



**WOMEN OF THE MIDWEST**  
Travel Solo Together

# HISTORIC SOUTH & SOUTHEAST SEA ISLANDS

(All-Inclusive Cruise)

With Women of the Midwest!

**March 17-25, 2027**



Dear Friends,

Welcome aboard! I am so delighted to welcome you on this unforgettable Historic South adventure—where travel is about so much more than destinations. It's about shared moments, meaningful connections, and the joy of discovering something new together. I'm especially excited to be sharing this journey with you, as this will be my third time exploring this beautiful region—and it continues to inspire me every time I return.

We have partnered with American Cruise Lines, a boutique cruise company known for its beautifully designed small ships and exceptional service. With a limited number of staterooms, this experience feels wonderfully intimate—more like traveling among friends than being part of a large crowd. This is not mass tourism, but a relaxed and refined way to cruise, where every detail is thoughtfully considered and every guest is truly cared for.

Let's slow down, savor the beauty of the coast, and enjoy the company of remarkable women as we explore the charm and history of the American South. Our route will carry us along scenic waterways to a collection of enchanting coastal towns and islands, including:

- Jekyll Island & St. Simons Island – Barrier islands rich in maritime history, grand estates, and creative spirit
- Savannah – Timeless squares, moss-draped oaks, and stories that echo through history
- Hilton Head Island – A serene retreat of natural beauty, wildlife, and coastal elegance
- Beaufort – A gracious Lowcountry gem filled with historic homes and rich cultural heritage

Whether you're drawn by the scenery, the stories, the culture, or the sisterhood, I know this journey will leave you with moments that linger long after we return home.

I will be with you throughout the trip, dedicated to your comfort, enjoyment, and peace of mind every step of the way. I invite you to join me, solo or two-by-two.

Warmly,  
Lora Black, Ambassador  
Women of the Midwest



Call Executive Travel's Group Department today at 888.549.1186. Space is limited.

## Quintessential South



### March 17, 2027 - Wednesday Amelia Island, Florida

Your journey with Women of the Midwest begins gracefully as we fly to Jacksonville, Florida. Amelia Island, the charming “Isle of Eight Flags,” awaits—this is where history, nature, and seaside beauty meet. Enjoy a leisurely overnight hotel stay, giving you the freedom to explore this captivating place at your own pace. Amelia Island’s colorful past unfolds with every step. This barrier island has hosted pirates, soldiers, and settlers, leaving behind a rich architectural and cultural tapestry. Stroll its historic streets lined with Victorian homes, charming boutiques, and inviting cafés.

As evening falls, we gather over dinner, beginning the friendships that will gently unfold throughout the week. D

### March 18, 2027 - Thursday Embarkation & Cruising the Intra-coastal Waterway

This morning, step aboard the elegant American Glory, your floating home for the week. From the moment you’re welcomed onboard, you’ll sense the relaxed sophistication that defines American Cruise Lines. Unpack, settle into your spacious stateroom, and begin to feel the gentle rhythm of life on the water.

As the ship glides along the Intracoastal Waterway, spend the afternoon getting acquainted with fellow Women of the Midwest travelers—perhaps over lunch, a glass of wine, or while lounging on deck. Scenic marshlands, coastal homes, and winding waterways pass by like a living watercolor. Dolphins often surface nearby, while seabirds trace patterns across the sky. This is a perfect day to breathe deeply, slow your pace, and savor

## Horse-drawn Carriage Ride



the promise of adventure ahead—shared with new companions who may soon feel like old friends. B | L | S | D

### March 19, 2027 - Friday Jekyll Island & St. Simons Island, Georgia

Jekyll Island and St. Simons Island, Georgia, hum with lively energy, where sun-drenched shores stretch along the coast, and sailors navigate the coastal currents. These barrier islands are known for their scenic beaches, maritime forests, and rich coastal history.

Uncover the fascinating narrative of Jekyll Island, nestled among Georgia’s Sea Isles, where history comes alive amidst the opulent grandeur of “Millionaire’s Village.” Spanning 240 acres, this enclave boasts extravagant homes and winter cottages, a testament to the lavish lifestyles of America’s elite. The area remains one of the most historically significant destinations along the Georgia coast.

