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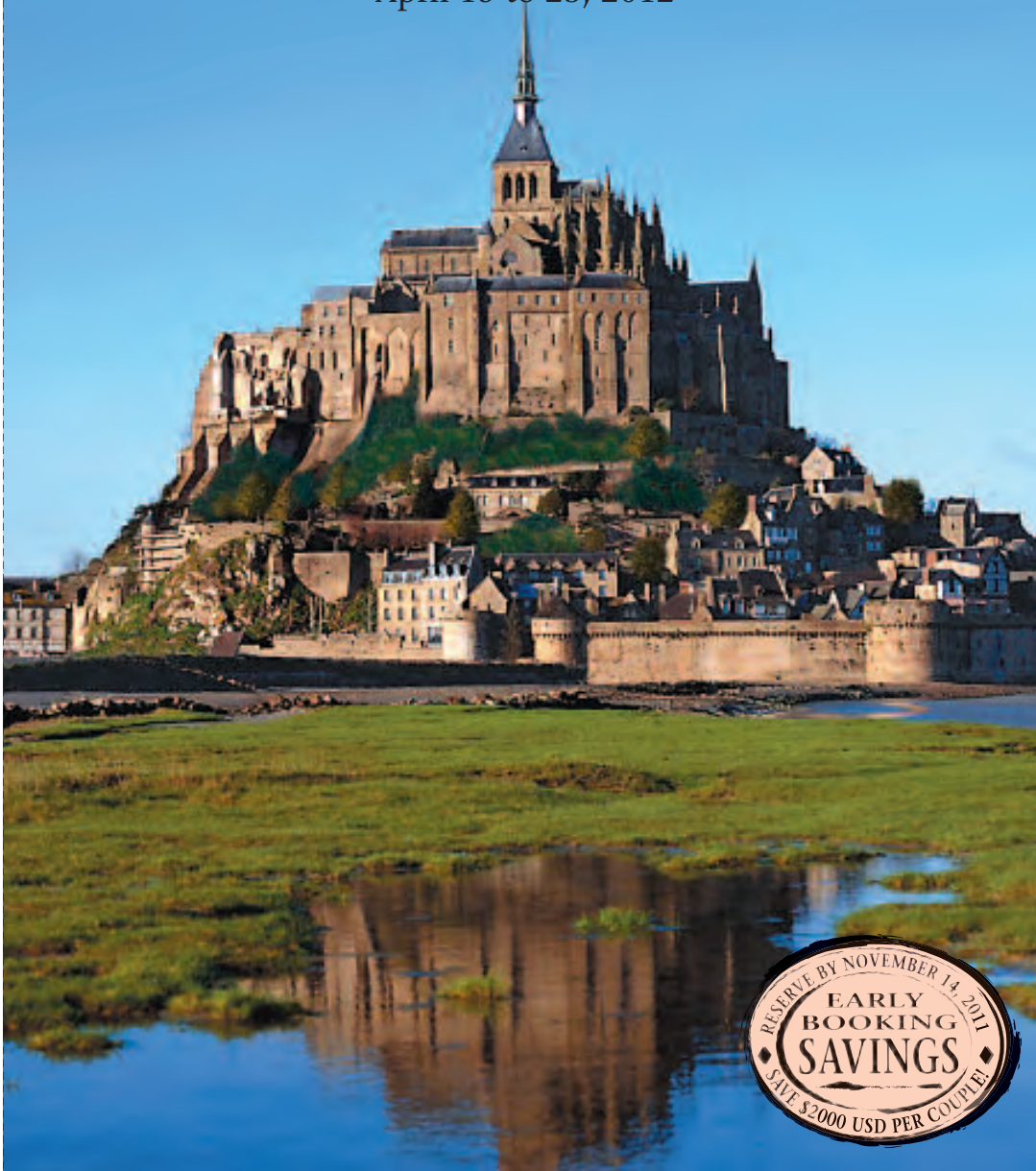
European Coastal Civilizations

Portugal • Spain • France

aboard the
Deluxe Small Ship M.S. LE BORÉAL



April 15 to 23, 2012





Dear Alumni & Friends of McMaster University,

From the old-world sophistication of Portugal to the artistic riches of Spain's Basque Country and the magnificent mediaeval towers of France's La Rochelle, riveting historic seaports await you along the western European coast. Come experience the culture and beauty of these unique European coastal civilizations.

