## The Alumnae Association of Mount Holyoke College

# Passage through the Panama Canal and Costa Rica

aboard the Exclusively Chartered, Five-Star Small Sailing Ship **WIND STAR** 

February 8 to 16, 2019

- Daylight Transit through the Panama Canal
- Luxury Small Ship
- 100% Ocean-View Staterooms
- All Shore Excursions Included



## <u>MhC</u> ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

MOUNT HOLYOKE COLLEGE

Dear Alumnae and Friends:

We invite you to voyage from the Pacific to the Atlantic through one of the greatest man-made wonders of the world, the ingenious Panama Canal—an experience nearly unmatchable in its drama and engineering marvel. Having celebrated its centennial anniversary just four years ago, and recently completing a monumental expansion doubling its capacity, this 50-mile passage through the narrow isthmus of Panama continues to astonish even today's most veteran traveler. During a specially arranged and narrated daylight transit, experience firsthand the mighty locks that raise and lower oceangoing vessels 85 feet, employing only the force of gravity to accomplish in mere hours what would have taken a three-week circumnavigation of South America in years gone by.

This journey of a lifetime also features the planet's most pristine ecosystems in the rainforests, islands and archipelagos of Panama and Costa Rica during the best time of year. On this comprehensive itinerary, explore the heart of Panama City's UNESCO World Heritage-designated Casco Antiguo—the city's old town—and tour acclaimed architect Frank Gehry's only design in Latin America, Panama City's Biodiversity Museum. Visit the stunning and biodiverse Manuel Antonio National Park, where expert naturalists will lead you on a trail walk through a "Living Eden" of rare endemic species, including the scarlet macaw and resplendent quetzal.

Enjoy an unmatched Five-Star, small-ship experience under the billowing white sails of the exclusively chartered, 74-Stateroom WIND STAR. This elegant and intimate yacht calls on small ports inaccessible to larger vessels and provides Five-Star amenities, including all shipboard gratuities and complimentary alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages as you sail the storied and scenic waterways of Costa Rica and Panama.

Space is limited for this extraordinary travel opportunity and excellent value, so book now!

Sincerely,

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Nancy B. Perez Executive Director

Cover photo: Cruise from the Pacific to the Atlantic during your daylight passage through the Panama Canal, hailed as one of the 20<sup>th</sup> century's greatest achievements in engineering and a monument to the ingenuity and tenacity of mankind.

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## NATURE'S WONDERS

### in the Heart of the Rainforest

Called the "coast of riches" by the Spanish conquistadors who sought to colonize it following Columbus's arrival in 1502, Costa Rica offers diverse and fascinating riches, from its impossibly fertile landscapes to the perseverant culture of its indigenous people. More than 25 percent of this captivating country is a national park, wildlife refuge or protected rainforest, earning Costa Rica the distinction of the greenest he world and the leading destination for eco-tourism. Explore lush

country in the world and the leading destination for eco-tourism. Explore lush rainforests, stroll coral-fringed beaches and encounter a vivid array of wildlife, including howler monkeys, colorful tree frogs and 600 species of non-migratory birds. The national motto of Costa Rica is "Pura vida!" which translates to "pure life"; it is expressed in the proud and welcoming faces of the ticos (Costa Rican natives), the passionate biologists captivated by the flourishing rare and endemic species, and the spectacularly vivacious landscape itself.

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#### San José, Costa Rica

In the heart of the fertile Valle Central, Costa Rica's dynamic capital city of San José possesses an eclectic mix of museums, landscaped parks, lively cafés and art galleries and an interesting fusion of architectural styles including Spanish Colonial, Moorish and Modernist.

Visit the National Theater, a regal Baroque edifice modeled on Milan's La Scala, with marble staircases, gilded statues and red velvet carpeting, and peruse the National Museum's impressive pre-Columbian Central American artifacts, stonework, gold jewelry and statuettes.

