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WINTER/SPRING 2025 **EARLY RELEASE TOURS**





KEY WEST, FI

Home of the Sunget

KEY WEST AND THE Florida Coast

12 DAYS January 28 - February 8, 2025

SINGLE: \$5,669 DOUBLE: \$4,042 TRIPLE: \$3,554



DAYTONA INTERNATIONAL Speedway

Get up-close and personal with the home of the most esteemed race in NASCAR

KENNEDY SPACE CENTER

Tour the NASA facility with a special peek beyond the gates.

FLAMINGO GARDENS

Enjoy this beautiful botanical garden and wildlife sanctuary, home to more than 90 species of animals.

KEY WEST SUNSET CRUISE

Relax and take in the view of just one of many cruises featured in this tour.

DAY 1 - Enjoy a scenic drive south and overnight in Columbia, SC.

DAY 2 - We head to Savannah, Ga., with buildings dating back before the Civil War. Take a *riverboat sightseeing cruise* then spend the rest of the evening at your leisure.

DAY 3 - We travel to St. Augustine, the first and oldest European settlement in the US. We'll we visit historic Old Town St. George Street with 11-blocks of Spanish Colonial architecture, shops, restaurants, and historic sites. Dinner is included at the Columbia Restaurant.

DAY 4 - We visit Castillo San Marcos National Monument, the oldest masonry fort in the country, then continue to Daytona Beach where we tour the Daytona International Speedway. Visit the start/finish line and ride down the pit road to get a close-up view of the pit stalls.

DAY 5 - We visit the Kennedy Space Center, the departure site for the first human journey to the moon. Experience the history of space exploration firsthand as you walk through a full-scale replica of a shuttle orbiter.

DAY 6 - We begin our day with a *visit to Flamingo Gardens*, a tropical paradise filled with plants, animals, and history. Next, we pass through the breathtaking beauty of the Keys as we drive down the Overseas Highway (Route 1) to Key West. The afternoon is at your leisure.

DAY 7 - We'll discover the history and many sights of Key West on a narrated trolley tour. Next, we tour the Ernest Hemingway Home and Museum where the Nobel Prize-winning author resided and wrote for more than 10 years. The afternoon is at your leisure with a hopon/hop-off trolley pass. Tonight, we experience one of Key West's famous sunsets on a picturesque Sunset Cruise.

DAY 8 - Free day! The day is at your leisure to explore Key West.

DAY 9 - We depart our hotel and make our way back to the mainland via Route 1. This afternoon, we will take a *thrilling airboat ride through the Everglades* then continue to Fort Myers to overnight.

DAY 10 - We tour the **Thomas Edison and Henry Ford Winter Estates**. This lovely home remains just the same as the genius inventor left it, complete with laboratories, botanical gardens, and personal effects. We continue to Sarasota.

DAY 11 - We board our motorcoach and head to Forsyth, Ga.

DAY 12 - We make our way home with memories of our leisurely days in the Florida sun that will last throughout the winter.

Meals Included: 11 breakfasts, 1 dinner

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

DEPOSITS:

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TRAVEL INSURANCE:

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NEW ORLEANS

5 DAYS February 16 -20, 2025

SINGLE: \$1,658 DOUBLE: \$1,296 TRIPLE: \$1,204

CAFÉ DU MONDE

A New Orleans staple known for its classic beignets and café au laits.

NATIONAL WORLD WAR II Museum

Hear the stories of WWII soldiers through all types of media, artifacts, and exhibits.

COURT OF TWO SISTERS

Feel like a local and indulge in New Orleans's famous Creole and Cajun cuisine.



DAY 1 – Birmingham, AL - Our journey begins as we head south through Tennessee and Alabama to our overnight accommodations in Birmingham.

DAY 2 – Guided Tour of New Orleans - After an included breakfast, we drive directly to the "Crescent City" and meet our local guide for a city tour that will feature modern New Orleans and old sights around the French Quarter. Our city tour will take us by lovely antebellum homes and along St. Charles Avenue, past parks, universities, and other famous areas in this beautiful city. This evening will be at leisure to have dinner on your own and explore this fascinating city. Hotel accommodations for two nights will be in New Orleans.

