

## **Enriching Experiences Bring the Destinations Alive**

FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA – Residents of *The World*, the largest privately owned residential yacht on Earth, are treated to unique and enriching experiences that bring alive the destinations on the Ship's global journey. Through an intriguing and carefully crafted program of activities, lectures, workshops, entertainment and special events, *The World* tempts the 'explorer' mindset of Residents who have chosen to discover the cultural and geographic treasures of the world together with the other 142 families who call this distinctive community-at-sea 'home.'

### **Lectures, Breakfast Forums and Workshops Offers Interactive Immersion**

Founded on Residents' and Guests' incredible thirst for knowledge and inquisitive nature, onboard lectures (ideal for days at sea) are held to educate individuals and discuss topics pertinent to the countries and cities visited. Professional and experienced speakers, often locally-based, talk on a variety of topics including arts and culture, history, finance, economy, world affairs and politics, food and wine, photography, health and wellness and more. Sometimes hosting experiences ashore, they provide in-depth knowledge, personal insight and local awareness.

Breakfast Forums are more informal round table conversations that offer an intimate and casual setting in which to discuss important issues with local experts and dignitaries. Areas of focus include politics and government, the economic future, finance and business, and the arts.

Interactive workshops hosted by professionals are matched to Residents' particular interest areas in group or one-on-one sessions. Subjects include computers, photography, journaling, cooking, painting, wine education, dance and health and fitness.

### **Exploring Dynamic Cultures**

To drive the Residents' sense of cultural adventure, there are shows featuring local dance groups, indigenous music and local activities that embody a destination's authenticity and allure. Whether it is salsa dancing in Puerto Rico, Panamanian school children singing dressed in colorful costumes, classical Indian dance or authentic tango dancers performing en route to Buenos Aires, these onboard experiences open a window into the rich tapestry of traditions throughout the world.

For added enrichment at their own pace, Residents can watch films and documentaries (usually destination-themed) in the Colosseo theater and explore the collection of books, magazines and DVD's in The Study. The selection of books, including biography, fiction, non-fiction, children's, travel guides, and destination-specific titles – continuously changes according to the Ship's itinerary.

### **Remarkable Expeditions**

Expeditions truly amaze participants with a comprehensive exploration of an area. An expedition team of approximately 10 – 12 regional experts are brought on board. Their breadth of knowledge is unparalleled, and along with the onboard staff, creates an extraordinary, one-of-a-kind experience.

Over the years, a wide variety of expeditions have taken Residents to the far corners of the globe.

- ❖ 2009: visited the **Bering Sea** and **Russian Arctic** sighting more Polar bears (119) than any other Ship of its type.
- ❖ 2010: completed a 10-day expedition to **Greenland** and sailed to the ice-encrusted desert of **Antarctica**.
- ❖ 2011: enjoyed an 18-day expedition to the exotic inner **Seychelles** and east coast of **Madagascar**.
- ❖ 2012: sojourned to **Melanesia** through its 80 islands; sailed across the Pacific to **Polynesia** to discover remote islands; and completed an historic and record-breaking voyage as the largest passenger vessel to sail Canada's **Northwest Passage**, ocean to ocean (Pacific to Atlantic);
- ❖ 2013: took Residents through the natural treasures of the Barents Sea and the seldom visited Russian Arctic National Park in the **White Sea Expedition**.
- ❖ 2014: embarked on a 17-day trek to **Papua New Guinea** and the **Solomon Islands** and launched a 17-day expedition to circumnavigate the **Sea of Okhotsk** in Russia's Far East.
- ❖ 2015: during the **Namibia & Mid-Atlantic** Expedition Residents swam across the equator joined unexpectedly by a pod of pilot whales. During expeditions to **Greenland** and **Antarctica** Residents uncovered ancient cultures.
- ❖ 2016: during a two-week journey through **Antarctica, South Georgia and the Falkland Islands** Residents kayaked and trekked alongside penguins, whales, seals, and indigenous birds. The year will end with a spectacular expedition to **Borneo**.

A Dive & Snorkel Program is planned around opportunities in the itinerary, and staffed by qualified Dive Masters. Professional and licensed drivers lead Residents & Guests on Zodiac adventures in remote locations not accessible by the Ship but where opportunities for exploration are possible.

### **Incredible Video on Demand and Broadcast TV**

A daily TV program is produced on board which invites Residents & Guests to learn about the current port of call, visiting experts and activities planned for the day. Daily installments of the show, available in all Residences – plus tapings of lectures, destination videos and popular movies – run on *The World's* Video on Demand (VOD) system, not to mention 70-plus broadcast television channels. It's a unique TV system unheard of for a vessel of this kind.

### **Creative Minds at Work and Play**

Beyond the ports of call, there are many engaging and imaginative activities that revolve around holidays and other events like a red carpet champagne reception to celebrate the Academy Awards, red and white lighting with romantic music in The Plaza to create the perfect Valentine's Day ambiance, and professional looking props and make-up for an ultra-spooky, themed Halloween party.

### **'Marina Day' Pursuits**

Special 'Marina Days' and 'Beach Days' allow Residents to enjoy water sports (such as Hobie cat and Lazer boat sailing and kayaking), water skiing, banana boating, Polar Plunges and lounging on sun-soaked shores for the afternoon. On these special days, the back wall of the Marina restaurant is lowered and serves as a multi-functional platform and 'jumping off' deck for sea-side play. Often a beach barbeque will be staged from the Ship with permission from local authorities.

## **About *The World***

Launched in 2002, *The World*<sup>®</sup> is the largest privately owned, residential yacht on earth with 165 luxury Residences. A diverse group of Residents from 19 countries own the homes onboard and share interests in world cultures, history and adventure, and exploring fascinating destinations. They circumnavigate the globe every two to three years following an extraordinary itinerary that they select. In-depth expeditions and one-of-a-kind experiences are complemented by world-class amenities and impeccable service. To learn more about this unique lifestyle call 954-538-8449 or visit [www.aboardtheworld.com](http://www.aboardtheworld.com).

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