Join fellow alumni and friends for a seven-night cruise aboard the exclusively chartered, deluxe M.S. LE BORÉAL featuring five UNESCO World Heritage sites. Linger over a glass of hearty port beside the Douro River in Oporto. Walk in the footsteps of ancient pilgrims on the St. James Way in Santiago de Compostela. Cruise along a rocky stretch of Spain's Costa Verde. Observe the intriguing balance of age-old traditions and modern touches in Bilbao, with a visit to the illustrious Guggenheim Museum. Visit the lively port town of La Rochelle on the coast of France's magnificent Bay of Biscay, and tour the mediaeval abbey at Mont St. Michel.

*By special arrangement, enrich your appreciation of these coastal civilizations through the unique **C'est Bon!** CULINARY TRADITIONS™ optional excursions accompanied by culinary expert Kristine Kidd and featuring exclusive tastings which celebrate the regional cuisines, wines and local foods of our ports of call. On board, enjoy culinary lectures by Kristine and a special cooking demonstration by the master chef of the M.S. LE BORÉAL.*

Expand your experience of these remarkable cultures by choosing the two-night Lisbon Pre-Cruise Option and/or the two-night Paris Post-Cruise Option.

Space for this exclusive itinerary and excellent value has quickly sold out in the past, so I encourage you to book now.

Warmest regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Karen McQuigge".

Karen McQuigge '90
Director, Alumni Advancement





Canada
Sunday, April 15
 Depart from Canada.

Lisbon, Portugal
Monday, April 16
 Arrive in Lisbon and embark the deluxe M.S. LE BORÉAL.

Leixões for Oporto
Tuesday, April 17

Dock in Leixões, northern Portugal's principal port and transfer to Oporto the hub of the country's world-famous port wine trade. Its historic city centre, Ribeira, a neighbourhood of mediaeval streets lined with colourful Portuguese houses, is a UNESCO World Heritage site. Visit the neoclassical Stock Exchange, with its intricately gilded Arabian Hall inspired by the famous Moorish Alhambra, and the Gothic Church of São Francisco.

Attend the Captain's welcome reception and dinner this evening.



During the first of three exclusive **C'EST BON! CULINARY TRADITIONS™** optional excursions, browse the bustling Matosinhos Market, iconic for its unique half cylinder-shaped architecture and curved windows. Enjoy a specially prepared lunch in a popular restaurant housed in the Palace of the Arts, formerly part of a mediaeval convent, located in Oporto's oldest historical district where a celebrity chef introduces you to traditional Portuguese specialities. Then, tour the cellars of a renowned port wine producer and enjoy a tasting among the seasoned oak casks.

Cover Photo: *Soaring above the dramatic tides of the English Channel, Mont St. Michel is an architectural wonder that has drawn pilgrims to the island monastery since the eighth century.*

Muros, Spain for Santiago de Compostela/ La Coruña

Wednesday, April 18
 Today's full-day excursion travels from the town of Muros into the oak- and pine-forested hills of Galicia, one of Spain's self-governed principalities infused with an unexpected Celtic atmosphere. Golden-hued granite buildings grace its well-preserved capital, Santiago de Compostela, a UNESCO World Heritage site where almost completely pedestrianized streets lead to the expansive Plaza del Obradoiro that includes the city's grand Romanesque cathedral, built to enshrine the tomb of St. James, considered to be a national monument. A pilgrimage destination since the Middle Ages, the church is recognized for its distinctive Baroque façade, original mediaeval portico and incomparable Churrigueresque altar. Enjoy lunch nearby in a renowned 16th-century parador.

Continue to the "crystal city" of La Coruña, so called because its harbour-side houses feature glass-enclosed balconies. See the restored Castle of San Anton, former fortress and military prison, now the archaeological museum. Stop at the famous, ancient Tower of Hercules, a working lighthouse since Roman times and a UNESCO World Heritage site. From Mount San Pedro, enjoy a panoramic view of the city and sea.

