VOR Basque pintxos (tapas) in Bilbao and San Sebastian, a seafood lunch in Normandy, a Calvados tasting, and a special farewell dinner at a private venue in Paris.
DEAR PRINCETONIAN,

From the intrepid seafaring adventures of the early Celtic, Viking, and Basque sailors, to the Age of the Explorers and the epic world wars of more recent centuries, the Atlantic Ocean has provided both obstacles and opportunities to civilizations from antiquity to the present. Join Princeton Journeys study leader favorite Col. Kevin J. Weddle '03 (Retired), Professor of Military Theory and Strategy at the United States Army War College, on an eight-night voyage from Bilbao, Spain, to Honfleur, France, aboard the elegant Sea Cloud II, and explore the role the world’s second-largest ocean has played in the history and development of Europe and beyond.

During port calls along the Atlantic coasts of Spain and France, see historic artifacts such as the Carnac stones and the Bayeux Tapestry; visit some of the landmark buildings of Europe, including Mont Saint-Michel and the Guggenheim Museum Bilbao; and explore significant World War II sites, including German underground bunkers in La Rochelle, U-boat pens in Lorient, and the Normandy invasion beaches. Throughout the voyage, sample the great food and wine for which Spain and France are celebrated: Basque tapas (pintxos), seafood specialties in Normandy, and a Calvados tasting. An optional pre-trip extension to the prehistoric caves of northern Spain is also offered.

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Princeton travelers will share this exclusive charter with participants from Yale, Cornell, and the National Trust for Historic Preservation, and with berths for only 76 passengers on the Sea Cloud II, space is limited. Contact the Princeton Journeys team today at (609) 258-8686 or journeys@princeton.edu to reserve your place.

Sincerely,

Margaret M. Miller ’80
Deputy Vice President for Alumni Affairs

Bridget St. Clair
Assistant Director for Princeton Journeys
COLONEL KEVIN J. WEDDLE, Ret., Professor of Military Theory and Strategy at the United States Army War College, is a veteran of Operations Desert Storm and Enduring Freedom. Col. Weddle has led groups of visitors to significant battlefields and beachheads of World Wars I and II, as well as to crucial sites in centuries-earlier campaigns, such as Waterloo and Agincourt. He received his PhD from Princeton in history in 2003 and is the author of *Lincoln’s Tragic Admiral: The Life of Samuel Francis Du Pont*.

BARRY STRAUSS, the Bryce and Edith M. Bowmar Professor in Humanistic Studies at Cornell University, is chair of Cornell’s Department of History, a military historian with a focus on ancient Greece and Rome, and an acclaimed author whose books include *Masters of Command: Alexander, Hannibal, Caesar and the Genius of Leadership* (2012), and, most recently, *The Death of Caesar* (2016). Educated in history at Cornell (BA ’74) and Yale (PhD ’79), he studied archaeology at the American School at Athens as a Heinrich Schliemann Fellow (1978–79).

PAUL BRACKEN, Professor of Management and Political Science at Yale, specializes in international security and global business and has written extensively on security matters. He designed the Yale MBA course “Problem Framing”; teaches “The Global Corporation” in the School of Management; and draws students from virtually all parts of the university to his “Strategy, Technology, and War” course. He was recently named to Princeton Review’s *The Best 300 Professors in America*; and he also serves on advisory groups in defense and intelligence for the U.S. government.
ITINERARY
(Most days offer a choice of excursions, some at additional cost, where noted.)

Monday & Tuesday, June 5 & 6
HOME / BILBAO, SPAIN
Depart home on an overnight flight to Bilbao, Spain. Relax at the hotel or choose one of three excursion options, depending on your arrival time and interests.

OPTION 1:
Learn about Basque art and history on a morning guided tour, with visits to the Fine Arts Museum and the Ethnological Museum of Basque Culture ($60 per person).

OPTION 2:
Take a full-day excursion to the wine-growing region of La Rioja with a winery visit and tasting, a special gastronomic lunch, and a tour of the medieval town of Laguardia ($210 per person).

