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Proposed Program Information  
**Sailing Ancient Trade Routes**  
**Helsinki to Copenhagen Aboard *Sea Cloud II***  
June 27–July 9, 2020



Stockholm, Sweden

### TRAVELING WITH YOU

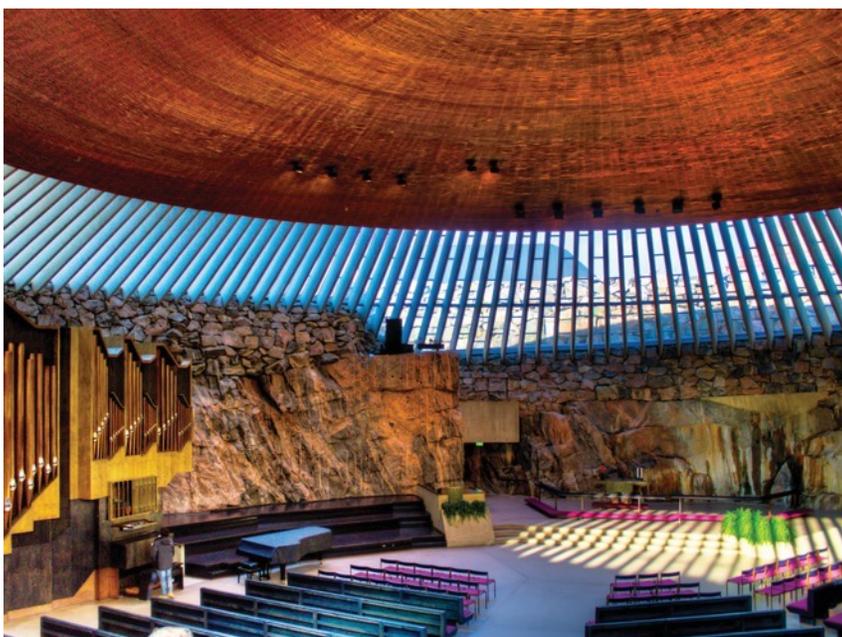


**Ljubomir (L.J.) Stambuk** joined the World Affairs Council of Charlotte as Executive Director in 2006, and was promoted to CEO in 2011. Born in Belgrade, Yugoslavia, he spent his childhood in Burma and Holland. Stambuk received his undergraduate degree in Economics and Business from the University of Belgrade and a Master's degree in Business and Organizational Development from Cornell University. His early career led him to the United Nations Food & Agriculture Organization (FAO), World Food Council (WFC) International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), and the UN Development Program (UNDP). Stambuk has 25+ years of experience in senior leadership and strategic planning in various multinational corporations around the world. He has lived in and visited over 72 countries.

Sail under midsummer skies to Scandinavian and Baltic cities aboard an elegant three-masted barque on this classic cruise. Fly to lively Helsinki for an overnight stay before boarding the magnificent *Sea Cloud II*. Call at Turku, the oldest city in Finland; take in the scenery as the crew navigates the picturesque Stockholm archipelago before an overnight call in the Swedish capital, and step ashore at tiny Visby, Gotland to stroll among medieval ruins. Visit the port of Gdańsk, one of Poland's oldest cities, and continue to Lübeck, Germany, for a full-day excursion to Hamburg. You may also select a prelude in St. Petersburg.

# HIGHLIGHTS

- Venture back 800 years in Turku, Finland, the nation's oldest city, with its stately medieval castle and cathedral
- Relax on a scenic sail for 40 miles through the vast archipelago leading into Stockholm's beautiful harbor
- Enjoy a private reception at Stockholm's Vasa Museum, housing the only preserved 17th-century ship in the world
- Take a private after-hours visit to Millesgården, a sculpture garden and museum built by renowned Swedish artists Carl and Olga Milles
- Explore the UNESCO-designated, Viking Age city of Visby, Sweden, with its iconic Visborg castle, medieval churches, and the best-preserved fortifications in all of northern Europe
- Roam the UNESCO-listed Hanseatic League city of Lübeck, Germany, whose iconic structures include its imposing Gothic city gate and the soaring green spires of 13th-century St. Mary's Church



Rock church, Helsinki, photo by Matthew Duncan (left) and Millesgården, Stockholm, photo by Ayax Acme (right)

## ITINERARY

An optional prelude in St. Petersburg, Russia is offered from June 23 to 28, 2020.

### Saturday, June 27 DEPARTURE

Depart for Helsinki on an overnight flight.

