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Alumni Association Tours

University of Rochester Alumni Association Tours are designed to provide worry-free basics—transportation, transfers, accommodations, some meals, baggage handling, and professional guides—and still allow you time to pursue your individual interests.

Alumni Association tours are open to all members of the University community and their immediate families. Other relatives and friends are welcome as space permits (these unaffiliated travelers are requested to make a \$100 gift to the University).

In the Wake of Lewis and Clark November 6–12, 2002

Leave Portland, Oregon, on your cruise of the Columbia and Snake Rivers, the gateway to the West pioneered by Lewis and Clark. The rivers take you from the lush forests of the western Cascades through arid plateaus and into the desert canyons of the Snake River. Jet boats can take you from your home on the *Sea Lion* into Hells Canyon in Idaho, the deepest gorge in North America. The trip concludes in Portland, the City of Roses.

Baja California: Among the Great Whales January 24–February 1, 2003

Each winter gray whales migrate south from their Arctic feeding grounds to Baja California's sheltered Pacific coast. Seeing the whales in their natural habitat is one of the great delights of this voyage, which also includes naturalist-guided walks on desert islands, snorkeling with sea lions, and kayaking in the Sea of Cortez. Whales, dolphins, sea lions, blue-footed boobies, huge cardon cacti, mangroves, and sand dunes are among the wonders you'll encounter.

Jewels of Southeast Asia January 29–February 15, 2003

Join us for a luxurious and enlightening discovery of Southeast Asia aboard the four-star deluxe M.V. *Crown Odyssey*. Begin with two nights in Hong Kong at the start of Chinese New Year festivities, then board the *Crown Odyssey* for a 10-night cruise with

stops in Hanoi, Haiphong, Ha Long Bay, Da Nang, and Ho Chi Minh City. Enjoy the beautiful beaches and waterfalls of Kuantan, Malaysia, before disembarking in Singapore. Conclude your adventure with three nights in dazzling Bangkok. A post-tour option to visit the temples of Angkor Wat could be a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to explore this world wonder.

Amazon Exploration February 1–February 9, 2003

The Amazon is the world's longest navigable river, flowing more the 4,000 miles from its source in the Andes Mountains to the Atlantic Ocean. Its tributaries cover more than 1.5 million square miles, creating the world's largest rainforest ecosystem. This seven-day journey is aboard *La Amatista*, a 26-passenger expedition vessel that combines classic 19th-century elegance with 21st-century comfort in air-conditioned cabins with private baths. *La Amatista* will take you to flooded forests inhabited by thousands of exotic birds, black water lakes where pink dolphins swim, and rainforest trails where expert Peruvian guides will help you spot animals and birds found nowhere else on the planet.

Cuba: A Cultural and Historical Exchange March 28–April 3, 2003

This opportunity to rediscover Cuba is operated through a license from the U.S. Treasury Department and is designed to promote cultural exchange and people-to-people contact. Tour both Old Havana and modern Havana for a complete view of life in the capital city. Then, discover a slice of rural Cuba with a visit to the western province of Pinar del Río to see its tobacco plantations and farm towns. Visits to Ernest Hemingway's home near Havana and to Cojimar, the setting for *The Old Man and the Sea*, complete your experience in Cuba.

Alumni College in Provence May 27–June 4, 2003

On this idyllic travel adventure, your campus site is charming Aix-en-Provence, near

the Mediterranean fishing port of Cassis. Enjoy a boat cruise along white seaside cliffs and journey off the beaten path to the hills of the Lubéron region. Travel to the Roman ruins of Arles and St. Rémy and the medieval town of Les Baux. Visit Avignon's Palace of the Popes and the aqueduct of the Pont du Gard. Lovely southern France will captivate you as it has poets and painters for hundreds of years.

Alumni College in Scotland July 16–July 24, 2003

The town of Stirling, overlooking the plain where Robert the Bruce won Scottish independence in the Battle of Bannockburn, is your home for seven nights of exploration in Scotland. From Stirling, you'll visit Loch Lomond, Perth, Edinburgh, and finally Inverness, and maybe you'll spot Nessie from the shores of her lake home. A tour of Scotland's oldest operating distillery, demonstrations of Highland dancing, and opportunities to meet and talk with local residents round out your entertaining and educational experience in Scotland.

Alumni College in Veneto October 27–November 4, 2003

The Veneto district in northeastern Italy is renowned for its history, art, and architecture. The heart of the region is Venice. Built on more than 100 islands, it's one of the world's most exotic landmarks. The historical and spiritual influence of Venice is evident in the medieval cities to its north: Padua, Verona, Vicenza, and Cittadella. You'll visit each of these cities during this seven-night trip, using the lovely walled city of Cittadella as your base. This beautiful area has an extraordinary historical, cultural, and artistic heritage—you shouldn't pass up the opportunity to experience it!

Brochures with full details on each of these tours are generally available six months prior to the trip date. At that point, you may request brochures from the Alumni Association, University of Rochester, 685 Mt. Hope Avenue, Rochester, NY 14620. The phone number is (800) 333-0175 or (585) 273-5888 and the e-mail address is info@alumni.rochester.edu.