



ATTENTION

Please be aware that a highly dangerous and contagious virus is going around cruise ship passengers who have recently disembarked ships around the world and it is CWF or Cruise Withdrawal Fever. Symptoms include overeating, severe lethargy, wobbly legs, an aversion to making one's bed, a craving for cocktails and an irrational love of water.

If you encounter the CWF virus, grab a loved one and go immediately to Home Town Travel and book your next cruise. Symptoms should ease immediately. Please share this information to raise awareness.

Thanks for your attention.

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SAVE THE DATES

DECEMBER 1, 2020 (Tuesday) - IRELAND 2021 at St. Francis Gym, LBI at 4:00 PM. Talk to Father Kevin and meet Jim Myers from JEM Tours along with Tara from Hometown Travel. If you already signed up, please come by and meet some new friends and talk about the beautiful Emerald Isle. Pricing and final itinerary details will be available. RSVP by November 25th.

DECEMBER 2, 2020 (Wednesday) - AMERICAN QUEEN/VICTORY CRUISE LINES at the Downstairs Conference Room at 5:00 PM. Chat with Liz from the cruise line and I will go over our groups and enjoy a glass of wine and some light snacks while we discuss sailing the American waters on authentic paddle wheelers and experiencing a different kind of cruising. RSVP by November 25th.



STAR CLIPPERS

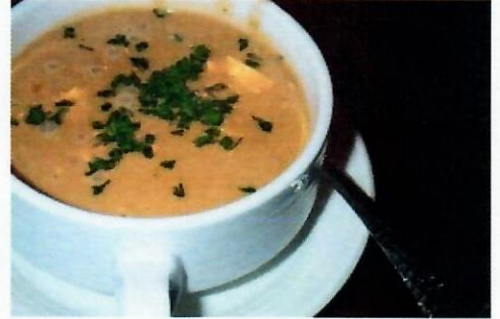
Unique Sailing Adventures

Cream of Lobster Soup

This fabulous smooth, creamy soup has origins from France, and is typically made using strained broth of crustaceans like lobster, crab shrimp or crayfish. Known also as Lobster Bisque, this is a luscious, richly flavored restaurant quality soup that's perfect for special occasions or a cozy date night at home.

Ingredients

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| 3 tablespoons of butter | 1/8 teaspoon salt |
| ¼ cup chopped fresh mushrooms | 1/8 teaspoon cayenne pepper |
| 2 tablespoons chopped onion | 1 ½ cups half and half |
| 2 tablespoons chopped celery | ½ cup dry white wine |
| 2 tablespoons chopped carrot | ½ pound cooked lump lobster meat |
| 1 (14.5 ounce) can chicken broth | |



Melt the butter in a large saucepan over medium-low heat. Add mushrooms, onion, celery and carrot. Cook and stir until tender, about 10 minutes. Stir in the chicken broth, and season with salt and cayenne pepper. Bring to a boil then simmer for 10 minutes.

Pour the vegetable and broth mixture into a container of a blender and add ¼ cup of the lobster meat. Cover and process until smooth. Return the sauce pan, and stir in half and half, white wine and remaining lobster meat. Cook over low heat stirring frequently until thickened, about 30 minutes.

Happy Travels



CRUISE NEWS

Virgin Voyages canceled its sailings through December and currently plans to resume sailing from Miami in January.

The line's first ship, the Scarlet Lady, was delivered in March and is slated to begin service with a five-day Dominican Daze cruise departing Jan. 3 and calling at Puerto Plata and the line's private Bahamian destination, Beach Club at Bimini, where the ship will stay from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. and offer a bonfire party under the stars.

In June, Virgin said its ships would be outfitted with an air purification system that kills 99.9% of viruses, as part of a health and safety program called Voyage Well that also includes virtual queues and other contactless technology, reduced ship capacity, virus testing for passengers and crew and thermal monitoring cameras.

The CDC's No Sail Order is set to expire in less than a week, but most cruise lines are paused at least through December and some into 2021.



The MSC Magnifica this week became MSC Cruises' second ship to return to service since the global cruise shutdown, initiating a series of 10-day eastern and western Mediterranean cruises from Genoa, Italy.

The MSC Grandiosa became the world's first major cruise ship to return to service when it resumed cruising in August on itineraries from Italy. The ship has now completed nine, seven-day voyages, with measures including protected shore excursions and Covid-19 testing all passengers and crew before boarding.

The Magnifica will visit Livorno (Florence and Pisa), Civitavecchia (Rome) and Messina, Italy; Piraeus (Athens) and Katakolon (Olympia), Greece; and Valletta, Malta. The ship is scheduled to operate six cruises before the end of the year, including an eight-day Christmas cruise departing Dec. 18.

Other health and safety protocol on both ships include elevated sanitation and cleaning measures, managed social distancing, the wearing of face masks in public areas and technology to aid tracking and tracing. Both ships are operating at 70% capacity to better enable social distancing.

Happy Halloween



I only got to question 1 on the dementia test, and Mike made it to #2! I guess we're really geezers! - Nancy Bent

Celebrity Summit San Juan to Cape Liberty—May 1-6, 2021

I cannot wait to cruise again and will be going on the Celebrity Summit for a Spring Getaway flying from Newark to San Juan on May 1, 2021 for this five-night getaway with a stop in St. Maarten and three relaxing days at sea returning to Cape Liberty. Experience an Aqua class cabin which includes a flight to San Juan, nightly dinner Blu, gratuities, and an unlimited beverage package for only \$959.00 per person double. Balcony cabins without the Aqua benefits are also available at \$799.00 per person double. **MUST BE BOOKED BY NOVEMBER 2, 2020**

Celebrity Summit Round trip Cape Liberty, NJ—May 15 to 26, 2021

This 10 night cruise will take you to the cliff walks and mansions of Newport Rhode Island, an overnight stay in historical Charleston and two nights in Bermuda exploring the pink sands or world famous golf courses. special rate until **November 2, 2020** which will include free gratuities, full classic beverage package (alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks) and a **\$300.00 on board credit**, to be used anywhere on the ship. Please call us to find out more information on this special sailing.