### Sunday, June 28 HELSINKI, FINLAND

Arrive in Finland's capital and transfer to the hotel before gathering for a welcome reception and dinner. **R,D**

### Monday, June 29 HELSINKI / EMBARK SEA CLOUD II

Following breakfast, explore the bustling market, Eliel Saarinen's striking train station, the unique Rock Church, and the great cathedral on Neoclassical Senate Square. See Finland's finest collection of national and foreign art

during a tour of the Ateneum. Enjoy lunch and time at leisure before embarking the ship in the afternoon. Set sail for Turku in the early evening. **B,L,D**

### Tuesday, June 30 TURKU, FINLAND

This afternoon, arrive in Turku, Finland's former capital and oldest city, dating back over 800 years. Visit the medieval castle and the cathedral, which is almost as old as the city. Then, stop at the Aboa Vetus and Ars Art Museum before setting sail for Stockholm. Join the captain this evening for a festive welcome reception and dinner. **B,L,R,D**

### Wednesday, July 1 STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN

After a morning lecture, gather on deck and revel in the natural beauty of the calm Baltic waters as *Sea Cloud II*

navigates a vast archipelago on its approach to Stockholm. Disembark in Stockholm this afternoon and enjoy a private reception at the Vasa Museum to admire the magnificent 17th-century warship that was recovered from the bottom of Stockholm's harbor. Later, you may wish to dine ashore as *Sea Cloud II* remains docked in Stockholm overnight. **B,L,D**

#### Thursday, July 2 STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN

Join a morning walking tour through *Gamla Stan*, Stockholm's charming Old Town, followed by a special tour of the recently renovated Royal Armory, the oldest museum in Sweden, which contains artifacts of Swedish military and political history. Then visit City Hall, home to the annual Nobel Prize banquet, and discover its lofty square tower bearing the golden Three Crowns, the symbol of Sweden. This afternoon, tour the sculpture garden at Millesgården. In the evening *Sea Cloud II* sets sail, cruising past colorful summer homes and watercraft. **B,L,D**

#### Friday, July 3 VISBY, SWEDEN

This afternoon, arrive in Visby, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Towers, gabled mansions, the Visborg Castle, and ruins of medieval churches recall this walled town's fascinating Hanseatic history. See the 800-year-old cathedral, walk in the botanical garden, and visit the Gotlands Museum before setting sail in the evening. **B,L,D**

#### Saturday, July 4 DAY AT SEA

Today, sail aboard the magnificent *Sea Cloud II* while she crosses the Baltic Sea to Poland. Observe the ship's crew as they practice the ancient art of trimming the sails by hand. Gather in the lounge for a lively discussion from our traveling experts. Attend an Independence Day barbecue on deck this evening. **B,L,D**

#### Sunday, July 5 GDAŃSK, POLAND

Call in Gdańsk, one of Poland's oldest cities. Pass through the Highland Gate, the official start of the "Royal Route." Visit the National Museum with a curator, whose collection includes *The Last Judgment* by Hans Memling. Explore enchanting St. Mary's Street, which leads from St. Mary's Church to the Long Embankment, to discover richly ornamented houses once owned by prosperous merchants. **B,L,D**

### Sign Up Today!

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#### Monday, July 6 DAY AT SEA

Enjoy the rare privilege of being under sail aboard *Sea Cloud II* as we cruise toward the German coast. You may wish to spend this day at sea attending lectures, walking the deck, or reading a good book in the bright light of the Baltic summer. **B,L,D**

#### Tuesday, July 7 LÜBECK / HAMBURG, GERMANY

Today we will have a full-day excursion to Hamburg. You will have the opportunity to see the architecturally striking, glass-enclosed Elbphilharmonie, one of the largest and most technologically advanced music halls in the world. Other highlights will include a walking tour of the UNESCO-designated Speicherstadt, an historic assortment of ornately designed brick structures built in the late 19th century and the world's largest integrated complex of warehouses. Return to *Sea Cloud II* and remain in Lübeck for the night **B,L,D**

#### Wednesday, July 8 LÜBECK, GERMANY

Explore the medieval city of Lübeck, once the "Queen City" of the Hanseatic League and now a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Visit the gabled houses of the rich merchant class and a marzipan shop. Explore the center of the medieval town at St. Mary's Church and the Market Square, where signs of heavy bombing during World War II can still be seen. Rejoin the ship in Lübeck and sail for Denmark. This evening the captain hosts a farewell dinner. **B,L,D**

#### Thursday, July 9 COPENHAGEN, DENMARK / DISEMBARK

Disembark *Sea Cloud II* this morning in Copenhagen and transfer to the airport for flights home. **B**

