

Chapter 1 : ToursByLocals - Private Tours By Local Guides

Excursions Are as Much a Part of Cruising as the Ship Itself! You'll Want to See What Each New Destination Has to Offer When you book your cruise, you'll have the option to add excursions either directly through the cruise line or through the travel agency you used, before or after you board.

Soufriere Sail "We absolutely loved this excursion! It was the highlight of our trip. The sailing in the beginning was nice and leisurely with muffins, fruit and drinks. The workers on the boat took our picture in front of the Pitons. Departing was a little confusing as there were several tours on the same boat. Once departed, we took a little bus ride through the town and to a botanical garden where our guide gave us a nice tour through the gardens and to the waterfall. After that we made our way to the drive up volcano. We opted for the mud bath while others toured the volcano. The mud bath was crazy and busy but when else do you get to do this? The water is very warm but your skin will feel amazing and soft once you rinse off. Once finished here, we headed to a cocoa plantation for lunch. It was a full Caribbean buffet and it was delicious! Such a cute setting and we got to try to some new foods worth it and rum punch is included. Then we headed back to the boat and sailed to a snorkel spot. We only had mins to snorkel but it was a nice spot as we saw lots of beautiful fish and coral. Then it was back on the boat for our sail back. The crew played some fun music and the rum punch was flowing. They just kept serving them to us without us even having to ask. The crew and the guides on this excursion were superb. We would do this again! Everyone we told on our cruise wished they had done this excursion!

Chapter 2 : Zurich Top 10 Tours & Activities (with Photos) - Things to Do in Zurich, Switzerland

Viator, which offers plenty of tours and excursions, including many exclusive options, is one top resource to consider. Visitors can filter each port's choices by shore excursions or categories like kid-friendly, food, outdoor activities, and more.

Explore snowy mountaintops, lush jungles, windswept grasslands, picturesque beaches, and even lava fields- without ever leaving the island. Soar over cliffs and valleys, discover waterfalls, and sample some of the most delicious bounty Mother Nature has to offer. Tropical splendor, rich history, and big adventure combine perfectly to give you the best Hawaiian vacation imaginable. See what makes Big Island so special: Explore a lava tube, steam vents, sulphur banks, and hike the crater rim. Hawaiian history comes to life as you admire petroglyphs and even footprints of Hawaiian warriors. Witness the past and future meld together before your eyes- spectacular! Best hiking in the state, maybe? We dare you to top Big Island. Helicopter Tours Big Island is a land of striking contrasts- and nowhere is this more evident than on a helicopter tour; in fact, it just might be the best way to see it all. Rich volcanic soil, high elevation, perfect Kona climate, and hand cultivation work in unison to create one of the most exquisite and highly-prized coffees on Earth. Tour a farm, learn about the history, harvesting, and packaging process, enjoy some samples and, well-€ go nuts for macadamia nuts! Horseback Riding Become a paniolo Hawaiian cowboy for a day as you explore the gorgeous Big Island countryside. Breathe in the fresh air as your majestic host takes you to amazing sights. No other tour will allow you to appreciate all the beautiful details that surround you. Enough superlatives for you? Water Activities More miles of coastline mean miles more water fun! From the adrenaline rush of surfing and kiteboarding, to the otherworldly magic of a manta ray night snorkel, to the adventure of a kayak tour- Big Island has it all. Then how about a dinner cruise or submarine adventure. Explore all Big Island Activities.

Chapter 3 : Fodors Travel Guide – Plan Your Trip Online

Shore excursions are worth it if you want to venture to attractions that are located far from the pier, learn more about an area through a guide or participate in physical activities where gear is.