Santander for Bilbao
Thursday, April 19

Upon arrival in Santander, travel to nearby Bilbao, surrounded by the verdant Basque Mountains. Bilbao is home to architect Frank Gehry's iconic Guggenheim Museum of Contemporary Art.

Stroll through the galleries of this repository of pop art, minimalism, Arte Povera and conceptual works by contemporary Spanish and Basque artists.

Then, enjoy an orientation tour of the city to see the *casco viejo* (old quarter) and the



Photo this page: *The white limestone gates of La Rochelle first protected the inner harbour and the magnificent old town centre in the 14th century.*



The delightful harbour of Honfleur has inspired Boudin and Monet to the present.

promenade of El Arenal, a popular route for Bilbainos' evening *paseos* (leisurely strolls).



Food is a ritual of love in the Basque Region, known for an abundance of seafood from the Bay of Biscay and for its flavourful meats. For the second **C'EST BON! CULINARY TRADITIONS™** optional excursion, learn about the history of and experience Basque cooking in a rustic country venue on the outskirts of Bilbao.

La Rochelle/Île de Ré Friday, April 20

Dock in the bustling port city of La Rochelle where luminous limestone facades glow in bright coastal sunlight. La Rochelle was once the Knights Templar's largest base on the Atlantic Ocean; Frenchmen from here later emigrated to North America and eventually founded Montréal, Canada; and during World War II it became a German naval stronghold and the last French city to be liberated. Today, the picturesque harbour is filled with boats moored in serried ranks.

On Île de Ré, one of the island jewels of the French coast, see the UNESCO World Heritage site Fortifications of Vauban built

by the preeminent military engineer of his age who, under Louis XIV, masterminded the consolidation of France's borders.



Although La Rochelle has thrived on its wine and salt trade throughout its history, it is perhaps most famous for its fresh seafood. During this last **C'EST BON! CULINARY TRADITIONS™** optional excursion, sample the flavours of the port's lively markets that feature locally farmed oysters, vegetables and meats in a distinguished local venue. You will also have an opportunity to learn about the local process of distilling renowned Cognac complimented with a tasting of the refined brandy.

Cruising the Bay of Biscay Saturday, April 21

Spend the day at leisure cruising from the Bay of Biscay to the English Channel.

St. Malo for Mont St. Michel Sunday, April 22

Today, visit Mont St. Michel, a majestic tidal island and UNESCO World Heritage site. Victor Hugo described these dramatic tides as rising and receding "as swiftly as

See traditional oak casks of Oporto's eponymous ruby and tawny port wine being loaded onto typical flat-bottomed Portuguese rabelos, or sail boats, to be transported along the Douro River.





artists from French Impressionists



Built to protect against Norman invaders, the mediaeval walls of St. Malo still stand along the English Channel.

a galloping horse.” Stroll the cobblestone Grande Rue through the fortified village to visit the spectacular mediaeval abbey and cloisters, a pilgrimage site since, as legend has it, the Archangel Michael appeared to Bishop Aubert of Avranches in the early eighth century and commanded him to build a sanctuary here. Walk through the monastery’s vaulted scriptorium and refectories.

Return to St. Malo along Brittany’s Côte d’Emeraude “Emerald Coast,” named for the green hue of the sea in spring.

Attend the Captain’s farewell reception and dinner this evening.

Honfleur, France/Canada

Monday, April 23

Disembark the ship in Honfleur, and transfer to the D-Day Beaches to continue on the Post-Cruise Option or to Paris for your return flight to Canada.

Behind its grand Baroque and Romanesque exterior, the Cathedral of Santiago de Compostela safeguards the relics and tomb of St. James the Apostle.



Lisbon Pre-Cruise Option*

A historic gateway for world exploration and Portugal’s intimate, welcoming capital, Lisbon is the ideal prelude to your cruise. Visit the UNESCO World Heritage sites of Jerónimos



Lisbon
Coat of Arms

Monastery, a magnificent 16th-century monument, and the sleepy village of Sintra featuring a visit to the Sintra National Palace, a former Moorish fort and the last remaining mediaeval royal palace in Portugal. Accommodations for this two-night stay are in the deluxe DOM PEDRO PALACE HOTEL, located near the Estrela Gardens and the 18th-century Basilica da Estrela.

