



SMALL-SHIP CRUISES IN LATIN AMERICA AND ASIA
Set sail to legendary destinations

FROM LATIN AMERICA TO ASIA

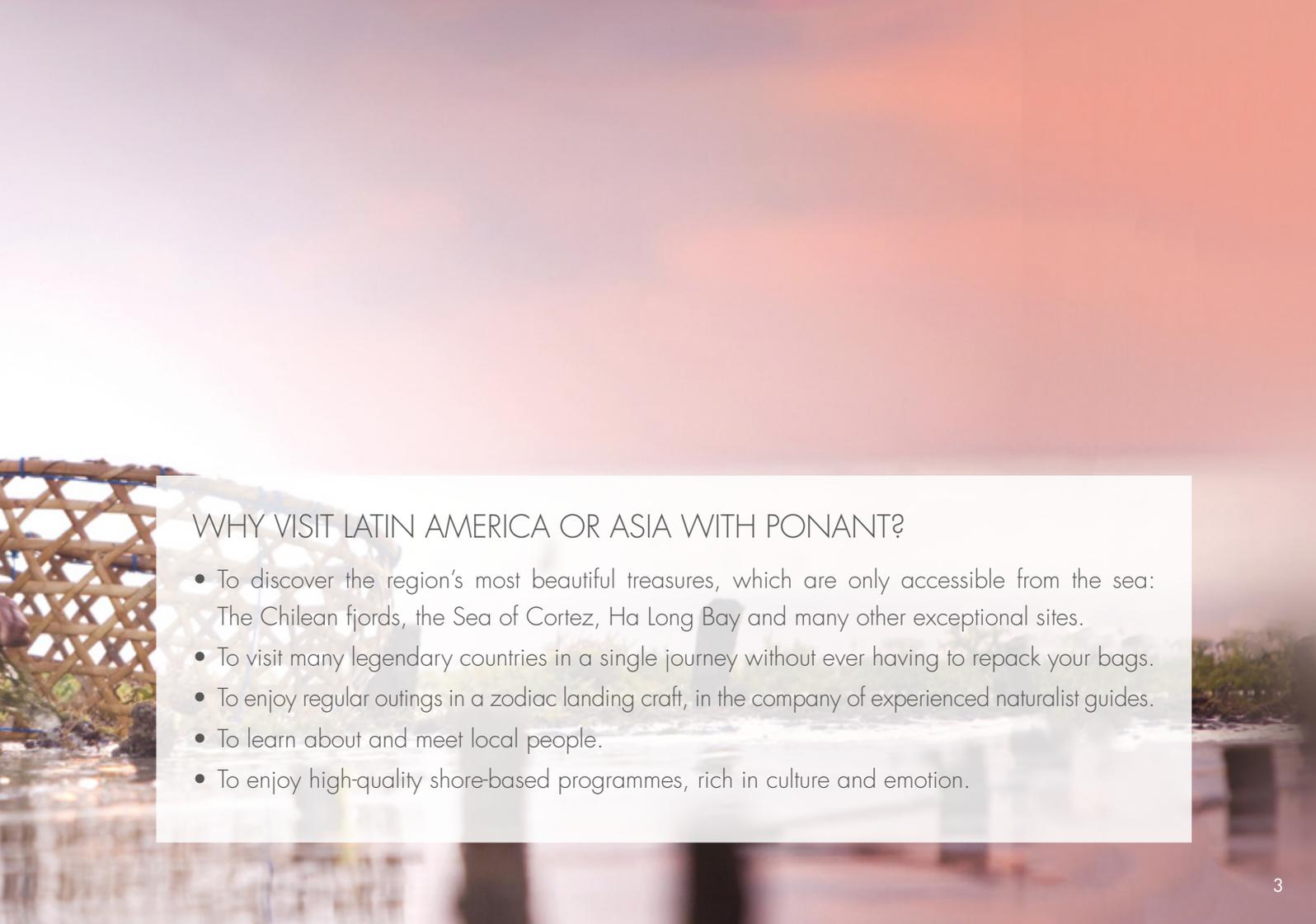
SET SAIL TO LEGENDARY COUNTRIES...