#### Manuel Antonio National Park

Experience an unparalleled diversity of wildlife in this lush tropical haven, a captivating combination of rainforest, beach and coral reef, home to more

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**COSTA RICA Pre-Program Option** 

- 1 Depart the U.S./ Arrive SAN JOSÉ, COSTA RICA
- 2 SAN JOSÉ/PUERTO CALDERA/ Embark WIND STAR
- 3 QUEPOS for MANUEL ANTONIO NATIONAL PARK
- 4 Golfo Dulce for Casa Orquídeas
- 5 ISLA CÉBACO, PANAMA
- 6 DAY AT SEA
- 7 PANAMA CITY®
- 8 PANAMA CANAL TRANSIT/COLÓN
- 9 COLÓN/Disembark ship/AGUA CLARA VISITOR CENTER\*/PANAMA CITY Return to the U.S.

PANAMA Post-Program Option \*Departure flight-time permitting

than 100 species of mammals, almost 200 species of birds and various reptiles and amphibians.

Photo this page: In only three square miles, Costa Rica's Manuel Antonio National Park showcases an abundance of natural wonders among its sandy beaches, low-lying marshes and mature tropical forests.





During a guided walk through this protected "Living Eden," expert naturalists will help you spot colorful toucans, screeching howler monkeys, camouflaged iguanas, squirrel monkeys, two- and three-toed sloths and rare and endangered species such as the scarlet macaw.

#### Casa Orquídeas

The secluded natural wonderland of Golfo Dulce, bordering the Piedras Blancas National Park, was declared "one of the most biologically intense places on earth," home to primary old-growth rainforest, tropical gardens and beaches. In nearby Casa Orquídeas, a stunning, maze-like botanical garden of over 100 species of orchids, bromeliads, heliconias and edible plants, look for colorful toucans, scarlet macaws and jewel-hued hummingbirds.

#### Isla Cébaco, Panama

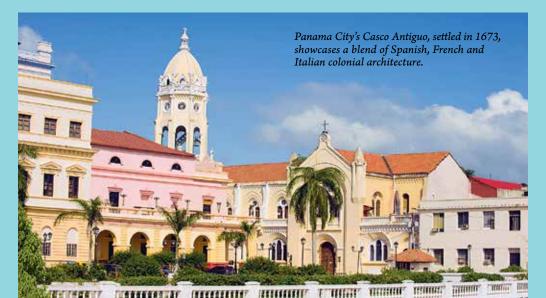
A winding coastline of rarely visited sandy beaches and towering palm trees front the dense rainforests that dominate Isla Cébaco, a gem in the sparkling Gulf of Montijo. Snorkel in its emerald waters, where schools of brilliantly colored fish, giant manta rays and four different species of turtles swim amid spectacular coral reefs.

#### Panama City

Arrive in Central America's most attractive capital city, founded in 1519 by Spanish explorers and rebuilt in the late 17<sup>th</sup> century. Learn more about the operation of the Panama Canal's locks in the adjacent Miraflores Locks Visitor Center. Nearby, the new Biodiversity Museum, designed by architect Frank Gehry of Guggenheim fame, showcases the ecological significance of Panama's exotic flora and fauna.

Visit the UNESCO World Heritage-designated "old quarter" of Casco Antiguo, a charming neighborhood replete with cobblestone streets and many architecturally significant historical edifices, including a 16<sup>th</sup>-century cathedral.

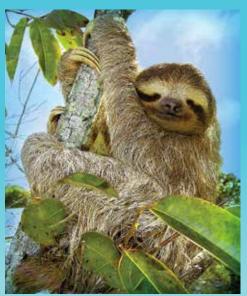
By special arrangement, cruise through the fascinating Panama Canal.





#### Panama Canal Expansion

A nine-year, multibillion-dollar undertaking created the first ever expansion of the Panama Canal. At the hilltop Agua Clara Visitor Center outside Colón, enjoy



The "smiling" brown-throated, three-toed sloth is one of the two sloth species found in Costa Rica.

panoramic views of the new longer, wider locks and impressive Gatún Lake, the 166-square-mile artifical body of water created a century ago to feed the canal. (Agua Clara visit is departure flight-time permitting.) The Panama Canal's stunning Gatún Lake was the world's largest man-made lake upon completion in 1913.



