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**History & Gardens of the Caribbean**  
Round-Trip Barbados Aboard *Emerald Azzurra*

**February 24 – March 2, 2024**





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Dear Johns Hopkins Alumni, Parents, and Friends,

Experience the beauty and history of the Caribbean during an enchanting winter escape aboard the brand-new superyacht *Emerald Azzurra*.

Your journey will begin in Barbados, where we will board *Emerald Azzurra* and set sail for Dominica, home to a wide array of breathtaking national parks and some of the highest mountains in the Lesser Antilles. Visit Cabrits National Park and marvel at the natural scenery. Explore the ruins of the 18th-century Fort Shirley, a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Visit hidden beaches on the cosmopolitan island of St. Barthélemy. Go snorkeling in its crystal-clear waters, or take a dip from the swim deck of *Emerald Azzurra*. Next, call at Nevis, the birthplace of Founding Father Alexander Hamilton. Here, tour Hamilton's childhood home, a fully reconstructed 17th-century waterfront Georgian stone mansion. Visit the spectacular Botanical Gardens of Nevis, home to five acres of orchid terraces and a rainforest conservancy.

Next, tour the famous Nelson's Dockyard and a restored 17th-century sugar plantation on magical Antigua before cruising to the archipelago known as Îles des Saintes, the site of the most significant naval battle ever fought in the Caribbean between the British and the French. Call at Montserrat, described as "a modern-day Pompeii" and home to a stunning botanical garden. Then wander through the magnificent Diamond Falls Botanical Gardens in Soufrière, St. Lucia before disembarking upon return to Barbados.

## CRUISE HIGHLIGHTS

**SAIL** on the new superyacht *Emerald Azzurra*, a spacious yet intimate cruising vessel with only 50 suites and staterooms, and enjoy a collection of luxurious amenities

**ROAM** private tropical gardens on specially guided tours, including the breathtaking botanical garden on Nevis and the lush Diamond Falls Botanical Gardens on St. Lucia

**TRACE** Caribbean history through the colonial struggles of European powers in the Îles des Saintes, the location of an important Revolutionary War battle

**DISCOVER** the childhood home of Alexander Hamilton in Nevis, a fully reconstructed 17th-century waterfront Georgian stone mansion

**STEP** back into Dominica's European colonial past with a guided tour of Fort Shirley, which was built within a volcanic crater and has witnessed victories, defeats, and uprisings

**VISIT** exquisite hidden beaches and snorkel in clear blue waters on St. Barthélemy or take an optional dip from the swim deck of *Emerald Azzurra*

*Emerald Azzurra* is spacious yet intimate, with ample outdoor areas across several levels. Take advantage of the infinity pool and watersports platform throughout the cruise. Space on this program is limited, so we urge you to contact us as soon as possible. We look forward to welcoming you on this scenic voyage through the rich history and natural beauty of the Caribbean on this luxurious voyage, co-sponsored with the National Trust for Historic Preservation, University of Chicago Alumni Association, and Harvard University Alumni Association.

Sincerely,

Marguerite Jones, A&S '74, Bus '88  
Travel Program Director,  
Office of Alumni Relations  
Johns Hopkins University

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### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24: DEPARTURE / BARBADOS

Upon arrival in Barbados this afternoon, transfer to the elegant *Emerald Azzurra* for our seven-night Caribbean cruise. This brand-new, sleek superyacht is spacious, with ample outdoor areas across several levels. Take advantage of the infinity pool and watersports platform throughout the voyage. D

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25: ROSEAU, DOMINICA

Today, discover Dominica, nicknamed the "Nature Isle" of the Caribbean for its untouched wilderness. It boasts some of the highest mountains in the Lesser Antilles as well as thick virgin jungle, where rivers plunge and animals abound. On an excursion to Cabrits National Park, marvel at the natural scenery and the two extinct volcanoes at its center. Once inside the park, make your way to the UNESCO-listed Fort Shirley, formerly a strategic network of defenses built in the 18th century, whose ruins have been recaptured by the surrounding jungle. This evening, join the captain for a welcome reception and dinner. B,L,R,D

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26: GUSTAVIA, ST. BARTHÉLEMY

Arrive in cosmopolitan St. Barthélemy, known to most travelers as "St. Bart's." Experience the island's French *savoir-faire* as you stroll past stylish cafés and boutiques. Swimmers will have an opportunity to visit one of the many beautiful beaches before returning to the ship for lunch. Later, the group will gather aboard *Emerald Azzurra* for an evening of merriment, featuring a tasting of excellent rums from island distilleries. B,L,D

