

THE WASHINGTON AND LEE
TRAVELLER

*Scottish Isles &
Norwegian Fjords*

WITH W&L PRESIDENT WILL DUDLEY

Aboard the Deluxe *Le Champlain*
June 6-15, 2024





Dear W&L Alumni, Parents, and Friends,

Spectacular fjords and glaciers, rugged islands with windswept monuments to another time, monasteries and medieval castles keeping their secrets—these are some of the wonders that draw travelers to Norway and northern Scotland. Add to these features W&L President Will Dudley, and you have the makings of a rich, multilayered President’s Trip that stimulates the senses as well as the intellect.

Our voyage begins with calls in the Norwegian village of Flam, known for its legendary train ride into the coastal range, and then on to Olden, Norway’s gateway to majestic glaciers. In Great Britain’s northernmost islands, the Shetlands, we’ll explore the Neolithic Era settlement of Jarlshof, then continue to the Orkneys, a UNESCO World Heritage site, for the ancient mysteries of Stennes, Brodgar, and Skara Brae. On the Hebridean Isle of Skye, we’ll visit Dunvegan Castle, the seat of Clan MacLeod, or Castle Armadale, home to the rival Clan Donald. Our final port of call before Glasgow is Fort William, your gateway to Highland realms of whisky distilleries, the Caledonian Canal, and the fabled Loch Ness.

We invite you to join fellow alumni, parents, and friends on a voyage among some of the greenest and gentlest regions of the world in 2024. President Dudley and his wife Carola Tanna look forward to welcoming you aboard for conversation, exploration, and relaxation on what is sure to be an unforgettable journey.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rob Fure'.

Rob Fure, Ph.D., Director
Office of Lifelong Learning

W&L HOST and PRESIDENT

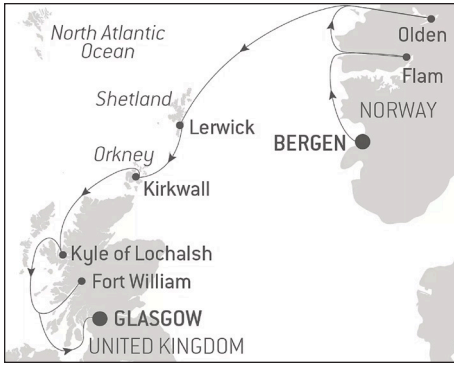


W&L PRESIDENT WILL DUDLEY William C. (Will) Dudley became the 27th President of Washington and Lee University on Jan. 1, 2017. Dudley came to W&L from Williams College, where he joined the philosophy department in 1998 and served as the Provost from 2011 through 2016. A native of Arlington, VA, Dudley received his B.A. in mathematics and philosophy, magna cum laude, from Williams in 1989, and his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in philosophy from Northwestern University. As an undergraduate at Williams, Dudley was captain of the water polo team and a member of

the swim team. After college, he received a fellowship to study philosophy at Cambridge University and then worked in energy finance for AES Corporation before pursuing his graduate studies at Northwestern. Dudley received a gubernatorial appointment to the board of trustees of the Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts in 2010 and served as the vice-chair in 2015-16. He currently serves on the boards of the Annapolis Group of Liberal Arts Colleges and the Associated Colleges of the South. He is married to Dr. Carola Tanna, accompanying him on this sailing, and is the father of two children, Cole and Ella.



ITINERARY



Thursday, June 6, 2024

FLY FROM USA

Friday, June 7

BERGEN, NORWAY | OVERNIGHT

Arrive in Bergen and check into your deluxe hotel. Join your fellow travelers for a welcome cocktail reception this evening. (R)

Saturday, June 8

BERGEN | EMBARK

Join a morning excursion that includes a visit to the Fantoft Stave Church, originally built in 1150 and reconstructed after a fire in 1992. You will also tour Troidhaugen, once the summer home of composer Edvard Grieg and now a museum and concert venue. Following lunch at a local restaurant, enjoy a guided walking tour of Bryggen, the old waterfront wharf, a reminder of the town's importance as part of the Hanseatic League's trading empire from the 14th to the mid-16th century and now a UNESCO World Heritage site. Enjoy free time to browse the shops before embarking *Le Champlain* this afternoon. (B,L,D)

