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Five-Star LE BELLOT

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- ◆ Guided tour through rainforests, including the Curú National Wildlife Refuge and Manuel Antonio National Park.
- ◆ Tour of Panama City, including visits to UNESCO-designated Casco Viejo and the Frank Gehry-designed Biodiversity Museum.
- ◆ Once-in-a-lifetime daytime passage through the Panama Canal.

9 DAY ITINERARY

- 1 Depart the U.S. or Canada/
Arrive San José, Costa Rica
- 2 San José/Puntarenas/
Embark LE BELLOT
- 3 Curú National Wildlife Refuge/
Tortuga Island
- 4 Quepos for Manuel Antonio
National Park
- 5 Rio Seco Rainforest
- 6 Cébaco Island, Panama
- 7 Panama City
- 8 Panama Canal Transit/Colón
- 9 Colón/Agua Clara Visitor Center
(time permitting)/Panama City/
Return to the U.S. or Canada



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Gatun Lake, Panama Canal



Dear University of Michigan Alumni Travelers,

Travel is an enriching part of our lives, connecting us to new worlds, new friends, and each other. Today, planning a trip requires a plan. At the Alumni Association of the University of Michigan, we've spent 52-plus years planning, perfecting, and executing extraordinary, exclusive trips for Michigan travelers — trips you'd expect from, and for, the Leaders and Best. These adventures will take you beyond an ordinary visit and dive into the culture, history, cuisine, and lives of the locals at your destination.

Here are a few of the highlights you can expect from us ...

Convenience: Our experience pays off. Every detail is planned and taken care of for you; all you have to do is pack your bag. The hard part is selecting where to go next.

Educational Enrichment: All trips include educational content, with some featuring expert U-M faculty and staff traveling with your group.

Exclusive Michigan Explorations: Our tours are limited to 12-24 Michigan travelers, allowing for spontaneous encounters and a great deal of independence wherever your journey takes you.

Safety: Michigan Alumni Travel has been working with tour operators to make sure all of our trips are specifically curated to focus on your safety without detracting from your travel experience.

We invite you to explore the range of our collection at alumni.umich.edu/travel/. Our travel team is also happy to assist you at 855.764.0064 or alumnitravel@umich.edu.

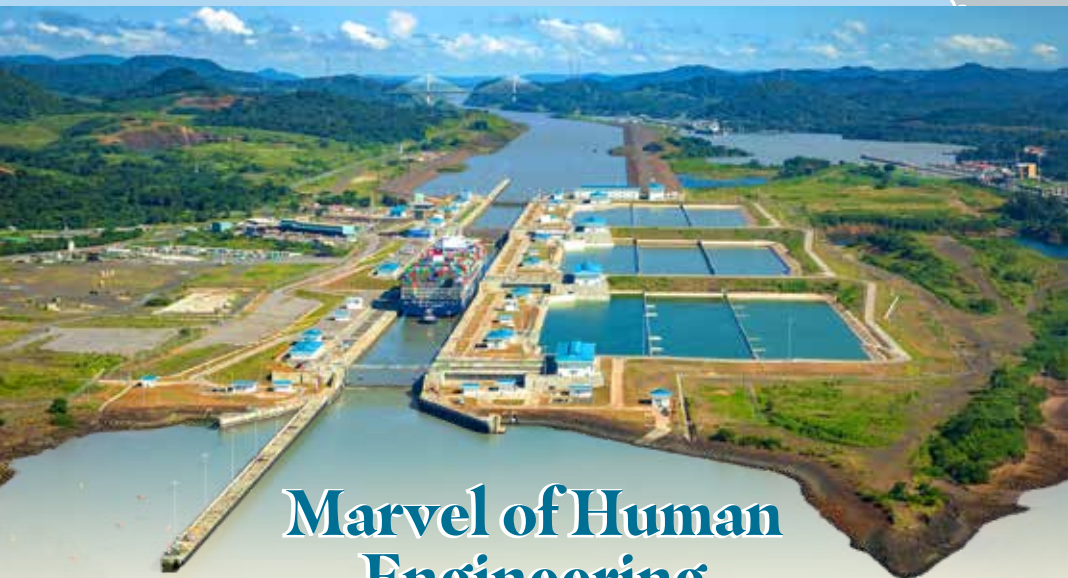
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The safety and well-being of our travelers remains our highest priority. Cruise lines and some other providers of services (as well as, potentially, some countries) require all passengers traveling on our programs to present confirmation of a full COVID-19 vaccination, and, as well, passengers may have to produce evidence of a recent negative COVID test. All our staff are committed to adhering to all health and safety protocols from the start of your trip to the end as directed by the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, overseas health officials as well as those protocols mandated by your cruise company (if applicable) and other suppliers of services. Detailed protocol information tailored to your travel program will be mailed to you along with additional pre-departure information.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



