Changing Tides of History
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Baltic Sea

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Featuring Guest Speakers

LECH WALESA
Former President of Poland
and
SERGEI KRUSHCHEV
Son of Nikita Khrushchev

July 29 to August 7, 2019
Dear Swarthmore Alumni & Friends,

Join us for the rare opportunity to explore the lands and legacies forged by centuries of Baltic history. Hear and learn more firsthand from historic world leader, Nobel Peace Prize Laureate and former President of Poland, Lech Wałęsa, and from noted author and award-winning scholar Sergei Khrushchev, son of Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev.

One of the great cruise itineraries of the world, this unique Baltic Sea voyage features six Baltic countries and seven UNESCO World Heritage sites. Our program is scheduled during the best time of year to experience the natural phenomenon of the luminous “White Nights.”

Experience the cultural rebirth of the Baltic States and imperial past of St. Petersburg, Russia, while cruising aboard the exclusively chartered, Five-Star, Le Dumont d’Urville, newly launching in 2019 and featuring only 92 ocean-view Suites and Staterooms. In the tradition of ancient Viking mariners and medieval merchants, set forth from the cosmopolitan, royal Swedish capital and seaport of Stockholm to Denmark’s sophisticated, innovative and exceptionally “green” capital city of Copenhagen. Spend two days docked in the heart of regal St. Petersburg, featuring visits to the world-acclaimed State Hermitage Museum, the Peter and Paul Fortress and the spectacular czarist palaces at Petrodvorets and Pushkin. See the storied architecture of Helsinki, Finland; tour the well-preserved medieval Old Town of Tallinn, Estonia; explore the former Vikings site and Hanseatic League town of Visby on Sweden’s Gotland Island; and immerse yourself in the legacy of the Solidarity movement in Gdańsk, Poland. Experience the Splendors of Stockholm during the Pre-Cruise Option, and on the Wonders of Norway Post-Cruise Option, visit the vibrant city of Bergen, cruise through stunning fjordlands and enjoy one of the world’s most scenic train rides.

This exclusive travel program features a comprehensive itinerary, Five-Star accommodations, a specially arranged shore excursion in each port and all meals. Book now, as capacity is limited and this popular program sells out quickly!

Cheers,

Lisa K. Shafer
Senior Director of Alumni & Parent Engagement

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Monday, July 29
Depart the U.S.

Stockholm, Sweden
Tuesday, July 30
From Sweden’s “Venice of the North,” embark the Five-Star Dumont d’Urville and cruise through the scenic Stockholm archipelago.

Helsinki, Finland
Wednesday, July 31
By special arrangement, attend an engaging lecture with distinguished author and scholar Dr. Sergei Khrushchev. Named the World Design Capital in 2012, Helsinki merges the influence of Classicism and the Finnish National Romantic Movement with Functionalism, establishing design as a permanent and significant component of the city. Approach this “Daughter of the Baltic Sea,” while cruising past the 18th-century maritime fortress of Suomenlinna, a UNESCO World Heritage site. On a panoramic city tour, see the stately Senate Square, University of Helsinki, Helsinki Cathedral, Kaivopuisto Park, Parliament Building and Finlandia Hall by the South Harbor and visit the sprawling, modernistic Temppeliaukio Church, or “Church of the Rock,” impressively hewn into solid natural bedrock.

After exploring the lively Market Square at leisure, reboard the ship and attend the Captain’s Welcome Reception.

St. Petersburg, Russia
Thursday, August 1
Founded in 1703 as his “Window on the West,” St. Petersburg is Peter the Great’s extraordinary vision. Cruise into the heart of the city for a panoramic tour of its UNESCO World Heritage-designated historic center, where landmarks are scattered across more than 40 islands linked by more than 300 bridges. See exquisite examples of Russian Baroque and neoclassical architecture along the main thoroughfare, Nevsky Prospekt; the ornate Church of the Savior on Spilled Blood (Church of the Resurrection of Christ), built on Emperor Alexander II’s assassination site; and the 19th-century St. Isaac’s Cathedral, whose striking golden dome crowns the city’s skyline. Visit St. Petersburg’s first building, the Peter and Paul Fortress, constructed to secure the country’s access to the sea, and the Baroque Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul, where 32 czars, from Peter the Great to Nicholas II, the last of the Romanovs, are interred.

Tour the UNESCO World Heritage-designated Grand Palace of Petrodvorets, commissioned by Peter the Great to rival the Palace of Versailles, and its elaborately landscaped grounds, encompassing two centuries of imperial style, executed to perfection. Return to the ship by hydrofoil.

This evening, choose to attend an optional Russian folklore show performed in the Nikolaevsky Art Center, former residence of the Grand Duke.

Cover photo: Spanning 14 small islands, where shimmering Lake Mälaren meets one of the largest archipelagos in the Baltic Sea, Stockholm preserves its splendid medieval and Renaissance architecture.

