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October 14-22, 2017

Rivieras and Islands *France • Italy • Spain*

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Howard Bloch

Sterling Professor of French

Dear Yale Traveler

Join us on this exclusive small ship voyage along the splendid coastlines of the French and Italian Rivas and their stunning landscapes, ancient villages, and idyllic islands that became a favorite retreat for artists, writers, nobility, and gourmands. Experience the dynamic history of contending civilizations and their legacy – some of the world’s greatest art and architecture – and travel through the timeless cradle of the Renaissance between two great cultural capitals.

Cruise from Rome to Barcelona with one port of call each day and opportunities to visit five UNESCO World Heritage sites on this unique itinerary featuring small, off-the-beaten-path destinations along with incredible legendary ports. Visit Carcassonne’s French medieval fortifications and the awe-inspiring Italian cliffside villages of the Cinque Terre. Take in the natural beauty of Sardinia’s dazzling Costa Smeralda, experience the stylish glamour of St. Tropez, explore the legendary principality of chic Monaco, walk through historic Marseille and its vibrant sixth-century *Vieux Port*, enjoy Corsica’s ancient port of Bonifacio, and choose to admire the Renaissance treasures of Florence or the historic Tuscan monuments of Lucca and Pisa.

Travel in style aboard the exclusively chartered M.Y. VARIETY VOYAGER, a deluxe small ship that carries only 72 guests, while enjoying the benefits afforded by small-ship cruising – exemplary service and a specially designed itinerary featuring several ports only accessible by small ship.

This extraordinary journey with alumni and Yale friends is expected to sell out quickly so we encourage you to register at www.yaleedtravel.org/rivieras17 right away to hold your place. Or contact us at 203-432-1952 or edtravel@yale.edu.

Happy Travels,



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Highlights

Walking tour of Monte Carlo on the Rock of Monaco, the epitome of Riviera chic, and visit to St. Nicholas Cathedral, where Princess Grace is interred.

Choice of a full-day excursion to Florence, a UNESCO World Heritage site, featuring visits to the octagonal Baptistery and Galleria dell'Accademia to see Michaelangelo's *David*, or a full-day excursion to the Tuscan cities of Pisa, a UNESCO World Heritage site, and Lucca.

Visit the Romanesque 12th-century Abbaye de Fontfroide in the Corbières Mountains.





Yale Study Leader

Howard Bloch



Howard Bloch is Sterling Professor of French at Yale University. He was the founding Director of the Humanities Program and regularly teaches courses on medieval and modern literature, as well as

on the Western tradition. Professor Bloch is a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and the American Philosophical Society, and an Officer in the French Order of Arts and Letters. He is also the author of numerous award-winning books on medieval and modern French literature and art, including *A Needle in the Right Hand of God: The Making and Meaning of the Bayeux Tapestry and the Norman Conquest of 1066* and, most recently, *"One Toss of the Dice." The Incredible Story of How a Poem Made Us Modern.*



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Upcoming Trips

**Southern England:
Literature and Landscapes**
06/02/2017 - 06/11/2017
Prof. Traugott Lawler, English

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From Malta to Rome**
10/07/2017 - 10/15/2017
*Prof. Kirk Freudenburg,
Classics*

**Luther to the Berlin Wall:
500 Years of World History**
11/02/2017 - 11/11/2017
*Prof. Erik Midelfort '64, '70 PhD,
History and Religious Studies*

Book Corner

Ghosts of Spain
by Giles Tremlett
Tremlett captures the Spanish character, history, and modern politics in this masterful portrait, interweaving the story of his love for the country (where he has lived for 20 years) with interviews, anecdotes, and observation.

Moscardino
by Enrico Pea
A grandson penned this autobiographical sketch of the tensions between his eccentric grandfather and his brothers living in Lunigiana. Translated into English by Ezra Pound, the tale is highly evocative of the landscape and Italian life.

ITINERARY

OCTOBER 14-22, 2017

WELCOME PHONE CALL

Tuesday, October 3 (tentative)

Join the group at 4PM Eastern for a pre-trip welcome call with Professor Howard Bloch in order to learn more about what to expect and to ask questions.

ROME, ITALY/CIVITAVECCHIA

Saturday and Sunday,
October 14 and 15

Depart the U.S. or Canada. Upon arrival in Rome, transfer to the pier in Civitavecchia and embark the deluxe small ship M.Y. VARIETY VOYAGER. Join your traveling companions for the Captain's Welcome Reception. (R/D)

GOLFO ARANCI, SARDINIA/ COSTA SMERALDA/ BONIFACIO, CORSICA, FRANCE

Monday, October 16

Sardinia's Costa Smeralda ("Emerald Coast") features remote seaside villages, elegant villas, white sand beaches, and azure waters plied by luxury yachts. Anchor at Golfo Aranci, and during your panoramic tour, visit the well-preserved granite Nuraghe Albuicci, one of the Bronze-Age defensive fortresses unique to the island of Sardinia.

