



**Mississippi River
Steamboating**
“Springtime on the River”

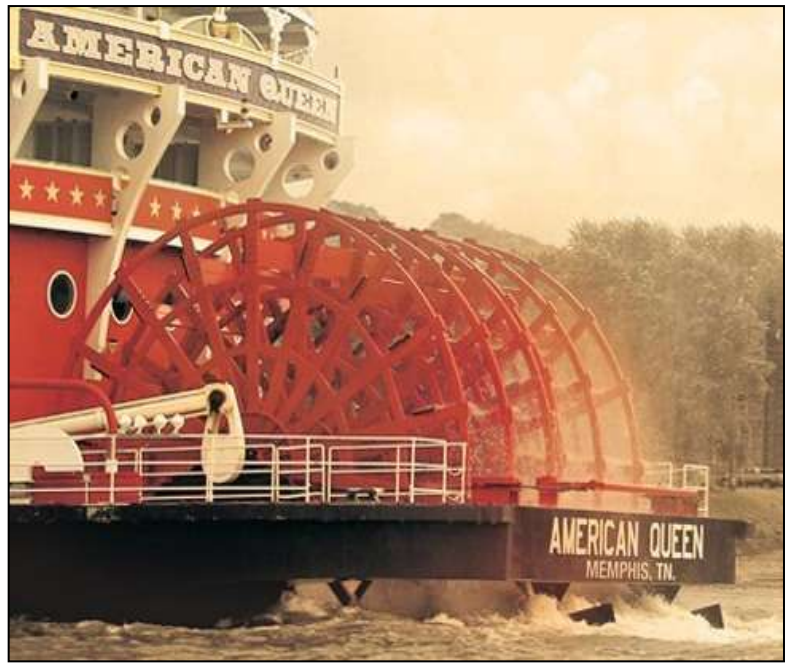
Memphis - New Orleans

Helena, Vicksburg, Natchez,
St. Francisville, Baton Rouge, Oak Alley

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MARCH 15: Memphis *(Prices per person cruise portion only - double occupancy)*
Embark in America’s third largest inland port, famous for blues, barbeque and Elvis’ Graceland—attractions you’ll want to explore.



MARCH 16: Helena
Let gospel voices lift your heart, hear soulful Delta blues, and sample King biscuits and sausage during an eventful day.



MARCH 17: Vicksburg
Discover a unique blend of old and new in Vicksburg, Mississippi. Take in the diversity from Vicksburg National Military Park to the Waterways Experiment Station. Billed as the

“Red Carpet City of the South,” Southern hospitality is alive and well and awaiting your arrival.



MARCH 18: Natchez
Step into the plantation lifestyle of the antebellum south in Natchez, site of numerous restored mansions. Explore the Grand Village of the Natchez Indians, visit historic Jefferson College, or just amble down the Natchez Trace.

| CATEGORIES WE ARE HOLDING | FARES |
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| Category A | \$ 4295 |
| Category D | \$ 3295 |
| Category E | \$ 3195 |
| Category H | \$ 2395 |
| Other Categories Subject to availability | |
| Category AA | \$ 5195 |
| Category B | \$ 3895 |
| Category C | \$ 3495 |
| Category F | \$2895 |
| Category G | \$ 2495 |
| Category I | \$ 1995 |



MARCH 19: St. Francisville

This quaint town located on the bluffs of the Mississippi River is your window to the past. With over 140 buildings on the National Register, beautiful plantation homes nestled in the rolling countryside, and bustling Main Street shops, you'll find plenty to keep you on the go in St. Francisville.



MARCH 20: Baton Rouge

The capital of Louisiana, Baton Rouge is the center of all the great things the state has to offer—visitors delight in the seamless blend of past and present experiencing authentic Louisiana at every turn. With its semi-tropical climate, the outdoors is tempting and the attractions abound. No wonder this is one of the south's fastest growing cities.



MARCH 21: Vacherie (Oak Alley)

Located in the Saint James Parish, the name of this bayou town derives from the French for dairy farm. It's pronounced VASH-uh-ree. It's the site of Oak Alley, a much-photographed plantation that combines architectural splendor and the natural wonder of its canopy of 300-year-old oak trees.



