







Heritage River Journeys is proud to introduce the all-suite M. V. Ganges Voyager and M. V. Ganges Voyager II respectively launched in 2015 and 2016. Exquisite and everchanging, watch the tapestry of life along the Ganges River unfold before your very eyes in sublime comfort and elegance aboard these elegant ships.



India: Full of mystery, enchantment, intrigue and beauty in every direction. It's all here . . . in the ornate sacred spaces, the vivid sarees you pass on the street, and the warm, gracious smiles that greet at every turn. India and the Ganges River is simply a magical destination that Heritage River Journeys, the pioneer of luxury river ship cruising in India, is proud to introduce to avid travelers. Whether you are an experienced river cruiser, or this is your maiden voyage, we invite you on this luxury expedition along this most sacred of Indian rivers, Mother Ganga.

Welcome aboard!

HERITAGE RIVER JOURNEYS SAILS THE FIRST LUXURY
VESSELS OF THEIR KIND IN INDIA. THE 28-SUITE
M. V. GANGES VOYAGER AND M. V. GANGES VOYAGER II
TRANSPORT YOU IN STYLE, COMFORT AND LUXURY TO PLACES
RARELY SEEN BY WORLD TRAVELERS.



# **DINING ROOM**

A tribute to the incredibly flavorful cuisine of India as well as the familiar cuisines of Europe, the culinary team offers sumptuous meals made with fresh ingredients throughout the journey to please diverse palates in the warm and beautifully appointed Dining Room.





# LOUNGE

The inviting Lounge is a wonderful venue for gathering with fellow guests at the end of your travel day to share stories and talk about your incredible experiences. Enjoy handcrafted cocktails, fine Indian and imported wines, delicate teas and coffees and on-board entertainment in a relaxing environment - a fitting end to a perfect day on-board your home on the Ganges.



# **SUN DECK**

Chaise lounges and comfortable, shaded, seating areas abound on the Sun Deck. Our attentive staff is always available to offer a refreshing beverage while watching riverine birds flying or a Gangetic dolphin leaping.

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# SPA

The Spa is an oasis to relax, rejuvenate and truly pamper yourself. Guests may enjoy a variety of both regional Indian and Western spa treatments utilizing all-natural products – all the while enjoying the serenity of the passing landscape.

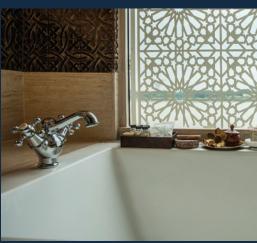


# **FITNESS CENTER**

Guests may rejuvenate themselves at the on-board Fitness Centre. State-of-the-art equipment and a panoramic view of the landscape provide a perfect venue to stay healthy and happy throughout your sojourn.









# **ACCOMMODATIONS**

ACCOMMODATIONS ABOARD THE GANGES VOYAGER EMBODY THE GRACE AND STYLE OF THE COLONIAL ERA, INCORPORATING MODERN CONVENIENCES AND LUXURIES THAT RIVAL THE FINEST HOTELS. SPACIOUS, WELL APPOINTED SUITES PROVIDE INDIVIDUAL CLIMATE CONTROL, FLAT-SCREEN TELEVISION WITH ON-DEMAND MOVIE SYSTEM, SPA QUALITY ROBES, SLIPPERS AND BATH AMENITIES, DAILY HOUSEKEEPING WITH TURNDOWN SERVICE, FINE BED LINENS, PREMIUM MATTRESSES, DUVETS, YOUR CHOICE OF PILLOWS, AND DAILY, INTERNATIONAL NEWS. WELL-TRAINED AND CERTIFIED STAFF PROVIDE FRIENDLY SERVICE FOR THESE BEAUTIFUL ROOMS AND THEIR GUESTS.



# MAHARAJA SUITE

Located forward on the upper deck, the Maharaja Suite is the most luxurious and spacious suite aboard, offering more than 400-square-feet of living space. With only one on board, this truly one-of-a-kind suite hand stencilled walls, Persian rugs, Burma teak floors and colonial prints of picturesque landscapes, monuments and life along the Ganga. Daily butler service and in-room dining are available on request.

#### 400 SQUARE FEET 37 SQUARE METERS

- Floor-to-ceiling glass doors with French balcony providing panoramic river views
- Seating area
- King-size bed
- Writing desk
- Flat screen television with on-demand movie system
- Spacious spa-style bath with soaking tub and separate shower





# **VICEROY SUITE**

Located mid-ship on the upper deck, the Viceroy Suite offers a regal setting, designed for the most discerning traveler. Furnished in opulent Colonial Indian decor, the Viceroy Suite offers more than 360-square-feet of living space including a finely crafted day bed, Persian rugs, prints of picturesque views of the Ganga, hand-stencilled walls and a spacious bathroom..