This afternoon, dock below the ancient town of Bonifacio at the southern tip of the island of Corsica. Often referenced as a site portrayed in Homer's *Odyssey*, this beautiful port's fundamentally French character bears a strong Italian imprint, manifested in the islanders' French-Italian dialect.

Transfer by small train for the walking tour through the picturesque medieval citadel and Old Town. Stroll the Rue des Deux-Empereurs and see the Gothic Church of St-Dominique and the famous Grain de Sable limestone formation. (B/L/D)

LIVORNO, ITALY, FOR FLORENCE OR PISA/LUCCA

Tuesday, October 17

Enjoy the rolling Tuscan landscape of vineyards and cypress trees en route to Florence, birthplace of the Renaissance. This UNESCO World Heritage site is a treasure trove of unparalleled achievements in art, architecture, and literature.

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Admire Michelangelo's *David*, considered one of his greatest masterpieces; Brunelleschi's soaring dome at the Duomo of Florence; and Ghiberti's moving "Doors of Paradise," the magnificent bronze-cast entryway to the Baptistery of San Giovanni, depicting scenes from the Old Testament.

Alternatively, visit the beautifully preserved medieval city of Pisa and the historic town of Lucca, just a short, scenic drive from the port city of Livorno. Pisa's Piazza dei Miracoli, a UNESCO World Heritage site, showcases the legendary leaning tower,

In Bonifacio, Corsica, France, walk in the footsteps of Charles V and Napoleon Bonaparte as you stroll the Rue des Deux-Empereurs.

the impressive 11th-century Duomo, and the largest baptistry in Italy. Lucca's Renaissance city walls are now a promenade for pedestrians, and its elaborate 11th-century Cattedrale di San Martino is still an important symbol of the city. (B/D)

PORTO VENERE FOR CINQUE TERRE/PORTOFINO

Wednesday, October 18

From Porto Venere, board a private boat cruise and dock in two villages of the picturesque Cinque Terre. This UNESCO World Heritage site is a series of charming, colorful fishing villages that cling to remote

cliffs overlooking the Ligurian Sea. Discover the nuances of Riomaggiore and Vernazza, linked by walking paths that offer marvelous views of the charming coves, hidden beaches, and terraced vineyards that produce the famous dessert wine Sciacchetrà.

Visit Portofino for a leisurely afternoon on the Italian Riviera. You may choose to visit the 17th-century San Giorgio Church, home to the relics of this legendary dragon-slaying saint; stroll the pedestrian-only lanes; or sip a cappuccino on the terrace of an outdoor café. (B/L/D)

MONTE CARLO, MONACO/ ST. TROPEZ, FRANCE

Thursday, October 19

The principality of Monaco's dazzling historic district, Monte Carlo offers an intoxicating mixture of princely sights and intrigue, and is famous for its Grand Casino. Admire the legendary belle-époque architecture and enjoy a walking tour on the historic Rock of Monaco. See the Prince's Palace, home of Europe's longest-reigning dynasty, and the neo-Romanesque St. Nicholas Cathedral, where Princess Grace is interred.

Enjoy an evening at leisure in St. Tropez on the French Riviera. (B/L/D)

MARSEILLE FOR AIX-EN-PROVENCE

Friday, October 20

Dock in Marseille, the 2013 European Capital of Culture. Transfer by motorcoach through picturesque countryside to the beautiful medieval city of Aix-en-Provence, which perhaps captures best the quintessential élan of



all that is Provence. Visit the Cathedral of Saint Sauveur, built in Romanesque, Gothic, and neo-Gothic architectural styles on the site of the first-century Roman Forum of Aix. Stroll through the Mazarin district and Old Aix, and enjoy the famous Cours Mirabeau, a grand boulevard lined with plane trees and elegant 17th- and 18th-century townhouses.

