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January-March 2020

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Spotlight on 2020 River Cruises

Burgundy/Provence River Cruise – October 10-20

Cruise through France along the Rhône and Saône Rivers with guided sightseeing to see French treasures and hidden gems. Take in the beautiful countryside, quaint villages and towns, with captivating views of France. First port of call is Lyon, France's gastronomic capital, founded by the Romans in 43 BC, and a showcase of medieval and Renaissance architecture. Visit the popular Place des Terreaux with its lively cafés, fountains and monuments. Be sure to sample Beaujolais, the famous wine of the region. Beautifully nestled among vineyards, you'll next find the city of Tournon, a medieval treasure with plenty of Roman ruins and a fascinating 16th-century castle, where you'll take a guided walk. Continue your river cruise to historical Avignon to see the 14th-century Palace of the Popes, the largest gothic fortress in the world. On the Rhône River sits Arles, France—famous for inspiring the paintings of Van Gogh and for its 1st-century Roman Amphitheater, which hosts plays and concerts to this day. Take advantage of your free time to stop in Le Café van Gogh to see the surroundings as the famous artist did.



Tournon, France along the Rhone River

Vietnam, Cambodia and Mekong River Cruise – November 1-14 (front cover photo)

This unique and inspiring Southeast Asia river cruise will immerse you in ancient traditions and cultures as you tour and spend time with locals in the most fascinating places along the mighty Mekong River. Bustling Ho Chi Minh City combines historic architecture with modern skyscrapers. See the famous landmarks and try your hand in the kitchen Vietnamese-style, with a cooking class. Take an excursion to the Cu Chi Tunnels where you can walk through a section of the immense underground tunnel system used extensively during the Vietnam War. Cruise along the Mekong River and visit a colorful market, the home of a local family making handcrafted sampans, and a workshop to learn how rice wine and traditional candies are made.

In Phnom Penh, Cambodia, tour the National Museum and Royal Palace with its striking Silver Pagoda. On the hilltop of the 8th-century temple of Wat Hanchey, take in the stunning views before walking through the rural village of Angkor Ban to visit with welcoming schoolchildren. Take an ox cart ride among rice paddy fields and witness the daily lives of farmers. The grand finale of this memorable Southeast Asia cruisetour is a stay in Siem Reap, gateway to the phenomenal Temples of Angkor, where you'll visit the intricately designed, architectural wonder of Angkor Wat and the Bayon temple of Angkor Thom, featuring 200 mysterious faces carved in its many towers. Then enjoy an inspiring Aspara dance performance—a perfect ending!



**Join CET for England's Treasures
September 16-27**

News You Can Use

Real ID License Beginning October 1, 2020 you will need a new form of your Illinois Driver's License known as a Real ID License if you wish to use your license for the required valid ID to board a plane for flights within the United States. If your current license does not expire before that date and you wish to wait until it does expire to get the new license, other forms of ID accepted will be a valid passport, military ID or a Global Entry card. Visit realid.ilsos.gov for details and the required documents you will need to bring with you to the DMV when you do renew. And do plan to spend some time at the DMV!

Hold Mail Request If you want to put your mail on hold while you are out of town, for your privacy and security the United States Postal Service is now requiring you to create an account and password prior to submitting a Hold Mail Request. Visit reg.usps.com several weeks before you depart to set up your account.

CE Travel and Events Calendar

Extended Air and Motorcoach Tours

2020

March

24-31 Savannah & Charleston

April

25-May 3 California Coast

26-May 2 Biltmore Estate, Asheville, NC

May

13-17 New York City

16-23 Yosemite, Sequoia & Kings Canyon

18-26 Spain

June

3-11 Iceland

6-14 Germany featuring the Oberammergau Passion Play

16-29 Alaska Land & Sea

17-19 Mississippi River Magic

19-29 Rome, Paris & London

July

10-24 Scotland

13-16 Mini Mystery Tour

August

14-17 Cubs at Toronto

15-23 Pacific Northwest

September

8-15 Yellowstone, Glacier & Grand Tetons

14-19 Cape Cod

15-24 Canadian Rockies

16-27 England

19-27 Southwest National Parks

30-Oct 5 Black Hills & Mt Rushmore

October

7-9 Door County

10-20 Burgundy/Provence River Cruise

13-19 Maine

20-22 French Lick

November

1-14 Mekong River Cruise

9-14 Smoky Mountain Christmas

December

28-Jan 2, 2021 Tournament of Roses Parade



Cape Cod

Theatre/Opera/Ballet Trips with Lunch

2020

February

13 *Summer—The Donna Summer Musical* at the Nederlander

March

5 *Madama Butterfly* at the Lyric Opera

8 *Teatro Zinzanni* at Spiegel Tent Zazou, Cambria Hotel

April

26 Joffrey Ballet's *Don Quixote* at the Auditorium Theatre

May

6 *Kinky Boots* at Aurora's Paramount Theatre

June

10 *42nd Street* at the Lyric Opera

August

5 *Cinderella* at Fireside Theatre

26 *Come From Away* at Cadillac Palace

September

9 *Dear Evan Hansen* at the Nederlander Theatre

November

4 *Frozen* at Cadillac Palace

11 *Holiday Inn* at Fireside Theatre

January

13 *Moulin Rouge* at Nederlander Theatre

Last call—Don't miss out on saving money!

Early Booking Discounts Book

by **2/1/20** for Pacific Northwest 8/15-23, Cape Cod 9/14-19, Smoky Mountain Christmas 11/9-14 and Tournament of Roses Parade 12/28-1/2/21

by **2/15** for Spain 5/18-26; Rome, Paris and London 6/19-29; Scotland 7/10-24

by **3/17** for England's Treasures 9/16-27, Burgundy/Provence River Cruise 10/10-20; Vietnam, Cambodia and Mekong River Cruise 11/1-14.

