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**Martha's Vineyard
& Nantucket** *plus*
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American Star

Small Ship Cruising Done Perfectly™

Travel in style and comfort to exciting ports along coastal Rhode Island and Massachusetts on a sleek cruise ship. Experience gracious service in an intimate atmosphere that includes nightly entertainment and complimentary cocktail hours. Enjoy delicious, locally sourced cuisine, spacious staterooms, elevator access to all decks and complimentary Wi-Fi.

The American Star is equipped with large, roomy staterooms, most featuring a private balcony. Complete with an exercise area and putting green, it offers guests a relaxed and casual atmosphere.

Highly personalized service and a relaxed ambience prevail on board the entire modern fleet of ships. The accommodating, all-American crew welcomes you with an unequalled level of attention. Each evening before dinner, enjoy complimentary cocktails and hors d'oeuvres, as you mingle with other passengers to share the adventures of the day. Set your own pace on your vacation and relax in the casual comfort and exceptional care that is the hallmark of cruising with American Cruise Lines.

What Sets American Cruise Lines Apart

Modern Ships

The newest and most environmentally friendly small cruise ships and riverboats in America.

All-American Experience

American-built, flagged and crewed ships.

Spacious Amenities

Large staterooms with interior entrances. Elevator service to all decks. Comfortable lounges and public spaces on board.

Exquisite Cuisine

Delectable cuisine from American Cruise Lines' highly trained chefs. Open seating to dine where you want.

Splendid Vistas

Unobstructed views and breathtaking scenery from the privacy of your stateroom.

Complimentary Experience

Daily cocktail hour, plus complimentary wine and beer with meals.

Gracious Hospitality

Attentive and personalized service, the hallmark of American Cruise Lines.

Education and Entertainment

Historians, naturalists, local experts and performers on every cruise. Lectures ranging from history and ecology to culture and cuisine.

Dear Johns Hopkins Alumni and Friends,

Delight in stunning natural beauty, chic summer destinations, maritime heritage and more along coastal Rhode Island and Massachusetts! You'll sail on a seven-night, round-trip cruise to pretty Northeastern islands and local treasures like Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket aboard a first-class ship, plus spend a night in the heart of lively Providence. Learn about Massachusetts' whaling industry in New Bedford, tour historic Fort Adams by Narragansett Bay, delve into America's Cup history at a yacht museum and stroll through Blithewold, an elegant, 19th-century Rhode Island estate. And in the ports of Martha's Vineyard, Nantucket and Newport, customize your cruise with engaging elective excursions that showcase the very best of these locales, from cute gingerbread cottages and coastal beacons to crimson cranberry bogs and grand summer palaces.

During your voyage, enjoy attentive, personalized service and an enriching program of lectures and entertainment, as well as daily complimentary cocktail hours and fun Travelers' Corners. You'll also savor mouthwatering, regional culinary offerings.

Explore the historic and picturesque islands of New England in style and comfort. Space is limited, so make your reservations today!

Sincerely,



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Mohegan Bluffs, Block Island





Inspiring Moments

- ▶ Cast your eyes across **breathtaking coastal panoramas** of windswept, grassy dunes, sparkling waters and sailboats gliding in the distance.
- ▶ Delight in **New England's picturesque harbors**, dotted with quaint lighthouses, sandy coves and fishing vessels.
- ▶ Meander through the charming seaside towns of the classic summer getaway, **Martha's Vineyard**.
- ▶ Explore the region's **rich maritime traditions**, past and present: whaling, fishing and sailing.
- ▶ Marvel at the sumptuous Gilded Age mansions in **Newport**.
- ▶ Relish the picture-perfect beauty and laidback, beach vibe of **Nantucket**.
- ▶ Socialize and make new friends during fun, casual **Travelers' Corners**.

Above: Nantucket

Providence | Rhode Island

Founded in 1636, Rhode Island's capital boasts diverse neighborhoods, creative restaurants and a vibrant riverfront scene spread along the three rivers that flow through the revitalized downtown. More than three centuries of fascinating history are preserved here, from immaculate examples of colonial and Victorian architecture to Benefit Street's "Mile of History."

New Bedford | Massachusetts

During whaling's Golden Age in the mid-1800s, coastal New England flourished as the hub of the industry, which generated vast wealth and created thousands of jobs. Spurred by the lucrative market for whale oil for lamps and candles, whaling vessels sailed worldwide from New England on lengthy hunting expeditions. For a time, New Bedford was one of the richest cities in the country, known as "The Whaling City." Today, it remains true to its roots with a seaport village, large fishing fleet and working waterfront.

