Ohio University Alumni Association

Celtic Lands

England • France • Ireland • Wales • Scotland

and

D-Day Remembered
75th Anniversary

Featuring Guest Speaker
Dwight David Eisenhower II
accompanying you to the Normandy Beaches

Aboard the
Exclusively Chartered Small Ship
Five-Star Le Champlain

April 27 to May 6, 2019

SAVE $2000 PER COUPLE
RESERVE BY SEPTEMBER 7, 2018
Dear Alumni and Friends,

Experience the rich traditions and astonishing beauty of the British Isles and Northern France’s storied coastline during this unforgettable Celtic Lands voyage. During our specially designed itinerary, traverse the lands and seas of the ancient and influential Celts. In commemoration of the historic 75th anniversary of the D-Day Invasion, visit the solemn shores of Normandy with David Eisenhower, grandson of General and President Eisenhower.

Professor Eisenhower will join us for a portion of the cruise and share his exclusive insights on one of the most influential figures of the 20th century. While you cruise the waters of the Irish and Celtic Seas and cross the English Channel, enjoy the luxuries of the exclusively chartered, Five-Star, small ship Le Champlain—featuring only 92 Suites and Staterooms, each with a private balcony, and the extraordinary Blue Eye, the world’s first multisensory underwater observation lounge—and explore cities, villages and islands that abound with Celtic heritage. Call at ports inaccessible to larger vessels, discover firsthand the bold influence left by the ancient Celts and visit the historic territories where their renowned culture remains.

Discover Scotland’s seldom-visited Inner Hebridean Islands and admire the austere landscapes of the United Kingdom. In North Wales, enjoy a privately arranged musical performance by the renowned Welsh Maelgwyn Choir. Stroll the rare and exquisite Tresco Gardens in the Scilly Isles, England, and in Dublin, Ireland, view treasures of Celtic heritage and revel in the lively delights of traditional Irish song and dance.

This extraordinary visit to the pivotal D-Day beaches of Normandy—where Allied forces turned the tide of World War II—and the beautiful Celtic Lands of the British Isles is an exclusive program that will sell out quickly. Make your reservations now, as space is limited!

Sincerely,

Your Ohio University Alumni Travel Team

Cover photo: Duart Castle’s clifftop grounds offer breathtaking views out across the Sound of Mull.
Spread photo: The seaside town of Arromanches overlooks Mulberry “B,” the military code name for an artificial harbor created to land troops and equipment on D-Day.
The ancient Celts’ immeasurable contributions to Europe are rooted in a tradition of art, science and folkloric legend. This tribal civilization spanned two thousand years with a diversified domain extending from the Iberian Peninsula to the Black Sea and from the Mediterranean to the North Sea. Today, they are most associated with the cultural identity and consciousness of Ireland, although their roots run deep in England, Wales, Scotland and northern France—historic territories where traces of their influence remain and where Celtic dialects formed the original languages.

U.S./London, England Saturday and Sunday, April 27 and 28
Depart the U.S. for London. On arrival, check into the deluxe RUNNY MEDE ON THAMES HOTEL. Following an afternoon at leisure on Sunday, return to the hotel for dinner.

London Monday, April 29
Check out of the hotel and embark the Five-Star LE CHAMPLAIN. Cruise down the River Thames, a memorable passage possible only by small ship. Later on board, Professor David Eisenhower will share captivating personal insights about his grandfather and “Operation Overlord,” the Allies’ code name for the military campaign that launched the D-Day airborne and amphibious invasion at Normandy.

This evening, attend the Captain’s Welcome Reception and Dinner on board the ship.

Caen for Utah Beach and Sainte-Mère-Église/Cherbourg Wednesday, May 1
Begin your day at Pointe du Hoc to envision the heroic U.S. Army Second Ranger Battalion scaling this cliff promontory, and survey the serene English Channel.

After lunch, visit the Church of Angoville-au-Plain, an emergency aid station during D-Day, and view its modern stained-glass rendition of the American Airborne parachute drop; here, two brave U.S. Army medics treated wounded soldiers, using pews as makeshift beds.

Continue to Utah Beach, the westernmost shore of the five landing areas of the Normandy invasion. Visit the Utah Beach D-Day Museum for a chronological account of the landing retold through an immersive curation of artifacts, vehicles and oral histories.

