Ancient Traditions of the Inland Sea of Japan

Kyoto • Hiroshima • Miyajima • Matsue • Himeji • Osaka

A voyage aboard the Exclusively Chartered Small Ship
Five-Star M.S. LE SOLEAL

May 4 to 15, 2016
Dear Alumni, Parents and Friends:

Experience the timeless splendor of Japan and South Korea on this custom-designed 10-night itinerary—featuring enthralling ports steeped in the traditions of ancient Buddhist shoguns and Samurai warriors, landscapes dotted with Shinto shrines, imperial castles and meticulous Japanese gardens—on land and by sea, the best way to see the richness of this beautiful region.

Skidmore has secured a limited number of cabins on board the exclusively chartered, Five-Star small ship M.S. LE SOLEAL, featuring only 110 ocean-view Suites and Staterooms. Cruise from Himeji, Japan, and enjoy your voyage along the coast of the tranquil Inland Sea and South Korea, with port calls at several of the most fascinating points of interest, featuring five UNESCO World Heritage sites. Don’t miss this opportunity to travel with other members of the Skidmore community and with alumni from other colleges and universities across the country.

Prior to embarking the ship, spend three nights in the enchanting city of Kyoto, its serene landscape brimming with elegant cherry blossom trees. This charming city was the imperial capital of Japan from A.D. 794 until the mid-19th century, and has been the cultural capital of this island nation for more than 1000 years. See the historic monuments of ancient Kyoto, a designated UNESCO World Heritage site—visit the opulent temples of Ryoan-ji, Kinkaku-ji and Kiyomizu and Nijo Castle, an imperial gem. Stroll through the iconic red-orange torii gates and temple grounds of the Fushimi Inari Shrine, dedicated to the deity of sake and rice, and walk through the most famous geisha district in all of Japan, the Gion District.

Visit impressive Himeji Castle, the oldest surviving feudal structure of medieval Japan; walk through poignant Peace Memorial Park in Hiroshima and visit its comprehensive museum; tour Itsukushima Shrine in Miyajima with its awe-inspiring Great Torii Gate, which appears to float on water at high tide. In Gyeongju, South Korea, see the glorious Buddhist Bulguksa Temple, which represents the material expression of Buddhist utopia on Earth, and the ancient Silla Kingdom Royal Burial Mounds. In Moji, admire the beautiful Mekari and Akama Shrines, and observe the lively excitement of a Japanese fish market.

This unique itinerary is an excellent value featuring Five-Star accommodations and at least one included excursion each day in the most beautiful and culturally fascinating ports along the Inland Sea of Japan. This program is sure to sell out quickly, so I encourage you to book now while space and Early Booking Savings are available.

Sincerely,

Sibyl Waterman Haley '71
President, Skidmore College Alumni Association
Traditions, Ceremony and Ritual

A mysterious island nation, one of unsurpassed natural beauty and a way of life found nowhere else in the world, Japan and its fascinating culture is laden with ancient spiritual rituals, symbolism, stately ceremony and rich, storied tradition—the beginnings of which originated thousands of years ago. Tea ceremonies, Goh drama, ikebana (“the way of the flowers”), matsuri (the many seasonal festivals of worship) and classical landscape gardens are just some of the long-held traditions an immersion into Japanese culture will unveil. Experience the time-honored formality of the tea ceremony and look for the four different types of classical gardens: the paradise garden, kare-sansui (dry landscape) garden, stroll garden and tea garden, each with a different symbolic interpretation. You have the opportunity to stroll the harmonious landscaping of Koraku-en Gardens near Okayama. And, perhaps silent contemplation will reveal to you the lessons of the kare-sansui rock garden at Ryōan-ji, Kyoto’s Temple of the Peaceful Dragon, founded in 1450. This garden, one of the most famous in the world, represents the ultimate expression of Zen Buddhism—legend says that only 14 of the 15 rocks in the garden can be seen at once, and only when you attain spiritual enlightenment does the final stone reveal itself.

U.S.
Wednesday, May 4
Depart the U.S. and cross the International Date Line.

Osaka, Japan/Kyoto
Thursday, May 5
Arrive in Osaka, then transfer to beautiful Kyoto, the impeccably preserved former imperial capital of Japan. Check into the ideally located Five-Star KYOTO HOTEL OKURA. The remainder of the day is at leisure.