DAY 3 – National World War II Museum – French Quarter - Jazz Dinner Cruise -After an included breakfast, we visit the National World War II Museum. This museum tells the story of World War II soldiers through a vast collection of artifacts, film footage, photographs, diaries, personal effects, and first-person histories. This afternoon is a at leisure for lunch on own and shopping. Stroll through the French Quarter looking for that perfect bargain, walk down Bourbon Street, admire iron-lace balconies, stop for café au lait and beignets at the Café du Monde or enjoy the music and entertainers at Jackson Square. Tonight, we have included a delightful jazz dinner cruise down the Mississippi River. Enjoy a lavish Creole buffet while listening to the lively sounds of traditional New Orleans music. Overnight same hotel.

DAY 4 - Blaine Kern's Mardi Gras World - The Court of Two Sisters -

This morning, we head to Blaine Kern's Mardi Gras World where artists create the magical images and figures used on the Mardi Gras parade floats. Lunch is included at The Court of Two Sisters, one of New Orleans' most famous culinary stops. Afterwards, we make our way to our overnight accommodations in Birmingham, AL.

DAY 5 – *Home* - This morning, we make our way home remembering what fun and excitement we have had on our New Orleans getaway.

Meals Included: 4 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 1 dinner

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BOURBON

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SAN ANTONIO & TEXAS IN SPRING

8 DAYS March 25 - April 1, 2025

SINGLE: \$2,901

DOUBLE: \$2,148

TRIPLE: \$1,949

THE ALAMO

Learn the rich history of this renowned mission, site of the famous battle in the Texas Revolution.

SAN ANTONIO RIVERWALK And boat ride

Stroll the famous Riverwalk with its restaurants and shops and enjoy a leisurely cruise on the river.

FT. WORTH STOCKYARDS

Experience a taste of the Old West, including a live cattle drive, in this historic stockyard.

DAY 1 - Little Rock, Arkansas - Anticipating the exciting "Lone Star State," we drive to our first overnight in Little Rock.

DAY 2 - Sixth Floor Museum - Waco, Texas - After an included breakfast, we continue south to Dallas where we visit the Sixth Floor Museum at Dealey Plaza. This permanent historical exhibit is located inside the former School Book Depository, from which Oswald shot Kennedy. We overnight in Waco.

DAY 3 - Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum - LBJ Presidential Library - San Antonio, Texas - After an included breakfast, we visit the Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum. Its interactive exhibits and artifacts bring the myth, legend, and fact of the "Lone Star State" together under one roof. After lunch on our own, we visit the LBJ Presidential Library and Museum, where we will learn about the the 36th President. Next, we depart for San Antonio, the home of the Alamo. Here, time-worn adobe and stone buildings stand in the shadows of towering modern structures, while a feeling of intimacy prevails along the Paseo del Rio that leisurely meanders through the heart of San Antonio. We check into our hotel along the famous Riverwalk for three nights.

DAY 4 - San Jose Mission - El Mercado - The Alamo - Boat Ride – After an included breakfast, we visit Mission San Jose, one of the many Spanish Colonial missions that have been preserved here. This afternoon, we visit Historic Market Square (El Mercado). Take your time shopping for the perfect souvenir, then grab a bite to eat at one of the many food vendors or authentic Tex-Mex restaurants lining the square. After lunch on our own, we visit the Alamo, the "Cradle of Texas Liberty." This evening is free to enjoy at your leisure.We have included a leisurely boat ride on the San Antonio River as a special end to your day. Overnight same hotel.

DAY 5 - Leisure Day in San Antonio. After an included breakfast, today will be at leisure at explore the Riverwalk, using the included shuttle pass. Overnight same hotel.

