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INDONESIA'S SACRED TEMPLES AND NATURAL SANCTUARIES LUXURY CRUISE

From Singapore to Darwin, PAUL GAUGUIN Cruises is offering an all-new 15-day journey, in the heart of the Java, Flores, Banna and Timor Seas. Aboard Le Paul Gauguin, a ship with a decidedly relaxed and international atmosphere, set off to discover fascinating and idyllic lands where cultural heritage, secular traditions and natural treasures come together in a delightful blend. Leaving from the multicultural and contrasting city of Singapore, the Paul Gauguin will sail south, towards the warm waters of the Java Sea. On Bangka Island, a veritable verdant jewel off the east coast of Sumatra, you will enjoy unique moments far from overcrowded beaches. Protected by immense granite blocks, Parai Beach, on the north-east of the island, is an authentic tropical Eden. On the north coast of Java, Semarang, a cosmopolitan city with Chinese, Indo-Arabic and European influences, stands before you. From this city of a thousand treasures, you will set off to discover the incredible site of Borobudur. Listed as a UNESCO World Heritage site, this monumental Buddhist temple compounds from the 8th and 9th centuries is home to some 240 temples. After an all-new port of call at Surabaya, or "the city of heroes" due to the important role it played for independence during the Indonesian National Revolution, the Paul Gauguin will set sail towards the legendary, gentle and emblematic island of Bali. Fall under the spell of this setting unlike any other, with its lush paddy fields, idyllic beaches and majestic temples. You will explore the marvellous Komodo National Park where the famous dragons, a prehistoric species, reign supreme over the island's herbaceous landscapes. During your port of call in the Timorese capital, Dili will reveal you the beauty of its intact landscapes, between

tropical forest and immaculate sandy beaches, and also the riches of its historic and cultural heritage. For the grand finale, this enchanted journey will end on the shores of Australia's Northern Territory in Darwin, a multicultural city where more than 50 ethnic peoples co-exist in perfect harmony with their environment.



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Days 1 - 2 SINGAPORE

Nicknamed the Garden City, Singapore stretches across Malaysia's

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southern-most region. Experience the vibrant hustle and bustle of this city-state for yourself at the Marina Bay. No too far away is the historic centre, offering up a unique smorgasbord of neoclassical buildings and contemporary towers. Decked out in topiary, the pavements of Orchard Road are also home to countless shopping centres. The colourful markets in Chinatown and Little India are the perfect opportunity to quell hunger pangs in a hawker centre, one of the city's traditional snack bars. Between the two districts, get a slice of history with a trip to the Raffles dock. It was here that Englishman Sir Raffles, the founder of the city, is said to have arrived one fateful day in January 1819.

Day 3 PARAI BEACH

The Indonesian Bangka Belitung archipelago, off the eastern coast of Sumatra, is renowned for its beautiful unspoiled beaches and superb diving. Protected by immense granite rocks, Parai Beach, north-east of Bangka Island, is a tropical Eden. Once you're comfortably installed in the shade of palm trees at the water's edge, you'll succumb to the ease and tranquillity of this picture-postcard setting.

Day 4 AT SEA

During your journey at sea, make the most of the many services and activities on board. Treat yourself to a moment of relaxation in the spa or stay in shape in the fitness centre. Depending on the season, let yourself be tempted by the swimming pool or a spot of sunbathing. This journey without a port of call will also be an opportunity to enjoy the conferences or shows proposed on board, depending on the activities offered, or to do some shopping in the boutique or to meet the PONANT photographers in their dedicated space. As for lovers of the open sea, they will be able to visit the ship's upper deck to admire the spectacle of the waves and perhaps be lucky enough to observe marine species. A truly enchanted interlude, combining comfort, rest and entertainment.

Day 5 SEMARANG

Semarang enjoys a strategic location on the northern coast of Java, making it a cosmopolitan port town and a melting pot of Chinese, Indo-Arabic and European cultures. Before setting off to explore the region's treasures, take a tour of the old town and its smattering of old colonial buildings. Here in Indonesia's most Chinese town, don't miss a trip to the Chinatown district. If

it's culture you're after, journey deeper into the green, rolling inland region, passing by volcanoes and rice paddies until you reach the royal town of Yogyakarta and one of its ancient kingdoms, the Borobudur : this Buddhist temple is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and one of the world's largest temples.

Day 6 SURABAYA, JAVA

Surabaya, a dynamic city with colonial heritage, stands before you like an Indonesian jewel at the mouth of the Mas River and along the Madura Strait, in the north of the island of Java. In this cradle of tortured passions and flamboyant fates, you will stroll the maze of narrow streets of this city with a thousand faces, where the fight for Indonesian independence began in 1945. Yet this vibrant and heroic façade hides age-old treasures. Fall under the spell of the Trowulan archaeological site and its emblematic Wringin Lawang gate.

