



Experience the Panama Canal on the Norwegian Bliss!

Sailing from Miami to Los Angeles, while visiting — Cartagena, Colombia — Panama City, Panama Puerto Quetzal, Guatemala — and the Mexican Riviera (Acapulco, Puerto Vallarta, Mazatlan & Cabo San Lucas)

Celebrate 110 Years of the Panama Canal with a Full Daylight Passage!

January 26 - February 11, 2024

17 Day - 16 Night Cruise / Tour

Join us to experience an engineering marvel! The Panama Canal should be on everyone's list of must-see places. It'll surely be one of the highlights of this 16 night cruise/tour that includes three other countries, as you cruise from Miami to LA. Discover the thrill of your ship being raised and lowered 85 feet by man-made locks as you marvel at the enormity of this stunning feat of engineering! Today, it takes 8-10 hours to transit the canal passing through steel lock gates that are 6 feet thick and 60 feet tall. The original 40 pairs of gates, built in Pennsylvania, are still in use after more than 100 years. This engineering wonder is truly one you'll find endlessly fascinating to explore!

Itinerary

January 26, 2024 - Your Journey Begins!

You'll fly today to **Miami, Florida**, where you'll be met and assisted with your hotel transfer, and then enjoy tonight's dinner on your own.

Overnight: Miami area

January 27, 2024 - Board the Norwegian Bliss

After a leisurely hotel breakfast this morning, you'll transfer to your seafaring hotel, the **Norwegian Bliss**, in time for a late lunch. Unpack just once for all 15 days, before sailing away at **5:30 pm**. (B/D)

January 28 & 29, 2024 - First Two Days At Sea

What a treat to kick off your cruise in high style - **two luxurious sea days** to fully explore and enjoy the **Norwegian Bliss**, your five-star floating resort with an amazing variety of things to do - or do nothing at all! Find that perfect spot by the pool and relax with a good book or a nap. Or step it up at the outdoor jogging/walking track and fully equipped fitness center. If you prefer being pampered, stop in at the **Mandara Spa** for a massage or mani/pedi. Enjoy dinner in one of the many wonderful options onboard the Bliss - from the variety of your three Main Dining Rooms to the specialty restaurants serving everything from steak and seafood to tapas, Teppanyaki or Texas BBQ! Evenings offer a world of entertainment as well, with performances of the **celebrated Broadway hits "Six" and "Jersey Boys"** or the Beatles-themed tunes at the Cavern Club. Discover an endless array of fun and exciting activities all day and evening on the **Bliss!** (B/L/D)

January 30, 2024 - Cartagena, Colombia

At **6am** you'll dock in **Cartagena**, located on Colombia's northern coast and one of the Western Hemisphere's most historic cities. You might explore the old city's **Simon Bolivar Square** and **Plaza de La Aduana**, and wander the narrow streets with their restored buildings, cafes and shops. Or stop at a local museum, enjoy a delicious cup of Colombian coffee or just stroll along **Las Murallas** (the walls surrounding the city). There's much to see plus enough time for shopping in one of the bustling markets. Return to your ship in time for your **2pm** sailing. (B/L/D)

January 31, 2024 - Full Day Transit of the Panama Canal!

Your ship enters the **Panama Canal from the Atlantic / Caribbean side** this morning for a **full daytime transit of the canal!** Construction on the 48 mile canal that connects the Atlantic and Pacific

began in 1881 and was completed 33 years later in 1914. After several unsuccessful attempts by the French, US engineers took control of building the canal and the US retained ownership until 1999 when Panama assumed full control. Named one of the **seven wonders of the modern world**, nearly 15,000 ships per year travel through the canal! What once were the tops of lush hills now make up the many **rainforest covered islands dotting Gatun Lake on the Canal**. Pass through a series of locks that are flooded and emptied to raise and lower the Bliss as it makes its way through the Canal. Towing locomotives operating on cog tracks keep the ship centered within the lock chamber, and watching the process is truly amazing. After an exciting day of cruising the Canal, you'll be on **Panama's West Coast / Pacific Ocean side!** (B/L/D)

January 31 & February 1, 2024 - Panama City, Panama

This evening at **8pm on the 31st**, just after your day-long transit of the great canal, you'll dock overnight at **Panama City**. This vibrant historic metropolis and gateway to Pacific Ocean tropical adventures has much for you to discover! Founded in 1519, Panama City is the **oldest continuously occupied European settlement** on the Americas' Pacific Coast. Explore the region's dramatic past at historic sites enveloped by the busy cosmopolitan atmosphere. Or feel a world away while lounging on a **pristine beach**, or hiking through **lush rainforests** that are home to a vivid assortment of colorful flora and fauna. The Bliss sails the next afternoon at **3pm on the 1st**. (B/L/D)

February 2, 2024 - At Sea on the Bliss

After three days of spectacular sightseeing, you'll have this one to unwind and enjoy the many delicious tastes, entertainment and activities of the **Norwegian Bliss**. Take a stroll on the promenade and meet friends for a game of shuffleboard. Indulge in delicious cannoli and cupcakes from **The Bake Shop**. If you're in the mood for a cocktail on a warm sunny day, there's no place like adults-only **Spice H2O**. And if so inclined, don't forget to pack those dancing shoes to party into the night! (B/L/D)