MARCH 22: New Orleans

Tie up in New Orleans near historic Jackson Square and bid your ship adieu. But give in to the temptation to hang around and explore.

FARES INCLUDE;

1. Seven night cruise on the American Queen
2. Free excursion tours at every port of call
3. One-night luxury hotel stay and transfers before or after your voyage
4. Complimentary bottled water and soft drinks
5. Complimentary wines and beers with dinner.
6. An array of sumptuous dining options including regional cuisine by famed American chef Regina Charboneau.
7. Captain's Champagne Welcome Reception and Gala Dinner
8. All regular shore tours
9. Hot and cold canapés at cocktail hour every evening.

OTHER BENEFITS TO LOOK FORWARD TO ABOARD THE ONLY AUTHENTIC OVERNIGHT PADDLEWHEEL STEAMBOAT IN AMERICA ARE:

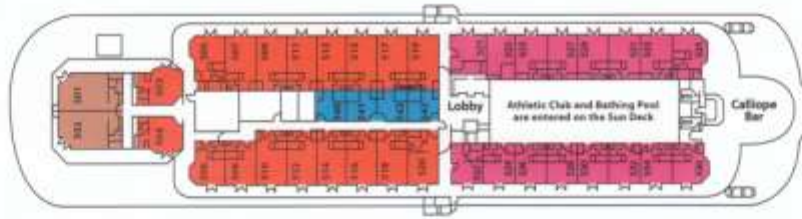
1. Prices are practically the same from long ago
2. The ambiance of an antebellum mansion
3. Real Tickets, no e-docs
4. No formal wear required! Casual elegance
5. Professional Showboat-Style entertainment nightly
6. Nightly dancing to Swing, Big Band and Dixieland Jazz
7. Enthralling Calliope concerts and a chance for guests to play too
8. Daily lectures by the Riverlorian, our onboard river historian
9. Gracious, friendly service from a professionally trained All-American staff
10. Afternoon tea and moonlight late-night supper
11. All staterooms feature gourmet coffee brewers and Starbucks coffee.
12. Special rates available through us with Hertz on one-way fares and no drop off fees!
13. Special rates available through us with Amtrak. I can't think of a better way to see America!

.....and more!

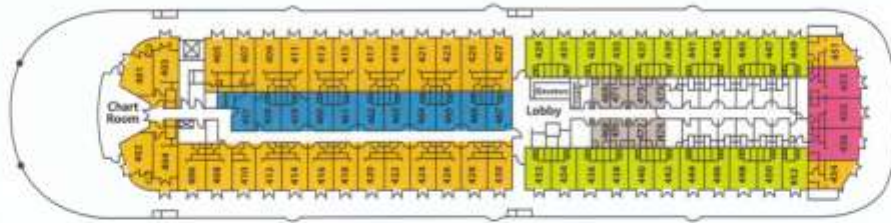
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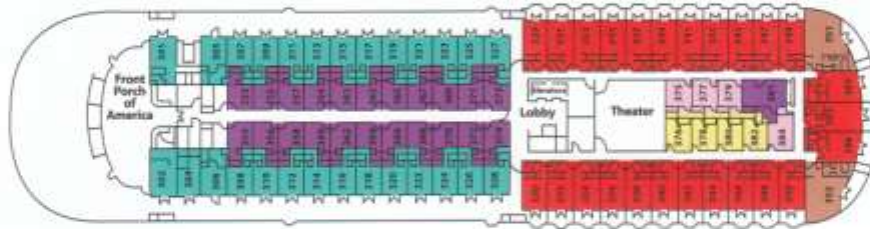
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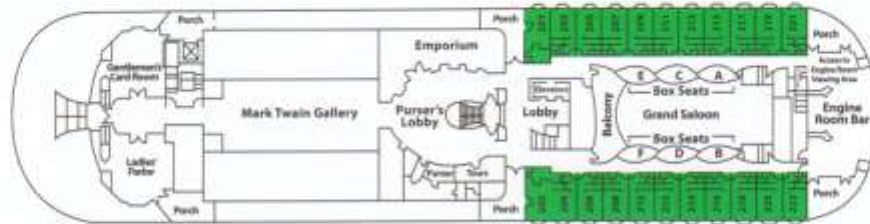
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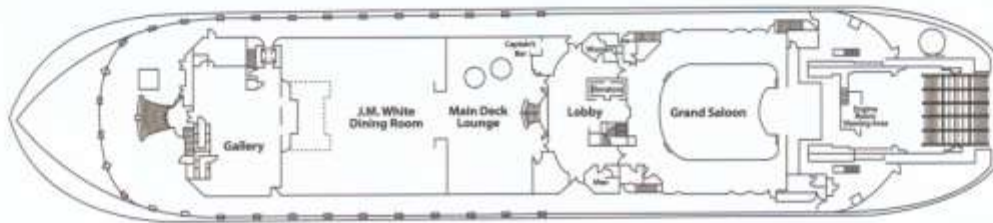
OBSERVATION DECK