14 NIGHT TRANS-ATLANTIC GREENLAND AND ICELAND ABOARD CELEBRITY SUMMIT—AUGUST 1-15, 2021

Ports: Sea day, Halifax, NS, two sea days, Qaqortoq, Greenland, overnight in Reykjavik, Iceland and half-day in Akureyri, Iceland, sea day, Kirkwall, Scotland and a sea day before arriving in Southampton.

Balcony cabin (2B) \$4,459, ocean view (7) \$3,519 and inside (10) \$2,679 and includes cruise accommodations as selected, beverage package, all meals except for specialty restaurants, pre-paid gratuities, return transfer from Southampton to Heathrow, current port and government taxes. **SPECIAL GROUP RATE-SAVE OVER \$1,000 PER PERSON OVER CURRENT BROCHURE RATE. MUST BE BOOKED BY Nov.2, 2020**

ONLY THREE CABINS LEFT!

Celebrity Solstice from Seattle to Vancouver—September 3-10, 2021

Journey through the wild terrain of Alaska and discover the natural wonders that await as the rugged beauty of this pristine frontier unfolds before your very eyes. Start at the Space Needle for a panoramic view of Seattle. Thread the fjords of the Inside Passage and watch Dawes Glacier produce icebergs in Endicott Arm Fjord, where harbor seals play. Do some dog sledding at Juneau, discover totem poles at Ketchikan, experience the Gold Rush at Skagway, and admire British colonial architecture in Victoria and the gardens. This special rate of \$1770.00 per person double includes: balcony accommodations, all taxes and government fees, and all meals (specialty restaurants additional). **Plus get a free classic beverage package and \$600.00 on board credit to be used anywhere on the ship, including excursions.** In order to get this rate and the on board credit you must sign up by **11/02/20**. This makes this experience a truly all-inclusive package. Call us for more information on this spectacular deal.

Celebrity Millennium—September 26 to October 12, 2021

A 16 night Panama Canal cruise from Los Angeles to Fort Lauderdale. The Millennium is fresh off her multi-million dollar makeover. On board, the newly designed staterooms and public spaces will make the perfect complement to your cruising destination. Visit ports of call of: San Diego, Cabo San Lucas, Puerto Vallarta, Puerto Quetzal (Guatemala), Puntarenas (Costa Rica), Panama Canal cruising, Colon (Panama) and Cartagena (Colombia). Rates are based on double occupancy, balcony cabins starting at \$3722.00 and will include a classic beverage package, gratuities and all current port fees and taxes. Air will be at an additional cost.

Celebrity Millennium—November 29th to December 9th, 2021

A 10 night Eastern Caribbean cruise round trip Fort Lauderdale. Enjoy a pre-holiday escape to the Caribbean visiting ports of call of: Puerto Plata (Dominican Republic), San Juan, St. Croix, St. Johns (Antigua), Basseterre (St. Kitts & Nevis), Philipsburg (St. Maarten), plus 3 days at sea. Balcony rates start at \$1667.00 per person and will include a classic beverage package, \$150.00 onboard credit and current port taxes and fees. Air fare is at an additional fee. Other cabin categories can be requested based on space available.

If you happen to have missed our little cocktail party yesterday. Here are the Celebrity groups we are promoting. Our best deal, by far, is the Iceland and Greenland cruise where you can save almost \$1,200 per person from the published rate if you were to call on your own. I will be escorting this group and I would love to have you sail with me. Bon Voyage!



- **Explorer of the Seas**[®], which was originally scheduled to sail from Miami, will call San Juan, Puerto Rico home for the season and sail 7-night Southern Caribbean itineraries.
- **Freedom of the Seas**[®] will move from San Juan to the world's cruise capital of Miami and strengthen short Caribbean escapes with 3- and 4-night cruises to The Bahamas & Perfect Day at CocoCay.
- **Radiance of the Seas**[®], originally planned to sail from Brisbane, Australia, will instead opt for 5- and 9-night sailings from sunny Miami.



NEW AT UNIVERSAL FLORIDA

Universal Orlando Resort has revealed its new Jurassic World VelociCoaster will debut the summer of next year.

Designed by the Universal Creative team in partnership with filmmakers from Universal Pictures and Amblin Entertainment, the roller coaster boasts a series of intense launches and drops that will send guests catapulting up to 70 mph and more than 150 feet in the air.

Opening at Universal's Islands of Adventure theme park, Jurassic World VelociCoaster will be the first coaster based on the blockbuster franchise, and will feature an original story that expands upon the world fans have seen on the big screen. The original cast of the films will be seen along the journey, including Chris Pratt as Owen Grady, Bryce Dallas Howard as Claire Dearing and BD Wong as Dr. Henry Wu.

Spanning more than 4,700 feet of track and reaching heights of up to 155 feet, it will become Florida's fastest and tallest launch coaster.

The coaster's signature maneuvers will have riders twisting and soaring above land, barrel rolling just inches above water, speeding through near-misses and launches within the paddock. They'll accelerate through two pulse-pounding launches, the fastest reaching 70 mph in 2.4 seconds; encounter 360-degree barrel roll right above the Islands of Adventure lagoon; experience a zero-gravity inverted stall that will send riders upside down across 100 feet of track, a first of its kind; and go airborne during the towering "Top Hat," which propels riders 155 feet in the air and then immediately into an 80 degree drop – Universal's steepest drop yet.

More details about the coaster will be revealed in the months ahead.