# 360 SQUARE FEET 33.4 SQUARE METERS

- Floor-to-ceiling glass doors with French balcony providing panoramic river views
- Seating area
- King-size bed
- Writing desk
- Flat screen television with on-demand movie system
- Spacious bathroom with showe



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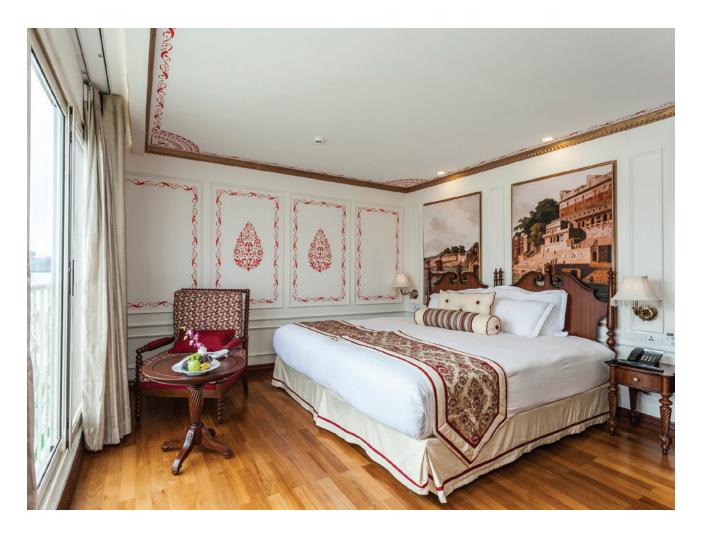
# **HERITAGE SUITE**

Located on the bow of the upper deck, the Heritage Suite offers 280-square-feet with unparalleled panoramic views of the landscapes that lie ahead. Featuring an intimate balcony with floor-to-ceiling glass doors, Heritage Suite guests enjoy privacy and comfort. Outfitted with an exquisite four-poster bed, Persian Rugs and luxurious seating, this suite is a perfect retreat.

# 280 SQUARE FEET 26 SQUARE METERS (WITH BALCONY)

- Floor-to-ceiling French doors with Juliet balcony providing panoramic river views
- Seating area
- King-size Bed
- Writing desk
- Flat screen television with on-demand movie system
- Spacious bathroom with shower





# **COLONIAL SUITE**

Located on the upper deck, the Colonial Suite provides more than 260-square feet of elegant living space. The room's warm and inviting colors, hand-painted stencils, picturesque prints made by artists who traveled along the Ganga and comfortable sitting areas offer rest and comfort during your journey. Colonial Suite bathrooms offer spacious showers with premium toiletries, robes and bath linens.

# 261 SQUARE FEET 24 SQUARE METERS

Floor-to-ceiling glass doors with French balcony providing panoramic river views

- Seating area
- Twin beds or queen-size bed
- Writing desk
- Flat screen television with on-demand movie system
- Spacious bathroom with showe



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# SIGNATURE SUITE

Located on the main deck, the Signature Suite is a perfect retreat with more than 260-square-feet of living space with two twin-size, or one queen-size bed. The sitting area has floor-to-ceiling glass doors. The Signature Suite is decorated with indigo hand-stencils, a mural of a bodhi tree and fine wood furniture.

#### 261 SQUARE FEET 24 SQUARE METERS

- Floor-to-ceiling glass doors with French balcony providing panoramic river views
- Seating area
- Writing desk

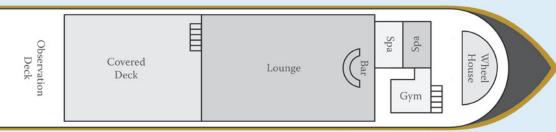


# **ELEVATION**

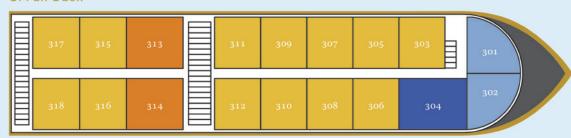
# **GANGES VOYAGER**





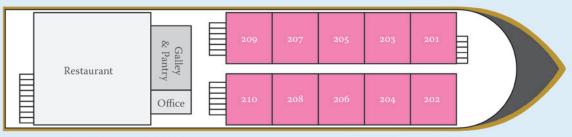


#### UPPER DECK



All suites on this deck have french balconies. Suite 301 & 302 have juliette balconies.