#### Costa Rica's Cultural and Natural Riches Pre-Program Option

Experience a medley of Costa Rica's diverse biospheres, from steamy hot springs to misty cloud forests. In view of towering Arenal Volcano, explore the lush rainforest along a series of suspended and fixed bridges. Tour historic San José, an organic chocolate workshop, an award-winning coffee estate and a traditional artisan town known for intricately hand-painted woodcrafts. Accommodations are for two nights in the hacienda-style Costa RICA MARRIOTT HOTEL SAN JOSÉ and two nights in the ideally located HOTEL ROYAL CORIN.

Pre-Program pricing includes a credit for one night's accommodations in San José and the San José city tour already included in the cost of the main program.

#### Dynamic Panama— The Renaissance of a City Post-Program Option

An exploration of old and new, Panama is the perfect complement to "the crossroads of the Americas." Visit the UNESCO World Heritage-designated Panama Viejo to see the ruins of the oldest European settlement on the Pacific American coast, cruise the Gatún River to meet the indigenous Embera people and visit the fascinating Agua Clara Visitor Center. Spend two nights in the ideally located, deluxe BRISTOL PANAMA HOTEL.

The Pre- and Post-Program Options are available at additional cost. Details will be provided with your reservation confirmation.

Surrounded by lush rainforest, Costa Rica's imposing Arenal Volcano entered into a resting phase in 2010.



#### FIVE-STAR, SMALL SAILING SHIP MSY WIND STAR

#### Seafaring in its Most Timeless Form

The intimate, four-masted WIND STAR offers an unforgettable Five-Star sailing experience seafaring in its most traditional form. A harmonious alliance of nautical history and elegant style, this small ship is designed to sail from deep seas into narrow coves and secluded gulfs inaccessible to larger vessels, making it feel like your own private yacht.

#### With Our Compliments

A host of complimentary indulgences awaits you flowers and fruit in your Stateroom to welcome you aboard, house wine with dinner, alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages throughout the cruise and in your minibar, and 24-hour room service. And, shipboard gratuities are included.

#### World-Class Dining

Savor award-winning recipes and enjoy culinary demonstrations as part of an exclusive partnership with the James Beard Foundation of chefs. The elegant dining room serves contemporary international cuisine with house wine offerings, and you may enjoy breakfast and lunch in the indoor-outdoor restaurant or reserve a table for alfresco evening dining.

#### **Only 74 Deluxe Staterooms**

Each of the deluxe, ocean-view Staterooms features one queen bed or two twin beds (Owner's Suite has a queen bed), a private granite-finished bathroom with shower, luxurious European linens and amenities, individual climate control, flat-screen television with DVD player, Wi-Fi access, safe, minibar, vanity table, hair dryer, plush robes and slippers.

#### Life on Board

Offering educational presentations, panoramic views, nightly entertainment and quiet retreat, the ship's tastefully appointed public areas include a large lounge, two bars, library, spa, fitness center, boutique, casino, outdoor whirlpool, swimming pool and watersports marina with complimentary snorkeling equipment. There is no elevator on the ship.

#### Award-Winning Service

With a ratio of one crew member for every 1.5 guests, you will enjoy personal and attentive service. There is a physician and medical facility on board.





#### **Included** Features

#### In San José, Costa Rica

- One night in the hacienda-style
  - Costa Rica Marriott Hotel San José.
- American breakfast.
- Tour of San José, including visits to the National Theater and National Museum, with lunch.

Scenic transfer from San José to Puerto Caldera.

#### On Board the Exclusively Chartered, Five-Star,

 Small Sailing Ship WIND STAR
 Seven-night cruise from Puerto Caldera, Costa Rica, to Colón, Panama.

