

July 20-27, 2024

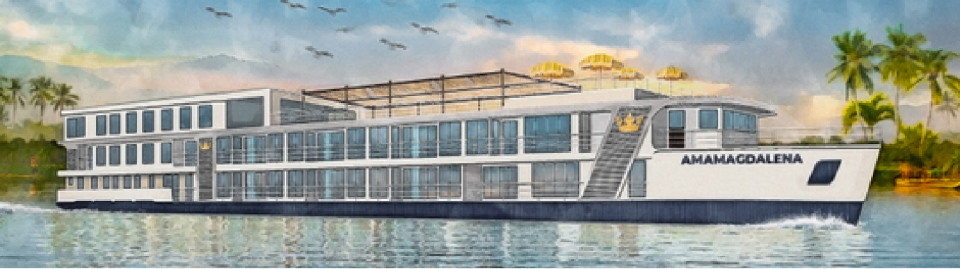
WONDERS OF COLOMBIA

AMAWATERWAYS RIVER CRUISE
ONBOARD THE NEW, AMAMAGDALENA



*New Ship
& Destination!*

HOSTED BY MARK & MIMI COMFORT



7 NIGHTS · EMBARK IN CARTAGENA, COLOMBIA AND RETURN FROM BARRANQUILLA, COLOMBIA

Immerse yourself in the wonders that this South American country holds as you journey along the magnificent Magdalena River. Step through the streets of Palenque, the first free city in Colombia, moving to the rhythms of cumbia and vallenato, world-renown musical styles. Delight in the colorful neighborhood of Getsemaní in Cartagena, drinking in the vivid colors and culture displayed so artfully on the walls of homes, cafes and family-owned shops. Discover how Spanish and pre-colonial cultures combined to bring us the music, minds, and culture that exist in the country today. Let these breathtaking destinations inspire you as you embrace the soul of this mesmerizing river and the heart-warming people who live alongside it.



Day 1, CARTAGENA – EMBARKATION. July 20

Arrive in Cartagena, the beautiful capital of the Bolivar region located on Colombia's Caribbean coast. After settling into your stateroom, enjoy a tour through the breathtaking Getsemaní neighborhood. With the vibrant colors of the homes and street art as well as the mouthwatering local delicacies that can be found throughout the area, this historic neighborhood will delight all your senses. In the evening, watch the sun set on Cartagena during a special cruise excursion. Upon returning to your ship, embark on your journey along the magical Magdalena River. (D)

Day 2, GAMBOTE (PALENQUE) – CALAMAR. July 21

In the morning, experience the town of Palenque, the first “free town” in the Americas. Founded by those who fled a life of slavery during colonial times, the spirit and appearance of this town has been preserved through time. In 1713, the Spanish crown issued a Royal Decree that officially freed the people of Palenque from slavery. Immerse yourself in the town’s deeply rooted culture and traditions, which are so distinct that UNESCO declared Palenque to be a Masterpiece of the Oral and Intangible Heritage of Humanity. An important piece of their heritage is the music and rhythmic style that was developed in this city, which you will enjoy during a special performance by local musicians. Later in the day, visit Calamar. Located at the entrance of the Canal del Dique, this town was first settled in 1840. Witness historic sites such as the Iglesia de la Inmaculada Concepcion as you tour this beautiful destination by paolo (a bicycle taxi for two). (B,L,D)

Day 3, SANTA BARBARA DE PINTO - MOMPOX. July 22

Spend your morning in Santa Barbara de Pinto, located on the banks of the Mompox arm of the Magdalena River. Enjoy a walking tour through this traditional town, where you may see local landmarks such as the Santa Barbara Church and enjoy intricate hand-made crafts created in the town. In the afternoon, arrive in island town of Mompox, where you will be welcomed with open arms and lively music during an exclusive jazz performance played by local musicians. (B,L,D)

Day 4, MOMPOX. July 23

A town frozen in time, Mompox embodies the appearance of what many villages looked like during colonial times. Founded in 1540, this remote village became an important Spanish trading post. Some Spaniards found Mompox to be a haven for keeping gold and other treasure protected from the pirates that pillaged coastal cities like Cartagena, and with this precious metal and the work of skilled artisans from Spain came beautifully crafted artifacts. Since then, the town has become famous for its incredible filigree jewelry, which you can learn more about during your tour of this town in the afternoon. While visiting this unique island, journey through the incredible ecological Ciénega Pijiño region, exploring the massive lake that is home to a variety of flora and fauna native to the region. In the afternoon, take a stroll through this storied town on a guided walking tour. With stunning colonial churches, breathtaking nature surrounding the town, and delicious local delights such as capa cheese and butifarra, Mompox is sure to be a highlight of your journey along the magnificent Magdalena River. (B, L, D)





Day 5, MOMPOX – EL BANCO. July 24

Bid farewell to in Mompox before embarking on a scenic cruise down one of the most breathtaking stretches of the Magdalena River – La Mojana Region – and reaching the town of El Banco, nestled at the intersection of the Magdalena and César rivers. Founded in a location strategic for both the native people and the Spaniards, the town was repeatedly destroyed in their struggles and then rebuilt atop its ashes. In 1749, a freed black slave named José Domingo Ortiz led a group of settlers to this special location, carrying with him a statue of the Virgin Mary, staking this place as their new home. Because of this connection, the Virgin of Candelaria, a special invocation of the Virgin Mary, is specially venerated in this region. Embark on a guided walking of this incredible destination and learn more about its history as the birthplace of cumbia, an iconic genre of music and dance that has now been popularized around the world. What began as a courtship dance practiced by African slaves later incorporated American steps and European and African instruments has become a world-wide sensation, which is especially popular in the Andean region of Colombia. In the evening, enjoy an exclusive dinner in town and witness an incredible cumbia performance by locals. (B, L, D)

