



Cruise with AAA East Central President Terri Petrick

Sail with elegance on Baltic Capitals Voyage

SAILING THE BALTIC SEA is a wondrous time. The storied waterway hugs a host of countries in northern Europe. Beauty exudes from its surroundings and memories are made with each step, sight and sound. It's where you'll find colorful countries that thrive on peace and joy. They tease your curiosities and warm your heart. Countries like Denmark, Poland, Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia, Finland and Sweden are unique places that shorten bucket lists and exceed expectations. They're priceless stamps on a destination card that will have you screaming "Bingo!" before your passport is being scanned. You'll visit the capitals of these amazing countries. History, architecture and culture envelop this fabulous part of the world – one that is destined to create a bottomless trove of memories. These amazing countries rank among the finest worldwide and highlight a fantastic 11-night Baltic Capitals Voyage, departing August 11, 2024, aboard *Azamara Onward*. It's an incredible trip that boasts seven remarkable ports and late-night departures.

Even better, this exclusive cruise will be hosted by AAA East Central President Terri Petrick. The President's Cruise is a journey you don't want to miss. Memories are made, friendships are formed and good times are plentiful. It doesn't get any better. **The cost for AAA Members is \$4,499 per person double occupancy (flight not included). The price includes 11-night cruise accommodations in a Verandah Stateroom; most on-board meals and entertainment; government taxes and fees; select standard spirits, international beers and wines; shipboard gratuities; bottled water, soft drinks, specialty coffees and teas; self-service laundry; concierge services for personal guidance and reservations; complimentary AzAmazing Evening Event; and Azamara's White Night (everyone wears white this evening).** The world is a big place and the way to experience all it has to offer is to change the way you see it. Immerse yourself into cultures and locales at a more relaxed pace by exploring destinations by day and

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- Special President's Trip Cruise Perks**
- Premium Liquor/Beverage package for each person
 - Unlimited Wifi for 1 device per cabin
 - \$300 Shore Excursion Credit per cabin
 - 1 night of Specialty Dining for the group

REAL ID Extended to May 7, 2025

The Department of Homeland Security extended the REAL ID deadline to May 7, 2025. The REAL ID Act established minimum security standards for state-issued driver's licenses and identification cards and prohibits Federal agencies from accepting for official purposes licenses and identification cards from states that do not meet these standards. Beginning May 7, 2025, every state and territory resident will need to present a REAL ID compliant license/ID, or another acceptable form of ID for boarding commercial aircraft, accessing Federal facilities and entering nuclear plants. The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) considers a current passport or military ID acceptable identification for boarding an aircraft. For more information on Ohio's REAL ID compliant license, visit bmvo.ohio.gov.

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night. It results in a richer and more fulfilling small-cruise experience.

Time is your best friend when traveling to new and exciting destinations. Another advantage is sailing on a smaller ship, perfectly sized to cruise across oceans and scenic waterways, and dock at off-the-beaten-path locations, as well as world-renowned ones.

Begin your trip in Denmark. Its capital, Copenhagen, is known as the “City of Spires.” Its medieval core is punctuated by the steeples of churches and towers of palaces.

Spend two days in Gdansk, Poland. It’s a port city on the Baltic more than 1,000 years in age. It teams with Gdynia and Sopot to create the fantastic metropolitan area of *Trojmiasto* – also known as the “Tricity.”

Day 2 in Gdansk allows you to explore the town. Choose an optional shore excursion to absorb all it has to offer. Perhaps a walking tour. Maybe a private-vehicle one. Or something in between. Lively older buildings mesh perfectly with newer architecture to create a day of wonderful sightseeing.

Explore the cobblestoned Old Town in Klaipeda, Lithuania. Its German heritage speaks to you through half-timbered architecture, beginning at Theatre Square

– a renowned location. Go cycling to the Dunes, join a walking tour to Juodkrante Village or, for those cold war history buffs, visit a Soviet nuclear-weapon site.

