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The First Modern Riverboat in U.S. History—*American Song* To Receive Final Touches!

GUILFORD, CT—August 1, 2018—American Cruise Lines is pleased to announce that the first modern riverboat in U.S. history is nearly complete. This week, *American Song*, under its own power, moved from the East Outfitting Basin at Chesapeake Shipbuilding in Salisbury, MD, to the yard's outfitting bulkhead for the final outfitting touches. Anticipation is growing as *American Song* is set to make its historic inaugural cruise October 6, 2018 on the Mississippi River from New Orleans—during the city's Tri-centennial year.



***American Song* shortly after moving for final outfitting at Chesapeake Shipbuilding in Salisbury, MD**

American Song's sister ship, *American Harmony*, the 2nd modern riverboat in the series, is currently five and a half weeks ahead of schedule and will be launched later this fall. *American Harmony* will go into service in the spring of 2019 on the Mississippi River where it will join two of American's Victorian-style paddlewheelers, *Queen of the Mississippi* and *America*.

When it debuts this October 2018, *American Song* will cruise the Line's Lower Mississippi River itineraries for the remainder of the year (including American's holiday-themed cruises throughout December) and reposition to the West Coast on the Columbia & Snake Rivers in 2019.

American Song and *American Harmony* are both designed and built by Chesapeake Shipbuilding in Salisbury, Maryland.

About American Cruise Lines:

American Cruise Lines was recently awarded **Cruise Critic's 2018 Cruisers' Choice Award for Best River Line in the U.S. & Canada**. In 2018, American operates the largest and newest fleet of authentic paddlewheelers, coastal cruise ships, and the first modern riverboats in U.S. history (*American Song*, 2018 & *American Harmony*, 2019). With over 35 itineraries visiting 25 states, American cruises along the rivers, as well as the coastal and inland waterways of New England, Alaska, the Pacific Northwest, the Mississippi River system, and the Southeast.



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