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Dear Alumni & Friends,

Experience the breathtaking beauty of the Dordogne and Garonne Rivers, which together have shaped the scenery and culture of the Bordeaux region of France.

In addition to the world-class wines made possible by Bordeaux's perfect combination of climate and soil, the region has a rich tapestry of culture and tradition demonstrated in its Gothic churches, opulent châteaus, and medieval villages.

Embark on an all-inclusive, credit-card free luxury river cruise aboard the state-of-the-art *Scenic Diamond*. With a meticulously planned itinerary, unforgettable shore excursions, the unique and unrivaled Scenic Culinaire French cooking program, and all onboard food and beverages—including beer, wine, and premium spirits—included, there is no better way to experience the Bordeaux region and immerse yourself in the history and culture that lie within.

Sincerely,

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Gwen D. Harrington Director of Travel Programs Virginia Tech Alumni Association

No credit card is required at cruise check-in, and Scenic's River Cruise Guarantee insures against unforeseen disruptions during your cruise.

Space is limited. Book now! 866-655-9070 or 952-918-8940

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ADVISORY: When you are traveling outside of the United States, please be aware that significantly different health, safety and legal standards may prevail. You should plan and act accordingly and exercise good personal judgment for your own health and safety at all times when abroad. If you have special medical or physical requirements, you should investigate your destination(s) beforehand and ensure the care and conditions you need will be available.

REFUNDS AND CANCELLATIONS: If you change plans or cancel, your rights to a refund are limited. Upon receipt of written cancellation from you, the following cancellation fees will apply (indicated in days prior to initial flight departure) in addition to any applicable airline cancellation fees.

Cruise Program Cancellation Fees:

200 days or more = \$350 per person

199-120 days = \$1,900 per person

119-75 days = 50% of total fare

74-45 days = 75% of total fare

44-0 days = 100% of total fare, no refund

Plus any applicable GN Pre- and/or Post-Cruise Program Cancellation Fees:

121 days or more = \$200 per person, per program

120-61 days = \$300 per person, per program

60-0 days = no refund

Any requests for cancellation must be communicated to GN in writing. Applicable refunds, if any, will be made within 21 days after the cancellation.

AGE: Travelers less than 18 years of age on the departure date must be accompanied by and share a cabin with an adult. Children less than 12 years of age on the departure date are not accepted.

HEALTH: Any physical or mental condition requiring special medical attention or equipment must be disclosed in writing to GN at the time the participant makes a reservation. GN may reject the reservation of any person who, in the opinion of GN is unfit for travel or might be a danger to themselves or incompatible with others on the trip. Participants requiring special assistance, including without limitation those who permanently or periodically use a wheelchair, must be accompanied by someone who agrees to provide the required assistance. GN reserves the right to terminate the participation of any participant whose conduct or condition materially inconveniences other participants.

THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS OF ANY KIND (INCLUDING MEDICAL EXCEPTIONS) TO THESE POLICIES. No refunds will be made for any portion of the arrangements we have made for you that are not actually utilized by you. There is no variance from these policies for the services we arrange as described in this brochure.

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RESERVATION SELECTION:

Suite category request: 1st choice _____ 2nd choice ____

Bed request: ☐ Twin (2 beds) ☐ Queen

Single accommodations are an additional cost and subject to availability.

OPTIONAL GO NEXT PRE-CRUISE PROGRAM SELECTION:

□ PARIS PRE-CRUISE PROGRAM: \$1,399 per person, double occupancy; \$1,899, single

All passengers must travel with a passport valid at least six months beyond their return date.

GUEST 1: Full Name (as it appears on your passport)

First	Middle	Last	Title
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GUEST 2: Full Name (as it appears on	your passport)		
First	Middle	Last	Title
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Preferred Name (for your name badge)			Citizenship
Email Address			
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City		State	ZIP
Main Phone		Alternate Phone	
Roommate (if different from above)			
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SIGNATURES ARE REQUIRED FR TRAVELING MINORS: I have read, rec Operator/Participant Agreement.			
SIGN HERE X			

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DEPOSITS: A deposit of \$950 per person plus a \$300 deposit for the optional pre-cruise program is due with your reservation application. Deposits may be made by check or credit card; all major credit cards are accepted. Final payments must be paid by check. Please make checks payable to **Go Next**.