February 3, 2024 - Puerto Quetzal, Guatemala

After docking at **12 noon**, you might opt for an excursion to one of Guatemala's most popular destinations, the **UNESCO heritage city of Antigua**. Early Spanish Baroque architecture is the main attraction of this colonial city, as you wander along the cobblestoned streets and find charming photo ops seemingly around every corner! Closer to port, you'll find the bustling **Puerto Quetzal market** selling crafts and souvenirs,

with Marimba band performances! The Bliss sails at **10pm**. (B/L/D)

February 4, 2024 - Freestyle at Sea

Norwegian's **Freestyle Cruising** offers a wide range of amenities, activities, restaurants and entertainment, all designed to let you do exactly what you want to do. Choose among more than 20 dining and lounge options, a soothing spa and an always lively casino. (B/L/D)

February 5, 2024 - Acapulco, Mexico

Today finds you in **Acapulco** from **7am** to **5pm**, with its stunning topography of soaring cliffs, sandy beaches and jungle-green hills. Dubbed the '**Pearl of the Pacific**,' Acapulco has long been a playground for the rich and famous, starting with Frank Sinatra, Elvis Presley and Elizabeth Taylor. Acapulco's most famous tradition is the **cliff divers** who leap from 148-foot cliffs high above the rocky shoreline! (B/L/D)

February 6, 2024 - Bliss At Sea

Sailing along the beautiful waters of the Mexican Riviera onboard the Norwegian Bliss, you might test your luck in the **Bliss Club Casino**, play **bingo** and see if you can hit the big jackpot, or be entertained with an challenging game of **trivia** in one of the lounges. (B/L/D)

February 7, 2024 - Puerto Vallarta, Mexico

Today you'll dock in enchanting **Puerto Vallarta** from **7am** until **8pm**. Long a **favorite retreat of artists, writers and Hollywood stars**, PV - as it's fondly known - still retains the languid charms of the fishing village it once was, before the glamorous romance of Elizabeth Taylor and

Richard Burton helped build it into a thriving resort. (B/L/D)

February 8, 2024 - Mazatlan, Mexico

After docking at **7am**, you'll be in magical **Mazatlan** - a picturesque historic capital, renowned beach resort, and lively romantic town, all in one! Sip on Margaritas and enjoy **fresh, authentic Mexican seafood** below the towering **Sierra Madre Mountains**. Visit the many shops offering local crafts before boarding your ship that sails at **7pm**. (B/L/D)

February 9, 2024 - Cabo San Lucas, Mexico

You'll dock in **Cabo** this morning at **7am**. This **sun-drenched resort** offers **beautiful beaches**, spectacular fishing and wonderful people-watching! You might choose to dine *al fresco* in a local cafe, enjoying Pacific lobster or tacos de pescado, perhaps accompanied by a refreshing frozen margarita! Return to the Bliss for your **3pm** sailing. (B/L/D)

February 10, 2024 - Final Day At Sea

Enjoy your last day at sea, perhaps sleeping late then relaxing by the pool. Tonight, after a delicious dinner in one of the ship's varied restaurants, be sure to stop in at the **Bliss Theater** for Broadway-style entertainment before retiring with a fond farewell nightcap and toast! (B/L/D)

February 11, 2024 - Parting is Such Sweet Sorrow!

Your ship docks this morning in **Los Angeles** at **8am**. After breakfast, you'll be assisted with your transfer to the airport to board your flight home. **The memories of your Panama Canal and Mexican Riviera Cruise will surely last a lifetime!** (B)

PLEASE NOTE! In these current times of universal staffing shortages and scheduling disruptions, all types of itineraries - including hotels, airlines, restaurants and attractions - are particularly subject to change, requiring some patience and flexibility from all of us who travel these days.

Panama Canal

\$5,998.00

Inside Cabin - Cat. IA

\$6,998.00

Balcony Cabin - Cat. BE

**Balcony & Oceanview will receive Per Cabin:
600 Free Wifi Minutes
\$50 Shore Excursion Credit**

For a limited time balcony guests get a FREE upgrade to Cat. BB!

**based on availability at that time*

Pricing is per person based on double occupancy.

Single supplement is an additional 50% of the rates shown.

A Valid Passport is Required for this Trip!

Book your cabin early to ensure you receive the following amazing and free promotions courtesy of TRIPS and Norwegian Cruise Line!

- ✓ Complimentary unlimited beverage package includes all soft drinks and alcoholic beverages up to \$15.00
- ✓ 3-night specialty dining package (excludes extra charged items; 2-night package only for inside/oceanview guests)
- ✓ Gratuities included for both packages

Check with your club director for details of these very special exclusive inclusions, valued at far upwards of \$1,000 per person!

These promotions are restricted to the 1st two passengers per cabin



Inclusions

- Roundtrip airfare to Miami, FL and from Los Angeles, CA (checked baggage fees are not included)
- Pre-night hotel with breakfast in the Miami area prior to embarkation
- All transfers from airport to hotel, hotel to pier and pier to airport
- 15 nights onboard the Norwegian Bliss in your selected stateroom category
- **Unlimited beverage package and 3-night specialty dining package included, both with gratuities!** (2-night dining package only for inside/oceanview guests)
- All meals while onboard the Norwegian Bliss
- Portage of one suitcase per person
- TRIPS document wallet and luggage tags
- All port charges and government taxes

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Check with your club representative for details.

Call today to reserve your space!!!

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Final payment is due in the TRIPS office on or before August 18, 2023.

Therefore, please make sure that payment is submitted to your club director at least 10 days prior to this date.

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