

David Sandy's MAGIC CRUISE 2009 General Information

SYNOPSIS:

Seven years after David Sandy's sold-out Magic Cruise 2002, we're taking magic and some of the world's finest magicians back on the high seas! If you've ever attended any event produced by David Sandy, you have some idea of what you can expect with Magic Cruise 2009! Tons of great magic, the world's finest line-up of magical talent, lots of special surprises, games & contests, plus much more!

Departing from Miami on Sunday, May 3, 2009, this incredible cruise vacation will not only take you to luxurious ports of call in the Western Caribbean, you'll also enjoy very special magic-themed events, receptions, stage and cabaret shows, lectures/workshops, and more! You will depart Miami aboard the beautiful Carnival Valor and enjoy fun activities, fabulous dining, lavish Vegas-style entertainment, friendly casinos, spa program, and all the pampering service you can stand! Plus, you'll learn from and enjoy the magic and fellowship of many of the world's finest magicians

DATES:

May 3, 2009 thru May 10, 2009

ITINERARY:

May 3, 2009	Sunday	Miami, FL (Depart: 4:00pm)
May 4, 2009	Monday	Fun Day At Sea!
May 5, 2009	Tuesday	Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands (Arrive: 7:00am - Depart: 4:00pm)
May 6, 2009	Wednesday	Isla Roatan (Arrive: 12:00pm - Depart: 7:00pm)
May 7, 2009	Thursday	Belize (Arrive: 8:00am - Depart: 5:00pm)
May 8, 2009	Friday	Cozumel, Mexico (Arrive: 8:00am - Depart: 5:00pm)
May 9, 2009	Saturday	Fun Day At Sea!
May 10, 2009	Sunday	Miami, FL (Arrive: 8:00am)

PERFORMERS & LECTURE PRESENTERS:

John Carney
Jeff McBride
Kerry Pollock
Dave Kaplan
Jon Armstrong
John Shryock & Mari Lynn
Tina Lenert
Les Arnold & Dazzle
Mike Caveney
Plus more to come!

MAGIC CRUISE PRICING:

Category 4A:

Double Occupancy - \$699 per person*

Single Occupancy - \$1029 per person*

3rd/4th Passenger - \$399 per person* *(subject to change, based on availability)*

Child (age 14 or younger) - \$180 per person* *(with 2 paid adults in cabin, subject to change, based on availability)*

Category 4B:

Double Occupancy - \$749 per person*

Single Occupancy - \$1079 per person*

3rd/4th Passenger - \$399 per person* *(subject to change, based on availability)*

Child (age 14 or younger) - \$180 per person* *(with 2 paid adults in cabin, subject to change, based on availability)*

Category 6A:

Double Occupancy - \$789 per person*

Single Occupancy - \$1299 per person*

3rd/4th Passenger - \$449 per person* *(subject to change, based on availability)*

Child (age 14 or younger) - \$210 per person* *(with 2 paid adults in cabin, subject to change, based on availability)*

Category 6B:

Double Occupancy - \$829 per person*

Single Occupancy - \$1339 per person*

3rd/4th Passenger - \$449 per person* *(subject to change, based on availability)*

Child (age 14 or younger) - \$210 per person* *(with 2 paid adults in cabin, subject to change, based on availability)*

Category 8A BALCONY:

Double Occupancy - \$979 per person*

Single Occupancy - \$1599 per person*

3rd/4th Passenger - \$499 per person* *(subject to change, based on availability)*

Child (age 14 or younger) - \$280 per person* *(with 2 paid adults in cabin, subject to change, based on availability)*

Category 8B BALCONY:

Double Occupancy - \$1029 per person*

Single Occupancy - \$1649 per person*

3rd/4th Passenger - \$499 per person* *(subject to change, based on availability)*

Child (age 14 or younger) - \$280 per person* *(with 2 paid adults in cabin, subject to change, based on availability)*

*plus port charges, government taxes & fuel surcharge. Optional travel insurance not included. Airfare to/from Miami not included.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

