



Ship: American Empress



Voyage Inclusions

- Pre-Cruise Hotel Stay: with Breakfast, portage, and transfer to the ship
- All Meals onboard: regional inspired dining
- 24-Hour Room Service
- Soda, tea, coffee, water
- Beer & Wine with Dinner
- Internet Service
- Self-service laundry
- Shore Excursions: one excursion per port
- Bicycles for guest use on shore
- Swimming pool
- Fitness Center
- Evening Broadway-style shows
- Enrichment programs: lectures, riverlorian
- Pilot house tours
- Onboard and motorcoach accessibility

Cruise Highlights

Explore popular port cities like Vancouver and Astoria as you cruise along the Columbia River on our roundtrip river cruises from Portland.

Cruising along the Columbia River presents an adventure divine. No language can accurately capture it; the serene Pacific Northwest cannot be held within wordsmithery.

Its spirit flows more freely than poetry, and says more than anyone ever could. It glides smoothly against the body's borders, and in the midst of it all, invites you to experience a moment, a memory, a revelation that is yours alone.

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Day 1 Hotel Stay in Vancouver, WA

Enjoy your complimentary stay at the pre-cruise hotel. The evening is yours to become acquainted with the city. Our Hospitality Desk will be located in the hotel, and our friendly staff can assist with everything from general questions about your upcoming voyage to reserving premium experiences. Both American Queen Steamboat Company and local representatives will be readily available to provide you with dining, entertainment and sightseeing options to maximize your time here.

Day 2 Vancouver, WA

A suburb of Portland, Oregon, Vancouver, Washington, has taken on a distinctive identity of its own. Located in an ideal spot among Mount St. Helens, the Columbia River Gorge and the Pacific Coast, Vancouver boasts a newly renovated waterfront and an abundance of activities, scenic landscapes and historic attractions for all to enjoy.

Day 3 Stevenson, WA

Stevenson embraces the adventurer – with hiking trails, hot springs and local wineries, a visitor is sure to find plenty to do. Opportunities for educational enlightenment abound within the Columbia River Gorge Interpretive Center and at Bonneville Dam. Consider a stop downtown to visit restaurants, cafés and small locally owned shops in which reside treasures of the Pacific Northwest.

Day 4 Astoria, OR

Astoria is known to be the oldest American settlement west of the Rocky Mountains. There is no doubting the richness of the history grounded in this Columbia River town. For thousands of years, the Clatsop Tribe inhabited the lands. Today, you can climb to the top of the Astoria Column – wrapped in depictions of history – look out over the landscape toward the Pacific Ocean and watch your model wooden airplane glide through the air to its rest below.

Day 5 River Cruising

Watch small river towns and lush landscapes slowly become lost in the horizon as sunlight plays upon the deck. Take hold of a literary classic, curl up on a plush chair in a cozy corner and relish in the moment of tranquility. Experience the fulfillment that river cruising offers.

Day 6 The Dalles, OR

At the end of the overland Oregon Trail, The Dalles holds a unique place in history as a jumping-off spot for pioneers, soldiers, gold miners, adventurers, gun-slingers, floozies and scallywags. The Dalles, although a part of the Oregon High Desert, features a long growing season and a relatively warm climate that supports the growing of grapes. As a result, the region is home to a wine scene unlike any other in Oregon. Visitors will be pleased to see the rolling hills speckled with vineyards.

Day 7 Vancouver, WA (Disembark)

As the journey concludes, there are other opportunities for you to take in the town. Enjoy the city at your leisure, or consider a post-cruise premium experience with airport transfer.



***NOTE:** Itinerary is subject to change. Price per person, based on availability, double occupancy, subject to change. Taxes, port fees, gratuities, premium shore excursions, travel insurance, air tickets and airport transfers are extra. We highly recommend you purchase travel insurance for cancellation and medical protection. Please ask for details.


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