace. This glorious neo-classical building was constructed nearly 100 years ago with more than 50 types of marble.

You will also pass through Batlle Park, a lovely urban greenscape named for Jose Batlle y Ordóñez, a former president of Uruguay. Here, you will see Centenario Stadium, site of the first World Cup soccer championship, and “La Carreta,” a bronze sculpture that depicts the area’s 19th-century oxcart drivers.

After pausing for one more photo stop at the Obelisk of Montevideo, which celebrates the 100-year anniversary of the country’s first constitution, you will head inland to La Agricola Jackson vineyards and winery. Following a tour of the grounds and a museum of historical agricultural implements, you will be treated to a tasting of wines reserved for special events.

To enhance your enjoyment, you will watch a performance of tango, milonga and candombe, three genres of music and dance so culturally important that they are on UNESCO’s Intangible Cultural Heritage list. After this uniquely Uruguayan experience, you will return to the pier.

Please note: This tour includes approximately 30 minutes of guided walking plus any additional walking at the guests’ discretion during the photo stops. There will be some uneven and gravel surfaces to negotiate as well as a few steps at the winery. The tour is available to wheelchair guests who have a collapsible wheelchair, are able to make their own way on and off the coach and have an able-bodied companion to assist them. Those with mobility concerns are cautioned to carefully evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability. Weather appropriate clothing; sun cap; sunglasses; and flat, comfortable walking shoes are recommended. Guests must be at least 18 years of age to take part in the wine tasting.

MVD-001OE OCEANIA EXCLUSIVE - HIGHLIGHTS OF MONTEVIDEO

Duration: 4.00 Hrs  Tour Price: $209.00

Date:  March 06, 2017  10:15 AM

Oceania Exclusive Tour

For those travelers who prefer an added measure of intimacy and flexibility, we are pleased to offer our new Oceania Exclusive tours. With a minimum of 10 guests and a maximum capacity of just 16 guests, each tour benefits from a higher level of personal attention and the added flexibility and agility that come from traveling in a small group.

Oceania Exclusive tours are available for a specially selected number of tours in almost every port we visit, in every corner of the world.

Your tour of this charming city begins with a pleasant drive through the quaint Old City and picturesque waterfront area. Along the way, a local guide will provide colorful commentary, including the saga of the famous WWII German warship, Graf Spee, whose sunken remains rest on the floor of the ocean a short distance outside the harbor. Continuing on a scenic route through the city, you’ll pass Independence Square and the Graf Artigas Monument before arriving at remarkable Prado Park for a short visit. Noted for its historical monuments and attractive gardens that feature a stunning display of roses, the Park was created from the 175 acre estate built by 19th-century financier, José Buschental, who brought in exotic fish from Asia to fill his streams, as well as animals and plants from around the world. A statue of Buschental can be found on the grounds today.

Leaving Prado Park, you’ll travel to the magnificent Legislative Palace, considered to be one of the three most beautiful legislative buildings in the world because of its ornate marble structure. Following an enjoyable stop here, you’ll make your way to Battle y Ordóñez Park, home of a vibrantly realistic oxcart monument, obelisk and the Estadio Centenario. The monument was erected to commemorate the fact that Estadio Centenario is the site where the first World Soccer Cup organized by FIFA was held.

Before returning to the ship, your coach will make its way into the residential area of Carrasco where you’ll discover an array of splendid private homes and the Hotel Casino Carrasco, an imposing building which overlooks the coast and is full of Uruguayan tradition and history.
OPTIONAL SHORE EXCURSIONS

MVD-003 JEWISH HERITAGE OF MONTEVIDEO

Duration: 3.50 Hrs   Tour Price: $99.00

Date: March 06, 2017 10:30 AM

Explore two centuries of Jewish influence in Montevideo during this scenic and informative tour, following the historical progress and development of the Community. Depart the pier for the drive through the Old Town area, where Jewish immigrants first settled in the late 19th and early 20th century.

Along the way, you will pass the first Sephardic Synagogue, Golda Meir Square and the Hebraica-Maccabi Sports Center. Your drive will then proceed through the area where the Ashkenazi Jews settled upon arrival in the country, passing the still existing Jaime Zhitlovsky Cultural Center, gaining insight into the living conditions of the first immigrants, the challenges they faced and how the Community adapted to their new circumstances.

Next you will arrive at the Holocaust Memorial, the only one of its kind in South America, an outdoor memorial crafted into the landscape, built in angular sections, conveying a sense of dislocation and destruction, where tombstone-like stone slabs bear quotes of Jewish philosophers, creating a both troubling and strangely peaceful effect. Next, passing through the upscale Pocitos residential area, where since the eighties most of the Community lives nowadays, a visit will be made to two synagogues located in this area.

Following a drive along the Rambla, the avenue that follows the shoreline and is the nicest feature of the whole city, your tour will conclude with a visit to Independence Square, the Main Square, featuring a monument dedicated to the national hero General José Gervasio Artigas, the Executive Tower housing the President’s Office, the emblematic Palacio Salvo building and the former Government House. From there you will be taken directly back to the pier.

Please note: Order of sights visited may change to avoid and alleviate congestions at destination. Timing might vary slightly depending on traffic. All guests who visit the Synagogue should dress appropriately. Comfortable walking shoes are recommended. In the event the second Synagogue is closed due to unforeseen events, an inside visit to the Gurvich Museum will be made.

MVD-007 PANORAMIC MONTEVIDEO

Duration: 3.00 Hrs   Tour Price: $89.00

Date: March 06, 2017 10:30 AM

This relaxing tour allows you to experience South America's most cosmopolitan capital from the comfort of an air-conditioned coach with little or no walking involved.