Here is an example of a photo. As you see, you can only zoom in and out, but you cannot change your location in the scene, like walking behind a pyramid. If the user clicks on a button in the tour, they can jump to another spherical image. The jumping to very different scenes can confuse the user, who can get lost easily. However the technology used to make these virtual tours has been around for a long time is an economical solution that allows for high definition imagery. For higher end projects, most tech-savvy users would know that this technology is dated and this could be counter-productive for a brand in this market segment. A 3D solution would be recommended for higher end projects. The cameras used to capture content are very different to those used to capture built property via A 3D camera is more advanced and complex. It also has laser or infrared sensors that can measure the dimensions of the property to give the model depth and dimension this is the 3rd dimension of 3D. For CGI 3D tours, the modeling team need to understand both the proper dimensions and visual impact. Floor plans, sometimes BIM models and design work will be used with 3D editing software to create an environment that can give the user a more realistic experience. Online Virtual Tour v. Offline Virtual Tour An Online Virtual Tour is where the tour file is stored in the cloud and is viewable in any location with an internet connection. It can be viewed on a computer or mobile device by clicking on a link. The link would open your browser such a Chrome , Safari , Microsoft Edge or Firefox and a small file is downloaded to the browser, similar to the way that you would with a Youtube video. The user can then view and interact with the tour like one would a normal webpage. The user can click on a button on the screen to make movements, zoom in and out, etc. An Offline Virtual Tour the tour file is usually stored on a very high powered specialised computer, connected to a VR headset or a touch screen. Whereas the Offline tour file may be mb, the current size that the online tour can be is about 30mb, about times smaller. The advantages of users being able to view the property on a tablet from the comfort of their own sofa need little explaining. The reason why so few companies offer this technology, is that it is still very difficult to get this right. Mobile devices usually have inferior processors to PCs. Internet connections vary from place to place. There is a careful balancing process: For the time being, Online CGI 3D virtual tours will not equal their Offline counterparts in relation to image quality. The high quality of the images usually involved means that the electronic file of the tour is usually very large, often more than 3 gigabytes mb – remember that the offline file is usually big and the graphics very complex to process. On a virtual tour, the movement of the viewer in a 3D CGI Virtual Tour requires the computer to be constantly process new images to show the user. A computer with a very high processor is required, a lot better than an average laptop, and viewing on a mobile device is not an option. The computer can be connected to a VR headset or a touchscreen: Most Photographic Virtual Tours are available online these days. So what is WebVR? WebVR, as its name suggests, is VR that is available via a web browser. The way this used to be done was that the user opens a link on their phone in WebVR mode and puts the phone into a google cardboard or more recently a google daydream device or something similar. Putting a phone into a device will become less common with the introduction of the Standalone VR headset. The race to have the first mass produced standalone headset on the market was recently won in by Google and Lenovo with the Lenovo Mirage Solo with Daydream. Where is this technology going? What I can say is that for now there are still a lot of problems with VR for the mass market. VR still has not managed to break into the mainstream, and would still seem to be the domain of Gamers. I would argue that the reason for this in the area of Proptech is because of the fundamental the impracticality of the hardware as it currently stands. If people are not wearing a VR headset when sitting on their sofa, and would have to go and dust off the headset that they got for Christmas in the shelf in the spare room, then you have already lost your new customer. Apple is said to have a pair by I personally hope that they look like this: What are the best Virtual Tours in Real Estate? This will depend on the project and property in question. There needs to an very informed decision as to when VR should be considered a viable solution. Most notable

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is how little their focus was on VR. This is because I think these are currently the most effective virtual tours for new developments. This is why our company focuses on this with our product the Captate Tour , although we can provide CGI virtual tours in any format , offline, even 3D animation. For a team working on presales of a new Development, the ideal is that the tour can reach as wide an audience as possible. An online tour can be shared via simple link on Email, whatsapp, social media, even an old-fashioned SMS. The obvious advantages initially spring to mind such as foreign buyers and people who have less time to travel. But for those that understand digital marketing, CRM integrations for salesforce, Business Intelligence and user data analysis systems, having an offline solution should not even be considered. Although offline tours allow over times bigger files, they currently have a superior image image resolution. But as processor and internet speeds continue to get better, online tour will permit higher resolution imagery more and more as time goes on. Decide for yourself " frictionlessly experience on online CGI virtual tour by merely clicking on this link: Here is a good in-depth comparative analysis of some of the solutions available. I do not have any commercial connection to any of these companies.

Chapter 4 : Hoi An Now | Hoi An Now Travel Guide to Tours: Bicycles, Motorbikes, Kayaks & More

Explore the quaint towns, sunny beaches and local food of St Martin on this hour shore excursion from Philipsburg. Get to know the French side (St-Martin) and the Dutch side (St Maarten) of the island with your local guide.

