



Dear AIA travelers,

We enjoy reaching out to you each month with exciting news about new AIA land tours and small-ship cruises, but this month the topic looming large, over and above everything else is, of course, COVID-19.

As a result, we wanted to take this opportunity to tell you a little bit about what has been going on here at AIA Tours, and what lies ahead.

The spread and containment of the virus, its impact on the domestic and world economies, and the responses of the worldwide, U.S., state, and local governments are rapidly changing. We follow all of this diligently and act accordingly.

As of today, March 17<sup>th</sup>, we have cancelled all programs until **late spring and early summer**. For most of these cancelled programs we are planning 2021 departures right now. More details on those 2021 trips can be found on the [“Planning Stages”](#) page of our website.

For tours that are still operating as planned, you can find a complete list in the [“All Tours”](#) section of our website.

**For those of you who are already booked on upcoming AIA Tours, and for those of you who are making plans to travel with us**, you should know that we are working closely with tour suppliers to be as flexible as possible when it comes to cancellation penalties and, where possible, to rolling over reservations to future departures in the event of expanded travel restrictions. As each program has its own set of unique circumstances, please be patient with us as we navigate the details of each departure and address concerns as quickly as possible.

We are keeping very busy, preparing for our exciting, small-group tours led by engaging scholars. We look forward to responding to your inquiries and future reservations.

Thank you for your continued support of AIA Tours, and please contact us with questions at (800) 748-6262 (9am-5pm ET, Mon.-Fri.) and/or [aia@studytours.org](mailto:aia@studytours.org).

Best,

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