Full payment is required by March 19, 2018. Enclosed is a deposit for \$_____

□ I authorize Go Next Inc. to charge my credit card for the reservation the pre-cruise deposit of \$300, if applicable.	on deposit of \$950 pe	er person a	and for
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Making a deposit or acceptance or use of any vouchers, tickets, goods, or services shall be deemed consent to and acceptance of the terms and conditions stated in the applicable Operator/Participant Agreement, including limitations on responsibility and liability.



ALL-INCLUSIVE Luxury Cruise

IN ADDITION TO A SEVEN-NIGHT VOYAGE, CRUISE FARES INCLUDE

- A truly all-inclusive experience; no credit card required on board
- 10 Freechoice activity options, 1 Enrich experience, 1 Sundowner program, and daily Tailormade tour options
- 20 meals (7 breakfasts, 6 lunches, and 7 dinners)
- Private butler (trained at the International Butler Academy) for every suite
- Onboard food and beverages including beer, wine, and premium spirits

- Expert local guides
- Laundry concierge service
- Transfers to and from ship (if transferring on group travel dates)
- In-suite minibar, restocked daily
- Travel-arrangement assistance and on-call support from Go Next
- On-site Go Next Program Manager and private welcome reception
- Wi-Fi throughout the cruise
- E-bikes (electronically assisted bicycles), standard bicycles, and Nordic[®] walking poles

All gratuities



Butler Each Scenic butler has been trained at the International Butler Academy. Whichever suite you choose, your butler will make sure you'll never be without complimentary refreshments and a stocked minibar.



Suites

Depending on the class of suite you opt for, you'll enjoy a wealth of luxurious features, including Scenic Sun Lounge touch-of-a-button balconies, downy pillows, Egyptian cotton sheets, and plush bathrobes.



Fine Dining

Six Scenic dining options cater to every craving, from light breakfasts and picnics ashore, to extravagant buffets and sumptuous five-course meals paired perfectly with regional wines.



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July 16

DEPART FOR FRANCE

July 17

BORDEAUX, FRANCE

Transfer from the Bordeaux airport where your friendly crew will welcome you on board the luxurious *Scenic Diamond* for your cruise through France's celebrated Bordeaux region. *Meals: D*

July 18

BORDEAUX TO SAINT-ÉMILION, FRANCE 🚇

Enjoy a relaxing morning on board as you cruise in style to the beautiful thirteenth century port of Libourne. You'll spend the afternoon in the nearby town of Saint-Émilion, a visual feast and the jewel of this ancient wine growing region. You'll also get to explore the underground catacombs of the Saint-Émilion Monolithic Church—a true trip highlight.

Sundowner: Celebrate the two-thousand-year history of wine at the exclusive estate of Château Siaurac. With a glass of the estate's vintage in hand, a local guitarist providing an acoustic soundtrack, and a beautiful sunset, it's hard to imagine a more elegant way to enjoy this beautiful region. *Meals: B, L, D*

July 19

LIBOURNE to PAUILLAC, FRANCE 🍩

Freechoice: Enjoy a guided tour of Libourne and visit its Gothic church, explore the exclusive Château Franc Mayne estate and taste its Grand Cru Classé wine, or view the eclectic city of Bergerac and enjoy foie gras tasting at a charming local farm. *Meals: B, L, D*

July 20

MÉDOC, FRANCE 🔘

Travel the scenic Médoc wine route and discover why this region is viewed as the world's leading red wine producer. Afterward, sample the region's finest at the Château Gruaud-Larose or cycle to Château Lagrange.

Enrich: The spectacular Médoc countryside boasts many fine aristocratic châteaux, but none are more opulent than Château Giscours. You'll be escorted to the charming eighteenth century Farm Suzanne on the Giscours estate to enjoy an unforgettable four-course dinner with Grand Cru Classé wines and musicians performing classical masterpieces for your enjoyment. *Meals: B, L, D*

Key

Freechoice

Freechoice is a diverse selection of exciting included activities for guests to choose from.

O Enrich

Enrich activities offer exclusive opportunities to experience the culture, heritage, and folklore of a region. Sundowners

Sundowners are exclusive cocktail receptions hosted at some of Europe's most majestic locations.