A complete guide to picking the perfect shore excursions In: Excursions 09Jul You booked a Royal Caribbean cruise and now you want to figure out what you are going to do at the ports your ship will be visiting. Where do you start? Shore excursions are a major part of any Royal Caribbean cruise because a large part of your overall vacation is exploring the ports of call you will visit. The concern many guests have is figuring out what the options are to choose from and which ones are a good idea and which are a mistake. The way to be assured that you have the most options and pick the right one for you, is to do your research ahead of time. Many of your fellow passengers will not do much, if any, research and will rely purely on the information Royal Caribbean provides them. In fact, most will wait to get onboard the ship and then book something. Besides risking a poor decision, they are also wasting time on their cruise from doing fun activities. Learn the basics about the ports Before you even look at one shore excursion, you should research what each port is best known for. Depending on your itinerary, you may even know what each port is known for ahead of time, such as major cities like Boston, Rome, Barcelona, or Venice. Start off with a list of the ports you will be visiting. The port you start and end your cruise with is a very important place because you may end up spending the most time of any ports here. I recommend folks arrive to their embarkation port at least one day in advance to avoid travel delays impacting your ability to get to your Royal Caribbean cruise. For your embarkation port as well as the rest of the ports you are visiting, start off with some light reading. I recommend doing an internet search for each city and learning about its significance. Wikipedia articles are often good starting points, because they will quickly get to why the port you are going to is frequented and some of the major attractions. The goal of this step is to understand if you are visiting somewhere that is known for its beaches, or for its history, or for its culture, or for something else. Just because a port is known for its beaches does not mean you cannot take a tour of ancient ruins or go shopping, but you want to make sure you are not missing a big draw. A good example would be going to Civitavecchia, Italy and not knowing that Rome is a quick drive from there. At a very basic level, there are two kinds of shore excursions: Royal Caribbean shore excursions Royal Caribbean shore excursions are sold directly by Royal Caribbean to its guests, and they are group activities managed by local companies in each port that Royal Caribbean has vetted and will stand by. Royal Caribbean also guarantees if you take one of its shore excursions, they will ensure you do not miss the ship if you are delayed on the excursion. Even if the ship is slated to leave, the ship will wait for your group to return or provide transportation for your group to meet up with the ship at the next port. Furthermore, if your ship cannot dock at a port for any reason, any shore excursions you booked with Royal Caribbean directly will be completely refunded. The full cost of the shore excursion will be due upon booking and if you were to book a Royal Caribbean shore excursion onboard your ship, you could use onboard credit to pay for it. This can be a group tour or an individual tour. It can even be you taking a taxi somewhere and doing something on your own. With third party shore excursions, you are responsible for planning all aspects of the tour, so you will have to find a company or person, negotiate the rate and then find them in port and ensure you return on time. The policies of what happens if your ship cannot dock at the port and refunds can vary from tour guide to tour guide. Many will offer a refund policy if your ship cannot dock, but it is something else to consider. Prices for third party shore excursions can sometimes be negotiated, depending on the excursion and the guide. Some excursions will require full payment at the time of booking, but many will require just a deposit to hold your spot, with full payment prior to the excursion beginning. Third party excursions are far less limited than what Royal Caribbean offers, and you can price shop among many competing companies to find the one for you. Shore excursions are divided up by the port you are visiting and then further categorized by the type of activity culture, culinary, family, sightseeing, etc. Go through each port and look at the various options to choose from. In addition of deciding if any of these excursions look appealing, you should be considering the following aspects of each shore excursion Cost adult vs child Duration a few hours, half day, full day Physical

and age limitations Be sure to read the descriptions of any shore excursions that sound interesting for all the aspects of the excursion. Often a main activity is accompanied with smaller activities, such as a zip line adventure also including a beach break and lunch. There are two resources I always go to when I want to find shore excursion ideas. TripAdvisor TripAdvisor is a user submitted review site that has lists for hotels, activities, restaurants and more. I find it to be a really good means of discovering popular activities as well as activities that float under the radar. For each port, do an internet search for the port name and TripAdvisor. If you are visiting Cozumel, then you would search for "Cozumel TripAdvisor". Click around and look at the activities mentioned. You may find beaches, buildings, restaurants and other cultural spots listed, with reviews and photos from other people that have been there. Read the reviews for insight into what the activity offers and what the people that left reviews liked and did not like about it. In most cases, you will not find a vendor here, but you will discover the places you want to visit. Message boards are a little tricky to browse, but they are a wealth of knowledge. What is great about this message board is you will not only find a list of things to do, but the activities here are focused on what cruise passengers will be interested in and often there are recommendations for which guides or companies to work with. Read through the various forums for each port you will be visiting and read what others have to say. You might even be inclined to sign up for the message boards and post your own question to get a more personalized answer. Like TripAdvisor, your goal is to narrow down what activities you want to do while in each port based on others advice as well as descriptions and photos you run across. The next step will take care of that. Search for what you want to do By this point you should have a really good idea of what you want to do in each port. For each port and activity, go to your favorite internet search engine and do a search for the port name and the activity. Here are some examples Cozumel beaches New York landmark tour St Thomas guided tour You should find a lot of listings for the kind of tours you are looking for. If your search is coming back with too many results or they are too vague, try adding more keywords to specify exactly what you want. Cozumel Paradise Beach New York midtown tour bus St Thomas private tour For each tour operator you find that looks promising, consider sending them an email or calling and asking some basic questions. What happens if our ship cannot dock in the port? What is your cancelation policy? Ask as many questions as you want and also consider asking for more a more personalized experience. The worst they will say is no, but often these people and companies want your business quite a bit and will work with you. Make the decision At this point, you have a pretty good idea of what each port offers, the prices and options available to you and expectations for the excursions. Booking the excursion for you and your group is now a matter of weighing the pros and cons of booking with Royal Caribbean or not, as well as between individual excursions in each port. By engaging in the steps listed in this post, you should have a good understanding of what each port offers, which activities are of interest to you and the right price. Although this may further complicate the decision, it is important to note that there is always a third choice in any of the ports of forgoing an organized tour all together and exploring the port on your own. Many ports are conducive for walking off the ship, taking a taxi and exploring the port on your own. You do not have to make a decision right away, but the longer you wait, the greater the risk of the shore excursion you want filling up. This is especially true with Royal Caribbean shore excursions. You should treat each port individually and not be concerned with if you book something on your own or go with Royal Caribbean across all ports. With this information, you should have the tools to make an informed decision and pick a great shore excursion before you set foot on your ship, leaving you more time onboard to enjoy the cruise. Do you book shore excursions through Royal Caribbean or on your own? What shore excursion research benefited you the most? Share your thoughts in the comments!

Chapter 5 : A Guide To Shore Excursions | Cruise Advice

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