TEXAS DECK



CABIN DECK



MAIN DECK

GREAT AMERICAN STEAMBOAT COMPANY
TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF PASSAGE CONTRACT

DEPOSIT AND FINAL PAYMENT

For confirmation of individual reservations, a deposit of \$350 per person is due within seven (7) days of your initial reservation. Failure to confirm your reservation in a timely manner will result in the cancellation of the reservation. The balance of the voyage fare and, if booked through Carrier, the vacation package fare, are due ninety (90) days before departure, and all reservations not fully paid at such time will be canceled and subject to the cancellation provisions set forth in the Cancellation Policy paragraph below. Carrier accepts the following forms of payment: agency check, MasterCard, Visa, Discover, Diner's Club or American Express. No agency check will be accepted less than fifteen (15) days prior to your travel commencement date. Reservations made ninety (90) days or less before departure date will require payment in full by credit card at the time of booking.

GUARANTEE AND RATE

Once we have received your deposit or full payment, the cruise rate is secure. In the event of substantial increases in operating costs, tariffs or taxes prior to the sailing date, we reserve the right to add a surcharge. Additional governmental taxes and customs fees may apply. All assessed government or quasi-government fees and taxes are subject to change without notice at any time, and we reserve the right to add a surcharge for these fees and taxes whether you have a confirmed booking under deposit or have made final payment. All rates and information in this brochure were in effect at time of printing and are subject to change. The Carrier reserves the right to charge a fuel supplement without prior notice should the closing price of fuel increase. In the event a fuel supplement is charged, the Carrier will have sole discretion to apply the supplementary charge to both existing and new bookings, regardless of whether such bookings have been paid in full. Such supplementary charges are not included in the voyage fare.

CANCELLATION POLICY

Should you need to cancel your voyage or vacation package, you must contact the Great American Steamboat Company. The Great American Steamboat Company LLC, reserves the right to cancel all reservations for which final payment is not received 90 days prior to the voyage commencement date. All cancellations are subject to a \$100 per person administrative fee. Cancellations will be subject to the following charges:

Cancellations received 90-60 days before Commencement Date: Guests will forfeit 50% of fare. Cancellations received 59-31 days before commencement date: Guests will forfeit 75% of all monies paid. Cancellations received 30 days or fewer will forfeit 100% of all monies paid. The Great American Steamboat Company LLC is not obligated to refund any portion of the Steamboat/vacation package fare or other payments for a Guest who must leave the voyage prematurely for medical or any other reason.

TRAVEL INSURANCE INFORMATION

Cancellation insurance is available at a reasonable cost from various insurance providers and is strongly recommended. Policies can be obtained that provide protection in the event of trip cancellation, preexisting medical conditions, trip interruption, personal injury or damage to property. We strongly suggest that you purchase travel insurance to cover 100% of your vacation cost as there are no exceptions to the cancellation penalties. Cancellation and trip interruption insurance is available through our company by Trip Mate. Please call our Reservations Department for further information.

MEDICAL ATTENTION AND SPECIAL NEEDS

We require advance notice (at time of reservation) from Guests who may need some

kind of special attention or accommodation. This will allow our crew to better serve them and make their Steamboat vacation a most enjoyable experience.