Sunday, June 9

FLAM

Flam is nestled at the end of Aurlandsfjord, where you will board the famed Flam Railway. It is a remarkable feat of engineering, utilizing numerous tunnels and switchbacks to rise from Flam, at sea level, to Myrdal Station, at an altitude of 2,850 feet. Memories of the everchanging views of waterfalls, the valley below, and snow-capped mountains in the distance will remain with you forever. (B,L,D)

Monday, June 10

OLDEN

Located on Nordfjord, Olden is the perfect gateway for exploring Jostedalsgreen National Park. You may choose to drive through scenic Oldedalen Valley to a mountain lodge where you board electric 'troll cars' for a half-mile ride to the edge of Briksdal Glacier. Or you may

travel to the nearby village of Loen, where a newly constructed cable car from 2017 takes you to the top of Mount Hoven. (B,L,D)

Tuesday, June 11

LERWICK, SHETLAND ISLANDS, SCOTLAND

Lerwick, the northernmost town in the British Isles, has served as the capital of the Shetland Islands since the 18th century. Explore the Jarlshof Settlement, an extraordinary archaeological site with layers of ruins going back 5,000 years to the late Neolithic Era; or learn about the history of Lerwick town and its current role in the North Sea oil industry; or hike Mousa Island, a wildlife refuge. (B,L,D)

Wednesday, June 12

KIRKWALL, ORKNEY

Journey into the heart of the Neolithic Orkney Islands, the entire area designated a UNESCO World Heritage site because of its wealth of pre-historic ruins. See the Standing Stones of Stennes and the henge and stone circle of the Ring of Brodgar as you make your way to Skara Brae, the best-preserved Neolithic village in Northern Europe. (B,L,D)

Thursday, June 13

KYLE OF LOCHALSH

A full-day tour follows the rugged coastline of Skye's Trotternish Peninsula, stopping along the way at various points, including Kilt Rock and the open-air Skye Museum of Island Life. Visit Dunvegan Castle, historic seat of Clan MacLeod, as well as the charming fishing village of Portree. A shorter excursion includes visits to Eilean Donan and to Armadale Castle and its gardens. (B,L,D)

Friday, June 14

FORT WILLIAM

Join a drive through Scotland's Great Glen and along the Caledonian Canal to Loch Ness for a cruise on Scotland's most famous loch. Alternatively, you may choose a panoramic tour of the Highlands, including the village of Glenfinnan; the early 19th-century locks that control access to the Caledonian Canal; and of course, a visit to the local whisky distillery for a tour and tasting of the local tippie. (B,L,D)

Saturday, June 15

GLASGOW | DISEMBARK (B)

Optional Edinburgh post-cruise extension available June 15-17; call for details.

Fantoft Stave Church,
Bergen



Fjords



Ring of Brodgar, Orkney



PROGRAM INCLUSIONS

- Pre-cruise hotel night in Bergen with welcome cocktail reception and breakfast
- Day of touring prior to embarkation
- 7-night cruise aboard the deluxe *Le Champlain*
- Excursions as noted in the itinerary, and lectures by guest speakers
- Welcome and farewell cocktail receptions aboard ship
- Captain's gala dinner
- All meals aboard ship including early riser's coffee & pastry, breakfast, lunch, afternoon tea, and dinner
- Open bar aboard ship, including select wines with lunch and dinner
- Comprehensive pre-departure materials
- Baggage handling and airport transfers abroad on the designated program arrival and departure dates
- Port taxes and charges
- Unlimited Wi-Fi on board (via satellite)
- Gratuities to shipboard personnel, porters, guides, and drivers