Normandy/Paris Post-Cruise Option*

Pivotal in the history and to the culture of Europe’s Coastal regions, Normandy and Paris are a natural combination and conclusion to your cruise. A portal to the region that altered the new world order, Normandy brings history to life. Visit the historic D-Day Beaches, an exceptional experience.



Normandy
Coat of Arms

In the cultural capital of Paris, tour the private, 19th-century mansion and art collection of the Musée Jacquemart-André and see Paris’ most famous landmarks. Enjoy a two-night stay in the deluxe INTERCONTINENTAL PARIS LE GRAND, located adjacent to the Opéra Garnier and near the Louvre.



Paris
Coat of Arms

**Pre- and Post-Cruise Options are available at additional cost and details will be provided with reservation confirmation.*



M.S. LE BORÉAL

Small Ship, State-of-the-Art Design

The M.S. LE BORÉAL, launched in 2010, represents the newest generation of deluxe small ships with only 120 staterooms and features distinctive French sophistication.

Spacious Suites and Staterooms, Most with Balconies

Ninety-five percent of the large, deluxe, air-conditioned, outside Staterooms and Suites (from 18.5 to 45 square metres/200 to 484 square feet) feature private balconies. Most accommodations have two twin beds that convert to one queen-size bed; each has a private bathroom with shower (bathtub in limited number of staterooms), and the luxurious amenities of a fine hotel, including: individual climate control, satellite flatscreen television, wireless Internet access, safe, minibar, full-length closet, writing desk/dressing table and plush robes.

Chic and Casual Dining

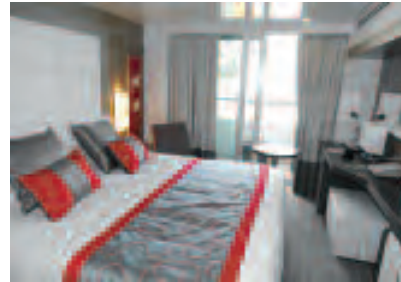
International and regional cuisine is served in the stylish, spacious La Licorne dining room in single, unassigned seatings, alfresco in the casual indoor-outdoor La Boussole restaurant or from 24-hour room service. Continental and buffet breakfast, buffet lunch, afternoon tea and a four-course dinner are served daily. Complimentary wine and beer are served with lunch and dinner.

Spacious Public Areas/ World-Class Service and Facilities

Inviting and spacious public areas accommodate all passengers comfortably. Enjoy views from the Panoramic Lounge; nightly entertainment in the Main Lounge; and lectures, cultural performances and film screenings in the state-of-the-art theatre. There is a library, Internet salon, Sun Deck, swimming pool, beauty salon, spa, Turkish bath-style steam room, full range of fitness equipment and two elevators. The infirmary is staffed with a doctor and nurse. The highly trained and personable English-speaking international crew provides attentive service.

Respect for the Environment

The state-of-the-art propulsion system provides an exceptionally smooth, quiet and comfortable voyage by creating little vibration and significantly reduced engine noise. The ship is designed to prevent contact with environmentally sensitive seabeds and meets the latest "Clean Ship" standards. The ship has two tenders.



Stateroom with balcony



Dining Room



Lounge



Outdoor Deck

C'EST BON! CULINARY TRADITIONS

FEATURING CULINARY EXPERT



KRISTINE KIDD, cookbook author and food editor of *Bon Appétit* magazine for 20 years joins us on this cultural and epicurean journey. Kristine introduces you to the seductive flavours and heritage of culinary traditions across the coastal regions of Portugal, Spain and France. Here, food preparation

and consumption are not merely daily rituals, but celebrations of life itself. Kristine will share her insights during a series of gastronomic lectures and offers commentary during an exclusive demonstration by the master chef of the M.S. LE BORÉAL. In addition, daily meals onboard feature specially prepared dishes corresponding to the day's destination.

Kristine accompanies our custom-designed and exclusively arranged *C'EST BON!* CULINARY TRADITIONS™ excursion options* in Oporto, Bilbao and La Rochelle.

Kristine Kidd is first and foremost a serious cook. The dishes she created as editor were often featured on the magazine cover, and her recipes are republished in *Bon Appétit* cookbooks. She collaborated on *Bon Appétit* stories with notable celebrity chefs including Wolfgang Puck and Gordon Ramsay.