Visit Asia or Latin America to discover symbolic sites and a majestic natural environment. For next winter, PONANT is offering you a selection of journeys that will delight those with an explorer's spirit as well as nature-lovers.

Set sail for Latin America, where we invite you to follow in the footsteps of the conquistadors and discover a wild and pristine natural world. Or choose heady and mysterious Asia and sail between new empires and ancient kingdoms.

By setting sail aboard one of our yachts for a thrilling journey, in the company of our expert lecturers, you will discover or rediscover the history of these great civilisations.



A wooden lattice structure, possibly a zodiac landing craft, is visible on the left side of the image. The background is a soft, blurred landscape with a body of water and a sky with a warm, orange and pinkish hue, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The text is overlaid on a white rectangular area in the center of the image.

WHY VISIT LATIN AMERICA OR ASIA WITH PONANT?

- To discover the region's most beautiful treasures, which are only accessible from the sea: The Chilean fjords, the Sea of Cortez, Ha Long Bay and many other exceptional sites.
- To visit many legendary countries in a single journey without ever having to repack your bags.
- To enjoy regular outings in a zodiac landing craft, in the company of experienced naturalist guides.
- To learn about and meet local people.
- To enjoy high-quality shore-based programmes, rich in culture and emotion.

DISCOVER YACHT CRUISING



The unparalleled pleasure of an intimate cruise in a 5-star setting.

Refined service, limited capacity, gastronomy, and, a warm atmosphere: with just one hundred or so cabins and suites, our two superb yachts, Le Boréal (2010) and Le Soléal (2013) remain faithful to our philosophy. Come and enjoy the unique experience of feeling as though you are aboard your very own private yacht, and access the treasures of the world via the sea.



"THE FRENCH TOUCH"

The French Touch is above all a French crew to welcome you and ensure your comfort and well-being. Aboard all of our yachts, you will also find that very special atmosphere generated by the French way of life: a blend of gastronomy, fine materials, an eye for detail, and sophisticated yet spacious design that optimises ocean view's.



GASTRONOMY

Our French chefs prepare carefully designed menus offering fine and varied cuisine, accompanied by a selection of superb wines and enhanced by professional and discreet service.

ELEGANCE & PRIVACY

Aboard our luxurious, state-of-the-art yachts, with just 122 to 132 cabins and suites, most of which have balconies, discover the incomparable pleasure of cruising on an intimate scale in 5-star comfort.



EXCEPTIONAL ITINERARIES AND MYTHICAL PORTS OF CALL

Sailing from mythical ports of call to secret harbours only accessible to limited-capacity craft, we have been designing the finest itineraries for our guests for more than 25 years. Aboard our yachts, lecturers and naturalists enrich the travel experience, sharing their knowledge, passion, and, experience with you.

Watch videos showing life aboard our ships on
en.ponant.com (Life Aboard section)

WHICH LATIN AMERICAN OR ASIAN CRUISE TO CHOOSE?

Discover the particular features of each cruise and choose which one suits you the best:

