ESSENTIAL INFORMATION
WONDERS OF JAPAN CRUISE:
CHERRY BLOSSOM SEASON

PASSPORT AND VISA INFORMATION
Your passport needs to be valid for at least six (6) months after your journey ends, and should have a minimum of two (2) blank visa pages for entry and exit stamps.

Holders of U.S. and Canadian passports are not required to obtain a tourist visa for entry into Japan for stays of up to 90 days and South Korea for stays of up to 30 days.

Our partner VisaCentral offers easy, efficient U.S. passport and visa processing. Visit them online at visacentral.com/abercrombiekent or call 844 823 1224 and reference A&K’s account number 73001. Service fees apply.

Citizens of other countries should contact the appropriate consular office for entry requirements pertaining to their journey.

HEALTH & VACCINATIONS
Health and safety screening and protocols will be required prior to and during your cruise. Details will be provided as appropriate prior to departure to ensure they reflect the latest regulations and standards.

There are no required vaccinations to enter either Japan or South Korea.

Bringing Medications into Japan
Please note that Japan strictly regulates, and in some cases prohibits, the import of certain prescription and over-the-counter medications (even for personal use). We suggest that you consult the Japanese Embassy online at www.us.emb-japan.go.jp/english/html/medication-info-japan.html for more information on bringing medications into Japan.

STAY HEALTHY ON BOARD
The ship has a limited number of handicap-accessible staterooms; however, guests in wheelchairs or those with a condition which demands special attention while travelling are required to travel with a companion as the staff, crew or fellow guests are not able to provide care for guests with medical conditions. For access to ship’s tenders, you must be able to negotiate stairways, walk up and down gangplanks and about the ship with little to no assistance.

Local sightseeing excursions may involve walks of up to a few miles in length, often over rough ground or among the fallen stones and uneven footing of archeological sites. Your destinations may require the ability to navigate cobblestone streets and stairs without railings, and the ability to enter and exit a variety of transport vehicles.

Travel is not suitable for people who require frequent or on-going medical attention. The Captain and Abercrombie & Kent reserve the right to decline passage to anyone who either failed to advise of a physical disability or is deemed unsuitable due to fitness level. Please ensure that we are aware of any physical disability or frequent or on-going medical requirements.

It is recommended to use caution at all times when out on deck or on private balconies. Access to outdoor areas (including private passenger balconies) may be restricted during times of heavy seas or inclement weather. Balcony doors must be kept closed in these conditions. You will be advised when this restriction is in effect and all passengers will be required to comply with ship Captain’s command.
There is an experienced, qualified physician and nurse on board, and fees for any minor medical services and all medicines which may be dispensed during your cruise will be charged to your passenger account (specific prescriptions are not available).

CASH & CREDIT CARDS

In both Japan & South Korea: Cash transactions off board must be made in local currency. Major credit cards are widely accepted for goods and services. Access to ATM machines is widespread in cities and towns but may be limited in rural areas.

The ship uses the euro as its official currency. Guests can pay for incidentals with U.S. dollars as well and exchange rates will be provided by the Purser when making payment. For purchases onboard guests should present their Key card to the cashier who in turn will swipe the card and process a charge docket for signature. The charges will automatically be transferred to your onboard account. Any personal expenses incurred onboard (including and not limited to premium Champagnes, premium liquors and non-house wines, boutique, laundry, spa and salon services, communications charges, medical services and medications) will be charged to your shipboard account and presented for payment at the end of the cruise.

Cash and credit cards are accepted as payment of onboard accounts. VISA and MasterCard are the recommended brands although American Express is accepted as well. Personal checks cannot be cashed on board. traveller’s checks are not recommended as there are limited funds on board. The ship does not have an ATM or currency exchange service.

All onboard transactions made by bank or credit card are processed via the Ponant home office in Marseille, France and charges from your onboard account may not be processed for one month after your cruise. Call your bank or credit card company to let them know about your travel plans and advise on board charges are processed through France to avoid having your overseas purchases viewed as suspicious. Please note when receiving your credit card statement, credit card charges will show on your statements from the vessel.
Choose versatile, casual clothing that can be layered if the weather (or level of air-conditioning) requires. Smart casual attire is appropriate for evenings.

Conservative dress is suggested when visiting temples and other religious sites. You may be asked to remove your shoes and/or socks when entering certain religious buildings.

Daytime/Evening attire aboard ‘Le Laperouse’: Casual comfortable clothing is appropriate on board. A jacket and tie and for men and one or two casual evening outfits for women are suggested for the Captain's Welcome Cocktail Party and the Farewell Party on board ship. This clothing ‘upgrade’ is ultimately at your discretion. Formal wear is not a requirement.

Clothing
- Casual slacks
- Polo shirts, casual short-sleeve shirts or blouses
- Comfortable walking shoes with traction
- Sweater or lightweight jacket
- Sleepwear
- Socks
- Walking shorts
- Long sleeve shirts or blouses
- Lightweight raincoat
- Brimmed hat for sun protection
- Personal garments
- Swimwear/cover-up

Other Recommended Items
- Sunglasses
- Simple first-aid kit
- Extra eyeglasses/contact lenses
- Charging cables for electronics
- Sun block / Insect repellent
- Prescriptions and medications (in their original bottles and/or packaging)
- Smartphone
- Global travel adapter

Optional Items
- Small LED flashlight
- Lightweight binoculars
- Foldable walking stick
- Small daypack or fanny pack

Traveller’s Valet: A&K’s complimentary laundry service for 8 articles of clothing per person will be provided once during your journey onboard. Additional laundry can be done for a charge. Dry cleaning is not available.
As a convenience, all staff gratuities are included. Any additional gratuities that you may wish to bestow upon any specific member/s of your tour staff are left to your personal discretion.