Kyoto
Friday, May 6
In timeless Kyoto, enjoy an ethereal setting of grand imperial castles, tranquil Zen gardens and graceful Shinto shrines that manifest Japanese culture in its purest form. Many of Kyoto’s ancient buildings and gardens are designated UNESCO World Heritage sites, including grandiose Nijō Castle, built by the shogun of the powerful Tokugawa dynasty (1603 to 1867); iconic Kinkaku-ji Temple, the famed 14th-century Temple of the Golden Pavilion, whose top two floors are completely adorned with gold leaf; and the Ryōan-ji Temple, originally an aristocrat’s villa during the Heian Period (794 to 1185), featuring a contemplative rock garden. Drawing inspiration from the Zen gardens of Kyoto, Steve Jobs used Ryōan-ji Temple as a place of meditation and its minimalistic simplicity as the guiding aesthetic principle of Apple™ products.

This afternoon, enjoy a visit to the captivating Fushimi Inari Shrine, one of the oldest Shinto shrines in Japan—the earliest structures were constructed in 711, dedicated to the deity of sake and rice. Its iconic red-orange torii gates lead up in succession to the magnificent Inari Mountain.

Join your traveling companions for a Welcome Reception this evening.

Kyoto
Saturday, May 7
Visit the UNESCO World Heritage site Kiyomizu Temple, which translates to “Pure Water Temple,” and is one of the most celebrated temples in Japan.

Cover Photo: Miyajima’s Great Torii Gate is thought to be the boundary between the spirit and the human worlds.
Photo this page: Kyoto’s UNESCO-designated Golden Pavilion functions as a shariden, housing relics of the Buddha.
Founded in 780 by the Hosso sect—one of the oldest schools of Japanese Buddhism—this elegant structure, built without a single nail on a wooded hillside above the Otowa Falls, is known for its spectacular views of surrounding Kyoto.

This afternoon, enjoy a traditional Japanese tea ceremony and visit the Gion District, known for its historical beauty, distinctive Japanese architecture and geisha performances.

**Kyoto/Himeji**
**Sunday, May 8**
Enjoy the morning at leisure before a scenic transfer to the extraordinary Himeji Castle, a UNESCO World Heritage site regarded as the oldest and grandest surviving feudal castle from 15th- to 17th-century Japan. This elegant structure was crafted entirely out of wood and comprises 83 buildings. In Japanese, it is referred to as Shirasagi-jo, meaning “white egret castle,” for its resemblance to a bird taking flight.

Later this afternoon, embark the M.S. LE SOLEAL.

**Hiroshima/Miyajima**
**Monday, May 9**
Visit Hiroshima’s compelling Peace Memorial Park, a tranquil, urban green space where the remains of the Genbaku Dome, which survived the forces of the atomic bomb, are a designated UNESCO World Heritage site and stand as a universal symbol of peace. Visit the Peace Memorial Museum, which chronicles the history of Hiroshima.

Continue to Miyajima, or “Shrine Island.” Tour the impressive sixth-century Itsukushima Shrine, a UNESCO World Heritage site, and see its stunning vermilion Great Torii Gate, both of which appear to float on water during high tide.

**Hagi**
**Tuesday, May 10**
Originally a small fishing port, the cultural town of Hagi was fortified by Môri Terumoto in 1604. Enjoy a walking tour of the old samurai quarter, where many former samurai dwellings still stand and the roads are lined with original 19th-century earthen walls. Visit the early 17th-century Kikuya House, the former residence of a merchant wealthy enough to live among the samurai and one of the best-preserved examples of merchant-style architecture from the Edo Period. Tour the 17th-century Toko-ji Temple, from the Obaku School of Japanese Zen Buddhism, and see its 500 moss-covered stone lanterns honoring the Môri clan lords. Visit a Hagi-yaki pottery kiln, where highly prized tea wares are produced using centuries-old skills and craft techniques, and the Hagi Uragami Museum, which displays over 5000 traditional woodblock prints and porcelain pieces.

The Purification Hall, or Haraiden, of Itsukushima Shrine faces the Great Torii Gate and has been used for monthly festivals and for performing religious dances on rainy days.
Matsue
Wednesday, May 11
Enjoy a scenic drive through Matsue to tour the acclaimed Adachi Museum of Art. This stunning combination of Japanese art and garden design features a collection of 20th-century paintings and modern art, while the perfectly landscaped gardens, featuring a kare-sansui (dry landscape) garden, are widely considered to be the best in the country.

Return to the ship for lunch and an afternoon of cruising with lectures by our onboard study leaders.

Ulsan, South Korea, for Gyeongju
Thursday, May 12
Travel across the magnificent landscape from Ulsan, South Korea, to the cradle of the Silla Kingdom (57 B.C. to A.D. 935) in the historic city of Gyeongju. Visit the glorious Bulguksa Temple, a UNESCO World Heritage site and part of a religious architectural complex that represents a material expression of Buddhist utopia on Earth. The complex is divided into three areas—the Vairocana Buddha Hall, the Hall of Great Enlightenment and the Hall of Supreme Bliss—and comprises a series of wooden buildings on raised stone terraces, featuring multiple bridges and two pagodas.