DAY 6 - Fort Worth Stockyards - Greenville, Texas – After an included breakfast, we visit Fort Worth's historic Stockyards District for lunch on our own and shopping. This 125-acre complex was once the largest livestock marketing center in the Southwest and now houses galleries, restaurants, and shops. Overnight in Greenville.

DAY 7 - Beale Street - Memphis, Tennessee - After an included breakfast, we depart for Memphis where we visit Beale Street to shop, explore and enjoy some Blues music.

DAY 8 - Graceland – Home – After an included breakfast, we tour Graceland, the beautiful mansion of Elvis Presley. Here, we will see his home with his legendary Pink Cadillac, airplanes and memorabilia. We arrive home this evening with many fond memories of the our trip.

Meals Included: 7 Breakfasts

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PATTI'S 1880'S SETTLEMENT

1 DAY March 27, 2025

PRICE: \$197

PATTI'S 1800'S Settlement

This beloved restaurant was voted Southern Living's Best Small-Town Restaurant in the Southeast! Patti's serves over 350,000 people each year in this quaint town of 350 people.

Our destination for today is Grand Rivers, Ky. – home of Patti's 1880's Settlement.

Patti's is known for its classic Southern hospitality and cooking. Try the legendary two-inch thick pork chop, a juicy steak, Patti's famous flowerpot bread with strawberry butter, or more. To finish your lunch, sink your teeth into the most delectable piece of pie you'll ever have!

After an included lunch at Patti's, the remainder of the afternoon will be free for exploring the recreated log cabin settlement.

Stroll the beautifully landscaped gardens and take in the scenic surroundings, colorful flowers and picturesque waterwheel. The boutiques and specialty shops within Patti's Settlement offer a little something for everyone - from clothing, handbags, accessories, and home décor to gifts and food items.



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BEEF & BOARDS DINNER THEATRE INDIANAPOLIS

1 DAY April 16, 2025

PRICE: \$199

LUNCH & A SHOW

An afternoon of food, fun and entertainment awaits us as we travel to the acclaimed Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre in Indianapolis. We'll take in a Broadway-style production and feast on a hot buffet lunch for a perfect spring day trip.

An afternoon of food, fun, and entertainment awaits us as we travel to the **Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre** in Indianapolis.

Beef & Boards is one of Indiana's most acclaimed theaters and has been producing high-quality professional style Broadway musicals and comedies for 50 years.

Upon arrival, a delicious hot buffet lunch is included. Next, the curtain goes up and we enjoy a fabulous musical show. You will think you're on Broadway when you hear these talented performers. After our heads and hearts are full of memorable melodies, we board our motorcoach for our return to Kentucky.



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LIGHTHOUSE RESTAURANT & HISTORIC TRAIN MUSEUM

1 DAY April 19, 2025

PRICE: \$179

LIGHTHOUSE RESTAURANT

Join us as we head south to historic Sulphur Well, Ky., to enjoy a delicious, home-cooked lunch at the revered Lighthouse Restaurant, voted Best Down-Home Restaurant by Kentucky Living Magazine since 2019

HISTORIC TRAIN MUSEUM

Immerse yourself in the history of railroads in Kentucky at the Historic RailPark & Train Museum in Bowling Green.

Join us as we head south to historic Sulphur Well, Kentucky.

A delicious home-cooked lunch is included at the *Lighthouse Restaurant*. This popular restaurant was voted #1 Best Down Home Restaurant by Kentucky Living Magazine for several years in a row.

Next, we visit the Historic Railpark Train Museum in Bowling Green. Relive the golden era of railroading as you visit the landmark 1925 train depot, which has been restored into an interactive museum filled with vintage equipment and artifacts. Discover five restored train cars dating back to 1911 including the oldest surviving passenger car from the L&N Railroad.



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INDIANA AMISH COUNTRY

1 DAY April 26, 2025

PRICE: \$145

HOMECOOKED

Ride through the rolling landscape of central Indiana, then stop at an Amish home to enjoy an authentic, homecooked meal.