Savings range from \$50-\$500.

February-June Day Trips with Lunch

2020

February

11 Majestic Eagles of Starved Rock

26 Historic Palmer House

March

3 Tiffany Windows at Driehaus Museum

24 Sanfilippo Mansion

31 Made in Chicago – (*Second departure*)

April

1 Made in Chicago – (*Sold out*)

24 Chinatown

May

7 The Chicago Outfit

12 Lake Geneva's Black Pointe Estate

18 Dueling Pianos at Starved Rock

24 Cubs at Milwaukee

28 Gardens of Rock River Valley

June

9 Emerson Creek Pottery & Lynfred Winery

16 Odyssey Chicago River Cruise & Maritime Museum

26 Milwaukee Fish Fry & Boat Cruise

Calling all Cubs Fans!

Our annual out-of-town trip is to Toronto this year to see the Cubbies take on the Blue Jays, August 14-17. We plan to include two games at Rogers Centre, a city tour, a harbour cruise and visits to Ripley's Aquarium and the CN Tower. Sounds good, eh? Our Day Trip to Milwaukee to see the Cubs take on the Brewers is scheduled for May 24. Call to book now! **Go Cubs!**

Reminder

—If you see or receive an email about a tour offered by any of our travel partners (American Classic Tours, Globus Family of Brands or Collette) that is not on our Travel Calendar, simply contact us and we can book it for you. That way you earn and can use CET Rewards/Discounts and we get the credit. *Win, win!*

TravelTalks!

Mark your calendars! Day Trips for July-December 2020 will be announced at the upcoming **April 16 Travel Talks!**, 1-4 p.m.

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Mark your calendar: *Travel Talks!* on April 16 from 1-4 p.m.

Testimonials

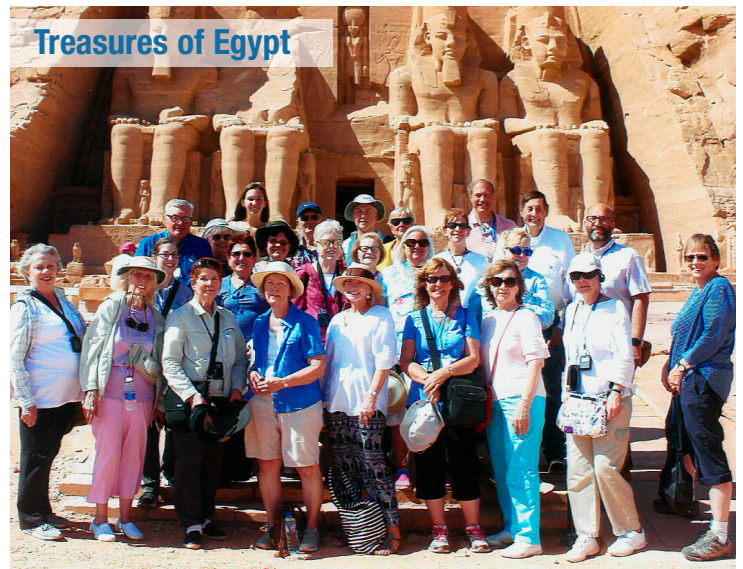


"Look forward to my next trip. My fellow passengers were fun-loving, friendly, a terrific group. Thank you all for your great effort. All your hard work did not go unnoticed."
— Lesley B, *Branson Christmas*

"Everything was fabulous! Thank you for an unforgettable experience." — Gayle S, *Hallmark Kansas City Christmas*

CET brings you to the theatre, opera and ballet!

Do you enjoy the arts but don't like the idea of driving downtown or to far suburbs, finding parking, and deciding where to eat? CET has the answer for you—join one of our Day Trips and we'll do all the planning for you! We include parking at the CET Lot for the day, deluxe restroom-equipped motorcoach transportation, three-course lunch at Petterino's or similar, Dress Circle or similar tickets and the gratuity for your driver and guide. Check out the Travel Calendar for a list of all the performances we are offering. Some to take note of: The Lyric Opera's *Madama Butterfly*, the story of an enchanting geisha and an American Naval officer; the new phenomenal *Teatro Zinzanni*, where cirque, comedy, opera and cabaret combine to merge reality with dreams; Joffrey Ballet's *Don Quixote*, an aging and eccentric nobleman who imagines himself a valiant knight; CET's debut trip to Aurora's Paramount Theatre for *Kinky Boots*, and our return to Fireside for *Cinderella* and *Holiday Inn*. And don't miss the fabulous musicals from Broadway in Chicago!



CET's Group to Egypt last November "pose like an Egyptian" in front of the Abu Simbel Temple. From Left to Right: Front Row—Marilyn Gebhardt, Donna Dorn, Dianne Dall, Marge Verbeke, Dawn Overend, (Friend of group from New Zealand), Mary Odishoo, Annabelle Kowalski, Janet Leahy; Second Row—Claire McCully, Lucy McGinn, Carol Kantoris, Renee Horlock, Dee Mielzynski, Char Edmiston, Rita Angelini, Cindy Angermeier, Geoff Edwards; Back Row—Terry Mielzynski, Diane Szakonyi, Marina Riess, Andy Kantoris, Wally Wengel, Marilyn Daleburn, CET Tour Director Bob Ramian, Bob Edmiston. Congratulations and a big thank you to Marilyn Daleburn—this was her 50th Trip with CET!!

"This was a great trip, very memorable. It is one I never thought I would take, but now am glad I did. Bob (Ramian) was very helpful to all of us. Never felt unsafe."
— Dee M, *Treasures of Egypt*