#### MAIN DECK



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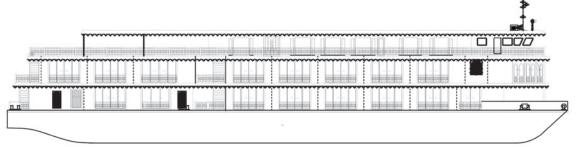
Maharaja Suite Heritage Suite

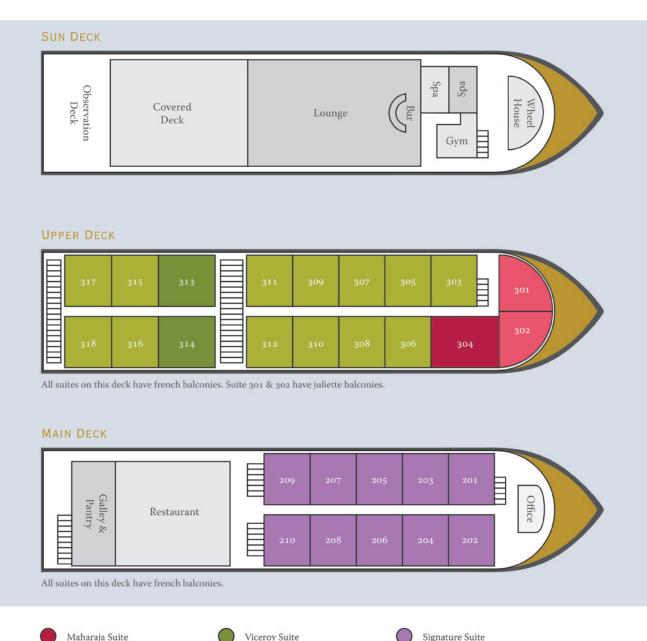
Viceroy Suite Colonial Suite Signature Suite

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# **ELEVATION**

#### **GANGES VOYAGER II**





Viceroy Suite

Colonial Suite

# **EXPERIENCE TRUE LUXURY WITH** HERITAGE RIVER JOURNEYS

#### **SUITE AMENITIES**

(APPLICABLE TO ALL CATEGORIES)

- Spacious all-suite vessel with accommodations starting at 261 Square Feet to 400 Square Feet
- Luxury honeycomb cotton, spa robes
- Spa quality slippers
- Spa quality bath amenities
- Pillow menu
- In-room electronic safe
- · Individual climate control
- High quality linens, with duvet
- Premium mattresses
- Convertible bed configuration (not applicable to Maharaja Viceroy and Heritage Suites)
- Bottled water, replenished daily
- Welcome flower arrangement and fresh fruit upon arrival
- Wireless Internet in all public areas
- Multi-configuration plugs
- Generous closet space and underbed storage
- Hair dryer
- Flat-screen LCD television, with ondemand movie system
- Panoramic floor-to-ceiling glass French doors

#### **ADDITIONAL AMENITIES** ON REQUEST FOR **MAHARAJA & VICEROY SUITE GUESTS**

- Daily Butler Service, including:
- Nightly turndown service
- Assist with pillow menu selection
- Presents a selection of bathroom amenities
- Explains On-Demand entertainment system
- Ensures your stateroom is immaculate
- Polishes and conditions shoes, on request
- Refreshes your ice bucket
- In-room breakfast & Scented bath (Maharaja Suite only)
- Prepares and packs your luggage upon request

#### **COMPLIMENTARY ON EXCURSIONS**

- Shore Excursions as per Program including all admissions
- Maximum 20-24 guests per guide on all excursions
- VOX Listening Devices for duration of cruise program
- Cold towel service after excursions
- · Welcome drink following excursions
- · Shoe cleaning after excursions

#### **DINING & ENTERTAINMENT**

- Expertly trained culinary staff providing buffet breakfast, buffet lunch and seated dinner in one single seating
- Series of cultural performances, educational talks, cooking classes, morning yoga and ship tour
- Welcome Reception
- Farewell Reception
- Spacious air conditioned lounge

#### YOUR HERITAGE RIVER **JOURNEYS TEAM ABOARD**

(PROVIDING A BETTER THAN 2-TO-1, CREW TO PASSENGER RATIO)

