We're pleased to present a nine-day journey through France's Bordeaux region and the valleys of the Médoc, Libourne and the Entre-deux-Mers. This river cruise will take you into the heart of some of the most breathtaking scenery in France. Our itinerary will include the famous regions of the Garonne and the Dordogne. We'll visit the largest area of AOC (appellation d'origine contrôlée) vineyards in the world, Pauillac and the Medoc, and the ancient towns of Blaye and Saint-Emilion to sample their renowned wines.

We'll tour the Château de Roquetaillade in Cadillac and Cognac, a historical city world famous for its fine liqueur. Since we'll be traveling aboard a luxurious river ship, we'll need to unpack only once as we enjoy enchanting views of the Bordeaux estuary from the comfort of our cabins. Come join us for this unusual discovery cruise of one of France's most celebrated destinations!

Our river ship, the Scenic Diamond, combines elegance, exquisite cuisine, and relaxing comfort. You'll enjoy panoramic views as you stroll the outdoor track on the Sun Deck or from the comfort of your private cabin. Gourmet meals with wine are served each day in the dining room. Each cabin and suite boasts a superior queen bed and other amenities, including a television and minibar. Our boat includes a wellness center, electronically assisted bicycles, and complementary Wi-Fi. Central to the cruise experience will be talks on the history and culture of the destination.

Washington and Lee University presents:
River cruising the wine region of BORDEAUX
Sail on two of France’s mighty rivers and the Gironde estuary,
BORDEAUX - PAUILLAC - BLAYE - COGNAC - LIBOURNE - SAINT-EMILION - CADILLAC
From April 02 to 10, 2017
Nine days, seven nights including cruise, meals, drinks with meals & airfare from IAD

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Included Features:

• Round-trip air transportation from Washington (IAD). Other gateways available. Fuel surcharges and air taxes are included (valid at time of printing).

• ALL-INCLUSIVE 5 STAR CRUISING LUXURY:
  - Transfers from airport to the riverboat and from riverboat to the airport, with luggage handling for one checked bag per person. Services of a professional cruise director throughout the program.
  - Luxurious accommodations for seven nights on a Scenic “Space Ship”
  - Port charges.
  - Daily gourmet meals onboard: a rich buffet breakfast, a festive lunch buffet, tea & coffee throughout the day and a multi-course dinner with free complimentary selection of wines, draught beers during meals and at the bar.
  - Complimentary minibar and bar consumptions throughout the cruise.
  - Complimentary Wi-Fi Internet
  - Private 5* butler service for all cabins
  - Applicable entrance fees, admission charges according to itinerary.
  - Welcome drink upon arrival.
  - Onboard entertainment
  - Interactive Riverview onboard commentaries.
  - Wellness center.
  - Reservations at L’Amour French restaurant (available for Sapphire and Diamond deck guests only) and Table La Rive gastronomic restaurant (available to P-PP-S-RJ-RA-R-BJ category cabin guests only)
  - Electronically-assisted bicycles
  - Nordic walking sticks
  - Gratuities

Included Shore excursions:

• Deluxe air-conditioned motor coach transportation for all transfers, tours and guided excursions.
• Headsets during excursions
• Daily shore excursion program (outlined and included in the itinerary) during the cruise with local English-speaking guides.
  - Discover the largest area of AOC vineyards in the world:
  - Learn and sample the great wines of Pauillac and the Médoc
  - The medieval city of Blaye and its renowned wines
  - Saint-Emilion, the underground world of a medieval city
  - The château de Roquetaillade
  - The Sauterne wine country
  - Cadillac, a listed historic monument
  - Bordeaux, an amazing architectural and cultural city listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site
  - Cognac region.

Optional tour excursions:

• Optional 3-night post extension to San Sebastian and Bilbao, including tours of Biarritz, St. Jean de Luz, San Sebastian and Bilbao.
Day 1: April 2, 2017 - Depart the USA: Depart Washington IAD for Paris CDG.