Exactly how long will I be gone? --- *We have structured this cruise to minimize the amount of time you will need to take off work (unless you are retired). The Magic Cruise departs Miami on a Sunday afternoon (May 3) and returns very early morning on the following Sunday (May 10). Many cruisers will choose to arrive in Miami on the Saturday before the cruise departure just to play it safe. Following the cruise, folks will travel back home on Sunday, May 10, 2009. You should be able to book a flight back to your home destination fairly easily Sunday afternoon. This means if you work a normal work-week, you'll only have to take off one week of work.*

Is this an affordable vacation? --- *Magic Cruise 2009 is very affordable! This is your opportunity to get your "magic fix" and take your spouse or significant other on an incredible vacation at the same time! It has all of the fun, fellowship and magic of a magic convention, plus the exotic Caribbean destinations that comprise one of the best vacations you'll ever experience. A cruise can be one of the most economical trips imaginable. Your "hotel" is included... your meals are included... and the entertainment is included. Most travelers agree that a cruise is the best vacation "value" possible. When you consider that you get both a "magic convention" and a world-class vacation for one low price, Magic Cruise 2009 is very affordable!*

I can find this particular cruise cheaper online and on Carnival's website. Why is that? --- *The Magic Cruise rates include both the 7-night cruise PLUS all of the Magic Cruise-related events, functions, workshops, receptions and shows. You are getting so much more than just a regular cruise. There are countless additional expenses in putting this incredible cruise together (for example... hotel & cruise costs for all performers and their spouses, required port/taxes/fuel surcharges, performer & spouse airfare expenses, performance fees, illusion & prop freight/baggage expenses... plus show production expenses, tech personnel labor charges for the stage and cabaret shows, reception expenses, etc.... now add in all of the full page ads in all of the magic magazines for months, and the multiple direct mailings, and all of the printing and other advertising expenses... all of these expenses, not including administrative and staff expenses, total nearly fifty thousand dollars.)*

So, in order to provide you with the best possible all-inclusive Magic Cruise experience, the cost is somewhat higher than the "cruise only" that could be purchased from an online discounteer... but remember, you're getting so much more than a regular passenger on this particular cruise... regular cruise passengers won't have access to the Magic Cruise programming and events. David Sandy is producing Magic Cruise 2009 simply because of the countless repeated requests from folks who enjoyed Magic Cruise 2002 (and six years later, the cost of joining us is only \$100 more than it was in 2002!).

Can I book through my own travel agency or direct with Carnival? --- *All participants of the Magic Cruise need to book through our official travel agency, Cruise Holidays-Kansas City. The phone number is 816-741-7417. Joanne Weeks is our cruise specialist and is well versed on all reservation aspects of the Magic Cruise. Any travelers who do not book through Cruise Holidays-Kansas City will not have access to any of the Magic Cruise activities, shows, receptions, and functions.*

When are deposits and final payments due? --- *A \$250 deposit per passenger is required when making your Magic Cruise 2009 reservation. This deposit, less a \$50 cancellation fee, is refundable through January 27, 2009. Your final payment is due on January 27, 2009 as well.*

Will I miss any of the ports of call due to Magic Cruise activities? --- *No. We want you to enjoy all of the normal activities of this cruise in addition to the special "Magic Cruise only" shows, lectures, receptions, social events and fun. So, we will attempt to structure our private functions on our "days at sea" and at night on port days.*

Should I fly or drive to Miami/The Port of Miami? --- It's completely your choice. Some things you should consider include the fact that there are two major airports relatively close to the port... Miami International Airport-MIA (8 miles from the port) and Fort Lauderdale Airport-FLL (25 miles from the airport). If you drive to the port, you should know that parking at the port is currently \$20 per day.

Should I travel to Miami on May 2 or May 3? --- All Magic Cruise 2009 passengers **MUST** be on the ship no later than 2:00pm on May 3, 2009. Therefore, it is highly recommended that if you are flying to Miami (or Fort Lauderdale), you do so the day before just to insure that flight delays don't cause you to miss the ship. We cannot recommend this too strongly as if your flight is delayed, you could miss the ship!