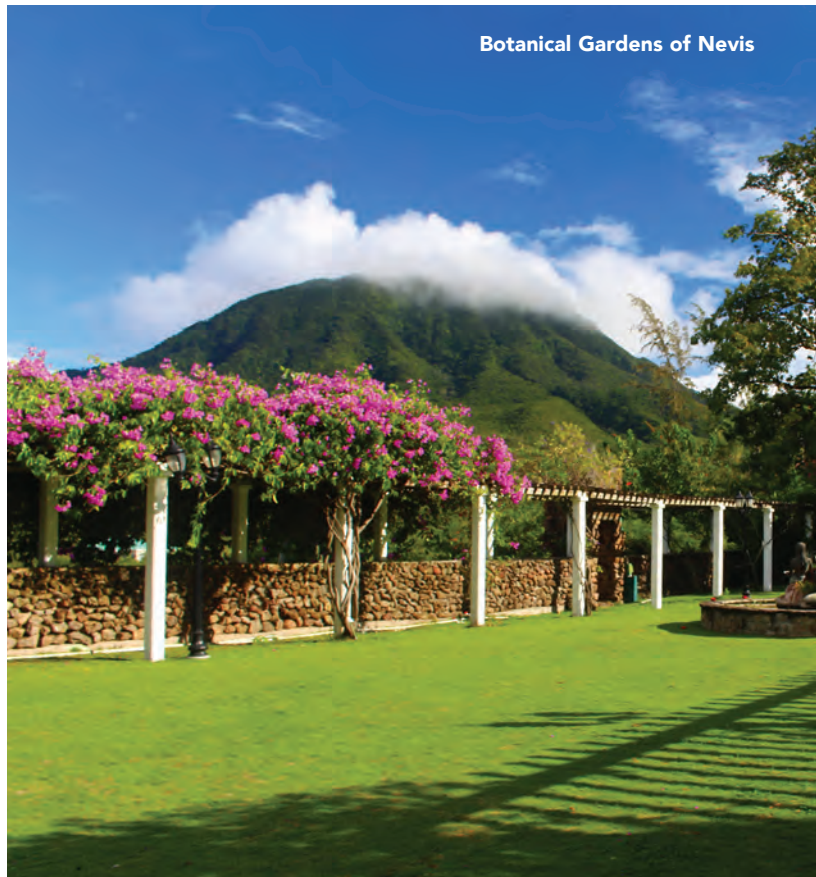
### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27: CHARLESTOWN, NEVIS

Call at the island of Nevis, birthplace of Alexander Hamilton, where you will see the Founding Father's childhood home. This 17th-century, two-story waterfront Georgian dwelling has been restored and also serves as the island's local historical museum. Learn how Hamilton's humble beginnings here are said to have informed some of his political views as one of America's Founding Fathers. Continue to the spectacular Botanical Gardens of Nevis. Explore its five acres of orchid terraces, various tropical plants, and a rainforest conservancy. B,L,D

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28: FALMOUTH BAY, ANTIGUA / MONTSERRAT

Anchor off the south shore of beautiful Antigua and savor fantastic views over the English Harbour as well as Nelson's Dockyard, an old restored shipyard named after the Admiral. Go ashore and visit Betty's Hope, a restored sugar mill where "white gold" was processed during the island's bitter past. Nearby, see sweet black pineapples growing in the gently rolling landscape around Boggy Peak, Antigua's highest point. Along the coast, admire the island's bays and lagoons, countless white palm-filled beaches, and an almost unbroken coral reef. Later, *Emerald Azzurra* will drop anchor off the coast of the enigmatic island of Montserrat, where you will visit its beautiful botanical garden. B,L,D

Botanical Gardens of Nevis





Diamond Falls, St. Lucia



#### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29: ÎLES DES SAINTES, GUADELOUPE

An archipelago of eight tiny volcanic islands, Îles des Saintes is the site of the April 1782 Battle of the Saintes between the British Royal Navy and the French fleet. The four-day battle resulted in the greatest British naval victory over the French in the Revolutionary War, preserving their claims in the Caribbean. Tour the colonial-style island town of Terre-de-Haut, or visit 17th-century Fort Napoléon, with its commanding views and exotic gardens. You may also choose to enjoy a swim at one of the white-sand beaches before returning to *Emerald Azzurra*. B,L,D