Not included

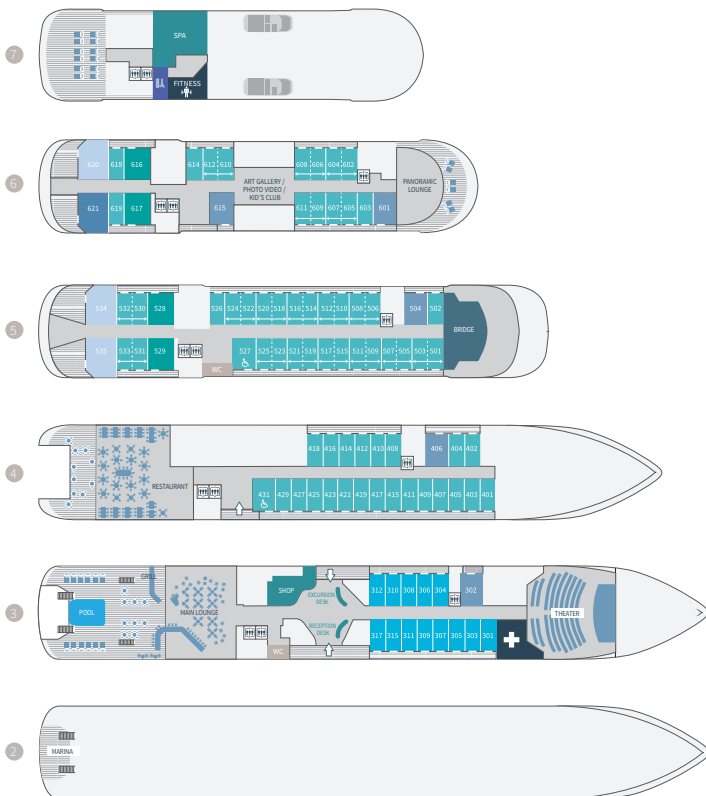
Airfare; airport taxes; visa and passport fees and/or immigration reciprocity taxes (if applicable); luggage, cancellation, and accident insurance; medical and repatriation insurance; personal expenses such as laundry, telephone calls, spa services and beverages other than those specified above



LE CHAMPLAIN

The five-star *Le Champlain* is one in a series of six new luxury vessels commissioned by PONANT, making her maiden voyage in 2018. The state-of-the-art ship is equipped with the latest environmental preservation technology and combines PONANT's understated elegance with a spirit of adventure. In keeping with our company philosophy, *Le Champlain* is a small-capacity ship—430 feet in length with just 92 staterooms and a crew of 110—and features Blue Eye, the world's first multi-sensory underwater lounge.

DECK PLAN



- Owner's Suite
Deck 6
- Grand Deluxe Suites
Decks 5 - 6
- Privilege Suites
Decks 5 - 6
- ← Prestige Suites
Decks 5 - 6
- Deluxe Suites
Decks 3 - 4 - 5 - 6
- Prestige Staterooms
Decks 4 - 5 - 6
- Deluxe Staterooms
Deck 3

FARES PER PERSON, DOUBLE OCCUPANCY

All accommodations aboard *Le Champlain* are outside staterooms and suites, and feature a private balcony. All cabins include a bedroom with either two twin-size beds or a queen-size bed, mini-bar, safe, spacious closets, climate control, telephone, WiFi access, TV with movies on demand, iPod player, and private bathroom with fine amenities.

■ DELUXE STATEROOMS	\$5,970
■ PRESTIGE STATEROOMS, DECK 4	\$6,340
■ PRESTIGE STATEROOMS, DECK 5	\$6,520
■ PRESTIGE STATEROOMS, DECK 6	\$6,750
■ DELUXE SUITES	\$8,390
■ PRESTIGE SUITES, DECK 5	\$10,440
■ PRESTIGE SUITES, DECK 6	\$10,850
■ PRIVILEGE SUITES	\$11,260
■ GRAND DELUXE SUITES	\$12,120
■ OWNER'S SUITE	\$19,700

Single occupancy staterooms are available in Prestige Staterooms at the following rates: \$9,940 (Deck 4); \$10,280 (Deck 5); \$10,700 (Deck 6); and Deluxe Staterooms at a rate of \$13,740. Subject to availability.



PRESTIGE STATEROOM

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(*): MGO FOB Rotterdam 0,1% in US\$

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- ____ Prestige Stateroom - Deck 5
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- ____ Deluxe Suite
- ____ Prestige Suite - Deck 5
- ____ Prestige Suite - Deck 6
- ____ Privilege Suite
- ____ Grand Deluxe Suite
- ____ Owner's Suite

Twin Beds Queen Bed

Single Occupancy

Share (cannot be guaranteed)

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