

The World, Residences at Sea Announces 2020 Global Journey

One-of-a-kind, private mega yacht to visit six continents in 2020 West Papua, The Kimberley and Antarctica expeditions planned

LONDON, England, October 2019 – *The World*, the largest privately owned residential yacht on earth (aboardtheworld.com) has announced a remarkable 2020 journey that includes more than 100 ports of call across **Southeast Asia, Australia, the Indian Ocean, Europe, United Kingdom,** and **North** and **South America.** The 150 families who own the homes on board will sail approximately 45,000 nautical miles and visit 16 maiden ports on a continuous worldwide journey of adventure and enrichment.

Welcoming in the new year in **Hong Kong**, *The World* will set sail to explore the **Philippines** followed by a two-week **West Papua Expedition.** A two-month circumnavigation of Australia in February and March commences in **Darwin** and includes extended visits to more than 15 ports of call in all seven of the nation's states and ends with an eight-day expedition across the precious wilderness of the **Kimberly** region.

Southeast Asia's bustling cities and beautiful beaches await the private community as the ship sails on to explore **Singapore**, **Malaysia**, **Myanmar**, **Sri Lanka** and the **Maldives**. A voyage through the **Red Sea** to the **Middle East** leads to spring and summer in the **Mediterranean** and **Adriatic**, with early fall spent in **Northern Europe / Scandinavia**, **Russia** and the United Kingdom. Crossing the Atlantic in early October, *The World* will sail the entire breadth of North America's eastern coast from **Montreal** to **Miami**, before transiting the **Panama Canal** to explore the vibrancy of **Panama**, **Peru**, **Chile** and **Argentina**. The year ends with an epic holiday-time expedition of prisitine **Antarctica**.

2020 Expeditions

The World's 2020 itinerary offers three highly anticipated expeditions for in-depth discovery into three extraordinary regions. A team of experts and local guides join these special voyages to provide hands-on experience and knowledge.

West Papua Expedition



West Papua is the most picturesque part of **Indonesia** and one of the most vibrant green eco-systems in the world. Traveling approximately 1,800 nautical miles, *The World* will traverse southbound across the equator to conclude in Darwin, Australia. From **Palau** to **Cenderawasih Bay**, Indonesia, this region of over 1,500 cast limestone islands offers unparalleled marine bio-diversity. It is one of the best places in the world to observe whale sharks, as well as over 12,000 species of fish living amongst the pristine reefs. Ashore, keen birders will find the majestic bird protection.

of paradise and other tropical bird species. This expedition offers profound beauty, deep history, sensational diving and snorkelling, great wildlife and an amazing landscape to explore.

The Kimberley Expedition



In March, *The World* will explore The Kimberley, the most remote western coast in Australia. Taking in these vast desert landscapes formed by ancient geological processes and shaped by wind and time, the ship will provide a perfect vantage point to observe as the timeless terracotta scenery is immersed into a turquoise sea. In this far-flung point of the Australian continent, Residents will explore the spectacular long canyons and waterfalls by Zodiac, spotting sharks and crocodiles. Aerial views of the surrounding landscapes by helicopter will give better geographical context to the voyage whilst illustrating the narrow interface between land

and sea. Days will be dictated by the tides which rise and fall over 20 ft. each day, creating local wonders such as the horizontal waterfalls at **Talbot Bay**.



Antarctica Expedition



The World will celebrate the holiday season in Antarctica, a pinnacle of expedition sailing. Departing from **Ushuaia**, the ship will cross the 500 miles of the **Drake Passage** which separates South America from the Antarctic continent. This infamous stretch of water is home to the albatross and the whale. A journey down the **Danco Coast** towards the Antarctic **Circle** follows, taking in the iconic landscapes, vast ice sculptures, and mesmerizing wildlife. This festive voyage includes the opportunity to stay up through the night to try to capture the exquisite colors of an Antarctic simultaneous sunset-sunrise as the sun skips across the horizon. The

near 24 hours of daylight in this pristine part of the planet will allow for beach landings to view the seals and penguins that thrive in these rich and nutritious waters.

Overland Journeys

The World's 2020 itinerary is rich in opportunities for Overland Journeys where Residents can debark for multiple days to explore destinations further inland on special programs. From the lush wilderness of **Tasmania** to the celebrated vineyards of Chile, all promise to share a spirit of adventure and curiosity. A sampling includes Machu Picchu and Moray (Peru) (UNESCO), Canberra and the Australian War Memorial, Borobudur (Indonesia) (UNESCO), Mandalay In-depth (Myanmar), Petra (**Jordan**) (UNESCO), Galapagos Cruise (UNESCO) and a four-day expedition to the Chilean winelands, personally curated by the ship's Beverage Manager to experience the country's exceptional wine estates and meet renowned wine makers.

About The World

This private community at sea offers the ultimate combination of luxurious and enriching travel with worldclass amenities and facilities. These include impeccable culinary mastery in six restaurants, exceptional golf facilities with onboard putting greens, a state-of-the-art golf simulator and resident pro, the only full-size, regulation tennis court at sea, swimming pools, a spa, a fitness center complete with personal trainers, expert destination lecturers, library, cinema, hobby and games rooms, and more.

This strikingly beautiful ship provides gracious and personalized service for the families who call *The World* home; all customised to Residents' preferences in a warm and inviting ambience much like that of a private yacht, well-staffed home or exclusive country club. The average occupancy at one time is 150-200 Residents and guests, ensuring an intimate atmosphere.

<u>The World®</u> 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 The World's unique lifestyle, call +1.954.538.8449 or visit aboardtheworld.com.

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