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G'Day Glorious Polynesia!

13th President's Cruisetour

January 21 – February 12, 2012 (20 nights)

*One-time-only itinerary aboard the beautiful m/s Paul Gauguin
Featuring Australia, New Caledonia, Fiji, Tonga, Cook & Society Islands
(Aitutaki, Taha'a, Bora Bora, Moorea & Tahiti)*

Paul Gauguin
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TO THE SOUL OF THE SOUTH SEAS

 **HIGHLIGHT**
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Join Leslie & Rick Coates, Award-Winning Owners of Highlight Travel & Cruises, escape Canada's winter and revel in the warm hospitality and cultures of Australia and the South Pacific

Paul Gauguin Cruises is delighted to announce a unique Cruisetour aboard the *m/s Paul Gauguin* that is sure to be an extraordinary, once-in-a-lifetime experience. Combining a three-night stay at the deluxe Four Seasons Hotel in dynamic Sydney, Australia, with a 17-night cruise aboard this award-winning small ship, this South Pacific Discovery will offer a thrilling and comprehensive experience of the scenic and cultural diversity of the South Pacific.

Your dream trip begins January 21, 2012 at Los Angeles (flights from Ottawa and other cities are available at additional charge) where you board your flight to Australia followed by three days in Sydney at the luxurious Four Seasons Hotel. Get acquainted with the city and its surroundings on optional tours or explore on your own. Or you can launch your discoveries even earlier, with an affordable three-day pre-trip extension to Auckland, New Zealand's "City of Sails", with accommodations at the deluxe Langham Hotel.

From Sydney, you will fly to Brisbane, Australia, to embark *The Gauguin* on January 26th, 2012 for a voyage that follows the migrations of Polynesia's early settlers. You'll touch on nine distinctive islands in five archipelagos, including rare visits to New Caledonia and the Kingdom of Tonga.

Along the way, you'll enjoy the casual ambiance, sumptuous amenities, gourmet cuisine, and blue-ribbon service that have made Paul Gauguin a "Top 5 Luxury Small Ship", according to readers of Condé Nast Traveler magazine. They're lining up special guests, activities, and entertainment right now especially for this unique voyage. The recent refurbishment of Paul Gauguin ensures that you will be enjoying the region's most highly acclaimed luxury vessel at its finest.

An itinerary like this needs no incentive — but they're offering one anyway. If you book your South Pacific Discovery cruise right away, you will receive close to 50% off your cruise fare, free economy airfare from Los Angeles and a further 5-10% discount if you are a past guest of *The Gauguin* or almost any other luxury cruise line. And of course, the services of hosts Rick and Leslie are included, to anticipate your every desire and surprise you along the way.



The *m/s Paul Gauguin*

The *m/s Paul Gauguin* offers an extension of the informal, relaxing environment of the islands, coupled with five-star service, comfort and luxury. The atmosphere aboard ship radiates warmth, informality, and Polynesian flair. And her beloved troupe of Gauguines — a local Tahitian group who serve as cruise staff, entertainers and storytellers—add the unique personality of Tahiti to every cruise.

Some of her features include:

- Only 332 guests
- Crew to guest ratio of 1 to 1.5
- All oceanview accommodations, nearly 70% with balconies
- Space to guest ratio of nearly 58 to 1, one of the highest of any ship serving the North American market
- All onboard gratuities included
- Complimentary beverages including fine wines and premium spirits, soft drinks, bottled water, coffee and tea served throughout the ship
- Butler service in categories B and above, including in-suite bar setup and SoundDock® for iPod®
- In-suite mini-bar replenished daily with soft drinks, beer and bottled water
- State-of-the-art retractable Watersports Marina featuring windsurfing, kayaking, snorkeling
- Onboard PADI dive program (additional charge)
- Onboard lecture program
- Award-winning luxury spa including skin care therapies, skin exfoliating, massage, reflexology, aromatherapy, body wraps, facials and beauty treatments (additional charge)
- Fitness centre with Lifecycles, treadmills, Stairmasters and weight machines
- Two elegant restaurants and one pool-side grill, all with open-seating dining
- Well-being and vegetarian selections and special dietetic menus upon request
- WiFi throughout the ship (additional charge)
- Complimentary 24-hour room service
- Complimentary in-room dining
- Complimentary in-room movie channels and movies available

DAY 1

Saturday, January 21, 2012

Los Angeles

Board your evening flight to Sydney, Australia. You may opt to connect from Ottawa on the same day or fly to Los Angeles the day before to break up the trip. Consider an add-on of 3 nights in Auckland, New Zealand or spend extra time in Australia before joining us in Sydney.

