

The Beauty of Multi-generational Travel & Expedition Cruising



Imagine hiking a trail on the Galapagos Islands and capturing the moment both your parent and child witness a hundred-year old giant tortoise lumber past. How about three generations sharing the safari-at-sea wonder of whale-watching and penguin parades while basking in the enchanting glow of blue icebergs off the coast of Antarctica. Or perhaps witnessing the brightest Northern lights possible in Norway. Expedition cruises make these marvelous moments possible.

The fastest-expanding sector of the cruise industry market, expedition and exploration cruising have seen double-digit year-over-year passenger increases. The appeal is obvious – expedition cruises combine real-world education, shared hands-on adventure, and all-inclusive convenience into a single trip making them ideal for multi-generational travel. These small-ship adventures reach destinations inaccessible by larger cruise lines – places like the Galápagos Islands, Antarctica, the Amazon, the fjords of Svalbard and even tiny fishing villages in Alaska and Greenland. Usually holding 100-500 passengers, these vessels are designed to bring people of all ages closer to the raw, unfiltered world, thus creating unique experiences that also draw families closer together. Grandparents, parents, older children and teenagers can bond over milestone experiences without the stress of daily logistics. Grandparents will love discovering the wonders of the world through the eyes of their grandchildren. Kids and adults can share the joy of discovery as they learn alongside onboard marine biologists, geologists, and historians. The degree of adventure is adapted for all paces with flexible activity levels offered through Zodiac excursions, easy nature walks, or more strenuous hikes as family members choose how active they want to be each day. Built-in community is effortless with relaxed dining rooms and onboard recaps making it easy for the family to gather or separate as needed. Essential in these modern times, limited Wi-Fi on many ships allows for digital detox so family members can disconnect from screens and engage with each other and nature.

The best kind of legacy is the one of stories and shared memories. With multi-generational, you won't just leave a legacy for your loved-ones, you'll live it with them now. Consider an expedition cruise for your next family vacation or destination reunion. With companies like HX, NatGeo: Lindblad, Uncruise and many others, we can help you orchestrate the memorable moments that will create a travel legacy your whole family will cherish for generations to come.



International World Tourism Day is September 27

It's a remarkable fact that travel and tourism account for 10% of the world's total economic output, supporting roughly 1 in 10 jobs globally. In the US, this sector contributes 8-9% of the national GDP. Observed since 1980, this date was chosen by the United Nations World Tourism Organization as it is the day peak tourism season in the Northern Hemisphere meets the peak tourism season in the Southern Hemisphere. Intended to raise awareness of the role of tourism within the international community, this day recognizes the affects of tourism on social, cultural, political and economic values worldwide. We are proud to be apart of this vital aspect of the economy and appreciate all of our clients who trust us with their travel and tourism needs.

WHY CRUISE?

Cruising offers a convenient, all-in-one vacation

Travelers unpack just once while visiting multiple destinations.

Fares typically include lodging, transportation, meals, and entertainment.

Enjoy a high-value, low-stress way to explore the world.

All the pleasures of a vacation
without the hassle of traditional trip planning.

**Why should you book a cruise through us?
With our travel advisors – it's smooth sailing.**

We match your personal goals and budget to the right cruise line and itinerary.

We provide expert guidance on complex ship layouts and itineraries.

We secure extra perks like onboard credit at no extra cost.

We advocate if travel problems or schedule changes happen.

We track important dates for you –
like final payment deadlines, dining times, and excursion windows.

Ready to sail off into the sunset? Book today!

The cruise industry currently comprises 2% the global travel and tourism sector.

Check out these interesting stats and amusing facts about cruising:

- Cruiseships travel at an average speed of 20 knots or approximately 23 miles an hour / many reach 30 knots.
- In 1906, White Star Line's Adriatic introduced the first shipboard swimming pool, limited to first-class only.
- In 1840, Cunard's Britannia carried live cows so passengers and crew could drink fresh milk during weeks-long transatlantic voyages.
- Expedition cruising is the fastest-growing segment with a 22% increase passengers between 2023 and 2024.
- Each year on February 14, fleetwide Carnival Cruise Line makes over 60,000 chocolate-covered strawberries.



**We asked our awesome advisors to name a reason
people choose a travel advisor instead of booking online...**

Survey results on next page.

CLIENT REVIEWS

High-lighting our awesome advisors who make our clients' dream vacations possible, special celebrations more memorable, and business travel more manageable every day. We are here to connect you to the destinations, experiences and people that create the life you want you live.

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BUSINESS PARTNER REVIEW

For Corporate Advisor Tia Meno

"One of the best partners I have had the chance to work with – Tia and I were working remotely during the delivery of Sabre Technology Solutions to Flathead Travel Service. Tia is ... a professional committed to excellence... Someone I can trust to deliver any experience to it's end successfully and so much more. Working with Tia has been one of the best experiences I have had.

★★★★★ — CARLOS EGOACHEAGA




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Client Review

For advisor Gina Twichel:

We travel a LOT and Gina has been so instrumental in assuring a smooth adventure. She takes care of every detail; needs no reminders. Knows what needs to be done before we do. We missed a flight – Gina fixed it right away. Needed a room – she got it. Needed to change a hotel – done. Needed transportation arranged – you can count on it from her. Choices to choose from – provided. Wouldn't change travel agents!! Plus she is SO nice and easy to work with!

★★★★★

– Big Gina Fan from Lakeside, MT

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