OPTION 3:
Join an afternoon guided walking tour of Bilbao's historic Casco Viejo quarter.

ALL:
This evening enjoy a welcome reception and dinner.

SILKEN GRAN HOTEL DOMINE (R,D)

Wednesday, June 7
BILBAO, SPAIN
In the last several decades, Bilbao, the hub of Spain’s Greater Basque region, has undertaken a vigorous social, economic and aesthetic revitalization process, launched by the opening of the Guggenheim Museum Bilbao in 1997. Designed by award-winning architect Frank Gehry, this icon of 20th-century architecture contains a collection of some of the most intriguing artworks of our age. After time to explore the museum and its collections, enjoy Basque pintxos (tapas) at lunch, followed by a panoramic coach tour of some of Bilbao’s other architectural highlights. Embark the Sea Cloud II late this afternoon.

SEA CLOUD II (B,L,D)

OPTIONAL PRE-TRIP EXTENSION
PREHISTORIC CAVES OF NORTHERN SPAIN
June 1–6, 2017
After a welcome lunch in Madrid, transfer by coach to Burgos for one night. Accompanied by an archaeologist, explore the site in the nearby Sierra de Atapuerca mountains where the remains of hominids who lived around 800,000 years ago have been excavated. Continue to a historic parador near the Picos de Europa mountain range for two nights, exploring the prehistoric caves in the Cantabria area, including the Altamira Museum and cave replica, during the day. Enjoy a leisurely forest hike with an expert botanist, then spend one night in the medieval center of Santillana del Mar en route to Bilbao to join the main program on June 6. The day in Bilbao is at leisure, or choose from several excursion options including a visit to the wine center of La Rioja (at additional cost). Additional details and pricing will be sent to confirmed participants.

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Thursday, June 8
SAN SEBASTIAN
This morning call at the Basque town of San Sebastian (Donostia), known for its sophisticated culinary scene and named a European Capital of Culture in 2016.

OPTION 1:
Explore the city’s historic center and learn about Basque culinary traditions on a tasting tour.

OPTION 2:
Enjoy a specially arranged visit to the pioneering Albaola Factory, where experts on maritime heritage and boat-building are constructing a replica of the 16th-century Basque whaling ship San Juan.

ALL:
This evening enjoy a welcome reception hosted by the captain. SEA CLOUD II (B,L,D)
Friday, June 9

**LA ROCHELLE, FRANCE**

Marvel at the finely coordinated activities of the crew as they unfurl the sails for a morning of cruising, weather permitting. After lunch, disembark in La Rochelle, a major seaport, the historic base of the Knights Templar and later the Huguenots, and the site of many naval battles.  
**OPTION 1:** Visit the 14th-century harbor fortress and a restored underground World War II German bunker.  
**OPTION 2:** Explore the 14th-century harbor fortress and the adjoining underground WWII German bunker.  

SEA CLOUD II (B,L,D)

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Saturday, June 10

**LORIENT**

After a morning of cruising, disembark in Lorient on the northwestern coast of France in the department of Brittany.  
**OPTION 1:** Visit the nearby Keroman Submarine Base, where Grand Admiral Karl Donitz had enormous concrete structures built to shelter part of the German submarine fleet during World War II.  
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Sunday, June 11

**AT SEA**

Enjoy a full day aboard ship and the continuation of the educational program as the Sea Cloud II cruises along the northwestern coast of France.  

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Monday, June 12

**SAINT-MALO**

Disembark in the walled port city of Saint-Malo for a morning walking tour of this one-time haven for pirates. Return to the ship for lunch on board, then set out on an afternoon visit to the Abbey of Mont Saint-Michel, a beautiful tidal island in Normandy that, along with its 8th-century monastery and bay, has been designated a UNESCO World Heritage site. Access to the island from the mainland has changed over the centuries; its most recent connection is a bridge opened in 2014 and only available to pedestrians, horse-drawn carriages, and local shuttle busses.  

