Castles & Campaigns
ABOARD THE Sea Cloud II JUNE 10-18, 2016

FRANCE + ENGLAND + BELGIUM + NETHERLANDS + GERMANY

FEATURING COL. (RET.) KEVIN WEDDLE *03
PROFESSOR OF MILITARY THEORY AND STRATEGY, UNITED STATES ARMY WAR COLLEGE
DEAR PRINCETONIAN,

CHART MAJOR EVENTS of European history from the 19th century to World War II aboard the beautiful sailing vessel Sea Cloud II.

Excursion options allow travelers to focus on their personal area of interest, whether it is the political, military, and human drama of historic battle sites or the cultural and artistic richness to be found in stately country manors and world-class art collections. Join your fellow Princetonians and study leader Col. (ret.) Kevin J. Weddle ’03—a Princeton Journeys favorite—on this expansive itinerary, June 10–18, 2016.

After flights into Paris, embark the Sea Cloud II in the picturesque Seine River port of Honfleur, cruising across the English Channel for port calls in Portsmouth and Dover before returning to the continental mainland for calls in Belgium and the Netherlands. Conclude in Hamburg, Germany.

Princeton travelers will share this exclusive charter with travelers from Yale, the National Trust for Historic Preservation, and the Santa Barbara Museum of Art. 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.

With kind regards,

Leslie J. Rowley ’85
Executive Manager, Princeton Journeys
Office of the Alumni Association
Princeton University

P.S. Col. Weddle will lead an optional pre-trip extension to Normandy (June 6–11), with a stay at Chateau La Chenevière, a stop to see the Bayeux Tapestry, and visits to sites related to D-Day and the Battle of Normandy. Past Princeton Journeys participants have considered seeing the D-Day battlefields with Col. Weddle an unforgettable experience not to be missed.

Explore significant cultural icons and historic military events of Northern Europe with visits to the beautiful medieval center of Bruges and the Tyne Cot Commonwealth War Graves Cemetery at Ypres (COVER), Leeds Castle in Kent, England, once the residence of Henry VIII’s first wife, Catherine of Aragon (THIS PAGE); and Haarlem (BACK COVER), home of the Teylers Museum, the oldest museum in the Netherlands.
Study Leaders

COLONEL KEVIN J. WEDDLE ’03, 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 the 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*.

LUCINDA HAWKESLEY is an author and art historian who teaches art history and literature to American undergraduates in London. She is a regular guest speaker at the National Portrait Gallery in London and has also been a guest lecturer at a number of institutions in the United States and abroad. A direct descendant of Charles and Catherine Dickens, she is a patron of the Charles Dickens Museum in London, has lectured about her family history all over the world, and, for the past seven years, has been the guest of honor at the Dickens on the Strand festival in Texas.

JAY WINTER is the Charles J. Stille Professor of History at Yale University. A member of the Yale faculty since 2001, he is the author of *Sites of Memory, Sites of Mourning: The Great War in European Cultural History*, and co-directed the collective that produced *Capital Cities at War: Paris, London, Berlin 1914-1919*. He won an Emmy as co-producer, writer, and chief historian of the BBC’s “The Great War and the Shaping of the Twentieth Century,” first broadcast in 1996 and shown in 27 countries. Professor Winter looks forward to sharing insights on France in the 20th century.
**Highlights**

Enjoy seven nights aboard the beautiful three-masted *Sea Cloud II*, which offers the seafaring elegance of a bygone era combined with the highest modern standards of luxury.

Visit 17th-century *Petworth House*, whose extensive art collections include paintings by Turner and Van Dyck and carvings by Grinling Gibbons and Ben Harms.

Customize your time ashore with a choice of excursions in each port by selecting a theme—military history, or culture and art—and the excursions that focus on that theme.

Experience the thrill of being under sail on the magnificent *Sea Cloud II*, with 30,000 square feet of canvas billowing overhead (weather permitting), as you cruise from Honfleur to Hamburg.

Learn the personal stories behind historic military events of the 19th and 20th centuries, explore the lives of the upper classes at renowned castles, and visit artistic masterpieces in a variety of fascinating museums.