Marvel of Human Engineering

Completed in 1914, the Panama Canal is considered one of the Seven Wonders of the Modern World by the American Society of Civil Engineers. France's failed attempt to build a canal in the 19th century and implicit U.S. backing of Panama's independence in 1903 created diplomatic conditions favorable to the U.S.-led effort. In 1904, the Hay-Bunau-Varilla Treaty granted exclusive canal rights to the U.S. across the Isthmus of Panama in exchange for \$10 million and an annuity of \$250,000.

Under the watchful eye of U.S. President Theodore Roosevelt, the canal's realization hinged on the successful conversion of the original French sea-level plan to a lock-controlled canal system and crucial health care advances to prevent malaria and yellow fever outbreaks. This historic engineering feat opened new channels of international trade and allowed ships to travel between the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans in a fraction of the time required to circumnavigate South America. Following a \$5.25 billion expansion in 2016, the canal now accommodates more than twice the cargo.





Capuchin monkeys



Red-eyed tree frogs

DAY BY DAY ITINERARY

Home City/San José

Day 1

Depart home city for San José. Upon arrival, check into the COSTA RICA MARRIOTT HOTEL HACIENDA BELÉN. Enjoy the evening at leisure.

San José/Puntarenas

Day 2

In the heart of the fertile Valle Central, Costa Rica's dynamic capital city of San José possesses an eclectic mix of museums, landscaped parks, lively cafés, art galleries and an interesting fusion of architectural styles, including Spanish Colonial, Moorish and Modernist. On the city tour, visit the National Theater, a regal Baroque edifice modeled on Milan's La Scala, and the National Museum.

agriculture, forest management and wildlife protection—reestablishing species like the scarlet macaw and spider monkey. Encompassing five distinctive habitats, it is the ideal place to see the intricacies of interdependent ecosystems. Enjoy a guided walk in the morning, the best time of day to observe an abundance of wildlife.

Nestled in a private reserve near the stunning Nicoya Peninsula, idyllic Tortuga Island is named for its tortoise-like volcanic rock formations. Against a backdrop of white sand beaches, enjoy opportunities to swim and snorkel in this protected island's clear waters—home to fascinating marine life such as angelfish, spotted eagle rays and seahorses.

combination of rainforest, beach and coral reef, home to more than 100 species of mammals, almost 200 species of birds and various reptiles and amphibians.

Explore this protected biodiverse paradise where expert naturalists will help you spot colorful toucans, screeching howler monkeys, camouflaged iguanas, arboreal squirrel monkeys, two and three toed sloths and rambunctious capuchin monkeys.

Rio Seco Rainforest

Day 5

Part of the Piedras Blancas National Park, this perfect off-the-beaten-path destination is 400 acres of private property. The park is home to toucans, tapirs, pumas, jaguars and four species of monkeys. In Rio Seco Rainforest you can enjoy a picture-perfect secluded beach along the waters of the gorgeous Golfo Dulce. There is a tropical fruit orchard and colorful garden for you to discover. Explore a network of hiking trails, where naturalist tour guides will search for wildlife and share the secrets of this incredible ecosystem.

