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Dear Explorer,

We invite you to join us for a personal journey of discovery to one of the most beautiful, wild and historic corners of America. Cruise West will show you the Columbia & Snake Rivers as only they can, with thoughtful itineraries, included tours and an onboard enrichment program that adds depth and meaning to sights along the way.

Imagine looking up at the walls of Hells Canyon towering over you the height of 47 Niagaras. Sipping a fine Grenache as you stare out over the Whitman Mission where Oregon Trail pioneers stopped for supplies on their way to the Willamette Valley – their wagon ruts still visible. Winding through the Columbia River Gorge, a breathtaking 80-mile-long canyon filled with black basalt cliffs, ribbon-like waterfalls and thick fir forests.

A cruise on the Columbia & Snake Rivers is unlike any other river cruise, rich with untarnished scenery, history and culture. And with a brand new summer itinerary, Cruise West now offers you more departures and seasons on these rivers than any other cruise line.

You'll gain a more intimate understanding of the area by visiting with vintners and Native Americans, fruit farmers and Northwest chefs. You'll also learn fascinating facts from your Exploration Leaders and other onboard enrichment program experts on topics from wine pairings to Lewis & Clark history.

Plus these cruises are a great value, with many things like shore excursions in every port and enrichment programs included in your fare.

We look forward to booking your Cruise West Columbia & Snake Rivers cruise!

Warmly,

Your Friends at
Alaska Bound

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on savings and additional departures
for all Cruise West destinations!

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Cruise West's Stowaway Program

SAVE 25% ON YOUR
CRUISE FARE

If your travel dates are flexible we invite you to sign up for our Stowaway Program and save 25% on your cruise fare. Simply make a deposit for the cabin category and cruise itinerary of your choice that departs within a particular 30-day window and we'll inform you of a specific Stowaway travel date at least 30 days prior to departure.

If you accept the date offered, payment must be made in full by credit card within 24 hours. Once full payment is made, the standard Cruise West cancellation policies apply. If you decline the date offered, your deposit is not refundable but can be applied to a future cruise.

Stowaway availability is limited and your choice of departure date and cabin category are not guaranteed. If we are not able to offer you a sailing date and cabin category within your desired 30-day window, we will refund your deposit in full.

Cruise West past guests, Qu yana Club members, may apply an additional 5% savings. The Stowaway Program may not be combined with group savings or other offers. Stowaway savings apply to the cruise-only fare. Other restrictions may apply. See www.cruisewest.com/stowaway for more details.



CRUISE WEST TERMS & CONDITIONS

We strongly urge you to protect your trip by purchasing travel protection.

Reservations: Thank you for choosing West Travel, Inc., d.b.a. Cruise West. To secure reservations, visit your Travel Professional.

The transportation of passengers and baggage is governed by the Terms & Conditions sent at the time of booking and the Terms & Conditions of Passage Contract contained in your travel documents. Your purchase of the passenger cruise ticket and acceptance of passage on the vessel constitute acceptance of the Terms & Conditions and the Terms & Conditions of Passage Contract. Such terms affect your legal rights and we recommend you read all terms carefully (in the event of conflict between the provisions in this document and the Terms & Conditions of Passage Contract, the latter shall prevail).

Cruises and cruise/land tours are sold on a space available basis. Cruise West will make every effort to provide accommodations in the cabin of your choice and/or the main hotel properties we use. If these are not available at the time you book with us, we will confirm you at an alternate property. You will know at time of documentation (approximately four (4) weeks prior to departure) what cabin and/or hotel property you are confirmed in.

Deposit: For all departures:

- Eleven (11) night cruise or cruise/land tour or longer: \$1000 per person.
- Seven (7) to ten (10) night cruise or cruise/land tour: \$700 per person.
- Cruises up to six (6) nights long: \$350 per person.

This deposit/payment must be received within three (3) business days after your date of booking. Reservations will not be considered firm until such deposit is received.

Final Payment: Final payment for all itineraries must be received at Cruise West in advance, ninety (90) days prior to departure, or in full at the time of reservation if less than the ninety (90) day advance payment period. If final payment is not timely received, your reservation may be released and rebooking will then be subject to final availability.

As a convenience, wire transfers, checks, and credit cards are accepted forms of payment. Credit cards are accepted for shipboard charges.

If you choose to purchase the Cruise West Peace of Mind Plan, the premium payment must be included with your initial deposit.

Cancellation Policy: Per Person Cancellation Charges:

Note: Travel protection premiums are not refundable.

Anytime 90+ days prior to departure	\$200*
61-89 days prior to departure	25% of fare
31-60 days prior to departure	50% of fare
0-30 days prior to departure	100% of fare

*A \$200 per person future cruise credit certificate will be given, to be applied to future bookings.