Ms. Kidd apprenticed in a New England restaurant, became chef of a Vermont country inn and later in restaurants on both coasts. Kristine has created recipes for and authored numerous cookbooks, including five for Williams-Sonoma and Time-Life, Inc. She has also judged the Julia Child Cookbook Awards. Kristine is the food editor for the Monterey Bay Aquarium's Seafood Watch website, speaks at national food conferences including those put on by the International Association of Culinary Professionals and the Food Writers' Symposium, and has appeared on radio and television food shows. Ms. Kidd resides in the Los Angeles area and prepares fresh meals at home almost every night.

**Optional excursions are at additional cost and details will be provided with your reservation confirmation.*

Scheduled guest speakers may be altered due to circumstances beyond our control. See Terms and Conditions.



Visit an Oporto market where locals barter over fresh fare while the traditional bacalhau cod dries in the sun.

Included Features

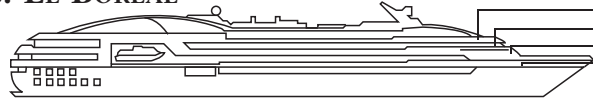
On board the deluxe M.S. LE BORÉAL

- ◆ Seven-night cruise from Lisbon, Portugal, to Honfleur, France, with port calls at Leixões (for Oporto), Portugal; Muros (for Santiago de Compostela), La Coruña, Santander (for Bilbao), Spain; La Rochelle and St. Malo (for Mont St. Michel), France.
- ◆ Spacious, deluxe outside accommodations with private bathroom and individual climate control.
- ◆ Captain's welcome and farewell receptions.
- ◆ All meals—continental breakfast, buffet breakfast, buffet lunch, afternoon tea and dinner—throughout the cruise, featuring fine international and regional cuisine, served at single, unassigned seatings.
- ◆ Complimentary wine and beer are served with lunch and dinner.
- ◆ Three exclusive *C'EST BON!* CULINARY TRADITIONS™ lectures by expert Kristine Kidd.
- ◆ Exclusive *C'EST BON!* CULINARY TRADITIONS™ food demonstration by the M.S. LE BORÉAL's master chef.
- ◆ Excursion to Oporto, a UNESCO World Heritage site.
- ◆ Full-day excursion to Santiago de Compostela and La Coruña featuring visits to two UNESCO World Heritage sites, including lunch.
- ◆ Visit to Bilbao's iconic Guggenheim Museum.
- ◆ Tours of La Rochelle and Île de Ré, with its UNESCO World Heritage site, one of the Fortifications of Vauban.
- ◆ Walking tour of Mont St. Michel and a visit to the abbey, a UNESCO World Heritage site.

Enhanced Travel Services

- ◆ All transfers and luggage handling abroad for all participants who have purchased their air tickets through Gohagan & Company and whose arrival(s)/departure(s) coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s).
- ◆ All excursions and visits, as outlined in the itinerary, with experienced, English-speaking local guides.
- ◆ Gratuities to local guides and drivers.
- ◆ Hospitality desk aboard the M.S. LE BORÉAL.
- ◆ Experienced Travel Director to accompany you throughout the travel program.
- ◆ Travel document wallet, name badge and pre-departure information.
- ◆ Automatic \$250,000 USD flight insurance policy for each participant ticketed on flights by Thomas P. Gohagan & Company.
- ◆ Exclusive *C'EST BON!* CULINARY TRADITIONS™ options accompanied by expert Kristine Kidd, at additional cost.