Cébaco Island, Panama

Day 6

In the sparkling Gulf of Montijo, snorkel in the emerald waters of seldom-visited Cébaco Island, where schools of brilliantly colored fish, giant manta rays and four different species of turtles swim amid spectacular rock reefs.



Museum of Biodiversity, Panama City

After lunch, enjoy a scenic transfer to Puntarenas to embark LE BELLOT.

Curú National Wildlife Refuge/Tortuga Island

Day 3

Curú National Wildlife Refuge is a unique blend of sustainable

Attend the Captain's Welcome Reception on board this evening.

Quepos for Manuel Antonio National Park

Day 4

Experience an unparalleled diversity of wildlife in this lush tropical haven—a captivating



Snorkel in the vibrant coral reef of the Gulf of Montijo off Cébaco Island



Three-toed sloth

Panama City

Day 7

Tour the Miraflores Locks Visitor Center and learn about the canal's lock system. The Biodiversity Museum, designed by architect Frank Gehry, showcases the ecological significance of Panama's exotic flora and fauna species. Visit the UNESCO World Heritage designated historic district of Casco Antiguo, a charming neighborhood replete with

cobblestone streets and architecturally significant historical edifices, including a 16th century cathedral.

Panama Canal/Colón

Day 8

Cruise from the Pacific Ocean to the Caribbean Sea through the mighty locks of the fascinating Panama Canal. Transit times through the canal are controlled by the Panama Canal Authority. Attend the Captain's Farewell Reception this evening.

Colón/Panama City/ Home City

Day 9

Disembark in Colón and—if time permitting—visit the Panama Canal Expansion Agua Clara Visitor Center to enjoy panoramic views of the canal's 166-square-mile Gatún Lake and new longer, wider locks.

Transfer to Panama City for your return flight home.



Manuel Antonio National Park

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- ◆ Experienced Gohagan & Company Travel Directors at your service.
- ◆ Automatic \$250,000 flight insurance policy for each participant ticketed on flights by Gohagan & Company.

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LE BELLOT

Luxury Small Ship, Innovative Design

LE BELLOT represents a new generation of Five-Star Small Ships, combining revolutionary design and a new standard of luxury for unparalleled cruising. Dock in smaller ports inaccessible to larger ships, where authentic cultural experiences and majestic scenery await you. Complimentary alcoholic/nonalcoholic beverages and Wi-Fi access are available throughout the cruise. All meals aboard ship are included.

Elegant Suites and Staterooms, 100% with Private Balconies

Each of the 92 Five-Star Staterooms and Suites (up to 484 square feet) features a private balcony. Grand Deluxe Suites have a floor-to-ceiling panoramic window and spacious private terrace. Accommodations offer two twin beds or one queen bed, individual climate control, a private bathroom with shower and luxury hotel-style amenities.



