

## PAUL GAUGUIN CRUISES OFFERS FREE AMBASSADORS OF THE ENVIRONMENT YOUTH PROGRAM

On 2014 Holiday Voyages In French Polynesia – A \$299 Value Per Child







**BELLEVUE, WASH. – June 5, 2014 – Paul Gauguin Cruises** (<a href="www.pgcruises.com">www.pgcruises.com</a>), operator of the highest-rated and longest continually sailing luxury cruise ship in the South Pacific, the m/s *Paul Gauguin*, and the 88-guest m/v *Tere Moana*, will offer oceanographer and environmentalist Jean-Michel Cousteau's Ambassadors of the Environment Youth Program free on holiday voyages in French Polynesia this December when booked by July 31, 2014—a value of \$299 per child.

Cousteau and his Ocean Futures Society created the Ambassadors of the Environment Youth Program, which is a unique, groundbreaking program that introduces young travelers to the extraordinary natural wonders of French Polynesia through direct, hands-on, interactive learning. The mission of the Ocean Futures Society is to explore our global oceans, inspiring and educating people throughout the world to act responsibly for their protection.

Under the guidance of expert Ocean Future Society naturalists, young Ambassadors (ages 9-17) explore coral reefs, hike rainforest trails, experience Polynesian culture, and visit *marae* (ancient Polynesian temples). They also learn how black pearls and vanilla are cultivated, how volcanic islands become coral atolls, and how to paddle an outrigger canoe. Parents are encouraged to join their children on eco-excursions and other activities aboard and ashore.

The Ambassadors of the Environment Youth Program is offered free on 7-night <u>Tahiti & the Society Islands</u> Holiday Cruises departing December 20 & 27, 2014, with cruise fares starting from \$5,195 per person and includes airfare from Los Angeles. The third guest in a stateroom sails free.

There is no better way to spend the holidays as a family than with Paul Gauguin Cruises—voted the "#1 Small-Ship Cruise Line for Families" in *Travel + Leisure's* World's Best Awards in 2013. For more information and reservations for Paul Gauguin Cruises, contact a Travel Professional, call 800-848-6172, or visit <a href="www.pgcruises.com">www.pgcruises.com</a>.

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## **About Paul Gauguin Cruises**

Owned by Pacific Beachcomber S.C., French Polynesia's leading luxury hotel and cruise operator, Paul Gauguin Cruises operates the 5+-star cruise ship, the 332-guest m/s Paul Gauguin, providing a deluxe cruise experience tailored to the unparalleled wonders of Tahiti, French Polynesia, the South Pacific, and Southeast Asia. It is one of the top exclusive charter and incentive group venues in the industry and has completed more than 570 South Pacific cruises, serving more than 176,250 guests, including more than 15,000 honeymooners, since its inaugural sail in 1998. The Gauguin's accolades include recognition as "Top Small-Ship Cruise Line for Families" in Travel + Leisure's 2013 "World's Best Awards" and one of the "Top 20 Small Cruise Ships" in 2013 for the 15<sup>th</sup> year in a row by readers of Condé Nast Traveler.

In December 2012, the m/v *Tere Moana* began sailing under the Paul Gauguin Cruises banner after completing a multifaceted renovation and offers voyages in the Caribbean, Latin America, and Europe. At 330 feet long and 46 feet wide, *The Moana* has a draft of 11.5 feet and accommodates 88 guests with a staff of 62. In 2013, *The Moana* received "Best New Small Ship" and "Best Way to See the Greek Isles" in *Cruisereport.com's* Editors' Choice Awards.

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\*Rates are per person based on double occupancy and in US dollars. Port, security, and handling charges of \$99 per person are not included. Offer may be combined with free 3<sup>rd</sup> guest in stateroom (cruise only) offer and applicable past guest savings but is not combinable with other offers. Select sailings and new bookings only. Offer expires July 31, 2014. Call for details.