Photo this page: Peter the Great himself partially engineered the resplendent plexus of waterfalls, fountains and statues that adorns the foreground of the opulent Grand Palace at Petrodvorets.
St. Petersburg
Friday, August 2
Enjoy a specially arranged, early-entry guided tour of the incomparable State Hermitage Museum. One of the world’s greatest art repositories, the UNESCO World Heritage-designated museum was the former palace of Catherine the Great. Its prestigious collections are rivaled only by the museum’s lavish interior. Savor a lunch of local Russian specialties and vodka while enjoying a traditional Cossack dance performance. Visit the imperial compound of Pushkin and the elaborate rococo Catherine Palace, a UNESCO World Heritage site, highlighted by the jewel-encrusted Amber Room, said to be the “Eighth Wonder of the World.”

Tallinn, Estonia
Saturday, August 3
Tallinn’s UNESCO World Heritage-designated Old Town has remained virtually unchanged for 600 years, largely escaping the ravages of World War II. During the walking tour, see the landmark Alexander Nevsky Cathedral, the 13th-century Church of St. Nicholas and Toompea Castle, the seat of Estonia’s Parliament. Visit the medieval Town Hall, the only intact Gothic-style hall in Northern Europe.

Visby, Gotland Island, Sweden
Sunday, August 4
Call at the Baltic island of Gotland, rich with Swedish history and abundant Viking and medieval sites. The UNESCO World Heritage-designated Old Town of Visby, the former Baltic center of the Hanseatic League, is arguably the best preserved medieval city in Scandinavia. On the walking tour through the cobbled streets of this “city of roses,” see 13th-century walls and original medieval architecture, tour the Gotlands Historical Museum and view the interior of the Cathedral of St. Mary; then enjoy leisure time in the Market Square.

Gdańsk, Poland
Monday, August 5
A former flourishing Hanseatic League port, today Gdańsk proudly displays its restored, late Renaissance and Baroque patrician mansions in the Stare Miasto (Old Town). Stroll along the pedestrian-only Droga Królewska (the Royal Route) and the Long Wharf to see the magnificent Neptune’s Fountain and the 14th-century Artus Court, a Gothic guildhall inspired by Britain’s legendary King Arthur.

In 1980, shipyard workers led by Lech Wałęsa founded the Solidarity movement, a hub of culture and commerce since the Hanseatic League, reflects its history in the 600-year-old spires and gables that define its picturesque skyline.

The traditional fishing boats and colorful edifices along Copenhagen’s Nyhavn canal retain the waterfront’s authentic 18th-century maritime character.
the first independent trade union in Eastern Europe and key to winning Poland’s struggle against Communism. Visit the historic Lenin Shipyard, where the movement began, see its Monument to the Fallen Shipyard Workers and meet the leader of the Solidarity movement, former President of Poland and Nobel Peace Prize Laureate Lech Wałęsa on board the ship this evening, where he will present his perspective on Solidarity, globalization and progress in the region.

Cruising the Baltic Sea
Tuesday, August 6
Spend the day at leisure cruising the Baltic Sea while enjoying a series of enriching lectures. Attend the Captain’s Farewell Reception this evening.

Copenhagen, Denmark/U.S.
Wednesday, August 7
Arrive in colorful Copenhagen, Denmark’s world-class capital. Disembark and continue on the Wonders of Norway Post-Cruise Option or depart for the U.S.

Enjoy an incredible journey through the verdant, mountainous fjordlands of Norway aboard the Flåm Railway, first proposed in 1871.

Splendors of Stockholm
A Royal Seaport and Capital City
Pre-Cruise Option
Handsome Stockholm is a harmonious blend of medieval, Renaissance and modern architecture showcased across 14 small islands connected by more than 23 bridges. Visit the magnificent City Hall, the site of the annual Nobel Prize banquet. Walk through the Gamla Stan (Old Town) and visit the maritime museum built to house the Vasa, the world’s only preserved 17th-century warship. Spend two nights in the ideally located Sheraton Stockholm Hotel.

Wonders of Norway
Copenhagen ♦ Oslo ♦ Fjords ♦ Bergen
By Flåm Mountain Railway and Coastal Ferry
Post-Cruise Option
Immerse yourself in majestic Norwegian landscapes and Scandinavian culture on this unique five-night journey from Copenhagen to Bergen. Enjoy an exclusively chartered cruise along Copenhagen’s idyllic canals, the highlights of vibrant Oslo and a private cruise into UNESCO World Heritage-designated Nærøyfjord. Travel through pristine fjordlands on the Flåm Railway, one of the world’s most scenic train rides, amid snowcapped mountains and alpine lakes. Tour the historic city of Bergen, including Bryggen (the old wharf), a UNESCO World Heritage site, and visit Troldhaugen, the home of famed composer Edvard Grieg. Spend four nights in comfortable hotels, including the historic Stalheim Hotel, and one night aboard an award-winning Seaways ferry.

Pre- and Post-Cruise Options and the Optional Russian Folklore Excursion are available at additional cost. Details will be included with your reservation confirmation.
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Respect for the Environment

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Chic and Casual Dining

Dine indoors or alfresco on international and regional cuisine served in the stylish, spacious indoor-outdoor restaurant, at the casual pool deck grill or from 24-hour room service. Daily meals include continental and buffet breakfasts, buffet lunch, afternoon tea and four-course dinner.

