# Soroptimist International of America 7 Night Alaska Post-Convention Cruise

Sunday, July 26 – Sunday, August 2, 2020 Holland America's ms Oosterdam



# Sailing Itinerary

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DAY		PORT OF CALL		DEPART
Sunday	26	Seattle, Washington		4:00 pm
Monday	27	Fun Day at Sea	-	-
Tuesday	28	Scenic Cruising Stephens Passage	-	-
Tuesday	28	Juneau, Alaska	1:00 pm	9:00 pm
Wednesday	29	Hubbard Glacier, Alaska	2:00 pm	6:00 pm
Thursday	30	Sitka, Alaska – Tender Required	8:00 am	4:00 pm
Friday	31	Ketchikan, Alaska	7:00 am	1:00 pm
Saturday	01	Victoria, British Columbia	6:00 pm	11:30 pm
Sunday	02	Seattle, Washington	7:00 am	-



# Holland America ms Oosterdam Cruise Ship Information



Holland America Line's first Vista-class cruise ship, Oosterdam recently emerged from dry dock with exciting updates—including completely refreshed suites and new lounge, dining and entertainment venues, such as Music Walk<sup>™</sup>, with Lincoln Center Stage, B.B. King's Blues Club and Billboard Onboard. Guests can choose from among delectable specialty restaurants, hone culinary skills with America's Test Kitchen and thrill to BBC Earth Experiences.

Like other Vista-class ships, *ms Oosterdam* is equipped with a large pool and a sizable spa and fitness area. While there are kids and teens clubs for younger passengers, most of the activities and entertainment on the ship are geared toward adults.

The ship features six stateroom categories: Inside, Ocean View, Verandah, Signature Suite, Pinnacle Suite and Neptune Suite. All accommodations are outfitted with Sealy-Premium Euro-Top mattresses, flat-screen TVs, mini-fridge, safe, hairdryer and plenty of storage space.

When it's time to dine guests can enjoy varied dishes in the main dining room, Italian fare at Canaletto or more casual options. On select nights, guests can dine on French seafood dishes from Sel De Mer at the Pinnacle Grill.

### **Seattle Washington**



Start your Alaska cruise by departing from downtown Seattle at Pier 91. Explore Seattle's famous and well-loved spots while in this spectacular city. Pike Place Market is one of those places. This is a protected historic distract that fills your senses with sights, smells, tastes and sounds. Everyone associates the Space Needle with Seattle. Take a trip to the top for breathtaking views of the city and beyond. Three of the best museums to visit in Seattle are the Chihuly Museum of Glass, Seattle Asian Art Museum and the Seattle Art Museum downtown.

### Juneau Alaska



Founded during the gold rush in the late 1800s and named after prospector Joe Juneau, the city has grown into a beautiful city offering a variety of accommodations, good restaurants and transport services. It also serves as the departure point for several wilderness attractions, including Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve and Admiralty Island National Monument. Few cities in the U.S. are as beautiful as Juneau. Not only is Juneau the capital of Alaska, residents claim it is the most scenic capital in the country and it is often referred to as a 'little San Francisco.' The city center, which hugs the side of Mt. Juneau and Mt. Roberts, has many narrow streets running past a mixture of new structures, old storefronts and slanted houses, all held together by a network of staircases. Overhead are the snow-capped peaks of Mt. Roberts and Mt. Juneau, which provide just a small part of the superb hiking in the area.

## Hubbard Glacier, Alaska



Located in south-central Alaska north of Yakutat, with its origins in Yukon Territory, Canada, Hubbard Glacier is the largest tidewater glacier in North America. The highest source of snow accumulation is at approximately 11,000 feet, traveling 76-miles towards the 6-mile wide terminus at sea level in Disenchantment Bay and Russell Fiord. The terminus reaches as high as 100-meters above sea level, equivalent to the height of a 30-story building. Valerie Glacier joins Hubbard from the northwest approximately 6-miles from the terminus. Unlike the vast majority of glaciers, Hubbard Glacier has been both thickening and advancing since the International Boundary Commission first mapped it in 1895.

