Needles 'N Fins

2017 UPCOMING CRUISE ADVENTURES

Needles are indicative of handwork and Fins are indicative of water! Mix them together and what do you have? A fantastic venue to enjoy the fellowship of sharing your passion in a beautiful, relaxing setting.

PARTY ON THE PO PO RIVER, ITALY, CRUISE October 19 - 29,2017

You know you cannot go wrong when you add the beauty of Italy to your cruising bucket list. We will spend glorious days and nights touring through the slow and relaxing waters of the Po River in Italy. Stops will include areas of Milan and Venice to just name the highlights. See the complete itinerary attached separately and in the files section as well.

HOW DO I BECOME ONE OF THE LUCKY 130 PEOPLE?

First, you must register with Duo Designs, Inc. (me)to be included in the group and for needlepoint class participation. From there I will forward the appropriate information to our Travel Manager, Elizabeth Wolak who will take care of all the traveling questions, reservations, charges and individual needs.

DUO DESIGNS, INC. REGISTRATION FEE:

A non-refundable registration fee separate from the cruise line charges must be received by Duo Designs, Inc. before inclusion in this specific group by the cruise travel agent. There are two categories of registration fee: Stitchers fee is \$200 and non-stitchers fee is \$150. A stitcher will receive the additional benefits of the on-board stitching activities. All registrants will be included in all activities designed specifically for our group other than the exclusive class project and teacher assistance (stitchers only).

An optional specific needlepoint class kit consisting of a trip-related painted canvas, threads and materials, and an extensive stitch guide will be extra and will be announced once kit fees are determined. Class kits must be paid for by March 1, 2017.

REFUND: Should cancellation be necessary the registration fee will be refunded less \$75 and **only** in the event that the space can be filled by another participant.



NOTICE: THIS IS A RIVER CRUISE. THERE IS VERY LIMITED SPACE AVAILABLE SO EARLY RESERVATIONS ARE STRONGLY SUGGESTED. Once the registration fee is processed by Duo Designs, Inc. your information will be forwarded to Elizabeth Wolak, Travel Manager, to begin the cruise reservations process.

NEEDLEPOINT OPPORTUNITIES:

A specific designated stitching area will be at our disposal 24/7. This area will be available to our group only.

A needlepoint design is being created exclusively for this journey. It will be made up of a canvas, fully detailed stitch guide with clear diagrams and illustrations, all materials needed to complete the stitching of the design, and the class time instructions of teacher Sandra Arthur. This is an optional class and must be ordered and paid for by March 1, 2017.

Open stitching is always available in the designated area. Sandy will make as many appearances as possible to answer questions and give assistance on your project as time permits. She will, after all, be touring Italy with the rest of you and teaching the specific class.

CRUISE PARTICIPATION

TO REGISTER:

Email: duodesignsinc@yahoo.com

Provide email address to which a PayPal invoice for registration can be forwarded.

If paying by check state so – registration will not be considered vaild until check has cleared.

Clearly state who the registration is for when more than one participant is included.



Join special host Sandra Arthur, Senior Master Teacher/Designer/ Author on a special rivercruise on Italy's Po River.



The Gems of Northern Italy October 19 - 29, 2017

(Depart/Return USA)

Italy is one of the world's most attractive destinations and Uniworld's luxurious, all-inclusive cruise/tours showcases the very best of this extraordinary country. From iconic landmarks to authentic cultural encounters to incredible food and wine, this intimate journey embraces Italy's irresistible *la dolce vita* (sweet life).

See it all from the perspective of a newly enhanced and expanded itinerary onboard the beautiful River Countess.



Your host....

Join Sandy Arthur, of Lexington, Kentucky, nationally known teacher, designer and author of various needlearts techniques. She is credentialed through the American Needlepoint Guild, Inc. Sandy's designs have been published in the ANG magazine *Needle Pointers*, as well as the commercial magazines *Needlepoint Now*, and *Cross Stitcher*.

In addition to teaching at the local, regional, national and market levels, Sandy also teaches cyber classes through various guilds, and from her web site. She has written and teaches Correspondence Courses through the American Needlepoint Guild, Inc.

She is the author of the popular **Shapes of Needlepoint Series I, II, III and IV** for which she received the prestigious Literary Award from the American Needlepoint Guild.

Sandy is a supporter of various organizations through her membership and by serving in various capacities. She is a former member of the Board of Directors of ANG as the Director of Seminars. In addition to multiple chapters of ANG, she is a member of the Embroiderers' Guild of America, Inc., NAN, National Embroidery Teachers' Association, and TNNA.

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River Countess

The recently remodeled, 130-passenger *River Countess* is filled with light and color. Muted shades of turquoise complemented by soothing cream, taupe, and white accents create a luxurious and sophisticated environment for your up-close, unsurpassed and unforgettable Italian adventure. *Ciao, bella!*

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- Ship-wide Internet and Wi-Fi Service
- Onboard Entertainment
- Signature Lecture "La Serenissima: The Lagoon of Venice"
- 8 Days of Excursions including 4 UNESCO World Heritage
 Sites fully hosted by English-speaking local experts
- Onboard Cruise Manager
- All Port Charges
- Plus \$100 per person Onboard Credit!
- Plus Private Excursions and Classes with Host Sandra Arthur

Space is Limited to 130 Guests.

