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Subject: New Cruise Discounts for Age 55+

Dear Mr. Kester,

Like many Americans, I can trace some of my ancestors to the UK. I still recall the strange sense of déjà vu I experienced on my first trip to London, after college graduation. I'm not the mystical type, mind you, but I felt at home somehow in that great city.

That's quite a feat when you're there on the \$20-a-day plan -- sleeping on overnight trains to save money, staying in crowded youth hostels and eating street food -- but a connection was made then that has endured, and I realize now that it was that trip that gave me the travel bug that I still have today.

St. Augustine once said that the world is a book, and those who do not travel read only a page. Let's turn a page or two this summer.

Alan Fox
Chairman & CEO

This week, we've arranged some great deals for our customers who are 55 and older. Seven cruise lines are offering additional discounts on sailings in many regions. As always, these rates are for new bookings only and subject to availability. Only one person in the cabin must be 55 or older in order for all to qualify for the discount.

For deals on the Fun Ships of **Carnival**, [click here](#).

For discounts on the premium ships of **Celebrity**, [click here](#).

For deals on the innovative vessels of **Royal Caribbean**, [click here](#).

To immerse yourself in the Spanish culture of **Pullmantur**, [click here](#).

For sailings with **Croisières de France**, which caters to a French-speaking clientele, [click here](#).

For the culturally rich voyages of **Swan Hellenic**, [click here](#).

To visit exotic, unique destinations with **Voyages of Discovery**, [click here](#).

Or, for 55-plus discounts by region, click any of the following destinations:

[Alaska](#)
[Arctic](#)
[Asia](#)
[Australia/New Zealand](#)
[Bahamas](#)
[Baltic](#)
[Bermuda](#)
[British Isles](#)
[Canary Islands](#)
[Caribbean](#)
[Greek Islands](#)
[Mediterranean](#)
[Mexico/Central America](#)
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All cruise lines appreciate the loyalty of customers who sail with them again and again, and many offer special discounts or shipboard credits to their past passengers on select sailings.

Below, I've identified **13 cruise lines offering additional discounts to Vacations To Go customers who also are their past passengers**. Click any line below (that you have already sailed) to see these special rates:

Celebrity
Croisières de France
Crystal
Paul Gauguin Cruises
Princess
Pullmantur
Silversea
Star Clippers
Swan Hellenic
Viking Cruises
Voyages of Discovery
Voyages to Antiquity
Windstar

We've negotiated the following **money-saving offers with Princess, Costa, Azamara, Windstar and Cruise & Maritime Voyages**. These promotions include shipboard credits -- most are exclusive to Vacations To Go. Shipboard credits are as good as cash on the ship and can be used for onboard purchases not covered in your cruise fare, such as shore excursions and spa treatments.

Princess is offering our customers savings of up to 80%, as well as exclusive shipboard credits of up to \$285 per cabin on most departures from now through June and on all 2015 Alaska cruise tours. [Click here](#) for dates and prices.

Costa is offering Vacations To Go customers big discounts: Save up to 80%. Plus enjoy exclusive shipboard credits of up to \$600 per cabin. [Click here](#) for dates and prices.

Azamara is offering our customers exclusive shipboard credits of up to \$1,000 per cabin on a variety of sailings, as well as fares reduced by up to 74%. [Click here](#) for dates and prices.

Windstar is offering our customers exclusive rates, with savings of up to 77%. In addition, receive a shipboard credit of \$200 per cabin on select voyages. **Book by May 28**. Passengers will find a casually elegant atmosphere aboard Windstar's three masted sailing ships and three recently acquired power yachts (the first, Star Breeze, debuted earlier this month). All Windstar voyages now feature a complimentary onshore "Private Event" that provides a unique introduction to the destination. For example, enjoy lunch at a family-run winery in Sicily or attend a private Champagne reception at Monaco's Grand Casino. [Click here](#) for dates and prices.

Cruise & Maritime Voyages is offering Vacations To Go customers big markdowns -- save up to 79% -- as well as an exclusive shipboard credit of up to \$800 per cabin on a variety of sailings. This British line offers a classic, traditional cruising experience on four ships that carry 550 to 800 passengers and one with a capacity for just over 1,800 guests. Most voyages depart from English port cities; the company has a wide selection of itineraries in Northern Europe and the British Isles. [Click here](#) for dates and prices.

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

If you want to cruise the spectacular, wildlife-rich state of Alaska, we have some **incredible last-minute deals on Alaska sailings** on our 90-Day Ticker. For example:

Pay \$399 per person for a seven-night June 17 voyage from Anchorage aboard the Coral Princess ([FastDeal #27183](#)).

Pay \$419 per person for a seven-night June 15 trip from Anchorage aboard the Norwegian Sun ([FastDeal #20532](#)).

Pay \$449 per person for a seven-night June 12 cruise from Anchorage aboard the Celebrity Millennium ([FastDeal #12857](#)).

Pay \$529 per person for a seven-night June 13 sailing from Seattle aboard Holland America's Westerdam ([FastDeal #13779](#)).

[Click here](#) to see all late-breaking summer deals in Alaska and other destinations on our **world-famous 90-Day Ticker**.

Here's a look at news from around the cruise industry...

Royal Caribbean has ordered a fourth Quantum-class ship. The unnamed vessel is slated for a 2019 delivery. It will be a sister ship to the [Quantum of the Seas](#), [Anthem of the Seas](#) and the upcoming [Ovation of the Sea](#), due in April 2016.