Nearby Sainte-Mère-Église, the first French village to be liberated by American forces during World War II, is known for its great historical significance, including the famous story of American soldier John Steele, who caught his parachute on the church steeple and was forced to dangle limply for two hours before being taken as a German prisoner.
North Atlantic Ocean
Celtic Sea
Irish Sea
English Channel
River Thames
North Sea

Brightly painted houses overlook the sheltered sound in the colorful fishing port of Tobermory, capital of the Isle of Mull.

The Long Room of Trinity College’s Old Library showcases 200,000 of its oldest books, with the Book of Kells on display in the adjacent Treasury.

UNESCO World Heritage Site
Air Routing
Cruise Itinerary
Land Routing

Normandy Beaches

See Milestone 0, which marks the Road to Freedom’s commencement.

**Tresco, Scilly Isles, England**

**Thursday, May 2**
Visit the lush, 19th-century Tresco Abbey Gardens, weather permitting. Blooming with more than 6000 exotic plant species ranging in origin from Brazil to New Zealand, and built around the ruins of a Benedictine Abbey, this subtropical landscape is often compared to London’s Royal Botanic Garden as a “perennial Kew without the glass.” Meander among spires of indigo viper’s bugloss, broad-leaved tree ferns, flourishing aloes and bright pink South African *suikerbos* in this surprising, magical haven.

**Dublin, Ireland**

**Friday, May 3**
Built astride the River Liffey, Ireland’s historic capital has retained its rich heritage of Georgian architecture.

The panoramic tour of the city highlights the landmark St. Patrick’s and Christ Church Cathedrals and grand O’Connell Street, lined with bronze and marble statues of Irish statesmen. Stroll through the stately quadrangles of Trinity College and view the incandescent illuminations of the ninth-century *Book of Kells*. The afternoon is at leisure to walk along colorful Grafton Street, savor a pint of Guinness in a neighborhood pub or visit the National Gallery of Ireland, one of the best repositories of Celtic treasures in the world.

On board the ship this evening, enjoy specially arranged, traditional Irish music and dance performed by a local band.

**Holyhead, Wales**

**Saturday, May 4**
From Holyhead, transfer across the diminutive Isle of Anglesey and over the Menai Strait to North Wales, cradle of Celtic culture, where Welsh remains the mother tongue.

Choose to visit beautiful Bodnant Garden, one of the finest examples of 19th-century Victorian landscape artistry, or tour the imposing UNESCO World Heritage-designated Caernarfon Castle, an impenetrable 13th-century
London
Pre-Program Option
Experience stately London, where living history makes each visit more enjoyable than the last. Enjoy a panoramic tour of London’s West End landmarks and visit the underground cabinet war rooms of Winston Churchill. Accommodations for two nights are in the ideally located, deluxe InterContinental London Park Lane.

Glasgow/Edinburgh
Post-Program Option

Pre- and Post-Program Options are available at additional cost. Details will be included with your reservation confirmation.
Blue Eye – The World’s First Luxury Underwater Observatory

Exclusive to the Ponant fleet, the extraordinary Blue Eye multisensory underwater lounge evokes the mystique of subaquatic life in a luxurious, refined atmosphere. Marine life viewing varies by location.

Luxury Small Ship, Innovative Design
Le Champlain, launching in 2018, ushers in a new generation of Five-Star small ships, combining revolutionary design and a new standard of luxury for an unparalleled cruising experience. Dock in smaller ports inaccessible to larger ships and where authentic cultural experiences and majestic scenery await you.

Respect for the Environment
The newest addition to the Ponant “Clean Ship” fleet, a rare distinction among ocean-cruising vessels, Le Champlain is energy efficient and eco-friendly, protecting fragile marine ecosystems while providing a safe and comfortable voyage.

Chic and Casual Dining
Dine indoors or alfresco on international and regional cuisine served in the stylish, spacious indoor-outdoor restaurant, at the casual pool deck grill or from 24-hour room service. Daily meals include continental and buffet breakfasts, buffet lunch, afternoon tea and four-course dinner.

92 Elegant Suites and Staterooms, 100% with Private Balconies
Each Five-Star Stateroom and Suite (up to 484 square feet) features a private balcony. Grand Deluxe Suites have a bay window and spacious private terrace. Accommodations offer two twin beds or one queen bed, individual climate control and luxurious hotel amenities.

Life on Board
Enjoy sweeping views from the lounges, which open to the outdoors, and lectures, cultural performances or film screenings in the state-of-the-art theater. Relax in the spa and sauna or the Sun Deck’s infinity-style swimming pool. There is a beauty salon, fitness room and two elevators. Complimentary Wi-Fi is available throughout the ship.