Nantucket Island | Massachusetts

Be transported to a bygone era as you step off the ship onto the timeworn cobblestone streets of Nantucket. This peaceful island evolved from a small farming community to an important whaling



port and then into a beloved retreat. In the historic district, elegant homes once occupied by ship owners, sea captains and merchants reflect the prosperity of its seafaring enterprises.

Martha's Vineyard | Massachusetts

Martha's Vineyard was once a center for whaling fleets and merchant ships with exotic cargo from all over the world arriving on her shores. Today, the island is one of New England's most chic and cherished vacation spots, comprised of six distinct towns, each with its own unique appeal. The most genteel of these is historic Edgartown, prim and proper with its freshly painted colonial homes and manicured gardens.

Block Island | Rhode Island

This small island off the coast of Rhode Island is a blissful summertime destination, adored for its easy-going attitude, splendid nature trails and enchanting views. It was originally formed by retreating glaciers 10,000 years ago. As you gaze across the Atlantic's shimmering waters from atop the 200-foot-high, rugged Mohegan Bluffs, you'll understand why this setting has long captivated and inspired artists.

Newport | Rhode Island

Nestled within Narragansett Bay is Newport, which boasts one of the world's finest harbors and enduring sailing traditions. Newport is also



*Above: Gay Head Lighthouse, Martha's Vineyard
Inset: Whale breaching*

renowned for its opulent, oceanside mansions where fabulously wealthy families vacationed in the 19th century. The luxurious yachts they brought to Newport helped to transform it into a major yachting destination.

Bristol | Rhode Island

Set on a peninsula between Narragansett and Mount Hope Bays, Bristol radiates an inviting, small-town ambience. Each year, it proudly shows off its patriotism with one of the oldest Fourth of July celebrations in the country — today a three-week extravaganza — topped off by a red-white-and-blue stripe down the center of Hope Street.



Itinerary

- Day 1** Depart gateway city[†] | Arrive in Providence | Transfer[†] to the Providence Biltmore
- Day 2** Providence | Embark the ship
- Day 3** New Bedford
- Day 4** Nantucket Island
- Day 5** Martha's Vineyard
- Day 6** Block Island
- Day 7** Newport
- Day 8** Bristol
- Day 9** Providence | Disembark ship | Depart for gateway city[†]

[†]Transfers and flights included for AHI FlexAir participants.

Note: Itinerary may change due to local conditions. Walking is required on many excursions, and surfaces may be uneven or unpaved.



Above: Oak Bluffs, Martha's Vineyard

"Call me Ishmael."

While crewing on a New Bedford whaler as a young man, Herman Melville read an account of the ill-fated 1820 voyage of the *Essex*, which was rammed and sunk by a sperm whale. He wrote, "The reading of this wondrous story upon the landless sea, & close to the very latitude of the shipwreck had a surprising effect upon me." Inspired by this harrowing journey and his own time at sea, he penned his tale of the adventures of sailor Ishmael and Captain Ahab's obsessive quest for vengeance against the whale Moby Dick. Released in 1851, the novel "Moby-Dick" was not widely acclaimed; in fact, only about 3,000 copies were sold in Melville's lifetime. It wasn't until decades later, in the 1910s and 1920s, that Melville's work was truly appreciated, when numerous influential authors championed it as a classic American novel, full of emotional intensity and originality.

INCLUDED FEATURES

Accommodations

(with baggage handling)

- **1 night** in Providence at the first-class Providence Biltmore.
- **7 nights** aboard the first-class American Star.

Transfers

- Deluxe motor coach transfer from your hotel to the ship, plus baggage handling.

Extensive Meal Program

- 8 breakfasts, 7 lunches and 7 dinners, including a Captain's Dinner; complimentary cocktails and hors d'oeuvres before dinner during the cruise; coffee, tea or soft drinks with all meals, plus wine and beer with lunch and dinner during the cruise.

Your One-of-a-Kind Journey

- Expert-led **Enrichment programs** enhance your insight into the region.
- **Included and elective excursions** provide additional opportunities to immerse yourself in the local culture, heritage and history.
- Chat and socialize with your fellow guests during casual **Travelers' Corners**.
- Free time to pursue your individual interests.
- Welcome and Farewell Receptions to mingle with fellow travelers.
- Tipping of guides and drivers on included excursions.



