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Explore the fascinating history of Europe’s Atlantic coast with fellow alumni and Yale historian Adam Tooze on a ten-night cruise from Ireland to Spain aboard the elegant Sea Cloud II. Our voyage is book-ended by two great maritime cities, Dublin and Bilbao, with port calls along the coasts of southern England, Normandy, and the Aquitaine, and at the scenic harbor of La Rochelle.

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Sincerely yours,

Katherine Edersheim ’87
Senior Director, International Alumni Relations and Travel Association of Yale Alumni

Adam Tooze teaches modern history at Yale. He is English by birth, was raised in Germany, and taught for 13 years at the University of Cambridge. He has published extensively on World War II, most notably his book Wages of Destruction: The Making and Breaking of the Nazi Economy. Prof. Tooze is currently finishing a book about the Atlantic world in the era of World War I, traversing the history, amongst others, of Britain, Ireland, France, and the United States. At Yale he serves as co-director of the Institute for Security Studies, where the history and future of the Atlantic alliance is one of his central preoccupations.
Visit the picturesque Benedictine Abbey and the village that lies in the shadow of its walls at Mont Saint-Michel, a rocky islet buffeted by powerful tides between Normandy and Brittany. Also enjoy the “fruits of the vine” at a beautiful Bordeaux vineyard, the colorful market in Sarlat, and the fascinating Bayeux Tapestry, a unique historical chronicle (pictured on cover).

COLONEL KEVIN J. WEDDELE, 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 students to the battlefields and beaches near Normandy and has also led groups to World War I battlefield sites, as well as the battlefields of Waterloo, Agincourt, and Dunkirk. He received his Ph.D. from Princeton in history in 2003 and is the author of Lincoln’s Tragic Admiral: The Life of Samuel Francis Du Pont.

HOWARD NENNER is the Roe/Straut Professor Emeritus in the Humanities at Smith College, where he was a teaching member of the history faculty from 1968 until his retirement in 2006. He received his L.L.B. from Columbia University (1959) and his Ph.D. from the University of California, Berkeley (1971) and practiced law in New York before entering academia. His research and writing have focused on the constitutional history of England, principally in the 17th century, with an outreach to legal history and the history of political thought.

KEN MOWBRAY is a paleoanthropologist and research associate in the Division of Anthropology at the American Museum of Natural History. His research includes field work conducting paleontological and archaeological surveys and site excavations throughout Europe and Africa, and he has had the privilege of examining some of the world’s greatest human fossil treasures, including a Homo erectus skull from Java dated to be at least two hundred thousand years old. His work has been published in Primate, Anatomical Record, Athena Review, and Nature.
Itinerary

Sunday–Monday, July 28–29

U.S. / DUBLIN, IRELAND

Depart the U.S. on an overnight flight to Dublin and transfer to the Four Seasons Hotel. Enjoy a welcome reception and dinner at Trinity College and a private viewing of the beautifully illuminated Book of Kells on display in Long Library.

FOUR SEASONS HOTEL (R,D)

Tuesday, July 30

DUBLIN

Today choose between a Dublin city tour that includes Malahide Castle and its expansive estate parkland, (Below) enjoy a close-up look at the lavishly embellished Book of Kells in Dublin’s Trinity College Long Library, and vibrant Grafton Street or an excursion to the Boyne Valley to see the remarkable Neolithic burial tombs at Newgrange, which are dated before the Giza pyramids. Embark the Sea Cloud II this afternoon.

SEA CLOUD II (B,L,D)

Wednesday, July 31

AT SEA

Enjoy a full day of cruising, with time to enjoy the ship’s amenities and the lecture program. Weather permitting, watch the crew trim the sails by hand.

SEA CLOUD II (B,L,D)

Thursday, August 1

TRESCO, ISLES OF SCILLY, U.K.

Stop at Tresco, the second largest of the Scilly Islands off the coast of Cornwall. Visit Tresco Abbey Gardens, established in the 19th century by the island’s proprietor, Augustus Smith, and home to exotic plants from all over the world. Within the garden, the Valhalla collection contains ship figureheads, name boards, and decorative carvings that come from 19th-century merchant vessels or early steamships that were wrecked on the islands. SEA CLOUD II (B,L,D)

Friday, August 2

DARTMOUTH

Explore the charming Devon port of Dartmouth, a historic naval town where American Forces practiced the D-Day landings before their assault on the Normandy coast during World War II. Also visit nearby Greenway, the former estate of Agatha Christie and her husband, Max Mallowan, and now a National Trust property. Greenway and its surroundings were described in several of Christie’s novels, including Five Little Pigs, Towards Zero, and Dead Man’s Folly. SEA CLOUD II (B,L,D)