SHOP AMISH Craftsmanship

Browse the handicrafts produced by the local community, from quilts to crafts to delectable baked goods.

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Our destination for today is the Amish Country of Central Indiana.

We make our way through the rolling countryside and over sparkling, spring-fed streams as we travel back to a time when life was simpler and moved at a slower pace. Our motorcoach shares the scenic country roads with buggies of the Amish as a local stepon guide takes us on a tour of the countryside, stopping at an Amish home for a home-cooked lunch.

We spend the rest of the day browsing through the shops and looking at the handiwork of the Amish, such as homemade quilts, crafts and wholesome baked goods.



Meals Included: 1 lunch

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HOLLAND, MI TULIP TIME FESTIVA

4 DAYS May 6 - 9, 2025

SINGLE: \$1,475 DOUBLE: \$1,148 TRIPLE: \$1,061



WINDMILL ISLAND

Tour America's only authentic Dutch windmill, the De Zwaan, built in 1761.

DELFT POTTERY AND Wooden Shoe Factory

See craftsmen decorate wares and hand carve clogs from a single piece of wood.

TULIP TIME FESTIVAL

Celebrate Dutch culture amidst five million blooming tulips.

DEPOSIT: \$300

ITINERARY

DAY 1 – *Holland, Michigan* – Our first day's journey takes us through Indiana and into Michigan where we spend three nights in Holland. Tonight, we enjoy an included dinner and the first of our three shows.

DAY 2 – Windmill Island - Veldheer's Tulip Gardens - Delft Pottery & Wooden Shoe Factory – After an included breakfast, we drive to the famous Windmill Island where we see the operating windmill "De Zwaan." America's only authentic Dutch windmill, the De Zwaan dates to 1761. The island also has a miniature Dutch Village, a drawbridge over the canal, and thousands of beautiful tulips. This afternoon, we visit the De Klomp Wooden Shoe & Delftware Pottery Factory. We will watch craftsmen decorate their wares, and see the wooden shoes being constructed out of one solid piece of wood. Next, we visit Veldheer Tulip Gardens to see more than five million tulips in bloom. Dinner is included tonight before enjoying another entertaining show.

DAY 3 – *Tulip Time Parade* – After an included breakfast, we drive down Tulip Lanes, streets of beautifully manicured lawns with neat houses and rows of tulips in a variety of colors. After lunch on our own, we take our seats for the highlight of the week: the Tulip Time Parade. After the community Street Scrubbing, the parade kicks off as residents in full Dutch costume march through downtown Holland. Dozens of bands showcase their talents amid parade floats and performers. This evening, enjoy an included dinner and show. Overnight same hotel.

DAY 4 – *Home* – We begin our journey homeward today with warm memories of parades, flowers, and fun!

Meals Included: 3 breakfasts, 3 dinners



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BILTMORE ESTATE In the spring

3 DAYS May 16-18, 2025

SINGLE: \$1,073 DOUBLE: \$889 TRIPLE: \$843

BILTMORE ESTATE

Tour the stately 250-room Biltmore House constructed for the Vanderbilt family in 1895.

BILTMORE GARDENS & WINERY & ANTLER HILL

Spend an afternoon touring the blooming gardens, then stroll through Antler Hill Village or the Biltmore Winery.

STABLE CAFÉ

Dine in the estate's former stables where stalls have been converted into cozy booths.

DEPOSIT: \$400

Spring is more than just a season at the opulent, castle-like Biltmore House in Asheville, NC – it's a celebration of flowers! Throughout the estate, thousands of flowers form a display of color. From the gardens to the house and winery, spectacular floral displays light up the rooms with springtime.

DAY 1 – **Asheville, North Carolina** – Today we travel to Asheville, nestled in the beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains. We'll enjoy dinner at a popular local restaurant, then continue to our hotel where we overnight for two nights.