A scenic drive from the pier takes you by such historic sites as Constitution Square, the Cathedral, Colonial Town Hall and the Solis Theatre.

Continuing on into the city, you'll view many of Montevideo's prominent buildings, parks and monuments. Some of the sights you'll see are Independence Square, the oldest city square in Montevideo, and the site of a massive equestrian monument and mausoleum of Uruguayan hero Jose Artigas. You will also view Prado Park, a 175-acre estate built by 19th century financier, José Buschental, who brought in exotic fish from Asia to fill the streams, as well as animals and plants from around the world. Today, the park is noted for its historical monuments and attractive gardens that feature a stunning display of roses. There will also be a photo stop at the Last Charruas Monument.

Before heading back to the ship, stop for pictures at the magnificent Legislative Palace, considered to be one of the three most beautiful legislative buildings in the world because of its ornate marble structure. Your return route travels along the picturesque Rambla or waterfront, where many of the city's gorgeous beaches are found.

Please note: This tour is available to wheelchair guests who are able to both make their way on and off the coach and sit in a coach seat, as well as those with mobility concerns. Walking is at the guest's discretion. Casual and comfortable clothing is recommended.
MVD-010  MONTEVIDEO BY BIKE

Duration: 3.00 Hrs  Tour Price: $169.00

Date:  March 06, 2017  10:30 AM,  03:00 PM

Take a delightful bike ride through the streets of Montevideo, while your guide points out the most fascinating attractions and elaborates on their cultural importance.

After departing from the pier on a bicycle, you will soon arrive at Zabala Square, a leafy plaza in the heart of the Old City. It’s named for Montevideo’s founder, Bruno Zabala, and a statue of the Spanish soldier on horseback graces the center of the square. You will also ride through the city’s oldest plaza, Matriz Square, where you will find the early 19th-century Metropolitan Cathedral and a colonial government building that is now a museum.

Further along, you will explore the coastal Palermo neighborhood, home to a number of impressive government buildings that include the U.S. Embassy and the headquarters of Mercosur, an organization that promotes free trade throughout South America. There are plenty of green spaces downtown, as you will see firsthand by pedaling through lovely Park Rodo and the Golf Club of Uruguay, one of the country’s premier golf resorts.

Continuing on, you will ride past a labyrinthine 54-room castle that occultist Humberto Pittamiglio designed for himself in 1911 and visit the Punta Carretas Lighthouse. More downtown landmarks await you, specifically Independence Square, ornate Salvo Palace and the historic Spanish gate that led to the citadel. After approximately 2-hours, you will begin your trek back to the pier where your biking adventure ends.

Please note:  This tour includes approximately 2 1/2 hours of cycling through city streets. Participants should be comfortable riding a bike and in good physical condition. The tour is not available to wheelchair guests, those with mobility concerns, pregnant women or those with heart conditions or breathing difficulties. Weather appropriate clothing; sun cap; sunglasses; sunscreen; and a bottle of water from the ship are recommended. Flat, closed-toe shoes are mandatory. The tour sequence may vary. The local operator requires all participants sign a waiver before being allowed to take part in the tour.
What is Included?

Transportation:
Licensed and insured late-model coaches, mini-vans and/or automobiles, watercraft and other modes of transportation are utilized.

Meals and Refreshments:
Meals and/or refreshments are included only when indicated in the tour description.

Guides:
Licensed, English-speaking local guides accompany all tours.

Entrance Fees:
Tours include all required admission fees where applicable.

What Should I Wear?
When taking a shore excursion, comfortable walking shoes, loose comfortable clothing, sunglasses, a hat and sunscreen are suggested. You may consider bringing an umbrella, raincoat, sweater or jacket. And don't forget your camera!

Cancellations and Refunds:
- Tours operate rain or shine.
- Tours require minimum participation levels to operate so please sign up as early as possible. Tours may be cancelled if minimum participation levels are not met.
- In order to ensure quality guides and sufficient transportation, we must provide the tour operator with passenger counts at least 36 hours in advance.
- Unlimited Passport Collection and Your World Collection packages are fully refundable prior to embarkation of your cruise. Unlimited Passport Collection and Your World Collection packages that are cancelled after embarkation will incur a 100% cancellation fee.
- A la carte tours are fully refundable until 36 hours in advance of the tour. A la carte tours cancelled less than 36 hours in advance of the tour will incur a 100% cancellation fee.
- In the event of a port cancellation, guests who have purchased a Your World Collection or Unlimited Passport Collection will receive a pro-rata refund for that port based on the price paid. Guests who have purchased an a la carte excursion for a port that is cancelled will receive a full refund.
- No refunds or credits will be given for individual Your World Collection tours not taken, unless the tours are cancelled by Oceania Cruises.

Prices, Itineraries and General Information:
- All pre-reserved shore excursions will receive priority confirmation over those booked onboard.
- The discount of up to 25% off a la carte excursion prices that is offered with the Your World Collection is subject to a minimum number of excursions that must be purchased. This minimum is based on the number of port days on your cruise.
- Shore excursion prices are subject to change to meet unexpected cost increases or currency fluctuations. Once excursions have been purchased, pricing is guaranteed and not subject to change.
- The information contained in this document was current at the time of printing; however, changes may occur before your scheduled departure. Please consult the Destination Services Desk onboard for information and current pricing.
- During local or national holidays, access to certain facilities (such as museums or archaeological sites) maybe limited or denied. In such instances, adjustments in excursions itinerary will be made to minimize inconvenience to guests.
- Some tours have limited availability. Please reserve tours early to avoid disappointment.
- Oceania Cruises reserves the right to require guests to complete a liability waiver for select shore excursions. For more information, please consult the Destination Services Desk.

Please note:
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