

American Queen Charms of the South

October 3-11, 2021

This nine-day itinerary starts in New Orleans with a pre-night hotel stay and ends in Memphis visiting ports of call: Two full days in New Orleans, Nottoway Plantation, St. Francisville, LA, Natchez, MS, Vicksburg, MS, port of the Mississippi Delta, one full day of river cruising. Outside stateroom with veranda starts at \$3599.00 per person and includes pre-cruise night hotel stay, beer and wine with dinner, hop-on hop-off shore excursions, internet service and 24-hour room service. Please call for more information.

St. Francis Ireland with Father Kevin

October 21-29, 2021

Father Kevin will escort a private journey to Ireland with Belfast and Giants Causeway. Round trip airfare on United from Newark (including all current government fees and taxes), seven hotel nights (2-Westport, 1-Donnegal, 2-Belfast & 2-Dublin) with private facilities and full Irish breakfast; including day of arrival. Six dinners including Taste n' Tour Belfast and a dinner show at Taylors Three Rock. Highlights include: Cliffs of Moher, Achill Island, Mass at Knock Shrine, Giants Causeway, Guinness Brewery, Titanic Belfast along with a city tour there, Dublin and Derry.

Please join us for an information meeting on Tuesday, February 2nd at 4:00pm at the St. Francis at the center in the gym. RSVP is required. Please call Tara asap.

Cruise Hawaii, Round-trip Honolulu

October 30th-November 6th, 2021 (Teachers Break in NJ)

Immerse yourself in the rich culture, incredible landscapes, and delicious cuisine of Hawaii on this one-of-a-kind 7-day cruise from Honolulu on Pride of America. Where you can explore an island every day of your vacation - from the lush, fragrant vegetation of Kauai to the Big Island's dramatic volcanoes and the famous surfing beaches of Oahu. Where you can enjoy overnight stays in Maui and Kauai, giving you even more time to discover the best of island living. Where each day is spectacular, and every night is legendary. This is how you Hawaii. Rates will include all port fees and taxes, excursion credits for each port and full beverage package. Interior cabins starting at \$1790.00 per person.



Superstitious Brits Are Worried About a Raven Disappearing From the Tower of London — Here's Why:

The Tower of London has announced that one of its beloved ravens may have passed away, possibly sparking superstition among those who know the legend behind them.

Tower spokesperson advised "Our much-loved raven Merlina has not been seen at the Tower for several weeks, and her continued absence indicates to us that she may have sadly passed away."

It is not unusual for the ravens to roam outside the walls. Free-spirited Merlina has previously always returned to the Tower and to the Ravenmaster and his team, with whom she shared a wonderfully close bond.

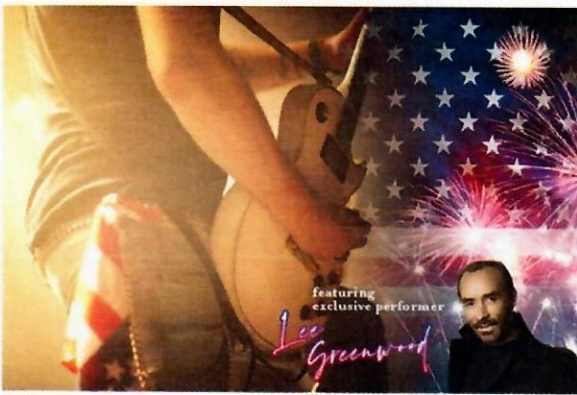
As legend has it, according to the Tower of London website, the Tower of London would fall if there were under six ravens strolling the grounds. The birds were said to symbolize British national identity after the country had experienced a civil war, plague, and The Great Fire of London.

The decree — set by Prince Charles in the 17th century — officially states that, "Six ravens should be kept at the Tower forevermore! If the ravens do ever leave, the Tower will crumble into dust and a great harm will befall the kingdom."

Thankfully, Merlina was the Tower's seventh raven and six — Jubilee, Harris, Gripp, Rocky, Erin, and Poppy — are still keeping watch at the tower. They have free reign of the land and live on a diet of mice, chicks, rats, raw meats, and blood-soaked biscuits, fed to them twice a day by the Ravenmaster.

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the hottest new hotel amenity
would be a nasal swab?**

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06/20/2021 Hotel Stay in Louisville, KY	➔	06/28/2021 Clarksville, TN	American Duchess	An American Music Festival Special Edition Voyages	FROM PER PERSON \$2,499.00*	View Cabins

* Taxes, port fees and gratuities are additional.

ICELAND—The Land of Fire and Ice

Iceland is closer than you think and more fun than you've ever dreamed. This mid-Atlantic island is the USA's closest European neighbor. Raw forces of nature-glaciers, volcanos and ocean-have been forging and shaping the face of Iceland for 20 million years and they are still hard at work. Reykjavik is a culturally active city with adventures and activities nearby.