PROVIDENCE BILTMORE |

PROVIDENCE



Our travel experts have carefully selected this first-class, landmark hotel for its prime location in the heart of the city. It is ideally situated for exploring Providence's historical landmarks, stately campuses and abundant eateries. Off the hotel lobby are a coffee shop and restaurant with bar services. Of utmost importance is the superior quality of the services, amenities and accommodations, allowing you to enjoy your stay fully.



Brown University campus



Scrimshaw, New Bedford Whaling Museum



Cranberry bog, Nantucket



Gingerbread cottages, Vineyard Haven



Idea Garden, Blithewold Mansion

Exciting Excursions

We've taken special care to plan engaging, customized excursions so that you have a truly memorable experience. You may sign up for most excursions on board. These shore excursions come in two categories:

Featured | These excursions are complimentary to all travelers. *(Included)*

Premium | These excursions typically cost between \$20 and \$70 per person and can be paid for on board, near the end of your cruise. *(Elective)*

Note: Excursion options are subject to change.

Providence

Featured | Providence. See the highlights on a panoramic tour and admire the beautiful Brown University campus.

New Bedford

Featured | New Bedford Whaling Museum. Discover the impact of the whaling industry on New England. Imagine grueling expeditions as you study an 89-foot, half-scale model of a whaling ship and examine maps, charts, logbooks and navigational instruments.

Premium | Acushnet Harbor Cruise.

On a pleasant cruise, see the Palmer's Island Lighthouse, Fort Phoenix, a working fishing fleet and the East Coast's largest hurricane barrier. Gain insights from the captain on the local fishing industry and its focus on scallops.

Nantucket Island

Premium | Nantucket Island Tour. Learn about the island's history and its rose-covered cottages on a guided coach tour. Then, stop to marvel at the ruby-red cranberry bogs and see the island's lighthouses. After free time downtown, stroll to see the sturdy, wooden Brant Point Lighthouse, only 26 feet tall.

Martha's Vineyard

Premium | Lighthouses and Gingerbread Cottages. On a panoramic and walking tour, admire the charming towns of Edgartown, Vineyard Haven, Oak Bluffs and West Tisbury. Browse in Edgartown's shops, then delight in the whimsical, colorful details of Oak Bluffs' gingerbread cottages on a guided tour. Relax over refreshments at one of the houses.

Block Island

Premium | Scenic Bluffs and Preserves.

With your local guide, ride along the picturesque 200-foot-high Mohegan Bluffs and visit favorite spots, including the Old Harbor's boutiques and Southeast Lighthouse. Unwind with a refreshing glass of Del's Lemonade, a local summer treat.



The Breakers Mansion, Newport



Cannon, Fort Adams

Newport

Premium | Avenue of the Mansions. Marvel at Newport's famed, sumptuous 19th-century homes on a guided tour. Delve into the owners' intriguing stories before ending at The Breakers Mansion. Walk through the lavish rooms of the Vanderbilt family's summer "cottage," a 70-room Italian Renaissance-style palazzo.

Featured | Guided Tour of Fort Adams.

Walk to the fort for a tour led by a park ranger that reveals its history of protecting the harbor.

Bristol

Featured | Herreshoff Marine Museum and Blithewold Mansion. See sleek vessels built during "The Golden Age of Yachting" and the America's Cup Hall of Fame, honoring sailors from this prestigious yachting event. Then take a trolley to explore Blithewold Mansion and its garden-filled grounds with lovely bay views.

Reserve your New England Islands cruise today!

Trip #: 4-24289

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Full Legal Name (exactly as it appears on passport)

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I/we authorize you to make my/our reservations as follows:

Cabin category requested: 1st choice _____ 2nd choice _____

Bedding Request: Twin King

Land | Cruise Program and AHI FlexAir

I/we reserve the Land | Cruise Program and request the round-trip AHI FlexAir to Providence, Rhode Island, to depart from:

Departure City

Land | Cruise Program

I/we will make my/our own air arrangements and transfers.

Single Accommodations

I prefer single accommodations at an additional cost (limited availability).

I request assistance in securing a roommate but will accept a single, if one is available at this time, and pay the single supplement. Should a roommate be found, I understand the supplement will no longer apply.

Reservations are subject to availability and processed on a first-come, first-served basis. Reservations to be paid in full by **April 4, 2019** (120 days prior to departure). Reservations received after this date must be accompanied by payment in full. Final payment may be made by personal check, MasterCard, Visa, Discover or Amex. Make checks payable to AHI Travel.