World-Class Service
The highly trained, English-speaking crew are personable and attentive, and the ship has a medical center staffed with a doctor and nurse.
Acclaimed Guest Speaker

David Eisenhower—grandson of General and President Dwight D. Eisenhower, historian and professor at the University of Pennsylvania.

Included Features

London, England

One night in the deluxe Runnymede on Thames Hotel, with breakfast and dinner.

On Board the Exclusively Chartered, Five-Star, Small Ship Le Champlain

Seven-night cruise from London, England, to Glasgow, Scotland, including the Normandy beaches Utah and Omaha to commemorate the 75th anniversary of D-Day.

Elegantly appointed, Five-Star Suite or Stateroom.

Captain’s Welcome and Farewell Receptions and Welcome Dinner.

Complimentary alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages available throughout the cruise.

All meals aboard ship.

Complimentary Wi-Fi throughout the ship.

Blue Eye—the world’s first luxury, multisensory, underwater observatory.

Two full-day excursions, with lunch, to the historic D-Day beaches of Normandy with visits to Utah and Omaha Beaches, Sainte-Mère-Église, and the American Military Cemetery.

Viewing of a short film documenting the D-Day campaign at the Arromanches 360 Circular Cinema.

Visit to the lush, 19th-century Tresco Abbey Gardens, weather permitting.

City tour of Dublin, featuring a visit to Trinity College to see the legendary Book of Kells masterwork.

Traditional Irish music and dance entertainment aboard ship while in Dublin.

Visit to Caernarfon Castle, a UNESCO World Heritage site, OR 19th-century Bodnant Garden, with picturesque views of the magnificent Snowdonia Mountains in Wales.

Private performance by the renowned Welsh Maelgwyn Choir.

Panoramic tour of the Isle of Mull, featuring an excursion to Duart Castle, with a light lunch.

Visit to the Isle of Iona featuring the historic Iona Abbey.

Always Included

Transfers and luggage handling abroad if your arrival(s)/departure(s) coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s).

Experienced, English-speaking local guides for included excursions.

Gratuities to local guides and drivers on included excursions and transfers.

Complimentary bottled water in your Suite or Stateroom aboard ship and on excursions.

Hospitality desk aboard ship and in the hotel.

Experienced Gohagan & Company Travel Directors at your service.

Complimentary use of an audio headset during guided excursions.

Automatic $250,000 flight insurance policy for each participant ticketed on flights by Gohagan & Company.
Attend a dynamic lecture and enjoy informal discussions with an expert on one of the most powerful world leaders of the 20th century and World War II.

Featured Guest Speaker  
Dwight David Eisenhower II

Grandson of General and President Dwight D. Eisenhower, David Eisenhower is a noted historian of World War II and the Cold War. His 1986 bestseller, *Eisenhower: At War 1943-1945*, was a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize in history.

Eisenhower received a B.A. in history *cum laude* from Amherst College. Following graduation, he served in the United States Naval Reserve for three years as an officer on the USS Albany; shortly afterward, he earned his J.D. *cum laude* from The George Washington University Law School.

Today, Eisenhower is Senior Fellow of the Foreign Policy Research Institute and a Public Policy Fellow at the Annenberg School of Communication and the School of Arts and Sciences at the University of Pennsylvania, where he teaches “Communication and the Presidency.” His lecture will feature:

- **Operation Overlord**—the concept, planning and personalities behind the D-Day invasion; and
- **Triumph and Tragedy**—big-picture consequences of the Allied Forces Normandy landings.

Scheduled guest speakers may be altered due to circumstances beyond our control. See Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Binding Arbitration Agreement.

On June 6, 1944, Allied forces launched the D-Day invasion, landing on the beaches of Normandy.
MV Le Champlain

LAND/CRUISE TARIFF excluding taxes*
Per person, based on double occupancy

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Singles are available in category 5 at $14795* and in category 2 at $16995* on or before September 7, 2018. Add $1000 for reservations made after September 7, 2018.

*Prices are subject to change and availability and are nonrefundable.

**Taxes are an additional $5.25 per person and are subject to change.

Le Champlain has been specially contracted for this tour, and the applicable deck plan is available on request from Gohagan & Company and reflects the only valid cabin categorization of the vessel.