Spend a laid-back afternoon aboard the Lady Jane, a fully restored shrimping vessel on a cruise through the scenic Marshes of Glynn, just south of St. Simons Sound. Keep an eye out for seagulls, pelicans, and maybe even dolphins while learning about the local ecosystem and the traditions of the working waterfront. Admire the St. Simons Lighthouse, standing tall as a beacon of maritime history. This region is also well-known for its protected marshlands and wildlife-rich estuaries.

Tap into your creative side with an afternoon at Makers Arts Café and visit Hofwyl-Broadfield Estate to learn about the marshes where rice planting once flourished. B | L | S | D

## Under The Boardwalk



### March 20, 2027 - Saturday Cruising the Intracoastal Waterway

Today is devoted to the simple pleasure of being carried gently forward. As the American Glory navigates the Intracoastal Waterway, salt marshes, tidal creeks, and coastal estuaries unfold in tranquil beauty. This historic route offers calm waters ideal for wildlife viewing and quiet contemplation.

Spend the day as you please—attending an onboard enrichment lecture, enjoying afternoon tea with new friends, or retreating to your private balcony with a book and the sea breeze. As evening approaches, the sky transforms into a canvas of gold and rose. Raise a glass to the day, to the journey, and to the friendships forming naturally with every shared sunset. B | L | S | D

### March 21, 2027 - Sunday Savannah, Georgia

Savannah enchants at every turn, its gracious squares and shaded avenues inviting you to slow down and savor the moment. Ancient oak trees draped in Spanish moss shelter historic homes and churches that have stood for centuries.

Join your onboard historian for a guided walk through Savannah’s iconic squares, where stories of Civil War tensions, military headquarters, and Union occupation unfold beneath your feet. Later, step into a different chapter of American history at the American Prohibition Museum, ending your visit with a playful nod to the past in the museum’s speakeasy.

A visit to Colonial Park Cemetery offers a poignant glimpse into Savannah’s earliest residents, including Revolutionary War heroes. As the day ends, you may

## Charleston



find yourself sharing reflections with fellow travelers—moments of connection deepened by the city's timeless atmosphere. B | L | S | D

### March 22, 2027 - Monday Hilton Head Island, South Carolina

Hilton Head Island unfolds as a serene retreat of natural elegance, blending pristine beaches with lush maritime forests and refined coastal culture. Today offers a menu of enriching experiences, allowing you to choose what best suits your spirit.

Cruise tranquil waters on a Dolphin Discovery excursion, where playful bottlenose dolphins often swim alongside the boat, delighting all aboard. Alternatively, venture into the Sea Pines Forest Preserve on a guided Alligator & Wildlife tour, drifting across a freshwater lake surrounded by native flora and fauna.

The Coastal Discovery Museum offers a gentler pace, with boardwalks through salt marshes and exhibits that bring the island's history to life. Throughout the day, shared discoveries spark easy laughter and conversation—proof that exploration is even sweeter when enjoyed together. B | L | S | D

### March 23, 2027 - Tuesday Beaufort, South Carolina

Often called the “Newport of the South,” Beaufort welcomes you with quiet beauty and storied grace. Its expansive historic district showcases grand Federal, Greek Revival, and Neoclassical homes shaded by moss-draped live oaks. The town's charm invites lingering strolls.

A narrated horse-drawn carriage ride

## Artisan Markets



carries you through Beaufort's past, revealing stories from colonial settlement through the Civil War and into modern Southern life. Later, gain a deeper understanding of the Gullah Geechee people—descendants of enslaved Africans whose vibrant culture lives on through art, food, music, and language.

Nature lovers will delight in a visit to the Port Royal Cypress Wetlands, where still waters reflect towering cypress trees and birdsong fills the air. This peaceful sanctuary offers a moment of reflection—and often sparks meaningful conversations among travelers inspired by the beauty around them. B | L | S | D

### March 24, 2027 - Wednesday Charleston, South Carolina

Charleston... where Southern charm and timeless elegance set the tone for the day. Wander cobblestone streets lined with pastel-hued mansions, fragrant gardens, and wrought-iron balconies that whisper stories of centuries past.