Please reserve your stateroom early.

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Only \$ 3159*

*Per Person/dbl with Paid-In-Full Discount

Day-To-Day Itinerary

Day 1: Depart USA for overnight flight.

Day 2: Arrive at **Milan** Malpensa Airport where you will be Transferred to your hotel. Enjoy a Welcome Dinner!

Day 3: **Featured Excursion**: **Milan** City tour with visit to Da Vinci's "The Last Supper". Vibrant Milan is the fashion and design capital of Italy. Today you will explore the dazzling city and encounter two of its greatest sights – the towering Gothic cathedral and Da Vinci's astounding *The Last Supper*.



Day 4: **Featured Excursions**: **Verona**, "City of Romeo and Juliet," and Valpolicella wine estate lunch. Head to Venice today, stopping en route in Verona – home of Shakespeare's tragic Romeo and Juliet. Outside fair Verona, enjoy a tasting and multicourse lunch at a beautiful Valpolicella wine estate. In magical Venice, you will board your ship and embark on your exploration of the "Queen of the Adriatic".

Day 5: **Featured Excursions:** Wind through Venice's labyrinthine back lanes on a walking tour that features the city's sights and a Venetian glassmaking demonstration. Later, you're in for a once-in-a-lifetime experience – a crowd-free, after-hours visit inside St. Mark's Basilica. In the evening, enjoy a Captain's Welcome Reception and Gala Dinner.

Note: It is not always possible to arrange after-hours visits to St. Marks Basilica. If religious functions or festivities are taking place in the evening, we will visit during regular hours.

Day 6: **Featured Excursions**: Enjoy magnificent views of "The Floating City's" greatest sights, including the Grand Canal, as your ship departs Venice. Visit the medieval walled city of **Padua**, walking through ancient arcades and porticos to Palazzo della Ragione, Padua's historic city center, and enjoy a treat at a local café.

Day 7: **Featured Excursions**: Choice of full-day excursion to **Bologna**, Italy's culinary capital, with an exclusive workshop on the art of making pasta, lunch included; **OR** a half-day excursion in **Ferrara**, a **UNESCO** World Heritage Site with a long history as a center for the arts.

Day 8: **Featured Excursions**: Stroll through **Chioggia's** bustling fish market before indulging in a fresh seafood lunch. **OR** learn the art of mussel harvesting from local fishermen – a unique (and delicious) culinary treat. Later, head to the Sun Deck of your ship for views of two Venice Lagoon isles, sleepy Pellestrina and Lido, home to the Venice Film Festival.

Day 9: **Featured Excursion**: Spend the day exploring the Venice Lagoon and two of its most notable islands. Visit **Burano**, known for its colorful houses and lace making tradition, and Mazzorbo, where you'll enjoy a special tasting of wine made from golden-hued Dorona grapes, a time-honored and historic variety that dates back centuries.

Day 10: **Featured Excursions**: Get a feel for daily life in **Venice** with a guided stroll through the bustling Rialto Market, or tour the renowned Academia Gallery with an art historian, in the evening enjoy a Captain's Farewell Reception and Gala Dinner.

Day 11: Disembark the ship for your transfer to the airport for your flight home.

Note: Order of sightseeing may change throughout the itinerary. Substitute visits to other sites may occur during your trip due to water levels or other uncontrollable factors.



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RESERVATIONS & INFORMATION

Payment Schedule: \$500.00 per person (check only) due at time of reservation along with completed Reservation Form, copy of passport, and Insurance Premium if chosen. (\$350 of deposit is non-refundable if not covered by insurance)

Make all checks payable to: Viking Travel Service

Mail all payments to: Viking Travel Service, 700-C Pasquinelli Drive, Westmont, Illinois 60559

Final payment: Due May 10, 2017 by check or credit card.

Credit cards subject to a 3% fee. Reservations made after final payment date are subject to availability, late booking fee and re-pricing

Documentation: A valid passport is required for travel. Passports must be valid for a minimum of 6 months from return date. Names on reservations must match passports exactly.

Price does not include: Airfare, optional insurance, optional tours, items of personal nature, such as passport and phone calls or anything not indicated as included.

Cancellation/Travel Insurance: We strongly recommend travel insurance. The group insurance covers, trip cancellation due to a covered medical reason, interruption, accident, baggage and medical evacuation and must be taken out at time of deposit. As with all insurance policies, cost of insurance is non-refundable and subject to change at any time. A minimum of 10 passengers required for group insurance rates. Please contact Viking Travel for questions on insurance.

Insurance: is calculated at 6.5% per person of the total trip cost.

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Date of Deposit to May 9, 2017; \$300 pp penalty & insurance premium / May 10, 2017 to date of departure; 100% total charges.

The Gems of Northern Italy

Reservation Form

October 21-29, 2017

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