

## Budgeting For Your Cruise

Cruising has something for every consumer demographic, interest and most importantly BUDGET! The daily, per person cost of cruising is highly competitive and the quality of destinations, accommodations, dining options and entertainment are unmatched! The predominant reasons for selecting a cruise vacation over the AI land vacation is the opportunity to visit multiple destinations on a cruise and the multi-generational atmosphere that is inviting to everyone.

While a cruise is nearly all-inclusive, with accommodations, dining, entertainment, government port charges, and taxes covered in the ticket price, there are add-on expenses to consider. Includes concert admittance for Rock & Roll Group

### What Is NOT Included In The Cruise Fare?

Travel insurance, passports, and any other required documents or visas. While these are not required, they are so highly recommended that you will have to sign a waiver if you decline purchase of these items.

Airfare transportation: this will vary greatly based on your location. Your travel agent can help you find flights that have no baggage fees, utilize mileage plans or have an added advantage to your itinerary.

Gratuities to cruise staff, which may be prepaid, but are generally charged at the end of sailing at an average of \$12 pp/day and are able to be challenged if you feel service was inadequate or unworthy.

Shore Excursions or local sight-seeing and adventure trips when in port are strictly optional, but really add extended cultural experiences with true local flare. All shore excursions can be viewed, priced and booked well in advance of the sailing date.

Onboard Spa and Elite Dining Service are an outstanding choice for the indulgent! These are popular and exclusive amenities offered on board the ship and carry vast price ranges.

Also available for nominal fees are hair and nail salon services, tuxedo rental, photo purchases, duty free gift stores, bingo and casino gaming.

### The Bottom Line- Cruising Is A Great Value!

In the end, the total vacation package is a great value and will be much enjoyed. According to the Cruise Line Industry Association; there is a 92% satisfaction of value rating for first time cruisers! It is said "once a cruiser, always a cruiser" ... as there is a 88% repeat cruise vacation rate with prior guests.