

SAINT JOSEPH'S UNIVERSITY ALUMNI, FAMILY AND FRIENDS

7 - Night Southern Caribbean Explorer Cruise on the Caribbean Princess

January 25 - February 1, 2009

Everyone strives to relax after the holidays, but sometimes you just need to get away from it all in order to do so. Cruise to the Southern Caribbean and unwind while spending lazy days at sea. Enjoy the breathtaking blues and crystal clear ocean and white, sandy beaches of Aruba. Explore one of the Caribbean's best kept secrets, unhurried, unspoiled, unforgettable Bonaire. Visit Grenada, known as "The Spice of the Caribbean," where you will be enticed by the sweet scents of nutmeg, cinnamon, ginger and vanilla wafting on the balmy breeze. Be captivated by the beautiful island of Dominica, which surges from the sea with soaring peaks that seem to be courting the heavens, where virgin flora covers the dramatic mountains, creating swaths of verdant landscapes. Enjoy the duty free shopper's paradise of St. Thomas or visit St. John, two-thirds of which is national park and where you will find some of the best snorkeling in the Caribbean.

Yes, this is truly the trip made for decompressing and escaping the post holiday blues.

<u>Day</u>	<u>Port</u>	<u>Arrive</u>	<u>Depart</u>
January 25, 2009	San Juan, Puerto Rico		11 PM
January 26, 2009	At Sea		
January 27, 2009	Aruba	8 AM	5 PM
January 28, 2009	Bonaire, Netherlands Antilles	7 AM	1 PM
January 29, 2009	Grenada	12 PM	7 PM
January 30, 2009	Dominica	7 AM	4 PM
January 31, 2009	St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands	7 AM	6 PM
February 1, 2009	San Juan, Puerto Rico	6 AM	

San Juan is one of the biggest natural harbors in the Caribbean and is the second oldest city in the Americas. This beautiful city, called "La Ciudad Amurallada," was

founded in 1521. Cobblestone streets hanging balconies, chapels and many plazas characterize the historic end of the city, while modern amenities and high-rise hotels have sprung up on the more developed beachfront.

Dutch influence still lingers on Aruba as part of the Netherlands' Antilles until independence in 1986. This balmy Caribbean island is a study in contrasts. Its arid interior is dotted with cactus and windswept divi-divi trees while secluded coves and sandy beaches form its coast. Aruba's long and colorful heritage is reflected in its dialect. Called Papiamentu, it's a combination of Spanish, French, Portuguese, Dutch, African and English.

If you think you've seen everything, come explore the kunuku, a Caribbean style outback terrain unique to the Netherlands Antilles. Here nature serves up prickly cactus where iguanas feel at home. And the offshore waters shimmer like a million aquamarine gemstones.

Grenada has been dubbed "Spice Island" because of the impressive amounts of nutmeg, cloves, mace, cinnamon, ginger and cocoa grown here. And the dense forests and colorful markets have long attracted visitors to its fragrant shores. Covering this volcanic island are cascading rivers and lush rainforests, plus centuries-old spice plantations and rum distilleries still using traditional methods of production.

The most rural of the Caribbean Islands, Dominica is also one of its most beautiful. Their national motto, translated, states: "After God, it is the land." Both are sacred here in this untamed, unhampered paradise. An environmental wonderland, Dominica is home to lush rain forests, dramatic waterfalls and black-sand beaches all surrounded by shimmering turquoise waters under glorious blue skies. Sit back and watch brilliantly plumed Sisserou and Jacquot parrots flit from tree to tree.

It's the calm turquoise waters of the Caribbean that command attention in St. Thomas -- home to both pirates' legends and tropical fish for centuries. And there's no shortage of ways to explore the island. Choose your vessel to discover these warm waters, from kayak and catamaran to yacht, turbo-charged jet boat or breathing observation bubble.

Caribbean Princess amenities and public rooms:

- Princess Theater
- Movies Under the Stars outdoor theater
- Grand Casino
- Lotus Spa, gym and fitness area
- Skywalkers Nightclub
- Digital golf simulators and nine-hole putting course
- Jogging track
- 24-hour Internet cafe (wireless access available)

- Personal Choice or Anytime Dining
- 3 Pools, and 1 exclusive to the Lotus Spa

Prices listed below include roundtrip air from Philadelphia; all transfers; 7-night Classic Southern Caribbean cruise including all taxes, government fees and fuel surcharges (subject to change), all meals and entertainment, 24-hour room service; Private Cocktail parties; Commemorative DVD with pictures from your trip (one DVD per couple/booking)

Inside Stateroom: Features two twin beds, convertible to queen-size; refrigerator, TV, closet and bathroom with shower. Approximately 160 sq. ft. (Category JJ) \$1,340 per person if paid by check; \$1,380 per person if paid by credit card*

Oceanview Stateroom: Features two twin beds, convertible to queen-size; refrigerator, TV, closet and bathroom with shower, PLUS a picture window, providing added ambience and memorable views. Approximately 158-181 sq. ft. (Category E) \$1,490 per person if paid by check; \$1,535 per person if paid by credit card*

Balcony Stateroom: Features two twin beds, convertible to queen-size; refrigerator, TV, spacious closet, desk, bathroom with shower, and a private balcony with fine patio furniture. Approximately 233-285 sq. ft., including the balcony. (Category BD) \$1,720 per person if paid by check; \$1,772 per person if paid by credit card*

Mini-Suite with Balcony: Features two twin beds, convertible to queen-size; refrigerator, two TVs, spacious closet, desk, bathroom tub and massage shower head, separate sitting area, sofa bed, luxury mattress and pillows, a private balcony with fine patio furniture, and a welcome glass of champagne. Approximately 323 sq. ft. including balcony. (Category AC) \$1,930 per person if paid by check; \$1,988 per person if paid by credit card*

*VISA and MasterCard ONLY

A deposit of \$250 per person is due by July 1, 2008. Reservations are accepted after that date based on availability. Final payment due no later than October 20, 2008. Travel insurance is available and recommended; please call for details on this important protection.

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