The [Disney Dream](#) is scheduled for a dry-dock refurbishment for most of October. The 4,000-guest **Disney Cruises** ship will emerge on October 26 with two new interactive youth areas (including one with a Star Wars theme, where kids can help navigate the Millennium Falcon spacecraft and learn lightsaber moves at the Jedi Training Academy), a gelato and candy shop and a no-kids deck area called Satellite Falls.

Cunard kicked off its 175th anniversary celebrations in grand style earlier this month. On May 3, all three ocean liners in the fleet sailed together from Cunard's home port of Southampton, England, with the flagship [Queen Mary 2](#) leading [Queen Elizabeth](#) and [Queen Victoria](#) -- a rare sight for spectators who gathered to watch the procession. The ships will reunite on the River Mersey in Liverpool on May 25.

Here are the best cruise deals in the next 90 days, organized by port of departure.

Click below for best cruise deals departing US and Canada ports:

[Anchorage, AK \(All ports serving...\)](#)

[Baltimore, MD](#)

[Bayonne, NJ](#)

[Boston, MA](#)

[Charleston, SC](#)

[Fort Lauderdale, FL](#)

[Galveston, TX](#)

[Honolulu, Oahu, HI](#)

[Jacksonville, FL](#)

[Los Angeles \(Long Beach\), CA](#)

[Miami, FL](#)

[Montreal, QC, Canada](#)

[New Orleans, LA](#)

[New York City, NY \(All ports serving...\)](#)

[Port Canaveral, FL](#)

[Portland, ME](#)

[Providence, RI](#)

[Quebec City, QC, Canada](#)

San Francisco, CA
San Juan, Puerto Rico
Seattle, WA
Tampa, FL
Vancouver, BC, Canada
Warren, RI

Click below for best cruise deals departing major ports worldwide:

Amsterdam, Holland
Athens (Piraeus), Greece
Barbados
Barcelona, Spain
Beijing (Tianjin), China
Bergen, Norway
Berlin (Warnemunde), Germany
Copenhagen, Denmark
Cozumel, Mexico
Darwin, Australia
Dubrovnik, Croatia
Edinburgh (Leith), Scotland
Edinburgh (Rosyth), Scotland
Genoa, Italy
Hamburg, Germany
Helsinki, Finland
Hong Kong
Istanbul, Turkey
Kiel, Germany
Kirkenes, Norway
Kobe, Japan
Lima (Callao), Peru
Lisbon, Portugal
Liverpool, England
London, England (All ports serving...)
Malmö, Sweden
Marseille, France
Merida (Progreso), Mexico
Monte Carlo, Monaco
Naples (Capri), Italy
Newcastle-upon-Tyne, England
Nice (Villefranche), France
Oslo, Norway
Palma de Mallorca, Spain
Papeete, Tahiti, Society Islands
Paris (Calais), France
Perth (Fremantle), Australia
Portsmouth, England
Reykjavik, Iceland
Rome (Civitavecchia), Italy
Rotterdam, Holland
Salerno, Italy
Savona, Italy
Shanghai, China
Singapore
Stockholm, Sweden
Sydney, Australia
Tokyo (Yokohama), Japan
Trieste, Italy
Tromso, Norway
Venice, Italy

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 23, starting at \$399, save 77%, [FastDeal # 14516](#)
- 2) **Bermuda**, 7 nights on Celebrity, departs Bayonne Jul 12, starting at \$699, save 70%, [FastDeal # 20978](#)
- 3) **Mediterranean**, 11 nights on Royal Caribbean, departs Istanbul Jun 1, starting at \$718, save 65%, [FastDeal # 15057](#)
- 4) **Caribbean**, 7 nights on Norwegian, departs Miami Jun 20, starting at \$859, save 57%, [FastDeal # 23434](#)
- 5) **Alaska**, 10 nights on Oceania Cruises, departs Seattle Jun 15, starting at \$2,399, save 70%, [FastDeal # 18480](#)
- 6) **Caribbean**, 7 nights on Royal Caribbean, departs Galveston Jun 7, starting at \$649, save 60%, [FastDeal # 30384](#)
- 7) **British Isles**, 8 nights on Windstar, departs Dublin Jun 29, oceanview starting at \$2,399, save 67%, [FastDeal # 29803](#)
- 8) **Tahiti/French Polynesia**, 7 nights on Paul Gauguin Cruises, departs Papeete Jun 20, oceanview starting at \$3,795, save 63%, [FastDeal # 21432](#)
- 9) **Baltic**, 7 nights on Silversea, departs Stockholm Jun 9, suite starting at \$3,950, [FastDeal # 21419](#)
(Silversea does not provide brochure rates for this cruise, so we are unable to show a savings percentage.)
- 10) **Alaska**, 7 nights on Regent, departs Anchorage Aug 5, suite starting at \$4,849, save 63%, [FastDeal # 26475](#)

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](#).

To save up to 40% with escorted and independent tours, [click here](#).

For river cruises up to 50% off, [click here](#).

For discounts of up to 50% at hotels and all-inclusive resorts, [click here](#).

For the lowest rates on Africa safaris from budget to luxury in quality, [click here](#).

Once you've found a FASTDEAL, call us toll free at 800-338-4962 (US and Canada) and a cruise counselor will attend to your needs. International customers, please email or call us at +1-713-974-2121.

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