### Sitka, Alaska



Sitka is an Alaskan city and borough near Juneau, the state capital. It's spread over Baranof Island, part of Chichagof Island and others. It was part of Russia until 1867 and St. Michael's Orthodox Cathedral is topped with an onion dome. The 1842 Russian Bishop's House is nearby. Sitka National Historical Park is the site of Russia's defeat of the indigenous Tlingit people and has a trail dotted with totem poles.

## Ketchikan, Alaska



Ketchikan originated as an Indian fish saltery, but the town's major growth began when it became a supply base and entry port for miners during the 1898 Gold Rush to the Klondike. Much of the town's colorful past is still in evidence, especially in the nearby Indian villages, where you'll see colorfully carved totem poles and hear the fascinating legends that surround them. While fishing is by far the most popular sport in Ketchikan, there are a lot of other activities for people to take part in. In fact, one of the best ways to see the area and enjoy the scenery is simply to take a walk through town and to the Totem Heritage Center. There, you can explore the history of totem poles and see some terrific examples.

# Victoria Canada



Located on the southern tip of Vancouver Island, Victoria is a community of choice for its temperate climate, natural beauty, recreational sites and superior economic opportunities. The city is alive with people and activity. Victoria has been blessed with a wealth of natural and manmade riches, including stunning heritage architecture framed by ocean views and mountain vistas. It is this rare juxtaposition of heritage charm, scenic backdrop and modern city-scape that makes Victoria one of the most uniquely special places in Canada. Millions visit our city every year and enjoy the natural beauty, temperate climate and heritage charm Victoria offers it citizens every day.

# **Guaranteed Group Cruise Pricing**

Will check for any promotions and best available fares

**Inside Cabin Starting at \$1,440.05 USD per person** based on <u>Double Occupancy</u>. (Price Includes all Taxes/Government Fees of \$240.00 and Gratuities of \$101.50 per person.)

Ocean View Cabin (window only) \$1,800.50 USD per person based on <u>Double Occupancy</u>. (Price Includes all Taxes/Government Fees of \$240.00 and Gratuities of \$101.50 per person.)

**Balcony Cabin \$2,240.50 USD per person** based on <u>Double Occupancy</u>. (Price Includes all Taxes/Government Fees of \$240.00 and Gratuities of \$101.50 per person.)

# Order Form

To reserve your cabin please fill out the following order form. Please fill out a separate form for each passenger and indicate under the Comments/Special Requests who you are rooming with. You can also call to place your cruise reservation 360-914-0800 or email/mail your order form to: <a href="mailto:tamra@platinumtravelgrp.com">tamra@platinumtravelgrp.com</a> or Tamra Sipes, 1124 Landing Circle Oak Harbor WA 98277

# Select Desired Cabin Type:

All prices are per person based on double occupancy

Inside Stateroom \$1,440.50 per person. (cruise fare \$1,099.00 + taxes \$240.00 + \$101.50 for pre-paid gratuities.) Please add Optional Travel Insurance of \$119.00 per person.

Ocean View Stateroom \$1,800.50 per person. (cruise fare \$1,459.00 + taxes \$240.00 + \$101.50 for pre-paid gratuities.) Please add Optional Travel Insurance of \$139.00 per person

Balcony Stateroom \$2,240.50 per person. (cruise fare \$1,899.00 + taxes \$240.00 + \$101.50 for pre-paid gratuities.) Please add Optional Travel Insurance of \$179.00 per person.

\_\_\_\_\_Check here if you would like to add return transfers to Sea-Tac Airport \$29.00

Additional suite pricing is available if interested, please contact Tamra Sipes at 360-914-0800 for more information.

- First Deposit Due with order form \$350 per person
- Final Payment Due April 15, 2020

#### **Credit Card information:**

Persons Name on Credit Card							
Credit Card Type	_Expiration Date	_CVV Number					
Credit Card Number							
Cabin type requested and any Special Instructions							

#### **Cancellation / Refund policy:**

- 3 months prior to the cruise you can cancel your reservation with no penalties or charge and receive a full refund of any deposits previously made.
- 60-90 Days prior to the sailing date there will be a 50% charge for cancellation.
- 30-59 Days prior to the sailing date there will be a 75% charge for cancellation.
- 29 Days prior to the sailing date there are no refunds.

