

## 2022 Baltic Sea Golf Cruise

## 11 Nights | 4 Rounds | Stockholm - Southampton | July 16 - 27 **A Back-to-Back Voyage**

PerryGolf is proud to again partner with **Azamara**® for an 11-night, 4-round golf and sightseeing voyage of the **Baltic Sea**. This cruise with less than 700 guests onboard the outstanding *Azamara Pursuit* begins in **Stockholm**, the vibrant capital city of **Sweden** and concludes in **Southampton**. We visit no less than five countries and the quality of our four round line-up is sure to surprise and delight.

Our golf is the best in the region including **Gorki Golf Club** - the first and currently only championship golf course in northwest Russia, **Hirsala Golf Club** in Helsinki, **WINSTON Open** in Germany and finally Amsterdam's **The International**. All courses are of modern construction with outstanding facilities.

Azamara Pursuit, which serves as our perfect floating boutique hotel and clubhouse, is a mid-sized luxury vessel nimble enough to access smaller ports yet large enough to provide every amenity you would expect, from a choice of fine dining and live entertainment, to a well-equipped gym and full-service spa. Forty-six suites are available with English butler style service which routinely book early. Sailing schedules often include extended stays in port plus the occasional overnight which allows for a truly immersive experience. Better still, these cruises are inclusive of a selection of beers, spirits, soft drinks, bottled water, specialty coffees plus wine with lunch and dinner along with gratuities for housekeeping, dining and bar staff. Azamara also proudly boasts two unique signature events on each cruise – an **AzAmazing Evening**<sup>sm</sup> and the **White Night** party – complimentary to all guests and consistently well received.

Every aspect of the golf program is fully managed by PerryGolf staff onboard and ashore. Your clubs will be ready and waiting at each venue. Tee times and pairings arranged and posted in advance. A convenient transportation schedule affords suitable time to warm up at the range, and to make the almost inevitable pro shop merchandise purchase. Carts are always included, subject to availability. A friendly competition is staged at a selected course, with prizes awarded at our farewell gathering. A snack lunch is included on-course plus an open bar operates in the clubhouse at the conclusion of the round. Our typical guest list which brings together like-minded individuals generally numbers between 40 and 50, with new friendships invariably formed during each cruise. Many guests are golfing couples but an equal number are golfers travelling with a non-golfing spouse. Specially arranged onboard golf group social functions, to which all accompanying non-golfing spouses are most warmly welcomed, further enhances the club-like environment. The award winning **Azamara Shore Excursions**® program, offering a wide variety of off ship excursions, also caters beautifully to our non-golfing guests during days when our golfing excursions are underway.

The "2022 Baltic Sea Golf Cruise" is a genuinely full-featured vacation and a special opportunity to enjoy yourself in the company of like-minded new friends!

#### Photo Album



# **Detailed** Itinerary

## JULY 16, SATURDAY: STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN (EMBARK BY 3:30PM / SAIL 5:00PM)

Embark Azamara Pursuit beginning at 1:00PM. All aboard by 3:30PM.

Welcome Cocktails & Briefing this evening. Meet your fellow participants and PerryGolf's staff.

**Overnight: At Sea** 

### JULY 17, SUNDAY: TALLINN, ESTONIA (10:30AM / 5:00PM)

**Tallinn** is the capital and largest city of Estonia, being home to one third of the country's population. Despite occupation at one time or another by each of its near neighbors, Tallinn is independent-minded and has creative ways of showing it - consider the Singing Revolution of 1988, the massive musical demonstration against Soviet rule that set Estonia on the path to independence. Visit St. Olav's Church, once the tallest building in the world, at least until 1625. Then pull up a chair at one of the cafés in the charming town square, heart of the city for 800 years. After your coffee, explore St. Catherine's Passage, a quaint old lane, home to a collection of craft workshops, and check out the secret 17th C. tunnel system.

Enjoy **Tallinn** on your own or via **Azamara Shore Excursions**®.

Port Explorer Guide - Tallinn

Overnight: At Sea

#### JULY 18, MONDAY: ST. PETERSBURG, RUSSIA (8:00AM / IN PORT)

**St Petersburg** is one of the world's most beautiful cities and has all the ingredients for an unforgettable travel experience: high art, lavish architecture, energetic nightlife, an extraordinary history and rich cultural traditions that have inspired and nurtured some of the modern world's greatest literature, music, and visual art. The architecture is varied and striking, with golden domed churches, and an astounding number of large and extravagantly decorated palaces, consistently evoking wows from visitors. The grandest include the countryside **Peterhof** with its lavish gardens and majestic golden fountains cascading down to the Gulf of Finland; and the Winter Palace, within the complex of the **Hermitage**, one of the world's largest museums with a collection of some three million works of art and artefacts.

**RUSSIAN VISA - PLEASE NOTE:** Guests are permitted to enter Russia under the ship's VISA Free status (which also covers our organized visit to Gorki Golf Club) so long as they are doing so on a pre-booked organized excursion. An extensive range of excursions are available for purchase and can be booked online in advance or once onboard. It is also possible to set up a qualifying private excursion under **Azamara's Private Journeys®** program which requires to be set up a minimum of 30 days in advance.

Guests who wish to make their own plans out with this program, or who wish to walk off the ship independently, which is not recommended due to language and other issues, will require to arrange their own Russian Tourist Visa in advance which can be time consuming and costly.



Enjoy St Petersburg via Azamara Shore Excursions®.