Meals Breakfast: B, Lunch: L, Dinner: D

July 21

PAUILLAC to CADILLAC, FRANCE

Take in the Garonne River vistas as you spend a luxurious full day aboard the *Scenic Diamond*. Enhance your cooking skills with a lesson in Scenic Culinaire and enjoy live entertainment in the ship's Panorama Lounge. *Meals: B, L, D*

July 22

CADILLAC, FRANCE 🍪

Freechoice: Venture into the Sauternes wine region for a tasting of the prestigious Château Guiraud dessert wines and cycle through the rolling vineyards to the Château de Myrat for another tasting, or visit le Château de Roquetaillade, founded by Charlemagne, and tour it with the family that now lives within its walls. Other options include a visit to the medieval town of Saint-Macaire or a round-trip hike to the village of Loupiac with stunning panoramic views. *Meals: B, L, D*

July 23

BORDEAUX, FRANCE 🍪

Freechoice: Enjoy a guided tour of Bordeaux and its many attractions, or cycle the city's historic neighborhoods where you'll cross beautiful bridges to witness sites such as the Royal Gate and the Palais Rohan. Alternatively, stop at a local food market through Scenic's Shop With a Chef program, where your selections will be enjoyed by all at a special onboard dinner showcasing regional delicacies. Finish the night by relaxing with a cruise on the Garonne River as a fabulous local soloist performs in the Panorama Lounge. *Meals: B, L, D*

July 24

BORDEAUX, FRANCE

Disembark after breakfast. Transfer to the Bordeaux airport. Meals: B

River Cruise Guarantee

On every Scenic river cruise you'll be automatically covered once you commence your cruise for certain delays or cancellations that occur due to adverse weather conditions, natural disasters, mechanical breakdowns, or strikes.



Cabin type	Deck	Suite type	Fares per person if booked after OCT. 31	Fares per person if booked before OCT. 31
E	Jewel (Deck 1)	Standard	\$4,249	\$3,999
D	Jewel	Standard	\$4,549	\$4,299
С	Sapphire (Deck 2)	Balcony	\$5,249	\$4,999
BA	Sapphire	Balcony	\$5,609	\$5,359
BB	Sapphire	Balcony	\$5,709	\$5,459
В	Sapphire	Balcony	\$5,749	\$5,499
BJ	Sapphire	Junior	\$6,409	\$6,159
А	Diamond (Deck 3)	Balcony	\$5,749	\$5,499
PA	Diamond	Balcony	\$5,809	\$5,559
PP	Diamond	Balcony	\$5,849	\$5,599
Р	Diamond	Balcony	\$5,909	\$5,659
RJ	Diamond	Junior	\$6,549	\$6,299
RA	Diamond	Royal	\$6,749	\$6,499
RS	Diamond	Royal Panorama	\$6,949	\$6,699
RO	Diamond	Royal Owner's	\$7,749	\$7,499

Fares are per person, double occupancy.

Port fees are an additional \$450 per person. Single prices available. Call for details.

Scenic Culinaire

Learn the secrets of French cuisine with the unique Scenic Culinaire program. Utilizing an onboard cheese and wine cellar and fresh ingredients sourced directly from local markets, culinary experts will introduce you to French cooking techniques and vibrant regional recipes.



Tailormade Devices

These GPS locators alert travelers of nearby attractions, provide directions to and from the ship, and can serve as a listening aid during tours.

ENRICHMENT LECTURES

Gain new insights and discover fascinating perspectives on the places you'll explore from engaging guest lecturers. These educational opportunities will enhance your travel experience and provide you with a deeper understanding of the region's rich history and cultural heritage.



EXTEND YOUR ADVENTURE

PARIS Pre-Cruise Program • July 14*–17 \$1,399 per person, double occupancy; \$1,899, single

- 2 nights at 4-star Hilton Paris Opera hotel or similar accommodations, with breakfast
- TGV high-speed train transfer from Paris to Bordeaux, with related luggage handling
- Professional guide and concierge support from an on-site Go Next Program Manager
 - Transfers to and from hotel and Scenic Diamond with related luggage handling

FULL-DAY TOUR OF PARIS

Explore Montmartre, Paris's hilltop mecca of modern art and bohemian culture with some of the finest views of the city, and take a behind-the-scenes tour of the legendary Eiffel Tower, where you'll learn about the secrets, stories, and structures behind this sensational symbol of France. (This tour is subject to change.)

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