#### FRIDAY, MARCH 1: SOUFRIÈRE, ST. LUCIA

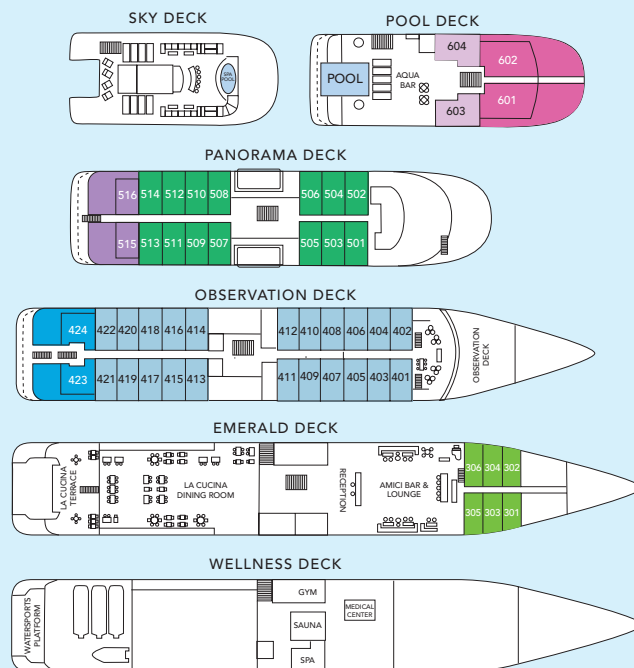
Anchor this morning in the Bay of Soufrière, tucked between the dramatic Anse des Pitons. Step ashore to tour the lush Diamond Falls Botanical Gardens, with its bounty of tropical blossoms as well as hot mineral springs and a dazzlingly colorful waterfall. In the early afternoon, return to *Emerald Azzurra* and set sail for Barbados. Gather for the captain's farewell dinner this evening. B,L,D

#### SATURDAY, MARCH 2: BARBADOS / DISEMBARK / RETURN

Disembark *Emerald Azzurra* early this morning and transfer to the airport for your flights home. B

*This itinerary is subject to change at the discretion of The Johns Hopkins Alumni Association and Arrangements Abroad. For complete details, please carefully read the terms and conditions at [www.arrangementsabroad.com/terms](http://www.arrangementsabroad.com/terms).*

## EMERALD AZZURRA



## CRUISE RATES

Cabins	Decks	Double	Single
301 to 306	Emerald Deck	\$6,999	\$8,749
Oceanview Stateroom, 205 sq. ft.			
401 to 422	Observation Deck	\$9,999	\$14,999
Balcony Suite, lower floor, private balcony, 285 sq. ft.			
501 to 514	Panorama Deck	\$10,999	\$16,499
Balcony Suite, higher floor, private balcony, 305 sq. ft.			
603 & 604	Pool Deck	\$13,999	\$20,999
Deluxe Balcony Suite, private balcony, 390 sq. ft.			
515 & 516	Panorama Deck	\$16,999	Inquire
Terrace Suite, outside terrace, 650 sq. ft.			
423 & 424	Observation Deck	\$17,999	Inquire
Yacht Suite, outside terrace, 720 sq. ft.			
601 & 602	Pool Deck	\$19,999	Inquire
Owner's Suite, outside terrace, separate bedroom and lounge area, 1180 sq. ft.			

## RATES INCLUDE

- Seven nights cabin accommodations aboard *Emerald Azzurra*
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, R=Reception, D=Dinner). Bottled water, soft drinks, juices, and coffee/tea with all meals; wine/beer with lunches and dinners
- Airport/pier/airport group transfers for all participants on suggested flights
- Enrichment program of lectures and talks
- Escorted sightseeing, transportation, and entrance fees for all included visits
- Gratuities to local guides and drivers; customary shipboard gratuities
- Taxes, service, and portage charges

