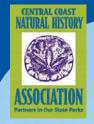
# Central Coast Natural History Association presents:



# "Cruisin' The Pacific Coast – Naturally"

September 19, 2009 8 Days



Keynote Speaker, Jim Covel, President of the National Association for Interpretation

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## "Pacific Coastal Cruise"

Departing September 19, 2009



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#### ITINERARY AT A GLANCE:

Sat- Day 1 Flight to Vancouver

Sun- Day 2 Vancouver Mon- Day 3 Victoria

Tues- Day 4 Astoria

Wed - Day 5 Day At Sea

Thur- Day 6 San Francisco Fri- Day 7 Day at Sea Sat- Day 8 Los Angeles - Home

#### HIGHLIGHTS:

- Vancouver Aquarium Royal British Columbia Museum • Goldstream Provencial Park • Fort Clatsop • Marine Mammal Center
- Cape Disappointment Academy of Science • Special evening presentations

#### MEALS:

 Features breakfast in Vancouver and all meals aboard cruise ship.

#### PRICING:

- Inside Cabin \$1519
- Outside Cabin \$1719
- Balcony Cabin \$2119

#### TRAVEL INCLUSIONS:

- Air transportation from San Francisco
- Personal airport VIP greeting and check-in service
- Roundtrip transportation from Morro Bay. \*
- All transfers and luggage handling between airports and hotel
- Exclusive Natural History shore excursions throughout itinerary. \*
- Pre-departure orientation and travel documents
   All tips and taxes for included services, except airport departure taxes, fuel surcharges, tips to
- drivers and guides and shipboard personnel

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The only Natural History Cruise of its kind with unique shore excursions and a variety of lectures by expert naturalists including Jim Covel, President of the National Association for Interpretation. In addition, we will also offer digital photography workshops, and weather permitting, evening onboard astronomy programs. This is the perfect cruise for birders, photographers, and anyone interested in the natural world.

Saturday, Day 1: Vancouver
Board your luxury motorcoach in
Morro Bay and travel to San Francisco
for a nonstop flight to Vancouver, a
multicultural city set in a spectacular
natural environment. Settle into your
hotel and attend a no-host reception
to meet fellow travelers and begin our
adventure.

Sunday, Day 2: Vancouver
Today we will visit the Vancouver
Aquarium, the largest aquarium in
Canada. Afterwards we will have a city
tour on our way to board your cruise
ship, "The Norwegian Star". Evening
digital photography workshop. (B,D)

Monday, Day 3: Victoria

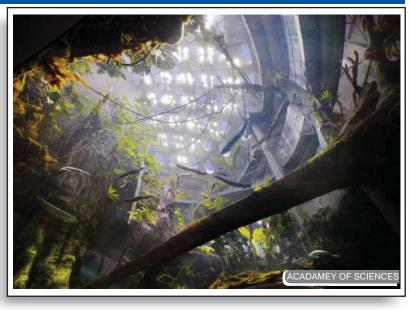
We will tour the city en route to the Royal British Columbia Museum which includes the Natural History Gallery. This museum also contains an IMAX theatre. In the afternoon, we will visit Goldstream Provencial Park known for its annual salmon run and large numbers of bald eagles – a perfect place for birders and photographers. If you choose, hike to spectacular Niagra Falls. Evening lecture by Rouvaishyana, California State Park Interpretive Specialist. (B,D)



Tuesday, Day 4: Astoria Lewis and Clark and the Corps of Discovery spent the winter of 1805-06 near the mouth of the Colombia River. We will tour a replica of the fort, the museum and also learn about Native American cultures. In the afternoon, we will cross the Columbia River and discover Cape Disappointment full of hiking trails, birds and a national Lewis & Clark interpretative center. Evening Film, "In Light of Reverence," explains Native American viewoints of nature and spirituality. (B,D)

Wednesday, Day 5: At Sea Today will be spend at sea cruise the picturesque Pacific. There area a myriad of activities to enjoy aboard "The Norewegian Star" including two lectures by Jim Covel. Evening digital photography workshop. (B,L,D)

Thursday, Day 6: San Francisco We will visit the marine Mammal Center, a private nonprofit dedicated to the rescue,



rehabilitation, environmental research and education of marine mammals. We will also have a special lecture by one of their experts. In the afternoon we will visit the Academy of Sciences in Golden Gate Park which is one of the largest natural history museums in the world. Evening lecture by Rouvaishyana, California State

Park Interpretive Specialist. (B,D)

Friday, Day 7: At Sea Another day aboard your magnificent floating hotel featuring two more lectures with Jim Covel, a final dinner with your fellow traveling companions, and evening entertainment. (B,L,D)

Saturday, Day 8: Los Angeles Disembark the Norwegian Star and travel by luxury motorcoach back to Morro Bay. (B)

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#### Meet our Keynote Speaker Jim Covel:

Jim Covel is the Manager of Guest Experience Training and Interpretation at the Monterey Bay Aquarium. In his 22 years Aquarium, he has guided staff and introduced people of all ages to the beauty of Monterey Bay. He is responsible for 600 staff and volunteers who are the bearers of ocean conservation messages. He is the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary's 2008 Educator of the Year and he also the President of the National Association for Interpretation – a nonprofit dedicated to the promotion of excellence in interpretation with over 5,000 members in 34 countries. Jim has worked with the National Park Service and California State Parks to develop and manage interpretative and education programs. Prior to the aquarium, Jim was on teaching staff at UC Davis and CSU Sacramento.

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\*\*Complimentary Pickup: Roundtrip transportation from Morro Bay if 20 participants sign up.

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