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Newsletter

It's Halloween!!

Travel Tips

With October comes fall foliage, pumpkin flavoring in EVERYTHING, and Halloween!

If you plan on traveling with your costume this year, keep in mind that realistic replica items and props such as guns, scythes, pitch forks, chainsaws, butcher knives, grenades, axes, bombs, swords, machetes, and other realistic weapons are prohibited from being transported in your carry-on bags.

Most replica weapons can be transported in your checked baggage, but it's **never** OK to pack anything that looks like (to include but not limited to) explosives such as grenades, land mines, rocket launchers, shells and bombs. Even if it's a replica, anything resembling an explosive is treated as the real deal until the explosives experts can prove otherwise, which often leads to delayed flights or baggage.

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Halloween is often associated with ghouls, goblins and witches, but it can also be an excellent time to travel. An October vacation means you'll beat the holiday travel crowds and experience cool autumn weather.

New Orleans, Louisiana, USA

It is the second most celebrated time in the city, trumped only by Mardi Gras and it is one of the coolest places to celebrate Halloween in the world. Combine the city's reputation for voodoo with some of the best-haunted and paranormal tours in the world and you have yourself an incredible Halloween experience. It is known as the most haunted city in the United States and make sure to book a tour in the French Quarter or through one of the world famous cemeteries. Frenchmen Street is where you will find the biggest Halloween street parties in which locals and tourists take to the streets in elaborate costumes. Haunted houses, activities at the zoo, an awesome annual Halloween parade and the Voodoo Music and Art Experience are all a part of this city's celebrations. If you couldn't get here for Mardi Gras, visiting at Halloween is the absolute next best thing.

London, England

There are a slew of awesome Halloween events that happen in London and your hardest decision may just be deciding which ones to attend. For visitors who are looking to be frightened there is no better place to head than the popular Dungeon, which has been giving panic attacks to visitors since 1976. An elaborate, interactive experience takes visitors face to face with notorious villains such as Jack the Ripper and Sweeney Todd. Actors escort participants through 14 shows and three terrifying rides. For those looking for a little less intense experience the ghost walks that happen through the city are always a hit. Join along as you visit the site of Sir William Wallace's execution and an old churchyard that is haunted by Queen Isabella. Or take a guided tour around Jack the Ripper's old haunts in East London and even have a pint where two of his victims were allegedly drinking.

Transylvania, Romania

The entire country of Romania has a creepacular reputation, with its stunning Gothic architecture and enveloping forests. But it is the impressive Bran Castle that draws most visitors here, as it was once said to be the home of Vlad the Impaler, the inspiration for Bram Stoker's famous Dracula. The castle is where tens of thousands of enemies were impaled on stakes, Vlad leaving their bodies to rot. Today for brave visitors the castle is open to the public and nothing seems creepier than touring through here on the night of Halloween, learning the truth about the terrifying legends. Visitors here can choose to book a guided tour and stay in nearby accommodations or to join one of the specialty Halloween tours that includes Romanian cuisine, live medieval and Romanian folk music, live shows and the infamous Count Dracula wedding at the Hunyad Castle. Just don't forget about your costume.

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Treasures of the Balkans & Transylvania

13 Day Tour from Budapest to Budapest

10/1/19 - 10/13/19

\$1779.00/ per person, air not included

By Cosmos



Enjoy sightseeing throughout this tour with highlights including visits to Sofia's Bojana Church, a medieval Bulgarian orthodox church listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site; Plovdiv's Roman Amphitheatre, built between the 1st and 2nd centuries and one of the world's best-preserved ancient theatres; Arbanassi's Church of the Nativity, built in 1637 and housing an outstanding collection of frescoes; Sinaia Monastery, built between 1690 and 1695; Rila Monastery, with a history dating back 10 centuries and today a UNESCO World Heritage Site; and Peles Castle, a masterpiece of German neo-renaissance architecture built in the 1880s and nestled at the foot of the mountains—considered one of the most romantic and stunning European castles. In Bucharest, visit the open-air Village Museum, showcasing traditional village life with a collection of traditional farmhouses, cottages, wind and watermills, and artisans' workshops from all parts of the country. Last, but not least, visit Bran Castle, built in 1377 with imposing towers and turrets, and once inhabited by Vlad the Impaler—better known as Dracula.