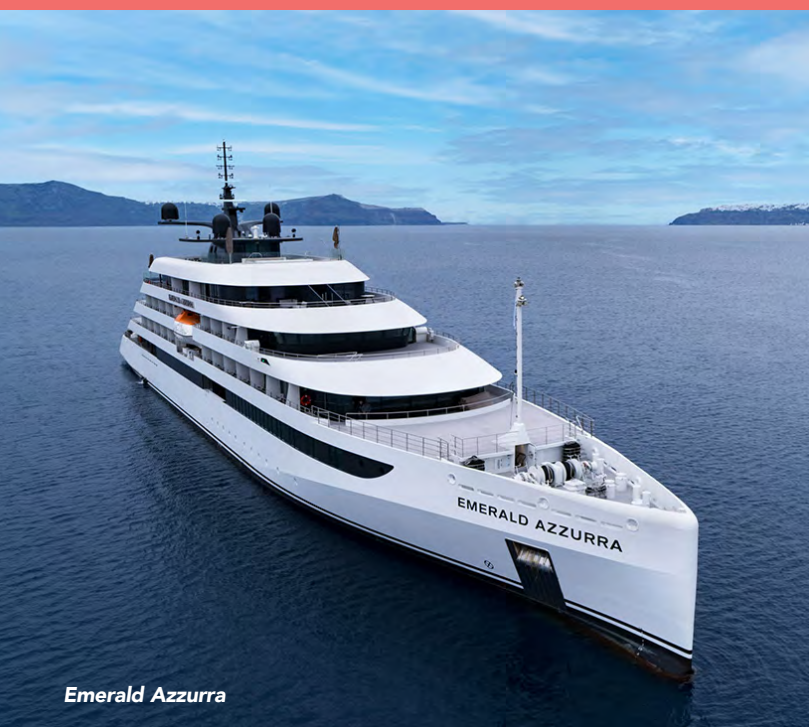
**NOT INCLUDED IN RATES:** International airfare; passport/visa fees; meals not specified; alcoholic beverages other than what is noted in inclusions; personal items and expenses; excess baggage; airport transfers other than for those on suggested flights; trip insurance; any other items not specifically mentioned as included.

**NOTE:** A small portion of the cost of the trip supports the Johns Hopkins Alumni Travel Program.

**ELIGIBILITY:** At least one member of the traveling party is required to make a sustaining financial contribution of \$50 or more to the Johns Hopkins Alumni Association within the fiscal year. Please visit [alumni.jhu.edu/support](http://alumni.jhu.edu/support).



# EMERALD AZZURRA

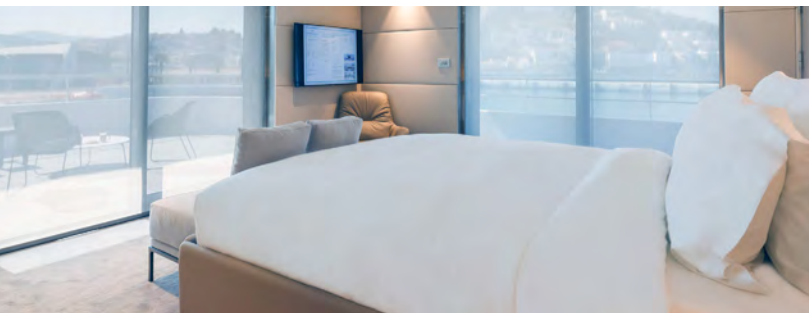


Emerald Azzurra

Reaching an impressive 360 feet in length with only 50 cabins, the spectacular new *Emerald Azzurra* will exceed your yacht cruising expectations as it sails into some of the most picturesque ports and harbors in the world. Relax in your spacious, modern surroundings and enjoy a collection of luxurious amenities. Discover a secluded spot to read a book, enjoy unimpeded views of the unspoiled landscapes, or take a relaxing dip in the infinity-style pool. Expect fresh, locally sourced meals thoughtfully crafted by expert chefs and appreciate the ocean breeze from the large *al fresco* terrace. Have a nightcap in the plush, relaxed atmosphere of the Horizon Bar & Lounge. Unwind completely in the onboard Wellness Center, where a selection of indulgent spa treatments includes massages, facials, and even a hairdresser. Complimentary Wi-Fi is available for all our guests and a full selection of bikes is on board for your use.



Photos clockwise from top left: Pool; Dining room; and a Yacht Suite



Nelson's Dockyard, Antigua



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To reserve a place, please call Arrangements Abroad at phone: 212-514-8921 or 800-221-1944, fax: 212-344-7493; email: [trips@arrangementsabroad.com](mailto:trips@arrangementsabroad.com); or complete and return this form with your deposit of \$1,000 per person (of which \$500 is non-refundable for administrative fees) payable to *Arrangements Abroad*. Mail to: Arrangements Abroad, 260 West 39th Street, 17th Floor, New York, NY 10018-4424.

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### ACCOMMODATIONS

*Emerald Azzurra* cabin preference 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

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

### FORM OF PAYMENT

☐ Check (payable to *Arrangements Abroad*)

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Back cover: Caribbean hibiscus (top) and the Museum of Nevis History, Nevis (bottom)

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