

Frequently Asked Questions

1. Payments: Carnival Cruises will require a deposit of \$250.00 per person at the time of booking. Final payment is due by February 15, 2009 and will be automatically charged to your credit card unless you notify me to use a different form of payment. Any and all check payments should be made payable to Cruise Designs.

2. Documents: Passport are now required for travel outside the United States!! Canadian and residents of other countries will need to check with their consulates to see if in addition to a passport a visa will be required

3. Cabin Assignments: At the time of your deposit the best located cabin available will be assigned to you. Very often however, cruise lines stop assigning specific cabin numbers but will continue to sell the cabin category. What this means is you have what is called a "guarantee". You are guaranteed to get the cabin category that you have selected but you may not know your cabin number until a few weeks or so before we sail. Often (but not always) clients who book a guarantee, will be upgraded at no extra cost.

4. Cash less Society: When checking at the pier you will need to leave a credit card imprint. Any thing you purchase on the ship will be charged to your cabin account. Cash is not accepted anywhere. Should you not have a credit card, you will need to leave a cash deposit from which you may draw.

5. Ship Board Activities: The first night of every cruise we host a welcome cocktail party exclusively for our guests. This is the first time the entire group will have a chance to meet and mingle. We will make many useful announcements. Other private events are also planned for the week. Full details of our daily itinerary will be made available to you upon check in on the ship.

6. Dining: We have confirmed a block of tables together at 8:00PM each evening. Since the tables are ours, you may feel free to move from table to table each evening. We encourage this so that you get the chance to meet more people. Generally on a seven night cruise there will be two formal nights meaning suits or jackets and ties for gentlemen. Dining the rest of the evenings is casual meaning slacks and shirt or polo type shirt. Breakfasts, lunches and all meals in the Mediterranean buffet are always casual.

7. Room Mates: We offer those who are traveling alone the opportunity to be paired up with other solo travelers. We match people up based upon cabin type booked, age range and smoking preferences. We guarantee to find you a room mate and do the best we can to find compatible room mates but the truth is, it is somewhat of a gamble. You will be given the opportunity to find a room mate on your own or through our private Yahoo group up until August 1st. After that we

will assign roommates. **If we pair you up, you will not meet your roommate until onboard the ship.**

8. Mingling with ship's guests: We are a large gay group on a ship that holds 2,800 passengers. We do plan lots of activities of our own but we do also participate in many of the ships activities. In our opinion, we get the best of both worlds. Appropriate behavior in all public areas is expected.

9. Shore Excursions: The ship will offer many excursions to purchase. We however, will offer at least two or three of our own including a chartered catamaran for swimming, snorkeling and fun. Our trips are usually lower priced and include more than what the ship will offer. Information regarding our excursions will be sent to you about 60 days prior to sailing.

10. Gratuities: A daily charge of \$10.00 per person will be added to your cabin account to serve as tips to porters, waiters, cabins stewards, and pool boys.

11. Getting to the Ship: Carnival does provide transfers to the pier at a cost of about \$30.00 per person. Should you need this service, please make your air arrangements and then email Paul your flight schedule.