92 Elegant Suites and Staterooms, All 100% with Private Balconies

Each Five-Star Stateroom and Suite (up to 484 square feet) features a private balcony. Grand Deluxe Suites have a bay window and spacious private terrace. Accommodations offer two twin beds or one queen bed, individual climate control and luxurious hotel amenities.

Life on Board

Enjoy sweeping views from the lounges, which open to the outdoors, and lectures, cultural performances or film screenings in the state-of-the-art theater. Relax in the spa and sauna or the Sun Deck’s infinity-style swimming pool. There is a beauty salon, fitness room and three elevators. Complimentary Wi-Fi is available throughout the ship.

World-Class Service

The highly trained, English-speaking crew are personable and attentive, and the ship has a medical center staffed with a doctor and nurse.
Exclusively Chartered, Five-Star mv Le Dumont d'Urville

Included Features

Acclaimed Guest Speakers
- Poland’s former President and Nobel Peace Prize Laureate Lech Wałęsa.
- Scholar and author Sergei Khrushchev, son of Soviet Union Premier Nikita Khrushchev.

On Board the Exclusively Chartered, Five-Star Small Ship Le Dumont d’Urville
- Eight-night cruise from Stockholm, Sweden, to Copenhagen, Denmark.
- Elegantly appointed, Five-Star Suite or Stateroom.
- Captain’s Welcome and Farewell Receptions.
- Complimentary alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages available throughout the cruise.
- All meals aboard ship.
- Complimentary Wi-Fi throughout the ship.
- City tour of Helsinki featuring a visit to Temppeliaukio Church.
- Tour of the storied port city of Gdańsk, including its historic Lenin Shipyard and Old Town.

UNESCO World Heritage Site Highlights
- View of the old fortifications of Suomenlinna in Helsinki.
- City tour of St. Petersburg, featuring a visit to the impressive Peter and Paul Fortress.
- Specially arranged, early entry to St. Petersburg’s world-renowned State Hermitage Museum.
- Excursions to Peter the Great’s Petrodvorets and Catherine Palace in Pushkin, featuring the acclaimed Amber Room—including a lunch of traditional Russian specialties.
- Walking tour of Tallinn’s lower town and Town Hall Square.
- Walking tour of Visby, a historic former Hanseatic city on the island of Gotland.

Enhanced Travel Services
- Transfers and luggage handling abroad if your arrival(s)/departure(s) coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s).
- Experienced, English-speaking local guides for included excursions.
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- Group visa is included for excursions in Russia.
- Complimentary bottled water in your Suite or Stateroom and on excursions.
- An optional cultural performance in St. Petersburg is available at additional cost.
- Hospitality desk aboard the ship.
- Experienced Gohagan & Company Travel Director at your service.
- Complimentary use of an audio headset during guided excursions.
- Automatic $250,000 flight insurance policy for each participant ticketed on flights by Gohagan & Company.
By exclusive arrangement, Lech Wałęsa, former President of Poland (1990 to 1995), Polish hero and international icon in the pursuit of freedom and democracy, will meet with our group on board Le Dumont d’Urville. From his position as a marine electrician in Gdansk’s Lenin Shipyard, Mr. Wałęsa emerged as a world-renowned figure in the struggle against Communism during the 1980 shipyard workers’ strike and the establishment of the Polish Solidarity labor movement. Despite winning the right to form an independent union, Mr. Wałęsa and Solidarity continued to confront the Soviet-backed regime of General Wojciech Jaruzelski, which jailed Mr. Wałęsa and imposed martial law in Poland in December 1981. Mr. Wałęsa was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1983, a watershed moment widely considered to have been the first crack in the Soviet Union’s Iron Curtain, which crumbled with the Berlin Wall in 1989. Mr. Wałęsa became the first foreign non-head of state to address a joint meeting of the U.S. Congress in 1989.

A distinguished author and scholar, Dr. Sergei Khrushchev is the son of former Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev (1957-1964) and a former Visiting Professor of Slavic Studies at Brown University, where he also served as a Senior Fellow at the Watson Institute for International Studies. Dr. Khrushchev’s research has focused on the history of the Cold War and the turning points in relations between the U.S. and the Soviet Union in the Khrushchev, Eisenhower and Kennedy eras; the history of Soviet missiles and space development, in which he played an active role; and the Soviet Union’s transformation from centralized to decentralized government and market economy. He co-authored his father’s memoirs, The Time, the People, the Power (1999), and translated them into English (2005-2007). Dr. Khrushchev is a popular commentator for the American media and the author of more than 350 books and articles, including Khrushchev on Khrushchev (1990), Nikita Khrushchev: Crisis and Missiles (1994) and Nikita Khrushchev and the Creation of a Super Power (2000).
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Finland’s capital city of Helsinki showcases elegant Jugendstil architecture along its picturesque harbor.

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