Day 2: April 3, 2017 -BORDEAUX (D): Welcome to France. A Jet Vacations representative will personally greet you and arrange your transfer to your river cruise ship in Bordeaux. After you've comfortably settled into our cabin, we'll introduce our crew during our welcome cocktail party. You'll have dinner on board, and enjoy an evening or entertainment. We will remain in port overnight. (Dinner)

Day 3: April 4, 2017 -BORDEAUX - PAUILLAC (FB,L,D): We sail down the river Garonne and then join the river Girond and Patras island before arriving in Pauillac just in time for lunch on board. After lunch on board, our excursion this afternoon is to visit the Medoc - a renowned region where the most famous of all red wines in the world are cultivated. We also have the opportunity to see the “must see” châteaux Lafite-Rothschild, Labur and Mouton Rothschild. We return on board for dinner and an evening of entertainment. We moor for the night in Pauillac. (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

Day 4: April 5 - PAUILLAC - GIRONDE ESTUARY - BLAYE (FB,L,D): We set sail early this morning, cruising along the Girondine to the estuary. We have lunch on board, and arrive in Blaye. We set off on our excursion along the Corniche, or cliff route. We stop in the village of Bourg, a charming city built on a rocky outcrop enclosed by medieval ramparts. On the way back, travel through some of the world’s most famous vineyards. We return on board for dinner. We moor for the night in Blaye. (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

Day 5: April 6, 2017 – BLAYE – COGNAC (FB,L,D): After breakfast onboard, walking tour of Blaye, where we will visit the citadel. Following lunch onboard, we will depart towards Cognac to discover Romanesque churches, typical sceneries of a “terroir” considered by many as the “French Tuscany”, traveling along the roads and quaysides, passing monuments and Cognac’s public gardens. Enjoy a guided visit of the château of Cognac, birthplace of French king, François I. A historic building dating from the 13th to 16th centuries, the château is a wonderful blend of the history of both Cognac and France. The visit is followed by a tasting session in cognac cellars where you will learn about the enthralling adventure of the “Liqueur of the Gods” with much information about vine growing and harvesting, wine production, distilling and more. Return to Blaye at the end of the day. (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

Day 6: April 7, 2017 - BLAYE - LIBOURNE - SAINT-EMILION (FB,L,D): We set sail early this morning, taking breakfast as we cruise, heading towards Libourne. We join the river Dordogne and head for Libourne where we arrive in the early afternoon. After lunch on board, we set off by coach on our excursion to Saint-Emilion. We have a guided visit of the underground monuments of Saint-Emilion vineage as our guide introduces us to the history of the medieval city. We then visit an exceptional Troglydote settlement - the cave of Émilion, and we have a tasting to conclude our visit. We rejoin our floating hotel in Libourne at the end of the afternoon. After dinner on board we have an evening’s entertainment provided by our crew before we moor for the night. (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

Day 7: April 8, 2017 - LIBOURNE - CADILLAC (FB,L,D): We have breakfast as we cruise this morning, heading for Cadillac. Lunch on board. Arrival in Cadillac. This afternoon we have guided visits to the château de Roquetaillade and to Cadillac. This middle age castle is also famous for the inside decoration dating from the XIXth century. We will then enjoy a stop in a Sainteume winery for a special tasting. We then return to Cadillac for a guided visit of the city with its castle, old mansions and church dating back to the XVth century. We return on board for dinner. The rest of the evening is free. We moor for the night in Cadillac. (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

Day 8: April 9, 2017 -BORDEAUX (FB,L,D): Early relaxing morning of cruising the Garonne bound for Bordeaux through the famous vineyards of Graves. Upon arrival, set off on a walking tour of Bordeaux. A city of art and architecture, Bordeaux is part of UNESCO’s world heritage sites. Visit the old city from the large avenues to the narrow streets of Saint Pierre district. Lunch onboard and free afternoon Captain’s Farewell dinner, followed by an evening of dancing. (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

Day 9: April 10, 2017 -BORDEAUX (FB): This Morning you will be transferred* by your Jet Vacations Representative to your onward or homebound flight or to your post extension to San Sebastian. (Breakfast)

END OF SERVICES

3 NIGHT POST SAN SEBASTIAN EXTENSION

NET $895 per person in double occupancy / $379 single supplement including 2 full-day tours of Biarritz - St. Jean de Luz and San Sebastian.

