



# September 2012 Newsletter

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## New Cruise Information

Will Carnival become the latest cruise line to jump on the all-you-can-drink, alcohol-included beverage package bandwagon -- joining lines like Celebrity, Oceania and MSC? Perhaps so. If the trial run of the "My Awesome Bar Program," which is currently underway aboard Carnival Victory, is a success, the beverage package could be rolled out to the entire fleet. The trial has been ongoing since Victory's August 5 departure.

The cost for the My Awesome Bar Program is \$42.95 per person per day, plus a 15 percent gratuity. Purchasers can partake of a wide variety of wine, beer and spirits, as well as sodas and non-alcoholic frozen cocktails throughout their cruise. However, all included beverages, including wines by the glass, beers and individual cocktails, must be individually priced at \$10 or lower to qualify for inclusion. Program participants who want to purchase bottles of wine and Champagne, as well as more expensive wines by the glass and cocktails will receive a 25 percent discount.

Passengers can sign up for My Awesome Bar Program at Carnival Victory's atrium and casino bars, as well as at the main pool bar.

There is a catch: if one passenger wants to purchase the beverage package, then all passengers ages 21 years and up in the same cabin must also purchase the package. Though Carnival would not comment on the reasons behind this requirement, it does make the possible issue of two people in one cabin "sharing" a plan moot.

Now, travelers don't have to head to Adirondaks or Montana to camp, luxe style. AKA New York is launching the second "season" of its "Sleep Under the Stars" experience, where travelers can "glamp" on the hotel's rooftop.



Set on the 17th floor, the 1,000-square-foot wrap-around terrace will be home to a plush queen-size bed set in front of a wood-burning fireplace, complete with:

- Cocktails using A Vod, AKA's signature vodka
- Midnight snacks of gourmet Jacque Torres s'mores, cheese and crackers, strawberries and Champagne
- High tech flashlight and camping lantern
- Outdoor mood music and scented candles to enhance the "celestial ambiance"
- State-of-the-art telescope for stargazing
- Nook Simple Touch e-reader loaded with campfire stories
- 42-inch plasma screen TV and DVD player with a selection of classic black and white movies
- Breakfast with coffee or tea at a cafe

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## IPAD AND IPHONES

No need to worry about tipping your tour guide on your next trip to Vancouver, Canada, as the OPUS Vancouver hotel has recently added iPads to each of their 96 guest rooms to act as personal tour guides of the city. While the trend of adding tablets to hotel rooms is not a new concept, the OPUS adds a new spin by having the technology reflect the guests' personality and show them around the city. Guests in rooms at this boutique property now have in-room and during-their-stay use of an iPhone 4.

# KENTUCKY DERBY 139 MAY 3-4, 2013



Relax and let us do all the driving! Your Derby Experiences journey will rendezvous you with fellow

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## KENTUCKY DERBY 2013 BUS TOURS: Sample Package Inclusions

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*Motor Coach transportation to/from Chicago or Indianapolis with Derby Expert and amenities*
- 3 Nights Accommodations
- Farewell Barbeque
- Kentucky Welcome Dinner
- VIP Fast Access Pass • Box Lunch
- Tickets for 1st Floor Grandstand For Kentucky Oaks and Derby
- Transportation  
*To/From track on Oaks® and Derby® day*
- Box Lunch to/from Chicago
- Access to In-track Hospitality



Pricing for 4 Days / 3 Nights Package : May 2 - 5, 2013 Double Occupancy : starting at \$1,949.00 (per person)



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**Day 1. Cape Town:** At Cape Town Airport met by a Great Safaris Guide who will assist you to the vehicle for the private transfer to your elegant waterfront hotel. Cape Town is situated amidst majestic mountains and is surrounded by pristine white beaches.

**Day 2. Cape Town - Half day City Tour:** Enjoy Breakfast at the hotel before departing on a fun and informative Cape Town city tour. Highlights of this half day tour include: Malay Quarter tour, city centre and Company Gardens, the Castle of Good Hope; photographic opportunities of Table Mountain and the Cape Town Diamond Works. An optional opportunity to visit Table Mountain on the cableway, where the varying flora and fauna will be explained. The afternoon is at leisure, or perhaps for strolling along the scenic shoreline and shopping at the Victoria and Alfred Waterfront.

**Day 3 . Cape Town - Full day Cape Point Tour:** After breakfast, meet your guide for a full day Cape Point tour. Travel via the 12 Apostles, Hout Bay and Chapmans Peak. On to the Cape of Good Hope Nature Reserve, which comes to an end at majestic Cape Point. Situated at the junction of two of earth's most contrasting water masses.. You will take the funicular to the vantage point from where you will be able to witness the "meeting of the two oceans". Thereafter travel through the historic naval base of Simon's Town and visit a colony of African Jackass Penguins in their natural environment at Boulders Beach.

**Day 4 . Full Day Winelands & Cheetah Outreach:** Visit Fairview Estate, Paarl, a true wine & cheese making experience, then onto Stellenbosch, the oldest town in South Africa for a personal encounter with a Cheetah. Followed by a visit & wine tastings at Waterford Wine Estate.

**Day 5. Cape Town - Makalali Private Game Reserve. (4 nights):** After breakfast enjoyed at the hotel, transfer to Cape Town International Airport to check in for your onward flight to Johannesburg. Connect to Hoedspruit and transfer to the Makalali Private Game Lodge. This afternoon depart on your first game drive in an open 4x4 safari vehicle. Afterwards return to the lodge for dinner.

**Day 6-8. Makalali Private Game Lodge:** Early morning and late afternoon game drives are augmented by exciting walking safaris. Escorted by a professional guide, you venture out into the bush, on foot, to find the smaller denizens of nature. During your stay at Makalali, there will also be the opportunity for night drives and star gazing.

**Day 9. Makalali - Johannesburg - Departure:** A final game drive followed by breakfast before being transferred to Hoedspruit Airport for your flight to Johannesburg .

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South Padre Island, TX	Bahia Mar Resort	Sept 21 - 28	2 BR/sleeps 6	<b>\$479.00</b>
Palm Springs, CA	Casitas Del Monte at Weston	Sept 28 – Oct 5	2 BR/sleeps 6	<b>\$659.00</b>
Fairfield Bay, AR	Wyndham Resort At Fairfield Bay	Oct 06 - 13	2 BR/sleeps 6	<b>\$839.00</b>
North Myrtle Beach, SC	Crescent Towers II	Oct 13 - 20	3 BR/sleeps 8	<b>\$599.00</b>
Big Sky, MT	Lake Condo at Big Sky	Oct 21 - 28	2 BR/sleeps 8	<b>\$599.00</b>
Pigeon Forge, TN	Cabins at Mountain Falls	Oct 27 – Nov 3	2 BR/sleeps 6	<b>\$779.00</b>

\*\*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.\*\*