For extra nights or Tailor Made services added to your Wonders of Japan journey, we suggest the following gratuities (noted in U.S. dollars).

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LIFE ON BOARD: ‘LE LAPEROUSE’

GENERAL INFORMATION
The mega yacht ‘Le Laperouse’ is 430-feet long and accommodates up to 184 passengers; however, A&K limits occupancy to a maximum of 148 guests.

Accommodations are in outside staterooms in eight different categories (including two Owner’s Suites) ranging in size from 248 to 807 square feet (including private balcony). All staterooms and suites have private balconies and a bathroom with shower. (Categories 7 & 8 feature shower and bathtub.) Staterooms feature two twins or 1 king bed convertible upon request. Certain staterooms on Decks 5 and 6 have a fixed queen-size bed. The ship has two ADA accessible staterooms and three elevators and ramps accessing all passenger decks.

Each stateroom features nightly turn down service, individual climate control, closed circuit flat-screen TV (with movie-on-demand system), Wi-Fi access, wireless Bluetooth® speaker, telephone, coffee and tea making facility, wardrobe, small electronic safe, minibar replenished on request and a vanity with mirror. Bathrobes, slippers and Hermès toiletries are provided in each stateroom.

All suites feature Butler service - an A&K exclusive feature - which includes nightly canapes, personalized welcome, unpacking and packing upon request, room service, shoe polishing, expedited laundry, as well as spa and salon priority booking.

The ship has a full-service reception area, including a 24-hour front desk, as well as an excursions desk and boutique. The vessel features a restaurant on Deck 4 which accommodates all passengers in a single seating and an outdoor dining area on Deck 3 with room for 70 guests. In addition to the main lounge bar, there is an outdoor bar and lounge with armchairs and sofas and a pool bar.

The pool deck offers a heated infinity pool with a counter current swimming system and deck chairs.

The ship has a theater-style lecture room for presentations featuring the most up-to-date audio/visual equipment and a LED wall for the projection of high-resolution images and videos. Lectures in the Theater are open to all guests.

The Fitness Center offers guests complimentary use of equipment including stationary bikes, treadmills and other exercise equipment. Due to safety reasons, there are no free weights on board the ship. Sea conditions may affect opening hours the Fitness Center.

The ship has a gift shop/boutique (no sundries), as well as a Beauty Center featuring a full-service beauty salon, sauna and massage services. Hairstyling, manicures, pedicures and other services are charged to your shipboard account.

A daily program features the following day’s events, excursions, and hours of meal service is delivered to your stateroom each evening.

LANGUAGE & COMMUNICATIONS
English is the official language onboard ‘Le Laperouse’ when chartered by A&K. Complimentary Wi-Fi service is provided on board. It is recommended that mobile phone usage (when available) be confined to the privacy of your own stateroom.

Please Note: The speed and accessibility of wireless internet are affected by the ship’s location, weather and atmospheric conditions. Internet speed is also affected by the number of users on board relative to the ship’s available bandwidth. While the ship’s wireless access is suitable for
simple e-mail and communication, do not rely on it for heavy duty applications such as social media sites, downloading files or streaming movies.

**FOOD AND DRINK**

Dining is a special treat onboard ‘Le Laperouse’. International cuisine is available in two different restaurants. The first dining area, located on Deck 3, features outside sitting and serves grilled meats daily, along with a selection of salads and desserts. The main, 850 square foot dining room is located at the rear of Deck 4 and offers panoramic views. This unique dining area, which opens onto the outside, offers a selection of salads, hot meals, cheeses and desserts.

Room service is also available. Early riser coffee and breakfast pastries, afternoon tea and late-night snacks are offered daily. Meals on board are scheduled around the day’s sightseeing and shipboard activities. Please consult your daily program for meal times and opening hours.

Bottled water, bar drinks (exclusive of premium champagnes, wines and spirits) soft drinks, and house wines (white and red) and beer during lunch and dinner are included at no extra charge. On board ‘Le Laperouse,’ tap water is purified, and bottled water is provided in your stateroom daily.

If you have special dietary requirements (vegetarian or vegan menus, food allergies, etc.) please advise Abercrombie & Kent at least 6 weeks prior to the beginning of your journey. Chefs on board ‘Le Laperouse’ will make every effort to accommodate your needs. If you have food allergies and/or special dietary requirements, in addition to advising A&K prior to departure, please take the opportunity early in the cruise to meet with the Maître D’ and Cruise Director to discuss your special requests and inform your server prior to dining. Kosher meals are not available on board.

**ELECTRICITY**

Electrical service onboard the vessel is 220 volts / 50 hertz. All staterooms have a 110/220 volt, 2-prong outlet in the bathroom. There is also one 110/220 volt, 3-prong outlet located by the television set in the bedroom area and a standard 220-volt outlet located near the bed. A limited number of adaptors are available on board; however, supplies are not guaranteed. We recommend that you pack a universal travel adapter.

**OF SPECIAL NOTE**

Maritime law does not allow guests unrestricted access to the bridge. Dependent on the Captain’s discretion there may be scheduled opportunities offered during the cruise when guests may visit the bridge in such a way that the vessel’s commitment to these security measures will not be compromised.

Access to outdoor areas may be restricted during inclement weather and ship maneuvers. The day’s scheduled sightseeing events and timings on board may be altered and a certain degree of flexibility and spontaneity is required. Additionally, every effort will be made to follow the published itinerary but please note that they are subject to change to conditions and variables which may include but are not limited to weather, sea, and other conditions beyond Abercrombie & Kent’s control and are at the discretion of the Captain’s command. Port calls are subject to approval by local government officials and can be altered without prior notice.