DAY 2

Sunday, January 22, 2012

Cross the Dateline

DAYS 3-5

Monday, January 23, 2012 to Wednesday, January 25, 2012
Sydney, Australia

Your South Pacific Discovery begins with three days at leisure in dynamic Sydney, Australia's oldest and largest city – and one of the most beautiful, cosmopolitan and culturally diverse cities in the world. You'll stay at the spectacular Four Seasons Hotel. There's no shortage of attractions and activities to choose from, from the iconic Opera House and historic Rocks district – once a rough-and-tumble hangout for colonial sailors – to some of the world's most celebrated beaches.

DAY 6

Thursday, January 26, 2012

Fly to Brisbane, Australia/Embark The Gauguin

Fly today to Brisbane to embark your home for the next 17 nights: the luxurious yet casual *m/s Paul Gauguin*.

DAYS 7-8

Friday, January 27, 2012 to Saturday, January 28, 2012

Cruise the Pacific Ocean

Spend two days enjoying the ambiance aboard *The Gauguin* – relaxed, elegant, and graceful – and take advantage all the ship has to offer. Perhaps you'll take in a lecture by the onboard naturalist, enjoy an optional SCUBA diving lesson, and savour classic French cuisine as you dine under the stars at L'Étoile.

DAY 9

Sunday, January 29, 2012

Noumea, New Caledonia

First inhabited around 4,000 years ago, New Caledonia was discovered by Europeans in 1766. In 1853, it became a French colony, which it remains today. This dual heritage adds a delightful dimension to the capital city of Noumea. Enjoy the decidedly French ambiance that earned the city the nickname "Paris of the Pacific." Venture out on shore excursions – perhaps exploring areas virtually untouched by modernization, the city's beautiful beaches, the local produce market or experience the Kanak culture at the striking Tjibaou Cultural Center.

DAYS 10-11

Monday, January 30, 2012 to Tuesday, January 31, 2012

Cruise the Pacific Ocean

Enjoy shipboard life: relax poolside, watch the South Pacific pass by, play some table tennis, or read up on our next port at the Reading Gallery.

DAY 12

Wednesday, February 01, 2012

Suva, Viti Levu, Fiji

In Fiji, virtually everyone you'll meet will be smiling – and when you view the high mountains, lush vegetation, shimmering waters, and pristine white-sand beaches of this island nation, you'll understand why. The capital of the Republic of Fiji, Suva, is located on rugged Viti Levu, the largest of the island chain. Here, you'll experience a mix of Fiji's urban culture and its easygoing ambiance. Perhaps you'll inhale the fragrance of tropical blooms at Thurston Gardens and visit the Fiji Museum, set within its grounds. Watch the changing of the guard at the nearby Government House. Or browse the city's many shops and handcraft markets. Or choose from a selection of shore excursions – perhaps a hike through the rain forest or a longboat river cruise.

DAY 13

Thursday, February 02, 2012

Savusavu, Vanua Levu, Fiji

Nestled among lush green hills, Savusavu reveals a different aspect of Fijian life. Once a bustling trading port, the village remains largely unchanged over the past 30 years, with copra (coconut oil) production its main industry. Wander the main street and stop for a cup of coffee, or continue up the hill to Savusavu's geothermal hot springs, where local women use the naturally bubbling springs for cooking. Or get a closer look at Vanua Levu's natural and cultural riches on a shore excursion, such as a SCUBA diving expedition or a visit to a local village.

DAY 14

Friday, February 03, 2012

Cruise the Pacific Ocean

Enjoy another leisurely day to enjoy *The Gauguin's* many amenities and learn more about Polynesia from the Gauguines, our host entertainers. And perhaps you'll indulge in a massage at the luxurious spa or relax with a drink at Le Grill.

