

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

The Mediterranean Vortex of Attraction Cruise

September 9-20, 2013

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

For air arrivals and departures into the Leonardo da Vinci-Fiumicino (FCO) Airport 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 (September 9, 2013) flights should arrive no later than 1:30 pm, and on the day the ship returns (September 20, 2013) flights should depart after 11:00 am.

Can I purchase transfers to/from the ship?

All transfer requests must be submitted in writing by email to Sara North at snorth@worldviewtravel.com

September 9th Transfer to Ship Options – must be reserved no later than August 1, 2013

1) Central Rome to Ship

If you are staying in Central Rome the night before embarkation, Worldview Travel is offering group transfers to the pier on Sept. 9th from a pre-determined location in Rome for \$90 per person. The exact departure location in Rome where you will meet will be included with your final cruise e-documents.

2) Airport to Ship

If you are arriving on the day of sailing we can arrange for a Celebrity Cruise transfer from the airport directly to the pier for \$92 per person. **You must arrive no later than 1:30 pm on September 9th into Rome - Fiumicino International Leonardo da Vinci Airport (FCO) if you choose this option.** It is mandatory that you provide the flight details when you make your transfer reservation.

September 20th Transfer from the Ship Options – must be reserved no later than August 1, 2013

1) Ship to Airport

Worldview Travel is offering transfers to the airport on September 20th for \$90 per person. **It is mandatory that you provide us with your flight information. Please be sure to schedule your departing flight out of Rome after 11:00 am on September 20th.** Transfer information back to the airport will be given to you onboard the ship.

2) Ship to Central Rome

If you are staying in Rome after the cruise Worldview Travel offers transfers to a designated location in Central Rome. Transfers are \$90 per person. You can take a taxi from this drop off location to your specific hotel.

The distance between the Pier and the airport or Central Rome is approximately 50-60 miles. **Taxi costs are approximately \$225.00 - \$270.00.**

Pre and Post Hotel Options in Rome

There are many good discount internet sites available for booking hotels such as www.kayak.com or www.venere.com offering a variety of different priced hotel options. There is a possibility that Life Journeys may be offering some group hotel space with transfers for pre and post stays and all participants will be sent an email by mid-January with details.

When may I embark the ship?

The Celebrity *Reflection* departs from the Port of Rome (Port of Civitavecchia) Molo Vespucci, Civitavecchia at 5:00 pm on September 9th. **Embarkation begins at approximately 1 pm.** Guests are requested to be on board no later than 2 hours prior to sailing time. The pier phone number is 39 0766 366544.

Dining room arrangements

Dining onboard is either early (6:15 pm) or late dining (8:45 pm) in the Reflection Dining room. We will have seating for our group in both times. All special dining requests must be made in advance of sailing through Worldview Travel, and will be noted on your confirmation letter. **Table companion seating preferences must be given to Worldview Travel by July 19, 2013.** For a buffet style restaurant, the Ocean View Café is complimentary and the attire is casual.

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 and must include your booking number and guest names. Special requests must be made prior to final payment.

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: \$126.50 per person (\$11.50 per day)
- Concierge Class Staterooms: \$132.00 per person (\$12 per day).
- Suite Staterooms: \$165.00 per person (\$15 per day).

When can I reserve my shore excursions?

You can pre-request your excursions with your booking number **no later than 4 days prior** to sailing at www.celebritycruises.com or make your arrangements when you board your ship – based upon availability. Pre-booking excursions is highly recommended!

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
- **9 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

It is always wise to dress conservatively when visiting the museums and cathedrals of Europe (i.e., a dress that covers the knees or long pants; sleeveless tops and shorts are not allowed).

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.



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