Days 7 - 8 BENOA, BALI

If it's a taste of exotic authenticity you're after, prepare to be spell-bound by the island of Bali, tucked away in the heart of the Indonesian archipelago. The beauty and diversity of its landscapes, the depth and richness of its cultural heritage and the plethora of activities on offer here make Bali a little slice of heaven on Earth. The island's southern coast enthralls with its white sand beaches, its picturesque little fishing villages such as Benoa, and its hills patchworked with terraced rice paddies further inland. Nicknamed 'the Island of Gods' for its sumptuous temples, Bali is the beating heart of Indonesian Hinduism.

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Day 13 AT SEA

Day 10 KOMODO NATIONAL PARK

Between the islands of Sumbawa and Flores, Komodo National Park welcomes you to discover its natural wonders. At the very heart of the Indonesian archipelago, the three islands that form it - Komodo, Rinca and Padar - owe their renown to the famous eponymous dragons, enormous lizards over two metres long, which live in its grassy savannah. This jagged and hilly volcanic territory belonging to the Sunda Islands is a UNESCO World Heritage Site because of its incredible terrestrial and marine biodiversity. Admire its palette of colours, intermingling the sparkling whites of the beaches, the deep blues of the coral-filled water and the soft greens of its pastures.

Day 11 AT SEA

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Day 12 DILI

Located on the northern coast of the island of Timor, along the narrow plains between the central mountains and the Ombai Strait, the seaside resort of Dili is the capital of East Timor, a former Portuguese colony that has been independent since May 2002. The uniqueness of this territory, still preserved from the tourist routes, is unveiled thanks to the beauty of its intact landscapes, with dense tropical forest covering undulating hills, coral reef and immaculate sandy beaches. You will be enchanted by this small and peaceful town with a distinctive Portuguese atmosphere, and will discover the riches of its historic and cultural heritage during your visit.

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Days 14 - 15 DARWIN

Darwin is located in Australia's Northern Territory which is also known as the "Top End". It is the capital city and the most populated town of the Northern Territory. Darwin is a beautiful tropical city, a melting pot of people and cultures, over 50 different cultures live and work side by side that prides itself in its unique and friendly laid-back lifestyle. Come discover the town's still recent history through its emblematic buildings such as the new Parliament House opened in 1994, a magnificent example of tropical architecture or Admiralty House declared heritage place, a tropical-style home elevated on stilts that has survived two cyclones and numerous air raids.

Please Note:

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VESSEL TYPE:	Luxury Expedition
LENGTH:	504 feet, 153.6 meters
PASSENGER CAPACITY:	332
BUILT/REFURBISHED:	2021

Designed specifically to glide through the shallow seas of the South Pacific, The Gauguin is a small-ship cruiser's dream. She delivers travelers to intimate ports inaccessible to larger cruise ships, all the while providing an onboard experience that is nothing short of luxurious. Guests aboard luxury cruises enjoy spacious suites and staterooms (more than 70% with private balconies), an onboard watersports marina, three dining venues, an extensive spa, and five-star service. Life onboard also reflects the beauty and rich cultural heritage of the islands she calls upon, with a warm, friendly feel, informal setting, and even a beloved troupe of Gauguines and Gauguins--local Tahitians who serve as cruise staff, entertainers, and storytellers.

Ship Features

All oceanview accommodations, nearly 70% with balconies, measuring from 200 to 500 sq. ft., including balcony

Butler service, in-suite bar setup, and iPod® music system in suite/stateroom category B and above

A choice of three dining venues

Complimentary 24-hour room service, including selections from L'Etoile restaurant during regular dining hours

Complimentary beverages, including select wines and spirits,

beer, soft drinks, bottled water, and hot beverages

Onboard gratuities for room stewards, dining and bar staff

Full entertainment program including Polynesian artists, musical entertainment, a pianist, and a professionally operated casino with slot machines

Spa and beauty services, including hand and foot treatments, body treatments, facials, and spa programs

Optional PADI SCUBA diving program and certification

Watersports marina for complimentary kayaking and paddleboarding, and Zodiacs® for optional dive excursions

Fully-equipped fitness center

Presentations by local naturalists and a variety of special guests

Spacious outdoor decks and pool

La Boutique duty-free shop

Book library (open 24 hours a day)

Wi-Fi hot spots throughout the ship to cover most suites/staterooms and common areas, as well as guest-accessible computers, available 24 hours a day for a nominal fee

Laundry services available

Certified medical services

166 suites/staterooms on Decks 3-8, including one wheelchair-accessible stateroom and select staterooms that can accommodate three guests

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16-Mar-2027 to 29-Mar-2027

PORTHOLE STATEROOM	9240 AUD pp
WINDOW STATEROOM	10220 AUD pp
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