SEA CLOUD II (B,L,D)

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Tuesday, June 13

**CHERBOURG**

Call at Cherbourg, made famous by the movie The Umbrellas of Cherbourg and now known as Cherbourg-Octeville.  
**OPTION 1:** Visit the Bayeux Tapestry Museum, home of one of the most famous historical chronicles in the world, the Bayeux Tapestry. Listed on UNESCO’s Memory of the World Register, the tapestry is a 230-foot embroidered account of William, Duke of Normandy’s conquest of England and provides a unique and rare insight into the medieval world.  
**OPTION 2:** Explore Normandy’s D-Day sites, including the Airborne Museum in Sainte-Mère-Église and Pointe du Hoc, a strategic promontory overlooking the English Channel.  

ALL: Continue to the Normandy American Cemetery and Memorial, where the graves of 9,387 troops commemorate lives lost during the D-Day landings. From the cemetery’s overlook, view Omaha Beach, a crucial Allied landing site during the Normandy invasion of June 1944. On board the ship this evening, enjoy a tasting of Calvados, an apple cider brandy produced in Normandy.  

SEA CLOUD II (B,L,D)

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Wednesday, June 14

**HONFLEUR / PARIS**

Disembark in Honfleur.  
**OPTION 1:** Continue exploring D-Day sites, including the Peace Memorial Museum in Caen, which documents the events of D-Day and the Battle of Normandy, and the original Pegasus Bridge, captured in a daring raid by the Allies.  
**OPTION 2:** Explore the city of Honfleur, an old and picturesque port characterized by slate-fronted houses. Also visit Monet’s garden at Giverny, a setting that inspired many of the artist’s paintings throughout his life, and enjoy a gourmet lunch at a Michelin-star restaurant ($75 per person).  

ALL: Transfer to Paris.  
HOTEL SCRIBE (B,L)

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Thursday, June 15

**PARIS**

Enjoy a morning in Paris visiting the Cluny Museum’s Roman Baths, Napoleon’s tomb at Les Invalides, and the National Archaeological Museum, followed by an afternoon at leisure. Gather for a festive farewell dinner in Paris this evening.  

HOTEL SCRIBE (B,D)

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Friday, June 16

**PARIS / HOME**

Transfer to Paris airports for flights home. (B)
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- All accommodations, meals, and excursions as specified in the itinerary
- Full program of briefings, lectures and presentations
- Complementary transfers for all participants on group arrival and departure days
- Baggage handling at hotels and ship
- Gratuities to porters, wait staff, guides, drivers, and shipboard personnel
- Port charge
- Entrance fees
- Welcome and farewell wine receptions
- House wine, beer, and soft drinks with all group lunches and dinners
- Bottled water on motor coaches
- Professional tour manager

PROGRAM RATES, per person

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AIR ARRANGEMENTS Valerie Wilson Travel, Inc., is our preferred provider for airline arrangements for this trip and can be reached at 877-376-1754. You are also welcome to book your air transportation through your local travel agent, an online travel site, or the airline of your choice.

PLEASE NOTE: U.S. domestic and international airfare is not included in the program rates. Round-trip economy-class airfare from New York to Bilbao, Spain, with return from Paris, is approximately $1,475 per person as of July 2016 and is subject to change without notice. Information about making flight arrangements will be sent to all participants.

WHAT TO EXPECT The climate in the Bay of Biscay and the English Channel at this time of year is generally mild, with average temperatures in the 60s and 70s and occasional rain. Seas can be choppy, particularly in the Bay of Biscay. The pace of this trip is moderately active, with up to two miles of walking each day, often on cobbled streets and uneven terrain. Elevators and handrails on stairs often are unavailable. Participants must be in good health and able to keep up with the group without assistance from tour staff. Limited medical facilities are available aboard the Sea Cloud II.

A NOTE ABOUT COSTS Tour costs are based upon current fuel prices, taxes, tariffs, currency values, and a minimum number of participants. While we will do everything possible to maintain the listed prices, they are subject to change. If there are significant changes, details and costs will be advised prior to departure.
GENERAL INFORMATION

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