

# KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

## The Vortex of Attraction Caribbean Cruise

March 7-14, 2015

### ***How much time do I need to allow for embarking and disembarking?***

For air arrivals and departures into Miami it is recommended that guests allow adequate time for transfer between the airport and pier, customs inspections and airport security checks. On the day of departure (March 7) flights should arrive no later than 1:00 pm into Miami and on the day the ship returns (March 14) flights should depart after 11:00 am from Miami.

### ***Can I purchase transfers from the airport to the ship?***

If you are arriving at the Miami airport on the day of sailing you may add transfers to the ship for approximately \$18.00 per person each direction. If you are arriving at the Fort Lauderdale airport on the day of sailing you may add transfers to the ship for approximately \$30.00 per person each direction. These transfers are provided by Celebrity Cruises and must be added to your cruise booking by **February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2015**. Flight numbers and details are required for your reservations. Approximate taxi cost from the Miami airport to the pier is \$25. **Most passengers in our groups take a taxi from the airport to the pier as it is faster and less expensive if more than one person is traveling.**

### ***Pre and Post Hotel Options in Miami***

There are many good discount internet sites available for booking hotels such as [www.kayak.com](http://www.kayak.com) or [www.hotels.com](http://www.hotels.com) offering a variety of different priced hotel options.

### ***When may I embark the ship?***

The Celebrity *Reflection* departs from the Port of Miami – Dodge Island, 1015 N. America Way, Miami, FL 33132 at 4:00 pm on March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2015. **Embarkation begins at approximately 11:30 am.** Guests are requested to be on board no later than 2 hours prior to sailing. Parking is conveniently available at all cruise terminals. Designated disabled permit parking spaces are available in each garage. Spaces are also available for oversized vehicles (oversized vans, recreational vehicles and vehicles with trailers) at special rates. All facilities are patrolled by security. **Overnight Parking, per night: \$20, Short-term Parking: \$7**

### ***Dining room arrangements***

Dining onboard is either early (6:00 pm) or late dining (8:30 pm) in the Reflection Dining room. We will have seating for our group in both times. For guests traveling with friends or family not already booked in the same cabin, table companion seating preferences must be given to Life Journeys by February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2015. For a casual buffet style restaurant, the Ocean View Café is complimentary.

### ***Reservation-Only Specialty Restaurants***

As delicious alternatives to the Main dining experience, you might consider one of the other restaurants on board the Celebrity *Reflection*. Murano is \$40, Tuscan Grille is \$30, the Lawn Club Grill is \$40, and Qsine is \$40. All prices are per person and do require reservations.

### ***Can the dining room accommodate special diets?***

Watching your salt, fat or sugar intake? Going vegetarian? Advise us at the time of booking, and we'll be happy to accommodate most special diets. Gluten free or special medical diets must be pre-ordered. All requests must be made in writing by email to [special\\_needs@rccl.com](mailto:special_needs@rccl.com) and must include your booking number and guest names. Special requests must be made by 60 days before sailing.

### ***Stateroom Amenities***

All staterooms include: safe, direct dial telephone, thermostat-controlled air-conditioning, mini-bar, bathroom accessories, hairdryers and remote controlled color TV. Staterooms are equipped with both North American standard 110 volt and European standard 220 volt outlets.

### ***We're bringing the kids; any special activities for them?***

Absolutely! Youth activities are directed and organized by a special staff of youth counselors. Fully supervised programs for children 3 (must be potty trained) to 17 are available. For children ages 3-6 activities include theme parties, treasure hunts and T-shirt decorating. Ages 7-9: relay races, team trivia and fitness activities. Ages 10-12: pool Olympics, scavenger hunts and karaoke. For teens 13-17: pool and pizza parties, video games, disco, movies and more.

### **What's included in the cruise price?**

- All meals, including room service, except in the specialty "reservations only" restaurants.
- Most entertainment and activities on-board.

### **What's not included in the cruise price?**

- Air Transportation or transfers to the ship
- Seminar fee of \$400 (billed separately by Life Journeys/Worldview Travel)
- Shore excursions in the various ports
- Alcoholic beverages, soft drinks, specialty coffees, telephone or internet access service, spa treatments, laundry or dry cleaning, photographs, casino gambling, and gratuities.

### **Ship Staff Gratuities**

Gratuities must be prepaid to Celebrity Cruises at final payment at the rate listed below for the entire cruise. This gratuity fee includes gratuities for the stateroom steward, head waiter, waiter and assistant waiter.

- Standard Stateroom: \$84 per person (\$12.00 per day)
- Concierge Class Staterooms: \$87.50 per person (\$12.50 per day).
- Suite Staterooms: \$108.50 per person (\$15.50 per day).

### **When can I reserve my shore excursions?**

Celebrity Cruise Lines are offering our group a number of exclusive group excursions in various ports. These excursions are now available to reserve on their website and are listed in the description as "Abraham-Hicks Exclusive Tours". All inquiries about these tours should be directed to Celebrity Cruises only.

You can pre-request your excursions with your booking number **no later than 4 days prior** to sailing at <http://www.celebritycruises.com> or by calling Celebrity Excursions at 800-722-5941. You may also make arrangements when you board your ship – based upon availability. Pre-booking excursions is highly recommended! Please note that the seminar schedule will not interfere with any of the port times.

### **Cruise Attire**

Guests can count on three basic types of attire:

- Casual/port wear for days onboard or port: casual dresses, casual pants, walking shorts, polo shirts
- **5 Smart-Casual Nights:** dresses, or slacks & blouse for women; sport shirts & trousers for men
- **2 Formal Nights:** cocktail dresses for women; suits & ties, or tuxedos for men

No self-service laundry and ironing facilities are available. Full laundry services including pressing are available for a fee.

### **May I bring my own liquor On-Board?**

No beer or hard liquor may be brought onboard for consumption. Guests wishing to bring personal wine or champagne with them may do so, limited to two bottles per stateroom. When consumed in the dining room they will be subject to a \$25 corkage fee.

### **Ship Contact Information**

Your final preparation email (E-docs) will contain detailed information including the phone number for your ship and email address. The Internet Café is available for sending and receiving emails. Wireless internet is available from various locations onboard when bringing your own laptop. Charges of approximately 65 cents per minute will apply for this service and posted on your shipboard account. The Internet Café is open 24 hours a day with ample computers and you will be able to buy different minute packages onboard.

### **Weather**

Expected temperatures range from a low of 68° F (night) to a high of 85° F (day). It is advisable to check the internet for up-to-date weather conditions prior to sailing. A good site for reference is [www.weather.com](http://www.weather.com)