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**Itinerary**

*Friday & Saturday, June 10 & 11*

**HOME / PARIS, FRANCE**

Depart independently on an overnight flight to Paris and transfer to Honfleur. Embark the *Sea Cloud II* and enjoy a welcome reception and dinner.

*SEA CLOUD II* (R,D)

**Sunday, June 12**

**PORTSMOUTH, U.K.**

OPTION 1: Enjoy a guided tour of Petworth House, a 17th-century country estate renowned for its art collection and expansive park, landscaped by Capability Brown and home to the largest herd of fallow deer in England.

OPTION 2: Delve into Portsmouth’s fascinating military history, with an early entry to the award-winning D-Day Museum, an exclusive visit to the historic map room at Southwick Park (Gen. Eisenhower’s D-Day headquarters), and free time to explore the Portsmouth Historic Dockyard (featuring the Royal Naval Museum and some of the most iconic ships in British maritime history—the Mary Rose, the HMS Victory, and the HMS Warrior).

*SEA CLOUD II* (B,L,D)

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**Monday, June 13**

**DOVER**

OPTION 1: Visit Leeds Castle, one of England’s most picturesque and historic castles, situated on a raised island in the middle of a lake formed by the River Len, and used by Henry VIII as a residence for his first wife, Catherine of Aragon.

OPTION 2: Explore the secret war tunnels at Dover Castle, where the World War II Dunkirk evacuation was planned. An afternoon at sea provides your first opportunity, weather permitting, to experience the *Sea Cloud II* under sail.

*SEA CLOUD II* (B,L,D)

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**Tuesday, June 14**

**OSTEND, BELGIUM**

Dock in Ostend for a full-day in either Bruges or Dunkirk and Ypres.

OPTION 1: Bruges, capital of the province of West Flanders, is renowned for the beautiful medieval architecture of its historic center, a UNESCO World Heritage site. A walking tour of this charming area includes the art treasures of the Church of Our Lady and the small but prized Groeninge and Memling museums (those who prefer can instead participate in a chocolate-making workshop in Bruges at an additional cost of $70 per person).

OPTION 2: Visit the museums, cemeteries, and battle sites around Dunkirk, where Allied troops were evacuated during Operation Dynamo during World War II, and Ypres, immortalized in the poem "In Flanders Fields." Written during World War I by Canadian physician Lt. Col. John
McCrae, the poem honors the memory of McCrae's friend and fellow soldier Alexis Helmer, who died in the Second Battle of Ypres. *SEA CLOUD II (B,L,D)*

**Wednesday, June 15**

**AT SEA / AMSTERDAM, NETHERLANDS**

After a morning of cruising, arrive in Amsterdam for an afternoon visit to the Rijksmuseum, a Netherlands national museum dedicated to art and history, including masterpieces by Rembrandt, Frans Hals, and Johannes Vermeer. In the early evening, enjoy a private cruise along Amsterdam’s medieval and colonial age canals, the result of conscious city planning in the 17th century. *SEA CLOUD II (B,L,D)*

**Thursday, June 16**

**AMSTERDAM**

**OPTION 1:** Visit the Van Gogh Museum and the Anne Frank House (including a special guest speaker from the Anne Frank Foundation) and, after lunch aboard ship, enjoy an afternoon at leisure in Amsterdam.

**OPTION 2:** Alternatively, at an additional cost of $110 per person, enjoy a full-day excursion to the flower auction in Aalsmeer and the Frans Hals and Teylers museums in Haarlem, with a private tour of the drawings collections not open to the public at the latter, and lunch at a local restaurant in Haarlem. *SEA CLOUD II (B,L,D)*

**Friday, June 17**

**AT SEA**

Enjoy a full day of cruising to Hamburg. Weather permitting, a portion of the cruise will be under sail. Tonight enjoy a farewell reception and dinner on board. *SEA CLOUD II (B,L,D)*

**Saturday, June 18**

**HAMBURG, GERMANY / HOME**

Disembar in Hamburg and transfer to the airport for flights home. (B)