OUR CRUISES	PRICES FROM ⁽¹⁾	LANDSCAPES							WILDLIFE	CULTURE			UNIQUE FEATURES Sailing/Highlights
		Beaches	Volcanoes	Urban settings	Lush forests	Glaciers	Fjords	Mountainous skylines		Desert	Ethnology	Typical villages	
LATIN AMERICA													
1 FROM THE AMERICAN WEST COAST TO MEXICO (p.10)	€ 2,490	✓	✓					✓	A wide range of sea life		✓	✓	Discover San Francisco and Monterey (Baja California) • Sea of Cortez
2 THE TREASURES OF LATIN AMERICA (p.12)	€ 3,980	✓	✓	✓			✓		Variety of marine wildlife	✓	✓	✓	The colonial city of Granada • Cocos Island in Costa Rica • Machu Picchu*
3 ALONG THE ANDES CORDILLERA (p.14)	€ 2,640	✓	✓				✓	✓*	Sea otters • Sea lions • Penguins	✓	✓	✓	Lima • Machu Picchu* • Sugarloaf Atacama desert
ASIA													
4 THE KURIL ISLANDS (p.18)	€ 5,600 FLIGHT INCLUDED		✓	✓		✓	✓		Sea otters • Sea lions • Whales			✓	Kuril Islands Atlasov volcano Yankicha caldera
5 FROM THE JAPANESE COAST TO HONG KONG (p.20)	€ 4,740		✓	✓							✓	✓	Visit to Xian and the Terracotta Army* Sakurajima volcano
6 AT THE HEART OF INDONESIA (p.22)	€ 2,890	✓	✓	✓						✓	✓	✓	Visit to Borobudur Temple • Bali Singapore*

As each trip is different and subject to the prevailing weather conditions and chance encounters, the expedition highlights and the wildlife described above illustrate possible experiences only and cannot be guaranteed.

* Optional excursion.

LATIN AMERICA



ASIA







LATIN AMERICA

In the footsteps of the conquistadors...

Visiting Latin America with PONANT means much more than simply cruising along the coast.

It means taking a veritable journey to get closer to cultures and countries that are as fascinating as they are varied.

Our cruise itineraries are specially designed to allow you to visit the most remarkable sites of each destination.

History, culture and contrasting landscapes, discover all these treasures during a single cruise.



1 FROM THE AMERICAN WEST COAST TO MEXICO

San Francisco • Acapulco Cruise

September 28 - October 8, 2015
11 days/10 nights aboard Le Boréal
from € 2,490 ⁽¹⁾

NO SINGLE SUPPLEMENT ⁽²⁾

Limited number of cabins

From San Francisco to Acapulco, set sail aboard Le Boréal and head deep into the heart of the American West Coast. Discovering an exhilarating blend of wide open spaces and exceptional sites, this will prove to be a thrilling cruise. Admire the impressive silhouette of the Golden Gate Bridge, the picturesque streets of San Francisco and their superb Victorian facades. Then as you sail along the Mexican coast, discover the hidden beauty of the Sea of Cortez, between Pichilingue, La Paz, Isla Carmen and Loreto. These islands will delight you with their wild and unspoiled beauty.

Carmel, California • United States



GOING FURTHER, TOGETHER



48 HOURS IN SAN FRANCISCO



Before you board for your cruise, take time to visit San Francisco, one of the most beautiful cities in the world. You will then travel to Napa Valley to sample the best wine in California before joining Le Boréal and setting sail on your cruise.

2 days / 2 nights

from € 995 ⁽³⁾

YOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- San Francisco and sailing under the imposing Golden Gate Bridge.
- The Sea of Cortez and its secret islands, all UNESCO World Heritage sites.
- Isla Partida, a haven for birds and endemic marine mammals.
- Loreto, and its rich historical past.
- Excursions and shore visits in a zodiac landing craft in Baja California.



2 THE TREASURES OF LATIN AMERICA

Acapulco • Callao Cruise

October 8 - 24, 2015

17 days/16 nights aboard Le Boréal

from € 3,980 ⁽¹⁾

NO SINGLE SUPPLEMENT⁽²⁾

Limited number of cabins

Discover six remarkable countries during a single cruise: Mexico, Guatemala, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Ecuador and Peru. Visit the city of Puerto Quetzal, perched at some 1500 metres altitude. It is considered to be the most beautiful city in Guatemala, thanks to its colonial architecture, its homes surrounded by vast flower-bedecked patios and its baroque churches. Leaving from San Juan del Sur, you can also discover Granada in Nicaragua: Nestled at the foot of the Sierra Nevada, this city boasts a rich colonial heritage, and is a UNESCO World Heritage site.

