

SALES REWARDS

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Stylish and upbeat, Crystal provides top-shelf service and cuisine on ships large enough to have lots of outdoor deck space, generous fitness facilities, tons of activities, multiple restaurants, and more than half a dozen bars and entertainment venues. Sails to: Caribbean, Panama Canal, Mexican Riviera, Hawaii, Canada/New England (plus Europe [Baltic and Mediterranean], Africa, Asia, Australia/New Zealand, South Pacific, South America, transatlantic, the Middle East, and a world cruise -- in short, just about anywhere you can cruise). Many Crystal guests place great emphasis on the social scene before, during, and after mealtimes, and many enjoy dressing up for dinner.

DINING

Service by the team of ultraprofessional, gracious, European waiters is excellent. In the main dining room - and to a somewhat lesser degree in the alternative restaurants - table settings are lavish and include heavy leaded crystal, Frette linens, and Villeroy & Boch as well as Wedgwood china. Even in the Lido restaurant, waiters are at hand to serve your salad from the buffet line, prepare your coffee, and then carry your tray to wherever you want to sit.

SERVICE

There is, of course, 24-hour room service, as well as free unlimited nonalcoholic drinks everywhere aboard, from cappuccino to soda and bottled water.

The hallmark of a high-end cruise such as Crystal is its service, so the line's staff is better trained and more attentive than those aboard most other cruise lines. Dining room and restaurant staffs hail from Italy, Portugal, and other European countries, and have trained in the grand restaurants of Europe and North America; the stewardess who tidies your stateroom is likely to be from Scandinavia, Hungary, or elsewhere in the E.U. Everyone, from the dining/bar staff to those at the information and concierge desks in the lobby, is endlessly good natured and very helpful. Guests in Penthouse Suites are treated to the services of male butlers. As far as tipping goes, most passengers charge gratuities to their onboard accounts, though you can pay in cash if you wish.

In addition to laundry and dry-cleaning services, complimentary self-serve laundry rooms are available.



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ADVENTURE OF ALL,
A FULL WORLD CLASS CRUISE IN A DELUXE STATEROOM
WITH VERANDAH.
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ENTERTAINMENT

Onboard entertainment is well produced. Shows in the horseshoe-shaped, rather plain Galaxy Lounge include everything from classical concertos by accomplished pianists to comedy to tired Broadway-style medleys, ventriloquists, and magic acts. The bright spot on a recent cruise was definitely the a cappella group that roamed the ship. A young, talented, and handsome foursome performed both impromptu and scheduled concerts in the atrium and other entertainment lounges, and also ran a few of the karaoke nights. A cappella singers are typically featured on longer cruises of 10-plus nights. From time to time, there's a celebrity entertainer aboard, such as the Tommy Dorsey Orchestra, Maureen McGovern, Tommy Tune, or Marvin Hamlisch.

After dinner each night, a second large, attractive lounge is the venue for ballroom-style dancing to a live band, with a clutch of gentleman hosts aboard each sailing to provide dance (and dinner) partners for single ladies. Both ships have spacious casinos and rooms for dancing, in either Serenity's dedicated nightclub or Symphony's Starlight lounge. A pianist in the dark, paneled, and romantic Avenue Saloon -- our favorite room on board -- plays standards, show tunes, and pop hits before and after dinner. On both ships, you can also enjoy cigars (from Monte Cristo to Davidoff) in the Connoisseur Club, recent-release movies several times a day in the theater (where lectures and religious services are also held), and a varied and full menu of movies on the in-cabin TVs.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

Crystal is a sophisticated cruise line that focuses its attention on adults but, more than any other line in the luxury end of the market, it also does its part to cater to the little people. Each ship has a bright children's playroom, primarily used during holiday and summer cruises (mostly in Europe or Alaska), when some 100 kids may be aboard. Both ships also have another room with PlayStations, computers, and arcade machines for older kids and teens, with counselors on hand to supervise activities such as scavenger hunts, arts and crafts, karaoke, and games that take place during several hours in both the morning and afternoon, for three age groups between 3 and 17. There are kiddie books and videos in the library for guests to take back to their staterooms, and a children's menu in the main dining room, as well as kid favorites at the poolside Trident Grill.

For children as young as 6 months, in-cabin babysitting can be arranged privately through the concierge at an hourly rate of \$10 for one child, \$15 for two kids, and \$20 for three kids. Cribs, highchairs, and booster seats are available. As for food, if you notify the line ahead of time, it'll special order jars of baby food at no charge, or the chef will puree organic food for your baby. Note that children ages 11 and under pay 50% of the lowest adult fare when accompanied by two full-fare guests.

The minimum age for sailing is 6 months.