Category	LAND/CRUISE RATES <small>excluding taxes</small> <small>Per person, based on double occupancy</small>	Early Booking Savings through July 11, 2022	Price after July 11, 2022
8	Deluxe Stateroom, picture window with door onto private partial wall balcony and bathroom with shower. <i>Deck 3</i>	\$4,995	\$5,745
7	Prestige Stateroom with private balcony and bathrom with shower. <i>Deck 4.</i>	\$5,695	\$6,550
6	Prestige Stateroom with private balcony and bathrom with shower. <i>Deck 5.</i>	\$6,395	\$7,355
5	Prestige Stateroom with private balcony and bathrom with shower. <i>Deck 6.</i>	\$6,995	\$8,045
4	Deluxe Suite, private balcony , bathroom with shower and sitting area with sofa. <i>Deck 3.</i>	\$7,995	\$9,195
3	Deluxe Suite, private balcony , bathroom with shower and sitting area with sofa. <i>Deck 4.</i>	\$8,795	\$10,115
2	Deluxe Suite, private balcony , bathroom with shower and sitting area with sofa. <i>Deck 5.</i>	\$9,595	\$11,035
1	Deluxe Suite, private balcony , bathroom with shower and sitting area with sofa. <i>Deck 6.</i>	\$10,295	\$11,840
Prestige Suite 2	Two room Suite with large private balcony , two full bathrooms, large sitting area with sofa, two closets and writing desk. <i>Deck 5.</i>	\$10,995	\$12,645
Prestige Suite 1	Two room Suite with large private balcony , two full bathrooms, large sitting area with sofa, two closets and writing desk. <i>Deck 6.</i>	\$11,295	\$12,990
Privilege Suite	Suite with larger private balcony , bathroom with shower and sitting area with sofa. <i>Decks 5 and 6.</i>	\$11,695	\$13,450
Grand Deluxe Suite	Extra-large, two-bedroom Suite, floor-to-ceiling panoramic window, sitting area with sofa, spacious private , bathroom with seperate tub and shower plus half bath. <i>Deck 6.</i>	\$12,595	\$14,485
Owner's Suite	Extra-large, two-bedroom Suite, sitting area with sofa, spacious private terrace with outdoor Jacuzzi , bathroom with separate tub and shower plus half bath. <i>Deck 5.</i>	\$12,995	\$14,995

Single supplements apply across all categories at 160% of the per person double price.

Taxes are an additional \$450 per person.

LE BELLOT has been specially contracted for this program and the deck plan is available online or at request from Gohagan & Company.



PRE-PROGRAM OPTION

San José

January 17 to 21, 2023

Explore Costa Rica's diverse biospheres, from steamy hot springs to misty cloud forests. In view of towering Arenal Volcano, walk in the lush rainforest along a series of suspended and fixed bridges. Visit an organic chocolate workshop, an award-winning coffee estate and a traditional artisan town known for intricately hand-painted woodcrafts. Accommodations are for two nights in the deluxe COSTA RICA MARRIOTT HOTEL HACIENDA BELÉN and two nights in the ideally located HOTEL ARENAL KIORO.

Price per person, based on double occupancy: \$1,295

Price per person, based on single occupancy: \$1,845



POST-PROGRAM OPTION

Panama

January 28 to 30, 2023

Continue your journey by exploring Panama City's rich indigenous culture, compelling colonial history and contemporary élan. Visit the UNESCO World Heritage-designated Panama La Vieja—founded in 1519 and later destroyed by privateer Henry Morgan—to see the ruins of the oldest European settlement on the Pacific-American coast. Visit the fascinating Agua Clara Visitor Center for panoramic views of the Panama Canal expansion and cruise the Gatún River to meet indigenous Emberá people. Spend two nights in the ideally located, deluxe BRISTOL PANAMA HOTEL.

Price per person, based on double occupancy: \$695

Price per person, based on single occupancy: \$945

Further details will be provided with your reservation confirmation.

RESERVATION FORM

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Please make my/our reservation(s):

Category: 1st Choice _____ 2nd Choice _____

- ☐ Double (two twin beds).
☐ Double (one queen bed).
☐ Single accommodations.
☐ Single but prefer to share and will allow you to select my
roommate (shares cannot be guaranteed).

San José Pre-Program Option

January 17 to 21, 2023

- ☐ Double \$1,295 per person.
☐ Single \$1,845 per person.
☐ I am reserving as a single but prefer to share accommodations.

Panama Post-Program Option

January 28 to 30, 2023

- ☐ Double \$695 per person.
☐ Single \$945 per person.
☐ I am reserving as a single but prefer to share accommodations.
☐ I/We want you to book my/our air from:

(fill in departure city)

- ☐ I/We will make my/our own air arrangements.

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Title	Full Name	Date of Birth

Street Mailing Address (no P.O. Box number please)

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Program reservations require a deposit of \$800 per person.

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and Costa Rica.**
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First participant's signature	Date
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Second participant's signature	Date
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ACH or credit card. Reservations made after October 17, 2022,
require payment in full at time of booking. No cancellation fees
until 96 days prior to January 20, 2023!**

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