Day 8: April 10, 2017 - Bordeaux – San Sebastian (FB)
After breakfast on the ship, transfer to San Sebastian by deluxe coach and lunch stop on the trendy sea town of Biarritz and its old port, the Virgin on the Rock, the streets and the views. Then following the rugged coastal road you will continue to Saint Jean De Luz, a lovely small village located on the French Basque coast. The house of Louis XIV and the Church of Saint Jean Baptiste are the highlights, surrounded by narrow streets. Finally, arrive in San Sebastian, the most beautiful city in the Basque Country and check into your Hotel for your 3 night post stay. (Breakfast)

Day 10: April 11, 2017 – San Sebastian (FB)
After breakfast, meet your guide and then set off on your 2-hour stroll with your group. Ambling at a leisurely pace, explore the tangle of narrow lanes that make up Parte Vieja, San Sebastián’s handsome Old Town, sandwiched between La Concha beach and the banks of the Urumea River, the Old Town hub is home to a treasure trove of the city’s finest sights. Wander past a farmers’ market to soak up the colorful hubbub of day to day activity, and pose for photos in front of San Sebastián Town Hall. Pass churches with remarkable Baroque façade, and hear the history behind sights such as Plaza de la Constitucion, an 18th-century square that was partially destroyed by a fire a century after it was built. In between photo stops and chats about each of the landmarks, call in at three of the area’s famed pintxos bars to immerse yourself in the atmosphere, learn about the pintxo scene and, of course, sample some of the treats yourself. Much like regular tapas, pintxo dishes on the city menus change daily; expect a dainty but delicious treat — perhaps olives and artisan cheese pierced by a cocktail stick — paired with a drink in each bar. After two hours exploring the city and its legendary pintxos bars, make your way back to your hotel. (Breakfast)

Day 11: April 12, 2017 - Bilbao (FB, D)
After breakfast set on a scenery drive through the Basque country side towards Bilbao. Travelling through rugged landscapes and small mountain villages, which holds the essence of rural lifestyle. Arrive in Bilbao, meet your private guide and then start the 2 hours walking tour through the city. Firstly, entering the 7 Calles or Old Town, you will discover the traditional architecture and atmosphere: narrow streets, many shops, bars, restaurants and a lot of life. There, apart from seeing the most important buildings such as the Cathedral of Santiago or the local market, the Mercado de la Ribera, your guide will discuss about the origins of Bilbao as a port, the maritime trade with Flanders, the great industrialization, and about the importance of the river. After lunch on your own, visit the Guggenheim Museum. It is a great chance to enjoy one of the most representative buildings of contemporary architecture. Discover the contrasts between yesterday and today and enjoy a pleasant walk! Transfer to your hotel in Bilbao – check-in and rest of the evening at leisure. (Breakfast)

Day 12: April 13, 2017 - Departure (FB): After breakfast, transfer to airport for your flight back to U.S. (Breakfast)

Pricing:
The pricing below is double occupancy per person, based on the cabin of your choice per person. Cat E-D $3,995 per person; Cat C-B $4,545 per person; Cat B-$ $4,645 per person; Cat BJ $4,745 per person; Cat A-PA $4,645 per person; Cat PP-P $4,745 per person; Cat RJ $4,995 per person; Cat RA $5,945 per person; Cat S $5,245 per person. Call us for our Single Supplement pricing. All taxes and fuel surcharges are included and correct at the time of printing, but subject to change. The price does not include beverages except the ones mentioned above, shore excursions that might be offered in addition to our daily included shore excursion program, wellness/spa center, airline luggage overage fees, passports fees, visas as well as items of a personal nature.