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**CELTIC LANDS RESERVATION FORM**

Send to: Ohio University Alumni Association
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Athens, OH 45701
Tel: (740) 593-4300

Title  Full Name (exactly as it appears on your passport)

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Street Mailing Address (no P.O. Box number please)

City  State  Zip Code

Telephone (Home)  (Mobile)

Email Address  (Business)

Preferred Name(s) on Badge(s)  Tour No. 043-04/27/19-082

Program reservations require a deposit of $800 per person and $200 per person London Pre-Program Option and/or $200 per person Glasgow and Edinburgh Post-Program Option. By reserving and depositing on this program, I/we agree to the Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Binding Arbitration Agreement as printed on the outside back cover of this brochure.

Enclosed is my/our check(s) for $  as deposit.

Make checks payable to Gohagan & Company.

I/We authorize you to charge my/our deposit of $  to:

Visa  MasterCard

Card Number  Exp. Date

Signature as it appears on credit card

All FINAL PAYMENTS are required to be made by check or wire transfer by January 22, 2019.

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Please make my/our reservation(s) in Stateroom Category:

1st choice  2nd choice

- Double occupancy (two twin beds),
- Double occupancy (one queen bed),
- Single accommodations.
- I am reserving as a single but prefer to share accommodations and will allow you to select my roommate (shares cannot be guaranteed).

Please make my/our reservation(s):

London Pre-Program Option
- Double at $1095 per person.
- Single at $1745 per person.
- I am reserving as a single but prefer to share accommodations and will allow you to select my roommate (shares cannot be guaranteed).

Glasgow + Edinburgh
Post-Program Option
- Double at $1195 per person.
- Single at $1695 per person.
- I am reserving as a single but prefer to share accommodations and will allow you to select my roommate (shares cannot be guaranteed).

1/ We want you to book my/our air, at an additional cost to be advised, from:

(fill in departure city)

- Economy Class  Upgraded Economy
- Business Class  First Class

*Note: Airfare is subject to change and availability and is nonrefundable.

1/ We will make my/our own air arrangements.
Iona Abbey, Scotland's holiest place since the sixth century A.D., is traditionally believed to be where the Book of Kells was created.

RELEASE OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND BINDING ARBITRATION AGREEMENT

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In addition and without limitation, Gohagan is not responsible for any injury, loss, death, inconvenience, delay, or damage to person or property in connection with the provision of any goods or services whether resulting from, but not limited to, acts of God or force majeure, acts of government, acts of war or civil unrest, insurrection or revolt, bites from or attacks by animals, insects or pests, strikes or other labor activities, criminal or terrorist activities of any kind, threat thereof, sickness, illness, epidemics or the threatened lack of availability of or access to medical attention or the quality thereof, overbooking or downgrading of accommodations, mechanical or other failure of airplanes, vessels, or other means of transportation, or for any failure of any transportation mechanism to arrive or depart timely or safely.

If due to weather, flight schedule or other uncontrollable factors, you are required to spend an additional night(s), you will be responsible for your own hotel, transfers and meal costs. Baggage is entirely at owner’s risk.

PHYSICAL ACCESSIBILITY:

All programs require physical independence and mobility. Any physical or mental condition that may require special medical attention or physical assistance (for example, the need for a wheelchair) must be reported in writing when you make your reservation. Assumptions of right of way and ability to embark or disembark motorcoaches alone (a wheelchair) must be reported in writing when you make your reservation.

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TRAVELER’S RESPONSIBILITY:

CANCELLATION: Cancellations for all or any part of the trip including Pre/Post Program(s) reservation(s) will not be effective until received in writing to the offices of Gohagan. Should you have to cancel, the following terms will apply: reservation cancellation(s) are subject to a $200 ($50 Pre/Post Program(s)) per person administrative fee from the time of booking through 120 days prior to departure; from 95 through 119 days prior to departure, $800 ($200 Per/Post Program(s)) per person; from 60 through 94 days prior to departure, 50% of the published full regular tariffs; cancellations 59 days or less prior to departure, a no-show, or early return from the trip will result in forfeiture of 100% of the published full regular tariffs. In addition, any applicable airline cancellation fees, optional excursion cancellation fees and administrative fees may apply.

TRIP INSURANCE:

We strongly recommend that you purchase trip cancellation insurance. In the event that you must cancel your participation in a travel program, trip cancellation insurance may be the only source of reimbursement. Trip cancellation insurance is available for comprehensive coverage of such expenses in conjunction with cancellation due to illness or accident, and damaged or lost luggage.

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