

Cruise Days

I have a view on cruising that must be shared by some people but [sadly] is not shared by everyone.

For example, I was talking with my Brother in Law Verd recently because we're planning to go away together in 2009. Verd usually cruises with Mal and there was some talk of Mal coming along too.

So after suggesting a 10 day round trip from San Francisco which looked pretty good to me, I was told this was apparently not being considered because of 'all the wasted days at sea' !

Now come on ..

This is about cruising .. this is about ships and sea .. life on the ocean wave .. meandering through life with nothing more important to decide other than what to eat at dinner .. and what to drink next ..

Obviously there are 2 groups of 'cruisers' ..

Group 1: Cruisers are there for the ports and the ship is merely an interesting diversion in getting from point A to point B. These folks are all headed for the 'genesis' class, along with 6499 others every week when they get on board for the weekly bus run through the <insert port eg Caribbean or Mediterranean>. They prefer freestyle dining and roam around at night in casual clothes and beach footwear.

Group 2: Cruisers are there for the ships and ship board life. They couldn't really care if they don't stop anywhere at all. A good port is a bonus, no ports is even better, eg a transatlantic crossing or a repositioning cruise. They have at least one tux in the wardrobe and probably two. Having said that; their country casual attire would look good in any setting.

It doesn't take a rocket scientist to work out which group I am aligned to.

And I don't care if I do sound like a grumpy old man.

Cos that's my 'slant on life'..