Saturday, August 3

CHERBOURG, FRANCE

Call at Cherbourg, made famous by the movie The Umbrellas of Cherbourg and now known as Cherbourg-Octeville. Explore the Bayeux Tapestry Museum, home of one of the most famous historical chronicles in the world, the Bayeux Tapestry. Listed on UNESCO’s Memory of the World Register, the tapestry is a 230-foot embroidered account of William, Duke of Normandy’s conquest of England and provides a unique and rare insight into the medieval world. Enjoy free time at the local Saturday market in Bayeux, followed by lunch at a local restaurant. Continue to the Normandy
American Cemetery and Memorial, where the graves of 9,387 troops commemorate lives lost during the D-Day landings of World War II. From the cemetery’s overlook, view Omaha Beach, a crucial Allied landing site during the Normandy invasion of June 1944. *SEA CLOUD II (B,L,D)*

**Sunday, August 4**

**GRANVILLE**

Today choose to visit either Mont Saint-Michel, a beautiful tidal island in Normandy that, along with its 8th-century monastery and bay, has been designated a UNESCO World Heritage site, or continue with an exploration of D-Day sites in Normandy, including the Peace Memorial Museum in Caen, which documents the events of D-Day and the Battle of Normandy; the original Pegasus Bridge, captured in a daring raid by the Allies; the beaches where British and Commonwealth forces landed on D-Day; and the German Military Cemetery at La Cambe. Enjoy lunch ashore with both options. *SEA CLOUD II (B,L,D)*

**Monday, August 5**

**AT SEA**

Enjoy the continuation of the lecture program and the pleasures of sailing in the Bay of Biscay. *SEA CLOUD II (B,L,D)*

**Tuesday, August 6**

**LA ROCHELLE**

Stroll along the medieval defensive towers of La Rochelle, a major seaport, the historic base of the Knights Templar and later the Huguenots, and the site of many naval battles. Also visit neighboring Île de Ré with its picturesque fishing ports. *SEA CLOUD II (B,L,D)*

**Wednesday, August 7**

**PAUILLAC**

Today choose either a city tour of Bordeaux, including lunch and a premier vineyard visit with wine tasting, or an excursion to one of the prehistoric painted caves of the Dordogne and to the bustling and colorful Wednesday market in Sarlat, a beautifully restored medieval town. *SEA CLOUD II (B,L,D)*

**Thursday, August 8**

**AT SEA**

Take advantage of a final day at sea by relaxing, attending lecture presentations, and celebrating the journey at a farewell reception and dinner. *SEA CLOUD II (B,L,D)*

**Friday, August 9**

**BILBAO, SPAIN**

Bilbao is the capital of the province of Biscay in the Basque region of northern Spain. Disembark the Sea Cloud II for a visit to Frank Gehry’s iconic Guggenheim-Bilbao Museum, a lunch of Basque-style tapas, and an afternoon tour of the Casco Viejo, the colorful medieval section of Bilbao that includes several historical churches, Mercado de la Ribera—the largest indoor food market in Europe, the Arriaga Theatre, and the Academy of the Basque Language. *SILKEN GRAN HOTEL DOMINE (B,L)*

**Saturday, August 10**

**BILBAO / HOME**

Transfer to the airport for flights home. (B)
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Sea Cloud II Rates

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**AIRFARE**

U.S. domestic and international airfare is not included in the program cost. Round-trip, economy-class airfare from New York to Dublin with return from Bilbao is approximately $1,300 as of October 2012 and is subject to change without notice. In order to give you as much flexibility as possible with the variety of air travel options, you are free to make your own air arrangements for this program.
Reservation Form

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General Information

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Educational program by Yale lecturer • Additional programming by cosponsors’ lecturers and local guides • All accommodations and meals as specified in the itinerary • All excursions, including entrance fees, as specified in the itinerary • Complimentary transfers on group arrival and departure days • Baggage handling • Gratuities to porters, guides, drivers, and ship’s crew for all group activities • Port fees and embarkation taxes • Water on excursions • An initial packet of pre-departure information • Professional tour manager throughout

WHAT TO EXPECT
The pace of this is moderately active, with up to two miles of walking each day, often on uneven terrain. Elevators and handrails on stairs often are unavailable. Participants will need to climb into and out of Zoelands for some shore excursions (staff and crew members will be on hand to assist). Participants must be in good health and able to keep up with the group without assistance from tour staff.

GROUP SIZE
This program is limited to 76 participants, including travelers from Yale, MIT, Princeton, the American Museum of Natural History, and Smith College.

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Attend a private welcome reception and dinner at Dublin’s Trinity College (top), with a private viewing of the ancient BOOK OF KELLS.

Visit NORMANDY’S AMERICAN MILITARY CEMETERY (inset), which honors the troops who lost their lives during the D-Day landing of World War II.

Sample regional cuisines and wines, including a BORDEAUX TASTING and a BASQUE TAPAS lunch.

See ancient masterpieces, including the ICE AGE CAVE PAINTINGS of the Dordogne, Neolithic-age BURIAL TOMBS AT NEWGRANGE (pictured), and the BAYEUX TAPESTRY, which chronicles the Norman invasion of England in 1066 A.D.

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