Some of the top reasons to visit Iceland:

Close to the US. Flight time less than going to California

Unique natural treasures - geysers, thermal springs, waterfalls, volcanos and much more

Spectacular experiences with possibly seeing the Northern Lights

Great cuisine and culinary experiences

A milder climate due to the Gulf Stream

Everybody speaks English

Useful websites:

WWW.VISITREYKJAVIK.IS AND WWW.VISITICELAND.COM



Bread Pudding with Warm Bourbon Sauce



This Southern bread pudding is rich and elegant, with the distinctive taste of Steen's cane syrup. Bourbon, another American flavor, is woven throughout both the pudding and the sauce. Bourbon came under heavy regulation in 1897 with the Bottle in Bond Act, which required the spirit to be made from only one distillation season, one distiller and one distillery.

Ingredients

Pudding:

- ½ C raisins
- 3 T bourbon
- 6 lg eggs
- 1½ C light brown sugar
- 3 C heavy cream
- 2 tsp vanilla extract
- 1 tsp nutmeg
- 1 tsp cinnamon
- 1 lb day-old French bread, broken into 1-inch cubes
- 6 oz butter, melted

Sauce:

- 3 T butter
- ¼ C light brown sugar
- 1 C heavy cream
- ¼ C Steen's cane syrup
- 3 T bourbon

Directions

Pudding: In a pan over low heat, warm raisins in bourbon for 5 minutes; remove from heat; set aside. In a large mixing bowl, whisk together eggs and sugar, then whisk in cream, vanilla, nutmeg and cinnamon. Place bread cubes in egg and cream mixture, press down lightly, stir gently, cover and let stand in refrigerator for 1 hour. Preheat oven to 350F (176°C); grease a 13x9-inch baking dish. Remove bread mixture from refrigerator; add raisin bourbon mixture and half of butter, stirring gently. Place in baking dish and bake 35-45 minutes or until a knife inserted into the center comes out clean. Brush top with remaining butter. Serve warm with warm sauce.

Sauce: Melt butter in a small saucepan; whisk in sugar until incorporated, then add cream and cook 3-5 minutes until thickened. Blend in cane syrup and bourbon.

- **Prep time: 20 minutes.**
- **Cook time: 35-45 minutes.**

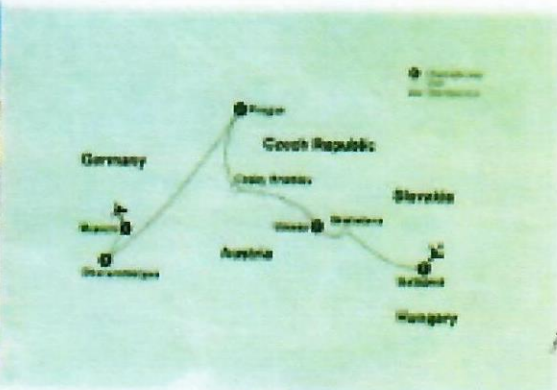
Makes 12 servings.

FREE Travelers Insurance for Tourists

The Dominican Republic's government extended their ground-breaking initiative of providing full coverage travelers insurance to all tourists arriving until March 30th. If a hotel guest becomes ill and unable to leave the country because of COVID-19, the complimentary insurance covers all expenses; i.e.; medical expenses, accommodations, meals, and any airline change fees. It is important to note that this insurance only covers tourists staying in a hotel or resort. Tourists that booked through AirBnB, VRBO, or privately are not covered.

Imperial Cities with Oberammergau Passion Play

September 19 - 29, 2022



Double \$6,099; Single \$6,999

Included in Price: Round Trip Air from Newark Intl Airport, Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges, Hotel Transfers

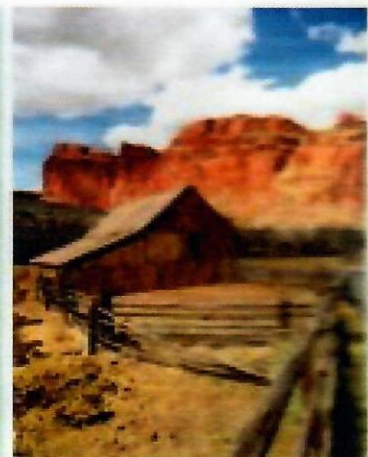
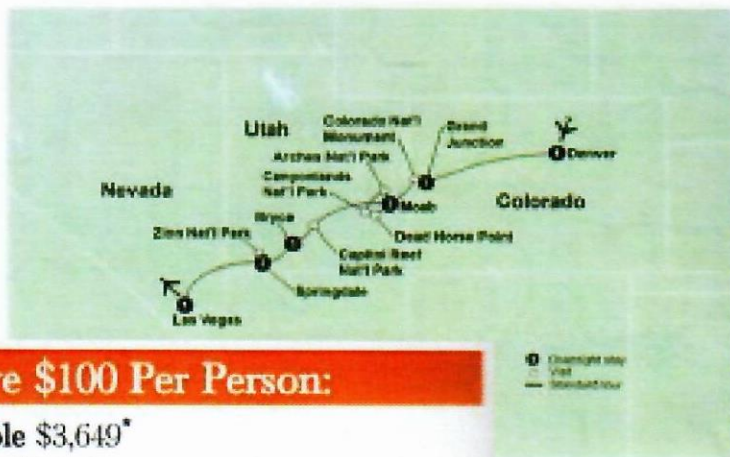
Not included in price: Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of \$500 per person

* All Rates are Per Person and are subject to change

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Painted Canyons of the West featuring Utah's Five National Parks

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For bookings made after Apr 02, 2021 call for rates.

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