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**Optional Pre-Trip Extension**

**NORMANDY**

*June 6–11, 2016*

This four-night extension offers an in-depth look at sites where some of the most decisive and fiercely contested battles of World War II took place. After one night in Paris, transfer to the charming Château La Chenevière in Port-en-Bessin, Normandy. Activities include, among others, the Peace Memorial Museum in Caen; the Airborne Museum in Ste-Mère-Eglise; Pointe du hoc, a strategic promontory overlooking the English Channel that Allied troops captured from the Germans; the American Military Cemetery at St-Laurent-sur-Mer overlooking Omaha Beach; a memorial flag ceremony; the D-Day Landing Museum in Arromanches; and the Bayeux Tapestry Museum. *(4B,4L,4D)*

**RATES:**

- $2,990 per person, double occupancy
- $3,990 per person, single occupancy
Sea Cloud II

Christened in 2001, the Sea Cloud II is perhaps the most luxurious three-masted sailing yacht on the seas today. The sister ship of Marjorie Merriweather Post’s legendary Sea Cloud, she combines the seafaring elegance of a bygone era with the highest modern standards of luxury. In the grand tradition of the world’s finest sailing vessels, guests experience this marvelous ship under sail (weather permitting), as the skilled crew handle sets more than 30,000 square feet of canvas. The Sea Cloud II offers an intimate setting of just 47 beautifully appointed cabins, gracious common areas, world-class service, and five-star dining.

**PROGRAM RATES INCLUDE**
- All accommodations, meals, and excursions as specified in the itinerary, including a 7-night cruise aboard the Sea Cloud II
- Comprehensive 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, waitstaff, guides, drivers, and shipboard personnel
- Port charges
- Entrance fees
- Welcome and farewell receptions
- House wine, beer, and soft drinks with all group lunches and dinners
- Bottled water on motorcoaches
- Complete packet of pre-departure information including educational materials
- Professional tour manager throughout the program

**AIR ARRANGEMENTS**
U.S. domestic and international airfare is not included in the program rates. Round-trip economy-class airfare from New York to Paris with return from Hamburg is approximately $1,375 as of June 2015 and is subject to change without notice. Information about making flight arrangements will be sent to all participants.

**WHAT TO EXPECT**
This is a moderately strenuous program, at times physically demanding and busy, with considerable walking at some sites. Daily activities can involve up to two miles of walking, often on cobbled streets, uneven terrain, or up and down hills, and may include extended periods of standing in museums and churches. Often elevators are unavailable and stairs may not have handrails. Participants should be fit and in active good health. Limited medical facilities are available on board Sea Cloud II. By forwarding the deposit for passage, the participant certifies that s/he does not have any physical or other limitation that would create a hazard for her/himself or other travelers.

**FUEL COSTS**
Program rates are based upon the prevailing fuel rates at the time of brochure printing. While we will do everything possible to maintain the published rates, if fuel costs increase significantly, it may be necessary to institute a fuel surcharge. In that case, we will notify participants in advance of departure.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

PROGRAM RATES DO NOT INCLUDE
- U.S. domestic and international airfare
- Passport/Visa expenses
- Medical expenses and immunizations
- Travel insurance
- Deviations from the scheduled tour
- Excess baggage charges
- Meals not specified in the itinerary; dishes and beverages not part of the included meals
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GROUP SIZE
This program is limited to 76 participants, including travelers from Princeton, Yale, the National Trust for Historic Preservation, and the Santa Barbara Museum of Art.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

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If this is a reservation for one person, please indicate:
☐ I prefer to have single accommodations.
☐ I plan to share accommodations with ___________________________
☐ I am willing to share with another participant (not guaranteed).
I am a ☐ Non-smoker / ☐ Smoker.
I understand that if a roommate cannot be found by the final payment deadline of February 11, 2016, I will pay the single rate.

ACCOMMODATIONS
Cabin category preference: 1st ___________________ 2nd ___________________
Preferred bed configuration: ☐ King/Queen ☐ Twins
☐ We have read the tour information and agree to the Terms & Conditions therein.

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