DAY 15

Saturday, February 04, 2012

Vava'u, Tonga

The Kingdom of Tonga was never colonized by Europeans – a distinction it shares with no other South Pacific nation. As a result, Tonga's Polynesian culture remains strong, even in the face of modernization. We'll drop anchor at Vava'u, where the waters are so clear, you can see the ocean floor to a depth of 130 feet. Energetic guests may want to climb to the top of Mt. Talau, the highest point on Vava'u, and survey the surrounding Tongan islands. Tonga nudges the International Date Line, which you will cross as *The Gauguin* sets sail again.

DAYS 16-17

Saturday, February 04, 2012 to Sunday, February 05, 2012

Cruise the Pacific Ocean

Cross the dateline and repeat Saturday. Enjoy time to reflect on your discoveries, perhaps reliving the memories as you sort through your photos and arrange them in an album. Mingle with special guests aboard this unique sailing. Work out at the fitness center. Pick up a souvenir black pearl at La Boutique. And browse the special onboard art exhibits.

DAY 18

Monday, February 06, 2012

Aitutaki, Cook Islands

An atoll rising 13,000 feet from the floor of the Pacific Ocean, Aitutaki consists of three volcanoes and 12 coral islets, and the island's coral reefs enclose a particularly large and exquisite lagoon. In contrast to the steep geography of the Society Islands, which you'll soon visit, Aitutaki is nearly flat – so much so that you can keep the ocean in sight from virtually any point on the island. Today, Aitutaki's inhabitants preserve their traditional culture through song, dance, legends, and crafts like tivaevae -handmade, intricate, patchwork quilts featuring designs inspired by nature. While here, bask in the sun, enjoying breathtaking views, or venture to a nearby marine reserve for some snorkeling. Or visit Arutanga village, home to the oldest church in the Cooks, which dates from 1829.

DAY 19

Tuesday, February 07, 2012

Cruise the Pacific Ocean

Today is at leisure to enjoy your floating hotel. Learn to tie a pareo from one of the Gauguines, immerse yourself in a good book, catch up on your journal, or simply relax in a deck chair.

DAY 20

Wednesday, February 08, 2012

Taha'a (Motu Mahana)

Motu Mahana, an islet adjacent to Taha'a, is Paul Gauguin's very own South Seas paradise, featuring white-sand beaches with swaying palms, crystal-clear waters, and gentle breezes. As an exclusive Paul Gauguin event, guests will spend a full day exploring this idyllic, isolated island. A delicious barbecue lunch and Polynesian entertainment featuring strolling musicians and singers is sure to be a highlight.

DAY 21

Thursday, February 9, 2012

Bora Bora

Pulitzer Prize-winning author James Michener described Bora Bora as "the most beautiful island in the world" – and today, you'll discover why. It is in the centre of a multi-coloured lagoon. A number of activities await. Perhaps you'll tour this island paradise or glide over crystalline waters on a glass-bottom boat, to see the island's famous marine life without getting wet. Or simply spend a few hours lolling on our beautiful private beach on a motu off the coast. Snorkeling here is some of the best in the world. Chase a lazy manta or kiss a queen angel.

DAY 22

Friday, February 10, 2012

Moorea

Moorea's lush scenery is like something out of a dream – verdant green vegetation, an abundance of fresh fruits, vanilla pods and flowers, peaceful multi-hued lagoons, and palm-fringed beaches edging into vibrant blue waters. Moorea, often likened to James Michener's mythical island of Bali Hai, is only 11 miles from Tahiti. Many visitors say it is worth the visit just to see Moorea's spectacular bays. The volcanic peaks, reflected in the waters of Cook's Bay and Opunohu Bay, rise like a shark's jaw from the island's base. Shark sightings on nearly every dive makes this island a popular diving destination. At times a tuna will come by or dolphins will be heard clicking just out of sight. Enjoy a cocktail at the world famous and unique Bloody Mary Bar. Return to the ship in time to cruise on to Papeete, Tahiti's bustling capital.