Tikal • Guatemala



Pre-Columbian city of Teotihuacan • Mexico



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FROM MEXICO TO ACAPULCO BAY

Taxco • Mexico



Before you board the ship, discover Mexico, its monuments and its Pre-Columbian archaeological site of Teotihuacan, a UNESCO World Heritage site. On the road to Acapulco, you can also stroll through the narrow streets of Taxco, "the silver city".

3 days / 3 nights

from € 1,480 ⁽³⁾



MACHU PICCHU,
THE SACRED SITE OF THE INCAS

Machu Picchu • Peru



After you disembark, discover the incredible site of Machu Picchu, a UNESCO World Heritage site. You will continue your stay in Peru with a visit to Cuzco and Lima, two emblematic cities. Four unforgettable days.

4 days / 3 nights

from € 2,235 ⁽³⁾



YOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Lush, forested and pristine, discover the superb Cocos Island of Costa Rica, a UNESCO World Heritage site.
- Antigua de Guatemala and Tikal with its ruins, a UNESCO World Heritage site (optional excursion).
- A visit to Puerto Quetzal with its rich colonial past.



3 ALONG THE ANDES CORDILLERA

Callao • Valparaiso Cruise

October 24 - November 2, 2015
9 days/10 nights aboard Le Boréal
from € 2,640 ⁽¹⁾

From Callao in Peru to Valparaiso in Chile, set out to discover the Pacific coast of Latin America, where the sea meets the desert. During your cruise, you will be able to admire breathtaking scenery. At Caldera, you will have the chance to visit the old railway station, a listed national monument, as well as the sumptuous Saint Vincent de Paul cathedral. During this cruise, you will learn about indigenous art with a series of conferences and visits to historical sites.



Valparaíso • Chile



Santa Catalina Monastery, Arequipa • Peru



YOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Lima, capital of Peru, whose historic city centre is a UNESCO World Heritage site.
- Discovering the unmissable site of Machu Picchu (optional excursion).
- Arica, also known as the “City of Eternal Spring” and gateway to the geoglyphs.
- Sailing around “Sugar loaf” Island.

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MACHU PICCHU, THE SACRED SITE OF THE INCAS



Machu Picchu • Peru

Before you set sail, you will discover the history of Peru aboard a panoramic train, admiring the landscapes of the valley of the Urubamba River, before reaching the archaeological site of Machu Picchu for a guided visit.

5 days / 4 nights

from € 2,455 ⁽³⁾



THE ATACAMA DESERT



Atacama Desert • Chile

After disembarking, you can take a relaxing dip at 3,500 metres altitude, in the thermal springs of Puritama. Continue your journey, visiting the picturesque village of San Pedro and the Atacama Desert.

4 days / 3 nights

from € 1,950 ⁽³⁾





ASIA

*A blend of modernity
and eternal traditions*

As your cruise progresses, discover the myriad faces of mysterious and bewitching Asia. Between new empires stamped with modernity and age-old kingdoms, sail from ancient sanctuaries in the midst of frenetic cities to still-unspoiled lands...



4 THE KURIL ISLANDS

Petropavlovsk • Kanazawa Cruise

September 27 - October 14, 2015

16 days/15 nights aboard Le Soléal

from ~~€ 7,100~~ € 5,600 ⁽⁴⁾
Package deal

NO SINGLE SUPPLEMENT ⁽²⁾

Limited number of cabins

From Russia to Japan, discover a land that is still little known, where fire and the ocean have fashioned a wild, untamed and almost forgotten paradise: the Kuril Islands. Le Soléal will take you to discover this archipelago, also known as the "Ring of Fire", made up of more than 32 volcanoes forming a natural barrier between the Okhotsk Sea and the Pacific Ocean. Vast landscapes set in a unique environment evoking an air of infinity.