Are there hotel arrangements in Miami for the night before (May 2)? --- Yes! We have arranged special luxury accommodations. You'll discover an oasis of comfort and hospitality at the new Miami Mart Airport Hotel (soon to become a Double Tree Hotel this November 2009) located in the Blue Lagoon business district of Miami, Florida. The sophistication and elegance of this recently renovated property provides you with warm and spacious guestrooms, FREE airport transportation from Miami International Airport, a state-of-the-art fitness center, tasteful dining services, and a lush, tropical poolside retreat. Magic Cruise 2009 attendees will be able to take advantage of this luxurious hotel at our special room rate of \$99 plus tax. All hotel reservations must be made through David Sandy Productions, Inc. in order to get this special rate (you will receive all of the details on how to do this in your reservation confirmation letter after you actually book the cruise portion of the trip with Cruise Holidays-Kansas City). **As an added bonus, we'll have a magical pre-cruise get-together at the hotel that particular night complete with libations, fellowship and some great magic. It's the perfect way to kick off Magic Cruise 2009 and get to know the performers and fellow cruisers!**

How will I get from the airport or hotel to the ship on May 3? --- If you fly in on May 2 and join us at the Miami Mart Airport Hotel that night, we will have transportation from the hotel to the Port of Miami available for a very nominal cost per person. If you fly into Miami on May 3 (the day the ship departs the port), you may take a taxi from the airport to the Port of Miami (the port is only 8 miles from Miami International Airport, and 25 miles from the Fort Lauderdale Airport).

At the end of the cruise, when should I book my return flight home? --- If you are flying into Miami or Fort Lauderdale to go on the Magic Cruise, you'll want to book your return airline tickets at the conclusion of the cruise. If you are leaving from Miami International Airport (MIA), you should book a flight departure after 1:00pm. If you are leaving from Fort Lauderdale Airport (FLL), you should book a flight departure after 2:00pm. Taxi service is available to either airport from the Port of Miami (the port is only 8 miles from Miami International Airport, and 25 miles from the Fort Lauderdale Airport).

Is a Passport required? --- Although a passport is strongly recommended, it is not required. If you do not have a passport (United States citizens), you **MUST** have a state-certified copy of your birth certificate and a state-issued photo I.D. (such as a drivers license).

Are vaccinations required? --- No immunizations or vaccinations are required for this particular cruise.

Will I need "dress up" clothing? --- This particular cruise features two "formal nights." Recommended dress for men include a tuxedo (optional), suit or jacket & tie. It is suggested that ladies wear a dress, cocktail dress, skirt or pantsuit on formal nights. Casual clothing and vacation clothing is appropriate for all other functions.

Will I have a chance to perform? --- Magic Cruise 2009 participants are encouraged to bring some magic to share with other Magic Cruise guests. There will be "open mike" and informal opportunities to share your magic and/or favorite routines.

Is there a deadline to participate in Magic Cruise 2009? --- *Because we have booked a limited supply of cabins, participation in Magic Cruise 2009 is available on a first-come, first served basis only. Once our initial block of cabins are sold, it is unlikely that additional cabins can be secured at the same low rate as our initial block. It is always best to book early.*

How much are the port charges, government taxes and fuel surcharges? --- *Every cruise passenger on any cruise line pays fees above and beyond the cost of the cruise package. These additional mandatory charges are government taxes, port charges and a fuel surcharge. For this particular Magic Cruise 2009, the breakdown, per passenger, is as follows: Government taxes = \$61.46 --- Port Charges = \$159 --- Fuel Surcharge = \$63. These additional fees total \$283.46.*

Who do I contact to book Magic Cruise 2009? --- *As mentioned before, we are extremely excited that we are working with Joanne Weeks of Cruise Holidays-Kansas City! Joanne has years of experience in the cruise and travel industry. If you would like to book the cruise, or have questions about anything related to the reservation process, contact Joanne toll-free at (800) 869-6806 or (816) 741-7417. You may also email her at joanne@cruiseholidayskc.com.*

What if I have questions about aspects of Magic Cruise 2009 not related to the booking or reservation process? --- *If you have a additional questions about the programming/activities, performers, or anything else (other than the booking/reservation process), contact David Sandy at (816) 233-4177 or email him at david@davidsandyproductions.com.*