Passports: Due to Homeland Security and U.S. Coast Guard regulations, all passengers must present government-issued photo identification upon boarding. All international voyages will require that each passenger, including children, bring a passport. In addition, Cruise West must receive identification/passport particulars (such as ID number, full legal name and date of birth) at least forty-five (45) days prior to departure. ID information not received at least forty-five (45) days prior will result in a US\$25 per booking rush handling fee.

Prices Include:

- Transportation and shore excursions as indicated in itineraries and meals aboard ship or where indicated.
- Transfer of passenger and two (2) pieces of baggage at all points during the cruise.
- Taxes, port charges, fees, and onboard services.
- Service charges to all personnel onboard Cruise West vessels.

Prices Do Not Include:

- Airfare from your home city and return.
- Passport and visa fees.
- Fuel surcharges.
- Air departure taxes.

Health & Disability Requirements: You must, at the time of booking your reservation, inform us in writing of any accommodation you will need as a result of a disability or medical condition.

Passengers are advised that personal services and devices, such as wheelchairs or oxygen equipment, will not be provided. Passengers in need of services of a personal nature, such as assistance in eating, toileting, or dressing, are responsible for arranging for such services and are encouraged to travel with a companion for such purposes.

Accessibility may be limited onboard ships or at some ports of call, and on some shore excursions.

Federal Maritime Commission Protection: Under Public Law 89-777, the FMC requires vessels having berth or stateroom accommodations for fifty (50) or more passengers and which embark passengers from U.S. ports to maintain acceptable evidence of financial responsibility to indemnify passengers for nonperformance of transportation. Cruise West maintains an escrow agreement to protect passenger payments for water transportation. This escrow agreement has been reviewed and approved by the FMC.

Medical Facilities: Our ships are equipped to provide only very limited medical care and are stocked with limited medical supplies. We cannot offer care for conditions requiring specialized expertise or equipment. Passengers with such conditions, or in the event of an emergency situation, may be evacuated at their expense. Due to the limitations of medical facilities, passengers with serious medical conditions or women with pregnancy complications or in their third trimester of pregnancy may wish to consult their physicians to determine whether travel is appropriate. Passengers should also review their insurance policies to determine whether treatment occurring onboard the vessel or while traveling is covered. **Travel protection is strongly recommended.**

Photographs, Video, Etc.: Cruise West frequently photographs, films, or records passengers and activities during the course of a cruise. Copies of such photographs, etc. may be available for a modest charge. As our passenger, Cruise West is hereby authorized to take and to use such photographs, etc. for marketing and training purposes without being obligated to compensate the passenger.

AVAILABILITY OF PRICES IN THE BROCHURE IS LIMITED, AND AT THE TIME YOU PURCHASE YOUR TOUR, PRICES MAY BE HIGHER. FOR CURRENT PRICES, PLEASE SEE OUR WEBSITE.

CRUISE WEST RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ASSESS FARE AND CHARGES IN EFFECT AT THE TIME OF BOOKINGS, AS WELL AS FUEL, FEDERAL OR STATE TAXES OR FEES AND/OR ANY OTHER UNEXPECTED IMPOSED SURCHARGES WE INCUR UP TO YOUR CRUISE/LAND TOUR DEPARTURE DATE. ANY SUCH CHARGES WILL BE IN ADDITION TO YOUR QUOTED CRUISE PRICE AND MAY BE ADDED TO YOUR FINAL BILL.



Early Booking Savings: Save up to **\$350** per person when you book and pay in full early.

Save \$250 **Save \$125**

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Northwest Passage – Summer Celebration

Departures in May through September 2009

March 27, 2009

River Voyage of Discovery and Taste of the Pacific Northwest

Departures in September and October 2009

May 22, 2009

PLUS, PAY IN FULL BY THE ABOVE DATES *Save an additional \$100!* *Save an additional \$50!*

Quyana Club members always save 5% off the cruise price.

All savings are per person.

Information in this brochure is accurate at printing. However, pricing, schedule and itinerary details may be subject to change. Vessels depicted in photographs herein are representative of the Cruise West fleet of small ships but may not be the vessel used for your cruise. Check the full itinerary for details or call for more information.

**Save on the Columbia & Snake Rivers
when you book with Alaska Bound!**

SAVE 15% PER PERSON*

on the April 4, 2009 *River Voyage of Discovery* departure OR, on the August 7, 2009 or September 11, 2009 *Summer Celebration* departures

PLUS, receive an **additional 5%** savings off the cruise fare if you have sailed with Cruise West before.*

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