Riga is Latvia’s capital. It’s set on the Baltic Sea at the mouth of the River *Daugava*. A cultural center, it’s home to museums and concert halls. Wooden buildings, art nouveau and its medieval Old Town rank it among the most interesting of its kind in Europe.

A traveler’s paradise can be found in Estonia – Tallinn, to be exact. Little has changed in the capital city over numerous centuries. Its medieval influences can be recognized in its architecture and art. Visit St. Olav’s Church – once the tallest building in the world – before having a seat at a charming café in the town square, the heart of the city for 800 years.

Finland offers a trifecta of exploration and enjoyment. Visit three cities in three days and leave with a plethora of unforgettable times.

Kotka is tucked away on the world’s largest archipelago and delivers an exceptional island lifestyle. Kotka is blessed with architecturally stunning museums, award-winning parks and other attractions sure to grab your attention. Take an archipelago cruise, hike to Tsar’s fishing lodge or take part in a beer-tasting tour.

Helsinki – Finland’s capital city – blends traditional and modern architecture and design with nature and a few quirky touches that include a church built inside an enormous chunk of granite. A scenic drive reveals the rock-hewn *Temppeliaukio* Church, *Sibelius* Park and other iconic landmarks. Drive to the medieval town of *Parvoo* or stroll the many cobblestoned roads.

Mariehamn, meanwhile, is synonymous with scenic harbors, dense greenery, wooded houses and wide streets that make it the ideal place to explore by foot. Finnish, Russian and Swedish history intertwine to take you back centuries.

Your trip concludes in Stockholm, a cosmopolitan city that boasts modern Scandinavian architecture, trendy restaurants and fairytale palaces that are guarded by a Board of Beauty. Take a canal cruise. Chill out in the town’s Ice Bar in Old Town – a unique establishment constructed out of ice, including furniture and glasses. Visit the Nobel Museum, as well as a bevy of palaces, museums and unusual attractions.

Don’t hesitate to reserve your place on the President’s Cruise. It’s a *sail* you can’t ignore, and it certainly will change the way you see the world.

Experience Copenhagen

Take advantage of a two-night, prepackaged trip to Copenhagen for an exclusive day of touring the city and surroundings prior to embarking on your cruise.

2-night pre-cruise option (August 9-11)
\$859/per person, double occupancy

Hotel: NH Collection Copenhagen

Day 1: Arrive in Copenhagen and transfer to your hotel in a prime location for a two-night stay. Enjoy a free afternoon in evening to explore this ancient city on your own. Copenhagen has a rich history as a major city on the edge of the Baltic. It grew from a little fishing town to the capital of Denmark. It has survived fire, plague, invasion and just about everything in between. Perhaps visit the world-famous *Tivoli* gardens, then enjoy dinner at one of the local restaurants.

Day 2: Breakfast is included at our hotel this morning. Today, we drive to *Kronborg Castle*, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Known as the setting of Shakespeare’s *Hamlet*, the castle is located in *Elsinore* with views across to Sweden facing the sound. Once the home of kings and queens, a fortified castle with bastions and cannon batteries that controlled the water in the narrowest point between Sweden and Denmark, the castle’s history is fascinating. We return to Copenhagen to enjoy an included lunch at the local *Skipperkroen* Restaurant. We then embark on a Classic Canal cruise. Hear how Copenhagen became the fantastic city it is today. Learn about the city’s founding father, the best place to get Danish *Smorrebrod* “butter bread,” a traditional open-faced sandwich in the cuisines of Denmark, and why the Danes are called the happiest people in the world. Our tour ends in *Nyhavn*, a 17th-century waterfront that is now an entertainment district. Here we enjoy some free time and we can walk back to our hotel.

Day 3: Copenhagen (Ship departs: 6 p.m. August 11). Enjoy a leisurely breakfast at the hotel. This afternoon, transfer to the *Azamara Onward* for the beginning of our Baltic Adventure.