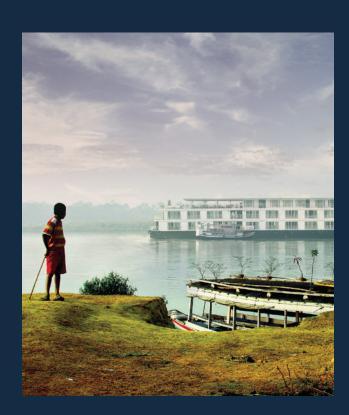
- First Master
- Assistant Master
- Ship Manager
- Office Assistant
- Nautical 9 Staff
- Housekeeping 8 Staff
- Dining 6 Staff
- Galley 9 Staff
- Spa 2 Staff
- Total = 35 staff and crew, including resident expert guides

Heritage Suite

# GANGES DISCOVERY VOYAGE

Experience the rich history and diverse culture of the Ganga between Kolkata and Varanasi as per your program. This amazing itinerary will transport you to world famous destinations such the ghats of Varanasi and the colonial monuments of Kolkata as well as rarely visited sites such as the medieval Buddhist university at Nalanda, the extravagant Neoclassical palace of a local ruler at Murshidabad and the muslin and silk weaving center of Kalna.

When paired with our optional pre- and post-cruise extension programs, the Ganges Discovery itinerary creates a wonderful in-depth perspective of one of the most culturally significant parts of India and the world.





# **ITINERARY**

## DAY 1

#### KOLKATA/EMBARKATION

Upon arrival in Kolkata, guests will transfer to the river ship and enjoy lunch on board. The afternoon excursion includes a visit to the Mother Teresa House and Tomb. Mother Teresa started the Missionary of Charity in 1952, then lived and worked here until her death in 1997. The permanent exhibition includes a visit to her personal room, we learn her life story, and see her charity that is still active. We continue by foot a short distance to her orphanage, Sishu Bhaban (Children's Home), where one of the sisters will lead us on a tour. Then we return to the ship for a relaxing welcome reception, dinner and a cultural performance.

(L/Welcome Reception/D)





# DAY 2

#### KOLKATA/BANDEL

Guests embark on an early-morning city tour, featuring a panoramic view of the well-preserved British colonial buildings in Kolkata: Writer's Building, General Post Office, High Court, Raj Bhawan (Governor's House), Town Hall, Council House, Treasury Building, Reserve Bank of India and Dalhousie Square. The day continues with a visit to St. John's Church, the oldest Anglican Church in Kolkata, built in 1756. The tour features the oldest functioning pipe organ in India, a painting of the Last Summer by German artist, Johann Zoffany, and several tombs of British Generals who died during the Seige of Kolkata by Nawab Shriaj Ud Daula in 1756. Then we visit the recently renovated Victoria Memorial Museum, which houses the largest collection of British colonial historical artifacts in India. We then embark the Ganges Voyager for lunch and begin our journey upstream. The river ship sails through areas where various European settlers had established East Indian Companies, leaving many remnants of their settlements

from the 17th through 19th Centuries. Later in the day, we disembark the ship and take our excursion boat to the shore of Bandel. We visit the Hoogly Imambara, one of the famous Shiya pilgrimage centers in West Bengal, built in 1841 by Haji Mohammad Mahasin. The two-story building and surrounding rooms provide housing for pilgrims as well as classrooms, or Madrasa, that teach the Koran. The structure contains a Victorian-era clock with a winding key weighing 20kg. Large Persian chandeliers and lamps light the Imambara's stunning hallways and passages.

(B/L/D)







# DAY 3

#### KALNA

This morning we enjoy a rickshaw ride through the city center of Kalna en route to the enchanting Rajbari complex, with the highest concentration of temples in the region. Bengal's mixture of temple architecture includes the Nabakailas Temples. Built in 1809 by the Bardhaman Maharaja, the complex contains 108 eight slope-roofed temples — 74 in the outer circle here and another 34 making an inner circle. Another complex features diverse architecture, including the Pratepeshwar Temple, built in 1849. Terra cotta plaques depict themes of Hindu epics, mythical life of Sri Chaitanya, images of Goddess Durga, and various aspects of day-to-day life in the region. Other temples on the site include Lalji Temple, the oldest in the complex (1739), and Krishnachandra Temple (1751).

(B/L/D)

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# DAY 4

#### **MATIARI**

Guests may enjoy an early morning shore-side bazaar. Matiari is known for manufacturing beautiful handcrafted brass items, utilizing traditional methods passed down for generations. These master craftsmen utilize recycled copper to create exquisite pots, platters and more from their workshops in the village. We then continue our journey upstream. We sail past the battlefield of Plassey, where Robert Clive of British East India Company defeated the Mogul Nawabs in 1757. The rulers of Bengal and their French allies established the company rule in India, which spread through much of South Asia for the next 190 years.