YOUR PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- Your outbound flights on 27 September
Paris - Seoul and Seoul - Petropavlovsk
- 1 night in Seoul on 28 September
- Your Petropavlovsk - Kanazawa cruise
- Your return flights on 14 October
Kanazawa - Tokyo and Tokyo - Paris



Matua & Lovushki Islands • Russia



Brown Bear • Russia

YOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Exceptional sailing to the heart of the Yankicha caldera.
- Atlasova and its volcano, the highest in the Kurils.
- The Valley of Geysers seen from the sky, during a helicopter tour (optional excursion, must be pre-booked).
- Exceptional wildlife: brown bears, sea otters, seals, sea lions.
- Excursions and shore visits in a zodiac landing craft accompanied by our naturalist guides.
- A day and a night to discover Seoul, the South Korean capital, before embarking on your cruise.



5 FROM THE JAPANESE COAST TO HONG KONG

Kanazawa • Hong Kong Cruise

October 14 - 28, 2015

15 days/14 nights aboard Le Soléal

from € 4,740 ⁽¹⁾

Set sail to the heart of the Japanese archipelago and discover the Land of the Rising Sun, where the pace alternates between the frenzy of its large cities and the peaceful serenity of its gardens. Le Soléal will take you to the gateways of the former Samurai dwellings near Kagoshima, then she will chart a course towards China, one of the world's oldest civilisations, via Shanghai, a thriving city that is both ultramodern and steeped in ancient customs. Your cruise will finish in Hong Kong, a blend of modern skyscrapers, traditional markets and lively boutiques.



Hong Kong Bay



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JAPAN,
BETWEEN TRADITION AND MODERNITY



Temple at Nara, Kyoto • Japan

Before setting sail on your cruise, take the time to visit four great Japanese cities: Osaka, Kyoto, Nara and Kanazawa. In Osaka, visit its castle dating from the 16th century and the famous Shinto temple of Sumiyoshi Taisha. You will also discover the Japan of the feudal times, by visiting the samurai dwellings in Kanazawa.

3 days / 3 nights

from € 1,515 ⁽³⁾

YOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- A visit to three UNESCO World Heritage sites: Kanazawa, known as the “marsh of gold”; the Miyajima sanctuary; the historic city of Suzhou and its Classical Gardens.
- Kagoshima, known as the “Naples of the East”, and its imposing Sakurajima volcano.
- The discovery of Hong Kong, “the city of lights” and one of the most fascinating cities in Asia.
- Shanghai, nestled at the heart of the Yangtze delta, a thriving city that blends modernity and traditional customs.



6 AT THE HEART

OF INDONESIA

Singapore • Manado Cruise

November 15 - 25, 2015

11 days/10 nights aboard Le Soléal

from € 2,890 ⁽¹⁾

FLIGHTS FROM MANADO – SINGAPORE INCLUDED ⁽⁵⁾

From Singapore, we invite you to take a cruise to the heart of one of the most beautiful destinations in the world, Indonesia. During this trip, you will have the possibility of discovering idyllic sites, such as the Lesser Sunda Islands; larger-than-life Java is not one of the lesser Sunda Islands, known for its perfectly proportioned temples, and intoxicating Bali, "the Island of the Gods", with its landscapes of a rare beauty, which appears to have been delicately placed onto the turquoise waters of the Sea.



Borobudur Temple, Semarang • Indonesia

GOING FURTHER, TOGETHER



DISCOVERING SINGAPORE



Singapore Bay

Before you board, discover the old Colonial District and the statue of Merlion, symbol of the city of Singapore. You will then visit the Museum of Asian Civilisations, before taking a stroll around the Gardens by the Bay, three gardens located on the seafront.

1 day / 1 night

from € 359 ⁽³⁾



YOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- From Semarang, discovering the great Borobudur Temple, a UNESCO World Heritage site.
- Bali, or the "Island of the Gods", with its timeless beauty, a blend of paddy fields and volcanic reliefs.
- An included free excursion to Pare Pare, to meet the Bugis people.
- The possibility of discovering Singapore, known for both its multiculturalism and its ancient traditions.



INFORMATION AND BOOKING

- From UK: **0800 980 40 27** (TOLL-FREE NUMBER)
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- From Belgium: **0 800 77 350** (TOLL FREE-NUMBER)
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