Charleston played a significant role in both the American Revolution and the Civil War. Today, this city is also celebrated for its vibrant food scene, Southern hospitality, and scenic waterfront views along the South Carolina coast. At the city's edge, the Battery promenade offers sweeping views of Fort Sumter.

Enjoy a guided visit to the Charleston Tea Garden, the largest commercial tea garden in the country, where you'll hop on a trolley to explore acres of lush tea fields. Then, take a scenic ferry ride to historic Fort Sumter, the hallowed site where the first shots of the Civil War rang out and remains an essential stop for many Charleston guided tours. B | L | S | D

## Civil War History



### March 25, 2027 - Thursday Charleston & Departure

Savor a final leisurely breakfast as the Atlantic breeze drifts ashore. Your Southeast Sea Islands cruise concludes with transportation to Charleston Airport. While the journey ends here, the connections made with Women of the Midwest often continue long after. You depart not only with photographs and souvenirs, but with a renewed spirit, cherished experiences, and the quiet joy of having traveled well—and together. B

*Itinerary is subject to change.*

B: Breakfast, L: Lunch, S: Snack, D: Dinner



## Divine Desserts



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ONLINE REGISTRATION LINK:

Via our website [www.WomenoftheMidwest.com/journeys](http://www.WomenoftheMidwest.com/journeys)

**Package Price - All Staterooms are on Request Basis:**

<b>Premium Waterview Stateroom</b> (5 available) PP, shared double	\$6,995
<b>Premium Balcony Stateroom</b> (3 available) PP, shared double	\$7,995
<b>Vista Balcony Stateroom</b> (2 available) PP, shared double	\$8,595
<b>Single Balcony Stateroom</b> (1 available) PP, single occupancy	\$8,995

*We offer "Pair & Share" service for our Solo travelers. Ask us to assist in finding your roommate!*

A non-refundable deposit of \$500 per person is required at registration and can be paid by ACH (Automated Clearing House), check, or credit card. The balance is due on December 4, 2026, and is non-refundable, and can be paid by ACH, check, or credit card. When using a credit card for final payment a 3.5% processing fee applies as assessed by the credit card processing company. Checks must be received in our office at least 100 days before the tour's departure date. If you book within 100 days of departure, ACH or credit card payment is the required payment method.

**EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT:**

Register by July 17, 2026 and receive **\$200 off!**

**Tour Activity Level:**

The activity level of this tour depends on your choices of shore excursions. This journey is not recommended for guests with walking difficulties. Comfortable, sturdy shoes/boots are always recommended.

**Travel Insurance:**

We recommend travel insurance to help protect you and your trip investment against the unexpected. For your convenience, we offer a plan provided by Travelex Insurance Services. For rates and plan highlights, please ask us.

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**Group airfare:**

Group airfare from Omaha, NE, is included in your package and will be available by the beginning of May 2026. Ask us to assist you with airfare from a different hometown (a small supplement may occur).

*The tour will be materialized with a minimum of 15 travelers and a maximum of 22 travelers. Should we, for any reason, not be able to guarantee this departure, we will offer a refund of all funds paid to Executive Travel for land, air, and travel insurance 90 days prior to departure.*

**Included:**

- Group airfare Omaha-Jacksonville/Charleston-Omaha\*, economy class, taxes and fees included (direct flights not guaranteed)
- 1 night pre-cruise hotel in Amelia Island, FL (3- or 4-star hotel, will be confirmed 90 days prior to departure)
- Welcome dinner
- 1 x breakfast at the hotel in Amelia Island, FL
- Full meal package (breakfast, lunch, dinner, snacks) & drink package (all beverages and alcohol) throughout the cruise
- All transportation as per the tour program
- Professional tour guides throughout the cruise
- Baggage handling at the hotel and cruise ship (one piece per person)
- Women of the Midwest Ambassador, March 17-25, 2027
- Detailed travel documents (hard copy and electronic)
- All port taxes and gratuities to crew onboard the ship
- All local taxes and fees as of April 14, 2026

