The 'Most Beautiful Ship In The World' - The Amerigo Vespucci

The sailing ship, the Amerigo Vespucci, often described as **“the most beautiful ship in the world,”** will embark on a two-year voyage, spanning 40,000 nautical miles around the globe.

It will grace the five continents and visit 29 countries as it circumnavigates the globe. Leaving the port of Genoa, Italy, it will sail through the Strait of Gibraltar crossing the Atlantic to Brazil, a country with 40 million Italians and Argentina, a country with 30 million Italians. The United States has an estimated 25 million people of Italian descent.

Then on to the Pacific through the Strait of Magellan and up the coast of South and Central America to the USA. **It will stop in Los Angeles in July 2024**. Its journey will continue to Hawaii and Asia and return through the Suez Canal to La Spezia, Liguria, Italy.

The Amerigo Vespucci is Italy’s most revered naval training ship which provides young officer cadets an initiation into life at sea. Launched in 1931 in honor of the Florentine navigator Amerigo Vespucci who christened the New World, it is currently the oldest vessel in service of the Italian navy. It joined with another ship of the time, the “Cristoforo Colombo, to conduct educational campaigns across the Mediterranean.”

The Vespucci is a national treasure. Its world tour will dock at 31 cities as Italy’s ambassador to the world to

showcase the art, wine, design, technology and identity of Italy’s national culture.

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