(B/L/D)



# DAY 5

## KHUSHBAGH/BAGANAGAR/ MURSHIDABAD

This morning we visit the charming village of Khushbagh, passing through scenic fields to arrive to the well-preserved mosque complex built by Nawab Ali-Wardi-Khan, housing his family's private mosque. His grandson Siraj-al-Dawlah was defeated by the British East India Company at the Battle of Plassey in 1757. After an on-board breakfast and morning sail, we visit the village of Baranagar. A lovely example of life in rural India, this village is home to several temples dating from the 18th century (1714 – 1793). Built by Rani (Queen) Bhabani, the landlady of Natore. The brick temples are considered to be among the best examples of Bengal terra cotta art. We then return to the ship for lunch and sail downstream.

This afternoon we pass by charming countryside

villages filled where locals greet us from the banks. We approach Murshidabad, a hidden architectural gem along the Ganges with dramatic whitewashed colonial era structures. We visit the Hazarduari Palace, built during the reign of Nawab Nazim Humayun Jah (1824 −1838 AD) by an English architect, McLeod Duncan, in the Greek "Doric" style. The palace has more than a thousand real and false doors in the vast corridors, and is filled with colonial era antiques, artwork and manuscripts. Opposite to the Palace is a vast Imambara - built by the Nawab for Muslim worship. We then take a scenic ride by local buggy to the Katra mosque. Built by the first Nawab of Murshidabad -Murshid Quli Khan in the 1724 - 25, this mosque has distinctive minarets from which the muezzin calls the faithful to Friday prayers. This evening we return for dinner and local cultural performance on-board.

(B/L/D/Cultural Performance)

# DAY 6

#### MAYAPUR

After a restful morning, observing the local life along the riverbanks, we stop in the village of Mayapur. Known as the birthplace of Sri Chaitanya Mahaprabhu (1486) and considered an incarnation of Lord Krishna, this is the home of the Krishna Consciousness Movement also called ISCKON. Guests can experience the fascinating culture of these followers and their ornate, colorful decorated statues of Krishna. Additionally, we will learn from Krishna followers leading the construction of the new temple located on the complex, due to be completed in 2016 during their Jubilee year. The new temple can be compared to the Vatican, and contains a 700,000 square-foot temple, measuring 340 feet high with a 75-foot domed planetarium. American Alfred B. Ford, the great grandson of Henry Ford, has funded more than 50% of the project.

(B/L/D)



# DAY 7

#### CHANDERNAGORE

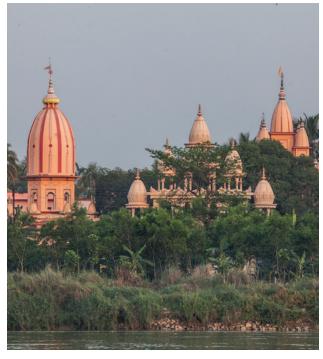
We begin the day in Chandernagore, established as a French colony in 1673. The French obtained permission from Ibrahim Khan, the then Nawab of Bengal to establish a trading post on the riverbanks of this city, which became a permanent French settlement in 1688. We will explore the French colonial buildings along the promenade, including the former French governor's residence (now converted to a museum that features an exhibition of items that depict life during this period. We then will visit the Sacred Heart Church of Chandernagore. We then return to the ship and continue our journey downstream to Kolkata.

(B/L/Reception/Farewell Dinner)



#### KOLKATA/DISEMBARKATION

Following breakfast guests will disembark the vessel and transfer to the Kolkata Airport.



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THE SHIPS' MENUS HIGHLIGHT INDIAN CUISINE, AS WELL AS EUROPEAN FAVORITES THAT WILL BE REFLECTED IN SUMPTUOUS BUFFETS PREPARED WITH FRESH INGREDIENTS AND ARTFULLY PREPARED, MULTI-COURSE DINNERS.







## **GASTRONOMY**

With a cuisine as diverse as the region, Heritage River Journeys offers on the Ganges Voyagers a exciting blend of European and regional cuisine with fresh, local ingredients and selected imported items.

The ships' menus highlight Indian cuisine, as well as European favorites that will be reflected in sumptuous buffets and artfully prepared, multi-course dinners.

The culinary team will offer an occasional shopping excursion to local markets taking every opportunity to utilize the fresh, local fruits and vegetables throughout the voyage.











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