**Not Included:**

- Airline baggage fees. Estimate first checked bag \$45 per way
- Travel insurance
- Personal expenses
- Meals and beverages other than mentioned in the tour program
- Premium and Signature shore excursions. Pricing will become available 60 days prior to departure
- Professional fee, \$100 per person, due at time of registration
- Suggested gratuities: Shore Excursions Driver: \$2-4 per person per tour, Step-on Guide: \$2-4 per person per tour. Amounts should always reflect the quality of the service received.
- Anything not mentioned in the inclusions



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## Optional Shore Excursions

Those marked with an asterisk (\*) are complimentary. Shore excursion options are subject to change without notice.

### Amelia Island, FL

- Lofton Creek Kayaking
- Amelia Island Trolley Exploration
- Amelia Island River Cruise
- Fernandina Beach Seaport Exploration
- Fort Clinch State Park\*
- Eight Flags Road Exploration

### Jekyll Island, GA

- Tasting at Biron Teas
- Jekyll Island Exploration
- Richland Rum Distillery

### St. Simons Island, GA

- Lady Jane Shrimp Boat Experience
- Tasting at Biron Teas
- St. Simons Island Exploration

### Savannah, GA

- Savannah Walking Exploration
- Colonial Cemetery Walking Experience
- National Museum of the Mighty Eighth Air Force\*
- Prohibition Museum & Cocktail Experience
- The Webb Military Museum\*
- The Dark Side of Savannah

### Hilton Head, SC

- Dolphin Discovery Cruise
- Alligator & Wildlife Excursion
- Coastal Discovery Museum\*

### Beaufort, SC

- Southern Rose Horse-Drawn Carriage Ride
- Beaufort History & Movie Walking Excursions
- Lowcountry Heritage Experience
- Pat Conroy's Beaufort Exploration

## American Glory

Inaugurated: 2023 Guest Capacity: 100 Staterooms: 56 Common Areas: 8



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3<sup>RD</sup> DECK



2<sup>ND</sup> DECK



MAIN DECK



CATEGORY TYPE

CATEGORY SQUARE FOOTAGE

Vista Balcony	310
Premium Balcony	310
Premium Waterview	310
Single Balcony	280



## GROUP AIRFARE!

Group airfare with American Airlines is included in your package:

March 17, 2027	Omaha* - Charlotte	6:19 AM - 9:55 AM
March 17, 2027	Charlotte - Jacksonville	11:25 AM - 12:53 PM
March 25, 2027	Charleston - Chicago	12:35 PM - 2:20 PM
March 25, 2027	Chicago - Omaha*	5:14 PM - 6:57 PM

\*We are happy to assist with airfare from a different airport than Omaha. Please reach out to us to assist you. A small supplement may occur. If you travel from a different airport, we aim to have you meet your fellow travelers in Charlotte on March 17 and return from Charleston around the same time as the rest of the group on March 25.

### **Important notes about seat assignments, upgrades, TSA Pre-Check- & Frequent Flyer Numbers:**

- Group airfare comes with **seat assignments 30 days prior to departure**. We cannot confirm precise seat numbers earlier than 30 days prior to your departure and therefore cannot guarantee the availability of specific seating on the aircraft. We do our best to honor your preferences (window, aisle seat).
- **Premium seating upgrades - depending on availabilities:**  
*Main Cabin Extra* can be purchased and confirmed **once the tickets are issued** = 30 days prior to departure. Estimate a supplement of \$300-\$500.  
  
*Business Class* can be reserved **at the time of booking** your trip with us. Estimate a supplement of \$1,500-\$2,000.
- **Mileage credit** for individuals on group air contracts is not guaranteed and is subject to the rules of the airline under contract.
- **TSA Pre-Check numbers and Frequent Flyer numbers must be reported at the time of reservation**. Otherwise, each traveler must provide these numbers upon check-in on the day of departure.
- **Taxes, fuel charges, and security fees** are subject to change.
- **Air schedules** are subject to change at the discretion of the airline.

