Panama Canal

February 2-19, 2018 • 18 Days

Escorted by Merlea Schultz

Day 1 Fri. Feb 2 We will pickup in our departure cities and make our way to Owatonna for our pre-flight overnight hotel stay.

Day 2 Sat. Feb 3 After breakfast today we will transfer to the Minneapolis airport for our flight to Fort Lauderdale, FL, where we'll relax and overnight. **(B)**

Day 3 Sun. Feb 4 Board the luxurious Holland America's *ms Westerdam,* where you will enjoy a dazzling range of onboard facilities. Each day, on-board activities abound! Dining on board will be a journey in itself. Fine dining options are available, with all basic on-board meals provided. **(B,L,D)** *(gratuities not included on the cruise)*

Day 4 Mon. Feb 5 Today we make port in Half Moon Cay, Bahamas, the premier private-island experience in the Caribbean! Stay busy all day or simply luxuriate in tranquil solitude. There are a wide range of amenities and activities. **(B,L,D)**

Day 5 & 6 Tues. & Wed. Feb 6 & 7 Enjoy 2 full days at sea! Wake when you want and enjoy breakfast as you like. Lounge by the pool, shop or study the shore excursion options available at the next port. **(B,L,D)**

Day 7 Thurs. Feb 8 Arrive at Cartagena, Colombia. Enjoy this tropical port city with white-sand beaches, palm trees and beautiful coral reefs. Explore the cobblestone streets or stop at an outdoor café. **(B,L,D)**

Day 8 Fri. Feb 9 Enter the Panama Canal at Cristobal, cruise the "Big Ditch" and exit at Balboa. A local pilot will be onboard to guide the ship expertly through the narrow locks and into the canal. Our ship is raised 85 feet from sea level in Gatun Locks. We cross the Continental Divide as we travel 8 miles in the Gaillard Cut. Sunrise on the Caribbean, sunset on the Pacific. A truly unforgettable day! **(B,L,D)**

Day 9 Sat. Feb 10 Enjoy another day at sea! Explore the ship, relax, enjoy the days' activities and ship entertainment. **(B,L,D)**

Day 10 Sun. Feb 11 Today, experience Puerto Caldera, Costa Rica. Many opportunities for you to choose from. Discover the local culture, history, flora and fauna. Hike exotic trails, tour coffee/sugar plantations or ride a sky tram to explore the rain forest canopy. **(B,L,D)**

Day 11 Mon. Feb 12 We arrive in Corinto, Nicaragua. Enjoy the scenic peaks of neighboring volcanoes, pristine beaches, fields of sugar cane, and lush mangrove forests. There are many new and wild adventures waiting for you! **(B,L,D)**

$4,849 per person, dbl occ., inside cabin
$5,109 per person, dbl occ., oceanview cabin
$5,589 per person, dbl occ., balcony cabin

Call for details on single, triple and quad accommodations. Please book early to receive best pricing and preferred accommodations options.

Book by Sep 15th and save $150 pp off the cost of the trip.
*offer cannot be combined with other discounts.

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• Holland America's *ms Westerdam* • Half Moon Cay, Bahamas • Panama Canal
• Cartagena, Colombia • Corinto, Nicaragua • Puerto Quetzal, Guatemala
• Puerto Chiapas, Mexico • Cabo San Lucas, Mexico • and much more!

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Day 12 Tues. Feb 13 Today explore Puerto Quetzal, Guatemala. You'll have a wide variety of activities to choose from. So whether you want to zipline, soak in hot springs, or visit Mayan ruins. There's something for everyone! **(B,L,D)**

Day 13 Wed. Feb 14 Enjoy Puerto Chiapas, Mexico, an outdoor adventurers paradise! Lush rainforest jungles, Mayan ruins, incredible waterfalls and exotic animals. Enjoy a wide range of outdoor activities to choose from. **(B,L,D)**

Day 14 & 15 Thurs. & Fri. Feb 15 & 16 Relax and enjoy 2 full days at sea! Be as active or as lazy as you wish. Enjoy activities, entertainment and dining. **(B,L,D)**

Day 16 Sat. Feb 17 Welcome to Cabo San Lucas, Mexico, a seaside paradise known for its great beaches, tropical waters, great food and sea adventures from surfing to snorkeling. For those who seek a more relaxed pace, enjoy scenic trails, whale-watching excursions or sipping margaritas on the beach. Try one or try it all! **(B,L,D)**

Day 17 Sun. Feb 18 Enjoy a full day at sea! Relax and enjoy activities and ship entertainment. **(B,L,D)**

Day 18 Mon. Feb 19 Disembark in San Diego, CA, where we transfer to the airport for our non–stop return flight to Minneapolis. A motorcoach will be waiting to return us back to our departure cities. **(B)**

Air/rail/cruise tickets are subject to supplemental price increases which may be imposed after purchase due to additional costs imposed by a supplier or government (such as increased fees, fuel surcharges, taxes and/or foreign exchange fluctuations). To offset these fees, you may be charged post-purchase price increases by Northland Travel.

DEPARTURE CITIES: Fort Dodge, Waterloo, Ankeny, Ames, Cedar Rapids, Coralville, & Williams

YOUR PANAMA CANAL ADVENTURE INCLUDES

- Luxury motorcoach transportation (includes luggage handling & gratuities)
- All air transportation
- Transfers between the airport and hotels
- Lodging for 2 hotel nights & 15 nights aboard the Holland America's *ms Westerdam*
- Luggage handling for one piece of luggage at hotels
- 41 Meals (including all meals on the ship)

Deposit: $900 per person, due with reservation. **A deposit is now required to secure a reservation.** Credit card information is necessary to book a tour by phone. If making your reservation by mail, your reservation will be entered upon receipt of your check.

Balance Due: October 30, 2017

Travel Protection is recommended and available for an additional price. Please contact us for more information.

Without cancellation protection, regardless of the reason for cancellation, the following penalties apply:
From Oct 31 –Dec 4, a $900 per person penalty applies, plus air penalty.
From Dec 5 –Jan 2, a 50% per person penalty applies, plus air penalty.
From Jan 3–16, a 75% per person penalty applies, plus air penalty.
Cancellation on or after Jan 17, a 100% per person non-refundable penalty applies.

You must have a travel companion with you if you require personal/ wheelchair assistance.

A valid passport is required for this travel package.

ACTIVITY LEVEL: ACTIVE—Moderate pace, good mobility needed, stairs & prolonged standing, includes city walking tours, some shorter & some longer days

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