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Subject: Money-Saving Offers from Holland America, Cunard, Disney, Regent & SeaDream Yacht Club

Dear Mr. Kester,

I'd like to start today by offering you a complimentary issue of any of the magazines published by our parent company, Vacation Publications.

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This week, we've arranged the following **money-saving offers from Holland America, Cunard, Disney, Regent and SeaDream Yacht Club**. They include shipboard credits, which are as good as cash on the ship and can be used toward onboard purchases not covered in the cruise fare, such as shore excursions and spa treatments.

Holland America is offering Vacations To Go customers huge savings of up to 82% as well as exclusive shipboard credits of up to \$1,100 per cabin on a variety of departures -- including many last-minute Alaska cruises and cruise tours this summer. Past guests may see better rates on select sailings. **Book by May 31**. [Click here](#) for dates and prices.

Cunard is offering our customers exclusive shipboard credits of up to \$800 per cabin on a variety of sailings. Plus, book a balcony cabin or suite on certain trans-Atlantic and Canada/New England itineraries in 2015 and get free gratuities. Past guests may see discounted rates on select sailings. **Book by June 10**. [Click here](#) for dates and prices.

Vacations To Go is offering our customers exclusive shipboard credits of up to \$100 per cabin on most available **Disney Cruise Line** sailings, including newly released itineraries out of New York, Miami and Galveston in fall 2016. [Click here](#) for dates and prices.

Regent is offering Vacations To Go customers savings of up to 82% and exclusive shipboard credits of up to \$1,250 per cabin on nearly every departure. Select last-minute deals qualify for an exclusive upgrade offer: Book the minimum suite and get upgraded to a concierge class suite. On a few applicable sailings, you can book a concierge class suite and get upgraded to a penthouse suite. **The upgrade offer must be booked by May 31**. Your Regent fare includes unlimited shore excursions, gratuities, unlimited beverages including fine wines and premium spirits and, on select sailings, unlimited Internet (valued at \$30 a day). [Click here](#) for dates and prices.

SeaDream Yacht Club is offering our customers huge markdowns on select last-minute cruises visiting the Greek Isles and the Mediterranean. The upfront price includes gratuities, open bars, wines with lunch and dinner and the use of snorkel gear, kayaks and other water toys at the marinas of these intimate, 112-guest ships. [Click here](#) for dates and prices.

As always, these offers are for new bookings only and subject to availability. Restrictions may apply.

In the not-so-distant past, cruise passengers didn't have too many decisions to make when it came to choosing their stateroom. Inside cabin with no window or outside cabin with a view? Fore, aft or midship? Accommodations on the main deck, or something higher up?

Nowadays, the choices are vastly broader. Cruise lines are developing new cabin categories and dreaming up ever more creative cabin designs. Below I've outlined some of the trends on the high seas today. Click the links to see itineraries, dates and rates for any ship that interests you.

Balcony cabins, once an expensive splurge, are common on newly built cruise ships. **Princess** gave balconies to all outside cabins aboard the [Royal Princess](#) and [Regal Princess](#), for example.

As balcony cabins have become more widespread, the difference in price between balcony rooms and rooms with just windows has decreased. For a list of outstanding bargains on balcony cabins in the next 90 days, with discounts of 60% or more, [click here](#).

Royal Caribbean devised a new type of balcony cabin for its [Oasis of the Seas](#) and [Allure of the Seas](#). Rather than providing views of the sea, these balconies face inward and overlook two of the ships' "neighborhoods," Central Park and the Boardwalk. It lends a great people-watching aspect to your cruise. Next year's [Harmony of the Seas](#) also will feature these interior balcony cabins.

When the [Carnival Vista](#) debuts next May for **Carnival**, it will boast a new category of outside cabins called Havana Cabanas, which have patios -- complete with hammocks and lounge chairs -- that face the Deck 5 promenade.

Cruise ship architects are using high-tech tricks to make inside cabins more appealing. **Disney** was the first line to give inside staterooms outside views: Aboard the [Disney Dream](#) and [Disney Fantasy](#), "Magical Portholes" offer real-time views of the sea from high-definition cameras mounted outside the ship. Animated Disney characters are occasionally sighted, too.

The Quantum-class ships of **Royal Caribbean** -- [Quantum of the Seas](#), [Anthem of the Seas](#) and the [Ovation of the Seas](#) (due in 2016) -- have virtual balconies that depict live views of the scenery on floor-to-ceiling HD screens. It's a concept that the line introduced on the [Navigator of the Seas](#) during drydock refurbishments in early 2014. You'll enjoy the sight of the deep-blue sea and the ports, and the sound too: It's piped into the room, but the volume can be turned down or muted.