Port Explorer Guide - St Petersburg

Overnight: In Port - St Petersburg, Russia

#### JULY 19, TUESDAY: ST. PETERSBURG, RUSSIA (IN PORT / IN PORT)

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Port Explorer Guide - St Petersburg

Overnight: In Port - St Petersburg, Russia

#### JULY 20, WEDNESDAY: ST. PETERSBURG, RUSSIA (IN PORT / 6:00PM)

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Port Explorer Guide - St Petersburg

Overnight: At Sea

### JULY 21, THURSDAY: HELSINKI, FINLAND (8:00AM / 8:00PM)

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SIGHTSEEING: **Helsinki** is a successful blend of traditional and modern architecture and design, interwoven with the beauty of nature, and a few quirky, purely Finnish touches - such as a church built inside a giant chunk of granite, and a venue that is a unique combination of café, restaurant, bar, laundromat, and sauna. Classic Russian onion-domed churches share the stage with Nordic minimalism, and a large concentration of Art Nouveau buildings. Prominent globally in the field of technology, Finland has also recently topped the charts as having the world&rquo;s best educational systems.

Enjoy Helsinki on your own or via Azamara Shore Excursions®.

Port Explorer Guide - Helsinki



**Overnight: At Sea** 

## JULY 22, FRIDAY: AT SEA

Today it's time to relax and reset. Make your reservations early for **The Sanctum Spa**, a world-class wellness facility offering a full range of health, beauty and restorative treatments. Complimentary fitness and nutrition classes are available along with a fully equipped gym on Deck 9 offering magnificent sea views. There's room for everyone on the Pool Deck both in and out of the sun. Service to your lounge chair is available from **The Pool Bar** where the attentive staff is always ready to offer an inclusive cocktail, beer, bottled water, soft drink or fresh towel. **The Patio** restaurant serves casual fare during the day then completely transforms itself into a sit-down al fresco dining experience at night with table linens and candles. Elegant specialty dining is available for beef at **Prime C** and Italian at **Aqualina**. **Windows Café** serves casual buffet dining with every imaginable choice indoors and out at the sensational Sunset Bar.

What a way to spend a day!

**Overnight: At Sea** 

### JULY 23, SATURDAY: BERLIN (WARNEMUNDE), GERMANY (8:00AM / 9:00PM)

GOLF: **WINSTON Open** was built in 2002 and is the original 18 hole championship course at the 45 hole WINSTON Golf, Germany's top ranked golf complex. The rolling hills, thick forests and deep blue lakes of Mecklenburg characterize the layout along with well sheltered greens offering putting conditions that meet the highest standard. This demanding golf course challenges the players whilst at the same time offering gorgeous panoramic views. The Open Course is a regular venue for the European Senior Tour with each year the tournament receiving high praise from golf professionals and the tournament organizers alike.

SIGHTSEEING: **Warnemunde** is a seaside resort neighboring the red brick 800-year-old Hanseatic city of Rostock. From here it is possible to spend the day in **Berlin**, capital city of a reunited Germany. Its historical core, home to important monuments like the **Brandenburg Gate** and the Reichstag building, is part of a revitalized city center, with cafes, restaurants, museums, and galleries. Layered over the Prussian past are WWII, recognized in a Memorial for the Murdered Jews of Europe; and Cold War relics, including a surviving section of the Berlin Wall and the infamous **Checkpoint Charlie**.

Enjoy Berlin on your own or via Azamara Shore Excursions®.

Port Explorer Guide - Berlin (Warnemunde)

Overnight: At Sea

#### JULY 24, SUNDAY: TRANSIT KIEL CANAL (5:00AM / 5:00PM)

The **Kiel Canal** is an engineering marvel, one that's saved ships billions of miles since it opened in 1895 and sheltered sailors from the open seas beyond. This 61-mile freshwater canal enables mid-sized luxury vessels such as *Azamara Pursuit* to safely transfer from the North Sea to the Baltic Sea while guests enjoy the scenic countryside beyond the banks of the water. The Kiel Canal is the world's busiest shipping routes with 43,000 ships and 20,000 yachts making passage each year.



**Overnight: At Sea** 

## JULY 25, MONDAY: AMSTERDAM, NETHERLANDS (8:00AM / IN PORT)

GOLF: **The International** is an elite club in The Netherlands, host to the 2019 KLM Open on the European PGA Tour. The course was designed by Masters champion Ian Woosnam and features rolling undulation beside frequent encounters with water hazards. Large mounds between fairways gives each hole a distinct feel. The third hole is a fascinating par-5, wrapping around a lake and offering golfers multiple routes to the green. Be sure to gaze back toward the tee once you're safely on the putting surface. The 18th green is bordered by a beautiful stone wall, which perfectly matches the elaborate clubhouse terrace in the background.

SIGHTSEEING: **Amsterdam** has a personality all its own, including a long-time reputation for tolerance on a wide range of issues. You'll be thinking of tulips and wooden shoes, perhaps Heineken beer, and some of the city's part inhabitants: Rembrandt, Van Gogh, and Anne Frank, who wrote her famous diary hidden in a canal-side house. But do you know that Amsterdam has more canals than Venice (connecting a jigsaw puzzle of 90 islands), joined by some 1,280 bridges (many illuminated by fairy lights at night)? Or that it boasts the oldest stock exchange in the world?

Enjoy Amsterdam on your own or via Azamara Shore Excursions®.

Port Explorer Guide - Amsterdam

**Overnight: In Port - Amsterdam, Netherlands** 

#### JULY 26, TUESDAY: AMSTERDAM, NETHERLANDS (IN PORT / 7:00AM)

Enjoy another relaxing day at sea onboard Azamara Pursuit.

**Overnight: At Sea** 

#### JULY 27, WEDNESDAY: SOUTHAMPTON, UK (IN PORT / DISEMBARK AT 9:00AM)

Disembark Azamara Pursuit at 9:00AM.

## **Golf** Schedule

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