#### Passengers Full Legal Names: (must match Passport or Birth Certificate)

Full Legal Name	
Birth Date	
E-mail Address	
Cell Phone	
Mailing Address	
Holland America Mariner Society Past Guest Loyalty Number	

Comments, sharing a cabin with or special instructions including any dietary needs or special assistance needs such as wheelchair assist, scooter information, accessible stateroom, etc.:

#### Please initial below to confirm you agree:

I hereby authorize Platinum Travel LLC to charge my credit card through Holland America for the initial deposit of \$350 per person. I understand that in the event of cancellation, penalties may be assessed. I am a US citizen if not, please enter the country you are a citizen of

### **Frequently Asked Questions**

Holland America Website FAQ Link: <u>https://www.hollandamerica.com/en\_US/faq.html</u>

Q: The price on Holland America website is lower or there is a promotion can I get that rate or promotion?

A: Yes, our group prices will never go up, but if there is a promotion or lower fare advertised by Holland America you will automatically receive that lower price/promotion when you book your cabin.

Q: I already booked my cabin, but the prices have gone down.

A: We are able to re-rate your cabin to the lower fare.

Q: I have not booked my cabin yet and the prices online are much higher than what our group rate is. Can I still get the group rate.

A: Yes, based on availability. We have a limited number of cabins held in our group. Once they are sold we can only add cabins to our group at Holland America's prevailing rates.

Q: I'm single and want to go on the cruise?

A: We would be happy to try and pair you with another single person (same gender) if you do not have a roommate. Or if you would like to travel single in a cabin please add an additional cruise fare to your total to get the cost of your cruise.

Q: What is the travel insurance and do I need it?

A: After your April final payment is made all monies become non-refundable unless you have purchased travel insurance. If you have an emergency or health issue that prevents you from going the insurance will refund your monies. If you have a personal reason you may receive up to 75% in future cruise credits. You may add the insurance at anytime up until final payment.

Q: Tell me more about Holland America's ms Osterdam?

A: You can access more information on Holland American's website at the following link. <u>https://www.hollandamerica.com/en\_US/cruise-ships/ms-oosterdam/6.html</u>

Q: What can we do when we reach each port?

A: You name it and it's probably available. Optional shore excursions will be available to book closer to the date of sailing. You can find more information about each port and shore excursions available at the following link. <u>https://www.hollandamerica.com/en\_US/shore-excursions.html</u>

Q: We are traveling with our family and would like pricing for 3 and 4 guests in the cabin, are they available.

A: Yes, they are, but you will need to make those reservations as soon as possible. There are limited number of cabins available that allow for 3 and 4 guests in a room and prices will vary by cabin category.

### **Frequently Asked Questions Continued**

Q: Can we put a deposit down without knowing who we will be bringing yet?

A: Yes, we can hold a cabin in your name and add names later. This will ensure that you have a cabin reserved.

Q: Can I attend any group activities or be seated for dinner with other members of the group if I book my cabin somewhere else?

A: Only those who book with us will be counted by the cruise line in our group for any of our receptions, activities and meal functions.

#### Q: How will we do meals?

A: You have a choice of dining times, either early dining at 5:15 pm or late dining at 8:00 pm. You may also choose the anytime dining without a specific time or table assigned. Should you choose the early or late seating, you will be seated with other Soroptimist members. Regardless of dining choice, you are always welcome to dine in other dining venues onboard the ship.

Q: When do I need to be at the ship and where is it located at?

A: All passengers must be checked in 90 minutes prior to departure, which would be by 2:30pm. Holland America ship departs out of the Smith Cove Cruise Terminal Pier 91 located in downtown Seattle at 2001 W. Garfield St. Seattle WA 98229. Transportation to the cruise ship terminal from SIA Convention is on your own.