Visit Gyeongju National Museum, which houses priceless archaeological and historical artifacts. Enjoy a specially arranged Korean lunch in a local restaurant featuring the regional specialty, galbi gui.

After lunch, visit the Royal Burial Mounds at Tumuli Park where, in 1974, the 43-foot-high Cheonmachong (Heavenly Horse) Tomb, dating from the fifth century, was excavated, revealing over 10,000 royal treasures inside.

Moji, Japan
Friday, May 13
Enjoy a tour of Moji. Visit the beautiful Mekari Shrine, built by Empress Jingu, wife of the 14th Emperor of Japan, to give thanks to the gods. See Mimosusogawa Park and its monuments honoring the Genpei War, (1180 to 1185), and visit the Akama Shrine, dedicated to the child Emperor Antoku.

Then, experience the lively excitement of the Karato Fish Market, a wholesale market where professional chefs come to purchase the freshest seafood to prepare time-honored recipes and sushi in their restaurants.

Enjoy the Captain’s Farewell Reception on board this evening.

Uno
Saturday, May 14
From the port of Uno, participate in one of two included excursions. Enjoy a scenic drive to the lovely town of Kurashiki, which translates to “storehouse village,” one of the best-preserved mercantile towns in Japan; its distinctive black and white latticed buildings remain from the 17th-century Edo period. Visit the old merchant quarter and walk among the traditional kara (granary) buildings beside small, tranquil canals framed by weeping willows. Or, choose to visit the famous Koraku-en Gardens, situated on the outskirts of Okayama. Commissioned by Lord Ikedo in 1700, it is a classic strolling garden divided into three sections featuring bamboo, pine, plum and cherry trees and tea bushes.

Osaka/U.S.
Sunday, May 15
Disembark in Osaka and continue on the Kanazawa Post-Program Option, or transfer to the airport for your return flight to the U.S.
**Five-Star M.S. Le Soléal**

**Small Ship, State-of-the-Art Design**
The highly acclaimed, exclusively chartered M.S. Le Soléal, launched in 2013, represents the newest generation of Five-Star small ships, featuring only 110 Suites and Staterooms and distinctive French sophistication.

**Spacious 100% Ocean-View Suites and Staterooms, 95% with Private Balconies**
Each large, air-conditioned Stateroom and Suite (200 to 484 square feet) features a private bathroom with shower or tub/shower combination and luxurious Five-Star hotel amenities. Most accommodations have two twin beds that convert into one queen bed, individual climate control, satellite flat-screen television, wireless Internet access, safe, minibar, full-length closet, writing desk/dressing table, hair dryer, plush robes and slippers.

**Chic and Casual Dining**
International and regional cuisine is served in the stylish, spacious L’Eclipse dining room in single, unassigned seatings; alfresco in the casual Pytheas Restaurant; or from 24-hour room service. Continental and buffet breakfast, buffet lunch, afternoon tea and a four-course dinner are served daily. Complimentary alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages are served throughout the cruise.

**Spacious Public Areas/World-Class Service and Facilities**
In keeping with the low passenger density relative to the ship’s size, the public areas are spacious and inviting and can accommodate all passengers comfortably. Enjoy sweeping views from the Panoramic Lounge, nightly entertainment in the Main Lounge, and lectures, cultural performances and film screenings in the state-of-the-art theater. There is a library, Internet suite, Sun Deck, swimming pool, beauty salon, spa, Turkish bath-style steam room, a full range of fitness equipment and two elevators. The infirmary is staffed with a doctor and nurse. The highly trained international crew provides personable and attentive service.

**Respect for the Environment**
The state-of-the-art propulsion system and custom-built stabilizers provide an exceptionally smooth, quiet and comfortable voyage. By design, the ship is energy efficient and environmentally protective of marine ecosystems and has been awarded the prestigious “Clean Ship” rating, an extreme rarity among ocean-cruising vessels. The ship has two tenders.
Included Features

In Kyoto, Japan

◆ Three nights in the Five-Star KYOTO HOTEL OKURA.
◆ Full American buffet breakfast each morning.
◆ Welcome Reception.
◆ Tour impressive Nijo Castle, built by a powerful shogun of the Tokugawa dynasty and a UNESCO World Heritage site.
◆ Visit the magnificent UNESCO World Heritage-designated temples of Ryoan-ji, Kinkaku-ji and Kiyomizu.
◆ See the beautiful vermilion gates of the Fushimi Inari Shrine leading up to Inari Mountain.
◆ Traditional Japanese tea ceremony experience.

Transfer from Kyoto to Himeji, including lunch.