M.S. LE BORÉAL



Deck 6, Le France
 Deck 5, Le Normandie
 Deck 4, Le Lafayette
 Deck 3, Le Champollion

Land/Cruise Tariff (in U.S. dollars, per person, based on double occupancy)			
Stateroom Category*	Description- Staterooms range from 200 to 484 sq. ft. and most have two twin beds that convert to make one queen bed. All feature a private bathroom and individual climate control.	Early Booking Price through November 14, 2011	Regular Price after November 14, 2011
8	Ocean-view, one large window, shower. Deck 3, Le Champollion, forward. (limited availability)	\$3990	\$4990
7	Ocean-view, small window and door onto private, partial wall balcony, shower. Deck 3, Le Champollion, aft. (limited availability)	\$5240	\$6240
6	Ocean-view, small window and door onto private, partial wall balcony, shower. Deck 3, Le Champollion, midship.	\$5770	\$6770
5	Ocean-view, sliding glass door onto private, partial wall balcony, shower. Deck 4, Le Lafayette, forward.	\$6290	\$7290
4	Ocean-view, sliding glass door onto private balcony, shower. Deck 4, Le Lafayette, midship.	\$7020	\$8020
3	Ocean-view, sliding glass door onto private, partial wall balcony, shower. Deck 5, Le Normandie, forward.	\$7330	\$8330
2	Ocean-view, sliding glass door onto private balcony, shower or tub/shower. Deck 5, Le Normandie, midship.	\$7640	\$8640
1	Ocean-view, sliding glass door onto private balcony, shower or tub/shower. Deck 6, Le France.	\$8060	\$9060
Deluxe Suite	Ocean-view, sliding glass door onto private balcony, tub/shower and sitting area with sofa. Deck 6, Le France. (limited availability)	\$8580	\$9580
Prestige Suite II	Two-room, ocean-view, sliding glass door onto large private balcony, two bathrooms: tub/shower and shower, large sitting area with sofa, two closets, writing desk and dressing table. Deck 5, Le Normandie. (limited availability)	\$9620	\$10620
Prestige Suite I	Two-room, ocean-view, sliding glass door onto large private balcony, two bathrooms: tub/shower and shower, large sitting area with sofa, two closets, writing desk and dressing table. Deck 6, Le France. (limited availability)	\$10450	\$11450
◆ An Owner's Suite (Deck 6, Le France) is available at a cost to be advised, upon request on a first-come first-served basis.			
◆ Singles are available in category 6 at \$10140 USD and in category 4 at \$12220 USD on or before November 14, 2011. Add \$1000 USD for reservations made after November 14, 2011.			
◆ Taxes are an additional \$295 USD per person and are subject to change.			
*M.S. LE BORÉAL has been specially contracted for this tour, and the applicable deck plan is available on request from Gohagan & Company and reflects the only valid cabin categorization of the vessel.			

European Coastal Civilizations Reservation Form

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Email Address (Mobile)

Preferred name(s) on badge(s) Tour No. 095-04/15/12-260

Program reservations require a deposit of \$600 USD per person plus \$200 USD per person Lisbon Pre-Cruise Option and/or \$200 USD per person Paris Post-Cruise Option. By forwarding of deposit, I/we accept and agree to the Terms and Conditions.

Enclosed is my/our cheque(s) for \$ _____ as deposit. Make cheques payable to **Thomas P. Gohagan & Company**.

I/We authorize you to charge my/our deposit of \$ _____ to:
 Visa MasterCard

Card Number Exp. Date

Signature as it appears on credit card

All FINAL PAYMENTS are required to be made by cheque, wire transfer or credit card by January 11, 2012.

Please make my/our reservation(s) in category:
 1st Choice _____ 2nd Choice _____
 Double occupancy (two twin beds).
 Double occupancy (one queen bed).
 Single accommodations.
 I am reserving as a single but prefer to share accommodations and will allow you to select my roommate (shares cannot be guaranteed).

Please make my/our reservation(s):
Lisbon Pre-Cruise Option
 Double at \$620 USD per person.
 Single at \$860 USD per person.
 I am reserving as a single but prefer to share accommodations and will allow you to select my roommate (shares cannot be guaranteed).

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 Double at \$995 USD per person.
 Single at \$1495 USD per person.
 I am reserving as a single but prefer to share accommodations and will allow you to select my roommate (shares cannot be guaranteed).

I/We want you to book my/our air from _____ (fill in departure city) to Lisbon, Portugal, with return from Paris, France, at additional cost to be advised.‡

Economy Class
 Business Class
 First Class

‡Note: Airfare is subject to change and availability and is nonrefundable.
 I/we will make my/our own air arrangements.



Bilbao's avant-garde Guggenheim Museum is perhaps the 20th century's most audacious architecture, wrapped in shining waves of titanium.

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