Cruise lines are making more efforts to accommodate single travelers, adding dedicated solo cabins to their ships. In the **Norwegian** fleet, the [Norwegian Getaway](#), [Norwegian Breakaway](#), [Norwegian Epic](#) and the upcoming [Norwegian Escape](#) all have inside Studio Cabins for single travelers. Holland America's [Koningsdam](#), slated for a spring 2016 launch, will have a dozen solo rooms ranging from 127 to 172 square feet.

Royal Caribbean's [Quantum of the Seas](#) and [Anthem of the Seas](#) each have 28 single cabins, including ones with balconies. **Cunard** added nine single-occupancy cabins, the first for the line, to the [Queen Elizabeth](#) during a refurbishment last May.

Spa lovers will want to check out the AquaClass cabins of the **Celebrity** fleet. They offer unlimited access to the spa's Persian Garden, which is a relaxing oasis of saunas, steam rooms, heated tiled loungers and scented showers. Guests in these staterooms also receive exclusive entry to the Blu specialty restaurant, which serves inventive "clean cuisine." AquaClass staterooms are available on all [Celebrity](#) ships except the [Celebrity Xpedition](#).

Norwegian and **MSC** have brought "ship-within-a-ship" concepts on board. These are blocks of VIP accommodations where the service is more personalized and passengers receive exclusive amenities. Select Norwegian ships have [The Haven](#), which comes with 24-hour butler service and a private restaurant, lounge, pool and sundeck. The [MSC Yacht Club](#), located at the front of four vessels, has its own lounge, pool, solarium, restaurant, concierge, butler service and private access to the spa.

Here's a list of specialty cruises, discounts and resources we offer. Some are available only to certain types

of travelers, and others are available to all Vacations To Go customers. Click the links below for more information:

[Age 55+ Rates](#)
[EMT Discounts](#)
[Firefighter Discounts](#)
[Grand Voyages](#)
[Hosted Singles Cruises](#)
[Interline Rates](#)
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[Past Passenger Rates](#)
[Police Discounts](#)
[Teachers' Rates](#)
[Travelers with Special Needs](#)

Discount programs like these can be issued or withdrawn at any time by the cruise line, and are not normally combinable with one another. Always tell your Vacations To Go cruise counselor if you qualify for a military or interline discount, are a past passenger of the line you are calling about, or if anyone in the cabin will be 55+, so that he or she can make sure to check for any additional discounts to which you may be entitled.

Here are today's **Top 10 Cruises**, brand-new specials from the world's best cruise lines. **Click the FastDeal # for details.**

- 1) **Caribbean**, 7 nights on Carnival, departs San Juan Aug 16, starting at \$479, save 73%, [FastDeal # 14515](#)
- 2) **Alaska**, 7 nights on Princess, departs Anchorage Jul 4, starting at \$499, save 77%, [FastDeal # 27250](#)
- 3) **Caribbean**, 7 nights on Norwegian, departs Miami Sep 5, starting at \$669, save 55%, [FastDeal # 23445](#)
- 4) **Bermuda**, 7 nights on Celebrity, departs Bayonne Jun 7, starting at \$499, save 72%, [FastDeal # 12265](#)
- 5) **Caribbean**, 7 nights on Royal Caribbean, departs Galveston Jun 21, starting at \$699, save 64%, [FastDeal # 31572](#)
- 6) **Alaska**, 14 nights on Norwegian, departs Vancouver Jun 8, starting at \$789, save 71%, [FastDeal # 13329](#)
- 7) **Baltic**, 11 nights on Princess, departs Copenhagen Jun 15, starting at \$998, save 58%, [FastDeal # 27769](#)
- 8) **Tahiti/French Polynesia**, 7 nights on Windstar, departs Papeete Jun 19, oceanview starting at \$2,299, save 67%, [FastDeal # 29722](#) (Windstar will not allow this rate to be shown on the Internet -- please call us at the number below for information or reservations.)
- 9) **Greek Islands**, 9 nights on Azamara Club Cruises, departs Athens Jul 12, starting at \$1,799, save 72%, [FastDeal # 21642](#)
- 10) **Mediterranean**, 7 nights on Seabourn, departs Istanbul Jul 4, suite starting at \$2,999, save 76%, [FastDeal # 25966](#)

For the best last-minute cruise specials in the next 90 days, please visit our world-famous [90-Day Ticker](#). To search for discounts of up to 82% on cruises departing more than 90 days from now, [click here](#).

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