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RESERVATION FORM

Please submit names exactly as they appear on passports:

Passenger 1:
First Name: ___________________________ Middle Name: ___________________________ Last Name: ___________________________
Country of Issue: ___________________________ Date of Issue: ___________________________
Passport #: ___________________________ Expiration Date: ___________________________

Passenger 2:
First Name: ___________________________ Middle Name: ___________________________ Last Name: ___________________________
Country of Issue: ___________________________ Date of Issue: ___________________________
Passport #: ___________________________ Expiration Date: ___________________________

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City: ___________________________ State: ___________________________ Zip: __________________
Email Address: ___________________________
Phone #: ___________________________ Cell Phone#: ___________________________

\[Box for notes on travel arrangements and preferences, as well as any special requests or accommodations needed.\]

Note: I authorize a payment in the amount of ___________________________. I am traveling with ___________________________.

\[Box for payment options: Amex, Discover, Visa, MasterCard, Checks.\]

\[Payment deposit details, including any applicable fees.\]

\[Box for travel agency contact information.\]

\[Box for travel completion details.\]

Make checks payable to: ___________________________.

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Air arrangements: Flights and transfers are based on regular scheduled airline service. All applicable airline rules apply and schedules are subject to change. Basic airfares include fuel surcharges, airport departure taxes, passenger facility charges (PFCs), customs or immigration fees, but do not include excess baggage charges and any other airfare imposed charges. For mileage accrual information, please contact the carrier directly for details. Airline group packages are non-refundable and not-refundable once deposit has been paid. Rules and fees for canceling and revising airfares vary depending upon the type of airfare purchased. Refundable airfare tickets will be processed once the original paper tickets (if applicable) are returned to us via a traceable method of mailing. E-tickets do not need to be returned. Lost paper tickets have no refund value.

Notes on fuel surcharges: Fuel surcharges imposed by the airlines are valid at the time of contact and are included in the price of your tour. As fuel continues to fluctuate, if the fuel surcharge changes prior to your departure date, you will be assessed this additional amount.

Seat assignments: We block group seats with many major carriers, as well as charter carriers. We have absolutely no control over seat assignment. Specific seat requests are subject to availability at airport check-in only or passengers may contact the airline for individual specific seating once tickets have been issued. Passenger “Record location” are assigned by the airlines once the airlines has ticketed each passenger from the group block. This usually occurs between 60 to 30 days prior the departure date. After the airlines has assigned each traveler a “record location”, travelers may contact the airline directly to discuss his her seat preference. Airlines may impose additional fees for specific seats.

Cancellation Policies: No charges other than the non-refundable initial deposit are termed for individual passengers canceling up to 180 days prior to the commencement of Jet Vacations LLC services. However, services which have been prepaid by Jet Vacations LLC on behalf of individual clients maybe non-refundable, non-refundable, or non-refundable, non-changeable, non-cancelable and/or subject to a cancellation fee change (e.g. theater tickets, train tickets, airline tickets, event tickets, passes, entrance fees etc.).

Full Cancellation: Failing to pay the contractual deposits (other than the initial deposit) constitutes a cancellation. In the event of non-compliance with the payment due dates, Jet Vacations LLC shall have the right to demand the Customer to immediately pay the outstanding balance. Payment shall then be received by Jet Vacations LLC within 8 days as of the date of Jet Vacations LLC's written request. Should payment not be received within this time limit, the group shall be deemed to be canceled by the Customer. In the event of full cancellation of the agreement by the Customer, which is not justified by Jet Vacations LLC's failure to meet its obligations, cancellation penalties shall be invoiced and calculated as follows:

Initial deposit*: non-refundable.

From 180 to 90 days prior departure: 50% penalty of total cost per person.

From 90 to 61 days prior departure: 75% penalty of total cost per person.

From 60 to 31 days prior departure: 100% penalty of total cost per person.

\[Deposit to hold the space and First deposit is non-refundable.\]

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\[Initial deposit amount and any applicable fees.\]

Make checks payable to: ___________________________.

\[Box for additional information and contact details.\]

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