This afternoon, enjoy a panoramic tour featuring the historical heart of Marseille, its Old Town, the 19th-century Cathédrale de la Major, the fantastic Notre Dame de la Garde with its neo-Byzantine interior and extraordinary city views, and the *Vieux Port* (Old Port) which some consider to be the birthplace of the city. Drive on the picturesque Corniche Kennedy, a spectacular boulevard overlooking the sea and dedicated to the late United States president. Travel along the historic high street, Canèbière, built by Louis XIV in 1666. **(B/L/D)**

PORT-LA-NOUVELLE FOR CARCASSONNE

Saturday, October 21

Settled along ancient trade routes linking the Atlantic Ocean with the Mediterranean Sea and the Iberian Peninsula, Carcassonne – the largest walled city in Europe – was fortified by the Romans, conquered by the Visigoths in the fifth century, captured by Persians in the seventh century, later invaded by Franks, and overrun by Barbarians. Each of these civilizations left their indelible influence on the extraordinary architectural and artistic heritage of this city over the centuries. The medieval core

of Carcassonne that remains today, La Cité, is an extraordinary UNESCO World Heritage site. Walk La Cité's cobblestone streets and visit the Romanesque-Gothic-style Basilica of Saints Nazarius and Celsus, featuring stained-glass windows from the 13th to 19th centuries; tour the medieval Château Comtal, and its impressive archaeological museum; and explore the captivating collection ranging from 16th- to 20th-century works of fine art in the Musée des Beaux Arts. Travel to the nearby Corbières Mountains to tour the well-preserved, 12th-century Cistercian Abbey of Fontfroide.

Join the Captain for a Farewell Reception this evening. **(B/R/D)**

BARCELONA, SPAIN/ U.S. OR CANADA

Sunday, October 22

Disembark and continue on the Barcelona Post-Cruise Option, or depart for the U.S. or Canada. **(B)**

Included meals noted each day as B/L/R/D = Breakfast/Lunch/Reception/Dinner.



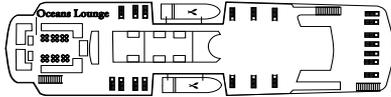
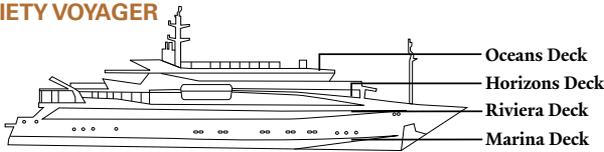
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- Program of lectures and discussions with Professor Howard Bloch.
- Accommodation on twin sharing basis as per the itinerary.
- All entrance fees as per the itinerary.
- All meals aboard the ship as per the itinerary.
- Services of Travel Director during the tour as per the itinerary.
- Complimentary alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages are available throughout the cruise.
- Welcome & Farewell Receptions.
- Gratuities to ship personnel, local guides, and drivers on included excursions and transfers.
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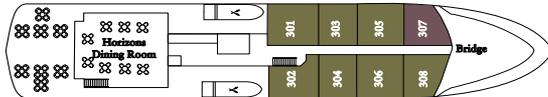
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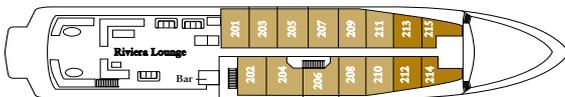
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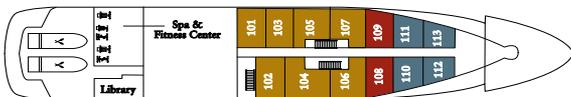
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ETERNAL ROME

Pre-Program Option

October 12-15

\$1,095 per person, Double occupancy
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Capital of the Roman Empire and a UNESCO World Heritage site, the "Eternal City" of Rome showcases its ancient landmarks from centuries as a nucleus of power, culture, and religion. Visit the Colosseum, the historic Roman Forum, and the Church of St. Peter in Chains, which houses Michelangelo's sculpture of *Moses*. Enjoy a tour of incredible St. Peter's Basilica and walk through the Vatican Museums, including the Sistine Chapel, featuring Michelangelo's awe-inspiring ceiling frescoes. Accommodations are for two nights in the deluxe WESTIN EXCELSIOR ROME.

BARCELONA

Post-Program Option

October 22-24

\$995 per person, Double occupancy
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Experience the heart of Barcelona, including a tour of Antoni Gaudí's extraordinary UNESCO World Heritage-designated *Basilica de la Sagrada Família*. See the original Old Town; the Barri Gòtic (Gothic Quarter); the Passeig de Gràcia, Barcelona's main thoroughfare; and Montjuïc (Jewish Mountain), host of the 1929 International Exhibition and the 1992 Olympic Games. Visit Montserrat and its historic Benedictine monastery, and stop in the Penedès wine region to visit the largest wine cellars in the world. Accommodations for two nights are in the five-star MAJESTIC HOTEL & SPA.

Details will be provided with your reservation confirmation.

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