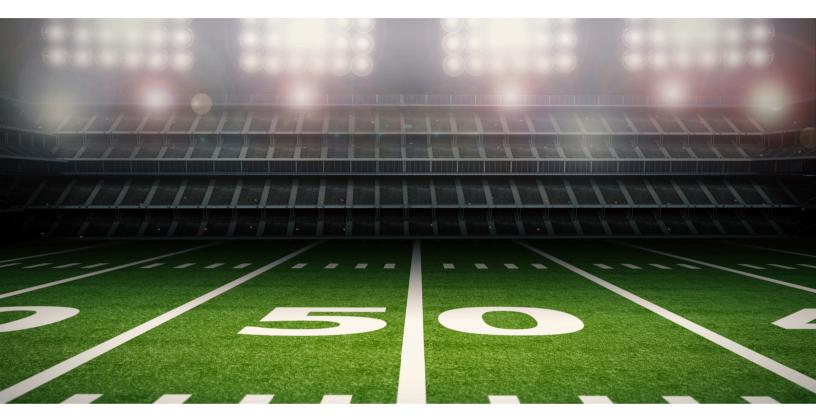
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AUGUST & SEPTEMBER

As August ends and September begins, we feel the shift from summer's heat to fall's crispness. Days shorten, leaves change, and football season kicks off, energizing sports fans. With upcoming holidays like Halloween and Thanksgiving, it's a perfect time to plan special cruises. Consider a fun and spooky Halloween cruise on Virgin Voyages, a festive Thanksgiving voyage on the brand-new Sun Princess, or ring in the New Year on the Resilient Lady. For travel ideas and tips, visit www.theconnectedtraveler.com. Embrace fall, enjoy football, and start planning your next adventure!



FEATURED CRUISE OF THE MONTH

This month, we are excited to highlight the **7-Day Western Caribbean Cruise** aboard the all-new **Sun Princess** by Princess Cruise Lines. Join the SmokyMtnBears as we embark on this fabulous journey, setting sail from Fort Lauderdale. This cruise promises to be a perfect getaway, allowing you to explore stunning destinations while enjoying the luxurious amenities of the Sun Princess. With its state-of-the-art features and exceptional service, this ship is designed to provide an unforgettable experience at sea.

As we celebrate Thanksgiving week aboard the Sun Princess, why not leave all the cleaning and cooking to Princess Cruises? This is the perfect opportunity to spend quality time with your chosen family and friends, creating lasting memories while enjoying a festive atmosphere at sea. Indulge in delicious holiday meals prepared by top chefs, relax by the pool, and partake in a variety of onboard activities designed to make your Thanksgiving truly special. Set sail with us and experience a unique holiday celebration on the beautiful waters of the Caribbean!

Call us at 865-973-9744 or visit us at www.theconnectedtraveler.com



VIRGIN VOYAGES HAS MULTIPLE CHANGES IN IT'S POLICIES

Please note that Virgin has changed multiple policies.

1. Bookings must be paid in full **120** days prior to the sail date. If not, they are subject to cancellation. Extensions are no longer freely given.

2. We used to be able to make multiple date changes. Now, we can only make one date change.

3. We used to be able to change sailor names multiple times. Now, we can do it one time.

4. The My Next Virgin Voyages placeholder program has changed again. Here is how it currently works:

4 to 5 Night Sailings: \$150 off + \$150 onboard credit 6 to 8 Night Sailings: \$200 off + \$200 onboard credit 9 + Night Sailings: \$250 off + \$250 onboard credit

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Have you checked out our website, www.theconnectedtraveler.com, to see all the exciting trips we have lined up for 2025 and 2026? We're already working on our 2027 itineraries as well! Please let us know if there's a specific trip you'd like planned or a destination you're eager to visit.

Remember, you can always visit us online at

www.theconnectedtraveler.com to see a list of our cruises and tours. If you don't find something you like, please contact us at 865-973-9744 or email us at

info@theconnectedtraveler.com, and we will set you up with the perfect vacation!





November 23-30, 2024 PRINCESS 7 Day Western Caribbean Thanksgiving Cruise with the Bears!

Don't spend all day in the Kitchen on Thanksgiving. Come join the SmokyMtnBears as we set sail through the Caribbean!

December 28-January 4, 2025

Resilient New Years Ahoy with It's Chris & Alex, the SmokyMtnBears, and The Bearettes!

Join us and ring in NYE Virgin Voyages Style!





March 23-30, 2025

Bears Birthday Bash Pary with the SmokyMtnBears as we celebrate Scott's Birthday!

New Orleans, Costa Maya, Roatan, Cozumel



May 24-31, 2025

Danube Celebration Bash

Passau, Budapest, Linz & more!





May 31-June 7, 2025

A Journey to the Turkish Riveria and Ancient Vineyards

Join the SmokyMtnBears on this Land/Cruise Tour. We will start in Istanbul for and do 3 days in Turkey before we set sail on Explora Journeys.





June 24-30, 2025

The historic charm of Cartagena and celebrate love and diversity at Medellin Pride!

Join the SmokyMtnBears on this land Tour of Cartagena and Medellin Pride!







Aug 17-30, 2025 Portsmouth to Ireland, Scotland & More.

Join the SmokyMtnBears as we cross the pond and visit Ireland and Scotland.



Oct 26-Nov 2, 2025



Star of the Seas-Sister ship to Icon of the Seas

Join the SmokyMtnBears on the All New Star of the Seas out of Port Canaveral.





April 7-12, 2026

LA Mermaiden Voyage

Join the SmokyMtnBears as we board the Brilliant Lady for her 3rd Mermaiden Voyage.





Sept 8-22, 2026

MUST DO!

14 Day Spain, France & Portugal

Join the SmokyMtnBears as we explore Spain, France and Portugal during the Solar Eclipse on Princess Cruises.







Nov 21-Dec 2, 2026



Cook & Society Islands

Join the SmokyMtnBears as we visit the Cook & Society Islands, which includes Tahiti!



We are working on the New Year's Trip for 2025 details to come!