Day 6, MAGANGUE. July 25

Witness the sights, hear the bird calls, and watch the wildlife around you as spend the day in Magangue. Immerse yourself in the presence of Colombian nature surrounding this city on a birdwatching tour, giving you a unique opportunity to see birds only found in this specific part of the country. You can also take a hiking tour through the picturesque Cienega, a town teeming with Colombian heritage. (B,L,D)





Day 7, NEUVA VENECIA – BARRANQUILLA. July 26

In the morning, visit the Floating Village of Nueva Venecia. A charming town filled with inviting locals, Nueva Venecia, or “New Venice,” can only be navigated by boat. With its beautiful colonial houses, vivid architecture and local sanctuary protecting the native flora and fauna, this town highlights the beauty and warmth of Colombia. Witness its splendor as you tour the village. While here, explore this village and learn more about the lives of its people during a guided tour. Enjoy the traditional crafts and art that is on display, learn about the techniques the fishermen of Nueva Venecia use, and taste the local delicacies as you embrace this village and its unique culture. Later in the day, venture to the beautiful seaside city of Barranquilla, a vibrant destination home to notable musicians, writers and artists. Immerse yourself in the warmth and culture of the city’s atmosphere as you venture through this magnificent location, where you may visit famous landmarks such as the bocas de cenizas, the point at which the magical Magdalena River meets the breathtaking Caribbean Sea, and the Carnival Museum, which showcases the unique history of this incredible festival. In the evening, enjoy an exclusive Carnival celebration just for AmaWaterways guests as we bring the full traditional experience to our guests all-year round. (B, L, D)

Day 8, BARRANQUILLA – DISEMBARKATION. July 27

Bid your ship and crew farewell as you disembark and prepare for your flight home. (B)



AMAMAGDALENA



AmaMagdalena, artist rendering

Step aboard a world of unparalleled experiences and be warmly welcomed aboard our stunning newly designed *AmaMagdalena*, an intimate 60-passenger river cruise ship offering the luxury of space and sweeping views as you cruise Colombia's Magdalena River. This beautiful ship features a rejuvenating pool on the Sun Deck, a spacious fitness room, a Main Restaurant serving exquisite, regionally inspired Latin American cuisine and Western favorites and an intimate *al fresco* specialty dining experience. Stay tuned for more details coming soon!



Included Features:

- Warm and welcoming English-speaking crew, professionally trained to deliver unparalleled service
- Exquisite regionally inspired and Western-style cuisine
- Intimate specialty dining experience
- Wine, beer and soft drinks included during lunch and dinner
- Welcome Cocktail and Gala Dinner
- Nightly entertainment
- Fitness room, nail & hair salon, and one massage room offering a variety of services*
- Sun-deck pool and bar

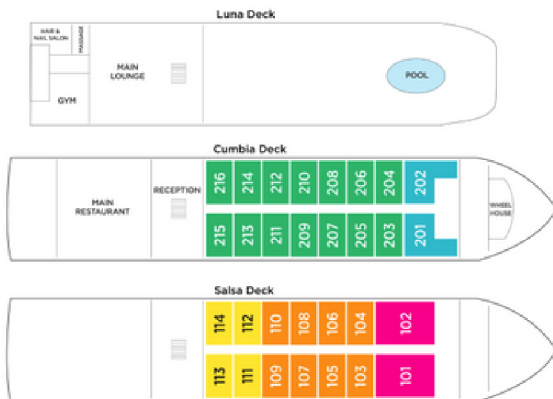
*Available for a nominal fee.

Technical Data

- ◆ Length: 223 ft.
- ◆ Width: 43 ft.
- ◆ Staterooms: 30
- ◆ Passengers: 60
- ◆ Crew: 30
- ◆ Registry: Colombia

Deck Plan

Grand Suite	Salsa Deck Twin Balcony - 510 sq. ft.
Luxury Suite	Cumbia Deck Twin Balcony - 306 sq. ft.
Cat. A	Cumbia Deck Twin Balcony - 237 sq. ft.
Cat. B	Salsa Deck Twin Balcony - 237 sq. ft.
Cat. C	Salsa Deck Twin Balcony - 237 sq. ft.



Category C - Twin Balcony : from: \$3,693pp

Category B - Twin Balcony : from: \$4,300pp

Category A - Twin Balcony : from: \$4,560pp

Category LS - Luxury Suite : from: \$5,425pp

Category GS - Grand Suite : from: \$6,292pp

Hosted Pre and Post Packages are available, more details to come!

Payment Policy: Payments are per person, based on double occupancy.

- All payments will be non-refundable.
- \$1,295pp Deposit: Due at booking + \$35pp Professional Fee
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2nd Payment: 50%, due by 1/8/2024

3rd Payment: Final Balance due by 3/8/2024

Not included: Airfare, Transfers, Travel Insurance, Incidentals

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