Physically challenged individuals are welcome aboard, and the staff gives very special attention to their needs. Certain safety regulations (raised thresholds, for example) may cause minor difficulty for the mobility-impaired. Increased wheelchair-accessible accommodations are available on the *American Queen*, which has elevators and hallways that aid convenience. Carrier reserves the right to refuse or revoke passage to anyone who is, in sole judgment of Carrier, physically or mentally incapable of traveling on the steamboat vacation or who may require care beyond that which Carrier can provide. No medical facilities, personnel or treatment of any kind is available on board. In an emergency, professional medical assistance may take several hours to reach the steamboat. Please be sure to bring along any prescribed medicine and all necessary items for your comfort or needs.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Children – One child (2 years old or younger) travels free in some staterooms on the *American Queen* when sharing the stateroom with two full-fare adults. Children under 18 aboard any of the steamboats must be accompanied by an adult.

Personal Identification – All Guests must carry personal identification and/or proof of citizenship at all times. Acceptable forms of identification are State Driver's License or Passport/Visa. All fares are shown in U.S. Dollars, and all onboard services, supplies and purchases are in U.S. Dollars.

Clothing – Attire throughout the voyage is elegant casual. No formal wear required.

Dining Arrangements – Breakfast and lunch are open seating. There are two seatings for dinner. To make a seating request, please call your Travel Agent, group leader or our Reservations Department at your earliest convenience after making reservations. While we make every effort to honor requests, actual seating assignments are not guaranteed and can only be confirmed at time of departure.

Smoking – Smoking is only permitted in designated outside areas aboard the *American Queen*. All other areas of the *American Queen* are strictly non-smoking.

The *American Queen* is owned and operated by the Great American Steamboat Company LLC, Inc.; is regularly inspected by the U.S. Coast Guard; is of American registry; and employs American officers, crew and staff.

PLEASE SEE FULL TERMS AND CONDITIONS
AND DETAILED PASSAGE CONTRACT AT
GREATAMERICANSTEAMBOATCOMPANY.COM
OR HAVE THE TERMS EMAILED TO YOU
UPON REQUEST.

INTERNATIONAL CHRISTIAN JOURNEYS / HADAR TRAVEL AND TOURS CANCELLATION AND REFUND POLICY

The following fees will be assessed for all cancellations: from deposit to 90 days prior to departure \$100 per person; less than 90 days prior to departure \$300 per person plus all non-refundable expenses incurred by International Christian Journeys/Hadar Travel and Tours and its Marketing representatives on the group's behalf.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

International Christian Journeys/Hadar Travel and Tours is acting as intermediary in selling services and making bookings and reservations for airlines, hotels, land and water transportation, meals, tours, etc. This agency, therefore, shall not be responsible for breach of contract or any intentional or careless action or omission on the part of such suppliers that results in any loss, damage, delay or injury to you or group members. International Christian Journeys/Hadar Travel and Tours is further not responsible for acts of God, fire, breakdown in machinery, acts of governments or other authorities, acts of war whether declared or not, hostilities, civil disturbances, strikes, pilferage, epidemics, quarantines, customs regulations, delays or cancellation or change of itinerary or schedule or for any loss beyond their control. This agency is not responsible for loss or damage resulting from improper or insufficient passports, visas or other documents. International Christian Journeys/Hadar Travel and Tours is not liable or responsible for any additional expenses or liability sustained or incurred by the client as a result of any of the foregoing clauses.

The right is reserved to decline to accept or retain any person as a member of any tour as circumstances may demand it. Baggage is carried at the owner's risk and baggage insurance is recommended. No refunds for tour portions or unused services can be made unless agreed to prior to departure of the tour.

Your retention of tickets, reservations or bookings after issuance shall constitute a consent to the above and agreement on your part to the current price and may be subject to change without notice prior to departure. The price is a special group rate based upon all passengers following the same itinerary.

Trip cancellation insurance is recommended. All notices of cancellation must be in writing.

SPECIAL NOTE:

**All passports must be valid for six (6) months
after the date of your return.**