DAY 2 – Biltmore House Tour – Stable Café – Biltmore Gardens and Winery – After an included breakfast, we drive directly to the Biltmore Estate for a tour of this impressive mansion. The heart of the estate is the 250-room Biltmore House, a European chateau built in French Renaissance style by the tycoon George Washington Vanderbilt. Lunch is included at the Stable Café, a historic setting that was once the estate's horse stable. This afternoon, we tour the formal gardens, blooming with fragrant roses, tulips, daffodils, and azaleas. Afterwards, we visit Antler Hill Village and the Biltmore shops. You may choose to visit the Biltmore Estate Winery while we are here. The winery tour starts in the welcome center and concludes in the well-stocked gift shop. After this enjoyable day, we have included dinner at a popular restaurant in Asheville.

DAY 3 – *Home* - After an included breakfast, we return home from a wonderful spring experience at the Biltmore Estate.

Meals Included: 2 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 2 dinners



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BERMUDA CRUISE

8 DAYS | PASSPORT REQUIRED October 11-18, 2025

SINGLE: \$3,480

DOUBLE: \$2,068

TRIPLE: \$2,010

BERMUDA

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The self-governing British territory of Bermuda is a unique vacation destination which melds island living with proper English tradition. On this 6-day cruise you'll see sparkling blue waters, pink-sand beaches, and hibiscus blooms in front of pastel cottages. Harkening to its British connections, afternoon tea is a daily ritual, judges still wear powdered wigs, and cricket is a much-loved sport.



Booking and final payment deadline is April 11, 2025. Not eligible for additional discounts. Please note that booking does not include onboard tips and shore excursions. This is a vacation that allows you to enjoy your time at sea without a set schedule or guides. Your time is your own.

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*Grandparents traveling with children must bring notarized written documentation from custodial parent.

DEPOSIT*: \$500

ITINERARY

DAY 1 – *Charlottesville, Virginia* – Feel the anticipation build as we board our motorcoach and travel to Charlottesville for our first overnight.

DAY 2 – *Norfolk, Virginia* – *Board Cruise Ship* – After an included breakfast, we continue to Norfolk, Virginia, where we transfer to our Carnival Sunshine Cruise Ship. We'll have the entire evening to get acquainted with our new home away from home.

DAYS 3 & 4 – *Fun Leisure Days at Sea* – Enjoy relaxing days dedicated to exploring this majestic vessel. You may want to rise early to witness the amazing sunrise across the beautiful Atlantic waters or perhaps you'd rather sleep late before spending the day in your favorite way. Savor the excitement of the Promenade decks - a playground of theaters, lounges, boutiques, and restaurants. Try lounging by the pool or soaking in a first-class jacuzzi or take advantage of the fully-equipped gym, aerobics classes, personal trainers, court sports, and jogging tracks circling the ship. After you've spent all your energy, you can pamper yourself in the full-service salon. When the sun sets, the action begins. Each evening is filled with the excitement of entertaining shows, and dancing to music playing in the nightclubs and lounges throughout the ship.

DAYS 5 & 6 – Port of Call - King's Wharf, Bermuda - Carnival Cruise Line will dock at King's Wharf (Royal Naval Dockyard) at Ireland Island, which has developed into a center of tourism with museums, shopping, and entertainment. Located at the very tip of Bermuda's glittering archipelago of over 100 islets and cays, King's Wharf was made for lounging in the Gulf Stream's balmy subtropical climate. Sunbathing at pink-sand beaches, watersport activities in the crystal-clear sea, the capital Hamilton and the UNESCO world heritage site St. George are among the main attractions.

DAY 7 – *Leisure Day at Sea* - This will be our last day at sea before saying goodbye to this magnificent ship. Take time to enjoy the serenity as our cruise is winding down and all too soon, we'll have to return to our busy daily lives.

DAY 8 - *Disembark Cruise* – *Home* - Our journey ends as we cruise into Norfolk, Va., and disembark the ship. We re-board our motorcoach and travel back home, reminiscing about the fantastic times we've enjoyed

together at sea.

Meals: 1 breakfast and All Onboard Cruise Ship Meals



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