- Five-Star, ocean-view accommodations.
- Captain's Welcome and Farewell Receptions.
- Complimentary alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages available throughout the cruise.
- All meals aboard ship.
- Complimentary snorkeling equipment.
- Expert onboard naturalist guides to lead small group excursions.
- Excursion in stunning and biodiverse Manuel Antonio National Park with a naturalist-led trail walk through the protected rainforest.
- Specially arranged, onboard guitar performance by local Quepos musicians.
- Walking tour of the spectacular botanic gardens of Casa Orquídeas.
- Visit to pristine Isla Cébaco, with opportunities for swimming and snorkeling among colorful marine life.
- Tour of Panama City, highlighted by a visit to the UNESCO World Heritage site of Casco Antiguo, the new Frank Gehry-designed Biodiversity Museum and the informative Panama Canal Miraflores Locks Museum.
- Daylight passage through the Panama Canal, accompanied by a historical narration. Transit times through the canal are controlled by the Panama Canal Authority and are subject to traffic conditions.
- Culinary demonstration by the ship's chef.

Scenic transfer from Colón to Panama City.

## Always Included Transfers and luggage handling abroad if your arrival(s)/departure(s)coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s).

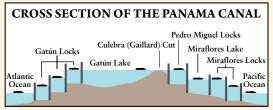
- Experienced, English speaking local guides for included excursions.
- Gratuities to ship and hotel personnel, and local guides and drivers on included excursions and transfers.
- Hospitality desk aboard ship and in the hotel.
- Complimentary bottled water in your Stateroom and on excursions.
- Experienced Gohagan & Company Travel Directors at your service.
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## THE PANAMA CANAL

Marvel of Human Engineering More than a Century of Passages

The 580-foot-long SS Kroonland was the largest passenger ship of its time to transit the Panama Canal in 1915.

During a daylight passage, experience firsthand the "greatest liberty man has ever taken with nature," which cuts through the Great Continental Divide, spans 50 miles and took 33 years and 100,000 laborers to complete at a cost of \$400 million. This historic engineering feat changed the world, opened new channels of international trade and allowed ships to travel between the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans in a fraction of the time it took to circumnavigate South America.



After France's failed attempt to build a sea-level canal here in the 19<sup>th</sup> century, and following the U.S. involvement in Panama's independence, the project resumed under the watchful eye of President Theodore Roosevelt. When completed in 1914, the Panama Canal was considered one of the Seven Wonders of the Modern World. Now, more than a century later, the canal has undergone a \$5.25 billion expansion to accommodate more than twice the cargo, maintaining its status as the "gateway to the world."

Tens of thousands of workers labored and sacrificed to complete the largest engineering endeavor of the early 20<sup>th</sup> century.

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6	Stateroom with two portholes. Deck 1, aft. (limited availability)	\$4795	\$5795
5	Stateroom with two portholes. Deck 1, forward. (limited availability)	\$5495	\$6495
4	Stateroom with two portholes. Deck 1, midship.	\$6595	\$7595
3	Stateroom with two portholes. Deck 2, aft. (limited availability)	\$7295	\$8295
2	Stateroom with two portholes. Deck 2, forward. (limited availability)	\$7795	\$8795
1	Stateroom with two portholes. Deck 2, midship.	\$8295	\$9295
Owner's Suite	Suite with four portholes, queen bed and sitting/dining area. Deck 1, aft. (limited availability)	\$10795	\$11795

Singles are available in category 4 at \$11595\* and in category 1 at \$14595\* on or before August 6, 2018. Add \$1000 for reservations made after August 6, 2018.

\*Taxes are an additional \$459 per person and are subject to change.

<sup>t</sup>WIND STAR has been specially contracted for this tour, and the applicable deck plan is available on request from Gohagan & Company and reflects the only valid cabin categorization of the vessel.

#### THE PANAMA CANAL AND COSTA RICA RESERVATION FORM

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Listen for the throaty call of the howler monkey, one of Costa Rica's most common species.

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