Note: A small portion of the cost of your trip supports the Johns Hopkins Alumni Travel Program.

Eligibility: At least one member of the traveling party is required to make a sustaining financial contribution of \$50 or more to the Johns Hopkins Alumni Association within the fiscal year. Please visit alumni.jhu.edu/support.

I understand the conditions stated in this brochure and submit my reservation as indicated.

Signature _____ Date _____

Enclosed is a deposit of _____ (\$600 pp required) to reserve _____ place(s).

Accept my check made payable to **AHI Travel**.

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(Signature as it appears on credit card)

Please note: Any payment to AHI Travel constitutes your acceptance of the terms and conditions set out herein, including but not limited to the cancellation terms.

ULTIMATE FLEXIBILITY The AHI Travel Passenger Protection Plan offers an **Any Reason Cancellation** feature. Don't worry! Travel happy!

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MOBILITY AND FITNESS TO TRAVEL-The right is retained to decline to accept or to retain any person as a member of this trip who, in the opinion of AHI Travel is unfit for travel or whose physical or mental condition may constitute a danger to themselves or to others on the trip, subject only to the requirement that the portion of the total amount paid which corresponds to the unused services and accommodations be refunded. Passengers requiring special assistance, including without limitation those who permanently or periodically use a wheelchair, must be accompanied by someone who is fit and able to assist them, and who will be totally responsible for providing all required assistance.

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PROGRAM DATES

August 2-10, 2019

LAND | CRUISE PROGRAM

Category-Deck	Special Price
A-Main (Forward)	\$4,895
AA-2nd (Forward)	\$5,095
AAL-2nd (Aft)	\$5,895
AAC-3rd (Forward/Aft)	\$6,095
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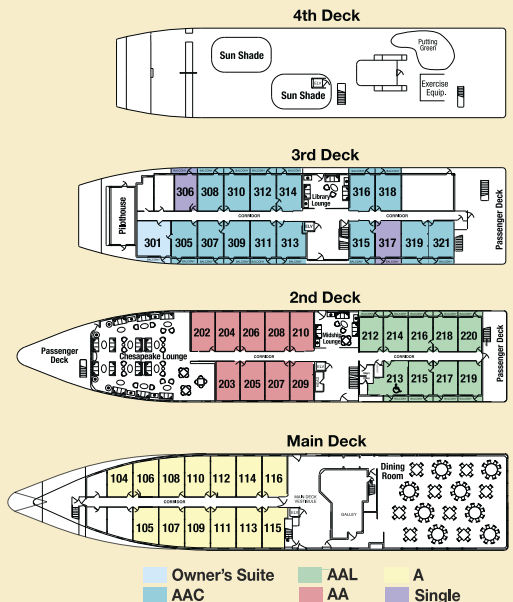
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A-Main Deck



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Owner's Suite



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Newport, Rhode Island

AHI Travel Expertise

From your reservation to your return home, we are here to ensure you have the adventure of a lifetime.

Before you go:

- ▶ **Travel Consultants** | These experts stand ready to answer your questions about activities, meals, accommodations and more as they guide you through the reservation process.
- ▶ **Passenger Service Representative** | Once you have reserved your spot, enjoy personalized assistance from this specialist, your one point of contact who will help you with everything from arranging flights to booking elective activities to fulfilling special requests.
- ▶ **Travel Information** | Receive extensive destination information and travel tips compiled by our travel-savvy team to prepare you fully for your journey.

Once you arrive:

On the ground, three layers of top-quality professionals offer their insiders' perspective. From suggesting the best café or pub to sharing a laugh over the stories of the day, our dedicated team takes your adventure to the next level.

- ▶ **Travel Director** | Throughout your journey, you will be in the care of a seasoned AHI travel professional who will manage all the logistics, allowing you to relax and simply soak up the ambience. Resourceful, knowledgeable and attentive, your Travel Director helps to ensure you enjoy an unforgettable travel experience.
- ▶ **Expert Guides** | Who better to show you around than the people who live there? We've specially selected informed and enthusiastic local professional guides who understand the needs of our educated and curious travelers. Warm and genuine, they're ready to share their passion for the region with you.
- ▶ **Lecturers** | Coming from all walks of life, entertaining local lecturers open your eyes to history and current events. The breadth of their knowledge deepens your appreciation for the region and its heritage.



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