Itinerary

BUDAPEST Guided sightseeing

NOVI SAD Visit

BELGRADE Guided sightseeing

SOFIA Guided sightseeing, visit Bojana Church

RILA Visit the Monastery

PLOVDIV Old Town and visit Roman Amphitheater

VELIKO TÂRNOVO Visit Arbanassi Village and the Church of the Nativity

BUCHAREST Guided sightseeing, visit open-air Village Museum

SINAIA Visit the Monastery and Peles Castle

BRAN Visit the legendary Castle of Dracula

BRASOV Orientation of the Old Town, visit Black Church

SIGHISOARA & CLUJ-NAPOCA Visit

Headsets throughout the tour.

Transportation:

Touring by private, first-class, air-conditioned motor coach with free Wi-Fi

Meals

Buffet breakfasts daily; 4 dinners

CONDOS



BRANSON, MISSOURI
 Prices From **\$495.00**



ORLANDO, FLORIDA
 Prices From **\$495.00**

<u>Location</u>	<u>Resort</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Price</u>
Hot Springs Village, AR	Los Lagos at Hot Springs Village	Nov 02—Nov 09 2018	1bdm/sleeps 4	\$425
South Lake Tahoe, CA	Tahoe Beach and Ski Club	Nov 03—Nov 10 2018	1bdm/sleeps 4	\$595
Cabo San Lucas, Mexico	Los Cabos Golf Resort	Nov 09—Nov 16 2018	2bdm/sleeps 6	\$499
Fort Walton Beach, FL	Steamboat Landing	Nov 16—Nov 23 2018	1bdm/sleeps 4	\$549
Playa del Carmen (Cancun)	The Grand Mayan Riviera Maya	Nov 16—Nov 23 2018	1bdm/sleeps 4	\$1050
Sedona, AZ	Bell Rock Inn and Suites	Mar 01—Mar 08 2019	2bdm/sleeps 6	\$850

REMEMBER, THIS IS JUST A PARTIAL LISTING OF CONDOS. PLEASE CONTACT US IF YOU DO NOT SEE THE AREA YOU ARE INTERESTED IN. WE HAVE HUNDREDS OF CONDOS WORLDWIDE.

****Once again we must reiterate, if you make a self booking, please notify this office immediately to ensure you have covered everything and we can help you if needed.****

Cruises

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Ship	Sailing Date	Destination	Departure Port	Ports of Call	Prices*
Caribbean					
RCCL Liberty of the Seas	Feb 10, 2019 Valentine Cruise	7 Night Western Caribbean	Galveston, TX	Cozumel, Mexico; George Town, Grand Cayman; Falmouth, Jamaica	Interior-\$559 Spacious Balcony-\$1079
RCCL Liberty of the Seas	Jun 9, 2019	7 Night Western Caribbean	Galveston, TX	Cozumel, Mexico; Puerto Costa Maya, Mexico; Rotan, Honduras	Interior-\$729 Ocean View -\$779
MSC Armonia	Oct 14, 2019	7 Night Western Caribbean	Miami, FL	Montego Bay Jamaica; George Town, Grand Cayman; Cozumel, Mexico; Havana, Cuba (overnight)	Interior Fantastica-\$399 Ocean View Fantastica-\$499 Balcony Fantastica-\$899
Alaska					
NCL Norwegian Jewel	Jun 3, 2019	7 Night Alaska	Vancouver, British Columbia	Northbound Vancouver, BC; Ketchikan; Juneau; Skagway; Glacier Bay; Hubbard Glacier; Seward	Interior-\$899 OV Port Hole-\$1269 OV Window - \$1439 <small>OV = Ocean View</small>
Canada and New England					
RCCL Serenade of the Seas	Oct 6, 2019	7 Night Canada and New England	Boston, MA	Boston, MA; Portland, ME; St. John, NB; Halifax, Novia Scotia	Interior-\$699 Ocean View-\$799 Balcony-\$1149
Mediterranean					
RCCL Jewel of the Seas	Nov 23, 2019	7 Night Western Mediterranean	Rome, Italy	Rome, Naples, Valencia, Barcelona, Provence, Florence, Rome	Interior-\$649 Ocean View-\$749 Balcony-\$949

*RCCL=Royal Caribbean Cruise Line

*NCL= Norwegian Cruise Line

*Prices are listed per person based on double occupancy. They do not include port fees and taxes. All prices are subject to availability and may change until confirmed.