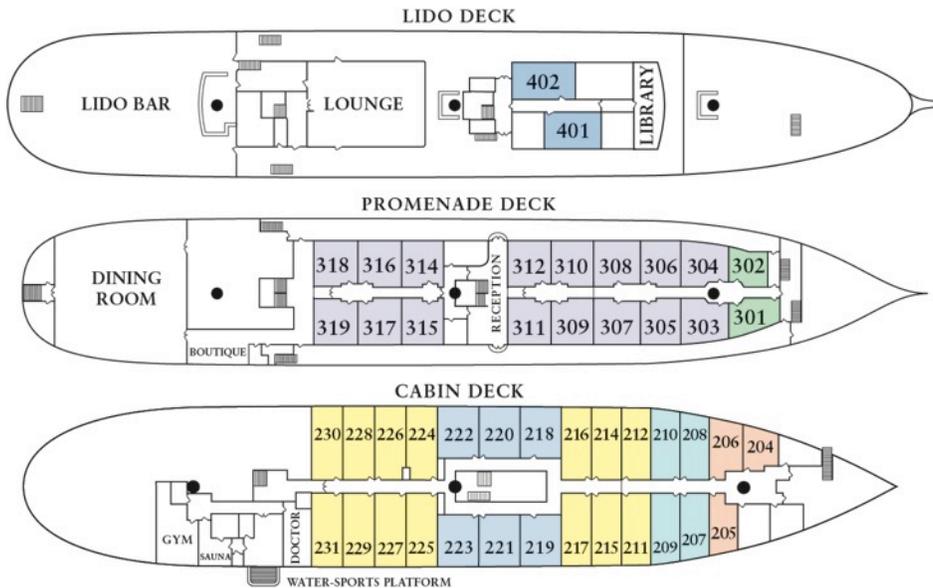
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Helsinki harbor

## Sea Cloud II

The sailing yacht *Sea Cloud II* is a three-masted barque steeped in the elegance of yesteryear and complemented with the most modern amenities. Sister ship of the legendary *Sea Cloud*, *Sea Cloud II* has 47 outside cabins and travels under 23 billowing sails trimmed by hand. From her mahogany-paneled library and gracious lounge to the fitness area and water sports platform, no detail has been overlooked. Praised by the world's most discerning travelers, *Sea Cloud II* consistently receives high rankings from *Condé Nast Traveler*.



Sea Cloud II

Cabins	Decks	Double Rates	Single Rates
Cabins 204 to 206 Upper/lower twin berths, shower.	Cabin Deck	\$9,999	\$11,999
Superior Cabins 207 to 210 Twin beds, shower.	Cabin Deck	\$11,999	\$17,999
Deluxe Cabins 211 to 217 & 224 to 231 Twin beds, shower.	Cabin Deck	\$14,999	\$22,499
Deluxe Cabins 218 to 223 Twin beds, shower.	Cabin Deck	\$16,999	Inquire
Deluxe Cabins 301 & 302 Twin beds, shower.	Promenade Deck	\$18,999	Inquire
Junior Suites 303 to 319 Twin beds, bathtub with shower.	Promenade Deck	\$20,999	Inquire
Owner's Suites 401 & 402 Queen-size bed, bathtub, and separate shower.	Lido Deck	\$22,999	Inquire

### Rates Include

One night hotel accommodations in Helsinki and ten nights aboard *Sea Cloud II*; meals as per the itinerary (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, R=Reception, D=Dinner); bottled water and coffee/tea with all meals; thoughtfully selected wines and beer with onboard lunches and dinners; complimentary open bar during the cruise; airport/hotel/pier/airport group transfers for all participants on suggested flights; escorted sightseeing, transportation and entrance fees for all included visits; enrichment program of lectures and talks; gratuities to local guides and drivers; customary shipboard gratuities; taxes, service and portage charges.

### Not Included in Rates

International airfare; passport/visa fees; meals not specified; alcoholic beverages other than as noted in inclusions; personal items and expenses; excess baggage; airport transfers other than for those on suggested flights; trip insurance; optional prelude in St. Petersburg; optional postlude in Copenhagen; optional Hamburg excursion; any other items not specifically mentioned as included.

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Name(s) in full as on passport(s). Please print.

Address

City State Zip

Telephone (home) (business)

Fax Email

I am a member of \_\_\_\_\_ Council.

**Accommodations**

Sea Cloud II cabin preference (1) \_\_\_\_\_ (2) \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to share a cabin with \_\_\_\_\_

**Form of payment**

Check (payable to *Arrangements Abroad*)  Debit card  Credit card

Name on debit/credit card

Debit/credit card number

3- or 4-digit security code Expiration date

Each participant must sign below. I/We have read, understand and agree to the Terms & Conditions at [www.arrangementsabroad.com/terms](http://www.arrangementsabroad.com/terms) and detailed in forthcoming program documents. I/We agree to full payment 120 days prior to departure.

Signature (required) Date

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