On board the exclusively chartered Five-Star small ship M.S. LE SOLÉAL

◆ Seven-night cruise from Himeji, Japan, with port calls at Ulsan for Gyeongju, South Korea; and Hiroshima, Miyajima, Hagi, Sakaiminato for Matsue, Moji, Uno for Kurashiki and Osaka, Japan.
◆ Spacious, Five-Star, ocean-view Suite and Stateroom accommodations, each with a private bathroom.
◆ All meals—continental breakfast, buffet breakfast, buffet lunch, afternoon tea and dinner—throughout the cruise, featuring fine international and regional cuisine, served at single, unassigned seatings.
◆ Complimentary alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages are served throughout the cruise.
◆ Captain’s Welcome and Farewell Receptions.

Enhanced Travel Services

◆ Transfers and luggage handling abroad for participants whose arrival(s)/departure(s) coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s).
◆ All excursions and visits, as outlined above, with experienced local guides.
◆ Gratuities to local guides and drivers on included excursions and transfers.
◆ Hospitality desk in the hotel and aboard ship.
◆ The services of experienced Gohagan & Company Travel Directors throughout the program.
◆ Travel document wallet, name badge and pre-departure information.
◆ Complimentary use of a state-of-the-art audio headset for each participant during guided excursions.
◆ Automatic $250,000 flight insurance policy for each participant ticketed on flights by Gohagan & Company.
En route to Kyoto aboard the Bullet Train, look for majestic Mt. Fuji, Japan’s highest mountain.

**Tokyo Pre-Program Option**

Experience Japan’s capital and the world’s most populous metropolis during your Pre-Program stay in vibrant Tokyo. Beneath the layers of thriving business districts, amidst the contemporary architectural achievements and a wellspring of Japanese pop culture, you will find venerable wooden houses fronted by bonsai trees and shrines wreathed in incense smoke—the inherent cultural core of this historic city. Explore notable landmarks such as Tokyo’s most important Shinto shrine, the Meiji Shrine, the magnificent gardens of the Imperial Palace, and a full-day excursion to Hakone to view the tallest peak in Japan—the iconic Mt. Fuji—a UNESCO World Heritage site. Enjoy a high-speed transfer aboard the legendary Bullet Train to charming Kyoto to commence the main program. Accommodations are for three nights in the prestigious, Five-Star ANA INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL TOKYO.

**Kanazawa Post-Program Option**

Visit remarkable Kanazawa, one of the best-preserved cities in Japan. Enjoy an excursion to the UNESCO World Heritage site of historic Shirakawa-go and the village of Ogimachi, famous for its traditional gassho-zukuri (praying hands) farmhouses—a reference to the shape of the roofs. Experience the art of Washi papermaking, a centuries-old Japanese handcrafting tradition and part of UNESCO’s Intangible Cultural Heritage list. Visit Kenroku-en Garden, one of the three Great Gardens of Japan, created for the enjoyment of feudal lords who lived in its 16th-century castle; and the Higashi Chaya district with historic teahouses where geisha once lived; and see the Nagamachi samurai district. Accommodations are for two nights in the deluxe ANA CROWNE PLAZA KANAZAWA and for one night in the Five-Star ANA INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL TOKYO.

Pre- and Post-Program Options are available at additional cost. Details will be provided with your reservation confirmation.

Ogimachi, the largest village of Shirakawa-go—a UNESCO World Heritage site—is home to dozens of well-preserved, centuries-old gassho-zukuri farmhouses.
LAND/Cruise TARIFF (per person, based on double occupancy)

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Preferred Name(s) on Badge(s) Tour No. 140-05/04-16 265

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Enclosed is my/our check for $ _______ as deposit. Make checks payable to 2016 Ancient Traditions of the Inland Sea of Japan.
I/We authorize you to charge my/our deposit of $ _______ to:
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Card Number Exp. Date

Signature as it appears on credit card

All FINAL PAYMENTS are required to be made by check or wire transfer by January 29, 2016.

Please make my/our reservation(s) in Stateroom Category:
1st Choice _____ 2nd Choice _____
Double occupancy (two twin beds).
Double occupancy (one queen bed).
Single accommodations.
I am reserving as a single but prefer to share accommodations and will allow you to select my roommate (shares cannot be guaranteed).

Please make my/our reservation(s):
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Double at $1650 per person.
Single at $980 per person.
I am reserving as a single but prefer to share accommodations and will allow you to select my roommate (shares cannot be guaranteed).

Kanazawa Post-Program Option
Double at $1470 per person.
Single at $1595 per person.
I am reserving as a single but prefer to share accommodations and will allow you to select my roommate (shares cannot be guaranteed).

I/We want you to book my/our air from
________ (fill in departure city) to and from Osaka, Japan, at additional cost to be advised.¹
Class: Economy Business First
Note: Airfare is subject to change and availability and is nonrefundable.
I/We will make my/our own air arrangements.

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