DAY 23

Saturday, February 11, 2012

Disembark in Papeete, Tahiti

In the morning, you'll have breakfast aboard ship before disembarking your cruise of a lifetime. A dayroom has been reserved for you as you spend the day in Papeete, capital of Tahiti, before your Air Tahiti Nui overnight flight home. Make sure you visit the enchanting flower market when you arrive. Or stay on with a two- or three-night stay at a luxurious hotel in one of these idyllic Society Islands: Tahiti, Bora Bora, Moorea, or Taha'a.

DAY 24

Sunday, February 12, 2012

Arrive Los Angeles

This morning your flight arrives into Los Angeles. We can help with a connecting flight home or book you an overnight hotel if you wish to break up the journey.





Cruisetour Pricing, in US Dollars, Per Person, Double Occupancy:	Brochure Price	Promo Price
Owner's Suite*	\$42,935	\$21,497
Grand Suite*	\$40,595	\$20,597
A Veranda Suite*	\$31,295	\$15,947
B Veranda Stateroom*	\$25,695	\$13,147
C Balcony Stateroom	\$20,995	\$10,797
D Balcony Stateroom	\$20,395	\$10,497
E Window Stateroom	\$15,795	\$8,197
F Porthole Stateroom	\$14,995	\$7,797
Single Supplement for categories E & F \$2,999		
Single Supplement for all other categories 100%		
Government Fees are additional at \$84 USD per person		
Business Class Upgrade Available (additional cost)		
* Butler Service		

Cruisetour Pricing Includes:

- Economy airfare from Los Angeles including flight from Sydney to Brisbane
- 3 nights' accommodation at the Four Seasons Hotel, Sydney
- Australia and Tahiti airport transfers
- 17 nights' accommodation on *Paul Gauguin*
- Daily breakfast in Sydney
- Complimentary beverages aboard *Paul Gauguin*
- Shipboard gratuities
- Hotel day room in Papeete
- Services of Leslie & Rick Coates, owners of Highlight Travel & Cruises (services of hosts may be withdrawn or substituted without notice if warranted by unforeseen circumstances and will not be considered reason for cancellation)

Not Included:

- Airfare between Ottawa or other cities and Los Angeles
- Shore excursions except where mentioned
- Items of a personal nature
- Any other services not mentioned above
- Possible ship fuel surcharge
- Travel insurance – strongly recommended

EXTEND YOUR STAY OPTION –

Auckland, New Zealand, January 20, 2012
 (depart Los Angeles January 18, 2012)

Begin your South Pacific Discovery early with a 3-night pre-trip extension to Auckland, New Zealand's "City of Sails." From your accommodations at the deluxe Langham Hotel, overlooking the beautiful harbour, you'll be within easy reach of the city's attractions. A panoramic city tour will give you an overview. Then, immerse yourself in Auckland's maritime ambiance – perhaps at the Voyager New Zealand Maritime Museum – or delve into the indigenous culture of New Zealand's North Island, where the Maori explorers from Polynesia first settled.

Pre-cruise Auckland program includes:

- 3 nights' accommodation
- Daily breakfast
- Pier or airport/hotel transfers for Air/Sea guests

\$925 USD
per person double occupancy

\$1,350 USD
single occupancy

Payment: Deposit: 25% (non refundable) payable at time of booking, plus any additional airfare and optional travel insurance. Balance (non refundable) payable 127 days prior to departure (approximately September 13, 2011). Pay in full at time of deposit to avoid any increase in fare, taxes or fuel surcharges.

Documentation: Canadian passport valid for at least 6 months beyond the end of the trip. Australian visa (Electronic Travel Authority) required (issued by Highlight Travel & Cruises). Normal vaccinations should be up to date including Hepatitis A & B. See your family doctor for full details.

Group Minimum: 10 paying guests are required for Highlight Travel hosts to accompany the group. If group is less than minimum, tour could be cancelled or pricing could increase. Services of hosts may be withdrawn or substituted without notice if warranted by unforeseen circumstances and will not be considered reason for cancellation.

Itinerary Changes: Itinerary is subject to change without notice. We reserve the right to substitute similarly priced services. Air flights may not be the same for all group participants.

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